



## Santa Cruz County CA

### Agenda Item DOC-2021-981

**Public hearing to consider proposed maps and plans for revised Board of Supervisors district boundaries, accept and file report on the 2021 Redistricting Process, adopt a final redistricting map and plan, adopt a resolution approving a final map reflecting revised Board of Supervisors' district boundaries, adopt an ordinance repealing Santa Cruz County Code Chapter 2.04 and adopting new Chapter 2.05 related to Supervisor Districts, and take related actions, as outlined in the memorandum of the County Administrative Officer**

#### Information

<b>Department:</b>	County Administrative Office	<b>Sponsors:</b>	County Administrative Officer Carlos J. Palacios
<b>Category:</b>	CAO - Board Letter	<b>Functions:</b>	General Government

#### Links

**Reference** [DOC-2021-943](#) : Public hearing to consider submitted maps and plans, accept and file report on the 2021 Redistricting Process, provide additional direction establishing District boundaries, and hold the final Public Hearing on November 16, 2021, as recommended by the County Administrative Officer

#### Attachments

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[Plan A Apple Hill - Attachment A](#)  
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[Resolution 289-2021 Establishing 2021 Supervisorial Boundaries Final Ordinance -- Repeal SCCC 2.04 and Add SCCC 2.05 Ordinance -- SCCC 2.04 \(strike-out underline\)](#)  
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#### Financial Impact

No financial impact.

#### Board Letter

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District 2	54,740	54,270	470	0.87	44,140	19,036	35,704
District 3	55,767	54,270	1,497	2.76	48,893	13,303	42,464
District 4	53,878	54,270	-392	-0.72	38,954	43,185	10,693
District 5	52,207	54,270	-2,063	-3.80	43,060	7,049	45,158

Plan C - Apple Hill, East Harbor, and Scotts Valley

This proposal includes the ARC 21 Apple Hill and East Harbor proposed boundary adjustments in addition to moving all of the City of Scotts Valley, which is currently split among two districts along Highway 17, into District 5. This proposal transfers 491 persons from District 2 to District 4, 613 people from District 3 to District 1, and transfers 2,322 people from District 1 to District 5. A map and summary report of Plan C is included as Attachment C.

Table 3: Population for Plan C

District	Total Population	Target Population	Over - Under	% Over - Under	Total Voting Age	Hispanic or Latino	Not Hispanic or Latino
District 1	52,438	54,270	-1,832	-3.38	43,438	11,729	40,709
District 2	54,249	54,270	-21	-0.04	43,791	18,674	35,575
District 3	55,767	54,270	1,497	2.76	48,893	13,303	42,464
District 4	54,369	54,270	99	0.18	39,303	43,547	10,822
District 5	54,529	54,270	259	0.48	44,830	7,323	47,206

Plan D - Apple Hill, East Harbor, Scotts Valley, and Midtown

This proposal includes the ARC 21 Apple Hill and East Harbor proposed boundary adjustments; it moves all of the City of Scotts Valley into District 5; and it uses Water Street as a boundary to adjust the mid-town area of Santa Cruz between Harbor High school and Branciforte Middle School including an adjacent pocket down Water Street. As a whole, this proposal transfers 491 persons from District 2 to District 4, it transfers 139 people out of District 1, it moves 2,322 people out of District 3, and it moves 2,461 people into District 5. A map and summary report of Plan D is included as Attachment D.

Table 4: Population for Plan D

District	Total Population	Target Population	Over - Under	% Over - Under	Total Voting Age	Hispanic or Latino	Not Hispanic or Latino
District 1	54,008	54,270	-262	-0.48	44,736	12,021	41,987
District 2	54,249	54,270	-21	-0.04	43,791	18,674	35,575
District 3	54,059	54,270	-211	-0.39	47,459	13,009	41,050
District 4	54,369	54,270	99	0.18	39,303	43,547	10,822
District 5	54,667	54,270	397	0.73	44,966	7,325	47,342

Plan E - ARC Proposal

The ARC Proposal combines plans A and B. These plans were considered by the Board at the October 26 Public Hearing #2 and transfer 491 persons from District 2 to District 4 and 613 people from District 3 to District 1. A map and summary report of Plan E is included as Attachment E.

Table 5: Population for Plan E

District	Total Population	Target Population	Over - Under	% Over - Under	Total Voting Age	Hispanic or Latino	Not Hispanic or Latino
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Extensive public outreach has been made throughout the redistricting process beginning with the countywide announcement in May of the redistricting website and continuing to today's public hearing. In an effort to keep the public informed and engaged, today's public hearing was announced through a County Press Release, a social media push, an email blast to community organizations and partners, and targeted outreach to communities that may be impacted by these proposals.

At this point, staff requests that the Board review and consider the Supervisorial District maps titled A through E described above and determine whether one of these maps is appropriate for adoption. If the Board adopts one of the maps, staff recommends that the Board also adopt the attached draft resolution establishing that map as the new boundary map for Supervisorial District boundaries and concluding the redistricting process. Lastly, if the Board adopts one of the maps, staff recommends that the Board also consider and enact the attached ordinance repealing Santa Cruz County Code Chapter 2.04 (Supervisorial Districts) and replacing it with Chapter 2.05 (Supervisorial Districts) to codify the changes made to the boundaries and eliminate the outdated description of districts based on metes and bounds.

If the Board rejects all of the maps, we ask that you provide direction to staff to prepare a different final map(s) for consideration at a subsequent Public Hearing, at least seven days after Public Hearing #4 to allow for the required notice. As previously reported, under Elections Code Section 21509, the deadline for counties to complete the redistricting process and adopt a map of new Supervisorial Districts is December 15, 2021. If not completed by this date, the county loses jurisdiction, and the Superior Court becomes responsible for the final map adoption. Additionally, if a subsequent Public Hearing is necessary, it is preferable that it be held before December 6, 2021, to avoid triggering changes to the Signatures in Lieu (SIL) filing period, as provided in Senate Bill (SB) 594. SB 594 was passed to accommodate the extended redistricting efforts necessitated by the delay in receiving the adjusted population data used for redistricting. Among other things, SB 594 aligned the SIL period for various state, federal and local offices which will be on the ballot for the June 2022 Statewide Primary Election and set that date as January 3, 2022. For candidates for the Board of Supervisors, the date the SIL period begins must be 28 days from the date the Board adopts the district boundaries, or December 6, 2021.

## Body

### Strategic Plan Element(s)

The 2021 redistricting process, including efforts to encourage public participation, supports all of the County's Strategic Plan goals.

## Discussion

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Dear Board, Thank you for recognizing the importance of the public input submitted by Scotts Valley Mayor Mr. Timm and for reuniting Scotts Valley's Supervisorial representation. As noted in today's deliberation, his map was not "late" or "last minute", but merely submitted in reflection of the ARC 21 work. As was pointed out to your Board, the ARC was no finished with the work they would have like to have completed, and sent your Board only the maps upon which there was consensus. Ms. Benson, Deputy CAO who staffed the ARC 21 meetings, had assured the Commission that she would notify you of this information, and even submit to you the idea that you reconvene the ARC 21 to allow them to complete work in other areas, such as UCSC, the Jewell Box Community split, and the Beach Road. Pajaro Dunes Community of Interest. I do not understand why your Board refused to schedule another public hearing on the Redistricting Maps, and to have it be an evening meeting. The final ARC hearing in

Watsonville on September 30 had virtually no public attendance and should not have been allowed to count as one of the required evening meetings. Finally, I again protest that my documents have been omitted from your Board's agenda packets, and none of you has addressed this issue with staff or asked that my letters be included, even though I have repeatedly asked you to do so in my in-person and remote testimonies during public hearings. As stated today, my Community of Interest comment form that I submitted in person after your October 26 Special Board meeting was not included in your packet until today. The letter that I submitted in person at your November 9 public hearing, during my testimony to your Board, was not included in any of the Board packet materials for November 9 or today's November 16 hearing. This is not acceptable. I also do not understand why your Board never gave any direction to staff to send County Redistricting materials to the County libraries. There has been no material at all at the libraries that would have notified members of the public who may or may not be engaged in social media but that would very likely have become involved had they known of the Redistricting process and, most importantly, how the ARC 21 recommendations and deliberations could or would have affected their representation. While it was excellent that CAO Benson and Ms. Pearlman provided a presentation to the Capitola City Council (at their request), why didn't they visit the Watsonville, Scotts Valley and Santa Cruz City Councils as well? Please respond in writing. I have yet to received any response to any of my communication to your Board on this matter. This is incongruous with your Board and CAO staff's claims that you value the public's input. I have been very involved, and have submitted maps, letters and multiple public testimonies that have all been ignored and omitted from your Board agenda packets.

Sincerely, Becky Steinbruner

Posted by **Becky Steinbruner** on 11/16/2021 at 3:48 PM

I do not support the proposed redistricting. It seems to be politically motivated.

Posted by **Russell Weisz** on 11/16/2021 at 3:32 PM

Any appearance of impropriety should be addressed, the the last minute plea from the Scotts Valley Mayor appears to be politically motivated, the relationship of Mr. Timm to Mr. Koenig should be noted, both being the only two realtors listed with Montalvo Homes and Estates:

<https://www.mlslistings.com/FindACompany/Profile/57079> at the Tuesday, November 9 BOS meeting Scotts Valley's Mayor Derek Timm, who appears to have aspirations for a BOS seat in 2024, submitted a last-minute proposal that would shift his own neighborhood and residence out of Supervisor Manu Koenig's 1st District, into Supervisor Bruce McPherson's 5th District, asking the board to ignore the Commission's recommendation not to change the boundaries. With the assumption that McPherson will retire, the Scotts Valley-centric Timm may see this as an opportunity to snag the seat. But in seizing the moment he's asking the Board to ignore the calls to unify San Lorenzo Valley and Bonny Doon, the calls to leave San Lorenzo Valley's District boundaries unchanged, and the redistricting commission's recommendation that the boundaries remain unchanged. <https://www.change.org/p/santa-cruz-county-board-of-supervisors-stop-scotts-valley-mayor-s-last-minute-proposal-to-change-5th-district-boundaries> Let's not redraw district boundaries to conveniently place an aspiring Supervisor candidate in a different district.

Posted by **Barry Scott** on 11/16/2021 at 10:14 AM

I Agree with other constituents, the last minute plea from the Scotts Valley Mayor appears to be politically motivated. Keep district 5 rural. Add UCSC and Bonny Doon to District Five to balance the populations of Districts 3 & 5.

Posted by **Ken Davnport** on 11/16/2021 at 12:06 AM

Dear Board of Supervisors, Pajaro Valley Prevention and Student Assistance (PVPSA) is dedicated to working in partnership with government, private and community based organizations to enhance the quality of life for the children, youth and families we serve of the greater Pajaro Valley. For the last 20 months, PVPSA has partnered with a diverse and multidisciplinary group of agencies and organizations to develop, coordinate and implement pandemic supports and information to the diverse community of the Pajaro Valley. As you know, the Pajaro Valley is home to a predominant Latino community and like many communities of color across our nation, has been impacted disproportionately with COVID cases and death. The socio-economic impact on families has also been severe with many leaning on our organizations to support them as a result of housing loss, earning loss, and a myriad of familial and neighborhood issues. It has been said that public health is more than just the absence of disease. Public health, as we have come to experience in this pandemic, includes active engagement in civic processes that impact the lives of those we serve. The redistricting process is one of those very important civic processes that unfortunately our group only learned about in the last few weeks. While we recognize that the compressed redistricting schedule due to the late release of data was a factor in this redistricting process, we are perplexed as to why our organizations were not sought early on in this very important

process. We recently learned that the one meeting scheduled in Watsonville had one person in attendance. The South County COVID Triage group would have been a perfect partner in community engagement and would have contributed to this effort. Nevertheless, over the last couple of weeks, we sought the county for support in helping get caught up and we thank the staff for their willingness to meet with us. Our interests rest in ensuring that the Pajaro Valley, a predominantly Latino community, receives equitable opportunity for participation and engagement in this process, a key legal tenant of section 2 of the Voting Rights Act. We are concerned with the poor participation of the diverse community of the Pajaro Valley community in this process but trust that the Department of Justice' review of maps will ensure that the PV community is equitably represented in the map you are about to adopt despite community participation. In closing, I would like to offer a few points for the county's consideration for future redistricting efforts:

- Principles for county re-districts should include community voice. We recognize the BOS continued the principles from 2001 and encourage the BOS to engage the redistricting commission and the public in as much as possible.
- Establish equitable representation guidelines of commission members to mirror the population of the county in as much as possible.
- Assess and document the various coalitions and collaborative groups actively engaged in communities throughout the county for engagement efforts. We thank you for your consideration to these points and we look forward to celebrating the opening of the new Watsonville based county building in Watsonville. Perhaps the Board can consider hosting a board meeting at the new facility. In partnership, Erica Padila-Chavez, Executive Director and South County COVID Triage Partner

Posted by [Erica Chavez](#) on 11/15/2021 at 11:15 PM

Dear Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors, Community Action Board of Santa Cruz County, Inc. (CAB) exists to eliminate poverty and create social change and have offered services in the county for over 56 years. Reaching an average of over 10,000 low-income clients per year, CAB provides services including immigration legal services, employment services for youth and adults, emergency payment programs, rental assistance and homelessness prevention services, pandemic response, and senior and community development services. As part of the South County Triage Collaborative who came together over 20 months ago to focus on issues of equity, CAB has been in active conversations regarding local redistricting and would like to share areas of concern and advocate for the following:

- With a history of under-representation, the City of Watsonville historically fought for district elections at the City level and significantly shifted representation locally. While we have experienced some gains and have elected officials who represent the communities they serve, Watsonville continues to be routinely left out and under-resourced when viewed through a county wide lens and thought of in a secondary manner.
- Redistricting is an equity focused exercise protected by the Voting Rights Act and prohibits plans that discriminate on the basis of race, color, or membership in a language minority group. While we know there has been south county representation on the commission, we are concerned that there were no representatives of the Latinx community on the commission and that lack of representation will impact the redistricting plan. We request that our south county commissioner and Supervisor Caputo host a zoom town hall with interpretation services for authentic engagement with the Latinx population around this issue.
- The plan allows for "Communities of Interest" and the City of Watsonville has not had ample discussion, community input, nor support to conduct this analysis as part of the county process. We request including county-wide engagement on this part of the process to deepen understanding of this allowance.
- The South County Triage is a perfect community engagement structure that would give commissioners access to over 30 organizations serving low-income and vulnerable populations including: Monarch Services, Pajaro Valley Prevention and Student Assistance, Salud Para La Gente, Community Bridges and CAB. This is a strong venue for the south county commissioner to engage, educate, and include more voices in their recommendations.
- CAB is concerned with the redistricting process and the short-term and long-term impacts of communities impacted by poverty. An analysis on recommendations for maps from the commission should include the long-term economic impacts – for example: if Watsonville has the highest poverty rate, how will a recommendation affect the future of this community? Will maps recommended give more voice and power to wealthier communities, will maps recommended take voice and power away from communities impacted by poverty? If parts of our community that are the most vulnerable get redistricted with communities of wealth, what impact will that have on the low-income voices of that community? We urge the Board of Supervisors to take these points in consideration and ask these questions as you make decisions that will impact our community. We encourage authentic engagement, and we are willing to connect with our commissioner to discuss our concerns. Sincerely,

MariaElena De La Garza CAB Executive Director

Posted by [Hannah Rogers](#) on 11/15/2021 at 7:50 PM

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Agenda Item Submittal**

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(831) 454-2100

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District 3	55,767	54,270	1,497	2.76	48,893	13,303	42,464
District 4	53,878	54,270	-392	-0.72	38,954	43,185	10,693
District 5	52,207	54,270	-2,063	-3.80	43,060	7,049	45,158

### Plan C - Apple Hill, East Harbor, and Scotts Valley

This proposal includes the ARC 21 Apple Hill and East Harbor proposed boundary adjustments in addition to moving all of the City of Scotts Valley, which is currently split among two districts along Highway 17, into District 5. This proposal transfers 491 persons from District 2 to District 4, 613 people from District 3 to District 1, and transfers

2,322 people from District 1 to District 5. A map and summary report of Plan C is included as Attachment C.

