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# **City of Visalia** Redistricting Public Hearing

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# **Redistricting Process**

Step	Description				
Public Hearing #1 August 23, 2021	<ul> <li>Staff/Measure N Oversight Committee</li> <li>Held prior to release of draft maps</li> <li>Educate and solicit input on the communities in the Districts</li> </ul>				
<b>Update on Process</b> September 7, 2021	<ul> <li>City Council</li> <li>Council confirmed direction regarding participation by City Commissions and Committees</li> </ul>				
Public Hearing #2 September 20, 2021	<ul> <li>City Council</li> <li>Held prior to release of draft maps</li> <li>Educate and solicit input on the communities in the Districts</li> </ul>				
Census Data Releases	<ul> <li>Census Bureau releases official 2020 Census population data – Sept. 12</li> <li>California's official 'prisoner-adjusted' 2020 redistricting data – Sept. 20, 27</li> </ul>				
Mapping Workshop #1 and #2	<ul> <li>Discuss communities of interest, neighborhoods; review mapping tools</li> <li>October 13, 6 p.m. (Whitendale Community Center)</li> <li>October 23, 10 a.m. (Anthony Community Center)</li> </ul>				
<b>Update on Process</b> November 15, 2021	<ul> <li>City Council</li> <li>Held prior to release of draft maps</li> <li>Council authorized extended timeline of Redistricting Process</li> </ul>				
<b>Public Hearing #3</b> December 6, 2021 <i>7:30 p.m.</i>	<ul> <li>City Council</li> <li>Held prior to release of draft maps</li> <li>Educate and solicit input on the communities in the Districts</li> </ul>				
<b>Drop-In Map Time</b> December 20, 2021 <i>6:00 – 7:00 PM</i>	<ul> <li>Review mapping tools</li> <li>Learn about mapping tools. Receive one-on-one demonstration of Daves Redistriciting</li> </ul>				
Mapping Workshop #3 January 3, 2022 6:30 PM	<ul> <li>Review mapping tools</li> <li>Learn about mapping tools. Receive demonstration of Daves Redistriciting by City Staff</li> </ul>				

