



Santa Barbara County **REDISTRICTING**

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Rules For Drawing the Lines

In accordance with federal, state, county law, the Commission must draw lines pursuant to the following criteria, which are listed in order of priority:

1. Federal Laws

- US Constitution – reasonable equal population and no racial gerrymandering
- Federal Voting Rights Act

2. State Law and Measure G Requirements

1. California Voting Rights Act
2. Geographical-contiguity
3. Undivided neighborhoods and “communities of interest”
4. Undivided cities and Census designated place
5. Easily identifiable boundaries
6. Compact
7. Topography, geography, and cohesiveness

3. Other Traditional Redistricting Principles

- Future population growth
- Minimize voters shifted to different election years

In addition, the Commission is prohibited from considering the residence of any incumbent or political candidate and districts shall not be drawn for purposes of favoring or discriminating against an incumbent, political candidate, or political party.

Table of Finalist Focus Plans

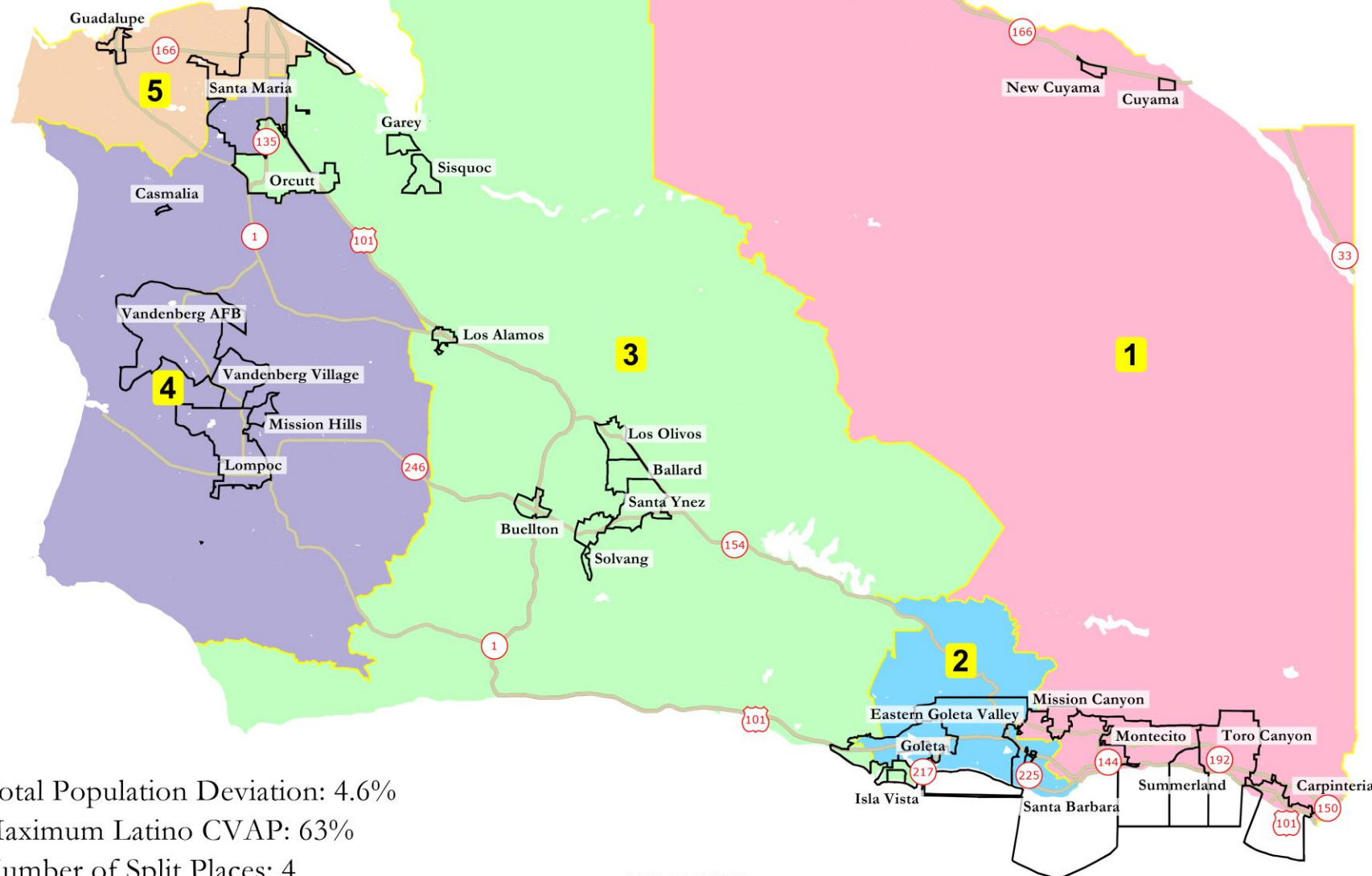
Plan	Pop. Dev.	D1 L CVAP	D2 L CVAP	D3 L CVAP	D4 L CVAP	D5 L CVAP	District 1 Composition	District 2 Composition	District 3 Composition	District 4 Composition	District 5 Composition	Split Places
818-Finalist	4.6%	24%	21%	22%	38%	63%	Carp., Mont., S.B., Cuy. Vly.	S.B., E. Goleta Vly., Goleta, Channel Is.	I.V., U.C.S.B., Goleta, Santa Ynez Vly., Los Alamos, Orcutt	Lompoc, M.H., Vand., S.M.	S.M., Guad.	4 (*3)
821-Finalist	4.2%	24%	20%	29%	28%	68%	Carp., Mont., S.B., Cuy. Vly.	S.B., E. Goleta Vly., Goleta, Channel Is.	I.V., U.C.S.B., Goleta, Lompoc, M.H., Vand.	Santa Ynez Vly., Los Alamos, Orcutt, S.M.	S.M., Guad.	4 (*3)
822-Finalist	0.1%	23%	21%	29%	30%	62%	Carp., Mont, S.B.	S.B., E. Goleta Vly., I.V., U.C.S.B.	Goleta, Santa Ynez Vly., Lompoc	M.H., Vand., Los Alamos, Orcutt, S.M.	S.M., Guad., Cuy. Vly.	5 (*2)

