

Redistricting

Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District Public Input and Initial Direction

September 13, 2023



Actions Requested

Conduct second of two public hearings to receive input on the composition of voting wards before maps are drafted

Provide initial direction to demographer on composition of draft maps



Timeline

| Hearing | Purpose | Date |
|---------|--|--------------|
| 1 | EducationPublic input | September 6 |
| 2 | Public inputInitial direction | September 13 |
| 3 | Review plans (public & draft)Provide additional direction | October 4 |
| 4 | Review or further revise plansSelect final plan | October 25 |
| 5 | Introduce ordinance | November 8 |



Relevant Laws

U.S. Constitution: Equal Population and 14th Amendment

Federal Voting Rights Act

State Constitution and Code: Contiguity, Compactness, Topography and Geography, Community of Interest

Case Law



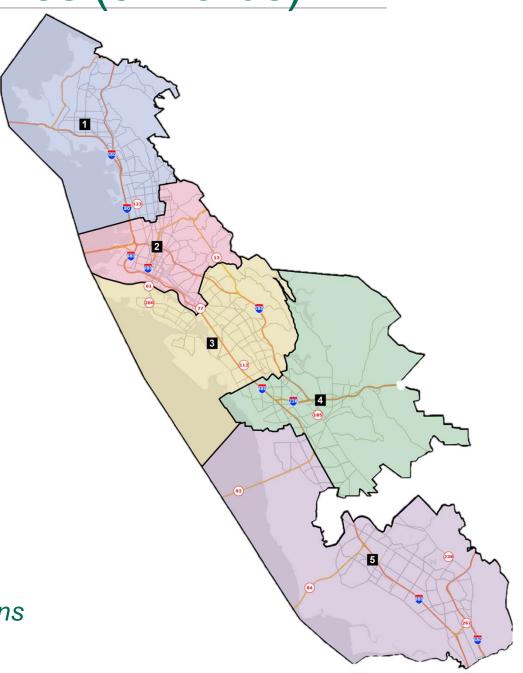
Current Lines (5 Wards)

| # | Population [^] | |
|---|-------------------------|-----------|
| # | Total | Deviation |
| 1 | 314,635 | +0.0% |
| 2 | 313,701 | -0.3% |
| 3 | 315,567 | +0.3% |
| 4 | 314,801 | +0.1% |
| 5 | 314,278 | -0.1% |

Total 1,572,982

Ideal 314,596

^ 2020 Census Redistricting Data.Unadjusted for incarcerated populations





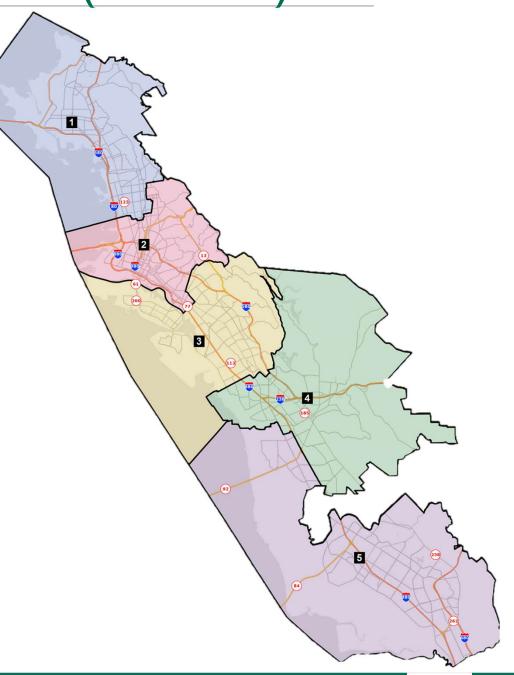
Current Lines (7 Wards)

| # | Population [^] | |
|---|-------------------------|-----------|
| # | Total | Deviation |
| 1 | 315,268 | +40.1% |
| 2 | 314,269 | +39.6% |
| 3 | 316,393 | +40.6% |
| 4 | 315,168 | +40.0% |
| 5 | 314,500 | +39.7% |
| 6 | 0 | -100.0% |
| 7 | 0 | -100.0% |

Total 1,575,598

Ideal 225,085

^ 2020 Census Redistricting Data. Adjusted for incarcerated populations





Community of Interest

Community of Interest:

Population sharing common interests. Bringing like people together for representation

Examples: Common assets like schools and shopping areas, housing, culture and language, and employment

Law generally does not limit the kinds of interests that may bind a community

Can consider existing data such as public transit routes

No definitive dataset. **Need** public testimony!



Things to Remember

Strive for population equality. Be prepared to justify deviations

Ensure compliance with federal Voting Rights Act.

Avoid vote dilution where required

Do not use race as the predominant factor. Only as one of many factors and cannot subordinate other redistricting criteria

Focus on traditional criteria.

Draw compact, contiguous divisions, making use of existing topography and geography, while respecting communities of interest



Resources

Webpage

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