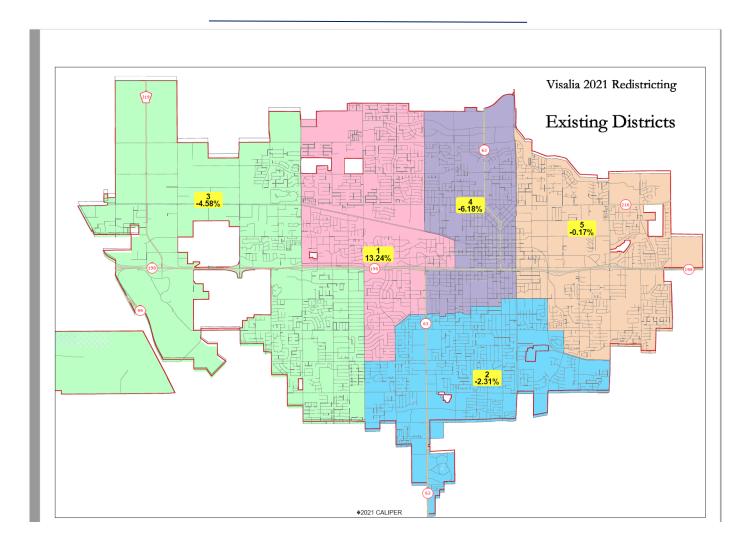


# **Redistricting Process Continued**

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<b>Drop-In Map Time</b> January 10, 2022 <i>6:00 – 7:00 PM</i>	<ul> <li>Review mapping tools</li> <li>Learn about mapping tools. Receive one-on-one demonstration of Daves Redistriciting</li> </ul>
<b>Public Hearing #4</b> January 10, 2022 <i>7:30 p.m</i> .	<ul> <li>Review public and NDC draft maps</li> <li>Discuss strengths/weaknesses of maps</li> <li>Provide feedback/direction for NDC</li> </ul>
Mapping Workshop #4 January 15, 2022 10 AM	<ul> <li>Review mapping tools</li> <li>Learn about mapping tools. Receive demonstration of Daves Redistriciting by City Staff</li> </ul>
<b>Drop-In Map Time</b> January 18, 2022 <i>6:00 – 7:00 PM</i>	<ul> <li>Review mapping tools</li> <li>Learn about mapping tools. Receive one-on-one demonstration of Daves Redistriciting</li> </ul>
<b>Deadline to submit maps</b> January 20, 2022 5 PM	<ul><li>Submit public maps to City of Visalia</li><li>Send to NDC for demographic evaluation and processing</li></ul>
<b>Public Hearing #5</b> February 7, 2022 <i>7:30 PM</i>	<ul> <li>Discuss and revise the draft maps</li> <li>Discuss the election sequence</li> </ul>
<b>Public Hearing #6</b> February 22, 2022 <i>7:30 PM</i>	<ul> <li>Discuss and revise the draft maps</li> <li>Discuss the election sequence</li> <li>Option to discuss a final map or continue discussion at a future meeting</li> <li>Discuss and determine election sequence</li> </ul>



# **Current Map**



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# Current Map / Stats

City of Visalia - Current Plan									
Category	Field	1	2	3	4	5	Total		
2020 Census	Total Population	32,159	27,743	27,099	26,644	28,353	141,998		
	Population Deviation	3,759	-657	-1,301	-1,756	-47	5,515		
	Pct. Deviation	13.24%	-2.31%	-4.58%	-6.18%	-0.17%	19.42%		
Total Pop.	Hispanic/Latino	46%	48%	42%	73%	57%	53%		
	NH White	40%	41%	47%	16%	33%	36%		
	NH Black	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%		
	NH Asian/Pac.Isl.	9%	6%	7%	7%	6%	7%		
	NH Native Amer.	1%	2%	2%	1%	2%	2%		
Citizen Voting Age Pop	Total	17,977	19,315	16,808	14,173	16,376	84,649		
	Hisp	38%	41%	31%	64%	46%	43%		
	NH White	54%	52%	59%	24%	45%	48%		
	NH Black	1%	4%	2%	2%	2%	2%		
	Asian/Pac.Isl.	8%	4%	8%	9%	7%	7%		
	Native Amer.	0%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%		
Voter Registration (Nov 2020)	Total	17,469	15,339	15,944	9,914	14,329	72,995		
	Latino est.	37%	37%	33%	59%	45%	41%		
	Spanish-Surnamed	34%	34%	30%	55%	41%	37%		
	Asian-Surnamed	2%	2%	3%	1%	2%	2%		
	Filipino-Surnamed	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%		
	NH White est.	64%	62%	66%	41%	56%	60%		
	NH Black	0%	3%	1%	2%	2%	2%		

Target District Population: 28,400

# **Redistricting Rules and Goals**

### 1. Federal Laws

- Equal Population
- Federal Voting Rights Act
- No Racial Gerrymandering

### 2. California Criteria/Cities

- 1. Geographically contiguous
- 2. Undivided neighborhoods and "communities of interest" (Socio-economic geographic areas that should be kept together)

# 3. Easily identifiable boundaries

### 4. Compact

(Do not bypass one group of people to get to a more distant group of people)



Prohibited: "Shall not favor or discriminate against a political party."

# Beyond Neighborhoods: Defining Communities of Interest

1st Question: What defines your community?

- Geographic Area, plus
- Shared issue or characteristic
  - Shared social or economic interest
  - Impacted by city policies
- Tell us "your community's story"

2<sup>nd</sup> Question: Would this community benefit from being "included within a single district for purposes of its effective and fair representation"?

• Or would it benefit more from having multiple representatives?

Definitions of Communities of Interest may <u>not</u> include relationships with political parties, incumbents, or political candidates.

# Communities of Interest (COI) From Community Workshop

Principles to Consider

- More competition in Districts
- Reduce influence of wealth on representation
- Youth and Diversity as guides
- Consider High Propensity Voting
- Consider "Centers of Influence"
- Respect history of "redlining"
- Don't take incumbency into account

Communities of Interest to Consider

- Saint John/Oval Northern part of City
- North Santa Fe
- "Above/Below" 198 as possible COI
- Lakes area in one district

# Public Mapping and Map Review Tools

- Different tools for different purposes
- Different tools for different levels of technical skill and interest
  - Simple "review draft maps" tool
  - Paper- and Excel-based simple "Draw a draft map" tools
  - Data rich / Easy to use on-line tool

