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Friday, December 10, 2021 10:01 a.m.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Good morning, California, and welcome to the California Citizens Redistricting Commission meetings. I'm Jane Andersen. I'll be the chair for this meeting, as we go over our Congressional Districts, the House with -- along with my vice chair, Ray Kennedy. At this time, could we have roll call, please?

MR. SINGH: Yes, Madam Chair. Thank you.

Commissioner Fernandez?

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Presente.

MR. SINGH: Commissioner Fornaciari:

COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Here. Oops.

MR. SINGH: Commissioner Kennedy?

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Here.

MR. SINGH: Commissioner Le Mons?

COMMISSIONER LE MONS: (No audible response).

MR. SINGH: Commissioner Sadhwani?

COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Here.

MR. SINGH: Commissioner Sinay?

COMMISSIONER SINAY: Aquí.

MR. SINGH: Commissioner Taylor?

COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: Present.

MR. SINGH: Commissioner Toledo?
COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: (No audible response.)

MR. SINGH: Commissioner Turner?

COMMISSIONER TURNER: Here.

MR. SINGH: Commissioner Vasquez?

COMMISSIONER VASQUEZ: Here.

MR. SINGH: Commissioner Yee?

COMMISSIONER YEE: Here.

MR. SINGH: Commissioner Ahmad?

COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Here.

MR. SINGH: Commissioner Akutagawa?

COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: (No audible response.)

MR. SINGH: And Commissioner Andersen?

CHAIR ANDERSEN: And I am here also. Thank you very much, Ravi.

MR. SINGH: You're welcome.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: So today we'll have another exciting day working on our districts. We will start in the back piece at the coast and just do a quick rehash on exactly what we did yesterday. And we'll finish the coastal area, the central coast, and we'll do -- go over any revisions or iterations that we have created since yesterday. And we'll hit sort of the Central Valley and then we'll hit Los Angeles, Orange County.

So -- and any and all different iterations, we will be reviewing those in detail, until we eventually come
through absolutely everything in the map. And so what
other items? And for closed session, I found out we may
have a closed session, but it's unclear right now. We
will call, if we need one.

But for public comments, today we will be just
taking our last -- our drawing session will end -- we'll
take our break at 5:45 to 6 o'clock, when we will take
public comment at 6. So you must be on the line before 6
o'clock, and at 6 o'clock, we will take public comment.
And we may come back for line drawing after that.
Depending on how the days go and how much iterations we
end up having assigned, we will see if we need to come
back today, or start out first thing again in the
morning.

So with that, we got any questions from
Commissioners and/or -- any questions for the
Commissioners and/or any announcements of any that -- of
any type? Okay. I don't see any.

At this time, could we have Tamina? And share her
map, please.

MS. RAMOS ALON: Good morning, everyone.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Good morning, Tamina. Thank you
for all your hard work. And at this time, could we do --
was there any iterations in your area that you are
prepared to go over with us at this time, other than what
we just did?

MS. RAMOS ALON: Not at this time, Chair. I have two, which are cooking, but they are not quite finished yet. And so the map that you are looking at right now is where we left with the balance and 17,000 being moved down to Southern California.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Great. Okay, thank you very much. Well, then what we'd like to do, is we -- yesterday, we did the NORTHCOAS, and we worked on the Bay Area, but we did not go down South, this whole Central coast. So this time that's what we would like to do, please.

So if you would lead us through this, and actually make sure we get all the different areas, you know, so we can actually see where everything is. Just sort of do with an overview first and then go to each detail, please. And --

MS. RAMOS ALON: Certainly.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: -- Commissioners, as the -- if you -- if we're in an area, and you want to -- you see something you can't quite see, please raise your hand, and we'll get into the -- so we can really visualize and see what's going on in each area as we go. Thank you.

MS. RAMOS ALON: Certainly, Chair. We're going to be going through four districts today, so we're going to go to VENTURA, SOUTHCOAS, MIDCOAS, and CUPERTINO. We'll
start with CUPERTINO, farthest North. The -- CUPERTINO encompasses all of San Benito County, the Salinas 101 corridor of Monterey County. I will zoom in. Lots of little pieces in here.

So we do have Salinas, Castroville up here. We do not include Prunedale. Then there is a split in Prunedale purely for getting to that one deviation. Aromas in this district, Las Lomas, Pajaro, Watsonville, Freedom, Amnesty, and Interlaken. The Gilroy, San Martin, Morgan Hill corridors also included. And then we come up Eastern Santa Clara County, but don't go into San Jose City until we come up through the Alum Rock neighborhoods over here, some of downtown and Burbank.

So that is CUPERTINO. CUPERTINO is adjacent --

CHAIR ANDERSEN: I'm sorry, Tamina. Could we please have all the different CVAPs. All these are -- right now, you just have the deviation plus or minus one. Can we have the CVAPs on the districts as well, please?

MR. RAMOS ALON: Absolutely.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you.

MS. RAMOS ALON: So what you are looking at on the label is the name, followed by the deviation in whole persons, and then Hispanic/Latino CVAP, Asian CVAP, Black CVAP and indigenous CVAP. So for CUPERTINO, would just review that again for the numbers; So the LCVAP 50.39
percent, Asian CVAP is 14.02 percent, Black CVAP is 2.79 percent, and indigenous CVAP is 0.64 percent.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay, thank you very much. And oh, good. You're going to MIDCOAS, because I wasn't sure if we did that one yesterday, so thank you.

MS. RAMOS ALON: Yes, going to MIDCOAS right now.

MIDCOAS is 17.4 percent, LCVAP, 17.36 percent ACVAP, 2.69 percent BCVAP, and 1 percent indigenous CVAP. So MIDCOAS takes all of Santa Cruz County, with the exception of the few cities that we spoke about before, Watsonville, Freedom, Amnesty, and Interlaken. So the line is here at Corralitos, La Selva Beach --

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Excuse me. Excuse me one minute, Tamina.

MS. RAMOS ALON: Yes?

COMMISSIONER TURNER: On the --

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Commissioner Turner.

COMMISSIONER TURNER: On the CVAPs that you're putting up, those numbers you say reflect Latino and then Asian and then Black?

MS. RAMOS ALON: Yes, that's correct.

COMMISSIONER TURNER: Okay.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you, Commissioner Turner.

Sorry. Commissioner Fernandez.

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Thank you.
I thought normally it was Latino, Black and then Asian, Tamina?

MS. RAMOS ALON: Right. I can put them in any order you like.

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Okay. I'm just used to seeing it that way.

MS. RAMOS ALON: Well, let me fix that.

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: I think, Tamina, up to this point, they've been reversed, which is why I was not sure.

MS. RAMOS ALON: Apologies. I'll fix that right now. One moment.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you very much, Commissioners.

MS. RAMOS ALON: Okay. So the label should now reflect the name, followed by the deviation, then Latinos CVAP and Black CVAP and Asian CVAP, then indigenous CVAP. Is that correct? Okay.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you very much.

MS. RAMOS ALON: Sorry for the confusion.

COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Commissioner Andersen, can we also get the --

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Commissioner Toledo?

COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: -- the White CVAP as well, just so that we have all of the CVAPs?

MS. RAMOS ALON: Sure.
COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Thank you.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Right. Thank you.

MS. RAMOS ALON: Okay, so now you see a White CVAP, which is the last percentage at the bottom of the label. So in MIDCOAS, it's 60 percent.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Wonderful. Well, thank you, Tamina. Again, can you continue?

MS. RAMOS ALON: Yes, Chair.

So we have Santa Cruz County of the Western and Northern areas to the county border. We have parts of Western Santa Clara County. All of this purple area is San Jose, so the Southernmost parts of San Jose City, coming over to the West, and then right up to where we discussed before, with the COIs that are in this area. Sorry, there are like four. They're bouncing around in my mind over here. But that is the split that you have seen before. Happy to look at that street view, if anyone's interested.

MIDCOAS then comes down along the coast with Prunedale, Elkhorn, Pajaro Dunes. It was requested that these unincorporated areas next to Watsonville be kept with Watsonville. So that's why they are there and not with the MIDCOAS area coming down.

Coming down Marina, Seaside, Monterey, Pacific Grove, Del Monte, Del Rey Oaks, Carmel by the Sea, and
Carmel Valley Village.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Commissioner Sinay?

COMMISSIONER SINAY: Let her finish. I just wanted to go back after -- before she goes to the next one, just to ask counsel about that. There looks to be two necks now, versus one that we had before. So I just wanted to make sure we were all okay with that.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Great. Thank you.

So finish this -- looking at this district, please, Tamina, and then we'll go to counsel.

MS. RAMOS ALON: Yes, Chair.

And then the Northern part of San Luis Obispo County, which takes all of the cities up to Cayucos and right underneath Atascadero.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you. And can you just move our -- zoom out just a little bit for this one, please? Okay. A little bit more. So we can kind of see the whole district. All right. Okay.

Commissioner Sinay, did you want to -- Counsel can we -- can we have -- not sure actually who's on right now. We have Mr. Becker.

MR. BECKER: I think we've arranged for a closed session in a little bit, and I think it'd be appropriate to discuss that.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh. All right. Thank you.
Commissioner Fernandez.

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Thank you, Chair.

And sorry, Tamina. I forgot to ask you -- I think I might have missed it. In CUPERTINO, we're keeping the Salinas Valley together, correct? I thought I saw Salinas and Gonzalez, and --

MS. RAMOS ALON: Yes, they are all together in CUPERTINO. The only city in the area that is not included is CUPERTINO is (indiscernible, simultaneous speech) --

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes. Okay. And that's actually the bigger --

MS. RAMOS ALON: So Salinas, all the way South are included in the CUPERTINO.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay, great. Could you -- yes, thank you.

Could you show us this -- Tamina, could you go ahead and show us the city zoning map? You just finished up. Yes. Zoom back in where you were. Okay.

Now, kind of continue slowly scrolling. Thank you. Okay. And then Carville Valley is in the MIDCOAS District. Is that correct? All of it?

MS. RAMOS ALON: Yes, that's right. Yes.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay, thank you.

And -- Commissioner Sinay?
COMMISSIONER SINAY: I know we've done this several times, but is it -- the -- there -- it's a challenge to try to raise the CVAP any higher than where it's at right now for the Latino CVAP San Ysidro VRA District.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: In the one that's called CUPERTINO right now?

COMMISSIONER SINAY: (Audio interference) --

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes, we'll have a look at -- and so yes, you were -- continue, please. Sorry. Commissioner Sinay?

COMMISSIONER SINAY: Oh, you're asking me to continue? No, I was just -- I just wanted to hear Tamina's perspective on it, because I'm sure she's tried every which way to raise the VRA. I mean, the VRA -- the Latino CVAP. I know it's next to other areas where we tried to lift the CVAP as well. So I just wanted to hear her experience.

MS. RAMOS ALON: Yes, Commissioner. Thank you. This is the highest CVAP that I've been able to get it to. I did look at some submissions and COIs from other organizations, and I have like .02 or .03 higher than that. So I think folks are kind of in the same realm, just because of kind of where it is. And we did -- I did have to split a few areas in order to get it to the number that it's at now.
CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay.
Commissioner Toledo.

COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yeah. Thank you so much, Tamina, for your work on all of these maps and all of your work throughout the -- this process. I -- I'm looking at this as -- and I'm still wanting to see and hoping we can see, a version of this map that has a little bit more of Monterey or all of Monterey and San Benito, if possible. Or -- I know it's probably not possible, but more of Monterey, and just wondering your thoughts about that.

I see that you have a lot more than we had before. But I did -- we did receive the MALDEF maps that have more of Monterey and San Benito and -- keep us, you know, that's around the level that we are at right now. Because it's -- I mean, the population's probably only there to keep it at the lower end of that threshold. But there's a significant interest in -- from those communities, and we've received a lot of testimony from San Benito, from Monterey community groups, the community leaders to try to get as much of San Benito and Monterey, remembering that these two communities were under Section 5 of the VRA previously, prior to the changes, and have been together for a very long time.

And so just trying to see your thoughts about that.
Anyway we can do it -- that -- and I know that you've had a lot of exploration, and perhaps you can just let us know what your thoughts about getting more of Monterey into this version, while also maintaining the CVAP about where it's at; recognizing we can't go much farther. I mean, we've done lots of exploration here.

MS. RAMOS ALON: All right. No problem. Completely understood. I did look at taking the Southern parts here, like Camarillo-Enso into the CUPERTINO district. The problem is that we have this part of the District in San Luis Obispo, which needs to be connected with the Santa Cruz part. So if I cut this off, then both of these populations have nowhere to go, and they would be reaching East into the VRA districts for population.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah. Thank you.

Commissioner Fernandez?

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Thank you, Chair. Sorry, Tamina. Where's Hollister again? I thought it was in CUPERTINO. Is it in CUPERTINO? I couldn't see.

MS. RAMOS ALON: It's like the capital of --

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: It is.

MS. RAMOS ALON: -- San Benito.

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yeah.

MS. RAMOS ALON: Yeah. That was one of the
community's interest was to have Hollister with Salinas, so thank you so much.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes, continue with the -- showing us all the ones in this coastal area, please, Tamina.

MS. RAMOS ALON: Okay. So just two more to look at, these have not changed in quite a while, quite a few visualizations that you've seen. The first is our Santa Barbara, San Luis Obispo based district, which takes all of Santa Barbara County. And San Luis Obispo County, up through Cayucos and right underneath Atascadero, all the way to the county lines on both sides.

SOUTHCOAS also has the city of Ventura, Ojai, Miramonte and Oakview, as well as Miners Oaks, which allows the COIs in the Thousand Oaks, Simi Valley, Moorpark area to be kept together, as well as the Port Hueneme through Piro COI to be kept together in the Ventura County District.

And again, I think we've had three or four iterations that this has been -- these have been the same.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay.

Commissioner Fernandez.

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Thank you, Chair. Tamina, can you zoom out a little bit, please? I wanted to actually take a look at the CUPERTINO. I mean,
I -- we've completely gutted Monterey County and San Luis Obispo. And I know we've done it because of the VRA. And I just wanted to make sure I said that verbally, so that people are aware that this is occurring because of the Voting Rights Act and our responsibility to ensure the Voting Rights Act, which is our criteria, number two, and also our -- for population is criteria one. Thank you.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Commissioner Fornaciari.

COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yeah. And I would like to add that we're not going into Kern County from San Luis Obispo County, so. That was also a desire from the folks in San Luis Obispo County.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you.

Well, thank you, Tamina, just for having a look again at all the CVAPS in this area. Thank you. Okay, now, Tamina, could you zoom out a little bit? And so just kind of show us the whole areas that you have -- we've just kind of reviewed with you. So just sort of the overview. So here's the -- and just walk us through the -- so here's, like the Central coast.

MS. RAMOS ALON: Sure. So we just looked at four. CUPERTINO is this first one that we looked at, which is San Benito, Monterey based. Then we have MIDCOAS, which goes from Santa Cruz County down the coast of Monterey
into San Luis Obispo County. SOUTHCOAS, takes the
Southern half of San Luis Obispo County and joins it with
Santa Barbara County and the Ojai region of Ventura and
the Ventura City.

And then to Ventura District has the remainder of
Ventura County. And I'll zoom in so you can see. Just
comes in and also takes Calabasas, Agoura Hills and
Westlake Village.

COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Okay. Thank you very
much. And then -- so at this point, in this
area -- areas, we're still sort of looking at and working
on, in your whole area. We like the NORTHCOAS. We're
still looking at iterations for the Bay Area. And now
we've just sort of reviewed the SOUTHCOAS or the Central
coast, I should say. Great, thank you very much.

At this time. We're going to go ahead and go into a
closed session. And when we come back, we will thank
Tamina very much. And we might look at it a little bit
more closely, and then we will either -- we'll move on to
another area of the state. So at this time, we're going
to go to a closed session, please.

(Whereupon, a closed session was held from 10:25
a.m. to from 11:45 a.m.)

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Welcome back to our California
Citizens Redistricting Commission meeting. And we just
sort of gone over the coastal area with our mapper, Tamina. And we were just sort of having a closer look at different areas, and what we'd --

Did any Commissioner have anything that they want to ask or do with this area, please bring forward any questions or comments.

MR. BECKER: Oh, I'm so sorry to interrupt, Chair. Did you want to report back?

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh. Yes, I do. Thank you very much. Yes.

We did have a closed session on pending litigation matters. No action had been taken. And with that, we will jump back into our work and review our coastal areas, central coastal areas, which we've just gone over. And did anyone have any questions that they want to ask about this area? Anything?

Commissioner Fernandez?

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes, thank you, Chair. I think before we left, I was -- I was looking at the -- oh, my gosh. Now, I've just blanked out. CUPERTINO. CUPERTINO District. Sorry.

And Tamina, was just going to ask if you could please put on the Latino heat map for us, please. And what I'm looking for is, I was trying -- I know you've done this Tamina, but you know, I've got to ask. I know
you tried to increase the Latino CVAP, because it is very low. And I would like to increase that, so I was just
trying to see where some of the concentrations were to
try to make that stronger.

So if you wouldn't mind zooming in kind of in the,
yeah, near the coast, more so like, yeah, like I around a
little bit up. Yeah, if you could just zoom in there.

Okay. All right. That looks like, I think -- is that --
Gosh. I think that -- is that Watsonville?

No. Okay. Sorry. I'm trying to memorize them, and
I've actually been to Watsonville quite a few times.
Absolutely -- absolutely loves me -- love it. It reminds
me of home.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Actually, Tamina, could you darken
up the city outlines, please? Because I can't see them
under here. So I agree with Commissioner Fernandez. If
you could do that, please, so we can actually see where
the cities are. Oh, thank you very much.

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Thank you, Chair.

Okay, so -- I mean, I think there might be some
opportunities there, granted, you know, it's little by
little, because few numbers are not going to greatly
increase our CVAP. But maybe if we can -- some of the
communities, like around Watsonville, and then I think
it's -- is it Castro Valley down below or? Yes. Thank
you. And then maybe Castro Valley, and then offset that for some other districts just between the two districts. And that's something that I'd be willing to work with Tamina off-line, if everybody's okay with that. But if not, just let me know, Chair.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Thank you very much, Commissioner.

Commissioner Toledo.

COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yeah. And I'd also like to work with Tamina off-line on this region, given that for very similar reasons, just making sure that the that we keep as much of Monterey County as possible and are able to, you know, explore different aspects of the Latino CVAP as well.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Certainly. Thank you. We have -- could -- with the heat map on, could we have a look at the -- this whole area, please? Tamina, thank you very much for being able to work this and get that to -- our CVAP over 50 percent, because I know we were wondering, and we didn't think that could happen. And so really appreciate that.

Oh, I see. It is an interesting area. Now, did any other Commissioner have any questions or any ideas about this they want to do right now? Do we like the idea of, you know, spending a bit of time just off-line. And any
objection to being off-line?

COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I'd like to get as much of Monterey County into this district as possible. And -- but that's something we can do off-line as well. I think though --

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah, I do see --

COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: -- there's a lot of unincorporated areas, and such that, we might be able to bring it in with -- while also maintaining the deviations and the -- and Latino CVAP. So that's something. Of course, we could do it in live session, if that's your discretion, up to your discretion, Chair, but something that we could also do off-line with your permission.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: No, thank you very much, Mr. Toledo. And I was just looking to see if there was anything that -- we've done this exploration online in the open meeting, in our STANISFRES. And it can take a great deal of time when there's -- nothing so obvious jumps out at you. I don't see anything obvious jumping out, and I think this would take a great deal of time. So I appreciate you volunteering.

Commissioner Sadhwani?

COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah. Thank you. I certainly support the Commissioners working on this to see how to further incorporate these areas. I think
that's a reasonable and worthwhile exploration to be done. That being said, I just wanted to note, we've actually had a pretty good feedback on some of the districts right above.

That Greater ED one, we've had good feedback on, and then we're moving up into the San Francisco area as well, as we continue and into San Jose and other -- a lot of other COIs, right. So I just want to be cautious, because, as I'm looking at this map, if we bring in more of Monterey County, we're going to strand Santa Cruz, which is going to cause a redraw of Northern California.

So yeah. I support that exploration, and I look forward to seeing what is possible. But I am cautious about disrupting some of the districts that -- above that are looking really good. Thank you.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you, Commissioner Sadhwani.

Commissioner Kennedy?

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you, Chair. I guess my sense is that if we're looking to bring in areas adjoining the -- more the Southwestern portion of this "CUPERTINO District," then we might be looking at the possibility of population switches with the North of this "CUPERTINO District" coming back into MIDCOAS, as Commissioner Sadhwani said, not touching, not moving population through GREATER AD. So that -- that's where,
you know, in my mind's eye, I would see things being explored. Thank you.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you.

And Commissioner Sinay?

COMMISSIONER SINAY: Thank you. And I just wanted to remind all that Santa Cruz got split a lot in the Assembly, and as much as we can keep Santa Cruz whole in whatever iteration we do here, it would be good. And that from the COI testimony in the Central coast, Santa Cruz and Monterey seem to have more of an affiliation than Monterey and San Luis Obispo.

And so you know, that there's different affiliations among going up and down the coast and just to try to keep that in mind as well. But Santa Cruz is small, so it would be good to minimize the splits.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you, Commissioner.

Commissioner Toledo.

COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I would agree. I would concur with Commissioner Sadhwani and Commissioner Kennedy and Sinay. I mean, the goal, of course, is fair maps. And that's what we'll be seeking to do, is develop a map that is fair for all of these communities. And at this point, it would be refinements and trying to get as much of -- as we can to ensure fair maps for the people of the Central coast and as well as the surrounding areas.
And this is a difficult area, because there is -- you have urban and -- it's where the urban and rural communities meet. And so -- and those areas tend to be difficult. So certainly, I think Commissioner Fernandez and I have always advocated for rural communities and smaller communities, but also for the urban areas as well. And so trying to make sure that fair maps can be developed for the central coast is critical. Thank you.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you.

And Commissioner Fernandez.

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes. Yes, I would echo what Commissioner Toledo said. And also, as we all know, this -- CUPERTINO would be a VRA district, and it is, in terms of criteria, it is higher than communities of interest. But we will try to respect the communities of interests as much as possible. Thanks.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Great. Thank you. With that, I want -- I believe our directional -- so to summarize, that is, yes, please, please work, the two Commissioners, Toledo and Fernandez, not necessarily together, but with Tamina, our mapper, and try to increase the CVAP in here as you can. Because that is, again, it's population and VRA district considerations. And considering that -- keeping in mind that Santa Cruz and Monterey really would like to be together and then Commissioner Kennedy's
suggestions with where you switch populations.

So with those directions, please proceed, and we can move on. Are there any other areas in this section that Commissioners would like to work on, or do we like the other areas?

Any issues with the rest of it?

Commissioner Sinay.

COMMISSIONER SINAY: We -- oh, never mind. We're in the central coast. Never mind. Sorry.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Thank you.

All right. With that, Tamina, thank you very much.

And I -- we -- I believe we'd like to go over now to Kennedy's area and review the Central Valley. Oh, I should say -- yes, and go to the Central Valley, make sure we like our new area districts over there. So if we could do that, please.

MS. RAMOS ALON: Thank you, Chair. One second, we will switch our mappers for you.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Great. Thank you very much.

And now in our whole -- since Kennedy is actually going from the top of the state, you know, through the Central Valley, are there any areas in this -- you know, we did a rather quick review of the whole thing the other day, and are there areas that -- would the Commissioners like to do a review of the entire area or the particular
areas that you would really like to delve into?

Commissioner Kennedy.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you, Chair. First of all, I think we do need to get the overall view. Second, I just wanted an update on the status of the 17,000 people, more or less, that we needed to move from the North of the state down to the South. Where are they right now, and what do we still need to do, as far as allocating them? Thank you.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: To answer that, do we have -- you might wait until the line drawers are on here.

Commissioner Turner.

COMMISSIONER TURNER: Thank you, Chair. I'm in support of going through the entire portion of that committee has kind of taken charge for us, so that we can see a review of how things have shaken out. Yes, want to see where the overflow happened? But I think there's -- we've been trying to make adjustments through this area, and I think I'd like to see where we currently stand to start conversations.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you. Thank you very much.] And any other before we have Kennedy walk us through the whole thing?

Okay. I don't see any hands.

Welcome, Kennedy. Thank you very much. And if you
could, please start actually at the North, and we'll walk through the entire -- your entire area, please. And thank you for keeping the -- all the CVAPS on. And now, Kennedy, just for -- I -- just for everyone's understanding, could you please go through the -- your list on your titles, and tell us what everything is, please?

MS. WILSON: I sure may. So we can use ECA as an example for the moment. So --

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you.

MS. WILSON: -- first we have -- oh, it moved up a little higher. But we have the district title name, and then we have the deviation of the number of people. So ECA is under 71 people right now. Then we have the percent deviation, which is a -0.01 percent. And then we have the Latinos CVAP, the Black CVAP, Asian CVAP, indigenous CVAP, and then White CVAP.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you very much.

MS. WILSON: So those are the labels. And I believe you said you wanted to start in the North.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes, please.

MS. WILSON: And so basically --

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Actually, I'm --

MS. WILSON: Oh.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: I'm sorry. Before you do that, can
you give us the status of, at this point, how is the
population? They've all moved down, or where are we with
that?

MS. WILSON: Yes. So as of yesterday and what I had
shown, we had Commissioner Fornaciari's rework of the
area in the North. What you spoke about yesterday was
this dividing line of Tahoe, Commissioners being
comfortable with that. He moved the line in Sacramento
to the river, and so moved that up from the
NORTHSAC/SOUTHSAC split. And then we went through and
took 17,000 people from Contra Costa County, and we took
Discovery Bay and Byron, put it into the San Joaquin
District.

The boundary we had moved over a little bit, so
it'll turn on what it used to be. So it did move out
this way. So we brought it in. And so now Valley Home
and Ripon are going South instead of North. And then
Alon put into this ECA. And so we moved that 17,000
through there from Contra Costa to San Joaquin to ECA,
and then pushed it out, so that it's going now down
towards San Bernardino through Inyo County.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Commissioner Fornaciari.

COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yeah, So we're -- I would
frame it a little differently. I think the 17,000 people
are in ECA, and we have to decide how we want to move
them basically to San Bernardino County at this point.  
So one option is shown in this picture to move part of  
Inyo County South. The other option is to go through, as  
I understand it, go through the FRESNO-KERN District  
and --

MS. WILSON: Yeah, and if I may.

COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Go ahead.

MS. WILSON: So that was just this option. And  
yesterday we didn't get a chance to look at the other  
option. And so I have the other option also.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Wonderful. Thank you.

Commissioner Akutagawa.

COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah, I would like to see  
another option. I am very concerned about Inyo and Mono  
and Alpine being split. They share -- I mean, I know  
that, obviously, equal population is important, but I  
think we've talked a lot about different communities.  
And one that is a pretty unique community that shares  
some very core commonalities, besides just being, you  
know, in the mountains, but there -- it's also driven by  
the mountains.

You know, they're not -- I would just be very  
concerned. We've heard a lot of testimony from the  
residents in Inyo and Mono and about the -- not only the  
shared services, but the shared challenges. There's not
a lot, and I know that that's the -- that's been the
struggle for all of us, but I think -- I would like to
see us try our very best. I know that at some point we
do have to make some hard decisions.

I hope that the other option, Kennedy, might be one
that does not split Inyo from my Mono, Alpine, and the
other CRAs. It -- it's -- I think that this is what they
had before, or this is a position that they've been in
before, and it's been difficult. And I would really, as
much as much as we've also tried to keep other, you know,
communities together, this is one of those that I would
like us to try our best to really, at least Inyo and Mono
and Alpine. I know that they've very -- been very
specific about trying to stay together, if we can.

Anyways, I --

MS. WILSON: Yeah.

COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: -- I'll just stop there.

Thank you.

MS. WILSON: Yeah.

COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Thank you.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you. And before we really --
I -- get into talking about this particular option, I
would like us to look at the other option. I know that
there are two options. And so you know, we can talk
about both of them when we see them both. And then what
I'd like us to sort of say, okay, here's one option. Here's the other option. Talk about those a bit. But I don't want to decide. And you know, I'd like us to decide, if there's an easy decision, yes. And then I don't want to miss, because we definitely want to spend more time in the valley itself. So that's the plan right now. But let's --

Commissioner Fernandez.

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes. Thank you, Chair. I'm trying to -- okay, so the extra 17,000, potentially, is in the, excuse me, ECA. Sorry. I've just got a frog in my throat right now. So my proposal -- I know this would be to move Inyo into the ECA, then you, obviously, have over, whatever, thirty something one thousand, and then maybe move the -- shift the line of FRESNO-KERN North to make up for that. That way you do keep that -- those communities of interest.

I've advocated for small towns, small communities, and especially for small, smaller populated counties. I would love to keep Inyo with its neighbors of Mono and Alpine. Thank you.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you.

Yeah, Tamina, did you want to say something or? Oh, I'm sorry. Commissioner Turner.

COMMISSIONER TURNER: Thank you, Chair. I just
wanted to say, while Tamina or while Kennedy had the map right where she did, we are hearing just people call in with public comment for hours and hours on end. And I just wanted to assure the public that we are indeed listening and paying attention.

We received one caller, individual last night that lived in Mammoth Lake and talked about the smallness of it, and she lives in Bishop and was concerned about being split and what have you.

I wanted to particularly call that one out, because I think the comment was that the name has not even been mentioned. Like, we are not, you know, giving proper attention to some of the smaller areas. And certainly we can't call out every place in California that we're spending hours and hours reading through public comment on.

But it did touch my heart, and I wanted to make sure that I did at least acknowledge that, yes, we do see we -- are struggling with this area as other areas, trying to ensure that we're following the criteria, and we're keeping communities of interest, and it is it is quite a challenge.