Table 3: Population for Plan C

District	Total Population	Target Population	Over - Under	% Over - Under	Total Voting Age	Hispanic or Latino	Not Hispanic or Latino
District 1	52,438	54,270	-1,832	-3.38	43,438	11,729	40,709
District 2	54,249	54,270	-21	-0.04	43,791	18,674	35,575
District 3	55,767	54,270	1,497	2.76	48,893	13,303	42,464
District 4	54,369	54,270	99	0.18	39,303	43,547	10,822
District 5	54,529	54,270	259	0.48	44,830	7,323	47,206

#### Plan D - Apple Hill, East Harbor, Scotts Valley, and Midtown

This proposal includes the ARC 21 Apple Hill and East Harbor proposed boundary adjustments; it moves all of the City of Scotts Valley into District 5; and it uses Water Street as a boundary to adjust the mid-town area of Santa Cruz between Harbor High school and Branciforte Middle School including an adjacent pocket down Water Street. As a whole, this proposal transfers 491 persons from District 2 to District 4, it transfers 139 people out of District 1, it moves 2,322 people out of District 3, and it moves 2,461 people into District 5. A map and summary report of Plan D is included as Attachment D.

Table 4: Population for Plan D

District	Total Population	Target Population	Over - Under	% Over - Under	Total Voting Age	Hispanic or Latino	Not Hispanic or Latino
District 1	54,008	54,270	-262	-0.48	44,736	12,021	41,987
District 2	54,249	54,270	-21	-0.04	43,791	18,674	35,575
District 3	54,059	54,270	-211	-0.39	47,459	13,009	41,050
District 4	54,369	54,270	99	0.18	39,303	43,547	10,822
District 5	54,667	54,270	397	0.73	44,966	7,325	47,342

#### Plan E - ARC Proposal

The ARC Proposal combines plans A and B. These plans were considered by the Board at the October 26 Public Hearing #2 and transfer 491 persons from District 2 to District 4 and 613 people from District 3 to District 1. A map and summary report of Plan E is included as Attachment E.

Table 5: Population for Plan E

District	Total Population	Target Population	Over - Under	% Over - Under	Total Voting Age	Hispanic or Latino	Not Hispanic or Latino
District 1	54,760	54,270	490	0.90	45,208	12,003	42,757
District 2	54,249	54,270	-21	-0.04	43,791	18,674	35,575
District 3	55,767	54,270	1,497	2.76	48,893	13,303	42,464
District 4	54,369	54,270	99	0.18	39,303	43,547	10,822
District 5	52,207	54,270	-2,063	-3.80	43,060	7,049	45,158

Extensive public outreach has been made throughout the redistricting process beginning with the countywide announcement in May of the redistricting website and continuing to today's public hearing. In an effort to keep the public informed and engaged, today's public hearing was announced through a County Press Release, a social media push, an email blast to community organizations and partners, and targeted outreach to communities that may be impacted by these proposals.

At this point, staff requests that the Board review and consider the Supervisorial District maps titled A through E described above and determine whether one of these maps is appropriate for adoption. If the Board adopts one of the maps, staff recommends that the Board also adopt the attached draft resolution establishing that map as the new boundary map for Supervisorial District boundaries and concluding the redistricting process. Lastly, if the Board adopts one of the maps, staff recommends that the Board also consider and enact the attached ordinance repealing Santa Cruz County Code Chapter 2.04 (Supervisorial Districts) and replacing it with Chapter 2.05 (Supervisorial Districts) to codify the changes made to the boundaries and eliminate the outdated description of districts based on metes and bounds.

If the Board rejects all of the maps, we ask that you provide direction to staff to prepare a different final map(s) for consideration at a subsequent Public Hearing, at least seven days after Public Hearing #4 to allow for the required notice. As previously reported, under Elections Code Section 21509, the deadline for counties to complete the redistricting process and adopt a map of new Supervisorial Districts is December 15, 2021. If not completed by this date, the county loses jurisdiction, and the Superior Court becomes responsible for the final map adoption. Additionally, if a subsequent Public Hearing is necessary, it is preferable that it be held before December 6, 2021, to avoid triggering changes to the Signatures in Lieu (SIL) filing period, as provided in Senate Bill (SB) 594. SB 594 was passed to accommodate the extended redistricting efforts necessitated by the delay in receiving the adjusted population data used for redistricting. Among other things, SB 594 aligned the SIL period for various state, federal and local offices which will be on the ballot for the June 2022 Statewide Primary Election and set that date as January 3, 2022. For candidates for the Board of Supervisors, the date the SIL period begins must be 28 days from the date the Board adopts the district boundaries, or December 6, 2021.

#### **Financial Impact**

No financial impact.

#### **Strategic Plan Element(s)**

The 2021 redistricting process, including efforts to encourage public participation, supports all of the County's Strategic Plan goals.

#### **Submitted by:**

Carlos J. Palacios, County Administrative Officer

#### **Recommended by:**

Carlos J. Palacios, County Administrative Officer

**Attachments:**

- a Plan A Apple Hill - Attachment A
- b Plan B East Harbor - Attachment B
- c Plan C Apple Hill, East Harbor, Scotts Valley - Attachment C
- d Plan D Apple Hill, East Harbor, Scotts Valley, Midtown - Attachment D
- e Plan E ARC 21 Proposal - Attachment E
- f COI forms - Attachment F
- g Resolution Establishing 2021 Supervisorial Boundaries Final
- h Ordinance -- Repeal SCCC 2.04 and Add SCCC 2.05
- i Ordinance -- SCCC 2.04 (strike-out underline)

## Plan A - Apple Hill

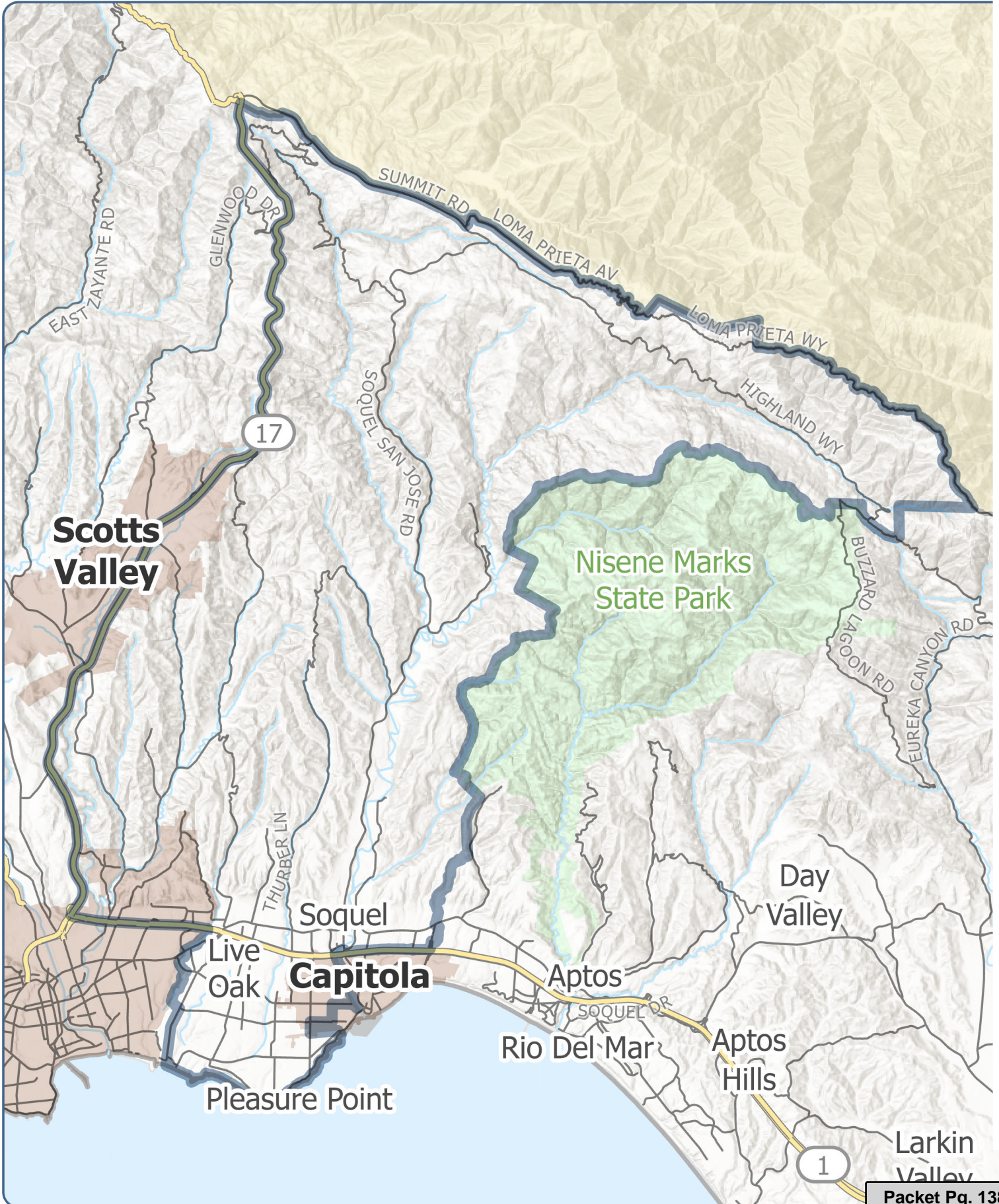
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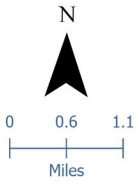
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# Option A: Apple Hill Supervisor District



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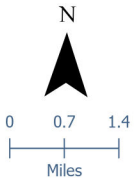
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# Option A: Apple Hill Supervisor District



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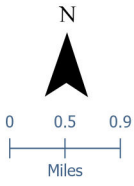
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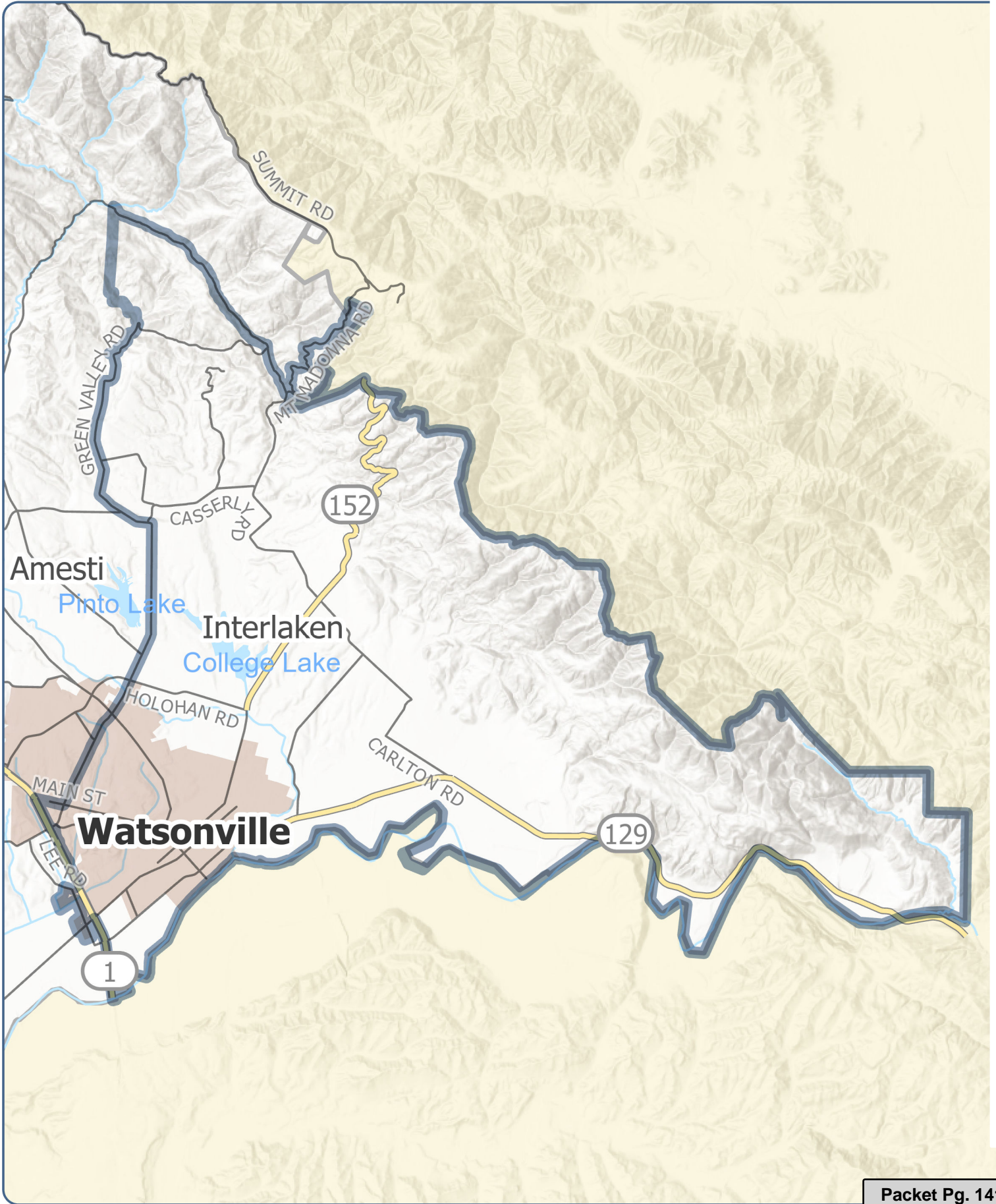
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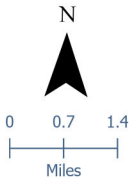
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# Option A: Apple Hill Supervisor District



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# Option A: Apple Hill Supervisor District



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Plan A - Apple Hill

Population Summary Report

Total Population

District No.	TOTAL Population	Target Population	Target Deviation	Target Deviation (%)	Total	Total voting age	Deviation from the target	Hispanic or Latino	Non-Hispanic/ Latino White	Non-Hispanic/ Latino Black	Latino American	Non-Hispanic/ Latino Asian	Latino Hawaiian or	Latino Other race	Latino Two or more races
D1	54,147	54,270	-123	-0.23	54,147	44,664	-123	11,916	35,858	469	151	2,161	86	357	3,149
D2	54,249	54,270	-21	-0.04	54,249	43,791	-21	18,674	30,713	349	162	1,695	50	282	2,324
D3	56,380	54,270	2,110	3.89	56,380	49,437	2,110	13,390	32,810	1,362	215	4,645	59	401	3,498
D4	54,369	54,270	99	0.18	54,369	39,303	99	43,547	7,767	255	144	1,482	23	200	951
D5	52,207	54,270	-2,063	-3.8	52,207	43,060	-2,063	7,049	38,573	441	189	2,091	60	418	3,386