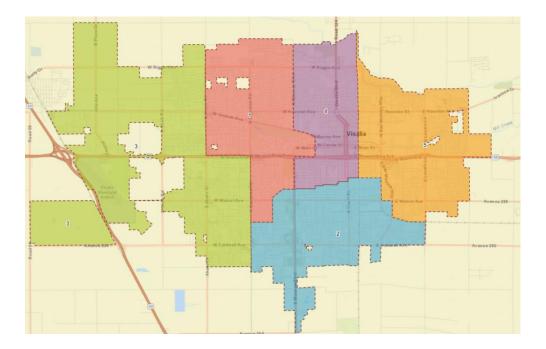
Whether you use the powerful (but complicated) online mapping tool, Excel, the paper kit, or just draw on a napkin, we welcome your maps!



# Simple Map Review Tool

**Online Interactive Review Map** 

- ESRI's "ArcGIS Online" similar to Google Maps in ease of use
- Used to review, analyze and compare maps, not to create them
- Includes overlays of "community of interest" and other data

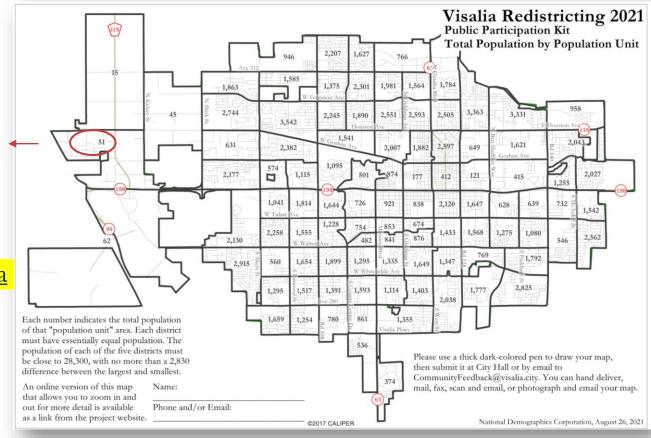




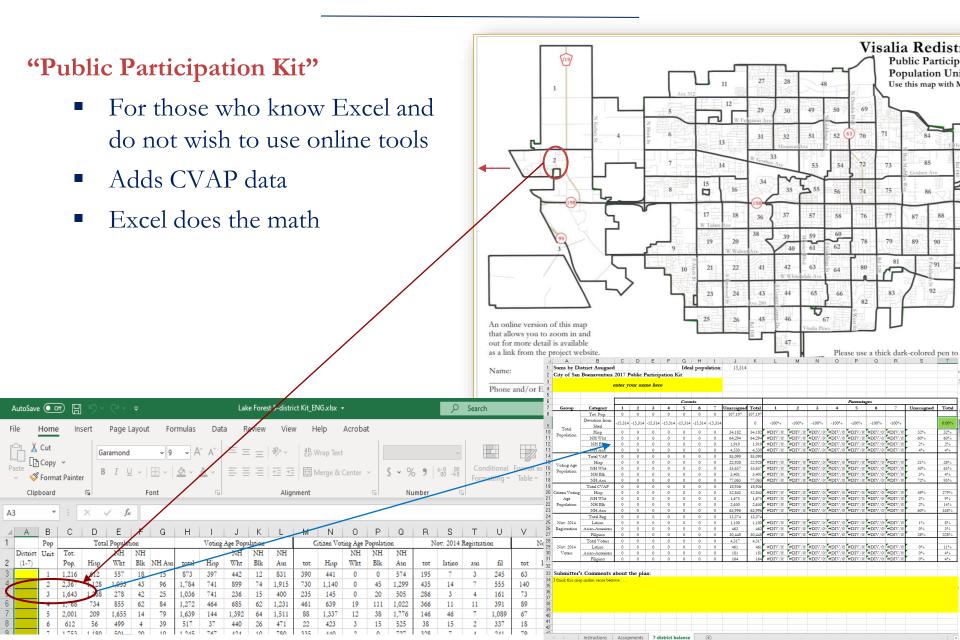
# Simple Map Drawing Tool

### Paper "Public Participation Kit"

- For those without internet access or who prefer paper
- Total Population Counts only – no demographic numbers
- <u>Available to Visalia</u>
   <u>residents prior to</u>
   <u>Workshop #2</u>