Blue: All three plans are similar
 Orange: Plans 818 & 821 are similar
 Yellow: Plans 818 & 822 are similar
 Green: Plans 821 & 822 are similar

*Only minor adjustments are needed to reduce to this number

Plan 818 Finalist

Santa Barbara County 2021 Redistricting



Total Population Deviation: 4.6%
Maximum Latino CVAP: 63%
Number of Split Places: 4

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Analysis of Plan 818-Finalist on Legal Redistricting Criteria

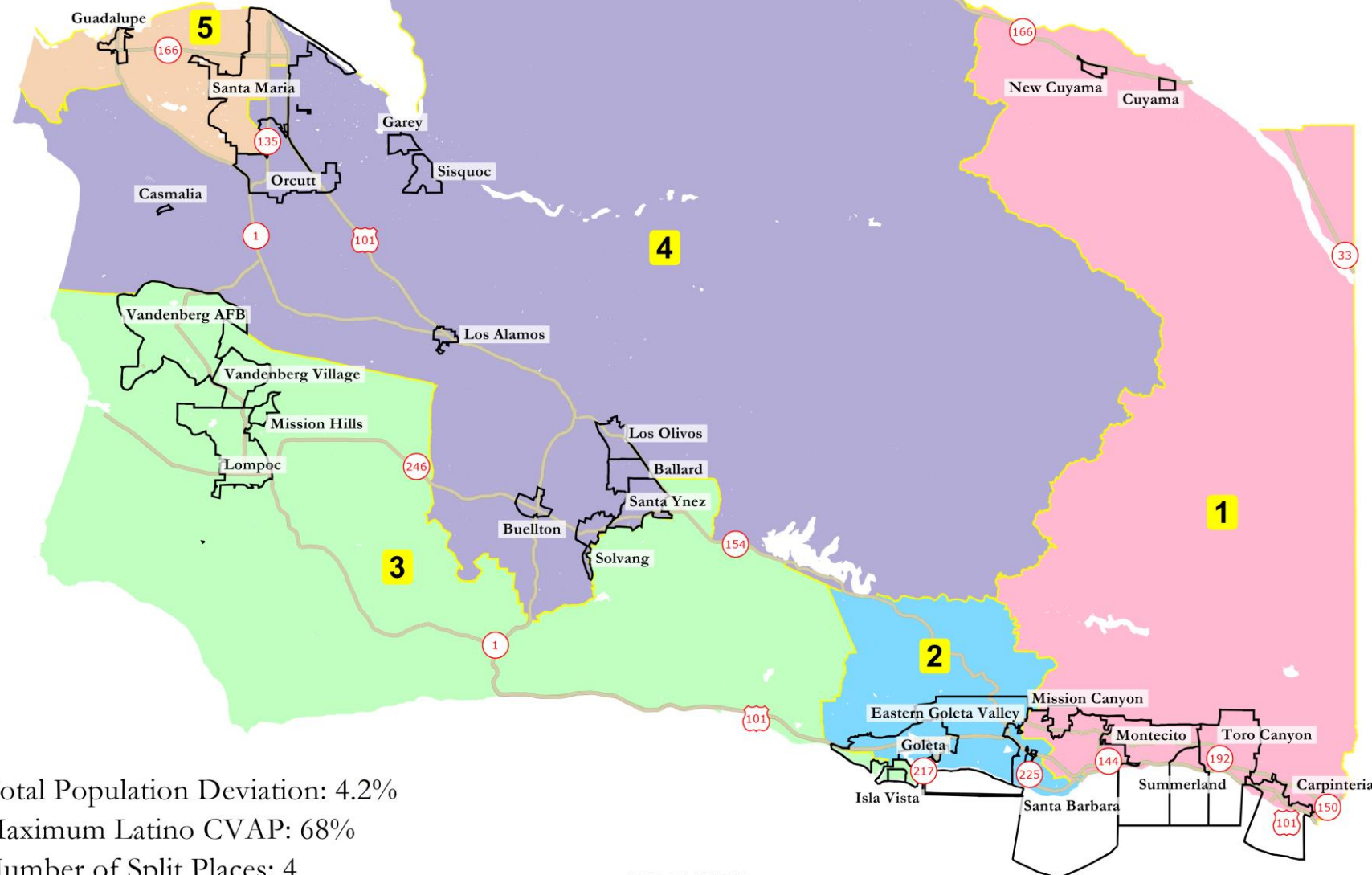
1. Are districts contiguous?
 - Yes, all are technically contiguous
2. Do districts minimally divide neighborhoods and communities of interest?
 - Santa Barbara neighborhoods that are significantly divided: Hope, Oak Park, Upper East, Westside
 - Goleta subareas that are significantly divided: NW & SW Residential Areas
 - No communities of interest that seem to be significantly divided
3. Do districts minimally divide cities and Census-designated places?
 - Santa Barbara divided so that the southwest part of the city is split off from the rest
 - Goleta divided so that the southwest part of the city is split from the rest
 - Santa Maria divided so that the south part of the city is split off from the rest

Analysis of Plan 818-Finalist on Legal Redistricting Criteria, cont.

4. Do districts have easily identifiable boundaries?
 - Tend to follow major streets and city limits in urban areas, except in Goleta
 - Tend to follow ridgelines, highways, and national forest boundaries in rural areas
5. Are districts compact, not bypassing nearer areas in favor of distant ones?
 - Districts 1, 2, and 5 seem reasonably compact
 - District 3 extends into Isla Vista instead of picking up nearer Goleta
 - District 4 extends into Santa Maria instead of picking up nearer Orcutt
6. Are districts cohesive, having geographic/topographic integrity?
 - Districts 2, 4, and 5 seem reasonably cohesive
 - District 1 links Carpinteria and Montecito with Cuyama Valley (how cohesive?)
 - District 3 links Isla Vista with Santa Ynez Valley and Orcutt (how cohesive?)