Voting Age Population

District No.	TOTAL Population	Target Population	Target Deviation	Target Deviation (%)	Hispanic or Latino voting age	Non-Hispanic/ Latino Black voting age	Latino American Indian/Alaskan	Non-Hispanic/ Latino Asian voting age	Latino Hawaiian or Other Pacific	Non-Hispanic/ Latino Other race voting age	Latino Two or more races voting age
D1	54,147	54,270	-123	-0.23	8,655	435	131	1,899	66	280	2,195
D2	54,249	54,270	-21	-0.04	13,126	278	132	1,527	45	238	1,659
D3	56,380	54,270	2,110	3.89	11,126	1,290	211	4,417	54	324	2,703
D4	54,369	54,270	99	0.18	30,009	223	116	1,318	20	133	683
D5	52,207	54,270	-2,063	-3.8	5,195	365	177	1,816	56	336	2,347

## Plan B - East Harbor

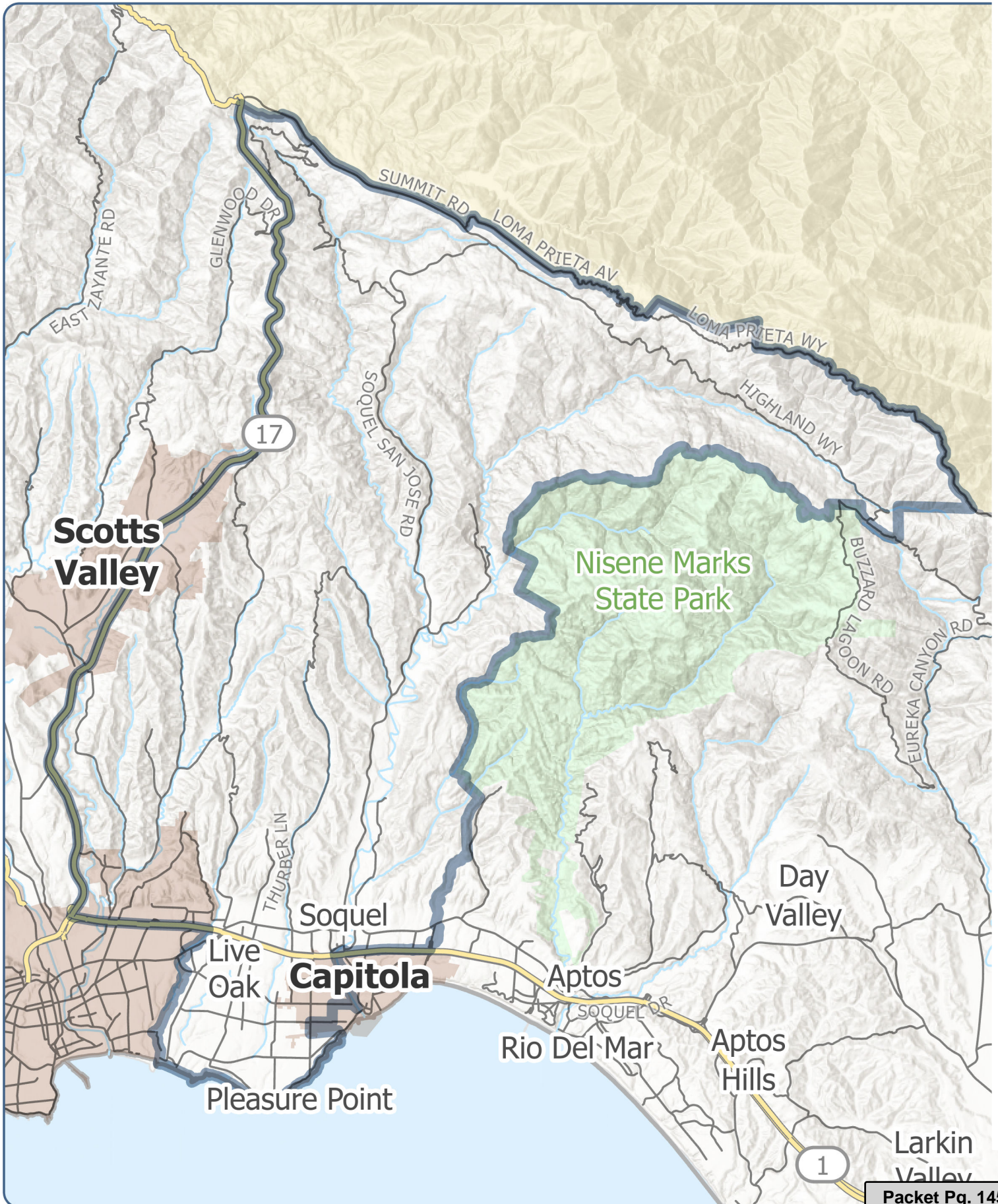
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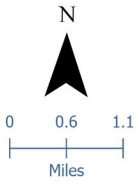
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# Option B: East Harbor Supervisor District 1



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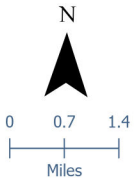
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# Option B: East Harbor Supervisor District 2



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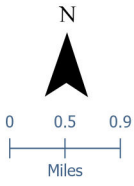
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# Option B: East Harbor Supervisor District 3



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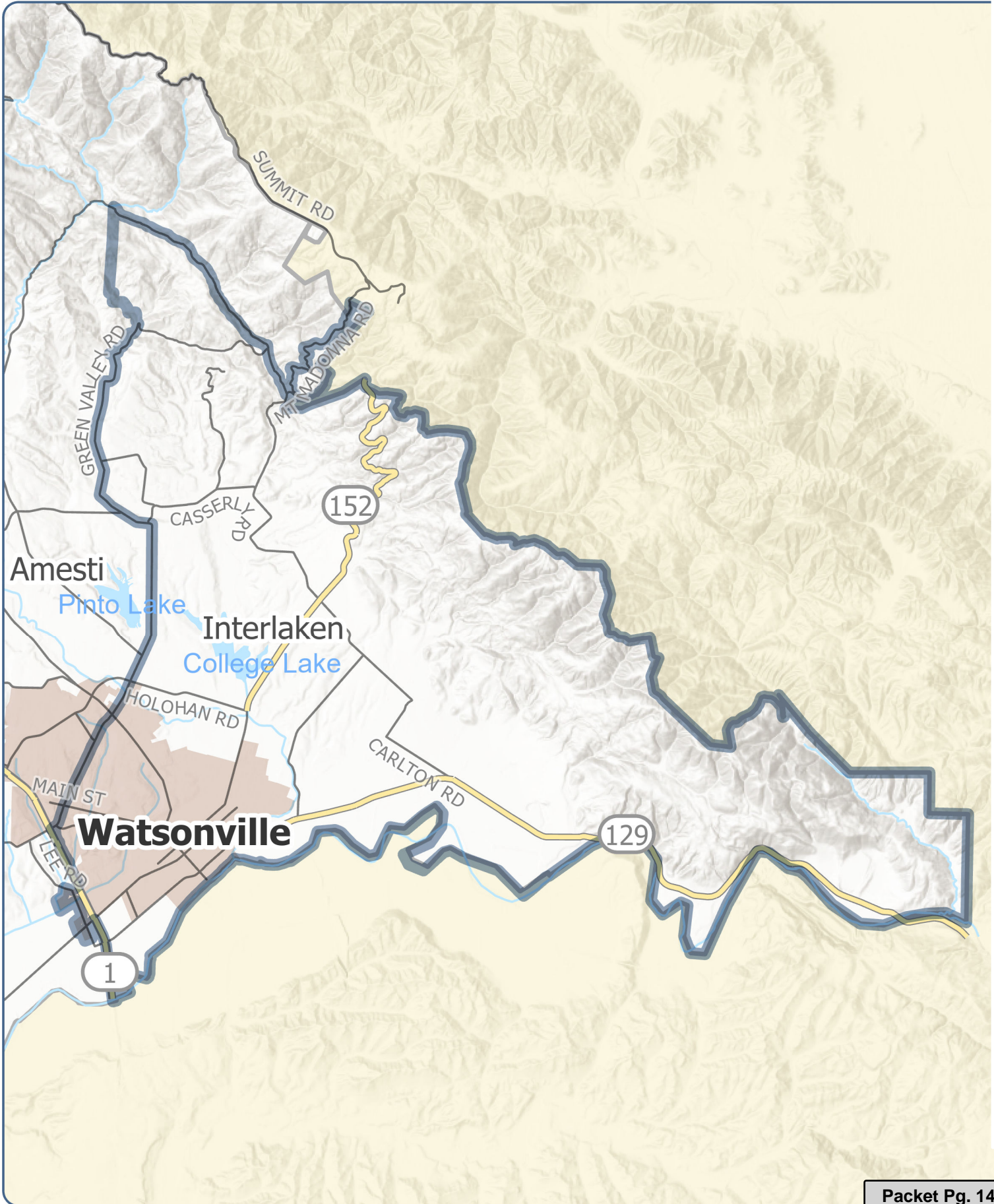


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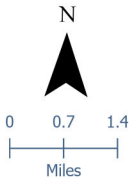
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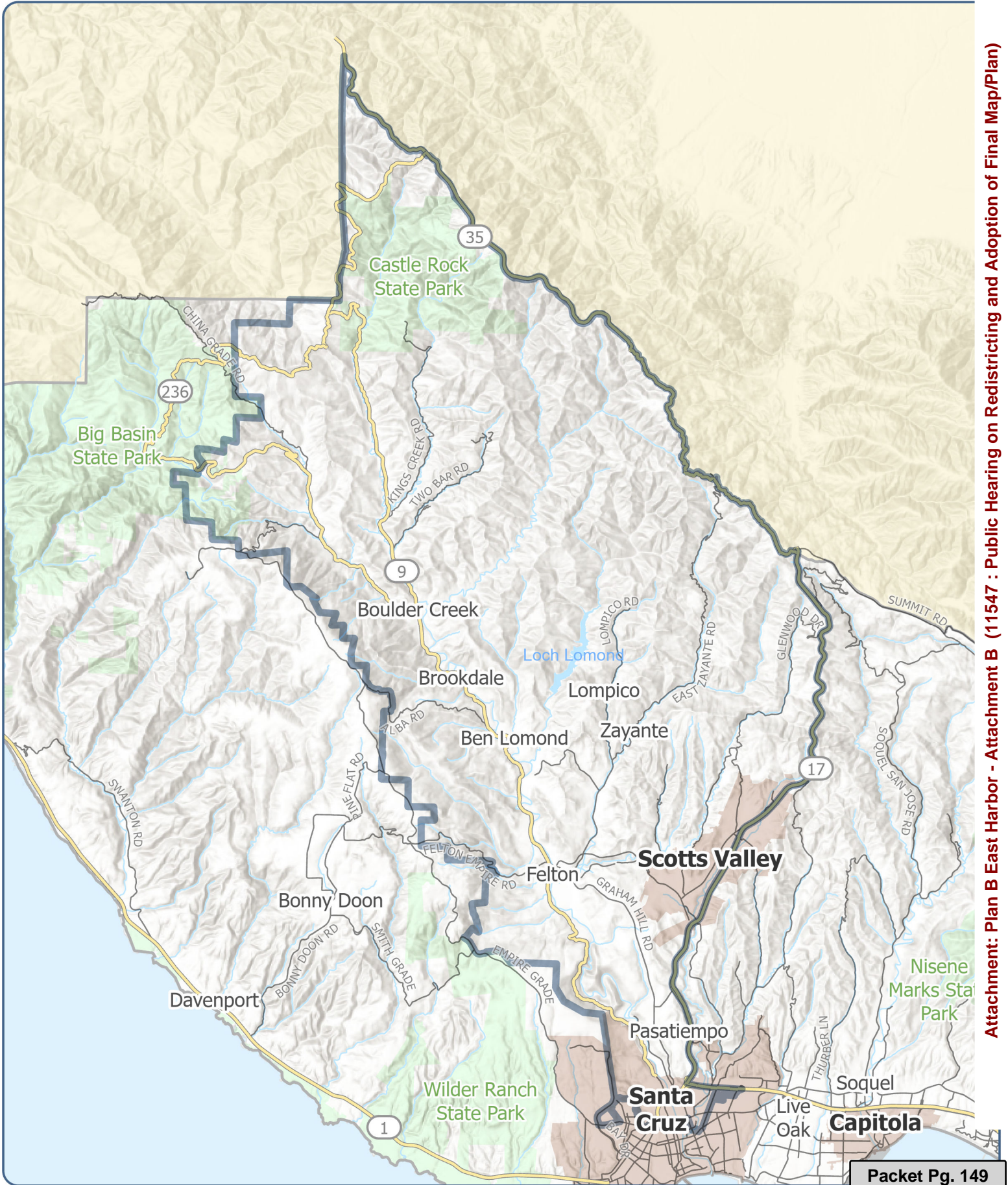
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# Option B: East Harbor Supervisor District 5



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Plan B - East Harbor

Population Summary Report

Total Population

District No.	TOTAL Population	Target Population	Target Deviation	Target Deviation (%)	Total	Total voting age	Deviation from the target	Hispanic or Latino	Non-Hispanic/ Latino White	Non-Hispanic/ Latino Black	Latino American	Non-Hispanic/ Latino Asian	Latino Hawaiian or	Latino Other race	Latino Two or more races
D1	54,760	54,270	490	0.9	54,760	45,208	490	12,003	36,323	472	152	2,168	87	362	3,193
D2	54,740	54,270	470	0.87	54,740	44,140	470	19,036	30,793	362	162	1,714	50	284	2,339
D3	55,767	54,270	1,497	2.76	55,767	48,893	1,497	13,303	32,345	1,359	214	4,638	58	396	3,454
D4	53,878	54,270	-392	-0.72	53,878	38,954	-392	43,185	7,687	242	144	1,463	23	198	936
D5	52,207	54,270	-2,063	-3.8	52,207	43,060	-2,063	7,049	38,573	441	189	2,091	60	418	3,386

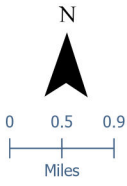
Voting Age Population

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D1	54,760	54,270	490	0.9	8,723	31,428	438	132	1,905	67	285	2,230
D2	54,740	54,270	470	0.87	13,369	26,851	290	132	1,545	45	240	1,668
D3	55,767	54,270	1,497	2.76	11,058	28,887	1,287	210	4,411	53	319	2,668
D4	53,878	54,270	-392	-0.72	29,766	6,736	211	116	1,300	20	131	674
D5	52,207	54,270	-2,063	-3.8	5,195	32,768	365	177	1,816	56	336	2,347