But I don't want Californians, necessarily, to think that we're bypassing testimonies and public comment in the larger areas, and we're not hearing or seeing the
smaller areas. So I just want to shout out to Bishop
Mammoth Lake, Mono, Inyo, all of those smaller areas and
smaller towns, incorporated, unincorporated, all of these
areas there. Not just for that area, but across.

We're reading every comment that comes in and trying
to be led by that, in accordance with the criteria that
we have to follow. That's all. Thank you.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: No, thank you very much,
Commissioner Turner.

And I put myself in the queue here, because, you
know, clearly this is an area where this was, you know,
Commissioner Akutagawa and I, this was our area. And the
only reason I didn't really bring this up extensively and
mention this, that how this is absolutely the thing that
Inyo and Mono do not want. And they haven't asked for a
lot, but this is the one thing they did not want, is
because there's another option, and it keeps many more
people happy.

It's actually is nice and is a nice -- it has a lot
of bonuses with it. And so I did not mention it, which I
do apologize, because it did seem like we didn't talk
about Mono and Inyo, where we talked about all of these
other areas. And no, we're -- we, as a Commission, are
indeed reading everything, and we are indeed looking at
everywhere. So I just want to say that.
Commissioner Sinay.

COMMISSIONER SINAY: No need.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Thank you very much.

So Kennedy, could we see option 2?

MS. WILSON: Yes. And I was going to say, just wanted to remind you, there's another option, we just hadn't gotten to it yet. So let me pull that up for you.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: I will also say that, you know, there was sort of the other idea of matching the populations from the North to South disparity and resolving them, was down the coast. But we just saw how well that coastal area sort of fits together. And that was quickly discounted by the mappers to say that's just really not a good idea. So that's why we didn't see that a third option.

So Kennedy, if you could just tell us (indiscernible, simultaneous speech) --

MS. WILSON: So yes. And so this -- we had worked on a version yesterday of the new VRAs, like, areas, so this is not reflecting the VRA areas, but it does reflect the 17,000 change. And mostly those were changes just within those areas. So it doesn't have a huge effect on what's going on here, just to let you know.

But so this is very similar, in that it takes in Discovery Bay and Byron, then goes through ECA. The line
in Fresno, it did have a slight split in the North, and I brought it up to the county line here for the FRESNO-KERN, and that's where it took in those 17,000 people.

I tried just within this area here, but there were not enough people here. And so then moved the 17,000 down through Fresno and then to California city. And it did have to be cut. I'm going to split. I'm going to zoom in, so that you can see that California City does have a split through it, and North Edwards, Boron, and Edwards Air Force Base are moving outwards, because that is making the population of 17,000.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh. Thank you.

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Thank you, Kennedy, for respecting the smaller counties. I should have waited for your second option. So thank you. I do prefer this one. I feel -- maybe that was just -- I was just, you know, setting that up for you, Kennedy.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: And Commissioner Yee.

COMMISSIONER YEE: Hi, Kennedy. Real quick. Just wondering why the Marconi deviation keeps showing up at 11,000.

MS. WILSON: I do not have the Sivan's version in this map, which is why. Because you've been working on so many different versions. I don't have her district
that you've worked on with her in this map. Because this is a screenshot from a couple of days ago as well. So I don't have that in here.

COMMISSIONER YEE: Right. So theoretically, with either of these options, that would be close to zero.

MS. WILSON: Yes, because this has -- it's a seven. I can look up the exact population, but right here is around 17,000 people.

COMMISSIONER YEE: Perfect. Thank you.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you.

Commissioner Sadhwani.

COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yes. Can we just pull out and take a look at this option a little closely? I want to see what's happening further up.

MS. WILSON: Yes, one moment. Is there any area that you would like me to zoom in closer on?

COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Well, so I'm just trying to -- so this is a visualization, and we're still pulling from the -- a lot of population from which part of the state? From Modesto.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: From -- yes.

Just -- Kennedy, can you please walk us through that again?

MS. WILSON: Yes, so ECA is -- has always been taking from Modesto and Turlock. That has not changed.
COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah.

MS. WILSON: Basically, we're just moving 17,000 through Discovery Bay-Byron. It shifts the line in San Joaquin a little, and then spits it out through FRESNO-KERN and then down.

COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Thank you for that, Kennedy. And I'm just curious. I've heard so many of my colleagues talk so beautifully about the needs of rural communities, and I agree with that. But the testimony that we had received from Inyo and Mono had asked to have this this district go all the way up to Roseville.

And I'm just wondering if -- I understand that there are some that don't want that to happen, but I'm just wondering, have we ever visualized it? Have we ever even considered that as an option? And I just want to get some clarity if we ever tried to consider that, or if that was a nonstarter from the get-go.

MS. WILSON: I'm sorry, I totally missed that. My Wi-Fi went, Commissioner Sadhwani.

COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Sure.

MS. WILSON: Would you my mind repeating that.

COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah. During our 14-day comment period after our draft maps, we heard from folks, both in Modesto and in the ECA region here, that they didn't want to -- Modesto didn't want to be with the
mountain areas, and that the mountain areas didn't want
to be with Modesto.

And so I -- just -- I hear so many of you like
really honoring the desires and wishes of rural
communities, and I love that. And I'm just wondering if
we've ever even attempted to actually do that and at
least visualize what it would look like to have this ECA
district not have Modesto included, and take a look at
Roseville.

I'm just trying to make sure that when we finalize
these maps, that we have left no stone unturned. And I
think, you know, I was so moved, you know, by the --
that -- the, you know, the pieces from so many of you
about really wanting to honor those desires.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you, Commissioner Sadhwani.

COMMISSIONER TURNER: Absolutely. Thank you,
Commissioner Sadhwani. I agree. We want to ensure that
no stones are unturned in every iteration, in every area
of the map.

Kennedy, in bringing the population down, and I know
I'm probably going the opposite direction, but was there
an opportunity back in the Modesto area with any of the
population you were shifting to make Modesto whole and
not in the ECA District? Is there -- can we do
anything -- back up there. Went through it a little bit quick. My computer's glitching a bit, so I was probably a bit behind you.

MS. WILSON: So Modesto -- the goal of this, as I was -- and Mr. Fornaciari -- Commissioner Fornaciari can speak clearer to this. But it was not focusing on the Modesto --

COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Right.

MS. WILSON: And so it was focusing on the 17,000, but that switch is a little bit bigger. And I think parts of Modesto were going into -- well, I know parts of Modesto were going into the STANISFRESNO as well.

COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Right. And I guess what I'm saying so that you're answering, because I didn't ask it clear enough, Kennedy. I'm sorry. I'm asking since Modesto is split, is there an opportunity to utilize the that fact and have the split portion going towards ECA, not going towards ECA, and utilizing that 17,000 in some way, because we didn't focus on it.

This is new conversation. And just to your point earlier, the split has been there for quite a while, but I think we have been waiting. I -- the Central Valley is a challenge, because it is sandwiched between the border and then, of course, the coast on the other side. And so
we continue to have this issue of this bottleneck and --
in the Central Valley, or I should say the challenge of
trying to make it work.

So I understand that and understand Modesto hadn't
been the focus. But to that point, I am trying to see,
is there a way we can respond to all of the testimonies
that we've received for Modesto?

MS. WILSON: And if I may, I have pulled up the
visualization from 11/07, and that has Modesto, Turlock
with Tracy, Mountain House, Manteca, Lodi to Farmington,
Oakdale. It has those parts of Stanislaus and San
Joaquin together. And then ECA pulled from -- I think it
has Rancho Murieta and goes up to Plumas.

So that is a visualization that we did look at
before, not including that. And it goes up to including,
oh, sorry, you're waving your hand. But that's something
that we did look at before, and it's in the VCD 11/07
visualization.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: I don't want to jump the lines
here, but I see Commissioner Fornaciari wildly waving his
hand. Is this directly related to this?

COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yes.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay.

COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: I didn't feel like I was
being wild, but that's okay.
CHAIR ANDERSEN: I saw it. I really appreciated it.

COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yeah.

So Commissioner Sadhwani, specifically to answer the Roseville question.

COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yes.

COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: To get to Roseville.

Roseville is on the Northwest side of Sacramento. So you got to go around, all the way around the top to get back in, bypassing a bunch of population. And then that essentially drives the maps for the entire state, or certainly in the North part of the state.

I believe -- correct me if I'm wrong, please, Kennedy, in the November 7th, did we have three VRA districts or only two at that point?

MS. WILSON: One moment, while I --

COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Because I believe --

MS. WILSON: Yeah, three.

COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: -- a bunch of the changes were related to us making three VRA districts, and then we wound up with that population there.

MS. WILSON: So yeah, we still actually had three in this, yeah.

COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Oh, we did?

MS. WILSON: We had -- STANISFRESNO stayed the same, so the split within Modesto and Turlock --
COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Right.

MS. WILSON: -- look very similar. And then it's just that the rest of Modesto is going North and taking from San Joaquin instead. And so that does change what Sacramento will look like. But even in this visualization, we actually did not go into Roseville. I think similar to reasons that you said. So we kept all of El Dorado, took some of Placer, and then kept going North Plumas for that, yeah.

COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yeah. And then finally, I'll just refer back to other COI testimony we got, that the folks up in the North hated that, right? They wanted to go East-West. Those counties up North.

MS. WILSON: Uh-huh

COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: So I mean, well, you know, we're balancing COI input at that point.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Hmm-hmm.

MS. WILSON: And I can pull up 11/07 on this map, if you would like to look at it, but if not.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: All right. And thank you.

Commissioner Akutagawa.

COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah. I have another maybe question or idea. I noticed, Kennedy, that you had to split California city. Could you go down? Okay. So I don't know if this would be weird, but what if -- would
you -- what if you were to take some population from, you
know, from like that, it looks like Pearsonville?

It's -- if -- I know you're at the county line
there, and then you're at the county line for Kern, where
Ridgecrest is included. But what if you were to take
from Pearsonville, and then cut in all the way in to
Mohave, Rosamond, Edwards, California city, Ridgecrest,
and you added all of that to the ECA District? Would
that pick up sufficient population, where you could maybe
move Modesto into it's -- Stanislaus District, and
perhaps even take in, well, at least Modesto?

MS. WILSON: I think that population is not exactly
equal. And I'm pulling up right now, California City.
One moment.

COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: I mean, you know, people
might not like that one more, but I did hear similar some
more testimony that Commissioner Fornaciari is talking
about. So instead of going further North, maybe instead
of dipping into San Bernardino, dip into Kern for that
little piece there, and that might make more sense. I
think they share a media market. So maybe that might,
you know. That's not the best option, but it is, you
know, just another alternate option to, you know, group
them together in a district.

MS. WILSON: And so California City alone is 12,000.
And so I had to split, because I didn't want to split the smaller Edwards Air Force Base, North Edwards, or Boron. So that's why I chose to split that instead of splitting the others. I think taking from Pearsonville down also would mean taking Ridgecrest. Is that what you're referring to with (indiscernible, simultaneous speech) --

COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah, that's what I was thinking, too, yeah.

MS. WILSON: And so yeah. You -- we need to talk about that.

COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: I mean, I -- but in doing so, you might be able to, then, put back some of those further -- like, what is it, El Dorado, into a Sacramento district. Like, I think that that's what they wanted. Because I think they all -- yeah, Mohave and Rosemond were also -- I guess, they wanted to be together if possible. Pearsonville is already in the Inyo district or the ECA district.

MS. WILSON: And so that has 75,000 people and I do not have the population of Modesto currently. I don't know if anyone else does, but I don't believe it's an even switch.

COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Modesto's a lot more.

COMMISSIONER TURNER: 219,000.

COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Oh, okay.
MS. WILSON: And then, that would also be -- well, I'm -- I don't -- I actually, I don't know. Obviously you all made the decisions, but from what I've heard before moving Ridgecrest out of Kern was also no-no. But I know you have to make a bunch of no-no's so -- yeah.

COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah, we're well past the no-no's now. What if you were to give up some more of that Fresno area?

COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Sorry, Chair. Can I -- can I comment?

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah. Yes, please, Commissioner Fornaciari.

COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Let's -- let's zoom out. Okay. Let's zoom out. If we don't want -- if we don't Modesto in the mountain --

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah.

COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: -- we have to -- that population has to go North.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Correct.

COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: And population has to come down from the North. The -- we can't fix it in the South --

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Correct.

COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: -- because we can't get that population there. Okay? So we have to take that
population and go through San Joaquin into Sacramento.
And then out the top of Sacramento into -- and redo, like, Placer and those counties to make that switch.
That's the switch that we'd have to do.

And then, I guess to go back to Commissioner Turner's question earlier about the 17,000. It's going the other -- it's going the other direction. Right? It -- we had to add population to ECA to move that 17,000. So you know, which just made it bigger and we couldn't take -- and so that's why we couldn't make the split in Modesto smaller.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah. The visualization -- as Commissioner Fornaciari's saying, with the population -- we're trying to move the population down. That means the lines that are further down that than that --

COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Right.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: -- move up the map. So that's where it's -- the lines move.

COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: So what -- I mean, we can look at this if -- and see what that looks like, you know. That's certainly something we can take a look at, if the Commission would like.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Commissioner Fernandez.

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Thank you, Chair.

Yeah, I was going to respond. Thank you,
Commissioner Fornaciari regarding the Roseville. And I'm going to respond to the Modesto. I realize Modesto, they probably -- neither one wants to be, but I do have family in Modesto and they're -- I would say there's lots of parts of Modesto that are more rural and country-ish. Like, I want to be country-ish, then maybe anyone wants to admit at this point. But I do feel that that's a better fit than trying to go around and get to Roseville or any of those communities which are truly a suburb of the Sacramento area, which are not rural. So I just wanted to put my two cents in. Thank you.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Commissioner Turner.

COMMISSIONER TURNER: Thank you. And thank you for the discussion. I certainly agree that there are parts of Modesto that are rural. I just don't know that there's parts of it that truly is a good fit with Mono and Inyo and some of those. So I think that's where the problem will be. And in no way would I want to go down into Kern picking up those communities into this district, at all.

And so I'm still looking for opportunities to see what else, even if it needs to go through San Joaquin County and some other direction. I just think that this is a stretch. And when we explore -- and if there, indeed, is nothing else that can be done, then that's
when we need to move. But I don't want to give up on it too quick because we've taken -- you know, we take time in all of our areas. And I appreciate the time in all the areas.

Modesto is not a fit with Mono and Alpine, if we can help it. And if moving that other part of Mono -- of Modesto into other like rural areas is a different story and would be an easier, I guess connection.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you, Commissioner Turner.

All right. Commissioner Sadhwani.

COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah, I think just to chime in on all of this. And you know, Commissioner Fornaciari, I so appreciate all of the work that you've done here and probably certainly don't want -- don't want you to feel that I'm not appreciating that because we do have a larger map issue. That being said, you know, we've heard a lot from Modesto, a lot from Inyo-Mono, they don't want to be together.

I understand. I hear you saying Roseville maybe doesn't want to be with this community either. But it -- I think given all of the testimony that we received on our draft map, I feel beholden to at least explore what other options are out there. That being said, the issue on the 17,000 people that need to be shifted around, I'll just remind us.
We've had a caller, I believe it's the same individual who's called on the last two nights from Yucaipa wanting to be -- keep Yucaipa at the bottom of San Bernadino with Calimesa. Calimesa is about 10,000 people. There's another city right nearby. I -- I'm still curious to figure out if there might be other ways to distribute population in order to meet these goals and at a minimum.

I do feel like it's our responsibility to take a look at the options that can conserve these communities and from the get go INYO and MONO said that they did not want to be with the Central Valley. So in good faith to them, I -- I do think it's beholden on us to at least look at what other options might be out there. Thank you.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you.

I'm sorry, Commissioner Fernandez, did you already -- did you have a --

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yeah. I can go again. A couple things. If we try to push all of that population, I think it was 200,000 plus all the way North, again, breaking up other communities of interest. If you're not going to put Inyo, Mono, and Alpine with the Central, it's going to be the whole loop around going all the way -- all the way North and maybe even the coastal in
order to get communities that are similar.

And that's the hard -- that's the difficult part when you have the smaller population areas that we have to contend with. And from a -- me, coming from a small town, I had to contend with being with populations that are bigger. And I think at this point, we are trading off one -- yeah, a significant communities of interest for other communities of interest that this could potentially disrupt as well. Thank you.

COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: If I -- if I may just respond, Chair.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Certainly.

COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: I -- I'll just note, we're -- we're trying all of the state, right? Later today, you'll see a plan for lower down in the state, that's a share the pain plan, right? And recognizing that, you know, cities are being split, communities of interest are being split. And as we've talked about over and over again, these Congressional maps are the hardest because the deviations are so low.

But again, I think it's just worth, at minimum, exploring to ensure that, you know, when we finish this process, we can say we tried. We tried, and maybe it didn't happen, but we tried.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you, Commissioner Sadhwani.
Commissioner Sinay.

COMMISSIONER SINAY: I'm not sure if this can help or not help. But we have received a lot of input form Sanger -- Sanger, Sanger -- I'm sorry, I'm not sure how to say it.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Sanger. Sanger.


CHAIR ANDERSEN: Sanger. You have to -- you have to throw a bit of an Oakie accent into it.

COMMISSIONER SINAY: Sorry.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Sanger.

COMMISSIONER SINAY: Okay. Anyway. From that place, I always put a Spanish accent on everything. But we have received a lot from that city asking not to be split, so I don't know if there's a way to share the -- you know, take one split, and move it that way or -- I don't know enough, but I just want to make sure to voice -- for them to know that we -- oh, they're not split here. Never mind. The -- yeah, because we're receiving a lot of comments about not being happy where they've been put, but maybe they were split in the Assembly and they've been bringing it up here. Sorry.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: No, thank you very much Commissioner Sinay. I put myself in queue here. I just want to say, the reason I can say Sanger is because I
went to high -- as an Oakie, I went to high school in Oklahoma. So -- but I put myself in the queue here because I've been hearing this. And I know that this is a very difficult thing if we could make these happen. I volunteer to work with the one line drawers off-line, to try to run some scenarios. Because for us to attempt to do something right now, would take us until the end of you know, the end of the month.

MS. WILSON: And if I -- if I may. I think another thing that what happens -- sorry, going back to this, the 7th. I think what's -- going Northward, at least, is worth the Commission taking a look at from November 7th. And again, I can pull that up to show you what that would look like moving Northward. Because it will change a lot of this moving North. So Modesto, Interlock are going to be with Tracy and Mountain House, picking up population from Lassen, Brea, Manteca there. And going Northward if there's a hard line here.

And so obviously, we can change probably more things up in Sacramento, but I think looking at the 11/07 is a good -- just good thing to look at to see what you can expect to see moving forward with a plan like that.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. So yes, then, yeah. Because we -- I think we'd like to explore this. So could we have a quick look at that?
And while you're switching, Commissioner Akutagawa.

COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah. Chair, I'm also willing to look at this ECA since this was an area which you and I shared a -- you know, for the outreach work that we were doing. It -- if perhaps, I don't know how strongly you feel about it. I mean, I'm more than happy to help. But I was just thinking then if, you know, I could perhaps work with Commissioner Fornaciari along with Kennedy since he has looked at a lot of the options in the Northern California/Sacramento area.

But I mean, if he'd want to, I mean, I don't know if you're planning to do it on your own.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Well, you -- yes. If interpreted, if would be after -- you know, not during meeting with the line drawer. But yes, if you'd like to also -- we can certainly coordinate -- you know, of course -- we've got such a tough, yet -- I don't who -- I can't volunteer other people, so. But I -- I'd be happy to do that.

Commissioner -- I see Commissioner Fornaciari.

COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yeah. It -- you know, I mean, this is going to be really, really close. So we might as well just go through this, so --

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you. Yeah, let's review this, please. Commissioner Toledo.

COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yeah. I would just -- I would
just keep it to two Commissioners working on any given area just so --

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Um-hum, yes.

COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: -- just for that reason. And of course, any of us can give feedback through staff to the line drawers. Who -- and of course, I mean that would be my comment.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah.

COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Just to keep it -- just to ensure that we're -- out of an overabundance of caution, no offense.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: No. No, thank you. I appreciate that, Commissioner Toledo. I'm sorry, Commissioner Akutagawa. I'm sorry, is --

COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah. And I guess, maybe speaking of overabundance of caution, I guess maybe I'm just thinking that maybe since Commissioner -- well, I'm thinking that since -- whether I work with you or whether I work with Commissioner Fornaciari, I think because we're of different parties, it might also, you know, be better.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah. That's -- yeah, that's what I -- I mean, you and I were working on this area so -- over -- but again, however -- again, if Commissioner Fornaciari, I think we go ahead and go to this. And this
might tell us a great deal. So could -- Kennedy, could
you go ahead, please?

MS. WILSON: Yeah. So I have those lines turned on.
You know, actually we can start from the bottom. Pretty
much everything stays the same as far as, like, changes
we've made within the VRA districts have been localized
within those. And so we have Mono, the same parts of
Fresno, Modera, Inyo, Mariposa, Tulane, Calaveras,
Humidor, Alpine, El Dorado, Placer, Nevada, Yuba split
from Sutter, Sierra, and Plumas, all in one district.

And then, going into what the change in Stanislaus
is. So again, split it pretty much identical to the one
that we have now for the VRA district. So we have parts
of Modesto, parts of Turlock going North. As you can see
it's not perfectly balanced, but you know, it's a
negative 0.30 percent. And this includes Mountain House,
Tracy, Lathrop, Manteca, Oakdale to Knights Ferry, the --
and Lodi is a part of this. Dogtown, all of the farming
cities to the East of San Joaquin.

And then, moving North -- and there were different
priorities at the time of making this too. So -- but
just at the time, keeping Stockton whole was a big
priority too, so we have that put in with Elk Grove and
Vineyard, Flores, and Lemon Hill, Wilton, and Galt. So
Elk Grove and Vineyard are together; however, they're not
with any more of Sacramento. But the City of Sacramento in this visualization was able to be kept whole. And the visualization that we have now, West Sacramento was brought in from Yolo. And in this one, it is brought back into Yolo. So that will make effect to -- between those two areas as well.

And then we have -- moving a bit more North, I think moving all the way into Roseville, obviously we can try moving things around, but that might strand some of the cities here in Northern Sacramento if Roseville is populating ECA. And because that's a bit part of population in this area too is that Roseville piece. And then, moving North, I kind of forgot what I was going -- it looks like -- now, let me overlay that district.

Basically, the lake was split in this visualization. It is no longer in the visualization that we have now. We no longer have Trinity a part of the North, or Del Norte. So we have Del Norte and Trinity brought into this Northern visualization as well. And so -- and now, I believe -- let me turn that district on one more time.

We have El Dorado up to Plumas all in one district and Placer, parts of Placer as well. And parts Yuba, and so that is what this is a smaller district here because it has those bigger cities of El Dorado and Placer in it. And that is a little bit of some differences. Sorry that
these are the same color, if you want me to overlay that in a different color, let me put it in. Like, we've been doing, in like a green color. But those are the major differences that we're seeing and that likely will be a part of the change of putting Modesto back into this area.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you, Kennedy.

Commissioner Turner.

COMMISSIONER TURNER: Thank you, Kennedy. I would love for those that have been named and volunteered to continue to take a look at this. If -- Kennedy, I'm wondering -- I know the -- in bringing Modesto back into the San Joaquin area, that that causes the split in Stockton and you know, further splits there, which is maybe acceptable based on what we need to accomplish for a -- for a Congressional district. I'm wondering though, some of the other -- we also worked on our current iteration of moving some lines slightly, some communities in and out. And I'm wondering if the work that's been done since our draft, if there can be a combining where there does not need to have impact up in that area.

So I don't know. I think maybe just looking at it a little bit longer. I don't think it's one or the other. I'm hopeful that we are able to accomplish moving Modesto out of ECA. Perhaps having to make that shift now to
where it is Mountain House, Tracy, et cetera with Modesto
as opposed to Stockton. And then, make some of the finer
changes that we've talked about before and be able to
balance the district out in that manner.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you, Commissioner Turner.

Commissioner Sinay.

COMMISSIONER SINAY: I just wanted to raise that,
you know, here we do have the -- the South Tahoe -- yeah,
the whole, Lake Tahoe and Truckee all together in their
counties completely together which was something we
talked about yesterday but we didn't know who'd be able
to do it. So I just -- I just wanted to raise that.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you. I also did notice in
that -- in that one, the area with the -- Fairfield was
actually in Sonoma. And it was only -- appeared it only
Benicia and Vallejo were down into Contra Costa. So --
but thank you very much for walking us through that,
Kennedy.

Oh, Commissioner Fernandez.

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: And that would be actually
Solano, not Sonoma.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh, I'm sorry.

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: No, that's okay.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: I meant Solano, yes.

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Right. And this would
be -- I mean, because it sounds like you were trying to look at the entire all of the maps from the so this was -- it's completely different than what we have now and it's going to completely change the other district, obviously, that we worked on. And I probably will have some issues with some of the COIs that we're breaking up. And so it's too early to tell. I just wanted to make sure I -- that everyone knew about that.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you, Commissioner Fernandez.

And yes, so as Commissioner Fornaciari said, this is not an easy fix. It's not just something we can just easily do otherwise we would have done it. So I think it's -- it is worth exploration and I'm glad we have a few volunteers to be doing that.

But I don't think it's -- I'm not so sure iterations will actually come back out of it. I will say that. There might, and there hopefully will.

But Commissioner Toledo.

COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Can we see a little closer of what the impact would be to Solano County?

MS. WILSON: Yes, one moment.

COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: It's hard to tell from my screen.

COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Can you specially --

MS. WILSON: Here --
COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: So Solano County, Fairfield would go into the Napa/Yolo, so more of Fairfield. Is that -- more of Fairfield, is that it, Kennedy?

COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: And then, Davis would go down. So we would lose from that one.

MS. WILSON: Yeah, and then, you lose Davis and what -- that West Sacramento and it's going down into Contra Costa.

COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yeah. Thank you.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh, I see.

COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Okay. So I just hadn't seen all the details as to that closely. But --

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you, Commissioner Toledo.

COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: -- I appreciate this. Thank you.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: All right. Commissioner Fornaciari.

COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: You know, we had this iteration. We spent a heck of a lot of time going through this iteration. And we changed it because we didn't like it. And now we're going to go back and do it again and blow up the whole state. And so if that's what, you know, what you guys want me to do, I'll go -- I'll work with -- take another look. But I feel like we're just going down the same road we went down before.
I will also say that one of our principles is that if a community asks what it wants to be with, you know, -- okay. Let me -- let me say it this way. If I live in Inyo and I say I want to be with Roseville, that, you know, that has maybe less weight than if I'm in Roseville and say, I don't want to be with Inyo. I mean, I -- you know, we've got this -- these three small counties driving the entire design of the state.

And I just, you know, I'd love to take their -- and do everything for everyone. But I -- I mean, you know, we've looked at it. We went through -- we went through this in detail and we rejected it. So -- and it -- and it's not going to look much different when we get done.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you, Commissioner Fornaciari.

Commissioner Fernandez.

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: I think that's my frustration as well is we went through the North and we did it. And now every change we make is going to completely redo and we're just -- it -- it's we're not going to have any time. I'm sorry. It's just -- and I agree, we already went through this iteration and we made changes to it.

And it's just frustrating that we continue -- we put hours into this and then, we continue -- any change you want to make is going to affect the North and that's why
initially I had just recommended going from South all the
way to North because I knew that was going to happen.
But it's -- yeah, I --

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah. Thank you, Commissioner
Fernandez.

COMMISSIONER TURNER: Um-hum. Thank you. Yeah, and
I just want to say I understand the frustrations and what
have you. I just believe Commissioner Fornaciari,
Commissioner Fernandez, Commissioners, I just feel like
we learn as we go. I think that we started out with a
lot of what we felt were hard and nonnegotiable. Things
like, you know, I wanted San Joaquin County together, you
wanted Yolo together, someone else wanted something else
together. Based on what we've heard, just on testimony,
not just -- we're not just pulling it out of the air.

And as we've gone through the entire map, we've had
to make some tough decision in a lot of places that make
you then, kind of go back and think, did it really have
to be that way? Because if we took hard lines in some
places and other places we had exceptions, then we do
need to go back and look it, which for me is what's
driving a change of thought. I don't want us to continue
to revamp the map over and over and over, particularly
where it does not make sense.
But I think going into this, I'm just hoping that we did not make some choices based on what we thought had to happen and actually, for all the almost 40 million Californians out there, all of the testimony is important. But it's not our top criteria. And so I just want to be open. I'm not -- I'm not locked in to having to change or locked into having to stay. I'm trying to stay open and hear the initial public comment that we received, being responsive to the current public comment that we're receiving.

And I don't -- I think another thing we talked about early on is, is that just as much as we don't want to be set in our initial comments that we've received, we need the initial comments. When the initial comments come in, people will -- people that know the system, that know their representative, that know their areas, they'll be the first ones that will lock in and we don't want to penalize them because they were the first.

But by the same token, once we've put out draft maps and people wake up and be, oh, my goodness, I see what the change is, and they start to respond. They also get an opportunity to respond and we get to be responsive to those voices. So it's a tough process. I'm saying all of that to say, I don't know where I'm going to end.

I do want us to just look at it and Commissioner
Fornaciari, since you're one of the ones that's going to do it, maybe just look at it from the length that says there are no -- things that we thought had to happen before, maybe they don't. And if everything is up for grabs, truly, is there a better way or a different way to do this. And if you come back and say we checked it -- because we've got to rely on trust in fourteen of us as well. We've worked well together and I don't think anyone's pulling for something that someone else doesn't want.

So for me, every time someone says, I'm for a, you know, an urban area, I'm for a rural area. We're all for all areas and I've seen you all do it. So from that perspective, if you come back and say we've tried that. Again, we've looked at it and it's taking us back to the exact same space we were before. And with our constraints, we can't do it, then great. But I don't want to is to just take the easy path and say, we tried it once, we're not going to go back and look at it again. That's all. Thank you for letting me go on that long.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you, Commissioner Turner.