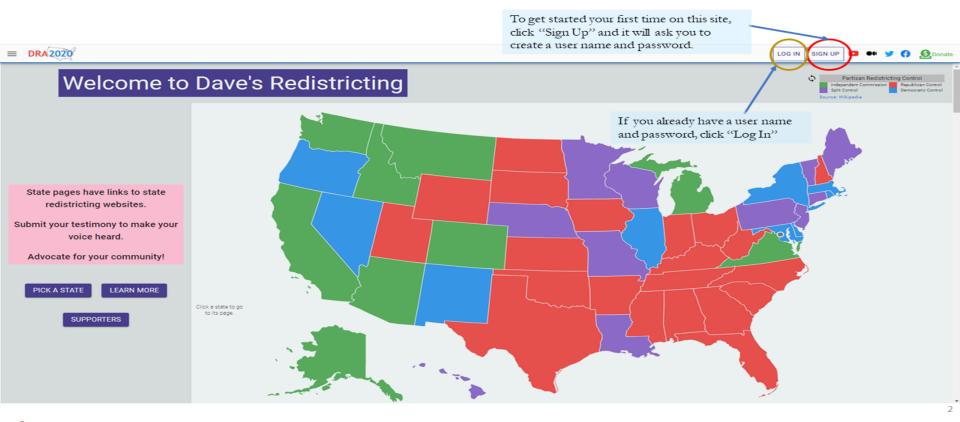
# Simple Map Drawing Tool + Excel Supplement



# Dave's Redistricting App

### **Full Database**

- Easy to learn
- Easy to use / Paint brush
- https://davesredistricting.org/maps#home



# **Processing Map Submissions**

#### All Map submissions will be <u>considered</u>:

- Full maps using any of the tools
- Partial maps using any of the tools
- Submissions using alternative tools

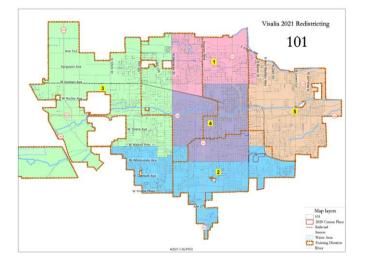
#### Draft Map Public Hearings - Submitted maps assessed and presented:

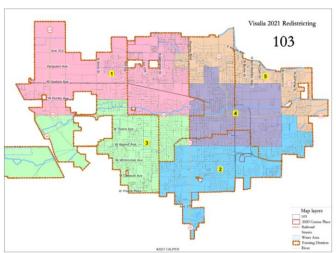
- If <u>population balanced or not</u> within 10% margin
- If <u>legal or not</u> based on Federal/State law
- Ideal to funnel down to Focus Map(s) for consideration

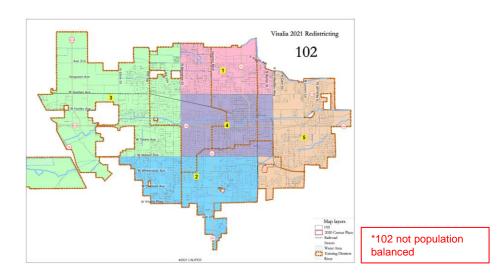
#### Final Draft Map Public Hearing – Focus maps/additional maps presented:

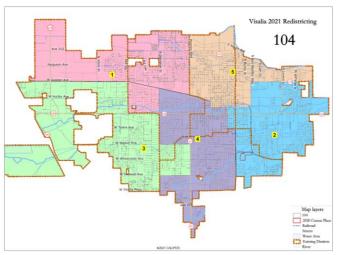
- If legal based on Federal/State law
- If population balanced with 10% margin
- At direction of City Council