## Plan C - Apple Hill, East Harbor, Scotts Valley

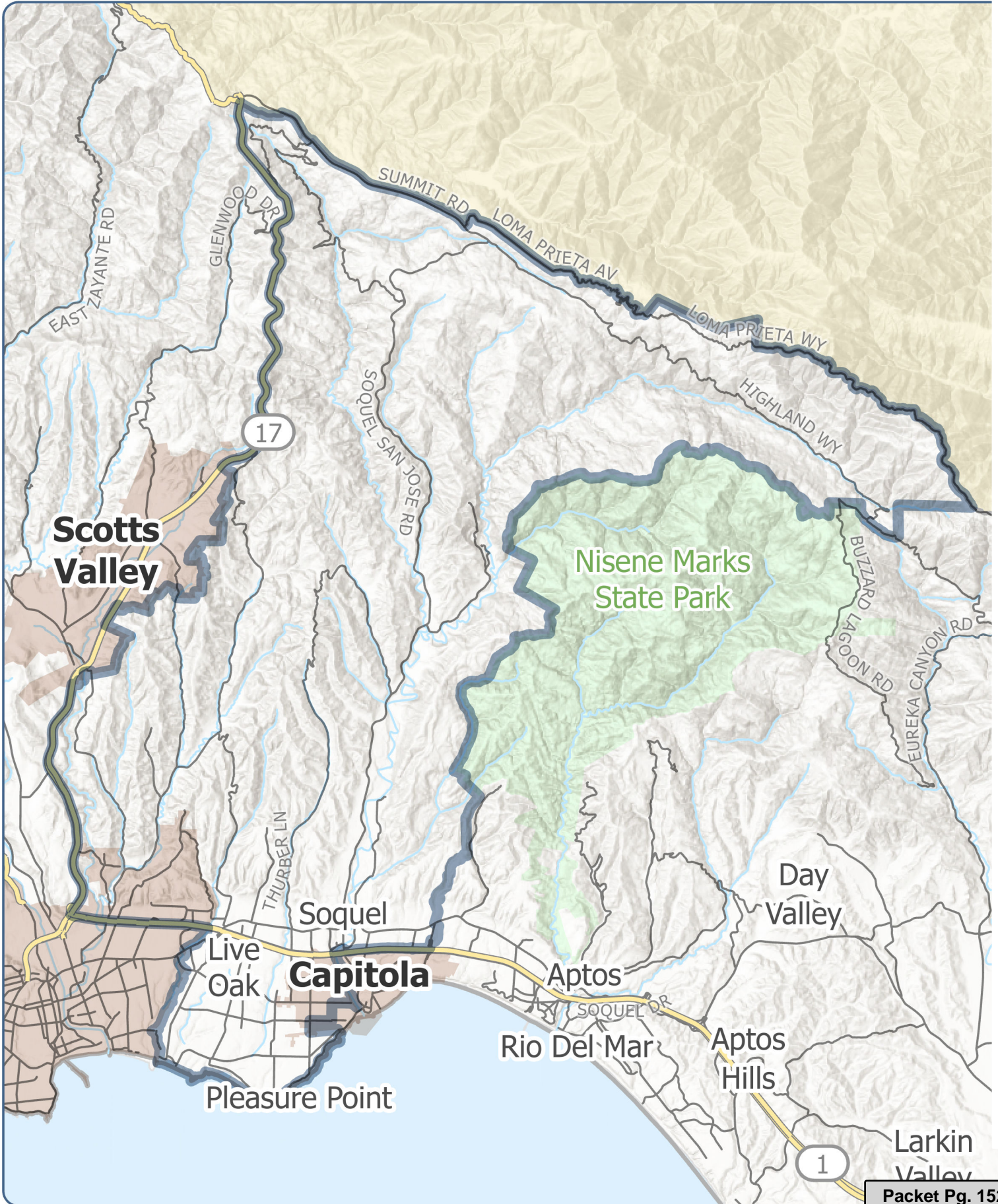
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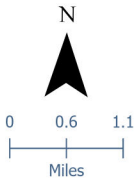
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# Option C: Apple Hill + East Harbor + Scotts Valley Supervisor District 1



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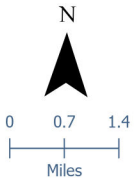
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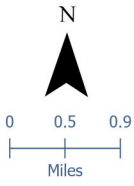
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# Option C: Apple Hill + East Harbor + Scotts Valley Supervisor District 3



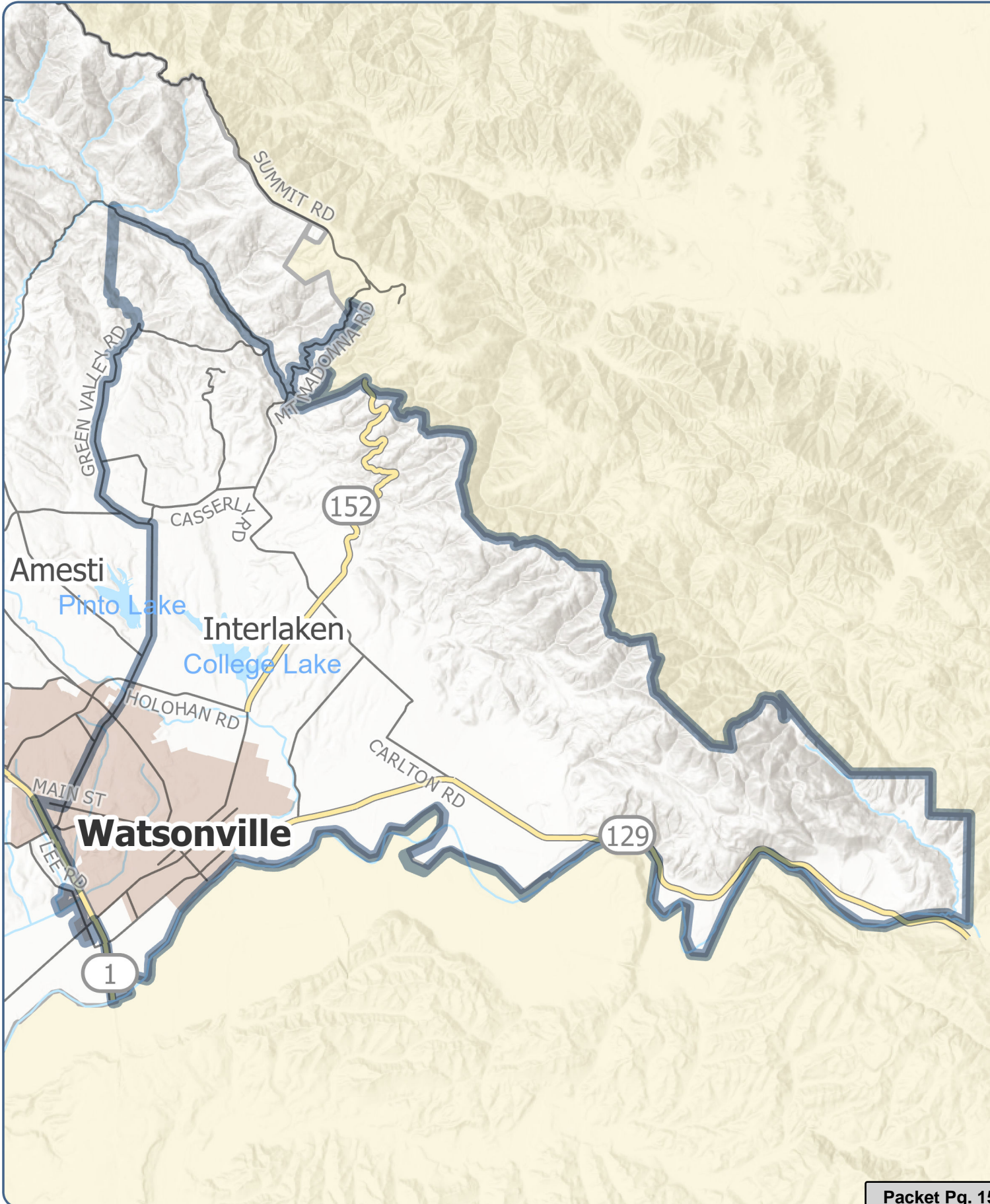
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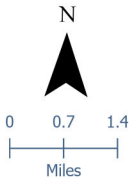
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# Option C: Apple Hill + East Harbor + Scotts Valley Supervisor District 4



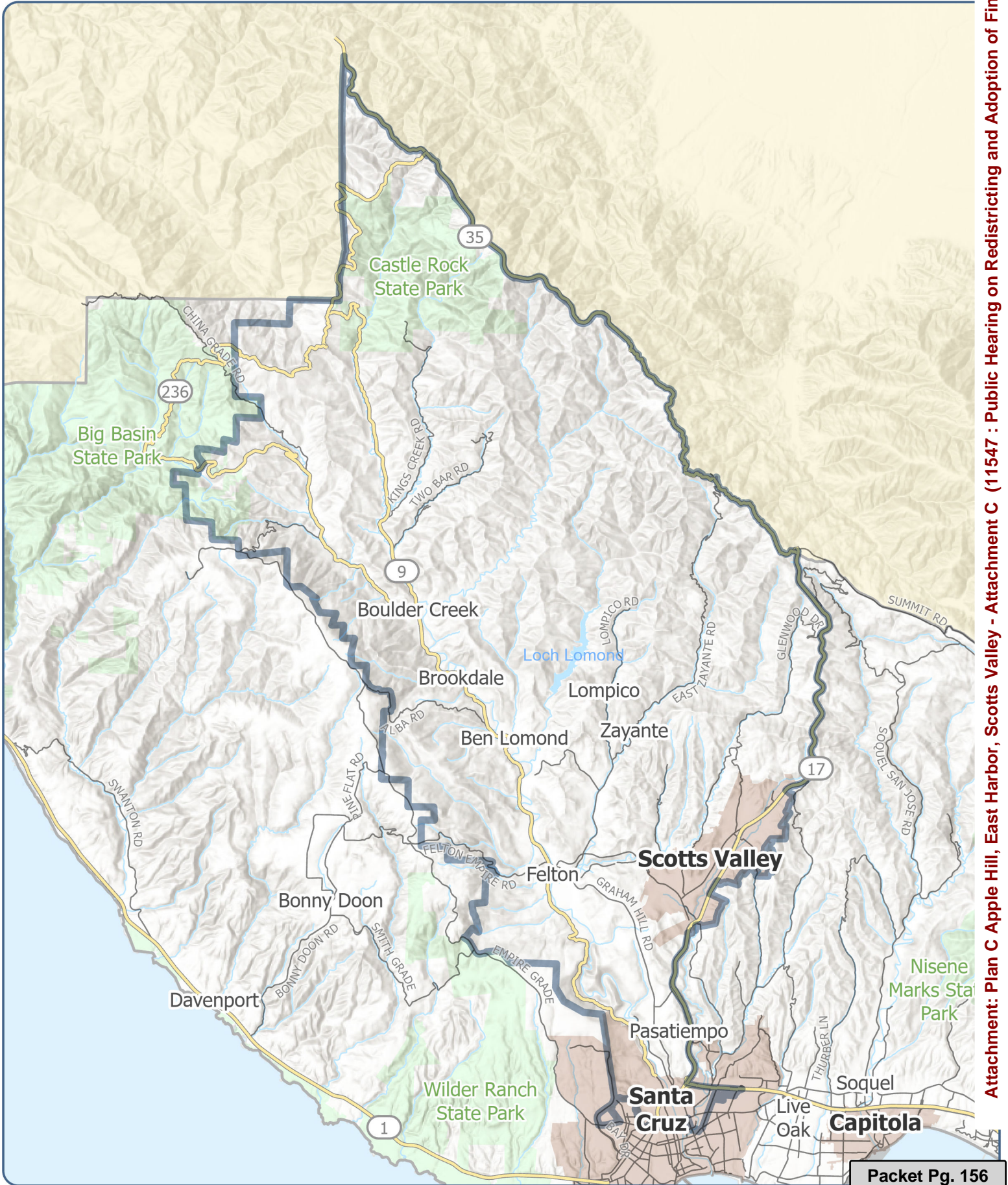
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# Option C: Apple Hill + East Harbor + Scotts Valley Supervisor District 5



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Plan C - Apple Hill, East Harbor, Scotts Valley

Population Summary Report

Total Population

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D1	52,438	54,270	-1,832	-3.38	52,438	43,438	-1,832	11,729	34,615	453	146	2,021	81	345	3,048
D2	54,249	54,270	-21	-0.04	54,249	43,791	-21	18,674	30,713	349	162	1,695	50	282	2,324
D3	55,767	54,270	1,497	2.76	55,767	48,893	1,497	13,303	32,345	1,359	214	4,638	58	396	3,454
D4	54,369	54,270	99	0.18	54,369	39,303	99	43,547	7,767	255	144	1,482	23	200	951
D5	54,529	54,270	259	0.48	54,529	44,830	259	7,323	40,281	460	195	2,238	66	435	3,531

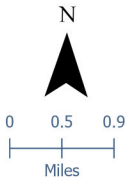
Voting Age Population

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D1	52,438	54,270	-1,832	-3.38	8,561	30,055	424	132	1,788	65	274	2,139
D2	54,249	54,270	-21	-0.04	13,126	26,786	278	132	1,527	45	238	1,659
D3	55,767	54,270	1,497	2.76	11,058	28,887	1,287	210	4,411	53	319	2,668
D4	54,369	54,270	99	0.18	30,009	6,801	223	116	1,318	20	133	683
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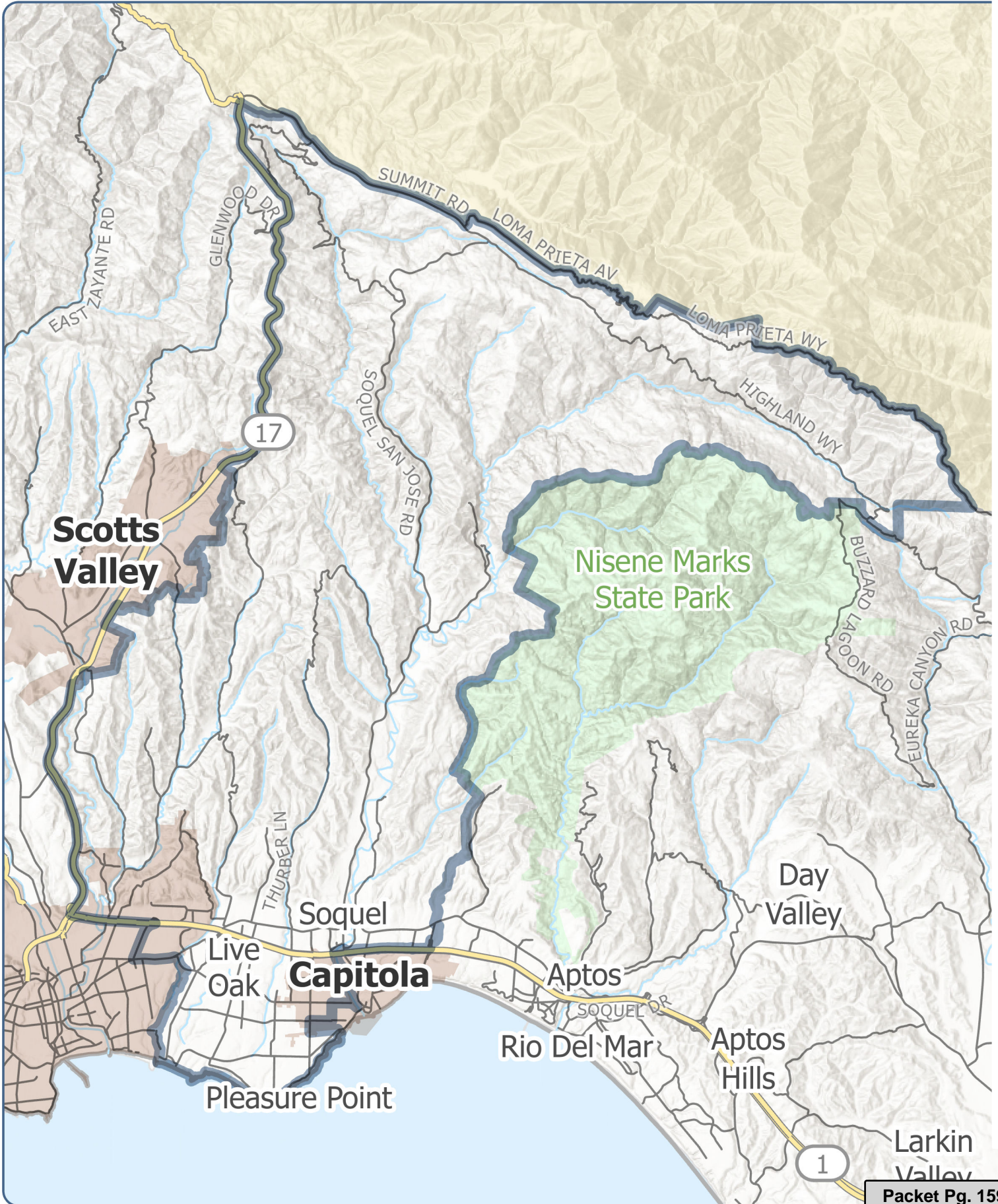
## Plan D - Apple Hill, East Harbor, Scotts Valley, Midtown