Commissioner Akutagawa.

COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah. Thank you for that reminder, Commissioner Turner. I think -- I think about some of the thoughts of lines I didn't think I would want
to cross because of testimony and other things like that. I just appreciate what you said about remaining open. I think with that said, I also wanted -- which Commissioner Fornaciari, I think I called you out and just put you in a spot. So you know, I mean, I --

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yeah.

COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: -- didn't want to like volunteer you to do something that maybe you hadn't volunteered to do. So I just wanted to -- I just started thinking about that. I was, like, oh, man. So anyways, I mean, if there's someone else that wants to do it, that's fine. I just wanted, you know, don't want to put you on the spot of having to feel like you're --

COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yeah.

COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: -- kind of groundhog day again.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: And that's why I -- I'm just going to jump in here because that is indeed, why I volunteered. Commissioner Fornaciari has been doing a great deal. He's done this multiple times. And I really felt it was a little bit of an imposition, quite frankly, because, you know -- yeah. And that's why I thought I would be happy to work with Commissioner Akutagawa and if there's a way that we are not just rolling up the map, I'd bring it back.
Because we -- you know, we're working with this. We've gone through this. We've, you know, we've had different lines, and I really appreciate what Commissioner Turner said. And you know, I think it's worth another go. And that's why I was going to give it a go because -- and that way, I felt, and I think if I could bring something back, we'll go ooh, well, nice tray, but eh. Then I think we will -- we'll do that. And I -- that's why I thought I would volunteer. Because I haven't done this and everyone else has been pushing in their time and I really, really appreciate that. So that's why said that.

Commissioner Fornaciari.

COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: A couple things, first, it wouldn't be the first time I was voluntold. But who -- you know, whatever. Commissioner Andersen, that's fine, I'd be happy to take a look either way we want to go. I want to just appreciate Commissioner Turner. You -- your perspective has been really impactful on me, personally, and I appreciate that. And you're making me want to be a better man and a better person, so thank you.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you, Commissioner.

Commissioner Sinay.

COMMISSIONER SINAY: Yeah. I think the idea --
really appreciate the effort that's gone into this. I do feel that it is good to have fresh eyes look at things so you don't feel like you're hitting your head against the wall and feeling like groundhog day. And so, the only thing I ask is that those -- the fresh eyes, first allow the mappers to tell you what has been tried, and where the necks are. And then, start with the fresh ideas. Because the mappers are also having groundhog day.

So let's just make sure that the -- that we all work collaboratively. And again -- and I also appreciate what Commissioner Turner, you know, Commissioner turner said. And I think all of us keep reminding each other of that and it's -- it's so hard for all of us because we do read the engagement, the public input, and we hear the public input. And it's like, oh, whoa, we did that? Can we go back now to the Assembly maps or can we do that?

And you know, again, you can get stuck on looking at a small little area or looking at the big picture. And thank you all for being on this journey and learning experience together.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you, Commissioner Sinay. With that said, doing it with fresh eyes, I think that puts the -- that's myself and Commissioner Akutagawa. And with that, and as I said, if we come up with something that's a possibility, we'll bring it back. But
we'll definitely have a good look. We'll bring back something regardless.

But now, let's move on, because you know, we're -- we've looked at this. And we are actually trying to look at the Central Valley and those VRA districts. So could we please -- Kennedy could we head down that direction. And now, we only have -- you know, lunch is at 2:30. So we have a very short, short amount of time here.

But if the -- we're -- well, we've actually kind of looked at this before. So I know that we have very, very good comments and good questions here. And let's dive into it. Thank you.

MS. WILSON: One moment, it was on a different snapshot. So I'm just reverting to that to see our most -- your most recent changes.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Wonderful. Thank you very much. Now, I believe, was -- Commissioner Turner, were you sort of working with Kennedy on this and doing some slight variations here?

COMMISSIONER TURNER: Yes. Thank you, Chair. I was.

Kennedy, we all have done a lot of work in this area. We've tried to be responsive to community testimony, public comment that's coming in. And in looking, what we really were -- what I was looking to do
particularly in this area that is one of our VRA
districts is seeing what we can do to increase. And for
all of the changes that we made it just continued to
lower it.

I feel pretty strongly about what's already
presented. What the Commission has already worked on and
ultimately did not end up with any other iteration for
this area.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you. Thank you, Commissioner
Turner. Boy I really appreciate -- I know -- I know you
went to work on this and as you know the area better
than, I believe, all of us on the Commission. I really
appreciate your efforts here, and of course with Kennedy.

So any other questions or move around a little bit?
Commissioner Toledo.

COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Just for -- so that the public
is aware of what was considered. Can, maybe, Kennedy or
Commissioner Turner just give a little -- just a little
bit more detail on what types of explorations were
considered and we know the outcome, that none were taken
up, but just for transparency's sake.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Absolutely. Thank you. Kennedy,
can you walk us through those changes, please -- or those
considerations?

MS. WILSON: Yes, I can. One moment. I can -- I
took a screen shot of trying to make some of those changes. So I can pull that up as well for you to see.

COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: That'd be very helpful for us and for the public. And while we're waiting, I just wanted to thank Commissioner Turner and Kennedy for doing the exploration that we requested. Thank you.

MS. WILSON: So ultimately the CVAP in STANISFRESNO and FRESNOTULARE went down. KINGSTULAKERN did go up slightly, but this dropped from a 52 to 53 and this just dropped slightly from .6 percent, but it just kept dropping lower in the STANISFRESNO. So I'm going to zoom into the Fresno area. And I can put up the old lines. So in blue is what they used to look like. And I tried to make these changes to bring in the community North of Shaw, up to Bullard between West and Cedar Avenues.

Just brought in a lot of population and ultimately this change and moving out to -- it's, I believe, it's what this area here is South of Bullard, between North and Shaw also. It's next Old Fig Garden, that's West of the 99 Freeway COI trying to bring that in as well.

Again, brought down the CVAP in both areas.

And then, trying to move West Park in, that was bringing down the CVAP down here, all while bringing up the -- bringing up the -- oh my goodness, the deviation in the FRESNO-TULARE district. And so then, moving down
within TULARE, I brought in all of Tulare here, which did help with bringing this CVAP higher a bit. And then -- but it still did not help with this CVAP here.

So there's a lot of -- in these moves, there was a lot of exchanging. But ultimately, just resulting in the top two having a lower CVAP than before. So definitely tried to bring in those other areas North of Old Fig Garden, West of the 99 and West Park. But ultimately, it does just bring down the CVAP.

But I will mention that the West of the 99 and West Park, those are separated from Old Fig Garden, are together in the STANISFRESNO iteration that we have now. And so those were the main changes trying to keep those communities together.

COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Thank you.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: And so thank you, Kennedy. And so Commissioners, so we -- what we did was we looked at all of the COIs that we could, you know, get ahold of that came into this area -- the map that came into this area. And so what we're trying to do with our VRA districts, the way that we were able to split them out, we were able to honor in what we have already, not because we'd changed it, we'd already included a lot of the pieced parts that was requested Terra Bella, Lamour the same, within the same district and together.
Different -- in our trying to do more, everything resulted in less. And so -- or it then would break a COI but didn't necessarily give us an increase in a CVAP. And so, we decided we had probably done the best that we can in the area and could not find a different way to increase it. So this is why we have what we have.

COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Thank you, that's -- thanks for your efforts.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah. Thank you very much and I appreciate you walking through those changes. That was a lot of -- a lot of work involved. Thank you. Commissioner Sinay.

COMMISSIONER SINAY: That was -- that was the same what I was going to say. Thank you, that was helpful to look at it, but it was also -- thank you for going in open minded and exploring. And you know, every time I kind of look more deeply into the different CVAP. I'm getting more and more comfortable just because of the expirations. But that the combination of just the different communities that are in these CVAPs and the strength that that gives the full community. So thank you so much.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you, Commissioner Sinay.

Commissioner Sadhwani.

COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah, I'm just -- I agree.
Thank you so much for looking more closely at these. I -- I'm wondering, I know we had received, as it has been mentioned earlier today, that Moldoff plan and it -- my sense is that there's -- it, of course, is a little bit different than our because we -- yeah, it is different. And I'm just wondering, though, if any of those changes might help improve the CVAP in any of these districts in such a way that perhaps could help these districts to perform their VRA districts and the purposes so that communities -- historically excluded communities and protected communities can elect the candidates of their choice.

Particularly on the Bakersfield district that came to Kern.

MS. WILSON: And if you give me a moment. If it's okay to switch back to the snapshot so that if I make any changes on our current district, I can do that. Because this is the plan with the change from that Commissioner Turner and I had been working with together. And so if we're moving for that, if I move back to the other snapshot.

COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Well, I -- I'm okay with these changes. I -- is this a snapshot itself?

MS. WILSON: Yes. This is a snapshot and so if I -- like, if you want to see different changes or anything
like that, I would just revert to the snapshot of our VRA
without the changes that Commissioner Turner and I worked
on.

COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: I think --
CHAIR ANDERSEN: I think --
COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: -- either way, either way.
I'm comfortable with the changes Commissioner Turner
made, I'm just wondering if there might be additional
places we could make swaps in order to --
CHAIR ANDERSEN: So for example, in -- and see if
this answers as well because we closely tried to track
and watch the LCVAP, particularly for this area. So we
have -- I think it was Delores Huerta maps came in at 58
in one district, 60, and then 32. And MALVAP did 50, 53,
and then 59. And so, if you see our current LCVAPs right
now, it's 51.65, 53.17, 55.49. And so the numbers, you
know, may switch slightly, you know, different places,
but for us and for the counsel that we've received, we're
trying to get them as high as we can in each of these
areas.

We believe that we're able to get, you know, we have
our three VRA districts and this is what we're trying to
protect and ensure that does not decrease. And so for
any changes that we were making and trying -- now,
perhaps if we were only looking to draw two or do
different or, you know, we're trying to just min --
maximize what we have in the area that will allow the
people in the area to elect candidates of choice.

So this is -- this is how we shook out. And we did
look at them. And I don't know if you want Kennedy to
pull something else up or not. Just one -- to clarify.

Commissioner Turner, did you decide to make some changes?

I thought these were just attempts to tried to --

COMMISSIONER TURNER: Right.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah.

COMMISSIONER TURNER: That's right.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Thank you. Just to clarify.

COMMISSIONER TURNER: What you have.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Right. Thank you very much.

Commissioner Sadhwani.

COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Oh, so what we're looking
at, there's no changes from the draft map?

MS. WILSON: If there are the -- oh, from the draft
map? Yes, these are changes we have. So -- but these
are Commissioner Turner's changes from the changes we
made yesterday. So that's why if we weren't moving
forward with her changes, I was going to go back to
the -- just the changes that you made yesterday. So --

COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: I think that's where I'm
getting confused because I thought --
CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah.

COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: -- that you said that there weren't any changes.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: No, I mean in terms of we -- there was a draft map. We made changes yesterday and Commissioner Turner was going to work with Commissioner -- with Kennedy --

COMMISSIONER TURNER: Kennedy.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: -- to see -- yeah. To see if it improved things. And they did all these other blue things to attempt that, but decided, let's go with the -- well, work we did yesterday which is different from the draft.

COMMISSIONER TURNER: Right. So thank you for asking that for clarification, Commissioner Sadhwani. I didn't make any changes off-line, outside of what we did in public session yesterday. And the directive was for me to go -- take it from there to see if we can improve on what we did. And we didn't find any additional changes.

MS. WILSON: Okay. So yeah. I'm going to switch back to the changes that you made yesterday. This was -- and Commissioner Turner eloquently described our changes and why we didn't make them. And then, Commissioner Toledo asked to see those changes. So that the public
can see what we tried as well.

So I'm going to go back to just the original changes. So this was just to show we tried some different things and I will show you what you have now. Sorry for that confusion. With all these plans and all these snapshots, I know it's a lot. So I think what you would like to speak on, I will show you now. And I'll zoom into the Bakersfield area. And so I think you -- we're talking about Bakersfield, about increasing CVAP.

There are, you know, cutting into FRESNO-KERN if I were to come up and split Shafter, remove more of Oildale that could raise the CVAP. It would leave you with 17,000 people in this area separate from the 17,000 that we have to push down to the San Bernadino or the Southern parts of the state. But there are ways working within their tier to do that. It's just how you'd like to shift earlier.

Also this change in Oildale was to widen this area. So we could take that out. You could this get this -- taking that out and this parts of Shafter -- splitting Shafter would get you probably to about 17,000 people needed to be moved.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: And while we're thinking there, we only have five minutes because at 2:30, it's time for the break. And it's time for lunch. But you know, continue
to -- Commissioner Sadhwani did you have --

MS. WILSON: I can show you that really fast, sure.

Hold on. So these are clearly some kind of rougher lines. But let me pull up that, this is -- hold on, let me refresh my pending changes. So this selection is a little bit less. I would probably clean up this line. Let's just do that right now.

But as you can see the CVAP has increased with the moving of these areas. It's just a matter of more population to move. Oh, my gosh, this is going all over the place. But you saw that demonstration.

COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Kennedy, could you show me, where is Lemoore?

MS. WILSON: Yes. Lemoore is next to -- it's in Kings County area. Lemoore and Hanford are in the North. And there are other plans that do -- and this is actually how ours looked previously. But it does -- other plans I've seen cut through Lemoore, Hanford, Visalia, and Tulare. And so this is just based on the -- this was based on callers saying keep Kings County whole.

I would think so, but we could make a change like that also. It is similar to what we had previously, which I can pull up as well.

COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah. I'd love to see that. And I mean, as we have all said all over the state, it's
great to keep counties together. But certainly, these are VRA areas and great to keep COIs together too. But I think that getting that testimony that there's a concern that these districts may not perform as they are intended to. So I just want to be really cautious and again, just leave no stone unturned. See how Lemoore, Hanford -- I'd be curious about maybe even parts of Tulare and just checking those areas.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Since we're right at lunch, can we give -- can give direction to Kennedy to a quick look at that?

MS. WILSON: And this is just what it was before and this was at a fifty-three percent and this was at a fifty-three percent as well.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: So that did not change?

MS. WILSON: Yeah, no. Actually, the changes I made brought it from a fifty-three to a fifty-five percent. So this was just our previous iteration cutting through Lemoore. It didn't cut through Lemoore, it went under Lemoore and Hanford. If there's, you know, that I cut through them -- but this is also -- this is the old iteration. They're similar but Kings County the line has been raised up and then just follows that way. And cuts into a little bit of Tulare with what we have now.

COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: I -- I'm a little confused
about what lines we're looking at here because -- are there -- are there two separate sets of lines on that right now?

MS. WILSON: I'm sorry. These are the -- this is the previous iteration cut through underneath Lemoore.

COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Where in this iteration is Tulare, though? In another --

MS. WILSON: Yes, it's in the Fresno -- it's in a different district.

COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: But in another VRA district?

MS. WILSON: Yes.

COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: And have we ever attempted to not have it in a VRA district?

MS. WILSON: Tulare?

COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah. I'm not sure what the Latino CVAP is in Tulare.

MS. WILSON: We can certainly check.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Commissioner Sadhwani, did you want to give some direction? Because we're not into the lunch period.

COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Oh, sure. Sorry about that. So yeah, I think that would be something I'd be curious just to explore as taking out more of it from any VRA district. And I -- I'm -- yeah. So that would be something that I'd be interested to explore more. Thank
you. And maybe --

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Go ahead.

COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: -- yeah. Maybe it leads to
nothing, but I think worth exploring. Thank you.

MS. WILSON: And just quickly the Latino CVAP is
51.03 percent in the City of Tulare.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Great. Now, Kennedy if
that's okay, is that something you could quickly explore?
I do want you to have lunch as well.

MS. WILSON: I'm not entirely sure what I'm
exploring. If we felt like -- I don't know if you feel
like fifty-one percent Latino CVAP means it needs to be
out of the district or do you not want to continue with
the changes from yesterday or --

COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: No, we should continue with
the changes from yesterday.

MS. WILSON: Okay.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay.

COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: We can continue to look and
see if there are other options. But I think at this
point, we're probably getting as close as we can.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. So Commissioner Sadhwani,
did you want to look at -- because after lunch, the idea
was to go down to Southern California. But do you want
to continue this after -- on -- work a little bit with
Kennedy off-line?

COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: No. I think Commissioner Turner has done that. I'll just take a closer look through our map viewer and see if there's any additional areas where we could try. And if I come up with something, then I will let her know.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. And then -- and then I -- and also, not to duplicate Kennedy, you'll obviously be able to Commissioner Turner and say well, sorry, we did try that. So I don't want, you know -- because I'm sure you guys looked at it extensively as well, so -- but you never know. That -- you might find some -- one other thing which we really, really appreciate.

COMMISSIONER TURNER: That's right.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Well, thank you very much everyone. We're on lunch. Unfortunately, we're going come back at 3:00. So eat quickly. I hope you have your lunches -- you've kind of got to -- because we have that little continuation of -- Commissioner Kennedy.

COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: Chair, let's make it 3:05.

We'll just have to shorten the next session by five minutes.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Thank you, Commissioner Kennedy. 3:05.

(Whereupon, a recess was held from 2:34 p.m.)
until 3:05 p.m.)

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you, and welcome back to today's meeting of California's Citizens Redistricting Commission. I'm Ray Kennedy, Vice Chair for this week's set of meetings. Chair Andersen is out for this block. And expects to rejoin us for the next block. So thank you all for joining us.

I understand that at this point, the agenda has us going back to Los Angeles and Orange County to get an update from Ms. Clark some visualizations and explorations that were done overnight.

MS. WILSON: Sorry, I felt as though -- I'm just wondering what is happening with the North. If I could get a little bit more clarification about where we are ending with that.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: At this point, we are -- we're just ending and coming back to it after we look at LA and Orange County.

MS. WILSON: So do I have specific direction moving forward?

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: That was my understanding before I left?

COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: May I?

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Commissioner Toledo.

COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: So my understanding is that we
are leaving the districts as are -- as they are at this point and that there's -- if there's any additional review that we will forward them to you via email as individual Commissioners. But there's not any additional work at this time that we are directing.

MS. WILSON: Okay. Thank you.

COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Unless I'm wrong, but that's the current direction as I saw it at the end of the meeting.

MS. WILSON: Okay. One moment while we switch over to Jaime.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Jaime, do we need five minutes or Kennedy? Oh, Jaime's here, never mind.

MS. CLARK: Nope. I'm setting up the map right now and I could use, like, forty-five seconds, please.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: All right. If everybody could stand at ease for forty-five seconds, please.

MS. CLARK: I hope you are all well. What is on the map right now is on the map viewer and files -- perhaps now are posted also on the handouts. But it's definitely up on the map viewer. This is -- there's a couple different things to look at in LA today. This is what -- one of the things that I worked on last night, and basically, it's taking the overall structure of what we
saw yesterday, implementing some of the changes that were requested by the Commission.

   Everything is balanced to plus or minus one person -- happy to take a look at this or anything else as the Commission wishes.

   VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you, Jaime. I can see that the change grouping Northeast toward Torrance with Gardena was done. Could you walk us through the others that were -- the other changes that were incorporated?

   MS. CLARK: Yeah. Absolutely. So I moved Commerce with the gateway cities and just changed the split in Downey. That boosted the Latino CVAP in the LBNORTH district which was identified as one of the goals of the Commission.

   Yes, I moved this area of Torrance into STHLA district. I did move the line here along the 405 per Commission request. I also, for population, adjusted the line in the Northern part of this district to balance that population. Additionally, just some other population balancing here in SHORELINE. Oh, also in SHORELINE -- I apologize. I'm going to go back down on the map, but San Pedro is whole and SP10 district per Commission request. I --

   VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: We have Carson -- sorry Jaime. We have Carson and most of West Carson or is that --
MS. CLARK: This is all of West Carson --

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: All of West Carson, okay.

MS. CLARK: -- I think part of the Harbor City and Harbor Gateway neighborhoods. And there is a split here for population. The split previously was a little bit further North to make that contiguous based on the move in Torrance -- that adjusted further South.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Right. Okay. Thank you.

MS. CLARK: And moving North, again, just some population adjustments here between 10CORR and GLEN2BA. And also population adjustment getting to zero population in CD210, the split is still here in Pasadena. I did make Toluca Lake with North -- excuse me -- with Valley Village and NoHo, Van Nuys, and Greater Valley Glenn neighborhood in SFV District. Move some of this population and area in Angeles National Forest into the SFV District per Commission direction. And those -- I'm just looking over my notes. Those are the changes, in addition to everything being balanced to plus or minus one percent.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. Very good. Thank you for that. I'll start out and beyond thanking you again for your great work, ask -- since I don't think there's population up there in the forest, just adjust that North-South line -- yeah, that one -- to be farther West?
MS. CLARK: By this, you mean, basically, move the line this way?

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Yes.

MS. CLARK: Okay. Thank you. One moment. I can do that really quickly.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Yeah, I'm assuming that there's no population in there and this is just going to clean up the map a little bit.

MS. CLARK: One moment. How does this line look to you?

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: That looks fine. Thank you.

Commissioner Yee, your hand went up and then down.

COMMISSIONER YEE: Yes. Some computer challenges. While we're in L.A., a couple of small changes I'd like to suggest. One is that in the Congressional districts here, apparently we still have Cal Poly Pomona split. I would like to give direction to reunite it along the same border as the Assembly map.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: All right. So as I understand it, that would be adding that unincorporated area.

COMMISSIONER YEE: I believe so, yeah. And one other item. Thai Town requests their Northern border to include both sides of the main commercial strip there on Broadway, I believe, and to go up to Franklin instead.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: I thought it was Sunset.
COMMISSIONER YEE: Maybe Sunset, yeah. I'm sorry, I'm not finding my notes.

COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah, I think it was Sunset --

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: It is on both sides of that street, so -- okay. So this is going to require us to balance population again. This is 2,000 and something or 3,000 and something?

MS. CLARK: This is 2,306 people. I'll make this larger font; I'm sorry about that. Would you like to make this change?

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Is there objection?

Commissioner Toledo.

COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I'd like to see the Latino CVAP for the VRA areas, and just want to make sure that's not impacted.

MS. CLARK: The Latino CVAP of the Pomona District would become 57.22 percent, and for STH60, the Latino CVAP would become 55.78 percent.

COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: And what are the current numbers?

MS. CLARK: Currently, for the Pomona District, it's 57.32 percent, and for South 60, it's 55.69 percent.

COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: About the same. Yep. Okay. I'm fine with it.
VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. Very good.
Commissioner Sinay.

COMMISSIONER SINAY: Since we don't have this
iteration in the map finder or any picture of it, can we
just go slowly across the whole region and kind of, like,
the West side, and then take comments, and then just keep
moving so that we have time to really absorb it all and
make sure we don't miss anything?

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Very good.
Commissioner Akutagawa.

COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: I'd like to just see an up
close version of it because -- yeah, just to see it a
little bit more closely. Because, I remember we had to
do this for the Assembly map, too.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Up close of this unincorporated
area?

COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Just in that area --

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: -- by Cal Poly Pomona?

COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: -- yes, where the school
is.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay.

COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: And then --

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay.

COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Can you zoom in more?

MS. CLARK: And just to note, this is in the map
finder online.

COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: I don't know whether it's just really light -- I'm just having a hard time seeing any detail, like -- I think my eyes are just --

MS. CLARK: So this where --

COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: -- not seeing things.

MS. CLARK: This is where Cal State Polytechnic University Pomona is.

COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah, sorry. I think I -- hold on. I cannot see a thing on the -- where you are right now. Okay. Okay. Great. Thank you.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. So Jaime, from here could you take us on a tour of Los Angeles County, basically in a -- I was going to say counterclockwise direction, but if you'd rather go clockwise, that's okay, too. We can go district by district and take a look at what we have.

MS. CLARK: Certainly. I will start at that the -- I'm going to start in the Malibu area, and happy to go in a counterclockwise rotation. So in the Malibu SFV District, we have Malibu, Topanga, Palisades, Bel Air, Beverly Crest, Studio City, out to Tarzana, including Woodland Hills, Hidden Hills, Bell Canyon. And then moving North, including Chatsworth and Northridge areas.

For the Shoreline district, starting in the North,
we have Beverly -- excuse me, Beverly Hills, Westside neighborhood, such as Westwood, Westside Neighborhood Council, the City of Santa Monica with Venice, Marina del Rey, Del Rey, the bike trail just West of LAX, El Segundo, Manhattan Beach, Redondo Beach, Torrance, which here is split at Hawthorne and Sepulveda. This district also includes Lomita, Rolling Hills, and Palos Verdes.

For SP710, this district includes San Pedro, Carson, West Carson, Signal Hill, areas in Northern and Western Long Beach, Paramount, Lynwood, and South Gate. And deviating a little bit from our counterclockwise just to pop in to sort of City of Los Angeles or more interior of the county -- in the STHLA district, this includes that part of Torrance in the very Northeast corner, East of Hawthorne, and North of Sepulveda. It includes Lawndale, Hawthorne, LAX, Inglewood, Westmont, Watts, Willowbrook, Compton, West Rancho Dominguez, and East Rancho Dominguez, and all of Gardena.

In 10CORR, we have Culver City, View Park, Ladera Heights with South Robertson, Pico, Olympic Park, Mid-City, West Adams, Jefferson Park, downtown Los Angeles with South Central Neighborhood Council, Central-Alameda, Zapata-King, 9th District, Park Mesa Heights.

I'm going to move back South to the Long Beach area. In the district called LBNORTH, it includes Commerce with
Vernon, Florence-Graham, Walnut Park, Huntington Park, Bell, Bell Gardens, Cudahy, Maywood, parts of Downey -- most of Downey, Bellflower, Lakewood, and then the Western and coastal parts of the City of Long Beach. The ports of San Pedro and Long Beach are separate from each other.

In the STH60 District, this includes Walnut, Diamond Bar, Rowland Heights, Hacienda Heights, La Habra Heights, La Habra, La Mirada, Santa Fe Springs, Norwalk, the Whittiers, Montebello, Pico Rivera. CDCOV includes South El Monte, El Monte and North El Monte, Avocado Heights. Geographically speaking, most of the City of Industry, La Puente, Valinda, Covina and West Covina, Baldwin Park, Irwindale, Duarte, the Southern areas of Monrovia, Azusa, Southern parts of Glendora, San Dimas, and La Verne.

CD210 includes in San Bernardino County, Northern Rancho Cucamonga, Upland, San Antonio Heights, Lytle Creek and Wrightwood. This also includes Claremont, Northern parts of Glendora, Northern parts of Monrovia. Eight AAPI communities as identified as a COI in West San Gabriel Valley, Eastern parts of Pasadena, Altadena out to La Crescenta.

And just a couple more. Here's GLEN2BA. This includes West Hollywood, Greater Wilshire, Hollywood Hills areas, all of Glendale, all of Burbank up to
Sunland-Tujunga. Also including Silver Lake, most of Echo Park, Glassell Park, and some of Eagle Rock.

Zooming into the NELA district. This includes East Los Angeles, Boyle Heights, Chinatown, Little Tokyo, Koreatown, Historic Filipino Town, Thai Town, Pico-Union, El Sereno, and these areas up here, part of Eagle Rock, Highland Park.

And moving North to SFV. This district includes Greater Toluca Lake, Valley Village, North Hollywood, Greater Valley Glen, Van Nuys, North of Oxnard, Lake Balboa, Reseda, Arleta, Pacoima, the City of San Fernando, Mission Hills, North Hills East, parts of Angeles National Forest.

Moving to the AVSCV district, this includes Sylmar, Santa Clarita Valley, Lancaster and Palmdale and areas identified as Antelope Valley, and then this remainder of the county is rural Eastern Antelope Valley areas and that is -- that, joined with the rest of MORCOA is negative 17,304 people. And as everything is balanced to plus or minus one percent, this is an area where you could accept population from Northern California to balance everything to plus or minus one percent. And I'm just going to zoom out to see L.A. County.

COMMISSIONER SINAY: Thank you for doing that. That is helpful. And I did find it on the -- the iterations on the map, though, they looked a little different. Like, Beverly Hills, you have it in with -- I can't remember if it was a coastal -- but anyway, do you have the overview of the number of VRA districts and majority-minority districts we have? Were we able to maintain as we had hoped?

MS. CLARK: Yeah. I'm just going to zoom out -- and in L.A. County right now there are five fifty percent Latino CVAP seats. I think that that's your question. It's CDCOV, STH60, the LBNORTH, SP710, CDNELA, and the San Fernando Valley, SFV District.

COMMISSIONER SINAY: I believe that's six.

MS. CLARK: I thought I said six, so sorry if I counted wrong.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay.

COMMISSIONER SINAY: You counted right. But you said it wrong.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Commissioner Toledo.

COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I just wanted to appreciate Jaime for taking the direction of the Commission and implementing it. And I did have a chance to review -- we did have a chance to review this earlier today, so it looks quite -- I mean, it meets the goals of the
Commission as set forth at this point. But I do know that we are working on some refinements, and I believe that's going to be later today where we do look at the Southern portion of Long Beach in an effort to increase Latino CVAP, and we'll bring that exploration to the Commission to review at a later point. Thank you.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you, Commissioner Toledo.

Commissioner Fernandez.

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Thank you. And thank you, Jaime. As always, you've delivered. Are we, Chair, or Vice Chair -- Vice Chair, are we -- well, actually, the Chair right -- are we going to try to determine how we're going to address the 17,000? Or is that for future iterations that Commissioner Toledo was talking about?

COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Well, I think there's different proposals for getting to that, including if we were to move forward with the exploration that Commissioner Sadhwani and I and Jaime have been working on, then that might create a path to do that. So I think that's something -- it's a discussion point for the Commission that we would be having later today.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Very good. Thank you, Commissioner Toledo. We also have the matter of the 2,307 or so people that we need to bring into South 60. Is that something that we want to do live, or is that
something that we would like to ask Jaime to work on off-line and come back with a proposal? Commissioner Sinay.

COMMISSIONER SINAY: Sorry. I was not addressing your question. I just remembered a question I had separate. Sorry.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Go ahead.

COMMISSIONER SINAY: My question was more if we could look at Long Beach and just be clear what COIs we may have split in the Long Beach area when we split Long Beach.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. My understanding is that Commissioner Toledo and Commissioner Sadhwani are going to be coming to us with an exploration, and I think that would be the best time to look at that question.

COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: We do have it, and whenever --

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay.

COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: -- whenever you want to bring it up again.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. Very good. Before we do that, I just wanted to go back to CD210 in the areas of Duarte, Azusa, and Sunland. So if we can extend the Northern boundary of the CDCOV North from Duarte and Azusa and take in at least a portion of the forest.

Correct. Again, I believe this is zero population area.
MS. CLARK: How far --

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: That's --

MS. CLARK: -- North --

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Even that is fine.

MS. CLARK: Should I make this change?

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Any objections? Commissioner Fernandez.

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Actually, that's fine with me. I was actually going to just respond to the wanting to go to Long Beach in terms of the COIs that we might have split up. I think we've split up quite a few COIs, but we've also kept COIs together. So if we're going to do it from one area in terms of split COIs, are we going to do it for all the areas? We'll be here forever, so.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Right. Thank you.

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Just trying to talk about equity.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Yep. Thank you.

Commissioner Akutagawa.

COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah. To your question about the -- I think it's the South 60 map, I noticed that the 2,305, looking at the Pomona-Fontana map, there's 23 -- is that 2,305 there? And then 2,307 in the South 60? I'm wondering if we could take the 2,305 or even 2,306 from Pomona and move it into that South 60.
Particularly the side that includes Cal Poly Pomona. There's a lot of synergies between Mt. San Antonio College, which is right up the road from the university in Walnut. So if you took that portion, perhaps that may -- that's just one way of balancing that population there.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. We'll come back to that in a moment.

Commissioner Yee?

COMMISSIONER YEE: Yes. Back to Azusa and San Gabriel Mountains and National Forest. I'd be for taking more, so Azusa gets this whole canyon, but I just have no idea how the mountains are split up. I think in general, we were supportive of giving as many people as possible a stake in the park lines there. Doing that throughout the whole area will take some time. I mean, it would include going East as well. So yeah. Thanks.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. Okay. Excellent. If that gets filled in then I think that's a good stopping point. Very good. Okay.

Commissioner Ahmad.

COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Thank you, Chair. I support the direction of this change as well.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Very good. Thank you.
COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: I support this direction, too. I know we're going get lots of different comments. Perhaps we can -- I will put a call out to those who know the mountains a little bit better. I'm a little concerned about us just randomly taking parts of the mountains. If there's a way to do it maybe smartly by those who really know the mountains, who use the mountains, perhaps just like any place, we want to make sure that we're going to make appropriate groupings, so. Thank you.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Very good. Thank you. Let's go ahead and commit this for now. And the other one was over in the Sunland-Tujunga area. I think what I didn't include the first time around was to open that line between GLEN2BA and CD210 and take in some territory from the forest into GLEN2BA. Okay.

Commissioner Akutagawa.

COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Just one thing -- just for clarity. I want to make sure that my comments are not misconstrued. When I said, encouraging those who know, it's more in the form of public comment like we've done before, provide public comment either in writing or if they want to call in. It's not to give outside direction to the lines. So I just to make sure I'm really clear on that. It's just really a solicitation for additional
public comment.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Very good. Thank you so much.

Commissioner Toledo.

COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I'm supportive of these changes, and given that -- it looks like there's very few people. Most places zero, but I think here we're talking about hundred people. Perhaps we can -- so I'm supportive of the changes, and I think -- just a couple, so that's fine. Thank you.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Very good. Let's go ahead and commit this one and go back down to Pomona and take a look at Commissioner Akutagawa's suggestion.

Commissioner Akutagawa, as I understand it, you wanted to look at the area around Mt. San Antonio College area that is --

COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah, the --

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: -- is --

COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: -- not part of Cal Poly Pomona.

COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: My suggestion was just removing that kind of Western portion of Pomona that abuts next to Mt. -- if we have to pick a place to cut, I mean, or to move the grouping of population from one district to another. My suggestion was just taking that Western edge, because the university has some close
relationships with the next door community college. That was really just -- because I just noticed that there's a 2,305 deviation --

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Right.

COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: -- so.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. Jaime, could I get your input on where you would recommend balancing the population between these two districts? Is that a reasonable place to try to do it?

MS. CLARK: Yeah. So this whole area was the area that we just moved --

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Right.

MS. CLARK: -- so it certainly won't balance exactly since we're only taking part of it. But we could give it a shot and then I can off-line balance between -- it looks like it would be either between Walnut and the City of Pomona or Diamond Bar and the City of Pomona.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. My understanding is that what we would be doing is leaving all of Cal Poly Pomona in the POMONTFON district. We would take that -- the white unincorporated area that is not part of Cal Poly Pomona, and come across all the way to the -- is that the 71? At the Eastern edge of that, and explore in that direction?

COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: No. That was not my --
that was not my suggestion.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. Go ahead --

COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah. It --

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: -- Commissioner Akutagawa.

COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yes. It would be to take essentially 2,305 to balance out the deviation because there's 2,307 under in South 60 and 2,305 over in Pomona-Font. My thought was that starting with that Cal Poly Pomona area and moving 2,305 from that area into South 60.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. But the imbalance was caused when we reunited all of Cal Poly Pomona, and we don't want to ununite Cal Poly Pomona. So we're looking for area --

COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Oh.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: -- that is not involving Cal Poly Pomona itself.

COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Oh. My apologies. Okay. I didn't realize -- okay. It was at zero-zero. Okay. Then, I take my suggestion back, then. Sorry.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. Back to you, Jaime, as to where you would recommend balancing this.

MS. CLARK: Yeah. So then I would recommend maybe looking in Southern -- looking kind of along highways. This certainly is something that I could do off-line
since we know that everything in the whole Southern
California area right now is balanced to plus or minus
one person, then there's not going to cause a deviation
issue as long as changes are made -- contained within
L.A. County, Riverside, San Bernardino, Imperial, San
Diego Counties.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Right.

MS. CLARK: Orange County. So if the Commission is
comfortable with it, this is something I'm happy to do
off-line as well.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. Commissioner Fernandez.

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yeah. My comment was just
earlier regarding Pomona. I just wanted to make sure we
weren't cutting into any of the housing also. I don't
think it's purely commuter school, but that was my --

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: No. And my understanding from
the public comment is that the housing is precisely in
that unincorporated area that we just brought in.

MS. CLARK: Yeah. And this highlighted area which
is not part of the university itself is zero population,
so --

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay.

MS. CLARK: -- none of the -- all of the population
that was moved out of the Pomona-based District was all
in these census blocks that are assigned to California
VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. And if that zero population area -- I would just leave it as it is. I saw Commissioner Vazquez's hand?

COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Yes. I was just going to recommend exactly what you said, Jaime, that I would use the highways along the border of these two districts, and follow those when balancing population.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. No objections to Jaime working on this and coming back with a proposal. Okay. The final area I think right now would be to go to Thai Town and make sure that we're taking in Thai Town COI on both sides of, I believe, it's Sunset Boulevard.

MS. CLARK: So I'll display the COI layer that I have for Thai Town. This is Western, this is Hollywood, Vermont, and Santa Monica.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. If you can hold on for a second.

COMMISSIONER YEE: Chair, I think the thought was to go one block North of Hollywood to Franklin.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Yep. Yep. So we do need to -- we do need to cross Hollywood Boulevard. I guess they had a problem with drawing the COI correctly in the tool, but the request is that we go North of Hollywood Boulevard. That should be adequate. Any further
comment? Okay. That's 8,521 people. That's pretty densely populated there. Jaime, is that going to cause you a problem? Do you have an idea of best options for rebalancing after that?

MS. CLARK: I think that moving this population -- well, I think that it'll bring that -- previously, the Commission had identified potentially wanting to have Eagle Rock in the NELA district. And I had kind of worked to move this line North to include as much of Eagle Rock as possible given the extremely tight population constraints. So could maybe walk this back or -- yeah, just looking for places to minimize the, like, total ripple effect if the Commission is happy with the overall --

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Right.

MS. CLARK: -- structure of how things are looking.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Yes. I believe at this point we're satisfied with the structure. Is that a small portion of Highland Park that would also need to be brought back into the NELA district?

MS. CLARK: I will turn off the district boundaries so you could just see the neighborhood council boundaries. It's a little fuzzy and confusing in here --

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Yeah. That pink area --

MS. CLARK: So this is Highland Park.
VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. What's the pink area where the Los of Los Angeles is?

MS. CLARK: The Los of -- this?

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Right there, yes.

MS. CLARK: Yeah. This is Occidental College.


Commissioner Akutagawa, and then Commissioner Sadhwani.

COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah, Chair, and also Jaime -- and by the way, I will also add my kudos to you. I think everybody has spoken it, but we're all very, very appreciative of all the work that you've done and how well you do it. I wanted to -- I just saw a public comment that was submitted. It's 11323. And in it, there is a PDF of a Shapefile. And I'm pointing out this particular one because I feel like we're down to, like, literally, like, little blocks. And I noticed that on this Shapefile, they do take the line up to Franklin, but it looks like there's, like, portions where they dip in a little bit.

So just to minimize having to find other places, I wanted to point out that and that maybe it might help to -- if you do this off-line to look at that PDF of that Shapefile to see where you could -- it doesn't take it all the way across on Franklin, so there may be places...
where you could -- because it's so densely populated it may -- I mean, it may make the difference but not that much more of a difference, but it may make a difference where you have to cut, so.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you, Commissioner Akutagawa.

Commissioner Sadhwani.

COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah. Apologies. We're zoomed in so I'm trying to wrap my head around where these changes are happening. So it's happening in East Hollywood and Glendale to Burbank? I think I'm getting a little lost in --

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Yeah.

COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: -- where the changes --

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Yeah.

COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: -- are happening. I was --

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: So if you could zoom out --

COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah, I --

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: -- at bit, Jaime.

COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: In general as a general comment, I was going to say, the Glendale to Burbank has a portion of the City of Pasadena. As population shifts -- this might not exactly make sense because it's a different district. Yeah, in general I was just going to say, it would make sense to put more of Pasadena into
that district potentially. But as I'm looking at it now that we're zoomed out, that wouldn't really happen, but anyway, I'll put that on the table.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. So initial recommendation -- and I would agree -- is to try to balance that 8,521 by expanding the area of Eagle Rock that is in the NELA district.


Commissioner Vazquez.

COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Similarly, since we weren't able to get any of Glassell Park into NELA this time around, I'm wondering if moving -- am I moving in the right direction? Sorry. I came into this conversation a little late. So adding some of Glassell Park into the NELA district?

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: I believe so.

MS. CLARK: So --

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: No?

MS. CLARK: So this change would be making the NELA district overpopulated by --

COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: I see. Never mind.

MS. CLARK: -- 8,500 people, and we need to move 8,500 people out.

COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Got it. I see.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: So in fact, we would be
reducing the area of Eagle Rock that is in NELA. Okay.


VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Now, is that a corner of Glassell Park that is currently in NELA? No. Okay. That's just a strange squiggle. Or it is. That is a piece of Glassell Park that is in NELA.

MS. CLARK: Yeah. A little blip --

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay.

MS. CLARK: -- of Glassell Park.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: So Commissioner Vazquez, we should keep that little blip of Glassell Park in NELA?

COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: No comment.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. Well. For now, we'll say, leave it. Any objections to committing this change and instructing Ms. Clark to balance in Eagle Rock?

Commissioner Toledo.

COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I'm just wondering what the impact would be to the CVAP, given that we're dealing with VRA areas, and so.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. Jaime, can we see the impact on the CVAP?

MS. CLARK: So the CVAP in NELA would be 55.67 percent. With this change, it's currently at 56.31 percent.

COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: So with that I don't --
would want to just stay where we are given that it's going down.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. What can we -- I don't know, do we need to snapshot this? Because if we're going to balance in Eagle Rock, that could also affect this. Or maybe, do we want -- yes. Perfect.

MS. CLARK: So we would be -- right now, the discussion is around removing areas that are also relatively less percent Latino CVAP than other areas that are currently in the NELA district.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: So we would be adding an area that is less Latino.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: We would be adding an area that is less Latino than 56.31 percent, and then we'd be removing areas that are also less than 56 percent Latino CVAP.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. So --

MS. CLARK: And I can't say for sure --

COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Chair?

MS. CLARK: -- exactly what it would --

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Right.

MS. CLARK: -- equal.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: So the net -- the net might work out somewhere in there. Okay.

Commissioner Vazquez --
COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Chair?

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: -- if you can hold for a second, I've got Commissioner Akutagawa and Commissioner Yee first.

COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Just for clarification; was the seat in NELA a VRA district? I don't recall it being, but I might've missed it.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: It's a majority-minority district.

Commissioner Yee.

COMMISSIONER YEE: Yeah. The tradeoffs here are fairly steep. If we can mitigate them, I think this is a medium priority kind of COI, not a high priority kind of COI, so -- but if the folks -- Thai Town folks -- if it's possible -- if you want less than this whole stretch of Hollywood -- maybe there's a critical block or two that you really, really want, we'd love to hear from you in public testimony. Maybe we can make this a smaller switch.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Right. We could go up not as far as Franklin. I think there may have been one or two other cross streets between Hollywood and Franklin that we could reduce that.

MS. CLARK: So there's just a couple here.

Otherwise, the census blocks go all the way up to
Franklin.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. Okay.

MS. CLARK: I can just demonstrate that right now.

But then, otherwise, they all --

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Right. Okay.

MS. CLARK: -- all the way up.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. Very good.

Commissioner Vazquez.

COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: I may have a solution. So Jaime, if you could turn the Latino CVAP back on again and head back over to Glassell Park. So full disclosure -- I am proposing -- I'm going to propose that we move -- I think this is -- yep, it is -- my neighborhood of Mount Washington, which you can see starts at, like, Jessica Drive. It's on the East side -- yep. It's a hill. I would argue that the residents here are pretty high income and very few Latino and probably the reason why this looks a little peach on the side. I would say you could move that out of CDNELA and put that with Glassell Park.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. Could we explore that, Jaime?

MS. CLARK: Yeah. So to do that, I'm just going to commit the change that we have now, and then look at that swap. And we can always revert back. So --
VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you.

MS. CLARK: -- just one moment, please.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Commissioner Akutagawa.

COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah. I am going to say that -- I guess maybe the question I have is at -- even at the fifty-five percent, is this a district that would perform and enable Latinos to elect a candidate of their choice? Because we're talking about a small portion of Thai Town, which is -- it is not a wealthy community. It is also -- when, again, looking at the -- amongst Asian-Americans, the population that lives in the Thai Town area is fairly low income. Actually, not fairly, they are low income. They're in need of a lot of services. And so to separate them, I think, would do a disservice, and it's a -- it is still we're looking at a fifty-five percent plus majority-minority district that hopefully will enable them -- even at that number -- will enable the Latino community to elect a candidate of their choice.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you, Commissioner Akutagawa. We're already back up to fifty-six percent. At this point, we still have --

COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Wow.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: We still have some balancing to go, but in general I would say that between this area and
finishing off up in Eagle Rock, I would recommend that we ask Ms. Clark to finish this up off-line and come back to us with a proposal to review.

Commissioner Akutagawa. Okay. So yes. We would say, go with this area and then, as I said, finish balancing up in Eagle Rock and then come back and let us know what that looks like.

Commissioner Vazquez.

COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Yeah. If I could just ask Jaime if -- I would follow sort of the purple lines of the neighborhood council in this area. It is a pretty -- it's a pretty obvious hill when you're here in the geography, and I think those purple lines do compose the hill pretty well. And so I would try to keep that together and not go into what's currently Historic Highland Park like you've got there over in San Marcos Place and Eldred.

MS. CLARK: Okay. Thank you.

COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Yep.

MS. CLARK: When I'm balancing and cleaning that up, then I will move that -- adjust that line a little bit and follow --

COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Yep.

MS. CLARK: -- the neighborhood council boundaries.

Thank you.
VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Yeah. In those two locations.

Very good. Thank you, Commissioner Vazquez. Any further discussion on any of these? Okay. Then we will go to Commissioner Sadhwani and Commissioner Toledo to go through with us their exploration from down in Long Beach.

MS. CLARK: Okay. Just one second while I save this, and then I'll --

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay.

MS. CLARK: -- switch over to that map. One moment, please.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Perfect. Thank you. And at this point, we're looking at our next break in half-an-hour, so hopefully we can get through this in that half-hour. Let us know when you're ready.

MS. CLARK: I'm ready when Commissioners are ready.

COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I'm ready.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Commissioner Toledo looks ready.

COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Just wanted to take a deep breath before we looked at this. Okay. So per direction from the Commission, we have been exploring -- and this is an exploration, not necessarily a proposal, but an exploration of what we've done and what we're looking at. And we wanted to bring it back to the Commission and the
public before we did anymore additional work in case this
is -- we're going in the wrong direction. So the goals
were to try to increase Latino CVAP across the Latino
districts to maintain all of the Latino districts, to
keep the port separate, the two -- San Pedro and Long
Beach -- to also unite some of the LGBT COIs -- the
Signal Hill with Long Beach and potentially Seal Beach.
And we ran across a couple of challenges in doing so, but
we also were able to address some of the other priorities
for the Commission, including the Commission had said --
in the Assembly maps and even when we were in Long Beach,
that keeping the Orange County coast together was a
priority. And certainly, this map aims to -- is able to
achieve some of that, but it also creates some challenges
elsewhere, including in the Irvine area with some of the
other COIs that we've been trying to deal with.

So before we moved on, we wanted to bring it to the
Commission so we can discuss some of the challenges. I
think Commissioner Sadhwani will be discussing some of
the challenges with moving in this direction. We were
able to maintain the Latino CVAPs or increase them in
some areas, while also achieving the LGBT COIs and
uniting -- we've heard a lot -- and actually, we've heard
pretty conflicting testimony from Orange County as to
whether to keep the coast together or to maintain what we
have, which is a little bit different. And so we wanted to bring it here to get feedback from the Commission as to whether we should continue to work on this or whether this is something that we no longer want to explore. And I'll turn it over to Commissioner Sadhwani to give additional input on -- or information about the opportunities and the challenges.

And we did look at the maps from MALDEF, the maps from Equality California, and the maps from Environmental Voters, I believe it's called. So various community maps in trying to work through this area. And it's such a complex area and every single change had impacts. And so we've been trying to minimize the impacts, keep it as regionally focused as possible. And I'll turn it over to Commissioner Sadhwani.

COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah. Thank you for that, Commissioner Toledo.

And thank you to Jaime for helping us attempt to work through some of these considerations.

As we've continued to talk about Los Angeles and Orange County, we've certainly raised that there was some interest to see -- about increasing some of the Latino CVAP, as Commissioner Toledo mentioned. And also that we have never had the opportunity to visualize Long Beach as a part of a coastal district, which we've actually had
quite a lot of testimony from. This is definitely a visualization that shares the pain -- that really adopts the perspective of share the pain, because in it, we are able to link a portion of Long Beach along the OCCOAST.

You will note that we were able to -- at minimum, keep Signal Hill, which was identified as a part of the LGBT COI, I believe, as a part of that, but the North portion of Long Beach is cut. And certainly, further South than that Del Amo Boulevard that the city had been asking for. In this piece -- and we also looked with Jaime at other options about combining the ports and not combining the ports -- in this one we were able to keep them separate. But in doing so it did increase some of the Latino CVAP up above, but they still need a population. And so we could certainly think about or look at different iterations.

In this instance, we're combining some of those Gateway City areas down into Orange County. The positive, I think, is we continue to hear very conflicting testimony from Huntington Beach about whether or not they want to be coastal, whether or not they want to be whole, whether or not they want to be cut, whether or not they go to Little Saigon. This would keep them more coastal, but not entirely -- I believe, a small portion here is cut.
The other things that I think this does help to achieve -- and we've been hearing fairly loudly about Irvine wanting to be more inland than coastal. So I think we attempt to put that back in here. We, of course, are always working around that VRA district based in Santa Ana. That's really the anchor point for us here in Orange County. But the impact in bringing Irvine more inland is that the Asian-American COIs in the Northern parts -- the AAPI and AMEMSA COIs in Cerritos -- the Korean-Americans in Buena Park and Fullerton are now paired further down the state. In addition, you'll notice that while we were able to keep Irvine and most of Costa Mesa together with Tustin, Costa Mesa's also split. So this is truly a share the pain kind of plan. We'll note, though, that this was -- we were able to work in a localized way. Right? So this is a plan that is able to drop into what we have existing in San Diego and in the Inland Empire and what we've worked on already. I wanted to note, as Commissioner Toledo mentioned, there are several other folks that have visualized the coast more in this -- some more or some less. Right? So here we're -- a portion of Long Beach down to Laguna Beach. I believe if we switch over to the MALDEF maps, which we did take a look at. As everyone knows, we received input from MALDEF yesterday throughout -- for
ideas throughout the state, including -- we've talked about earlier today, San Benito, the Central Valley -- they also had some visualizations for down in Orange County, because there was a lot of concern about that Santa Ana district.

This is the MALDEF map, I believe. So similarly, they're pulling portions of Long Beach -- I think they don't have Signal Hill here -- all the way down to San Clemente. So pulling in that full coastal district that the coastal folks have been asking for. Here in their visualization you certainly get more of the Asian-American COI kept together and some swaps here in Los Angeles. Right? So what we now currently have picking up the Long Beach area would stop more towards Lakewood, and we can look at that. There are some other changes that happen further up in Los Angeles such as pulling in East -- excuse me, Eagle Rock.

The big difference, however, between this map and where we are working from, is that if we were to adopt a structure that's more like this, it would necessarily require us to rework the areas in San Diego and the Inland Empire. You can see here, they visualize a district that goes from Camp Pendleton out to the Coachella Valley. I'm not suggesting that we take that on, but if we wanted to adopt their kind of approach or
architecture to Orange County where I think we keep
getting a lot of response. We keep getting a lot of
testimony, and I think this is a just a temperature check
of the Commission of where we want to land here. If we
wanted to move in this direction, it would probably
require additional work in the Inland Empire and
returning to San Diego potentially. But I wanted to lift
that up so that at least we have a chance to take a look
at it and discuss it. Thank you.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Very good. Thank you,
Commissioner Sadhwani. Thank you, Commissioner Toledo.
We've got about twenty minutes for discussion of this
before our next break.

Commissioner Sinay.

COMMISSIONER SINAY: I was trying to quickly write
down the -- we said that the Latino CVAPs have gone up.
And if I'm correct, it doesn't seem like they've gone up
by a whole bunch, so it feels like it's a lot of work for
a little bit of change. And on top of that, Little
Saigon is split. A lot of -- a lot of what we worked
hard to put together in Orange County seems to be split.
But I just wanted to confirm that my quick assessment was
correct.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Commissioner Sadhwani?

COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yes, that's correct.
VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you. Anything else, Commissioner Sinay? Thank you.

Commissioner Akutagawa.

COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah. I do have similar concerns where we're not seeing that much of a difference. I'm also concerned -- very concerned that -- I know we've gotten conflicting testimony about Little Saigon, but I want to just remind all of us that at the beginning of the summer when we were getting community testimony from Little Saigon, it did state that Westminster, Garden Grove, Midway City, Fountain Valley were the core, including -- depending on who was also talking, that very, very Western portion of Santa Ana, but is in the Santa Ana district.

But regardless of that, the core is Westminster, Garden Grove, Fountain Valley, and it is -- it is completely split. And it also then puts in -- it looks like, if I'm correct, a portion of, I guess, Westminster and Garden Grove in with -- up to the Gateway Cities, which is -- it's I'll say an interesting grouping. I will say that I think you were showing the MALDEF map -- I will say that I had looked at that too, and I was hoping that perhaps we could go to maybe something -- a structure that may be more similar to that. I think that pairing -- I know that we've gotten testimony that
pairing Inland, OC and Riverside County is not the greatest thing, but what I like about what they did is it's not just that Southern portion but it does go up into that Northern portion. That does make it seem like it's much more accessible, and I guess for me I think that that's also another thing that I like. I also want to say that I think it does group key Asian-American COIs, in particular in that one -- I guess it's Fountain Valley to Brea-Placentia district, too, so. And it keeps Irvine whole.

   And then, also as importantly -- and I think we've heard quite a lot of testimony, it does create a coastal district which we've heard a lot of testimony -- and especially around -- the reason about having someone who can advocate for the kind of coastal issues, especially as I've mentioned before, the effects of the oil spill. And unfortunately, I don't think we're going to see the last of that, so I think just having somebody who is able to be focused on that as it goes throughout the coast. And I also understand it impacts San Diego and it impacts Long Beach as well, too. But I just wanted to mention that. Thank you.

   VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you, Commissioner Akutagawa.

   Commissioner Yee.
COMMISSIONER YEE: Yes. I sure appreciate Commissioners Sadhwani and Toledo for working on this. And Orange County is the big -- one of the big challenges -- one of the biggest challenges we have. It's not because we care about people more there than anywhere else in the state, but just because of the concentration of population and the complexity of the different communities there side-by-side. I'm seeing and appreciating some of the goals that were achieved here. At the same time when I think back to all the COI testimony we've gotten since the beginning of summer, two sets really do stand out in my mind. One is Long Beach -- keep us together, and Little Saigon -- keep us together. And both of those are more split here than in previous plans. So it's hard for me to go here even with the other achievements -- good achievements that this plan has. At the same time, I know that there's going to be heavy tradeoffs no matter what we do here.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Very good. Thank you, Commissioner Yee.

COMMISSIONER SINAY: Just because we went to the MALDEF -- I have real hard reservations on the MALDEF map. Part of it is we keep talking about coastal Orange County, but the water doesn't stop in Orange County. It
does go all the way down and when there was an oil spill in Orange County it went to Los Angeles, because I just stepped on some tar on my walk in Los Angeles. And it went to San Diego. And Camp Pendleton is coast. Oceanside is coast. And all the way down. The MALDEF connecting the coast of San Diego and Camp Pendleton with Coachella Valley is very -- to me it's very difficult. Camp Pendleton and military families really are part of the San Diego culture, and the veterans and the nonprofit communities do take care of the military families. I know we think of a lot of other communities as being vulnerable, but I would say military families are really vulnerable, and there's a lot more on food stamps and things like that -- I know we don't call them food stamps anymore, but that are -- than we'd like to be aware of sometimes. So this one to me just -- it breaks up a lot of what we had already -- what we had in San Diego wasn't perfect, but this actually makes it more imperfect, in my mind. And especially because Camp Pendleton is all the way -- I mean, Oceanside, all that, is connected to Coachella Valley.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Yes. Thank you, Commissioner Sinay.

Commissioner Akutagawa, is your hand still up or is it up again? Okay. Thank you very much. Any other
colleagues?

Commissioner Fernandez.

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yeah. I like the coastal and Orange County. I don't mind the splitting of the Long Beach. I realize that there's been this Long Beach effort from the beginning, but again we have so many other -- we have so many COIs, and they did provide us information on where the split should be. And I don't like -- with Commissioner Sinay, I do not like the -- excuse me -- the San Diego coast being tied in with the Coachella Valley. But I do like the coast district in Orange County. So I'm a mixed person right now.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Very good. Thank you. I'll take the opportunity to say that I can see some useful resolutions of issues in both the MALDEF map and the proposal or the exploration that Commissioner Sadhwani and Toledo have brought.

I think in balance, I would come down on the side of our current maps, but not excluding the possibility of some further work on them. And I certainly understand that a lot of work went into this exploration overnight, and I certainly appreciate it. I think for me, one of the key things is the ports.

I understand the importance of the ports, both to the national economy and to California's own economy. I
think having two representatives in Washington for the
two ports is beneficial for California. I think it's
beneficial for their local communities. I think it
probably is a huge issue. I'm wondering also if the
Cambodia Town community of interest was able to be fully
maintained, and I would guess that the exploration ended
up splitting the two campuses of the community college
district.

Commissioner Sadhwani.

COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: I'm not certain. We could
take a closer look. I have a feeling -- Long Beach is
split in our maps as well.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Right.

COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah. The cuts are
different in each of the maps, so we would have to take a
closer look. Follow up those --

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Yeah. My understanding is
there's a campus to the East and a campus to the West,
and I'm --

COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah. And I'll just say, I
mean, it pains me --

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Yeah.

COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: -- to break up Long Beach.
Long Beach is the one place where we have heard from the
beginning and loudest. Right? From a broad array of
folks who represent Black interests, Asian interests, Latino interests, civic interests, business interests, school boards, city councils. Right? Like everybody. And thus far, we have not kept Long Beach together in either Assembly or Congressional maps. So this definitely brings me no joy. And that's why in presenting it I said, this is a truly share the pain, because I think what continues to happen is we're choosing other COIs over Long Beach. Right? I mean, we have other goals in Los Angeles that have been identified, and if we're going to meet some of those other ones, then Long Beach ends up getting split. I mean, it's right up against, also, Little Saigon, and so here this is -- we're seeing the impacts of different ways of thinking about either sharing the pain or choosing one COI over another.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Yeah. Yeah. Thank you very much.

Commissioner Fornaciari, then Commissioner Sinay, Commissioner Akutagawa, Commissioner Fernandez, Commissioner Toledo. And by then, we may be at 4:30.