# Maps Previously Viewed: 101, 102\*, 103, 104

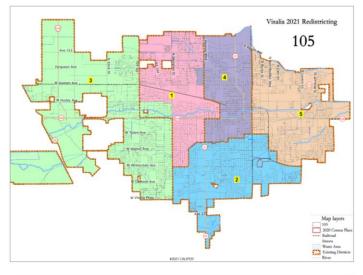


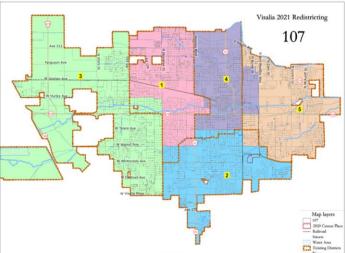


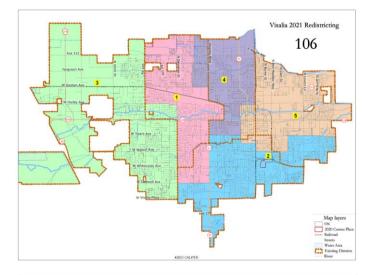


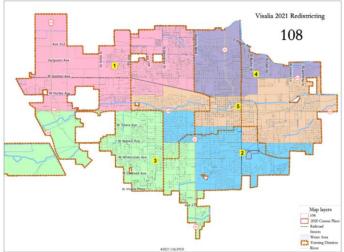


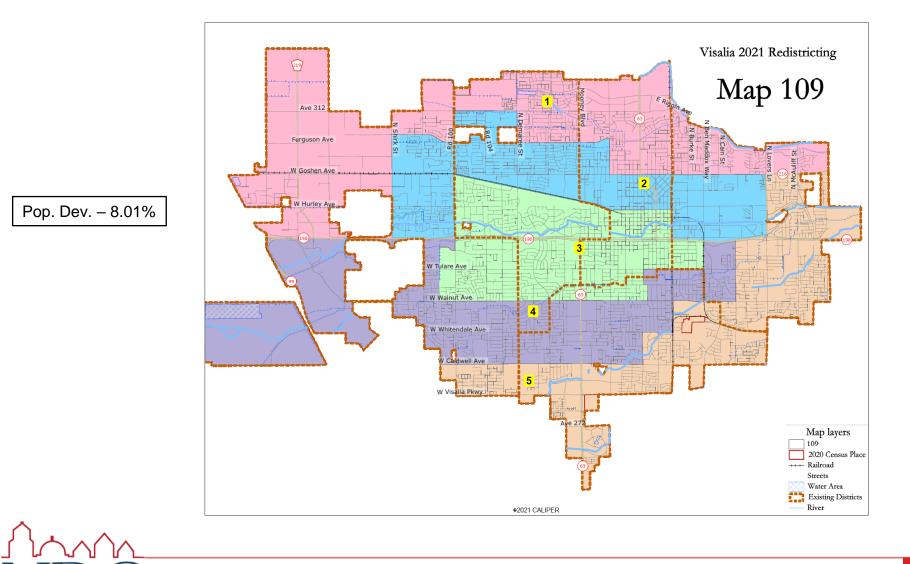
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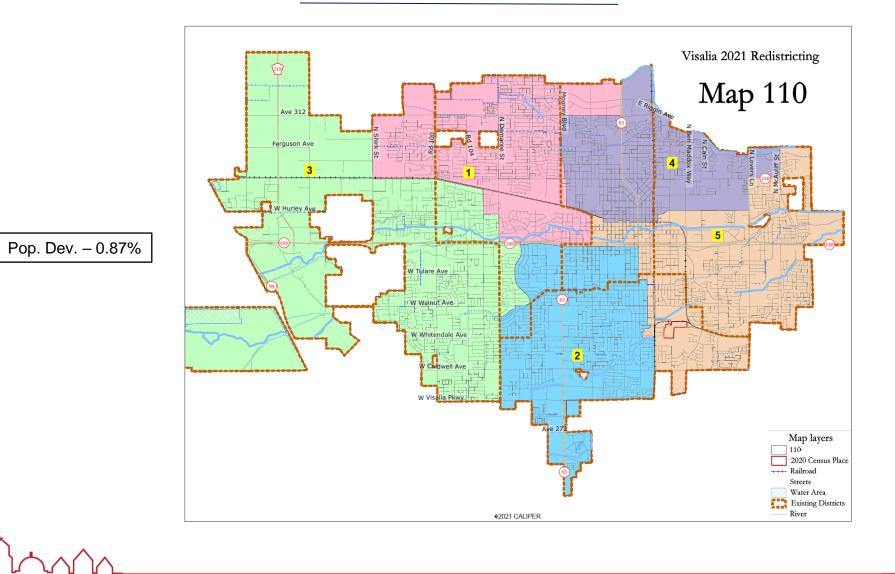