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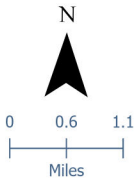
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# Option D: Apple Hill + East Harbor + Derek Timm Pl Supervisor District



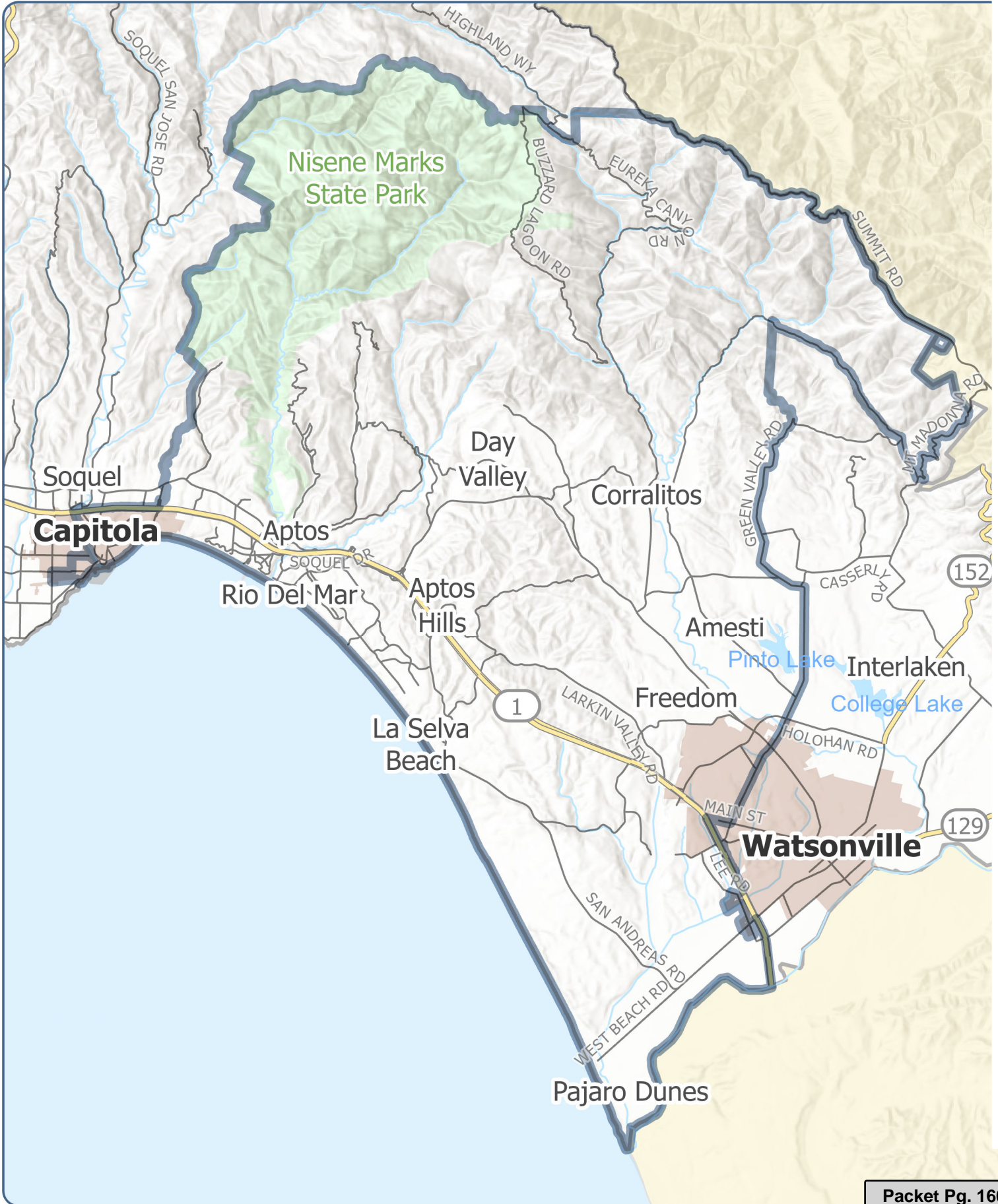
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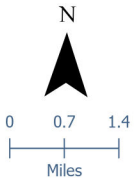
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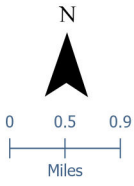
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# Option D: Apple Hill + East Harbor + Derek Timm Pla Supervisor District



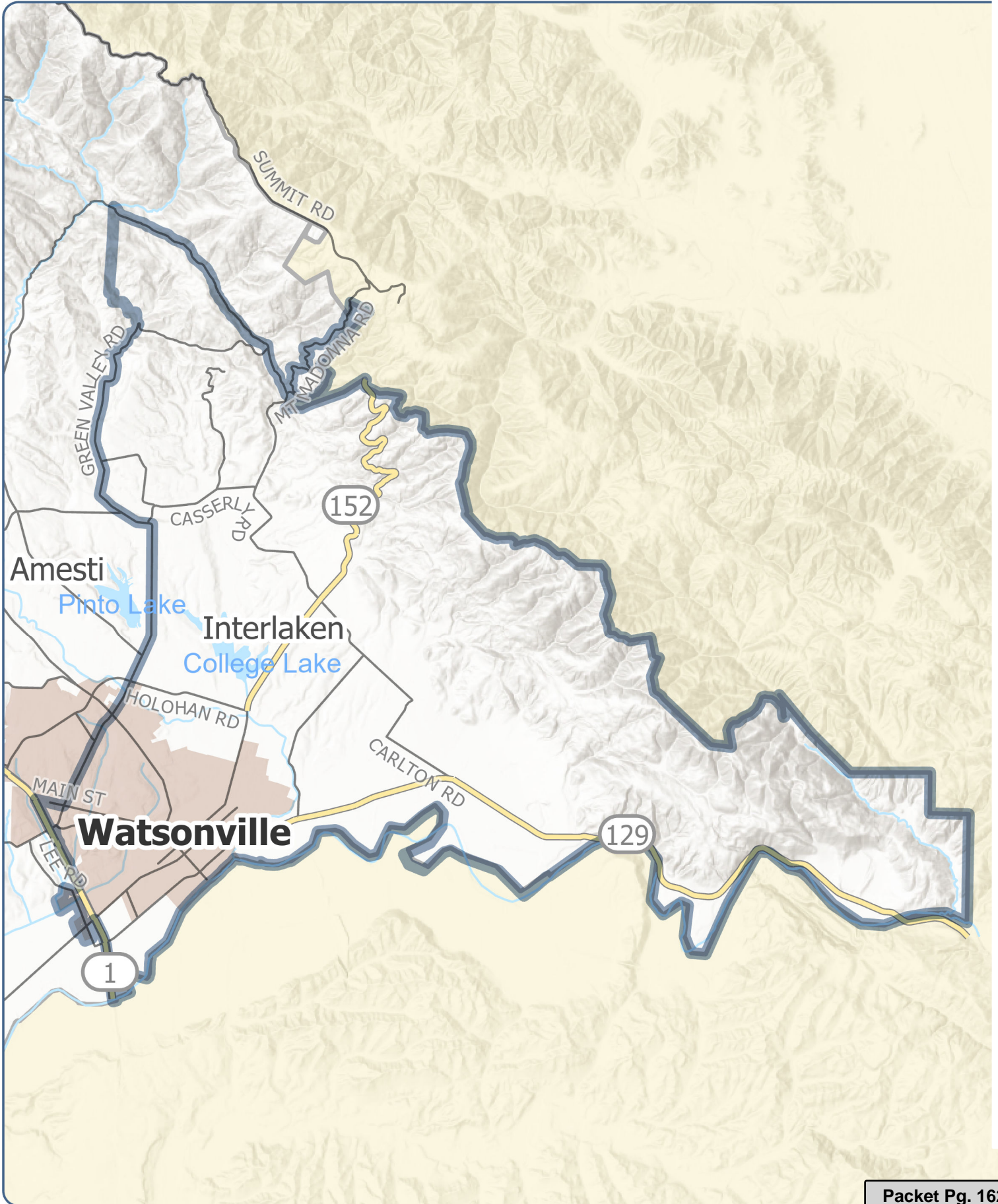
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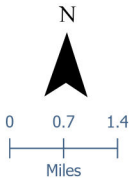
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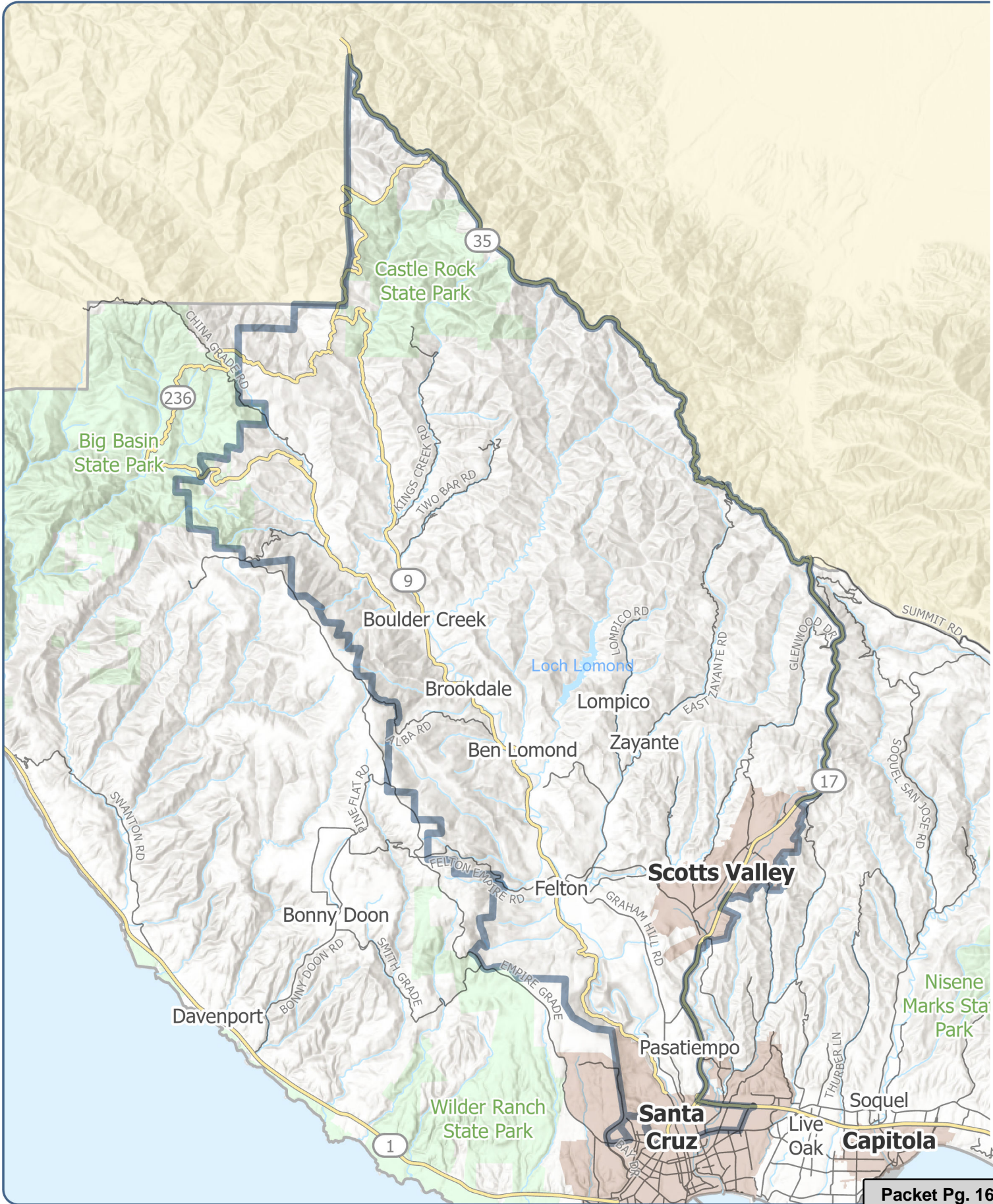
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# Option D: Apple Hill + East Harbor + Derek Timm Pla Supervisor District



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Plan D - Apple Hill, East Harbor, Scotts Valley, Midtown

Population Summary Report

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D2	54,249	54,270	-21	-0.04	54,249	43,791	-21	18,674	30,713	349	162	1,695	50	282	2,324
D3	54,059	54,270	-211	-0.39	54,059	47,459	-211	13,009	31,123	1,351	208	4,583	49	394	3,342
D4	54,369	54,270	99	0.18	54,369	39,303	99	43,547	7,767	255	144	1,482	23	200	951
D5	54,667	54,270	397	0.73	54,667	44,966	397	7,325	40,409	450	200	2,236	62	433	3,552

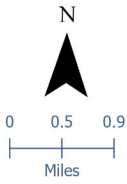
Voting Age Population

District No.	TOTAL Population	Target Population	Target Deviation	Target Deviation (%)	Hispanic or Latino voting age	Non-Hispanic/ Latino White voting age	Non-Hispanic/ Latino Black voting age	Latino American Indian/Alaskan Native voting age	Non-Hispanic/ Latino Asian voting age	Latino Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander voting age	Non-Hispanic/ Latino Other race voting age	Non-Hispanic/ Latino Two or more races voting age
D1	54,008	54,270	-262	-0.48	8,768	31,003	439	133	1,843	78	278	2,194
D2	54,249	54,270	-21	-0.04	13,126	26,786	278	132	1,527	45	238	1,659
D3	54,059	54,270	-211	-0.39	10,832	27,821	1,278	205	4,361	44	317	2,601
D4	54,369	54,270	99	0.18	30,009	6,801	223	116	1,318	20	133	683
D5	54,667	54,270	397	0.73	5,376	34,259	373	181	1,928	54	345	2,450