Commissioner Fornaciari.

COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yeah. So we're looking at the MALDEF map right now. Right? Is that right?

MS. CLARK: Yes.
COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Could we --

MS. CLARK: Yeah. So in blue lines is the MALDEF map. And when I have the black lines up it's the exploration.

COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Okay. Yeah. Can I see the exploration then? I mean, I do like this beach district, but I don't like what they've done with Camp Pendleton in that, so. I think this is definitely a share the pain thing. Right? We're breaking up a bunch of COIs, also putting together two majority districts -- that is important, too. We've gone a long way towards a beach district here. Definitely broke up that Cambodian COI, too.

Yeah. Tough decisions, but I definitely don't like the MALDEF -- what MALDEF did to Camp Pendleton.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. Thank you, Commissioner Fornaciari.

COMMISSIONER SINAY: You had mentioned the community colleges. I just wanted to share that when we were doing our outreach, we met with several community college executive leaders throughout the State of California and one of them said that he absolutely loved having two Congressional members because it was double the attention. So some people want to be in the same
Congressional district, and some actually like to use the system when there's two.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you for that.

Commissioner Akutagawa.

COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Sorry about that. Yeah. I do have to say -- I guess for me I do like the idea of -- and I will agree, I think I was a little neutral. I could've gone either way, but I think in hearing some of the rationale for two, I agree. I think I've come over more towards the importance of having two separate Congressional representatives for the two ports. Yeah. As I thought about just being able to bring in the resources for California, I think that that's going to be important.

With that said, I mean, I think -- I guess if I had to I'd like to see the -- I'm going to call it -- I don't want to call it the Little Saigon COI because it's really -- it's not just them that's there -- the Vietnamese community. I want to just note that there's Vietnamese, there's Pacific Islanders and native Hawaiians there. There are Korean-Americans in what -- I'm looking at what is the SANANAANA I think is what it was called before. There's a number of various Asian ethnic COIs as well as Pacific Islander COIs as well as various other COIs that represent multiple economic
levels. I would like to see them stay together. I think that would be, I think, important in this particular case.

And I think -- I agree with what's been said. The Camp Pendleton to Coachella Valley district is a little -- it's, again, an interesting grouping that I don't know if it makes -- if it's going to be really putting the best interests of two very different areas. So I think -- while there're aspects of even what MALDEF has presented, I think there are some things that I think we've also done that perhaps we could go back and look at, too. Thank you.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Very good. Thank you, Commissioner Akutagawa.

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yeah. I mean, if I was going to list my preference, I actually prefer the one we had yesterday. Was it yesterday? Where it had the ports separate, and Long Beach, I believe, was mainly kept together, and it went North -- I'm really bad with my directions. You know I'm directly challenged, Chair. But it was yesterday's -- I think it's what we started with -- pretty close to what we started with.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Right.

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes. Yes. I think that's
the one that I would prefer at this point. Thank you.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay.

MS. CLARK: Yeah. I don't have --

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: I think it --

MS. CLARK: I don't have the current version loaded onto the map, but --

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yeah. It, like, split Long Beach. If you could --

MS. CLARK: But yeah. The current --


VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Very good.

Commissioner Toledo, and then I think we'll be at our break point.

COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yeah. So we did this exploration, and we didn't want to go too much further because we didn't want to -- we wanted to make sure we were going in the direction that the Commission was hoping or was wanting to go in. And so certainly, there were swaps that we could potentially make, especially trying to do a little bit more to keep some of the Asian-American COIs and other COIs together. We didn't get that far just because we wanted to make -- we wanted to
make sure that the architectural changes were within the parameters that the Commission wanted to go in. So we came in with an exploration, not a proposal. This is not a proposal. I think should the Commission want us to continue the exploration and refine this a little bit more, we can come back with the proposal. And I know Jaime has her hand up, but that's something -- that was a question that we wanted to pose to the Commission. Certainly, some of those potential swaps could involve Rossmoor and Los Alamitos and some of the Garden Grove and Westminster area. But we just didn't have enough time to do that yesterday and this morning.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Yeah. Yeah. No. I --

COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Thank you.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: -- I really appreciate it. I appreciate the work done. I know that I've not been entirely thrilled with the groupings in the Northern part of the area. And I had been trying to come up with a way instead of grouping from Northwest to Southeast, finding a way to group from Southwest to Northeast, because I think it's more natural as far as the communities in the Northern end of LBNORTH and the end of the San Pedro District, and the Western part of the 60 district. It just -- it really is a hard nut to crack. So Jaime, do you have anything else at this point? It is time for our
break.

MS. CLARK: I think if it's -- if it is time for our break, I don't have anything that is bite-sized to note.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. So then we will come back to this after break. My expectation is that Chair Andersen will be back with us, but if not I will be here to continue this discussion fifteen minutes from now.

Thank you, everyone.

(Whereupon, a recess was held from 4:30 p.m. until 4:45 p.m.)

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Welcome back to today's meeting of the California Citizens Redistricting Commission.

Commissioners Sadhwani and Toledo have presented an exploration that the Commission was in the process of discussing. Wondering if Commissioners have any further thoughts after their break?

Commissioner Sadhwani.

COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah. Sure. I think this is the MALDEF map that we have up; is that correct, Jaime?

MS. CLARK: Yes, it is.

COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Thank you. Oh, okay. Yeah. I'm just noticing here -- I mean, I think that their approach was just slightly different from ours in some areas, so I just want to look at some of those
differences. So for example, in the Little Saigon area
where we had cut Costa Mesa, they've kept Costa Mesa
whole. And in exchange, then, they're able to keep
Fountain Valley and more of Westminster together in
comparison to what we're doing. And in doing so -- and
then more of Lakewood and Hawaiian Gardens and that piece
of Signal Hill -- and so that's something to certainly
talk about -- was enough in the MALDEF map to populate
the Los Angeles district and maintain the LCVAP. I don't
believe -- I don't know what the LCVAP is in the MALDEF
map of that district. But those two small swaps alone, I
think would -- I know Commissioner Akutagawa was asking
about maintaining more of Little Saigon with some of
those Asian-American COIs.

So I do think that small swap would allow a portion
of that to happen. Though, of course, it might have
additional impact on the other side of the map that we
would have to contend with. But I'm just pointing out
some of those minor changes that are -- or minor
distinctions, if you will, between the exploration that
we did just over the -- last night, and the map that
MALDEF has presented, if this were a direction.

And again, I think the key difference in the two
maps is that MALDEF, of course, on the Eastern portion of
Orange County goes into Riverside. That alone would
require us to completely change our approach further down the map. However, in the iteration that Commissioner Toledo and I worked on with Jaime, it contains the change to Orange County. So those are some key differences.

Yeah.

And I think -- I know that we had also received -- in addition to MALDEF, I believe we've received maps for this area from Equality California as well.

I don't know, Jaime, do we happen to have -- I know we -- you had mentioned there were some challenges opening the Shapefiles that -- from their submission, but I don't know if we have a snapshot at least to take a look at?

MS. CLARK: Yeah. And just to clarify, we could open the Shapefiles, but just not -- it had inside it the Equality California index. I'm just not sure how to use that.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Just transfer it.

MS. CLARK: What's that?

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: You said (audio interference).

MS. CLARK: Yeah. It was just this -- it was just a statewide census block group, I think, layer or a census track layer. But -- so I'm not sure -- can you see -- what you can see on the screen right now, is it just the
map? Or can you see -- can you see the screenshot that's up?

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: We can see the screenshot that's up.

MS. CLARK: Okay. So this is the Equality California map of Orange County. It seems like this is pretty similar, actually, to MALDEF's map. It does kind of contain things within Orange County. Here this seems to be the boundary with Riverside, and it does have a coastal district that's going all the way to the Long Beach port.

And this is -- I can see as much as you can on this screenshot, so don't know all the details. And the Southern boundaries of this are definitely different than sort of the Southern boundaries of the Commission's Orange County-based districts. And this seems to go all the way up to Lakewood, just based on this shape, it looks like the City of Lakewood.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Right. Thank you.

Commissioner Toledo.

COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I believe there's a -- I think there's a later version of the Equality California maps that we are receiving. So perhaps we can take a look at those later once they're with the line drawers. So I'll see if we can get them to the line drawers.
VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay.

Commissioners, any further thoughts on this? I'm not feeling that we have enough support to accept something, but I think there are some ideas -- various ideas that have some support for further exploration.

Commissioner Sinay.

COMMISSIONER SINAY: I guess I'm just trying to figure out -- there are some ideas, but I would like to put some boundaries on how much time we -- how much of the line drawer's time we use on further explorations, because we can go on and on and on. And we know -- the amount of work that was done now is amazing in creativity and all that, but the final result is for our outcome, which is just kind of low, and so I just -- just like we give ourselves limits when we're in public session, maybe we can do the same thing for the line drawers when we're exploring off-line.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. Do you have recommendations on that?

COMMISSIONER SINAY: The only times I've explored off-line, I've been like a whole ten minutes because I feel -- I sort of feel like I'm -- so I'm not a good person to ask because I kind of rush myself because I feel bad. So I think those who have gone deeper would have a better understanding of when too much is too much,
or Jaime may be able to tell us.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. Thanks.

Commissioner Fornaciari.

COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: I'm just trying to figure out where we are in a path to convergence. So I'm just going to share where I think we are. It doesn't seem like we've made any solid final decisions, but it seemed to me -- these are my observations, right. If we start in the North, it seemed like in general, the North seemed okay, although we want to explore this Modesto move and that is going to have some -- could have some definite impacts on the Northern map.

In the Bay Area, I think in general we seem pretty good. I got a sense that everybody felt pretty good about the Bay Area. We still have this question of Antioch. We have a couple explorations out there that I think can resolve that and we can put that question to bed and probably wrap the Bay Area up in a bow. We moved down to the Central Coast. I think we're all comfortable there at this point. At least, certainly with the architecture. We have minor explorations going on there to clean it up a little bit. And there's cleanup all over the place, but big picture architecturally wise, go to the Central Valley, I think we're all pretty happy with our VRA districts in the Central Valley. Then as we
come down into L.A. -- the Northern L.A. area, we just
gave a bunch of direction on that, but I didn't hear any
major changes there. San Gabriel Valley seemed like we
got our VRA districts straightened out.

I'm not sure where we are with our other districts
there. OC-Long Beach, that is something we've got to
continue to work and come to a conclusion on. Imperial
County I think it's a district. San Diego, we're where
we are, and I don't see a lot of change there. I don't
know about the rest of Riverside. I mean, we've looked
at our VRA districts out in IE. And then we've got to
circle back up North into -- finalize Antelope Valley,
kind of Victor Valley area. I mean, that's kind of where
I feel like we're at. So it seems to me we have a few
minor decisions and a couple of major decisions to look
at. And I guess I would offer at this point, let's work
on them, the major decisions. Let's just work on them
and get them resolved so that we can -- because, you
know, I mean, what else are we going to do right now?

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Right. Right.

COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: So that's just what I'm
thinking. I mean, I think we could probably resolve this
Antioch thing pretty quickly, but we are in Southern
California. We're looking at Orange County. You know,
let's come to a place where we can come out the other end
with somewhere we're -- I was going to say happy with, but, you know, as happy as we can be.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you, Commissioner Fornaciari.

Commissioner Sadhwani?

COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah. Thank you so much for that, Commissioner Fornaciari. I think that was a really helpful overview. And when you put it that way, I think that we're in a better place than we actually sometimes think. That we've combed through the state in reviewing the Congressional districts, and we do have some major decision points.

So for this one, in this area, I think to me what would be helpful to hear from the Commission is, are we comfortable sticking with what we have and calling it a day, or is there a desire to see continued exploration of trying to reorient, it sounds like in particular, the Garden Grove, Westminster areas, pulling that COI closer together. And I'm thinking, while maintaining the change in that region, right, and not expanding out to disrupt the other districts that we've already built and the other areas to the greatest extent possible. Is that correct?

And so I mean, I think for me, I'm happy to take direction from the group. I don't have a very strong
preference one way or another. And it would be helpful
to hear what the Commission would want.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Commissioner Toledo?

COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yeah. I'm happy to work on
this some more, if that's the will of the Commission, you
know, with the direction and the parameters set out by
the Commission as well. Thank you.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you.

Commissioner Fernandez?

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Thank you, Chair. I'm not
for exploring. I think we've explored so much here, and
it's almost like, well, we know we don't like something.
We don't necessarily know -- I mean, we know what we
would like to see, but it just can't -- it unfortunately
can't happen because of the populations. And I already
stated what my preference was, was the maps where we
started with -- I think it was yesterday, where we kept
Long Beach whole and the -- the port was separate from
(audio interference). Thanks.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you, Commissioner
Fernandez.

Commissioner Akutagawa, and then Commissioner
Fornaciari, and Commissioner Vazquez.

Commissioner Akutagawa?

COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah. Yeah. Thank you. I
hear what Commissioner Fernandez is saying. I guess I'd like to take one more look at it. I know that Commissioner Sadhwani also said to try to localize it and not go beyond, but, you know, I know that there are some constraints around San Diego, and I got the sense that Commissioner Sinay, also, perhaps would like to -- you know, she's accepted it, but I mean, if there's a way that, in opening that up, you know, could we make something that would be more workable for everybody? I don't know.

But I'd also like to volunteer myself for this one, as well, too, for Orange County in particular. I think I'd like to be able to -- yeah -- I'd like to be able to be a part of this conversation if I could, and I'm happy to help and work on this one with anybody, too. And if it's, you know, either alone or with another Commissioner, I'm happy to do that, too.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you, Commissioner Akutagawa.

COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Two things. First of all, I am with Commissioner Fernandez. I kind of liked where we were yesterday as a starting point, but I really, firmly believe we need to work on it now, live, and get it resolved, because, you know, it's bring me a rock,
bring me a rock, bring me a rock, you know, kind of thing. And we have to come to a consensus. And bringing me a rock is not consensus. Right? We've got to work through it, and all work through the pain, and get to a place that that we can all agree to.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you, Commissioner Fornaciari.

Commissioner Vazquez?

COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Yeah. I am also with Commissioner Fernandez and Commissioner Fornaciari. However, I actually, I prefer these maps as a starting point. I know I have said in the past, particularly about the ports issue, that I was fairly, you know, I am still open to having them in the same district. However, I do think this map is a great first pass at sharing the pain, as Commissioner Sadhwani said, and I think there are definitely some swaps that could be made, sort of on the margins. But in terms of sharing the pain and sharing the gain, I mean, I think this attempt goes further than yesterday's, and so I would like to see us start here if there is maybe not consensus, but if maybe the majority in this case wants to go that way or another way. I'm not sure that we'll be able to meet consensus for this.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: "Here", being the exploration
from Commissioner Sadhwani and Commissioner Toledo?

COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Right. I mean, I'm open, if the majority of the Commission wants to use yesterday's maps to do some exploration, but I do think we need to wrap up exploring and actually make the tough decision realistically today.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you, Commissioner Vazquez.

Commissioner Sinay?

COMMISSIONER SINAY: I know that we were shown the map from yesterday, but at this point, there's nowhere really to find it and to really study it, and that's kind of what's tough about all the different versions that are out there.

So I feel your frustration, to the public, and to us. I think there's some good things here. I think we know what our main priorities might be, but as I said earlier, I wouldn't want to spend a lot more time exploring at the expense of making the tough decisions.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. Thank you.

Commissioner Yee?

COMMISSIONER YEE: Yeah. I agree with Commissioner Fornaciari. I mean, we've kicked the can down the street. We've run out of street, or very close to it. So I'm just not sure any more exploring is going to turn
up anything that we haven't seen already.

If I had to vote right now, I think I would vote for last night's plan over this one, just because they both have pain to share, but I think there's less net overall pain in last night's plan than this one today. But other people have different priorities and will calculate that pain differently.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you, Commissioner Yee.

Commissioner Akutagawa?

COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah. I guess I got -- I think for me, if I have to make a choice, I would prefer last night's plan over the current visualization or exploration that is presented right now. It could be -- yeah. I think it keeps more like communities together that -- yes, I would prefer this one, if that is what we need to do.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you, Commissioner Akutagawa.

Commissioner Toledo?

COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Thank you. I'm fine with either the maps that we've discussed here. The maps that are going on further exploration. I think it meets the requirements that we set forth. Of course, we were aiming to try to respond to some of the community of interest testimony that's come through, so at this point,
I'm fine with either.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you, Commissioner Toledo.

My sense is that we are not going to request any further exploration. We're not going to dictate to Commissioners that they can't do further exploration on their own if they want to. But we're not going to instruct or request any further exploration. We're going to at this point, move forward on the basis of last night's maps.

And so Jaime, I would like to thank you. Unless anybody has anything else they'd like to see in Los Angeles now, and we can return to Contra Costa County and that and see if we can put this to bed.

MS. CLARK: Thank you so much.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Commissioner Yee?

Go ahead, Jaime.

MS. CLARK: I was just going to say thank you, and we just need a couple moments here to switch mappers.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Very good. Thank you.

Commissioner Akutagawa?

Very good. Okay. We will stand by for two or three minutes, five minutes while mappers switch over.

(Pause)

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: While we are switching over to another mapper, I just wanted to remind everyone we will
be taking our next break at 5:45. This is a short block so that we can come back at 6 o'clock and begin taking public input promptly at 6. The lines will close at 6:00, and we will be taking public comment immediately thereafter.

MS. RAMOS ALON: Good evening, everybody. Sorry.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Hi, Tamina. Welcome back.

MS. RAMOS ALON: Thank you. I am just hooking back up because I was working on another map. I'll be right with -- having the map with you shortly.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Excellent. Thank you.

(Pause)

MS. RAMOS ALON: Okay. We are ready to go. Thank you very much.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you, Tamina. Please proceed. Oh, you want to know where to proceed. We want to look at North Contra Costa. We want to look at the Antioch issue.

And you're on mute.

MS. RAMOS ALON: So the only Antioch issue that I've been exploring that I can show you is the one that Commissioner Toledo worked on, and that was taking part of Antioch in exchange for part of Pleasant Hill -- for making Pleasant Hill whole, and part of Martinez.

So if Commissioner Toledo is ready for that one, I
am happy to bring up that visualization.

COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Thank you, Tamina. And thank you for taking the time to work with me on this.

Our goal was to bring more of the essential worker community into this district, in Antioch, and to unite some of the more affluent areas into the Contra Costa district. So creating more of a working, essential worker district, which has a lot of -- so what we did was, we went through the neighborhoods in Martinez looking for lower income communities, neighborhoods, neighborhoods with multi-housing dwellings, as well as in the communities of Antioch. So looking at, you know, where there's a lot of apartments, where there's low income housing, and trying to pull those into this district, and then pulling out areas that were a little bit more affluent.

And so we did we did make a couple of recommendations to that district. And the district does now, I think, reflect more of a working class, more of an essential workforce district across the whole area. What we didn't do is, we didn't touch Fairfield. And Solano County remains the way it was previously. We've mostly focused in the Antioch area, so bringing as much of the working communities of Antioch into this district. And I think we achieved that.
We did also take out a small community. I think it was -- correct me if I'm wrong. I forget the name of it. Kensington, Tamina?


COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: That's what I thought it was. I couldn't remember the pronunciation, but Kensington, we took that out, as well, in order to bring in more population from Antioch. And I think we achieved the goal of bringing in as much of Antioch as we could, without bringing in what was referred to yesterday as the "pool communities". And so the more affluent portions of Antioch.

So here's our map, which has -- you can see the portion of Antioch that we were able to bring in, as well as the portions of Martinez where we put the cuts Martinez. So it does mean that two communities are cut. And we're open to questions.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Commissioner Akutagawa?

Commissioner Akutagawa, you're on mute. Okay.

I am wondering, was there any thought given -- do we want to consider a cut in Concord as well? Are there logical places to cut in Concord?

And second, as far as Antioch, I guess my understanding, and this is from very -- this is from input many, many months ago, so it's a little dim in my
memory, but I was thinking we were looking more along Highway 4, and not in the hills for areas to keep. So if you can just bring us up to date on that. Thank you.

COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: So we're looking at a household with high -- and Antioch has a lot of low income communities, a lot of neighborhoods with multi-housing units, and so we were focused on those areas. Certainly, there are areas across all of Antioch. And so we focused on those areas with the highest concentrations of populations. And that was the portion that -- and of course, the portions that would be most contiguous to the district that we currently have, to meet the contiguity requirements.

We did, and I think, Tamina, I think you have a snapshot of the portion that captures even more of the lower income populations, but it didn't look as nice. And so we when we cleaned it up, we took out some of those portions in order to clean it up. But if you have that snapshot of the communities in the neighborhoods, all of the neighborhoods that we went through. And this captures a little bit more of the essential workforce, but it had an odd shape, and we didn't think a couple of our Commissioners would go for it.

And the other -- to answer your question about Concord, we did think about potentially making a cut in
Concord to try to increase the -- especially around the Monument area of Concord, which is a high density of the essential workforce. We didn't get to making that cut, but we also didn't think it would help too much, based on -- we'd have to make population swaps. So we didn't think that -- we didn't prioritize that, but we certainly could.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: And I'm assuming we had to find, or we were shifting some population -- so the swap was only Martinez and Antioch? It didn't involve other areas in the county?

COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: And Kensington, so --

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: And Kensington.

COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: -- we can also show the Kensington cut as well.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. Very good.

Commissioner Yee?

MS. RAMOS ALON: Kensington's actually together here. We did not move Kensington in this particular visualization.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. Thank you.

Commissioner Yee?

COMMISSIONER YEE: Thank you, Chair.

And thank you, Commissioner Toledo, and Tamina, for working on this. Just as a preview, you may recall we
were going to work on a possible option 5, which I won't present now, but after we are done with this, I just to let you know, there's no way forward with it. So we're not going to even show it to you. I just talk you through the dead end we hit pretty clearly and quickly.

But for this one, I like the skill in making careful divides of cities. Of course, we don't like splitting cities, but I guess for them to do it so skillfully.

I am wondering if Counsel has a comment about the split in Martinez and the really narrow passage that goes through there.

MR. BECKER: Given the straits there, I think I think it's understandable that it's really about population, it's not just about geography. I mean, there might be a way, optically, to make it look better, maybe taking in -- I don't I don't know if there's a way, with the census blocks as they are, to take in more of that lake area around where it says Solano. But I think it's -- I think it's understandable, given the communities of interest along those areas, that you haven't really bypassed populations, which is the legal standard for compactness, so I think it's -- I think it's likely -- I think it's likely justifiable.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Very good. Thank you, Mr. Becker.
Commissioner Fornaciari?

COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yeah. I'm sort of -- follow along with Commissioner Kennedy's comment, I sort of expected the cut to be sort of North of 4. But you know, I believe you guys did the work. I appreciate it. And I want to thank you for doing this.

How many people were you able to move?

COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Tamina has the exact number, but I would say I expected the move to be in the same direction that Commissioner Kennedy and Fornaciari had said, but when we started delving into the neighborhoods, these are the neighborhoods that seemed to be the most dense, most number of apartment buildings, and population, and so this is why we went in this direction. Because ultimately, this got us to our numbers and also were low income communities.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Tamina, you have a population number for us?

MS. RAMOS ALON: I do. This was 63,183 people.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Excellent. Thank you.

Commissioner Fornaciari, anything else? Very good.

Commissioner Akutagawa? Commissioner Akutagawa, we're not hearing you. Okay.

Commissioner Fernandez?

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Can you just show the
Highway 12, please? And I did -- yesterday, I did
mention cutting through Concord as well. I mean, in
terms of trying to essentially bring in more of Antioch.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Right. Highway 4?
COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: 4. Yeah. I'm sorry. 4,
yeah. I said 12, I was thinking 4.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: There it is.
COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Thank you.
VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. Thank you.
Commissioner Fornaciari?
COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yeah. Cutting Concord is
population in the wrong way. We got to take people out
of -- we got to move population South to move more of
Antioch in.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. Very good. Thank you
for that reminder.
Commissioner Sinay?
COMMISSIONER SINAY: Thank you so much. This looks
really -- you know, it's the share the pain, but I think
this brings a lot more of the communities together, so
thanks for doing the research and really delving into
this. Thank you.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you, Commissioner Sinay.
Commissioner Fernandez?
COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yeah. And when I said
Concord, I meant Concord instead of Martinez, in terms of population, but thanks. It's probably still the wrong way, so we'll see.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. Very good. So my sense from what I'm hearing is that we are all happy with this. We would, of course, like Antioch to be whole, but have not found a viable way to make it whole, and feel that this is a good alternative that we are happy with and happy to move forward with. Very good.

Commissioner Fornaciari, what was next on your list?

COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Well, I think the Bay Area -- I think now that we've resolved this, I felt like we were pretty good with the Bay Area.

I think the next big thing we have to tackle is looking at working through the Modesto move.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Right.

COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: But if we're breaking at --

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: 5:45.

COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: -- at 5:45, I'm not sure we'll get very far down the road with that. I don't know if you want to get started to look at that, or what.

But I don't know. I didn't know where we were back down in Southern California, San Gabriel Valley, for instance, or in Inland Empire, as far as if we'd gone
through all the districts and were happy with all of them. I know the Northern ones, you know, in Victor Valley and the Antelope Valley, we have to kind of wait and figure that out, but I don't know where we were with San Diego, or IE, on the West of the non VRA district.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. So my sense is that those would be better started tomorrow. And so at this point, I would ask if Kennedy could help us take another look at Modesto.

MS. WILSON: Just one moment while I pull that up for you.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you.

COMMISSIONER YEE: Chair, if this is a good moment, I could put to bed option 5 right now, if you would like.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay.

COMMISSIONER YEE: So you'll recall yesterday, we had some thought of exploring what would happen if Fairfield and Vacaville entirely went back into Solano County, Fairfield being the county seat. We tried it. You end up with a district all the way from Vallejo to Bethel Island in Far East Contra Costa. Below that, you end up with an extremely wide district from Orinda all the way to Lathrop, and not even all of Lathrop. We'd have to split Lathrop. We would end up with Stockton and one half of Elk Grove, which that was, for sure, a dead
end, it seemed. And Sacramento would end up with all of Yolo County. So it just doesn't work.

As it is, of course, having Fairfield in (indiscernible) South with Vallejo, it is a trade-off. On the other hand, Fairfield does have over half of Solano County's population with it in its district. Also, Contra Costa County -- Northern Contra Costa County, of course, too.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Very good. Thank you.

MS. WILSON: So I do have the map pulled up, and currently Modesto, parts of Modesto, or most of Modesto and Turlock are going out to ECA, so they're with Inyo, Mono, Alpine, parts of El Dorado, Amador, Calaveras, Tuolumne, the Gold Country, Mariposa, and the foothill parts of Madera and Frisco.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. Comments from Commissioners?

COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Chair, if it's okay, I'll comment.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Commissioner Fornaciari?

COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yeah. I think the -- I think the exploration that we wanted to look at was keeping the county line as the boundary, and seeing about moving that population North. Just want to check in with my colleagues. That was the thought? I know
Commissioner Turner's -- I don't know if she's with us or not.

Commissioner Sinay, did you have some direction, thoughts? I mean, Commissioner Sadhwani, did you have an idea about how you might want to see this play out?

Okay.

I guess I would, then, just move it up through San Joaquin, through Sacramento, if that's the path we're going to take.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: We're exploring.

MS. WILSON: So shall I start by moving the rest into the San Joaquin County and just seeing what the deviations turn out to be?

COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Sure.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Yes, please.

MS. WILSON: Okay. One moment, please.

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Chair?

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Yes, Commissioner Fernandez?

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yeah. Sorry about that. I'm sorry. So this is the whole wanting to keep Modesto in the STANISFRESNO?

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: This is --

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Is this what we're looking at?
VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: This is wanting to keep Modesto in the Central Valley, grouped with the Central Valley. It's not going anywhere.

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Okay.

MS. WILSON: So there are a total of 420,744 people in this selection that we will be moving North. And shall I commit this change?

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Yes.

MS. WILSON: Okay. One moment. And so now that that has been changed, we have a deviation of 55.35 percent, obviously, because we just took half of a district and put it in one. So then we would start moving populations North. So however else -- however you would like to do that, you just let me know.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. If I can pause us for a moment and ask Katy to read the call-in instructions? We will be closing the phone lines in half an hour and starting to take public comment at that point.

Katy?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Absolutely, Chair.

In order to maximize transparency and public participation in our process, the Commissioners will be taking public comment by phone. To call in, dial the telephone number provided on the livestream feed. It is 877-853-5247. When prompted to enter the meeting ID
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When prompted to enter participant IDs, simply press the pound key. Once you have dialed in, you will be placed in a queue. To indicate you wish to comment, please press star 9. This will raise your hand for the moderator. When it is your turn to speak, you will hear a message that says the host would like you to talk, and to press star 6 to speak. If you would like to give your name, please state and spell it for the record. You're not required to provide your name to give public comment.

Please make sure to mute your computer or livestream audio to prevent any feedback or distortion during your call. And once you're awaiting the queue, be alert for when it is your turn to speak, and again, please turn down the livestream volume.

And as the chair said, the lines will be open until 6 o'clock. It will be a minute and a half --

MR. MANOFF: Yes. Yes.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: -- time period.

And we will go back to you, Chair.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Very good. Thank you.

MS. WILSON: So I just chose Stockton because I know it will have to go North, so I just started by choosing that, but yeah. Any direction is great.
VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Commissioner Fernandez?

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Kennedy, could you quickly just zoom out for a second? I'm trying to remember all of our district -- the boundaries going North. Thank you.

MS. WILSON: Yes. And I can go over those as well, if you would like. In ECA, at least, it comes -- from El Dorado Hills to Cameron Park, that's all going North. So we're out to, I believe it's -- let's see -- Coloma, Placerville, the top edge of El Dorado Hills, that county line, is where ECA stops.

