

## Discussion of CRC Commissioners' Role Post-Mapping & Litigation February 10, 2022

Language from 2008 ballot proposition: ([https://repository.uchastings.edu/cgi/viewcontent.cgi?article=2265&context=ca\\_ballot\\_props](https://repository.uchastings.edu/cgi/viewcontent.cgi?article=2265&context=ca_ballot_props))

Sec 2; (c)(4) The term of office of each member of the commission expires upon the appointment of the first member of the succeeding commission

8253.6 The Legislature may make additional appropriations in any year in which it determines that the commission requires additional funding in order to fulfill its duties.

This document, the slides, and our February 10 discussion are intended to interpret the above language for the California Citizens Redistricting Commission (CCRC) for now and its future (or until commissioners change the policies). The two questions we will try to clarify are: whether the CRC is an institution and what it means for CRC to be fully functional. For this conversation, CCRC is the entity, and commissioners are the occupants. This conversation's outcome will inform the commissioners' work over the next seven years and our proposed CCRC timeline. Below you will find tools we created to help you imagine what could be for CCRC.

- What if the CCRC (the entity) was supported to be a California institution that evolves with each redistricting cycle to be better and better at drawing fair and representative maps?
  - Why may this work well?
  - What may be some of the pitfalls?
  - What would this mean for staffing, policies, procedures, timelines, leadership, onboarding of new occupants (commissioners), public education & outreach, and more? Specifically, what would need to be in place to ensure that CRC is an institution like other California commissions?
  - If it were an institution, what would be the current occupants' responsibilities to ensure that the next occupants are in the best place possible to begin serving Californians?
  - If the CRC is created anew with each new set of occupants, what are the responsibilities of occupants post-mapping and post-litigation?
- What if California's Census count and redistricting were marketed as one?
  - What would be the benefits?
  - What could be some pitfalls?
  - Who would need to be part of this conversation?
  - How would this affect the redistricting timeline?
  - How would this affect future CRC occupants' decision-making?
- What if the incoming occupants (2030 commissioners) could focus on learning, planning, and outreach from day one?
  - What types of systems, staffing, and onboarding would need to be in place?
  - What would current staff and CRC 2020 need to ensure this is the reality?