Plan 821 Finalist

Santa Barbara County 2021 Redistricting



Total Population Deviation: 4.2%
Maximum Latino CVAP: 68%
Number of Split Places: 4

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Analysis of Plan 821-Finalist on Legal Redistricting Criteria

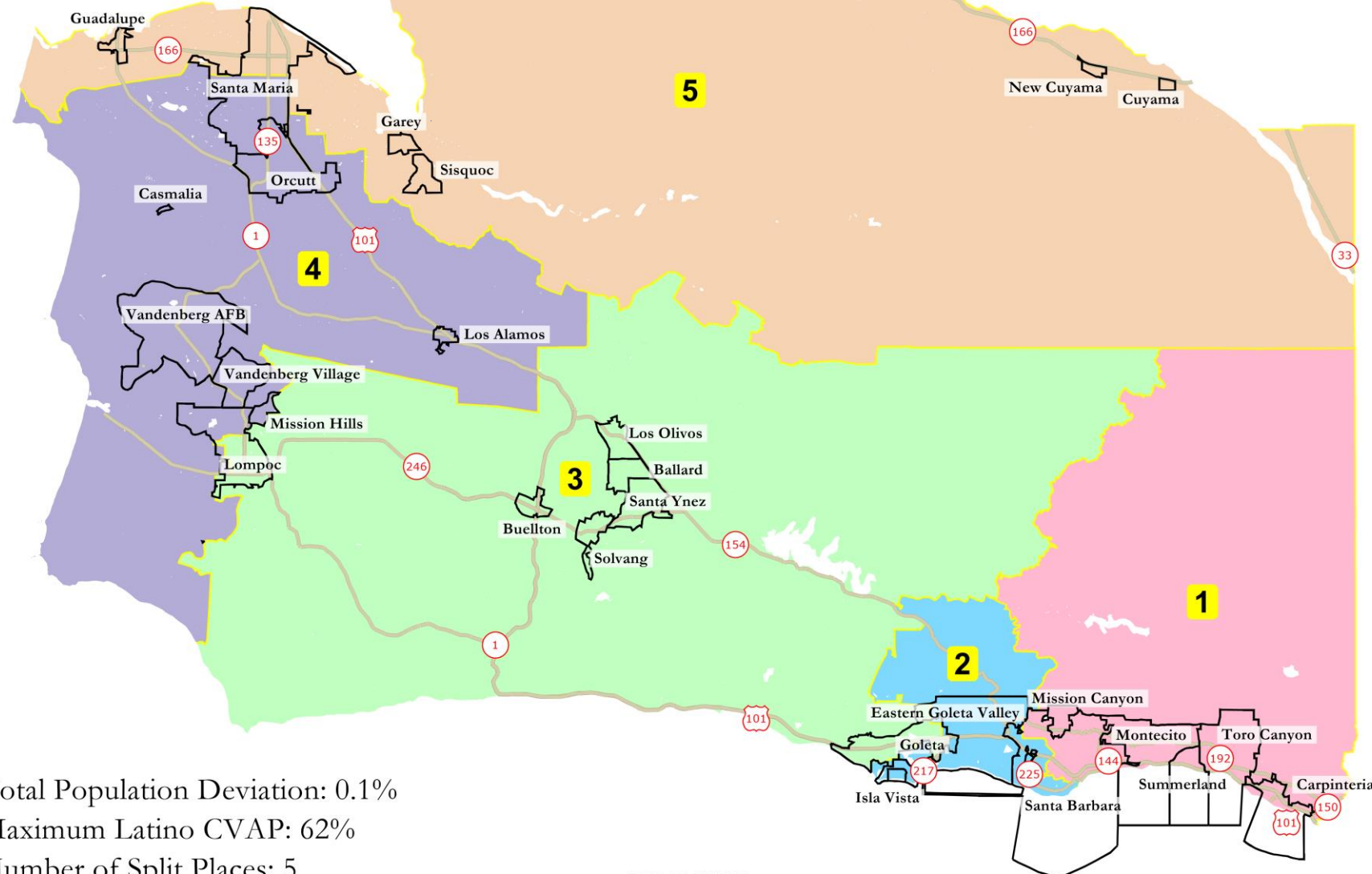
1. Are districts contiguous?
 - Yes, all are technically contiguous
2. Do districts minimally divide neighborhoods and communities of interest?
 - Santa Barbara neighborhood that is significantly divided: Oak Park
 - Goleta subarea that is significantly divided: Southwest Residential Area
 - Santa Ynez Valley community of interest divided (how significantly?)
3. Do districts minimally divide cities and Census-designated places?
 - Santa Barbara divided so that the southwest part of the city is split off from the rest
 - Goleta divided so that the southwest part of the city is split from the rest
 - Santa Maria divided so that the southeast part of the city is split off from the rest