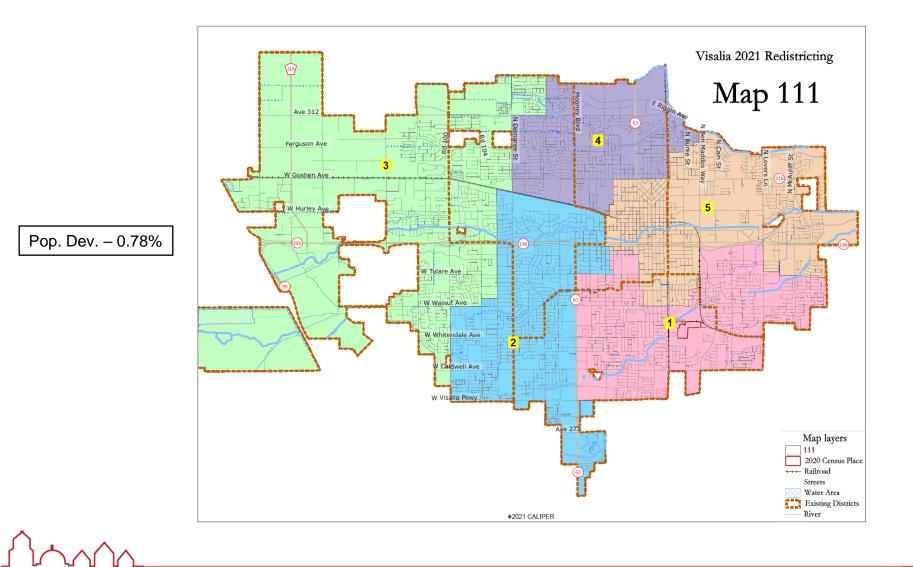


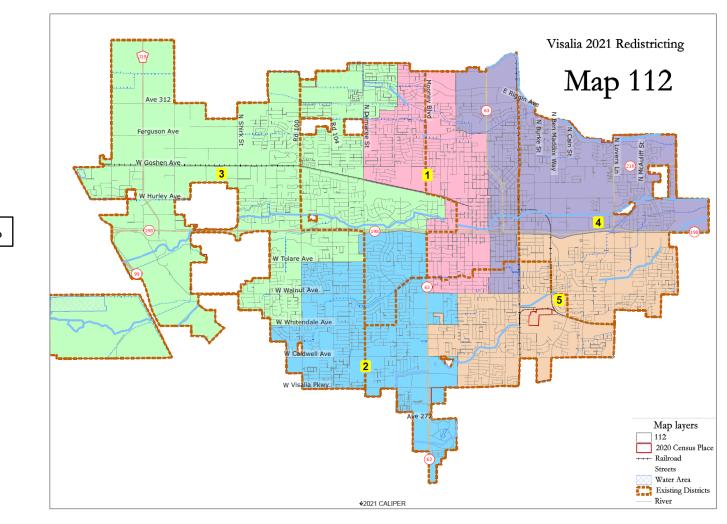




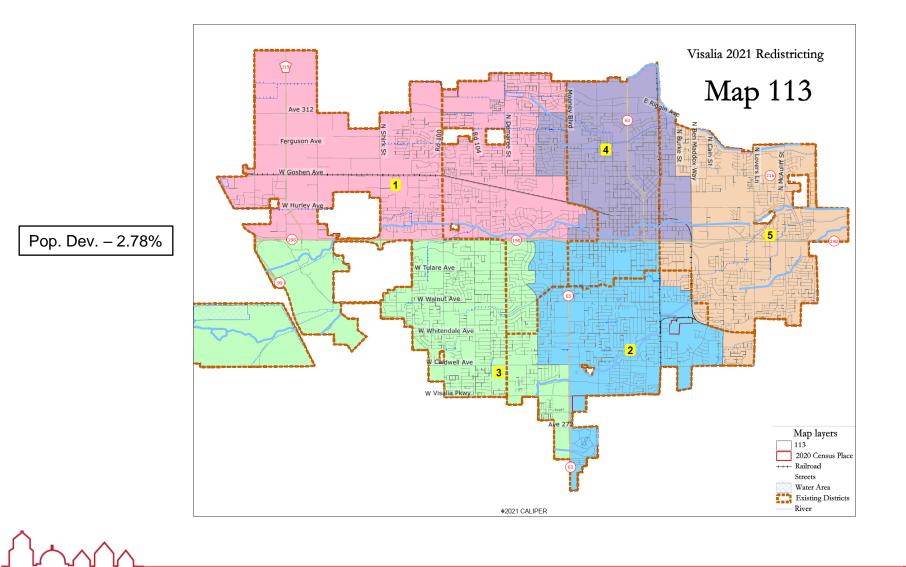


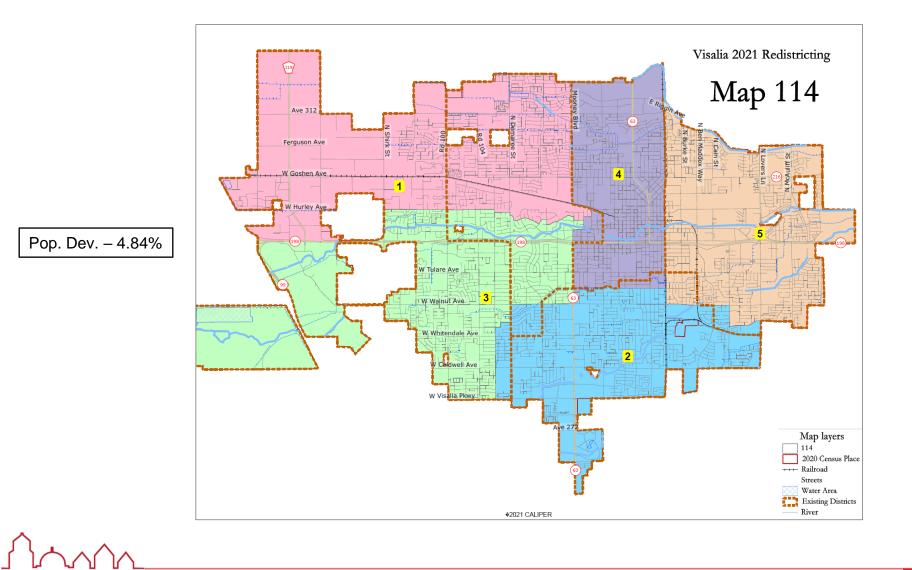




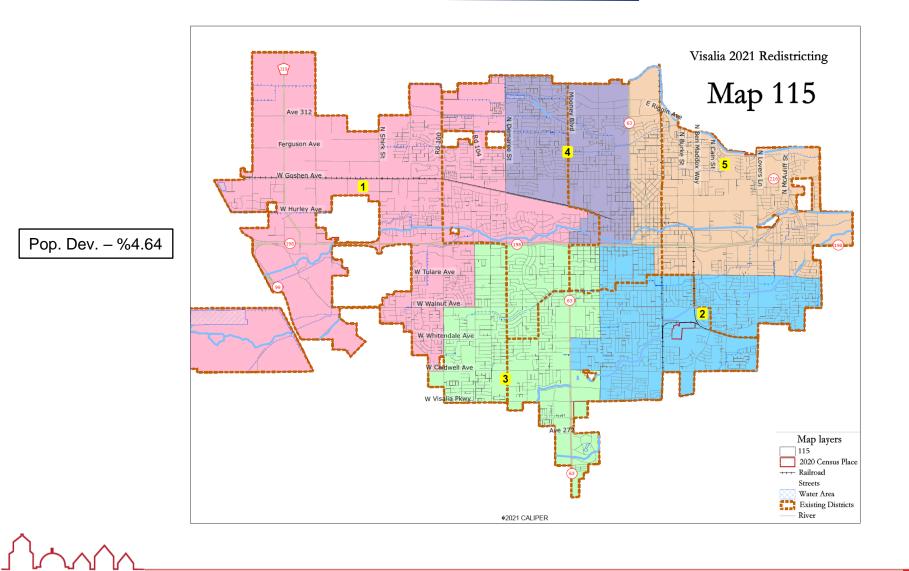


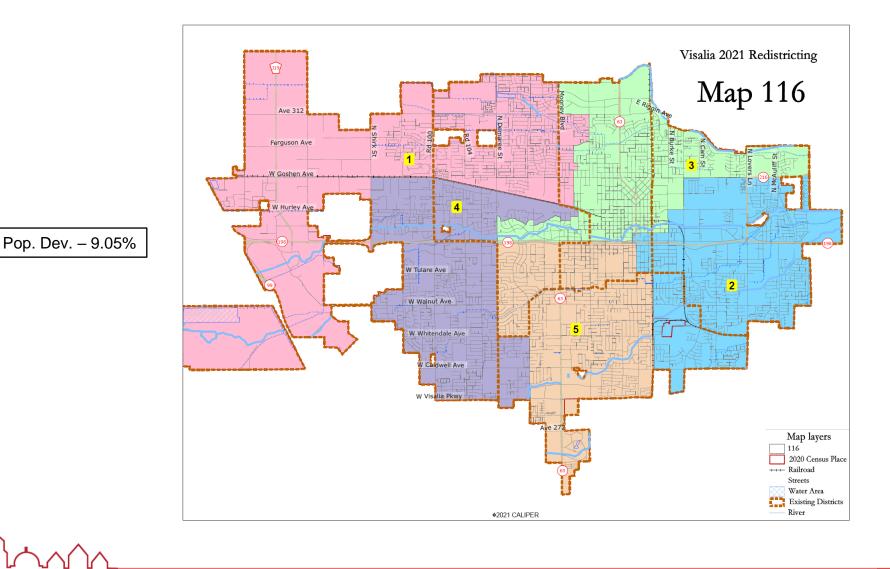