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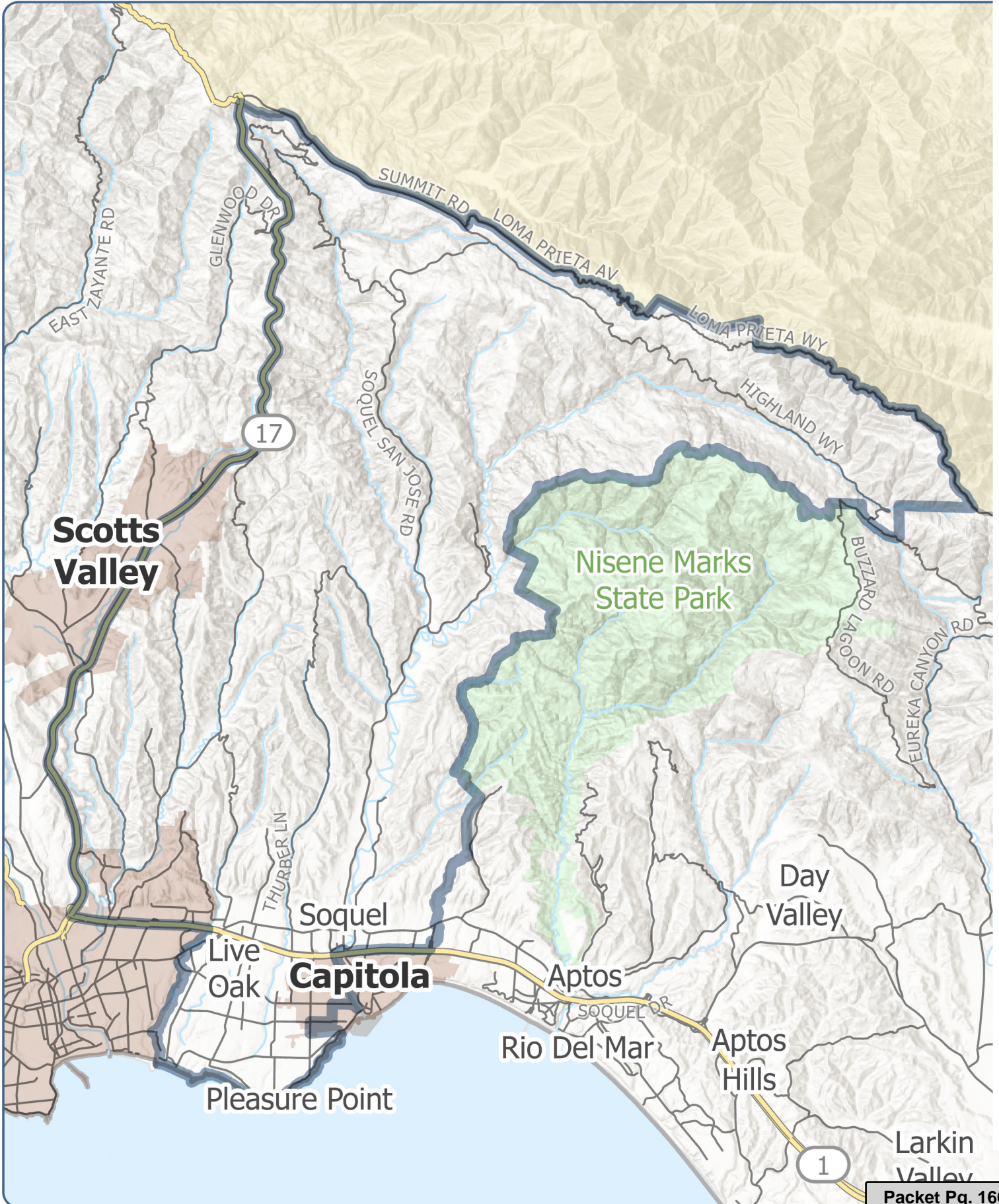
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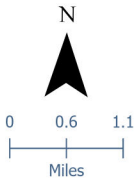
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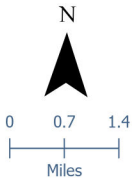
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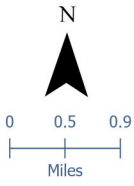
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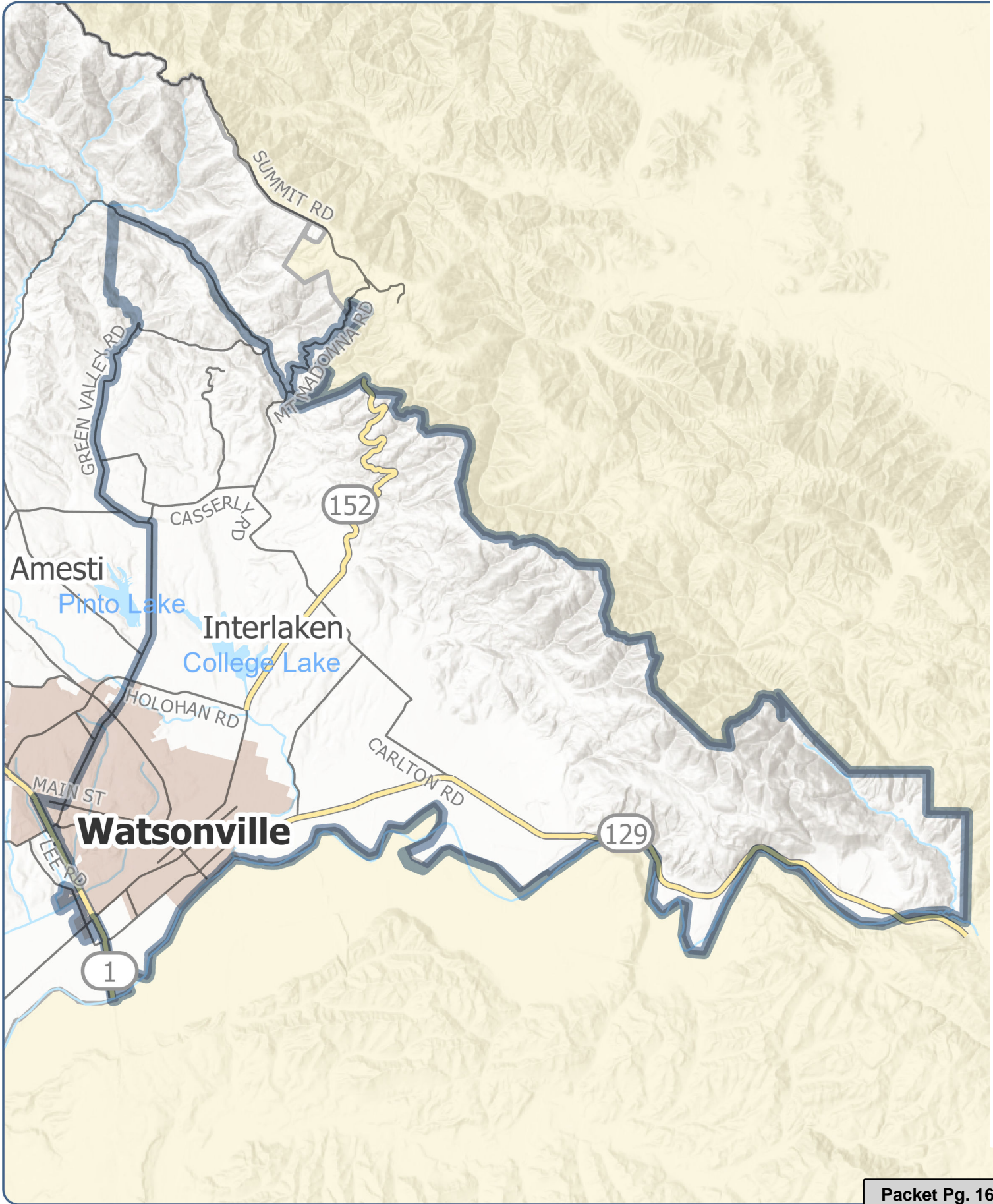
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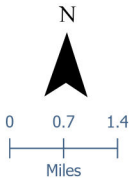
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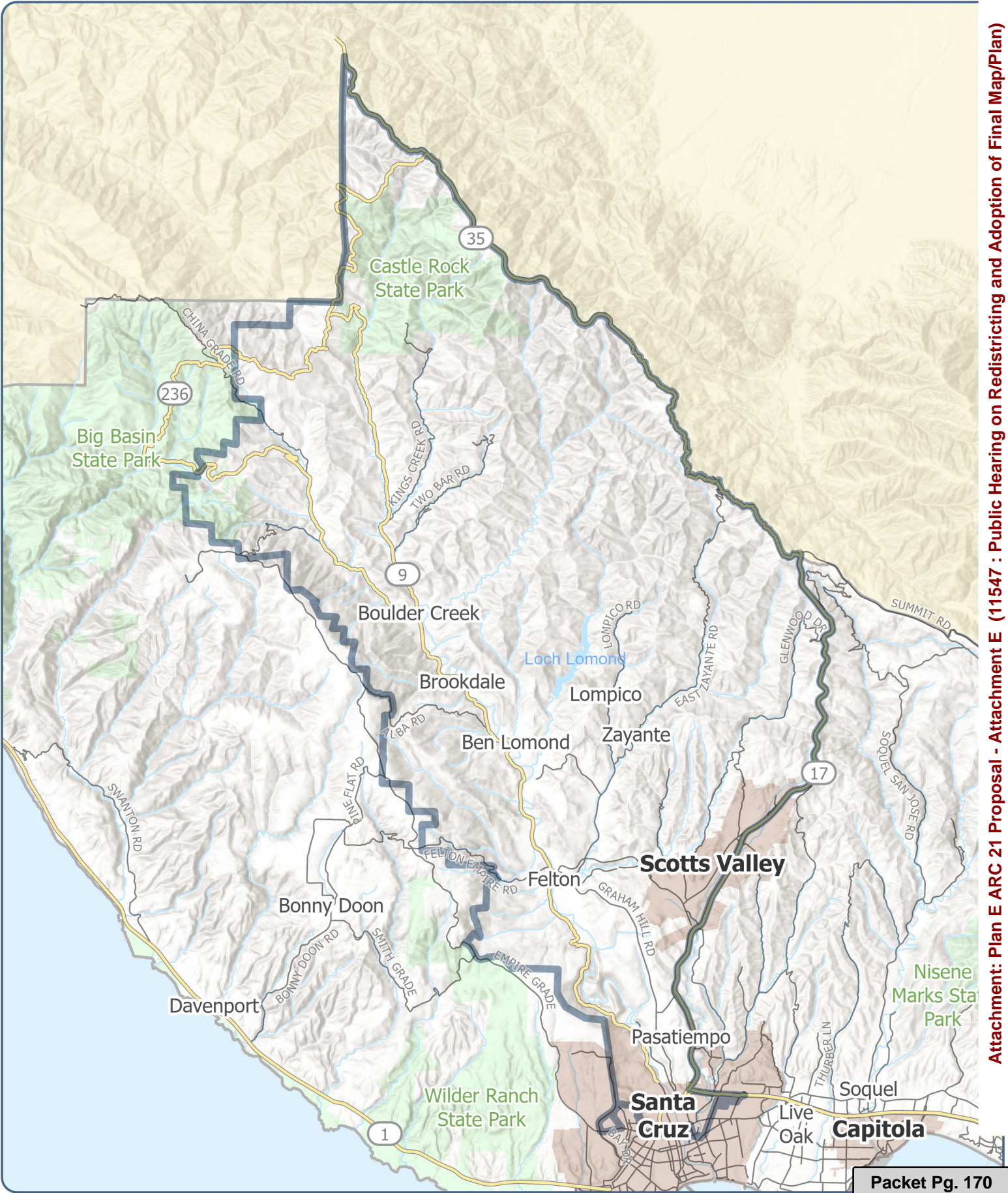
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Plan E - ARC 21 Proposal

Population Summary Report

Total Population

District No.	TOTAL Population	Target Population	Target Deviation	Target Deviation (%)	Total	Total voting age	Deviation from the target	Hispanic or Latino	Non-Hispanic/ Latino White	Non-Hispanic/ Latino Black	Latino American	Non-Hispanic/ Latino Asian	Latino Hawaiian or	Latino Other race	Latino Two or more races
D1	54,760	54,270	490	0.9	54,760	45,208	490	12,003	36,323	472	152	2,168	87	362	3,193
D2	54,249	54,270	-21	-0.04	54,249	43,791	-21	18,674	30,713	349	162	1,695	50	282	2,324
D3	55,767	54,270	1,497	2.76	55,767	48,893	1,497	13,303	32,345	1,359	214	4,638	58	396	3,454
D4	54,369	54,270	99	0.18	54,369	39,303	99	43,547	7,767	255	144	1,482	23	200	951
D5	52,207	54,270	-2,063	-3.8	52,207	43,060	-2,063	7,049	38,573	441	189	2,091	60	418	3,386

Voting Age Population

District No.	TOTAL Population	Target Population	Target Deviation	Target Deviation (%)	Hispanic or Latino voting age	Non-Hispanic/ Latino White voting age	Non-Hispanic/ Latino Black voting age	Latino American Indian/Alaskan Native voting	Non-Hispanic/ Latino Asian voting age	Latino Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander voting	Non-Hispanic/ Latino Other race voting age	Non-Hispanic/ Latino Two or more races voting age
D1	54,760	54,270	490	0.9	8,723	31,428	438	132	1,905	67	285	2,230
D2	54,249	54,270	-21	-0.04	13,126	26,786	278	132	1,527	45	238	1,659
D3	55,767	54,270	1,497	2.76	11,058	28,887	1,287	210	4,411	53	319	2,668
D4	54,369	54,270	99	0.18	30,009	6,801	223	116	1,318	20	133	683
D5	52,207	54,270	-2,063	-3.8	5,195	32,768	365	177	1,816	56	336	2,347

Attachment: Plan E ARC 21 Proposal - Attachment E (11547 : Public Hearing on Redistricting and



Community of Interest (COI) narratives received since  
Public Hearing #3 on November 9, 2021

## What is a Community of Interest, and How can I Participate in Redistricting?

Every ten years, cities and counties must consider the population statistics provided in the decennial census of people living in the United States, to ensure that each District has a substantially equal population. During this process, counties comply with the federal Voting Rights Act and new State laws enacted in 2019 and 2020. These new laws (AB 849 and AB 1276) are designed to encourage public participation and increase transparency in the process. So, to ensure fair representation for you and your community, the County's Advisory Redistricting Commission and Board of Supervisors are asking County residents and interested parties to tell us about your community, and how your community factors into creating boundary lines for each of the five Supervisorial Districts. A map of the current boundaries is found here:

<http://www.santacruzcounty.us/Redistricting2021/CommunitiesofInterest/CommunitiesofInterestReceived.aspx#map>

## What Are Communities of Interest?

Keeping Communities of Interests together is an important part of redistricting. Communities of Interest (COI) are overlapping sets of neighborhoods, networks, or groups that share interests, views, cultures, histories, languages, and values, and whose boundaries can be identified on a map. A Community of Interest can be defined in many ways. Relationships with political parties or elected officials and candidates are not considered communities of interest. And, while race and ethnicity can play a role in defining a COI, it cannot be used as a sole definition.

COIs are self-defined and create a common story. The following provides some examples of a Community of Interest:

- \*Shared interests in schools, housing, community safety, transit, health conditions, land use, and the physical environment, such as the coast, and farming and agricultural spaces;*
- \*Common social and civic networks, including places of worship, homeowner associations, community centers, and shared use of community spaces like parks, dog parks, and shopping areas;*
- \*Racial and ethnic compositions, cultural identities, and households that predominately speak a language other than English;*
- \*Similar socio-economic status, including but not limited to income, home-ownership, and education;*  
*Shared political boundary lines from other jurisdictions, such as school districts, community college districts, and water districts;*
- \*Residents who have been working together to advocate for a community issue, such as increasing after-school hours, getting assistance to come back from a natural disaster, or locating a health clinic in their neighborhood.*





# Community of Interest Report: 11/10/2021 8:27 AM

Which County Supervisor District do you live in? :

Give Your Community A Name: Rural Santa Cruz County

Tell Us About Your Community : Rural parts of the county have needs that are distinct from the built up areas. By anchoring all the supervisorial districts in built up areas, our interests are "cracked" and nobody really becomes a supervisor for our interests. Their "center of mass" is the built up part of their district. Please consider "packing" the rural areas into a supervisorial district with a smaller citified footprint. Perhaps have it include smaller cities separated from the urbanized portions of the county.