Would you like to know even further North, or in Sacramento?

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Well, I just wanted you to zoom out so I could see the lines. Thank you.

MS. WILSON: Oh, here. These. Here you go.


VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Very good. Thank you.

Commissioner Fornaciari?

COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: I was just going to ask Kennedy, last time we had Tracy in Manteca and Lathrop, in the South district, so maybe we can just try that at this point and tweak from there?

MS. WILSON: Sounds good.
COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: I don't feel like I have
to drive this conversation, so anyone else who's got some
ideas, please chime in.

MS. WILSON: I'm just going to put that up as a
boundary, then, and work from that.

(Pause)

MS. WILSON: Sorry. Just one moment. It merged
this together, but let me put the (indiscernible).

(Pause)

MS. WILSON: So now -- that district was not a
hundred percent balanced before, so as you can see, we're
over 15,334 in this district, which isn't terribly huge
amount of population to move, but we do have to move that
line. And since the STANISFRESNO border is at a negative
one percent, I would recommend -- a negative one person
and zero percent, I would recommend moving the line in
any of these areas.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Yeah. My recollection is that
we, yesterday or the day before, we were looking at
French Camp, Morada, Garden Acres area.

MS. WILSON: Yes. And that was for a different
purpose, so I'm not sure if we still want to move that
way. I can start taking in these unincorporated areas
around Stockton to try to --

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Yeah.
MS. WILSON: Okay.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Yeah.

MS. WILSON: I'm going to turn the blocks on so that we can just see the numbers. It'll be a little crowded for a second, but then we can see where the population is for me to grab from. And let me make sure I'm not taking any of Stockton.

Do I have permission to grab Waterloo?

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Yes.

COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Aren't we going the wrong -- are we going the wrong way? I thought we needed to put --

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes. We're going the wrong way.

MS. WILSON: We need to get (audio interference). We need to get (indiscernible, simultaneous speech) --

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Right. So we're going --

COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: So I guess, if I could just jump in. Sorry.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Go ahead.

COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: I would work on that Northern part of Lathrop, adjacent to French Camp there, rather than grabbing, you know, one of those smaller cities.
VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Lathrop only, and not touching Manteca?

COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yeah. We can refine it later, but sure.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. So that's close to the 15,000 that we were looking for. Okay.

MS. WILSON: Yes. So I could do, you know, 332 at a different --

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay.

MS. WILSON: -- time, so then you have Sacramento and actually, if we're going off of our previous iteration, Discovery Bay and Byron are also a part of this as well. So let me add that in there.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Do we want to do that, or --

okay. Yeah. They're already out of Concord district, so yeah.

MS. WILSON: So now, moving into Sacramento, we have 438,066 people, and so we will continue to move North.

One thing that was in the version 07, CD 07, was taking out West Sacramento, but that would obviously also greatly impact --

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Right.

MS. WILSON: -- all this areas.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: And we're looking to push this North and East.
COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Chair, can I speak?

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Yes. Sorry. I'm looking at the map. Go ahead.

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: I know. That's why I was --

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Go ahead, please.

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Okay. Kennedy, can you continue to move -- we need to add, right? So we need to add more of Sacramento into it, correct? So let's go ahead and grab all of the city boundaries of Sacramento. You know, at the -- you know, at the --

MS. WILSON: Yes.

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yeah.

MS. WILSON: I will do that.

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: And I think we will have to go into -- well, do that first, and then we'll -- thank you.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Commissioner Fernandez, probably Sacramento and West Sacramento at this point?

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: West Sacramento is already in there right now. I just want -- the city boundaries of Sacramento are obviously different than what's in the lower half of this --

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Right.

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: -- district right now.
Yeah. But West Sacramento is already in there, correct, Kennedy?

MS. WILSON: Yes, but for -- so moving it North, we're still -- we're at -- still a 13.11 percent over. I don't know if moving West Sacramento with Sacramento --

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Can you check that?

MS. WILSON: Yeah. I will add that as well.

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Sorry. I missed that. I had to open the door. What was it -- what did you say, Kennedy?

MS. WILSON: Just that moving West Sacramento into the North SAC helps with the deviation as well. So when I -- with West -- without West Sacramento, it was at a 13 percent, and then I add that, and it goes to a 6 percent. Because West Sacramento would just be going South, and then it kind of -- it doesn't create a contiguity problem because you have this area here underneath West Sacramento keeping it together, but just moving Sacramento, then West Sacramento is connected through this loop where my cursor is going.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Right. So where your cursor is going, do we need to try moving that also?

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Well, and -- I'm sorry.

What was the population. 392?

MS. WILSON: Yeah. With both of them together, it
is 392,491.

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: So we can grab -- I'm sorry. We can grab Florin and Elk Grove and Vineyard? Is that what we're doing?

MS. WILSON: I don't think we can grab all of that, but we can try some.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Well, let's try that area under West Sac first.

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Oh, no, we can't. You're right. We can't.

MS. WILSON: So I'll grab some of this unincorporated area here, right?

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Yes.

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: And we've got to -- we've got to grab the Lemon Hill, and Parkway, and Florin.

MS. WILSON: Yes. So I will also do that and see where that gets us.

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Okay. Thank you. There's too many community of interest there. They're all tied together.

MS. WILSON: So up to Parkway, we're at a 1.1 percent, and I will grab Florin, and see what does.

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: That's going to be too big, but okay.

MS. WILSON: Yeah.
COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yeah.

MS. WILSON: It puts us to a negative, so.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Are we necessarily looking to keep Florin with Vineyard and Elk Grove, or Florin could --

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes. I'm sorry. No, no, not with Vineyard and Elk Grove, no.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. So then if we --

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: I mean, there's potentially is that split of Vineyard and Elk Grove, which I do not want to do. We have a lot of COIs --

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Correct. Correct.

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: -- that we definitely have to keep Florin -- we definitely have to keep Florin in.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay.

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Way up to Sacramento.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. So then add Florin and start removing there under Freeport and above Clarksburg.

MS. WILSON: Okay. I will try that.

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: That'll be, like, sixty people. And I'm pretty serious about that. I think we have to remove West Sac, and then that's going to create another ripple the other way.

MS. WILSON: Then removing West Sac will then cause you to change what you just did in some of this area.
VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. Kennedy, can we allow you to continue to explore this while we are on break, and then I'll leave it up to you when you stop and report back to us tomorrow morning. We will go directly to public comment at 6 o'clock when we are back from break.

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Chair, can I ask to work with Kennedy on that?

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Yes.

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you for volunteering. We are on break for fifteen minutes.

(Whereupon, a recess was held from 5:46 p.m. until 6:00 p.m.)

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you, everyone, for joining us for this segment of today's California Citizens Redistricting Commission meeting. My name is Ray Kennedy. I'm the vice chair, acting chair for this segment. And we have finished our mapping for the day, and we are now moving into public comment.

So Katy, if you could once again read your instructions and kick us off, we will be off and running with public comment. Yes.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much, Chair. At this time, for those that have called in, if you have not done so already, please press star 9 to raise
your hand indicating you wish to comment. It helps our staff manage the queue and let us know how many of you are here and ready to comment.

The public comment time period is one minute and thirty seconds this evening. You will receive a verbal warning at thirty seconds remaining and fifteen seconds remaining. Please stay alert for when it is your opportunity to speak in the queue. I will be announcing the last four digits of your telephone number.

We will be beginning with caller 7716, and up next after that will be caller 1594.

Caller 7716, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

MR. BRYAN: Yeah. My name is Floyd Bryan. That is F-L-O-Y-D B-R-Y-A-N. I'm the president of the International Longshore and Warehouse Union Southern California District Council, and we're strongly opposed to splitting of San Pedro on any of the maps for a couple of reasons.

One is you refer to the Port of Long Beach and the Port of LA. Long Beach and San Pedro are basically the Port of Los Angeles. Second reason is that while we're bordered on one side with the water, by splitting us up into two or three different districts, we would have a lot of problems, because we have a lot of unique problems
that are port related that nobody else has. And if you
take us away, that just leaves Wilmington with -- able to
speak on it, and that's a major problem for us.
And the lastly, I listened to you all night -- all
day to day. If you've ever been to San Pedro, we're a
port town, but basically --

MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

MR. BRYAN: -- small community that -- so
consequently, by dividing us up, it could basically just
about take away that whole charm --

MR. MANOFF: Ten seconds.

MR. BRYAN: -- of the -- of the town. Thank you.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: And right now, we will
have caller 1594, and up next after that will be caller
5231.

Caller 1594, please follow the prompts to unmute.
And one more time, caller with the last four digits 1594,
if you'll please follow the prompts to unmute by pressing
star 6.

Caller 1594, you appear to have some type of
connectivity issue at the moment, and we'll come back to
you.

And right now, we will be going to caller 5231, and
up next after that will be caller 3351.
Caller 5231, please follow the prompts to unmute.

The floor is yours.

MR. MADHDHIPATLA: Good evening, Commissioners. My name is Muni Madhdhipatla. I'm a resident of Cupertino, and a planning commissioner of my city. I'm calling to express my displeasure with your statement that the VRA maps look good.

(Indiscernible) today had an article on some of the redistricting issues that are being talked about. I understand it's a complex issue, but I'm very concerned with how the Commission is continuing to ignore the requests and advice of Asian representation in the VCD Santa Clara map.

We have a strong presence in Silicon Valley, and somehow, in spite of many speakers and requests, our advice has been ignored. This Congressional district has the least amount of (indiscernible) compared to any other Bay Area Congressional district. Very puzzling. The Asian American voice has been ignored, and there's a fair bit of discussion going on about the same topic on WeChat groups, WhatsApp groups, and various (indiscernible) groups within the community.

Like, the map looks very gerrymandered right now, with --

MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.
Mr. Madhdhipatla: -- (indiscernible) with the City of Santa Clara. Commissioners, I ask you to do the right thing. Correct the map of (indiscernible) City of Santa Clara to include Cupertino with the rest of the -- with (indiscernible).

The mayor of Cupertino and vice mayor --

Mr. Manoff: Fifteen seconds.

Mr. Madhdhipatla: -- (indiscernible), but it doesn't seem like you are listening. Please listen to our voices. Include us in the City of Santa Clara.

Thank you.

Public Comment Moderator: Thank you so much.

And right now, we will have caller 3351, and up next after that will be caller 8224.

Caller 3351, if you'll please follow the prompts to unmute. And one more time, caller with the last four digits of 3351, if you'll please follow the prompts to unmute by pressing star 6.

Caller 3351, you appear to have some type of connectivity issue at the moment. I will come back to you.

Caller 8224, you will be right now. And up next after that will be caller 9436.

Caller 8224, please follow the prompts to unmute.

The floor is yours.
UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hello, Commissioners. I'm calling to say that the inland part of Huntington Beach is not part of Little Saigon anymore. This is not true. Representation of Huntington Beach or Little Saigon (indiscernible) in Huntington Beach with Little Saigon area. On Wednesday, I heard some of the (indiscernible) say they are from the Little Saigon area. That Huntington Beach is more for wealthy people and Little Saigon is low income (indiscernible). Huntington Beach, Fountain Valley, and Westminster average house sell at 700,000. So I'm not sure why they make such (indiscernible)

My father lives in Westminster, myself, too, and I don't grow up here. I moved to Huntington Beach because of my children for a better school district. My parents and I still share the same culture, festivals, and social economy. I still understand the (indiscernible) people, like my parents. It would be better if we are in the same district. We need someone who can --

MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- understand our needs in the Assembly, State, and Congressional districts. Thank you for listening.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

And right now, we will have caller 9436, and up next
after that will be caller 2931.

Caller 9436, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute. And one more time, caller with the last four digits 9436, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute by pressing star 6.

Caller 9436, you appear to be having some type of connectivity issue at the moment. I will return to you.

And for those in the queue, if you will please make sure you are alert and ready for your opportunity to speak.

Right now, we will have caller 2931. And up next after that will be caller 0983.

Caller 2931, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Dear Commissioners, we know how exhausted -- it's happening for you as well as our community during the process. Little Saigon lost so much ten years ago, so now we are getting involved to make sure it doesn't happen again. I'm calling yesterday at 5:30, and waiting on the phone until 9 o'clock to be able to speak. I want -- I also want to be calling again today because the redistricting means so much to me and to my community.

I am asking you, please look at the Assembly District for Little Saigon again. Very simple. Remove
(indiscernible) up on North of Garfield in Huntington Beach, if we draw the line. So please listen to us, the voice of Little Saigon. Thank you for listening. Have a good evening. Bye.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

And right now, we have caller 0983, and up next after that will be caller 1535.

Caller 0983, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hello, do you hear me?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We sure can.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hello? Hello?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Yes, we can hear you.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (Speaks in Vietnamese)

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Good-bye.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Oh, good-bye. Thank you.

Right now, we have caller 1535, and up next after that will be caller 1319.

Caller 1539 -- I apologize -- caller 1535, if you'll please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

MR. MALDONADO: Thank you. Commissioners, my name is Tony Maldonado (ph.). I'm Latino, and first generation American. I'm from Santa Clarita.

You have a time management and focusing problem.
For three days, you have gone out of your way to discuss ad nauseum small COIS and VRAs in the Congressional districts of Orange County, San Diego, Long Beach, and South East Los Angeles. Yet over those same three days, you have not spent one minute to discuss a huge problem, Sylmar being in the Santa Clarita Valley Congressional map, when it is part of a Latino super majority working class COI of the San Fernando Valley East.

The percentages of Latinos in this San Fernando Valley East COI are Sylmar, 78 percent, San Fernando, 90 percent, Pacoima, 86 percent, Mission Hills, 55 percent, Arleta, 72 percent, Panorama City, 72 percent, Van Nuys, 51 percent, and Sun Valley, 72 percent. So why do you refuse to have a robust discussion about the insertion of this Latino super majority working class COI --

MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

MR. MALDONADO: -- into Santa Clarita Valley's Congressional map. Why do you refuse to put Sylmar where it belongs, inside the San Fernando Valley maps? You have a responsibility to keep this Latino super majority working class COI together, and in that San Fernando Valley East map. So please focus, as this is our lives you're playing with. Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now, we will have caller 1319, and up next after
that will be caller 4768.

Caller 1319, if you will please follow the prompts
to unmute. The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Thank you, Commission, for
hearing us. I am speaking, also, of the Antelope Valley,
Santa Clarita Valley map. And I'm calling to implore the
Commission to return Simi Valley to its rightful place
with Santa Clarita and the Antelope Valleys. Simi
Valley, Santa Clarita, the Antelope Valleys have similar
demographics. They are all bedroom communities for the
aerospace industries and the movie industries, which are
the major economic engines in this area.

On the other hand, the San Fernando Valley, which is
part of the second largest city in the United States,
should be kept by itself. It has demographics which are
incredibly different than the Santa Clarita, Simi Valley,
and the Antelope Valleys. I am asking again --

MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- that the -- that you
please consider bringing Simi Valley back with Santa
Clarita in the Antelope Valleys. I know that it crosses
a county line --

MR. MANOFF: Fifteen.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- but the current map shows
Simi Valley with parts of LA County. So instead of
scooping into the San Fernando Valley, please move West. Find the similar community of Simi Valley to --

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now, we will have caller 4768, and up next after that will be caller 8251.

Caller 4768, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

MR. CHAPMAN: Good evening, everyone. My name is Ben Chapman (ph.). I'm a resident of Costa Mesa here in Orange County.

On Wednesday night, we settled on four solid Orange County districts, a VRA district, an Asian-centric district, and an inland district, and a South coast district, though not every COI was accommodated. Just listing the description out -- out shows just how much was actually considered.

Now, the Commission keeps blowing up these maps for no reason. The lines drawer said it best. Ctrl+Z the lines. I think it's a joke. We had a compromise, and I'm not sure if it's because liberal groups started calling in, but the Commission was completely reverted their solid direction. So thank you so much. Just wanted to weigh in. Thanks.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

And right now, we will have caller 8251, and up next
after that will be caller 6608.

Right now, we have caller 8251. If you'll please follow the prompts to unmute. Caller with the last four digits 8251, if you please follow the prompts to unmute by pressing star 6.

Caller 8251, you appear to have a connectivity issue at the moment. I will come back to you.

And right now, we're going to caller 6608, and up next after that will be caller 7082.

Caller 6608, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

MR. FLORA: Good evening, Commissioners. This is Alan Flora, city manager with the City of Clearlake in Lake County. I want to thank you for your work. It's really amazing to watch how much thought and effort is put into this effort.

Your work regarding the 5th Congressional district is very much appreciated. I just want to explore the Commission to keep Lake County whole, which it hasn't been in ten years, and we believe it's really important for our community. And so just ask that you keep it whole in the final proposal. Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

And right now, we will have caller 7082, and then up next after that will be caller 7128.
Caller 7082, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute. And one more time, caller with the last four digits 7082, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute by pressing star 6. The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Excellent. Thank you. Sorry about that. Yeah. So I'm just calling in about the Central Valley. I know you haven't drawn it yet, but maybe it's useful to get comments in before it starts.

So right now, the Central Valley, kind of like, is represented by Garamendi, because it goes up to Tehama. That's probably too far, but the Butte, Yuba City, Redding, that's probably too long of a district on the I-5. There are a lot of different issues in the Central Valley. And really, Colusa, Yolo, and Sutter County really belong together. They share a lot of infrastructure, the bypass system, that kind of lower Central Valley, or I mean, like, it seems lower, because I'm in Butte, but that kind of lower Central Valley is a really distinct kind of area in terms of economics, in terms of interest, in terms of what the federal government provides.

So I guess, you know, this is forward guidance for the Committee, because I know you're going to be moving on to the rest of Northern California, but the current line probably goes too far South down 99 and I-5 and I
think really, Colusa, Butte, and -- or I mean, Colusa, Sutter, and Yolo really belong --

MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- a similar district. Thank you very much.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now, we will have caller 7128, and next after that, will be caller 1610.

Caller 7128, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute. And one more time, caller 7128, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute by pressing star 6.

Caller 7128, you appear to have a connectivity issue. I will be coming back around the retries shortly. Right now, we will have caller 1610, and up next after that will be caller 3700.

Caller 1610, please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Good evening. I saw in the LA Times today that the Commission is facing pending legislation for the lack of transparency, and I couldn't agree more. Major decisions are made off-line, line drawers and lawyers have outsized influence, and the Commission returns from breaks with brand new maps that the public never gets to see created.

And then the last few nights, the Commission has
tried to minimize public input by asking callers to stay on hold for three to four hours, which I had to do a couple of nights ago. I repeatedly pressed star 6 and was never unmuted, even though my number was read out to speak. This is not an independent Commission, and the public deserves answers. Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

And right now, we have caller 3700, and up next after that will be caller 4205.

Caller 3700, if you'll please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

MS. WILSON: Hi, this is Betty Wilson (ph.) calling in for our coalition regarding Zone S, San Joaquin County. We know you have some really tough decisions to make. We would like to thank the Commission for keeping San Joaquin County whole. We also would like to compliment the Commission on FY2 FSAC San Joaquin, AD13 Stockton, AD09FSACFT. These were the handouts on the site, and we reviewed, and we feel we are still close to our communities of interests' voices. The two proposed Assembly Districts could easily nest in the Senate District, and we just want to thank you again for your consideration and attention to the voice of our communities. Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.
And right now, we have caller 4205, and up next after that will be caller 7771.

Caller 4205, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours. Caller 4205, you may want to double-check your telephone and make sure you are not on mute. You are unmuted in the meeting.

MR. RODRIGUEZ: Thank you, Commissioners. Thank you, Commissioners. My name is George Rodriguez (ph.), and I want to thank you for the opportunity to speak on -- on this meeting. I live in the Northeast Los Angeles area for the past twenty-six years. And I just want to say to please keep the North East Los Angeles community in the North East Los Angeles Congressional district. This is not a Hollywood district. This community still elects Latino, Latina representatives in election after election. Taking out the North East Los Angeles communities out of this North East LA district, it's not the answer. I repeat, it's not the answer.

(Indiscernible) into Eagle Rock and Glassell Park defeats the efforts for a continuous map in North East Los Angeles. The finger-like stretch into Hollywood looks more like a gerrymandering process than a real attempt to keep communities together. I urge you, please keep this Congressional district within Northeast Los Angeles
MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: I thank you, and thank you so much.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.
And right now, we'll go to caller 7771, and up next after that will be caller 2446.

Caller 7771, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

MS. HUTCHINSON: Good evening. My name is Carol Hutchinson (ph.). I am a resident of Lakeport, and I also served as the county administrative officer for the county of Lake. And I want to thank the Commission for the incredible work you've done to date. The task before you has been daunting.

In particular, I'm grateful for the work you have done regarding the 5th Congressional District, where Lake County is at this time. I've had the opportunity to comment to you earlier on in the process through the written submittal. And tonight I'm calling to reinforce once again my desire to see that Lake County is kept whole in any new redistricting proposal. Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.
And right now, we have caller 2446, and up next after that will be caller 7618.

Caller 2446, if you'll please follow the prompts to
unmute. The floor is yours.

MS. DEE: Hello, everyone. My name is Jennifer Dee (ph.), first generation from China, and I have been Irvine resident since 2009. In the past twelve years, I see the population rapidly growing, and it has become a much bigger community with lots of Asian voices. And we do pay much of our attention on the redistricting process to be sure that our voices are heard, our values are properly represented, and this work is done fairly.

I'm calling tonight disappointed in the lack of transparency from the Commission. There is pending litigation against the Commissioners for making large changes off-line, and (indiscernible) too much power to partisan lawyers and line drawers. Yet the Commission continues to use its practices. More so, Commissioners are listening to public comment with cameras off, and even some of the meetings. We have no idea if they are listening. It calls -- it calls into question the independent nature of this work, and I think the public deserves answers --

MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

MR. MANOFF: -- as to why you continue to hide information even as the State Supreme Court reviews this exact actions. I strongly call for the Redistricting -- Redistricting Commission to change its way of work and to
show more transparency to the public --

MR. MANOFF: Fifteen.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- and our community. Thank you for your time.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

And right now, we have caller 7618, and up next after that will be caller 4201.

Caller 7618, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hi, can you hear me?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We sure can.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hello. My name is (indiscernible). I'm a Vietnamese voter living in Orange County, calling in my support of placing Little Saigon with Huntington Beach. I'm not sure where the comments are coming from that link -- that being -- that -- that Huntington Beach and Little Saigon together is racist. It makes no sense. Vietnamese residents work in Huntington Beach, dine there, and even live there. We want to be with the neighbor. We have much more in common with this community than the neighbors to the North or in Los Angeles. It's just a silly comment based on no facts that is trying to influence the Commission. I hope the Commission understands this, and keeps the maps as they have, with Little Saigon in the
Congressional district with Huntington Beach. Under no circumstances should Little Saigon be separated and split up. Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now, we will have caller 4201, and up next after that will be caller 3974.

Caller 4201, if you'll please follow the prompts to unmute. Caller with the last four digits 4201, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute. Oh, there you are. The floor is yours.

MR. WALDMAN: Yeah, hi. Stuart Waldman, from (indiscernible), calling about the maps in the San Fernando Valley. We appreciate that the Commission made a few changes, made it better. We think that we're good. Let's -- let's not make any more changes. You know, it's all good. We can move on, and we don't have to come back, okay? So thank you. Once again, San Fernando Valley's all good. Don't look at it again.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. Right now, we have caller 3974, and up next after that, we have caller 0706. Caller 3974, if you'll please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

MS. CASTILLO: Hi, this is Patty Castillo (ph.). Can you hear me?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We sure can.
MS. CASTILLO: Okay, thank you. I'm a resident of the Central Valley wanting to express my views on the current ECA Congressional district. There's a debate regarding taking out Modesto and adding an additional population from elsewhere. Instead of finding population from the North or the South, please consider finding the center by adding in the City of Clovis and East Fresno County. Clovis has a strong connection to the foothills and rural communities, and they host the large Clovis rodeo yearly. Please consider Clovis as a solution to fixing the problem with ECA. Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now, we will have 0706. And up next, after that, will be caller 9511. Caller 0706, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

MS. OAKES: Good evening, Commissioners. My name is Jennifer Oakes (ph.). I live in part -- in the part of Hesperia that was drawn down to Pasadena for some reason. I'm very upset that you've carved up our dessert and put us with Los Angeles County and all the maps you're proposing. We're a rural San Bernardino County community, and we have literally nothing in common with Pasadena. The current Congressional map also drew us across the county into communities -- communities that we have no ties to. I work for a local water agency on the
county border. We literally don't even have the ability
to get water from the LA County areas next to us. And we
don't have any inter-government cooperation. I would ask
the Commission to reconsider and keep the San Bernardino
County High Desert with other rural communities in our
county. Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And
right now we have caller 9511, and up next after that
will be caller 0396. Caller 9511, if you will please
follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Good evening. I'm calling to
voice my support for the Congressional maps the
Commission drew Wednesday night. We had strong Asian
district, our VRA district, Southcoast Irvine district,
and a North County Inland district. It was largely fair
and really does reflect a lot of what the community has
been discussing. It's my hope we can revert back to
these maps. I think the committee made a good progress
and it's a bummer that you redid and changed this
balanced work. Thank you for listening.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And
right now we have caller 0396. And up next after that
will be caller 2742. Caller 0396, if you will please
follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Good evening, Commission.
I'm a resident of the Central Valley, and I agree with one of the previous callers about the ECA Congressional district. I know change in the ECA has been causing headaches across Northern California, taking out Modesto, and trying to find population that won't cause ripples in the North. And that debate could be solved by adding Clovis and East Fresno. We already have a strong connection in Clovis with mountain communities, especially during the creek fire when we had to accommodate a lot of the refugees escaping the forest fires there. So similarities in forest management and fire issues certainly link the Clovis community to the mountain community, more so than to Bakersfield. Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now we will have caller 2742. And up next after that will be called 5522. Caller 2742, if you would please follow the prompts to unmute. Caller 2742, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute by pressing star six. The floor is yours.

MR. KENT: Hello, my name is Richard Kent, and my wife Shirley and I live in Simi Valley for thirty-eight years. And I had a friend, a fireman, who said that the districts were splitting up a Simi and Santa Clarita. And my first impression was whoopty-doo, you know,
because I am not involved in this. But then I started checking it out and it seems -- seems that they should keep everything together. I looked at the map, the Assembly district, the Congressional district, and the Senate district, and they all show Simi Valley and San Fernando -- or Santa Clarita together. I'd sure like to keep it that way instead of going down South to San Fernando like they're looking at. If they're saying that we're in different counties, if we only go -- if we go in a different county, we're still be in Agoura Hills and Calabasas are in the LA County anyways, and we're in Ventura. So once again, I'd just like to keep Simi Valley and Santa Clarita together and all the Congressional districts. And I see one thing, it would be easier for representative to represent us if we're together because we have the same interests and demographics, the mountains, and so forth and fire time. So it just seems that they should be kept together and not split apart like they're trying to do. I looked at the map also and there's Michael Antonovich Regional Park, which separates Santa Clarita and the San Fernando Valley. So that's a natural barrier that should be taken into consideration. And once again, I just like to keep Simi Valley --

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And
right now we have color 5522, and up next after that will be caller 3783. Caller 5522, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute.

And one more time caller with the last four digits 5522, if you'll please follow the prompts to unmute by pressing star six. Caller 5522, it appears you might have a connectivity issue at the moment. I will come back around.

Right now, we have caller 3783, and up next after that will be caller 5425. Caller 3783, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute.

Caller with the last four digits 3783, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute by pressing the star six. The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: Hi there. Can hear me?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We sure can.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: Hi. Sorry, I'm having some trouble hearing you on your end. Okay. My name is Irene, and I wanted to call in to call out some of the politically motivated callers that are trying to detach Little Saigon from Huntington Beach. Huntington Beach has over 7000 Vietnamese voters and even more residents that have moved there over the past decade as our community has grown and thrived. Little Saigon wants to
be connected with a larger Vietnamese community, and
luckily the Commission prioritized this testimony. I
just wanted to call in one last time to support what you
have done and make sure the political movement trying to
influence this independent Commission does not succeed.
Little Saigon, under no circumstance, should be
separated. Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And
as a reminder to those that have called in, your comments
are being interpreted by our wonderful interpreters. If
you will please speak at a moderate pace and take your
time with names and counties and numbers. It makes it
easier to interpret.

Right now, we have caller 5425. And up next after
that will be caller 8802. Caller 5425, if you will
please follow the prompts to unmute.

MR. PANTOJA: Can you hear me?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We sure can. The floor
is yours.