Analysis of Plan 821-Finalist on Legal Redistricting Criteria, cont.

4. Do districts have easily identifiable boundaries?
 - Tend to follow major streets and city limits in urban areas, except in Goleta
 - Tend to follow ridgelines and highways in rural areas, but 3/4 boundary dips into Santa Ynez Valley and 1/4 boundary cuts through the mountains
5. Are districts compact, not bypassing nearer areas in favor of distant ones?
 - Districts 1, 2, 4, and 5 seem reasonably compact
 - District 3 extends into Isla Vista instead of picking up nearer Goleta
6. Are districts cohesive, having geographic/topographic integrity?
 - Districts 2, 4, and 5 seem reasonably cohesive
 - District 1 links Carpinteria and Montecito with Cuyama Valley (how cohesive?)
 - District 3 links Isla Vista with Lompoc and Vandenberg (how cohesive?)

Plan 822 Finalist

Santa Barbara County 2021 Redistricting



Total Population Deviation: 0.1%
Maximum Latino CVAP: 62%
Number of Split Places: 5

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Analysis of Plan 822-Finalist on Legal Redistricting Criteria

1. Are districts contiguous?
 - Yes, all are technically contiguous
2. Do districts minimally divide neighborhoods and communities of interest?
 - Santa Barbara neighborhoods that are significantly divided: Oak Park, Westside
 - Goleta subareas that are significantly divided: Central Area, NE Residential Area
 - Lompoc Valley community of interest (City+Mission Hills+Vandenberg) divided
 - Is there a university-centric community of interest that is divided?
3. Do districts minimally divide cities and Census-designated places?
 - Santa Barbara divided so that the southwest part of the city is split off from the rest
 - Goleta and Lompoc are mostly kept whole, except for small areas at the edges
 - Santa Maria divided so that the south part of the city is split off from the rest

Analysis of Plan 822-Finalist on Legal Redistricting Criteria, cont.

4. Do districts have easily identifiable boundaries?
 - Tend to follow major streets and city limits in urban areas, except in Goleta & Lompoc
 - Tend to follow ridgelines and watershed boundaries in rural areas
5. Are districts compact, not bypassing nearer areas in favor of distant ones?
 - Districts 1, 3, and 5 seem reasonably compact
 - District 2 extends into Isla Vista instead of picking up nearer Goleta
 - District 4 extends into Los Alamos instead of picking up nearer Garey/Sisquoc
6. Are districts cohesive, having geographic/topographic integrity?
 - Districts 1, 4, and 5 seem reasonably cohesive
 - District 2 links Isla Vista with Hope Ranch and the Mesa (how cohesive?)
 - District 3 links Goleta with Santa Ynez Valley and Lompoc (how cohesive?)

Public Hearing & Discussion

Questions about the proposed redistricting plans?

Please visit the [Interactive Review Map](#) on the View Draft Maps page on the website for a more detailed look at each draft plan

Please refer to the PDF postings on the View Draft Maps page for detailed demographics for each plan

Next Meeting

Wednesday
December 8, 2021
6:00 pm

Planning Commission Room
123 East Anapamu Street
Santa Barbara, CA

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