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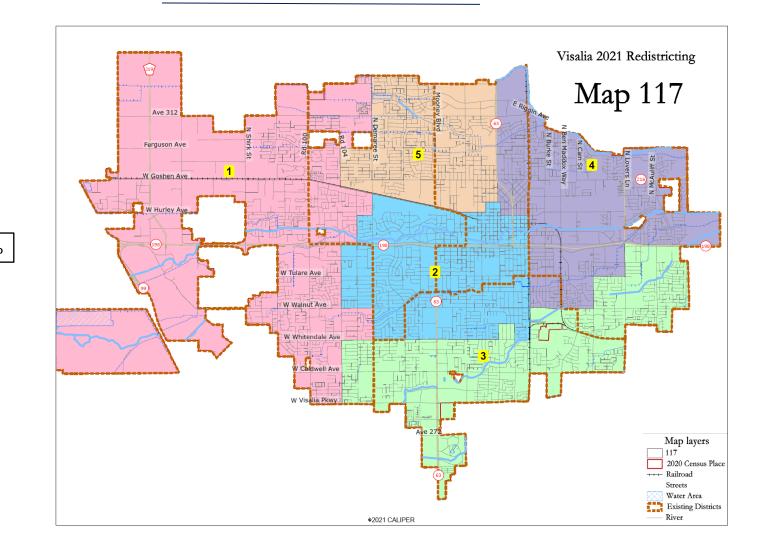


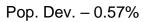


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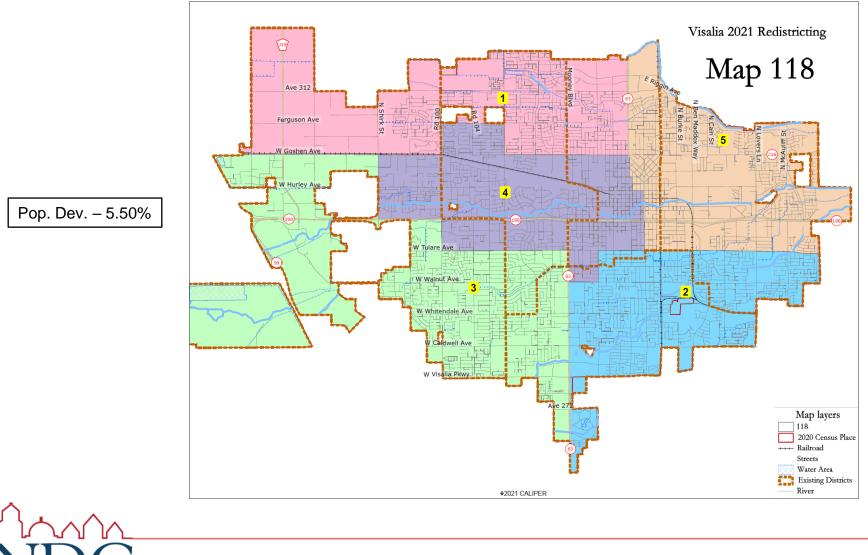








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## Public Hearing & Discussion

□ Comments on maps. Preferences?

□ Questions about specific maps? Interactive view?

Direction for NDC?



# Share Your Thoughts



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