MR. PANTOJA: Thank you. Good evening,
Commissioners. My name is Ernesto Pantoja. I'm calling
on behalf of (indiscernible) business manager of
Laborer's Local 300. And we're calling on behalf of our
over 2000 to 3000 members that we have living in the
Sylmar/San Fernando Valley area, as well as in the
Antelope Valley. And we're calling to talk about our disagreement with one of the planned maps for the district changing the current district that would take the area of Fillmore and add it to the 25th Congressional district in the Antelope Valley. Knowing what we know and understanding the numbers that we represent, there are two different communities of interest. Our members that live in the Antelope Valley have different needs than the members that live in the East San Fernando Valley. We can't have our members represented by two different representatives having to commute. There's an office all the way in the Antelope Valley to go and have their representatives voice their opinions to them. It just doesn't make any sense. None of it makes any sense. It's unfair to disenfranchise Sylmar residents creating an overwhelming physical division between them and their representatives. Sylmar is a community of interest connected to San Fernando, Mission Hills, Pacoima, and the rest of the Northeast San Fernando Valley. So we're asking you to please keep it the way it is. Do not move somewhere into the 25th District.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now, we have color 8802. And then up next after that, we will retry caller 9436. Caller 8802, if you please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.
UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Hello, my name is Greg. I'm calling the Commission to discuss what is happening in Little Saigon and Huntington Beach. The Vietnamese community wants to be with our neighbors to have the West. This is the city we have the most in common with. Commissioner Taylor said that it was the best, although we are not coastal, we eat, work, play, and connect with the economy in Huntington Beach. I appreciate all the work the Commission has done to protect the Vietnamese growth in Orange County. And I just want to make sure that we remain in Huntington Beach, something we have asked for since day one. Little Saigon, under no circumstances, should be separated. Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And caller 9436, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Can you guys hear me?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We sure can. The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Great, thank you. Well, Commissioners, thank you so much for your hard work on the redistricting maps. I'm calling in regards to the Congressional map, DCD Santa Clara. Ironically, even though this is called Santa Clara, it doesn't actually include the Santa Clara city. And I think that should be
a clue in terms of the issues with the current redistricting. Basically with the current proposed maps, Silicon Valley is split in half. If you do a quick search, a Google search of Silicon Valley and what cities are in Silicon Valley, you'll see it contains these main five cities, Sunnyvale, Santa Clara, Longview, Palo Alto, and Cupertino. But instead, a bunch of rural cities are included with Palo Alto and Longview, which have major tech interests, while these rural cities are mainly residential communities and have no tech interest whatsoever. Basically the current maps have communities of interest and split -- are split. So if you look at Santa Clara, the whole Santa Clara has about forty percent Asian. But the way the district is gerrymandered, the Asian percentages half to about twenty percent. So the one question you have to think about is what does -- does Palo Alto have more in common with Cupertino or does it have more in common with La Honda, a rural community? I hope the Commission will do the right thing. I thank you again for all your hard work. But please do put all the Silicon Valley cities back together, instead of splitting them apart. I really appreciate it. Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now, we will have call 5615. And up next after
that will be caller 9153. Caller 5615, if you'll please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

MR. INGRAM: Good evening, Honorable Commissioners. This is Kevin Ingram, city manager with the City of Lakeport in Lake County, speaking up on the behest of the city council of Lakeport. I'd like to thank the Commission for its hard work, but I'd like to also emphasize the importance to the community of Lakeport in keeping Lake County whole and not placed into two separate Congressional districts in any new redistricting proposal. Thank you, once again, for your tremendous efforts and thank you for considering Lakeport's request.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now, we have caller 9153. And up next after that will be caller 5820. Caller 9153, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: Hello, Commissioners. First and foremost, thank you for all your time and dedication to the redistricting process. My name is Nancy, and I am a long-term resident of Laguna Niguel. I am calling because I have serious concerns that this process will result in my community being wrongly grouped in with San Diego. I cannot state this strongly enough. Orange County deserves a coastal district that includes all of its residents. Not including Laguna Niguel and
our neighbors in the South with the rest of Orange County would be a major mistake. Our community has nothing to do with cities like Oceanside or Carlsbad, and it certainly does not interact or have anything to do with San Diego County. Our neighbors are the Orange County coastal communities, and that is who we should be included with. I highly recommend that the Commission reconsider replacing Irvine and Tustin with Laguna Niguel and redraw our community back in with the rest of Orange County. Thank you for your time, and I hope you will make the right decision.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now we will have caller 5820. And up next after that, will be caller 5184. Caller 5820, if you'll please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Yeah, hi. I wanted to call in response to the discussion today regarding taking Modesto out of the ECA district and trying to find population to replace that. Like other callers today, I really think there's only really one real place that naturally fits with the Sierras and mountains that you can get that population from, and that's the City of Clovis in East Fresno County. Clovis and the mountain communities have a deep relationship. When the fires raged last year through that area and destroyed houses, a
lot of those residents that were displaced escaped to
Clovis for shelter, food, assistance. Clovis is right
next to the foothills, Shaver Lake, Auberry, Millerton
Lake. It has a deep understanding of the fire issues,
water issues, forest management. I know in the past you
guys have talked about the possibility of splitting
Clovis and Bakersfield, and the line drawers said that
couldn't be a possibility with the VRA district. But I
did want to bring up that the new MALDEF map that they
presented to you guys does split Clovis and Bakersfield,
putting Clovis and East Fresno with the mountains while
still maintaining those three VRA districts. I know you
discussed the MALDEF map earlier today. So I just wanted
to relay I think Clovis is the best fit for ECA, and it
is possible to do that -- split from Bakersfield, because
again, MALDEF did prove it. So thank you for your time,
and I really hope you consider this as a solution to this
ECA problem. Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And
right now, we have caller 5184. And up next after that
will be caller 8063. Caller 5184 if you'll please follow
the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: Hi. Good evening,
Commissioners. This is Chris (ph.). I'm calling from
Mammoth again. I called last night, and first of all, I
just want to say thank you so much for hearing my 
concerns last night. It means so much to all 
Californians that they feel heard in this process. I'm 
super grateful, as are many of my compatriots, in Inyo 
and Mono and Alpine counties, that you're exploring how 
to keep Inyo, Mono, and Alpine together. So I just want 
to let you know that there should be a lot of written 
comments coming in. And I know you've been paying 
attention to them. Please consider them this weekend.
You know, Inyo, Mono, and Alpine have had to battle LADWP 
for a hundred years. I think most people are aware of 
those issues. But again, we'll cover that more in our 
written comments. The other thing is we really need to 
stay with the rest of this year. You know, Tahoe is 
ever going to ask to be with us. No one is asking to be 
with Inyo, Mono, and Alpine. We're really out, you know, 
on our own out there, out here. And so what I really 
want to stress is that, you know, Tahoe is never going to 
ask to be with us. So we need to be with Tahoe. We have 
the same economy. We have the same wildfire risk. We 
have the same employers in terms of, you know, the ski 
companies. So if we could join our voices with the rest 
of the Sierra, we would finally have our best shot at 
representation. Thank you so much. Good evening.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And
right now we have caller 8063. And up next after that will be caller 5188. Caller 8063, if you'll please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Hello. My name is Darwin. I'm a citizen of the City of Westminster. I'm calling in to support the idea of including Hamilton Beach to Little Saigon Congressional map. And I also strongly against divide Little Saigon. Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now we have caller 5188. And up next after that will be caller 9389. Caller 5188, if you'll please follow the prompts to unmute.

And one more time, caller with the last four digits, 5188, if you'll please follow the prompts to unmute by pressing star six.

5188, you appear to have a connectivity issue at the moment. I will come back around. Caller 9389 will be right now. And up next after that will be caller 2966. Caller 9389, if you'll please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

MS. GEORGE: Good evening. My name is Bea George (ph.), and I live in the coastal community of Orange County, and I am very disturbed at what is going on. I'm calling to tell the Commission that Democrat campaigns in Orange County have mobilized to influence the work that
you are doing. After settling on fair maps Wednesday night, a Democrat organization decided to call the Commission racist. The magic word, racist. And the result? The Commission purposefully separated and disenfranchised the Vietnamese community. Honestly, that's all I have to say. You had fair independent maps. You let Democrats who are mad they are not in control of the process hijack those plans. This is not what you were put to do. I am Hispanic. My husband is African-American. So it's not about racism or race. And what we need to be thinking about is what your job is and should be done with integrity. Integrity. Think about doing your job with integrity so that you can go to sleep peacefully at night knowing that you are doing the job that you have been Commissioned to do. You are Commissioners. Serve we the people. That's what needs to be done. Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now we will caller 2966. And up next after that will be caller 8065. Caller 2966, if you'll please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hi. I live in the Central Valley, and I agree with the earlier gentleman caller in the talks about taking out Modesto from the ECA Congressional district and trying to find folks from
other areas. Please look to get it from East Fresno County and Clovis. A lot of residents in the foothills come to Clovis and Fresno to do their shopping or for their jobs. Clovis is next to Shaver Lake, and a lot of residents go there to fish or to vacation. Our communities are intertwined and dependent on each other. Please look into Clovis and East Fresno County for finding more population for that -- for this district. Thank you so much for all the timeless work you've done on these maps. And have a great night. Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now, we will have caller 8065. And up next after that will be caller 7952. Caller 8065, if you'll please follow the prompts to unmute.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hello?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hello?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Hello.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: I'm a resident of Orange County, and I'm calling to ask you to include Huntington Beach -- to keep Huntington Beach in our Orange County, and please don't divide our Little Saigon. Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now we have caller 7952. And up next after that will be caller 1740. Caller 7952, if you'll please
follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Good evening, Commissioners.

I know that the work you are doing is tough, but I have some serious concerns about this Commission not taking public comment seriously. Recently, there have been comments made by Commissioners stating that there are conflicting reports of an OC coastal district. I went back through public comment since August and found that there are over 500 comments made in support of the OC coastal district and only 56 against.

On top of that, I signed a petition with over 1000 residents across the OC coast stating we support a coastal district. I might not be good at math, but I do know that almost 2000 overwhelms 56. Commissioners, being selective on comments based on your political party is exactly what this Commission isn't supposed to do.

Please be better.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now we have caller 1740. And up next after that will be caller 7068. Caller 1740, if you'll please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now we'll have caller 7068. And up next after that will be caller 6789. Caller 7068, if you'll please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: Hi. Can you guys hear me?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We sure can.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: Hi. My name is Kasim. I was a former Ms. Vietnam of Senegal who resided in Huntington Beach. And I've been here for about three years now. I waited from 5:30 to 9 o'clock last night to voice my comment. I took the time today to call in to make sure that my voice is heard for my community in Little Saigon. Little Saigon is the home of the largest Vietnamese population in the United States. It is vibrant and growing beyond just Westminster and Garden Grove. Huntington Beach is now home of over 20,000 Vietnamese residents. Politically motivated callers have decided to call in and called the Commissioner racist for putting Huntington Beach and Little Saigon together. I wanted to call them out on behalf of our community and, again, emphasize that Little Saigon and Huntington Beach have always been connected communities with many Vietnamese residents now living in the city, making
Little Saigon cross over. Little Saigon under no circumstances should be separated. I want to make sure you all knew that the actual Vietnamese community is excited to be included with Huntington Beach. And we are happy our larger community is all in one Congressional district. Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now we will have caller 6789. And up next after that will be caller 0834. Caller 6789, if you'll please follows the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Hi Commission. My name is Vincent. I'm a Sun Valley resident. First, I want to thank you for keeping Little Saigon together and keeping Huntington Beach out of Little Saigon. I strongly object to those who are advocating for Huntington Beach to be included with Little Saigon. The argument is not based on any significant data. Based on the census data, there are only 8000 Vietnamese in Huntington Beach, which is less than five percent of the population, and the median income of Huntington Beach is over 100,000, whereas Westminster is 56,000 and Garden Grove is 72,000. These facts cement the vast differences between Little Saigon City and Huntington Beach. And also I support the MALDEF proposal, as it brings in West Santa Ana in with Little Saigon. You know, in terms of comparing the population,
West Santa Ana has over 24,000 Vietnamese residents mainly working class and contains over 20 mobile home parks mainly occupied by Vietnamese seniors.

In 2018, the city created district maps that prioritized the Vietnamese having their own districts to elect their candidate of choice. In 2020, Saigon was able to elect their first Vietnamese city council member. So please include West Santa Ana with Little Saigon in order to keep the Vietnamese community together and allow them to elect their candidate of choice. And I think any stated commonalities between the Huntington Beach and Little Saigon is superficial and being pushed by a small group of people who are only concerned about their political and economic interests rather than keeping Little Saigon together. So please keep the integrity of Little Saigon. Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now, we have caller 0834, and up next after that is caller 3241. Caller 0834, if you'll please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

MR. SABATIER: Thank you very much for the opportunity to speak. This is Bruno Sabatier, district supervisor for the county of Lake. And we've been asking the Commission to put us whole, and you have listened in the past and we really appreciated that. You have some
very hard work in front of you. I know we just finalized our redistricting as well. Can't even imagine doing that on a state level. However, at this moment in time, Lake County is split once again. We are a small community who advocate together as one, as we have many communities of interest. And we are also -- we have a lot of communities of interest that are like with Napa County, as well. We do not have many similarities going East or Southeast. And from looking at the map, it is very important that we stay together so we can have a common voice in our district. Thank you again. And this is for speaking on Congressional district 5.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now we have caller 3241. And up next after that will be caller 3746. Caller 3241, if you'll please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Can you hear me?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We sure can.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hello. I'm calling tonight asking that Long Beach be not merged with Orange County. We previously had four contained Congressional districts, and adding Long Beach would dilute our Orange County voices. We are working with four small districts, so I think the Commission should work to maintain these and respect county lines. Thank you.
PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now we have caller 3746. And up next after that will be caller 5664. Caller 3746, if you'll please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

MS. TOM: Hi. My name is Daisy Tom (ph.), and I called yesterday, and I just want to reinforce that Little Saigon and Huntington Beach should be together. And reinforce the statement of, you know, the Commission, listening to everyone's voice, and you will notice that you have from broken English to young professional to older senior Vietnamese. You have a wide variety of spectrum of voters saying that we want Little Saigon together. This is not a political interest group, but this is the community. As an activist in this community, and I have never seen the community so united that want a voice to be heard. We don't want another ten years to not have a voice. It's really tough for us to start having a political voice. So please ignore any racism. You know, I passed on to the Commission, help us protect our voice. Our community needs to stay together. And the only way that we could have a voice is Huntington Beach and Little Saigon. Please don't break us and please ignore everything. And if really, truly you're your heart, you will truly see the notice of our community. Thank you. And thank you for your time.
PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And	right, now we have color 5664. And up next after that
will be caller 2902. Caller 5664, if you'll please
follow the prompts to unmute.
And one more time caller with the last four digits,
5664, if you'll please follow the prompts to unmute by
pressing star six.
Caller 5664, you appear to have some type of
connectivity issue at the moment. I will come back
around.
Right now we have caller 2902. And then up next
after that will be caller 3726. Caller 2902, if you will
please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.
MR. NGUYEN: Hello?
PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Hello.
MR. NGUYEN: Good evening, Commissioners. My name
is Ling Nguyen (ph.). I'm a resident of (audio
interference) wanted to ask you to keep Little Saigon
together with Huntington Beach. There was a political
group claiming that Huntington Beach is racist. It's
very wrong and not true. Please listen to the true voice
of the community by keeping Little Saigon together with
Huntington Beach and do not ever divide Little Saigon.
Thank you for listening.
PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And
right now we have caller 3726. And up next after that will be caller 0011. Caller 3726, if you'll please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

MR. NGUYEN: Hi. My name is Daniel Nguyen (ph.). I am from the -- Orange County. So, yeah, I haven't called in yet, this Commission, but I have finally been motivated to wait and sit on this line tonight. So the Vietnamese-American community in Orange County is happy to be included with Huntington Beach, a city with over 20,000 Vietnamese residents. Anyone calling to say otherwise doesn't live here or is actually a part of the Vietnamese community. In the last decade, our vibrant immigrant population has grown and spread all throughout Orange County, particularly in Huntington Beach. We consider this part of our community and are thrilled to be a Congressional Vietnamese neighborhood that helped fuel our local economy. I hope you can keep the maps away. Little Saigon, under no circumstances, should be separated. Thank you so much for your time.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now, we have caller 9370. And up next after that will be caller 6659. Caller 9370, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute.

Caller with the last four digits 9370, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute by pressing star six.
Caller 9370, you appear to have some type of connectivity issue at the moment. I will come back around.

Right now we have caller 6659. And up next after that will be caller 3636. Caller 6659, if you'll please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

MR. TRAN: Hi, can you guys hear me?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We sure can.

MR. TRAN: Hi. Good evening. My name is Hui Tran, and I'm calling to ask the Commission to keep Little Saigon with Huntington Beach. I know there has suddenly been testimony against this, but please remember, the Vietnamese community has been asking for this for months. We have worked hard to participate in this democratic process and plead our case to the Commission to protect our voters. That includes the Vietnamese population in Huntington Beach. Don't let last-minute political organizations affect months of hard work by our Little Saigon community. I just want to emphasize that Little Saigon, under no circumstances, should be separated.

Thank you for your time today.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now we have 3636, and up next after that will be caller 8951. Caller 3636, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.
Caller 3636 --

UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Hello.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: There you are. The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Hi, my name is Bill, and I've been living in Northeast LA my whole life up until right now. And me and my family have had many memories here with our relatives and everyone. And I would like you guys to keep the Northeast LA communities in the Northeast LA Congressional district, because they will separate many of other similar beliefs. Many people wouldn't want that. So I say keep the Northeast LA Congressional district in the Northeast LA community. Thank you so much.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now we have caller 8951. And up next after that will be caller 8894. Calle 8951, if you'll please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: Hi. Can you hear me.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We sure can.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: Hi, my name is Leslie. I just wanted to say that this is not my first time calling in. Since the start of this process in October, I have worked with Vietnamese leaders in Orange County to protect Little Saigon in redistricting and ensuring our
community was empowered. At the eleventh hour, there is now political organizations with a clear and deliberate political agenda trying to call the Commission racist, emphasis on racist, for doing exactly what the Vietnamese community has been asking for for months. We want to keep greater Little Saigon together. That includes Fountain Valley, Westminster, Garden Grove, and what now leads into Huntington Beach. Little Saigon, under no circumstance, should be separated. Please do not take these comments seriously and empower the Vietnamese community and not the special interest groups. Okay? By keeping us with Huntington Beach, a city that is completely connected to our thriving economy. Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now we have caller 8894. And up next after that will be caller 7692. Caller 8894, if you'll please follow the prompts to unmute.

And one more time caller with the last four digits 8894, if you'll please follow the prompts to unmute by star six. The floor is yours.

MS. ROJAS: Hi. My name is Rebecca Rojas (ph.). I know the Commission has spent significant time in Orange County and continues to make drastic changes. However, I do not like these random maps popping up after closed-door meetings -- closed-door meetings that cross county
lines. Previously, the Commission had settled on four Orange County central Congressional districts with an even population deviation. I please ask that any swap going forward happen within these four districts and the county lines you are largely respecting. There will be a lot of COI testimony that loses out, but our resident will at least be happy. Our voters were and interests were protected and not diluted by different countries. Thank you so much.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: And right now, we have caller 7692. And up next after that will be caller 6625. Caller 7692, if you'll please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

MR. BICKFORD: Thank you. Dan Bickford (ph.) here. Your recent Assembly and Congressional iterations collect inland San Diego County communities in a way that works. I'd like to talk to you tonight, though, about the Senate maps. I know you're -- you're working on them next week, and I wanted to give my input. Your Senate district map, SCCA could use some tweaks. I understand it is a voting rights district and must -- and must link parts of South San Diego County to Imperial County. But I don't know why it doesn't pick up the heavily Latino neighborhoods that are South of the 94 in San Diego County and shed some of the rural parts of San Diego like Alpine, Ramona,
Borrego Springs that better fit with cities like Poway, El Cajon, Escondido, Santee. Rural San Diego communities like Jamul, Alpine, Crest, Bostonia, Lakeside, Descanso, Ramona, and Julian belong in -- all belong in the same district. And that district should include Escondido, Poway, Santee, and El Cajon in San Diego County. Rural San Diego has different concerns than parts of San Diego City that are South of the 52. We looked to East and North counties for essentials like medical care, food, jobs, not for San Diego City neighborhoods South of the 56 like Pacific Beach, Mission Beach, Mira Mesa, Sierra Vista.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now we have caller 6625, and then up next after that will be caller 0586. Caller 6625, if you'll please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Commissioner Turner and Commission, you were moved by the comments of Chris Bosar (ph.) from Mammoth, a woman who ran for Congress and has talked about running again. But what you really did was prove the woman from Pinon Hills right. By spending more time talking about the Eastern Sierras and not our lower San Bernardino High Desert, which is why she felt left behind. You put San Antonio Heights, Wrightwood, and Anselmo with LA, even though they clearly belong with the
San Bernardino district base. There has been testimony from our High Desert, Wrightwood, Alta Loma, Upland, all saying we don't want to be with Los Angeles again. Please listen to our communities instead of uplifting the comments of a Congressional candidate. Thank you, Commission.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now we have caller 0586. And up next after that will be caller 9575. Caller 0586 if you'll please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: Hi. Can you hear me?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We sure can.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: Hi, Commissioners. My name is Ariant (ph.), and I'm a high school student in the Bay Area. First of all, specifically around the Congressional District, 17/18, I want to say thank you for your work so far. I know it must be very tiring going on. So thank you for your work. I'm an avid follower of my local politics. I dabble in it, and I've been paying close attention to the redistricting since it's an almost once in a decade occurrence. And I was reading some new CalMatters articles today and the proposed map for District 18, and South of the areas around Cupertino and Sunnyvale, where the current District 17/18 share a border looks extremely
gerrymandered. And as a member of the South Asian community, it seems that the inclusion of Cupertino alongside the other West Valley cities of Saratoga, Monte Sereno, Campbell, and the heart of Silicon Valley would serve the district well and form a good group of communities of interest. It's not just me who feels like this. Cupertino's mayor and vice mayors, respectively, Darcy Paul and Liang Chao have said that they don't want Cupertino placed with Fremont. And so I encourage and implore the Commission to please listen to the pleas from the South Asian community and residents of Cupertino and Sunnyvale and place Cupertino with its communities of interest and also the many parts of (indiscernible) together. Again, I thank you for the opportunity to speak today, and I really hope that this Commission takes this comment into account. Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now we have caller 9 -- 9575. And up next after that will be caller 8174. Caller 9575, if you'll please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

MS. DIAZ: Hi. Good evening, Commissioners. My name's Karen Diaz, and I'm the Electoral Field Manager for the Coalition for Humane Immigrant Rights. And for the past thirty-five years, we've been working to create a just society for inclusive immigrants. Today, we
submitted a letter with the 2nd Congressional map. I'm going to go over just a couple of the feedback, particularly in the area of Orange County. We want to thank you for the new iterations on 12/10/21. We appreciate that the Commission has sort of drawn up South Santa Ana, which allows very important immigrant communities of interest to remain whole and together, including the Vietnamese-American, Pacific-American communities in Garden Grove, Westminster, Fountain Valley, (indiscernible) communities that straddle -- that Los Angeles and Orange County border, and the Korean-American communities in Bueno Park and Fullerton. It also maintains the federal Rights Voting district for the Latino community in the Santa Ana that draws the Fullerton and West Anaheim communities of interest together and aligns the community. We appreciate that you are also keeping hold the Costa Mesa district and the no coast district. And you heard a lot from the people (indiscernible) and our members about the importance of keeping (indiscernible) proportionally immigrant communities whole and together. More information is included in our letter and PowerPoint that highlights over 1000 communities of interest testimonies from immigrants all across the state of California. Thank you for everything you have done, and have a good evening.
PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now we have caller 8174. And up next after that will be caller 5621. Caller 8174, if you'll please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

MS. RODRIGUEZ: Hello. My name is Zola Rodriguez. I'm with the Coalition for Humane Immigrant Rights, CHIRLA. I serve as a co-founder and data manager. We appreciate the efforts of the Commission to maintain communities of interest together in San Fernando Valley, maps SFB. We would like the valley to be kept whole, and this can be done by adding Selma, Canoga Park, and (indiscernible) to this district. The communities in this district are low-income, working families who share common issues such as the access to affordable housing and healthcare, resources for senior citizens, and access to resources such as jobs. Valley Village in South of North Hollywood is home to a higher income community that has no shared interest with cities Van Nuys or Panorama City. Therefore, we ask that Valley Village and anything South of Burbank Boulevard in North Hollywood not be included in this district. I'm sure that supports an updated version of the MALDEF Congressional plan for Southern Central California, which achieved this architecture for the San Fernando Valley. This map also ensures the Hansen Dam Recreational area is also part of
the district. Many of the communities in Van Nuys, Panorama, (indiscernible) use this park for recreational purposes and to access resources such as vaccination clinics and food drives. By keeping it within this district, we will ensure that communities have and continue to have access to important resources and assets. Thank you again for all you've done so far.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now we have caller 5621. And up next after that will be caller 7677. Call 5621, if you'll please follow the prompts to unmute.

And one more time. Caller 5621 if you'll please follow the prompts to unmute by pressing star six. The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hello?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Yes, hello.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hi. I saw some of the meeting today, and I just wanted to comment that I'm totally against Commissioner Toledo and Sadhwani's plan. It makes no sense based on COI testimony we heard, and I'd like to thank Commissioners Fornaciari, Yee, and Fernandez for, you know, saying that we should just keep the districts we have now. But on the other hand, we could also go back to what we did Wednesday night. Those are really two of the main options. And for the people
who are saying that Huntington Beach doesn't have
anything in common with Westminster, I'd like to point
out once again, they share a school district. The Ocean
View School District contains schools in Huntington
Beach, Westminster, Garden Grove, and Fountain Valley.
Same with the Westminster School District. So, yes,
these communities do have things in common. And I hope
the Commissioners stick with the districts in Orange
County now and just either go with the plan you have now
or the plan that you had Wednesday night. Thank you for
all your hard work, and have a good night. Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And
right now, we have caller 7677, and up next after that
will be caller 5956. Caller 7677, if you'll please
follow the prompts to unmute.

Caller 7677, if you'll please follow the prompts to
unmute by pressing star six.

Caller 7677, you appear to have some type of
connectivity issue at the moment. We will be coming back
around for those retries after the break.

Right now, we have caller 5956. And up next after
that will be caller 5981. Caller 5956, please follow the
prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Good evening, Commission. I
hope you're awake and doing well. Listen, the agenda
that are going into this redistricting, the lack of transparency, the changing of the maps is something that should not be conducted in this Commission. We want an independent Commission for a reason. And yet we're seeing new maps being changed after special interests and political agendas come into play. As someone who resides in Orange County and in Upland, the district lines, believe me, we have nothing to do with LA County. Huntington Beach is where we go to shop, where we go do Little Saigon. You're hearing it from the people themselves. They are not part of Long Beach. They are not part of LA County. These are completely different and separate communities with different interests. I ask that you at least go back to your maps from Wednesday night instead of changing them based on political interest and elevating the voices of those who want the redistricting for simply political reasons and to win in Congressional races. Listen to the people who you are entitled to and commanded to listen to as your position. Listen to the people, do your jobs, stop special interests. Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now we have caller 5981. And up next after that will be caller 2974. Caller 5981, please follow the prompts to unmute.
MR. NELSON: Hello.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Hello. The floor is yours.

MR. NELSON: Good evening, Commissioners. This is Frank Nelson. I'm a resident of Corona of Riverside County. I've been in Riverside County for almost all my life, which is why I won't say how many years. But anyway, looking at doing is to, really simply, is to pretty straightforward and simple, wanting to keep those communities along the I-15 corridor together as one voting district, as we have much in common with our sister cities up and down the 15 Freeway, and we share an economic and cultural history. It's currently it's been a lot of continuity, and the present proposed redistricting has Congressional district 42 going across the San Jacinto Mountains on the other side, out into the desert with Palm Desert, Indian Wells, also Rancho Mirage. And those areas are definitely not economic areas that we have that goes with the corridor of the I-15 corridor. And you also used to put -- in between you've got Palm Springs, which is another Congressional district in dividing that. So I ask for a revision of looking at really basically keeping it the 42nd Congressional district just down the 15 corridor. Thank you.
PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now, we will have caller 2974. If you'll please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: Hi. My name is Paulina, and I grew up in Garden Grove. It was sad to hear that the Vietnam rights groups called in and requested a separate Little Saigon from Huntington Beach because Huntington Beach city is racist. My family and friends live in Huntington Beach, and they are not racist. Please listen to ordinary citizens, not special interest groups and have Little Saigon with Huntington beach. Don't break up Little Saigon, and don't break up the Vietnamese voice. Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. Right now, we have caller 6777. If you'll please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: Hi, my name is Kay. I live in East Fresno. I know you have a discussion on taking out Modesto and adding some additional population from somewhere else. One idea might be to get additional population from Clovis and East Fresno. The hills, foothill communities and Clovis and East Fresno have a lot in common as far as recreation, shopping, water needs, fire issues, and many other aspects of our lives. These two communities have very strong ties and would
work well together. So please consider Clovis as a way to fix the problem with ECA. Thank you for your hard work.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much, and chair, at this time, we are up against a break.

CHAIR TOLEDO: Very good. Thank you. We will take our fifteen minute break and be back at 7:45.

(Whereupon, a recess was held from 7:29 p.m. until 7:45 p.m.)

CHAIR TOLEDO: Thank you, and welcome back from the break. Thank you for sticking with us to those callers in the queue.

And Katie, will you get us back on track with our callers?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Absolutely. Thank you, Chair. I'd like to invite all of those that have called in that have not done so already to please press star nine. And this includes the people that were coming back for a retry. If you will please press star nine again, this will let me know that you are near your phone and have some different connectivity at the moment. And we will begin right now, with caller 7974, and then up next after that we will be retrying caller 9370. Caller 7974, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute. And one more time, caller 7974, if you will please follow the
prompts to unmute by pressing star, six. And for all
those in the queue, I know we were on break. If you will
please be prepared and ready to unmute your phone at the
time it is your turn to talk. And caller 7974, I will
come back around to you.

And right now we will be retrying caller 9370. If
you will please follow the prompts to unmute. Caller
9370, the floor is yours.

Caller 9 --

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER Hello?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: There you are. The floor
is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER Hi. My name is Jose, and I
live in Montes Los Angeles all of my life. And my family
and many other families that are rooted here, and we
cannot be divided. Therefore, I ask that you guys please
keep us in the Northeast Los Angeles Congressional
district.

This community still and will continue to vote for
enlightened representatives of election after election.
Dividing us won't be a great idea, because it will ruin
the foundation of Montes Los Angeles. Also, dividing us
will create tension between us, and will separate each
other from the things that we believe in. Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And
right now we will have caller 7507. And then up next
after that we will retry caller 8251.

    Caller 7507, if you will please follow the prompts
to unmute. The floor is yours. Caller 7507, if you will
please double check your phone, make sure you're not on
mute. You are unmuted in the meeting.

    UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Good evening. I'm calling
again to speak on behalf of the Vietnamese community in
Southern California. And I've been listening to the
arguments for and against keeping Hampton Beach in a same
Congressional district. If you look at the map right
now, there's a big hole at the bottom of the district.
And that is where the city's (indiscernible) is. So the
only way is to make it compact and reasonable is to
include that area. But in order to make it -- I just
wanted to propose a compromise, see what we can work out
with the Commission. You can also add in West Santa Ana
and the City of (indiscernible). And that would make --
would probably unite all of the Vietnamese American
voters in the Western part of Cali. And then you can
take out the City of Fullerton because it is way, way too
far from --

    MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

    UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER -- West Orange County. So
Fullerton -- the people of Fullerton deserves to have
their own representatives. And they deserve to be united with Yorba Linda and North County. So my proposal is to --

MR. MANOFF: Fifteen seconds.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER -- add in Hampton Beach, West Santa Ana, and (indiscernible). And let Fullerton unite with the other districts. Thank you. Have a good night.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now we will be retrying caller 8251. And then up next after that will be caller 2887.

Caller 8251, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

MR. WINN: Thank you. Then is a San Joaquin County supervisor and vice chair Chuck Winn. I want to thank the Commission for all the work they've done. Having chaired our local San Joaquin County Congressional Assembly and Senate Districts, and going through a variety of exercises to gather information from residents was challenging. I can't even imagine doing it on a state-wide basis.

Real quick, I'm going to just restate -- and I'm sure some of the conversation earlier, in regards to Modesto, etc. in San Joaquin County. Which, actually, is a little bit contrary to what we have come up with, as far as recommendation.
First, we believe that San Joaquin County, because population can hold the majority of a Congressional district. And secondly, the design and the way that it's laid out, our West side county is more urban, and our East side of our county is more rural or agricultural. And therefore, we -- as talking with San Joaquin County feel that certainly the agricultural is separate as far as communities of interest in the West side. And so we had proposed an East and a West dividing point, from Stockton down to Tracy. And obviously from Rippon, Escalon, all the way up to Lodi. And then as far as the --

MR. MANOFF: Ten seconds.

MR. WINN: -- Senate district, with Senator Eggman, in regards to our current senator, which covers most -- almost entirely, and a little bit outside of San Joaquin county, we think --

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now we will have caller 2887. And then up next after that will be the retry of caller 3351. Caller 2887, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

MS. KERR: Thank you so much. Good evening, Commissioners. And thank you, again, for the opportunity to provide input. My name is Megan Kerr. I'm the vice
president of the Board of Education belonging to Unified School district. And I've provided public comment on multiple occasions advocating for keeping Long Beach unified. Which serves the City of Long Beach, Lakewood, Signal Hill, and Avalon, as together, if possible. And while your earliest maps had reflected keeping most of our district together, I'm really disappointed that this latest iteration creates a huge split across our district.

Now, this map is much better than the one earlier today that split us into three different districts. To best serve our 70,000 students in the fourth largest district in the state, and the second largest in LA County, I'm asking you to move the Western part of Long Beach back with the Eastern part of Long Beach and Lakewood. And if you're unable to do that, please do not split any more than the current map. We're just asking for as much of Long Beach to be joined together as possible. It's really critical for advocacy at the federal level to have representation that knows the challenges of our larger industry.

Again, thank you for your consideration. And for --

MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

MS. KERR: -- keeping us more together. I am really grateful for your service and your hard work. It is a
thankless task, and I am thanking you. So have a good
night.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And
right now we will have the retry of caller 3351. And
then up next after that will be caller 4273. Caller
3351, if you'll please follow the prompts to unmute. The
floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER Hello Commissioners. I am a
resident of Orange County, and I appreciate this
opportunity to address the Commission. I have followed
the Commission's work and I'm appreciative of the
difficult task that you have. I'm calling about our
Orange County Congressional lines. I've seen what feels
like dozens of versions of our Congressional Districts.
It seems that each one is getting worse. And it seems
like we're forgetting the months of testimony from our
community. I actually like the drafts that the
Commission settled on Wednesday night, that heard Little
Saigon's concerns about being connected to Huntington
Beach, and largely respected our county borders. Not all
of Orange County will get what they want, but I
appreciate that the Commission understands that Orange
County is strongly tied together through its
infrastructure, and particularly water. I hope we can
keep it that way so that we have four strong Orange
County Congressional Districts. Finally, I have read two newspaper articles --

MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER -- that report that the Commission has been making major decisions behind closed doors. If that's the case, I want to express my deep disappointment. While it may be expedient, the Commission was set up to be independent and transparent, and as one Commissioner said, make the hard decisions in public. It would be another blow to self-governance and retaining the public's confidence in its institutions if this is occurring. Again, thank you for this opportunity to comment.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now we will have caller 4273. And up next after that will be caller 3995.

Caller 4273, if you'll please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

MR. PARRISH: Thank you. Good evening, Commissioners. My name is Brandon Parrish, and I am a lifelong resident of Sacramento County, and I wanted to express some concerns about redistricting in our community. I strongly believed on the Congressional maps, Sacramento should remain whole in one Congressional district. Generally speaking, cities should always be
kept whole and Sacramento's population is within what allows to be in one district.

By splitting Sacramento in two, it's effectively pitting the suburbs and the city against each other. When Sacramento County should have two districts. One in the city, one in the suburbs. I think that's the best way to draw the county. Please keep Sacramento whole.

Additionally, on the Assembly maps, I think that Carmichael should be kept whole and with its neighbors of Fair Oaks and Citrus Heights. If it's not possible to keep Carmichael in one Assembly district, Carmichael should be divided in a North-South basis, with the Southern part of Carmichael in the urban district, and the rest of Carmichael in the district 8.

MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

MR. PARRISH: Carmichael has more of a North-South divide than East-West. So I ask that you take that into account. And I will submit some alternative variations for you to look at. Thank you for your time and your consideration and for all your hard work for our state. And just to reiterate, please keep Sacramento whole and please revisit the lines for Carmichael on the Assembly maps. And I hope you all have a good night.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now we have caller 3995. And up next after that
UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER  Good evening, Commissioners. I'm calling from New Cuyama to speak on the MORCOA map. Our community is incredibly pleased to be grouped with Big Bear in the High Desert. Our only request is that you don't group up with anymore of Los Angeles County. We're just about there. It's almost a perfect map, but please keep the community rural. Thanks again, and I hope you all have a great weekend.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now we have caller 2252. And up next after that will be caller 7331.

Caller 2252, if you'll please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER  (In Spanish, not translated).

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now we have caller 7331. And up next after that will be caller 9241.

Caller 7331, please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER  Hi. Thanks very much. My name's Ben. I've actually called in a couple of times before. I just wanted to take a minute to sort of pass
along my appreciation and congratulations for a job well done, with regards to what I've been calling in about, which has been keeping West Hollywood as a cohesive unit. I think, you know, doing that and you know, simultaneously managing to keep the valley together and keep Santa Monica on the coastal area is really a pretty impressive accomplishment. So well done in North Los Angeles, and thanks very much.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now we have caller 9141. And up next after that will be caller 3480.

Caller 9141, if you'll please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

MS. BONNER: Good evening. My name is Shayla Bonner, and I'm calling from Contra Costa County. I just wanted to thank you all for the work that you have done so far. I think that it's really important to keep communities of color and significant communities of interest together. And I'd like to thank you for pairing Vallejo, Richmond, and East Contra Costa County, and bringing in as much of Antioch as you can. So again, I just want to take the time to thank you for doing that, and taking any recommendations from the public and considering our recommendations. Thank you for your time and opportunity to speak.
MR. NGUYEN: Hello. My name is Kevin Nguyen. I'm a Vietnamese voter living in Huntington Beach. I'm calling because there's a political effort to separate Little Saigon from Huntington Beach, a community that has long shared interest with the Little Saigon cities, like West Minister, Fountain Valley, and Garden Grove. It's disappointing to see, and I hope the Commission sees it for what it is. Our residents have been calling for months asking to put Little Saigon with Huntington Beach, and we are so happy that you did. So please keep it that way. Please keep Huntington Beach whole, and do not let this last minute political coup by a special interest group sway your opinion. Thank you guys so much. We really appreciate the hard work that you put in. Thank you.
specifically from Brentwood, and I've been watching the
maps for my part of California get redrawn, and redrawn,
and redrawn. And so it reminded me of a little ditty by
the Ohio players. Roller coaster of lines. And the
chorus would go, your lines are like a roller coaster
baby, I just can't even find. Your lines are like a
roller coaster baby, baby, changing all the time. So
let's talk maps. CV Concord BPR Draft. This
Congressional map now has Discovery Bay and Brentwood,
which is very nice, thank you very much for that, but it
goes way too far West to Orinda and Moraga. We have no
commonalities with those suburbs. And all the way South
to North Canyon. Never heard of the city, ever.

MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER Nobody from there ever comes
here. And we don't go there. Napa, (indiscernible), way
too far to the North to Rumsey. Way too far to the East
to Rohnert Park, and way too far to the West of --

MR. MANOFF: Fifteen.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER -- Clarksburg. We are a San
Joaquin delta community. We belong with the other
communities along the San Joaquin Delta. Please, please
don't break us up to fit other -- to make other maps
whole. We are one --

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And
right now we have caller 7192. And up next after that will be caller 2238.

Caller 7192, if you'll please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER  Hi. Can you hear me?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We sure can.

UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER  Hi. My name is Elijah, and I'm a resident of Highland Park. My family has ties to Highland Park dating back to the earlier 70s. And I'm calling for Congressional district Northeast Los Angeles. I am not in support of splitting off Northeast Los Angeles. The communities of Eagle Rock, Glassell Park, and Mount Washington must be keep in the Northeast Los Angeles Congressional district. We are all neighbors and have a shared regional history, since before the streets were even paved. Portions of Hollywood that were recently added need to be kept in the San Fernando Valley. Northeast Los Angeles and Hollywood share nothing in common but the climate. Please consider keeping our communities together. The communities in Northeast Los Angeles, as gentrified as they have been, still continue to elect representatives of color, and our communities have been able to keep together as long as we could. Many residents of Napa have a shared history and would like to continue sticking together. Please keep
Northeast Los Angeles, Northeast Los Angeles. Thank you very much.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now we have caller 2239. And up next after that be caller 7973.

Caller 2239, if you'll please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER Hi. I'm calling to ask about Congressional district 2. The North Coast district. It seems to be the only Congressional district in the state that has not changed. Every other district has changed significantly, and yet this very long, very skinny district from the Gold Gate to the Oregon border, seems to be the only sacred cow in California politics. The Northwest California counties of Del Nort, Humboldt, and Trinity, have a total population of 175,000 people. Over seventy-five percent of the people in this coastal district do not live in Northwest California. Tiny Marin County alone has fifty percent more people than these three counties have in total. Sonoma County has a population of a half million, and it's divided between the Coastal district, and the district you call Yolo Lake. Census status shows how different Northwest California is from the richer, better educated counties to the South. Northwest California is more
demographically similar --

MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER -- to the counties to the
East. Linking these rural counties in Northwest
California to Bay Area counties deprives them of any
voice in their own district. The coast is not the
community of interest.

MR. MANOFF: Fifteen.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER What is important is the
rural-urban divide. Please give a voice to the rural
Californians in Northwest California. Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And
right now we will have caller 7973. And up next after
that is caller 6666.

Caller 7973, please follow the prompts to unmute.

The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER Thank you, Commissioners, for
taking the time to go over this issue. I'm calling
regarding the district in Western Riverside County. The
Western edge of the county shares many comparable and
comparable issues, and to include other parts -- distant
parts of the county, as far possibly as Palm Desert, did
not bring the same issues to the attention of the
political leadership. So help us have a better form of
life and quality of life in Western Riverside County. We
think all the areas, and generally that means all these communities along interstate-Fifteen. Thank you for your attention, and we hope you can make this a good, solid district.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now we have caller 6666. And up next after that be caller 5428.

Caller 6666, if you'll please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

MS. SAN: Good evening, Commissioner. My name is Satiya San, and I am the chair of Cambodia Town, Inc. I have called in before to ask you not to split Cambodia Town district. I have heard you say that you don't want to split more cities. And even though we aren't a city, Cambodia Town district is very unique and (indiscernible) community in Long Beach. We are survivors of genocide, and we have built new lives in America. We are currently in the SP710 map, and we are requesting that you move us into Long Beach North, so that we are united with all of our Cambodian programming that casted Long Beach. We are our other caretakers, working families, and students. Please put Cambodia Town district back in Long Beach North, if possible. We really need your support. Thank you so much for listening to my request.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And
right now we have caller 5428. And up next after that is caller 2189.

Caller 5428, if you'll please follow the prompts to unmute. And one more time, caller with the last four digits 5428, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute by pressing star, six.

Caller 5428, you appear to have a connectivity issue at the moment. I will come back to you.

And right now we have caller 2189. And up next after that will be caller 1457.

Caller 2189, please follow the prompts to unmute.

The floor is yours.

MS. RICHARDSON: Hello. I am Roberta Richardson, I live in Altadena. I'm the president of the Altadena NACT, and I'm calling to support the maps of November 10th. In those maps, all the foothill communities are kept together. Pasadena, Altadena, Monrovia, Torde. Where there is a substantial African-American population requesting that we maintain the foothill communities together so that the African-American voice is not diminished. Thank you so much.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now we have caller 1457. And up next after that will be caller 8037.

Caller 1457, please follow the prompts to unmute.
And one more time, caller with the last four digits 1457, please follow the prompts to unmute by pressing star, six. Caller 1457, I do apologize, you have some type of connectivity issue at the moment. I will come back to you.

Caller 8037 will be right now. And caller 0005, you will be up next. Caller 8037, please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER  Hi. As you know, a citizen's group has sued this Commission and the California Supreme Court. Everyone's surprised, the court took the case on an emergency appeal last Thursday. Both sides have responded to the court with extensive briefs, for failure of certain Commissioners having secret unrecorded meetings and for having attorneys with major conflicts of interest for using map drawing tools. Kept in secret from the public, and the Supreme Court will probably make a decision next week.

Finally, one of the requests that was made is asking the Supreme Court to take over the line drawing, and take it away from the Commission. Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now we have caller 0005. And up next after that is caller 7672.

Caller 0005, if you'll please follow the prompts to
MS. IRVINE: Thank you. Hello, Commissioners. My name is Kathleen Irvine. I'm from Long Beach, and after seeing some of the proposals from the Commission today, I felt that I should comment. Please do not split Long Beach into three parts, as was proposed by the earlier exploration. Thank you, though, for landing on the current, albeit North iteration that you're now working from. Ideally, I would really to see Long Beach be a whole, rather than two parts.

For those of us who have been working in this community for years, we know that a Congressional district that keeps most of Long Beach together works the best. I love my amazing city. We have had the privilege of working with my community and our representative, the mayor, and city council, helping to design parking green spaces. I've served on the (indiscernible) City Hedge of Dissociation, as president for eight years, and in vice chair of the Sustainability Commission. I'm currently chair of the Cultural Heritage Commission.

We benefit from cohesive Congressional representation.

MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

MS. IRVINE: You currently have us split in two, but at least most of the city is together. In these
challenging times, our city benefits from its unique racial and economic diversity, and urban-suburban identity. Please unite as much of Long Beach as possible into one district.

MR. MANOFF: Fifteen.

MS. IRVINE: Thank you for your hard work.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now we have caller 7672. And up next after that will be caller 6790.

Caller 7672, please follow the prompts to unmute.

The floor is yours.

MR. FUNG: Hi. Good evening, Commissioners. Thank you for all your hard work and for staying up and paying attention to all of us. My name is Henry Fung, and I've looked -- take a look at today's Congressional district drafts that were posted, and once again Cal Poly Pomona and Pomona are not together in the same Congressional district. And the area in question is an area that has been the STH60 district. It's West of the City of Pomona, East of the City of Walnut. It's a little unincorporated piece of land that people may not be paying attention to, but I know that we have several Commissioners that live or work in the San Gabriel Valley owned empire. So if you've read the COI testimony, you know that Cal Poly Pomona students generally live East of
campus. Cal Poly Pomona is a Hispanic serving
institution. Cal Poly Pomona people do not have that
much in common with people to the West of them in places
like Walnut. Certainly not the South in Orange County.
So I would ask that when you make those edits to the
lines, that you will in the L.A., Orange County --

MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

MR. FUNG: -- (indiscernible) Empire area, that Cal
Poly Pomona and Pomona be linked together. That the
incorporated area West of Pomona be added to the Pomona
Ontario district, to join where the university that the
people go to and where they live out in the inland
valley, Pomona Ontario area. Thank you so much, and have
a good night.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And
right now we have caller 6790. And up next after that is
caller 9517.

Caller 6790, if you'll please follow the prompts to
unmute. The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER Hello, everyone. My
name is Jordan, and I am a current Orange County
Resident, calling to thank the Commission for keeping the
City of Long Beach out of Orange County. I commend the
committee for various sacrifices they have made to uphold
the interest of Orange County, but diluting our
representation is not the answer. I hope that if any further changes are to be made, you ensure that you keep Long Beach separated from our county. I hope that we can keep it this way, so that we have four strong Orange County Congressional districts. Thank you so much for your time tonight.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now we have caller 9517. And up next after that will be caller 3559.

Caller 9517, if you'll please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

MS. VU: Yes. This is Vanessa Vu. I am the Commission. First, I would like to thank you, Commission, for your hard work through this process. I called -- spoke yesterday and asking for the Commission to please do consider the commands from a lot of our Little Saigon folk that speak yesterday as you making charts on the Assembly and Congressional districts. Just make a little change. I live in Huntington Beach and want to be representation by the Assembly member in the Little Saigon. We will get lost and ignored if we are the -- half a Little Saigon. We have (indiscernible) Little Saigon by adding Huntington Beach for Assembly map. (Indiscernible) --

MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.
MS. VU: -- at the Euclid Avenue (ph.), and all North upper Garfield city for our (indiscernible) and all the (indiscernible). We need a Assembly and a Congressional --

MR. MANOFF: Fifteen.

MS. VU: -- that truly -- can really -- that can understand our needs and can help our community. Thank you very much. Good night.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now we have caller 3559. And up next after that will be caller 6758.

Caller 3559, please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER Hi, there. I just want to thank the Commissioners for your hard work, and I'm calling to affirm and echo a lot of the same sentiments that other callers are making, which is to keep communities together and whole. In the proposed map, Long Beach and Carson are both split into two districts, and this presents a glaring organizational problem for both cities, because they are charter cities with their own city council. I would love for harbor communities to -- like, Long Beach, Carson, Wilmington, Compton, and San Pedro to be kept together. Grass roots, non-pax, corporate funded campaigns take a lot of time and
canvases to accomplish, and this new iteration of the map erases a lot of that work, and effectively silences some of purest and most direct forms of the democratic process. Again, thank you so much for your time and taking the moment to hear from us.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now we have caller 6758. And up next after that will be caller 6303.

Caller 6758, please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER Good evening. The Commission has been hearing a lot of complaints tonight, so I thought I would break it up and say a thank you. Little Saigon has asked for months to be included with Huntington Beach, a city that we share an economy, community, and residence with. And the Commission did just that. Little Saigon, under no circumstance, should be separated. I am proud that our community of interest has been recognized and I hope that the Commission will keep it this way when they finalize the maps on Saturday and Monday. Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now we have caller 6303. And up next after that is caller 9793.

Caller 6303, if you'll please follow the prompts to
unmute. The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER Hello. As a former resident of Northern California, I want to commend the Commission on that North Sacramento district. I do believe they did a good job on that. But as a current member, and resident, of the Fresno Clovis area, I do not believe that the Commission has been listening to the comments made by members in both Bakersfield and Fresno and Clovis. I know that they've been asked that they do not want to be grouped together. Another position for this belief is, I do not believe that the oil communities and the communities of Bakersfield have very much in common with the more mountainous community that participates, which a lot of residents of Clovis actually do own and operate in the mountain community. Whether it's for work or for residential. If the Commission is to consider either thinking about moving the Clovis district into that Eastern mountainous community, after looking for population for Modesto, that should be considered as an option.

MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER Again, I will thank the Commission for what they have done, but to really consider moving Clovis, which is formally a logging town, along with Sanger, into that mountainous community. They
have very much in common, and a strong relationship, especially after the creek fire.

MR. MANOFF: Fifteen.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER Thank you. Take care.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now we have caller 9793. And up next after that will be caller 8549.

Caller 9793, if you'll please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER I'm calling about the (indiscernible) of the SCCA map, that divides my Town of Lakeside and our sister cities, and City of Santee. It cuts us off from similar cities and our town, such as El Cajon, Alpine, Ramona, Rachel, San Diego, and even divides off part of Lakeside's own Barona Indian reservation.

Instead, we're now grouped, on the current map, with more suburban, physically -- geographically distant cities. Within the City of San Diego, like Pacific Beach, University City, Mira Mesa, and other areas which we have no bonds and little in common.

The funny thing about it is, the differences include things like, you know, the beaches versus lakes and hills. Surfboards and bicycles versus horses and pickups. Big city, the big City of San Diego versus the
unincorporated towns and small suburbs. And even the dangers of the sea levels rising versus wildfires in the East counties. We don't want our voice being swallowed up by the City of San Diego. Together or grouped -- we hope to remain grouped with our other areas in --

MR. MANOFF: Twenty seconds.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER -- East County. And restore the East County in its entirety. Including, Lakeside, Alpine, Santee, Ramona --

MR. MANOFF: Ten.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER -- and Rancho San Diego and -- thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now we have caller 8549. And up next after that, I do not have the last four digits, it is call-in user 1.

Right now we have caller 8549, please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER Thank you. Calling to add concern about the change to the map for Santa Clarita and Simi valley. The map should stay the same and keep them together. San Fernando is such a massive valley, it can't be split off into Santa Clarita. It has to join the rest of San Fernando Valley, including Puerto Ranch and Grenada Hill. There are different concerns in these cities. And why change? Previous Congressional
visualization maps kept Santa Clarita and Antelope Valley together, but to add population, keep West and keep Simi Valley, rather than South, to gain San Fernando. I mean, why make the change? The Simi Valley portion of Ventura County and the Antelope Valley are better fits than the San Fernando Valley. It is essential to keep the maps the same for citizens in all of these cities for the right -- the correct representation. So thank you. And please, just, consider that. And I know I'm not alone in this. Okay. Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And at this time we do have call-in user 1. And up next after that will be caller 2815.

Call-in user 1, please follow the prompts you hear on your phone at this time. The floor is yours.

MR. MUNSON: Well, thank you very much. I heard an earlier request for an expert on the Angeles National Forest to call in, so I thought I would. This is John Munson of Nature For All, and I've been working on national forest issues for twenty years, including almost a decade on the national field staff of the Sierra Club in Los Angeles. We raise the issues of the foothill communities of interest several months ago, and we appreciate over the last few months how you've been attentive to that issue. We, along with other people,
recently asked you to extend SFV and GLENB2A into the national forest, and you did that today. You actually did a good job, I thought. And I wanted to, again, thank Ray Kennedy for bringing those issues up, and the Commission for joining him.

What's nervous to me right now is that I think your new versions of the 25th, 27th, 28th, and 29th districts are very good. So I join a gentlemen earlier who said, you can stop right now, as far as I'm concerned.

We also wanted to add a bump above Zoosa. It's an area I've worked in a lot, and I actually drew a map and mailed it into -- emailed it in -- excuse me. Yeah. Emailed it into you about how to add --

MR. MANOFF: twenty seconds.

MR. MUNSON: -- an area to CDCOV. And essentially it goes Northwest along the West of highway-39 --

MR. MANOFF: Ten seconds.

MR. MUNSON: -- North of East Fork Road, and back down Glendor Road. So if you look for that email from John Munson, it's a way to do that district. Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now we have caller 2815. And up next after that will be caller 5777.

Caller 2815, please follow the prompts to unmute.

The floor is yours.
Caller 2815, if you'll please double check your phone. Make sure you are not on mute. You are unmuted in the meeting.

MR. MIDRA: Hi. Can you hear me now?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We sure can.

MR. MIDRA: Okay. So this is Amic Midra. I'm calling from Santa Clara County, which is a county in the Silicon Valley, not in California. I'm calling from the City of Cupertino. I've been a resident of the city for twenty years. And we are actually lumped together with, you know, what is like the East part of it with the Freemont. Although we are really a lot more demographically connected to the areas of Saratoga, Palo Alto, Mountain View, and the like. So it's a tight community, and we get to have our presentation with has our interest. In addition, there is a significant issue in American population in this part of the county, and this part of the bay. Which is not adequate, either for the debt-income so (indiscernible). So I would urge you to actually disconnect Cupertino, Sunnyvale, and the areas from Freemont and make it a part of Mountain View --

MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

MR. MIDRA: -- Palo Alto, Saratoga, you know, the parts between (indiscernible). It almost looks like a
gerrymandered thing that'd be extending to something like that, and a long corridor. Which is, you know, the 1 to 1 corridor. It's kind of split up by --

MR. MANOFF: Fifteen.

MR. MIDRA: -- Cupertino and Sunnyvale being part of something else. I would highly recommend that we make Cupertino, (indiscernible), Sunnyvale, and Santa Clara as a part of the unified district. We can include, you know, West San Jose, Saratoga, Los Gatos --

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now we will have caller 5777. And up next after that will be caller 1926.

Caller 5777, if you'll please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hi, Commissioners. First of all, I would like to thank you for all your hard work. And thank you for allowing us all to speak at this time. We have listened to comments yesterday. You have listened to all the comments yesterday, regarding how long it took for us to wait and speak.

Please do listen to our Little Saigon comments as well. As you can see, from yesterday, so many people from Little Saigon community called. And willing to wait for hours, just to give comments, and explaining how you -- explain it to you how important it is to include
the City of Huntington Beach to the Little Saigon community of interest. What you currently have, our Little Saigon area, is not done yet. Please go back to Assembly district and Congressional district for Assembly. Please don't stop at beach (indiscernible) when add --

MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- when you add (indiscernible), it doesn't make any sense. We are asking you to add all of Garfield Avenue (ph.) in Huntington Beach to Sequan Street (ph.) for AD_GGW (ph.) map, and for Congressional, add all Huntington Beach CD.

MR. MANOFF: Fifteen.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER This will finish Little Saigon, and we will be forever grateful for the Commission for giving us the Assembly and Congressional district that we deserve. Thank you, and have a great evening.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now we have caller 1926. And up next after that will be caller 4036.

Caller 1926, please follow the prompts to unmute. Caller 1926, if you wish to give comment this evening, please follow the prompts to unmute by pressing star,
six. Thank you so much, caller 1926.

And right now we have caller 4036. And up next after that we will have caller 6942.

Caller 4036, if you wish to give comment, please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

MR. SAXENA  Hi. My name is Vikram Saxena I'm a planning Commissioner from the City of Cupertino. I was extremely disappointed to hear that a district (indiscernible) area. We want the City of Cupertino to be part of the Commissioner district containing (indiscernible). (Indiscernible) share common issues like (indiscernible). Our issues have very little in common with other (indiscernible) like (indiscernible). We want to be a part of the City of Santa Clara. The mayor invited the City of Cupertino also looked to you about this. The current maps are putting a huge (indiscernible) Asian population in my district. It needs to be (indiscernible), and it needs the City of Santa Clara, but not (indiscernible). The manner in which the Commission has ignored (indiscernible)

Cupertino, has actually shaken (indiscernible).

MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

MR. SAXENA: I urge you to listen to the voice of the city leaders, and (indiscernible) and move Cupertino to the City of Santa Clara. (Indiscernible) you're going
to be judged for -- by this for the next ten years. And
if you believe in (indiscernible) --

MR. MANOFF: Fifteen.

MR. SAXENA: -- make Cupertino a part of the City of
Santa Clara. (Indiscernible). Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And
right now we will be going to caller 6942. And up next
after that we will be giving caller 8069 an opportunity.

Caller 6942, please follow the prompts to unmute.
The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER Good evening,
Commissioners. My name is Ray. I am a long time
resident of Northeast Los Angeles. In fact, I've lived
here for over forty years. I lived in the communities of
Highland Park, Eagle Rock, Glassell Park. And the reason
for me taking the time to call in is, because I am asking
that these communities stay together. The Northeast Los
Angeles communities are not Hollywood. They are not
Glendale. Taking these Northeast L.A. communities out
Vanilla district is not the answer. Please keep
Northeast L.A. communities, Northeast L.A. Thank you so
much for your time, and once again I appreciate your
help.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And
this time we will be giving caller 8069 and opportunity.
And up next after that will be caller 9819.

Caller 8069, please follow the prompts to unmute.

The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER  Good evening. My name is Aram (indiscernible). I am a (indiscernible). I ask you to please reconfigure with Huntington Beach and keep Little Saigon. That's one -- do not divide Little Saigon. (Indiscernible). Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. I think this time we will be going to caller 9819. And then up next after that will be caller 9954.

Caller 9819, please follow the prompts to unmute.

The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER  Good evening. I'm calling from the High Desert of San Bernardino County. I'd like to say I think you've done a great job with the drawing of the lines of the (indiscernible) map. As you finalize these maps, please do not split the High Desert community, or group us any further with the Los Angeles County's community. Thank you very much.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

And right now we will go to caller 9954, please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER  Good evening, Commissioners.

I'm calling to urge you to please keep the MORCOA map the
way it is, and do not make any other changes. It is a map that is already very representative of the rural desert communities that deal with local issues many other communities in Southern California cannot. In particular, Los Angeles County. Please do not undermine the representation of our High Desert residents. Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And chair, at this time, that is all of our callers this evening.

CHAIR KENNEDY: Very good. Thank you so much Katy, for your outstanding effort as usual. Thank you to all of our listeners. Thank you to the rest of our videography team, our sign language interpreters, our captioners, our staff, and everyone. We look forward to seeing everyone back with us at 11 o'clock tomorrow morning. Thank you, everyone. We are in recess.

(Whereupon, the Citizens Redistricting Commission (CRC) meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.)
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