Tell Us About Your Place : I should be with all the rural parts of the county, plus smaller-to-larger towns until the population quota is reached.

More About Your Story : Getting the attention of our supervisors is difficult when most of their voters live in Santa Cruz, Capitola, Aptos or Watsonville. P.S. the "Map Your Community of Interest" does not work.

Attachment: COI forms - Attachment F (11547 : Public Hearing on Redistricting and Adoption of Final

Which County Supervisor District do you live in? :

Give Your Community A Name: [The not grouped with UCSC Community](#)

Tell Us About Your Community : UCSC must be in a separate district from Bonny Doon

Tell Us About Your Place : Please do not group Bonny Doon with UCSC

More About Your Story :



**BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
OF THE COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

On the motion of Supervisor  
Duly seconded by Supervisor  
The following resolution is adopted.

**RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING NEW SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT  
BOUNDARIES IN SANTA CRUZ COUNTY IN ACCORDANCE WITH  
REDISTRICTING LAWS**

**WHEREAS**, Article I, Section 2 of the U.S. Constitution mandates an accurate counting of the nation's population every ten years; and

**WHEREAS**, Title 13 of the United States Code governs the administration of the U.S. Census, including the collection and publication of data; and

**WHEREAS**, California Elections Code section 21500(a) requires that, following each federal decennial census and using the provided census data, the Board of Supervisors shall adjust the boundaries of any or all supervisorial districts of the county so that the supervisorial districts are substantially equal in population as required by the U.S. Constitution; and

**WHEREAS**, California Elections Code section 21500(b) requires that the revised supervisorial district boundaries comply with the U.S Constitution, the California Constitution, and the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965 (52 U.S.C. 10301 et seq.); and

**WHEREAS**, California Elections Code section 21500(b), in accordance with AB 849 ("the FAIR MAPS Act"), also requires that the revised supervisorial boundaries follow established criteria, in order of priority, to ensure geographic contiguity, protect communities of interest, minimize division of cities and designated census places, be easily identifiable by natural or artificial boundaries or streets, and encourage geographic compactness, to the extent practicable; and

**WHEREAS**, California Elections Code section 21500(b) also prohibits favoring or disfavoring any political party, or defining communities of interest to include relationships with political parties, incumbents, or political candidates; and

**WHEREAS**, California Elections Code section 23001 permitted the establishment of an Advisory Redistricting Commission composed of local residents to make recommendations to the Board of Supervisors on any proposed changes to district boundaries; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2021 Advisory Redistricting Commission (“ARC 2021”) was established by this Board on February 23, 2021, to conduct public outreach and produce various plans, maps, and recommendations of revised supervisorial districts for the Board’s consideration and adoption; and

**WHEREAS**, this Board appointed the ARC 2021 commissioners representing each supervisorial district on April 13, 2021, and the ARC 2021 subsequently met from May to October 2021 for a total of twelve meetings noticed and open to the public; and

**WHEREAS**, as permitted by Elections Code section 21507.1(e) and (f), the ARC 2021 and County staff conducted four public workshops on September 1<sup>st</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup>, and 30<sup>th</sup> throughout the different regional areas of the County to obtain public input on their communities of interest and composition of their supervisorial districts, with the public workshop on the 30<sup>th</sup> also having served as the first legally required pre-map public hearing; and

**WHEREAS**, as required by Elections Code section 21507.1, the Board of Supervisors has conducted a total of four public hearings, including a special evening meeting on October 26, 2021, and time certain agenda items on the regular meetings of November 9<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>, 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, as required by Elections Code section 21508(a), the Board of Supervisors, through the ARC 2021 and County staff, has made a good faith effort to engage and encourage all residents, including those from unrepresented and non-English speaking communities, to participate in the 2021 redistricting process, including by providing translation services as requested; and

**WHEREAS**, as required by Elections Code section 21508, the Board has complied with all other legal requirements therein, including permitting members of the public to submit their own proposed maps in writing and electronically, preserving all public comments and board deliberations either by recording or written summary; and establishing a webpage which will be maintained for a minimum of 10 years; and

**WHEREAS**, as required by Elections Code Section 21508, proposed maps with changes to the current supervisorial district boundaries, as recommended by the ARC 2021, were made available on the County’s Redistricting website and with the Board of Supervisors Agenda packet on October 21, 2021, with additional final preliminary maps published on November 9, 2021, thereby meeting the seven-day period for adoption; and

**WHEREAS**, this Board has concluded its deliberations in this matter and determined that it is appropriate to make changes to the boundaries of Supervisorial Districts One through Five as reflected on a map identified this day in open session which shall be titled “County of Santa Cruz Supervisorial District Boundaries 2021”;



**NOW, THEREFORE,** the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Cruz resolves and orders that the boundaries of Supervisorial Districts One through Five shall be modified and are hereby established and adopted as determined in the Board’s action of this date in open session which shall be reflected in the minutes and records of the proceedings of this date. Said boundaries shall be reflected in a final map titled “County of Santa Cruz Supervisorial District Boundaries 2021,” which shall be placed on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED** that the County Clerk and Geographic Information Services are permitted to make minor administrative adjustments, to the extent practicable and as needed, to the final adopted map to assign property parcels to a single supervisorial district if currently divided between two or more districts, with no impact to any voter.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED** that, as the 2021 Advisory Redistricting Commission has fulfilled its duties and obligations to the Board and the people of the County of Santa Cruz, and the redistricting process is now complete, the Commission is hereby disbanded and the Commission members are thanked and appreciated for their dedicated service.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Cruz, State of California, this \_\_\_\_day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_, by the following vote:

- AYES:
- NOES:
- ABSENT:
- ABSTAIN:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Chair, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of the Board

Approved as to Form:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Office of the County Counsel 11/10/21 (ASM 11547)

DISTRIBUTION: CAO, County Counsel, County Clerk-Elections, Geographic Information Services.

Attachment: Resolution Establishing 2021 Supervisorial Boundaries Final [Revision 1] (11547 : Public Hearing on Redistricting and Adoption of

ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**ORDINANCE REPEALING SANTA CRUZ COUNTY CODE CHAPTER 2.04  
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS) AND ADOPTING NEW CHAPTER 2.05  
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS)**

The Board of Supervisors of Santa Cruz County hereby finds and declares the following:

WHEREAS, the Board has considered the data from the 2020 census and engaged in the redistricting process as required under State and federal law; and

WHEREAS, the Board has, in a companion resolution on this date, adopted changes to the boundaries of supervisorial districts as reflected in the final map adopted on this date and as further outlined in the resolution; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that, with advances in technology and mapping, it is no longer necessary or efficient to define Supervisorial Districts in terms of formal metes and bounds;

NOW THEREFORE the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Cruz ordains as follows:

**SECTION I**

Chapter 2.04 of the Santa Cruz County Code is hereby repealed.

**SECTION II**

Chapter 2.05 is hereby added to the Santa Cruz County Code, to read as follows:

**Chapter 2.05  
SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS**

**Sections:**

**2.05.010 Supervisorial district boundaries.**

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The boundaries of Supervisorial Districts One through Five are established as shown on the map set entitled "County of Santa Cruz Supervisorial District Boundaries 2021," as adopted November 16, 2021, on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors. All property parcels that are contained in each of the Supervisorial Districts One through Five are provided as an attachment to the map set and are placed on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors. In the event of any conflict between the map set and the parcel list on file, the boundaries shown on



the County’s Geographic Information System’s Supervisorial District Boundary Data Layer shall prevail.

**SECTION III**

This ordinance shall take effect on the 31<sup>st</sup> day after the date of final passage.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2021, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Cruz by the following vote:

AYES: SUPERVISORS  
NOES: SUPERVISORS  
ABSENT: SUPERVISORS  
ABSTAIN: SUPERVISORS

\_\_\_\_\_  
Chairperson of the  
Board of Supervisors

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of the Board

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Office of the County Counsel

## Chapter 2.04 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS

Sections:

- ~~—2.04.010—Supervisorial district boundaries.~~
- ~~—2.04.020—First Supervisorial District.~~
- ~~—2.04.030—Second Supervisorial District.~~
- ~~—2.04.040—Third Supervisorial District.~~
- ~~—2.04.050—Fourth Supervisorial District.~~
- ~~—2.04.060—Fifth Supervisorial District.~~

### **2.04.010 Supervisorial district boundaries.**

~~The boundaries of Supervisorial Districts One through Five are established as shown on the map set entitled “County of Santa Cruz Supervisorial District Boundaries 2011,” as adopted October 25, 2011, on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors. All property parcels that are contained in each of the Supervisorial Districts One through Five are provided as an attachment to the map set, and are placed on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors. In the event of any conflict between the map set and the parcel list on file, the boundaries shown on the County’s Geographic Information System’s Supervisorial District Boundary Data Layer shall prevail. [Ord. 5108 § 2, 2011].~~

### **2.04.020 First Supervisorial District.**

~~The First Supervisorial District includes all that portion of the County of Santa Cruz hereinafter described:~~

- ~~1. Beginning at the point of intersection of Santa Cruz Hwy and the Pasatiempo census designated place line, and proceeding northerly along Santa Cruz Hwy to State Hwy 17, and proceeding northerly along State Hwy 17 to Santa Cruz Hwy, and proceeding northerly along Santa Cruz Hwy to the Scotts Valley city line, and proceeding northerly along the Scotts Valley city line to Santa Cruz Hwy, and proceeding easterly along Santa Cruz Hwy to State Hwy 17, and proceeding northerly along State Hwy 17 to Santa Cruz Hwy, and proceeding northerly along Santa Cruz Hwy to unnamed Local road, and proceeding westerly along unnamed Local road to nonvisible boundary, and proceeding easterly along nonvisible boundary to Santa Cruz Hwy, and proceeding northerly along Santa Cruz Hwy to the Santa Cruz county line, and proceeding easterly along the Santa Cruz county line to Summit Rd, and proceeding easterly along Summit Rd to the Santa Cruz county line, and proceeding easterly along the Santa Cruz county line to Ormsby Cutoff, and proceeding westerly along Ormsby Cutoff to Buzzard Lagoon Rd, and proceeding westerly along Buzzard Lagoon Rd to the Day Valley census designated~~



place line, and proceeding northerly along the Day Valley census designated place line to nonvisible boundary, and proceeding westerly along nonvisible boundary to ridge line, and proceeding southerly along ridge line to West Branch Bates Crk, and proceeding westerly along West Branch Bates Crk to nonvisible boundary, and proceeding southerly along nonvisible boundary to unnamed Local road, and proceeding southerly along unnamed Local road to West Branch Bates Crk, and proceeding westerly along West Branch Bates Crk to nonvisible boundary, and proceeding easterly along nonvisible boundary to the Soquel census designated place line, and proceeding southerly along the Soquel census designated place line to nonvisible boundary, and proceeding southerly along nonvisible boundary to Driveway, and proceeding westerly along Driveway to nonvisible boundary, and proceeding southerly along nonvisible boundary to Park Ave, and proceeding southerly along Park Ave to Viking Ct, and proceeding easterly along Viking Ct to unnamed Local road, and proceeding southerly along unnamed Local road to Park Ave, and proceeding southerly along Park Ave to Soquel Dr, and proceeding easterly along Soquel Dr to nonvisible boundary, and proceeding southerly along nonvisible boundary to Cabrillo College Dr, and proceeding northerly along Cabrillo College Dr to Park Ave, and proceeding southerly along Park Ave to the Capitola/Soquel city/census designated place line, and proceeding westerly along the Capitola/Soquel city/census designated place line to Orchard St, and proceeding northerly along Orchard St to State Hwy 1, and proceeding westerly along State Hwy 1 to the Capitola/Soquel city/census designated place line, and proceeding westerly along the Capitola/Soquel city/census designated place line to Soquel Crk, and proceeding southerly along Soquel Crk to nonvisible boundary, and proceeding westerly along nonvisible boundary to Capitola Rd, and proceeding westerly along Capitola Rd to 45th Ave, and proceeding southerly along 45th Ave to Jade St, and proceeding westerly along Jade St to 41st Ave, and proceeding southerly along 41st Ave to Union Pacific RR, and proceeding easterly along Union Pacific RR to the Capitola/Pleasure Point city/census designated place line, and proceeding easterly along the Capitola/Pleasure Point city/census designated place line to shoreline, and proceeding westerly along shoreline to the Santa Cruz/Twin Lakes city/census designated place line, and proceeding northerly along the Santa Cruz/Twin Lakes city/census designated place line to E Cliff Dr, and proceeding easterly along E Cliff Dr to 7th Ave, and proceeding northerly along 7th Ave to Brommer St, and proceeding westerly along Brommer St to the Santa Cruz/Live Oak city/census designated place line, and proceeding northerly along the Santa Cruz/Live Oak city/census designated place line to State Hwy 1, and proceeding westerly along State Hwy 1 to nonvisible boundary, and proceeding westerly along nonvisible boundary to State Hwy 1, and proceeding westerly along State Hwy 1 to unnamed Ramp, and proceeding northerly along unnamed Ramp to State Hwy 1, and proceeding westerly along State Hwy 1 to Emeline Ave, and proceeding southerly along Emeline Ave to State Hwy 1, and proceeding westerly along State Hwy 1 to Santa Cruz Hwy, and proceeding northerly along Santa Cruz Hwy to the Pasatiempo census designated place line, and proceeding northerly along the Pasatiempo census designated place line to Santa Cruz Hwy, and

proceeding northerly along Santa Cruz Hwy to the Pasatiempo census designated place line, and proceeding northerly along the Pasatiempo census designated place line to the point of beginning.

2. Except for beginning at the point of intersection of Bellflower Way and Pippin Way, and proceeding southerly along Bellflower Way to the Scotts Valley city line, and proceeding northerly along the Scotts Valley city line to Pippin Way, and proceeding westerly along Pippin Way to the point of beginning.

[Ord. 5108 § 2, 2011].

#### **2.04.030 Second Supervisorial District.**

The Second Supervisorial District includes that portion of the County of Santa Cruz hereinafter described:

Beginning at the point of intersection of 41st Ave and Union Pacific RR, and proceeding northerly along 41st Ave to Jade St, and proceeding easterly along Jade St to 45th Ave, and proceeding northerly along 45th Ave to Capitola Rd, and proceeding easterly along Capitola Rd to nonvisible boundary, and proceeding easterly along nonvisible boundary to Soquel Crk, and proceeding northerly along Soquel Crk to the Soquel/Capitola census designated place/city line, and proceeding easterly along the Soquel/Capitola census designated place/city line to State Hwy 1, and proceeding easterly along State Hwy 1 to Orchard St, and proceeding southerly along Orchard St to the Soquel/Capitola census designated place/city line, and proceeding easterly along the Soquel/Capitola census designated place/city line to Park Ave, and proceeding northerly along Park Ave to Cabrillo College Dr, and proceeding southerly along Cabrillo College Dr to nonvisible boundary, and proceeding northerly along nonvisible boundary to Soquel Dr, and proceeding westerly along Soquel Dr to Park Ave, and proceeding northerly along Park Ave to unnamed Local road, and proceeding northerly along unnamed Local road to Viking Ct, and proceeding westerly along Viking Ct to Park Ave, and proceeding northerly along Park Ave to nonvisible boundary, and proceeding northerly along nonvisible boundary to Driveway, and proceeding easterly along Driveway to nonvisible boundary, and proceeding northerly along nonvisible boundary to the Soquel census designated place line, and proceeding northerly along the Soquel census designated place line to nonvisible boundary, and proceeding northerly along nonvisible boundary to West Branch Bates Crk, and proceeding easterly along West Branch Bates Crk to unnamed Local road, and proceeding northerly along unnamed Local road to nonvisible boundary, and proceeding northerly along nonvisible boundary to West Branch Bates Crk, and proceeding northerly along West Branch Bates Crk to ridge line, and proceeding northerly along ridge line to nonvisible boundary, and proceeding northerly along nonvisible boundary to the Day Valley census designated place line, and proceeding easterly along the Day Valley census designated



place line to Buzzard Lagoon Rd, and proceeding northerly along Buzzard Lagoon Rd to Ormsby Cutoff, and proceeding easterly along Ormsby Cutoff to the Santa Cruz county line, and proceeding easterly along the Santa Cruz county line to Summit Rd, and proceeding easterly along Summit Rd to the Santa Cruz county line, and proceeding easterly along the Santa Cruz county line to Mount Madonna Rd, and proceeding southerly along Mount Madonna Rd to Hazel Dell Rd, and proceeding northerly along Hazel Dell Rd to the Corralitos census designated place line, and proceeding northerly along the Corralitos census designated place line to Old Hazel Dell Rd, and proceeding westerly along Old Hazel Dell Rd to nonvisible boundary, and proceeding northerly along nonvisible boundary to the Corralitos census designated place line, and proceeding northerly along the Corralitos census designated place line to nonvisible boundary, and proceeding southerly along nonvisible boundary to Apple Valley Ln, and proceeding southerly along Apple Valley Ln to the Corralitos census designated place line, and proceeding southerly along the Corralitos census designated place line to Green Valley Rd, and proceeding southerly along Green Valley Rd to the Corralitos/Amesti census designated place line, and proceeding easterly along the Corralitos/Amesti census designated place line to the Interlaken/Amesti census designated place line, and proceeding easterly along the Interlaken/Amesti census designated place line to the Interlaken/Watsonville census designated place/city line, and proceeding southerly along the Interlaken/Watsonville census designated place/city line to the Interlaken/Amesti census designated place line, and proceeding southerly along the Interlaken/Amesti census designated place line to the Watsonville/Amesti city/census designated place line, and proceeding southerly along the Watsonville/Amesti city/census designated place line to Green Valley Rd, and proceeding southerly along Green Valley Rd to S Green Valley Rd, and proceeding southerly along S Green Valley Rd to Harkins Slough Rd, and proceeding westerly along Harkins Slough Rd to State Hwy 1, and proceeding southerly along State Hwy 1 to the Watsonville city line, and proceeding easterly along the Watsonville city line to State Hwy 1, and proceeding southerly along State Hwy 1 to the Watsonville city line, and proceeding westerly along the Watsonville city line to State Hwy 1, and proceeding southerly along State Hwy 1 to W Riverside Dr, and proceeding westerly along W Riverside Dr to State Hwy 1, and proceeding southerly along State Hwy 1 to the Santa Cruz county line, and proceeding westerly along the Santa Cruz county line to the Pajaro Dunes census designated place line, and proceeding northerly along the Pajaro Dunes census designated place line to shoreline, and proceeding northerly along shoreline to the La Selva Beach census designated place line, and proceeding northerly along the La Selva Beach census designated place line to the Rio del Mar census designated place line, and proceeding westerly along the Rio del Mar census designated place line to shoreline, and proceeding northerly along shoreline to the Seacliff census designated place line, and proceeding westerly along the Seacliff census designated place line to shoreline, and proceeding westerly along shoreline to the Seacliff census designated place line, and proceeding westerly along the Seacliff census designated place line to the Capitola city line, and proceeding westerly along the

~~Capitola city line to shoreline, and proceeding westerly along shoreline to Stockton Ave, and proceeding westerly along Stockton Ave to shoreline, and proceeding southerly along shoreline to the Pleasure Point/Capitola census designated place/city line, and proceeding northerly along the Pleasure Point/Capitola census designated place/city line to Union Pacific RR, and proceeding westerly along Union Pacific RR to the point of beginning.~~

~~[Ord. 5278 § 6, 2018; Ord. 5108 § 2, 2011].~~

#### **~~2.04.040 Third Supervisorial District.~~**

~~The Third Supervisorial District includes all that portion of the County of Santa Cruz hereinafter described:~~

~~Beginning at the point of intersection of the Santa Cruz county line and nonvisible boundary, and proceeding easterly along the Santa Cruz county line to nonvisible boundary, and proceeding southerly along nonvisible boundary to China Grade, and proceeding southerly along China Grade to nonvisible boundary, and proceeding southerly along nonvisible boundary to China Grade, and proceeding southerly along China Grade to nonvisible boundary, and proceeding easterly along nonvisible boundary to Big Basin Hwy, and proceeding southerly along Big Basin Hwy to nonvisible boundary, and proceeding southerly along nonvisible boundary to Empire Grade, and proceeding easterly along Empire Grade to nonvisible boundary, and proceeding easterly along nonvisible boundary to the Boulder Creek census designated place line, and proceeding southerly along the Boulder Creek census designated place line to the Brookdale census designated place line, and proceeding southerly along the Brookdale census designated place line to the Brookdale/Ben Lomond census designated place line, and proceeding southerly along the Brookdale/Ben Lomond census designated place line to nonvisible boundary, and proceeding westerly along nonvisible boundary to the Ben Lomond census designated place line, and proceeding southerly along the Ben Lomond census designated place line to unnamed Local road, and proceeding easterly along unnamed Local road to Old Alba Grade, and proceeding westerly along Old Alba Grade to the Ben Lomond census designated place line, and proceeding southerly along the Ben Lomond census designated place line to the Bonny Doon census designated place line, and proceeding southerly along the Bonny Doon census designated place line to unnamed Local road, and proceeding westerly along unnamed Local road to Pine Flat Rd, and proceeding easterly along Pine Flat Rd to nonvisible boundary, and proceeding easterly along nonvisible boundary to the Bonny Doon census designated place line, and proceeding southerly along the Bonny Doon census designated place line to South Fall Crk, and proceeding westerly along South Fall Crk to nonvisible boundary, and proceeding northerly along nonvisible boundary to unnamed Local road, and proceeding northerly along unnamed Local road to Feather Ln, and proceeding westerly along Feather Ln to unnamed Local road, and proceeding southerly along unnamed Local road to Empire Grade, and~~



proceeding southerly along Empire Grade to nonvisible boundary, and proceeding easterly along nonvisible boundary to Felton Empire Rd, and proceeding easterly along Felton Empire Rd to the Bonny Doon census designated place line, and proceeding southerly along the Bonny Doon census designated place line to Furlong Dr, and proceeding southerly along Furlong Dr to nonvisible boundary, and proceeding easterly along nonvisible boundary to the Felton census designated place line, and proceeding easterly along the Felton census designated place line to Felton Empire Rd, and proceeding easterly along Felton Empire Rd to the Felton census designated place line, and proceeding easterly along the Felton census designated place line to nonvisible boundary, and proceeding westerly along nonvisible boundary to Shingle Mill Ln, and proceeding southerly along Shingle Mill Ln to Hillcrest Dr, and proceeding easterly along Hillcrest Dr to Pleasant Way, and proceeding westerly along Pleasant Way to unnamed Local road, and proceeding southerly along unnamed Local road to Redwood Dr, and proceeding westerly along Redwood Dr to Brookside Dr, and proceeding westerly along Brookside Dr to nonvisible boundary, and proceeding westerly along nonvisible boundary to Shingle Mill Crk, and proceeding westerly along Shingle Mill Crk to nonvisible boundary, and proceeding southerly along nonvisible boundary to unnamed Local road, and proceeding westerly along unnamed Local road to San Lorenzo Ave, and proceeding southerly along San Lorenzo Ave to the Felton/Bonny Doon census designated place line, and proceeding southerly along the Felton/Bonny Doon census designated place line to Sylvester Rd, and proceeding easterly along Sylvester Rd to unnamed Local road, and proceeding easterly along unnamed Local road to Altamont Dr, and proceeding easterly along Altamont Dr to unnamed Local road, and proceeding easterly along unnamed Local road to nonvisible boundary, and proceeding southerly along nonvisible boundary to the Felton census designated place line, and proceeding easterly along the Felton census designated place line to nonvisible boundary, and proceeding southerly along nonvisible boundary to the Santa Cruz city line, and proceeding southerly along the Santa Cruz city line to nonvisible boundary, and proceeding southerly along nonvisible boundary to Glenn Coolidge Dr, and proceeding southerly along Glenn Coolidge Dr to High St, and proceeding easterly along High St to nonvisible boundary, and proceeding northerly along nonvisible boundary to Highland Ave, and proceeding easterly along Highland Ave to nonvisible boundary, and proceeding southerly along nonvisible boundary to Storey St, and proceeding northerly along Storey St to High St, and proceeding easterly along High St to nonvisible boundary, and proceeding easterly along nonvisible boundary to Mission St, and proceeding southerly along Mission St to Water St, and proceeding easterly along Water St to Ocean St, and proceeding southerly along Ocean St to Branciforte Crk, and proceeding easterly along Branciforte Crk to nonvisible boundary, and proceeding southerly along nonvisible boundary to May Ave, and proceeding southerly along May Ave to Soquel Ave, and proceeding northerly along Soquel Ave to N Branciforte Ave, and proceeding northerly along N Branciforte Ave to Chilverton St, and proceeding easterly along Chilverton St to Stanford Ave, and proceeding southerly along Stanford Ave to Keystone Ave, and

proceeding easterly along Keystone Ave to Poplar Ave, and proceeding northerly along Poplar Ave to Chilverton St, and proceeding easterly along Chilverton St to Morrissey Blvd, and proceeding northerly along Morrissey Blvd to State Hwy 1, and proceeding easterly along State Hwy 1 to nonvisible boundary, and proceeding easterly along nonvisible boundary to State Hwy 1, and proceeding easterly along State Hwy 1 to the Live Oak/Santa Cruz census designated place/city line, and proceeding southerly along the Live Oak/Santa Cruz census designated place/city line to Brommer St, and proceeding easterly along Brommer St to 7th Ave, and proceeding southerly along 7th Ave to E Cliff Dr, and proceeding southerly along E Cliff Dr to the Twin Lakes/Santa Cruz census designated place/city line, and proceeding southerly along the Twin Lakes/Santa Cruz census designated place/city line to shoreline, and proceeding westerly along shoreline to nonvisible boundary, and proceeding westerly along nonvisible boundary to shoreline, and proceeding southerly along shoreline to the Santa Cruz city line, and proceeding westerly along the Santa Cruz city line to shoreline, and proceeding westerly along shoreline to the Davenport census designated place line, and proceeding westerly along the Davenport census designated place line to shoreline, and proceeding northerly along shoreline to nonvisible boundary, and proceeding northerly along nonvisible boundary to shoreline, and proceeding northerly along shoreline to nonvisible boundary, and proceeding northerly along nonvisible boundary to the point of beginning.

[Ord. 5278 § 6, 2018; Ord. 5108 § 2, 2011].

#### **2.04.050 Fourth Supervisorial District.**

The Fourth Supervisorial District includes all that portion of the County of Santa Cruz hereinafter described:

1. Beginning at the point of intersection of Harkins Slough Rd and State Hwy 1, and proceeding easterly along Harkins Slough Rd to S Green Valley Rd, and proceeding northerly along S Green Valley Rd to Green Valley Rd, and proceeding northerly along Green Valley Rd to the Amesti/Watsonville census designated place/city line, and proceeding northerly along the Amesti/Watsonville census designated place/city line to the Amesti/Interlaken census designated place line, and proceeding northerly along the Amesti/Interlaken census designated place line to the Watsonville/Interlaken city/census designated place line, and proceeding northerly along the Watsonville/Interlaken city/census designated place line to the Amesti/Interlaken census designated place line, and proceeding northerly along the Amesti/Interlaken census designated place line to the Amesti/Corralitos census designated place line, and proceeding westerly along the Amesti/Corralitos census designated place line to Green Valley Rd, and proceeding northerly along Green Valley Rd to the Corralitos census designated place line, and proceeding northerly along the Corralitos census designated place line to Apple Valley Ln, and proceeding northerly along Apple Valley Ln to



~~nonvisible boundary, and proceeding northerly along nonvisible boundary to the Corralitos census designated place line, and proceeding easterly along the Corralitos census designated place line to nonvisible boundary, and proceeding southerly along nonvisible boundary to Old Hazel Dell Rd, and proceeding easterly along Old Hazel Dell Rd to the Corralitos census designated place line, and proceeding southerly along the Corralitos census designated place line to Hazel Dell Rd, and proceeding southerly along Hazel Dell Rd to Mount Madonna Rd, and proceeding easterly along Mount Madonna Rd to the Santa Cruz county line, and proceeding southerly along the Santa Cruz county line to State Hwy 1, and proceeding northerly along State Hwy 1 to W Riverside Dr, and proceeding easterly along W Riverside Dr to State Hwy 1, and proceeding northerly along State Hwy 1 to the Watsonville city line, and proceeding westerly along the Watsonville city line to State Hwy 1, and proceeding northerly along State Hwy 1 to the Watsonville city line, and proceeding northerly along the Watsonville city line to State Hwy 1, and proceeding northerly along State Hwy 1 to the point of beginning.~~

~~2. As well as beginning at the point of intersection of Mount Madonna Rd and the Santa Cruz county line, and proceeding northerly along Mount Madonna Rd to the Santa Cruz county line, and proceeding easterly along the Santa Cruz county line to the point of beginning.~~

~~[Ord. 5278 § 6, 2018; Ord. 5108 § 2, 2011].~~

#### **2.04.060 Fifth Supervisorial District.**

The Fifth Supervisorial District includes all that portion of the County of Santa Cruz hereinafter described:

~~1. Beginning at the point of intersection of nonvisible boundary and Empire Grade, and proceeding northerly along nonvisible boundary to Big Basin Hwy, and proceeding northerly along Big Basin Hwy to nonvisible boundary, and proceeding northerly along nonvisible boundary to China Grade, and proceeding northerly along China Grade to nonvisible boundary, and proceeding northerly along nonvisible boundary to China Grade, and proceeding northerly along China Grade to nonvisible boundary, and proceeding northerly along nonvisible boundary to the Santa Cruz county line, and proceeding easterly along the Santa Cruz county line to Skyline Blvd, and proceeding southerly along Skyline Blvd to unnamed Local road, and proceeding southerly along unnamed Local road to the Santa Cruz county line, and proceeding easterly along the Santa Cruz county line to Skyline Blvd, and proceeding easterly along Skyline Blvd to the Santa Cruz county line, and proceeding southerly along the Santa Cruz county line to Summit Rd, and proceeding southerly along Summit Rd to the Santa Cruz county line, and proceeding southerly along the Santa Cruz county line to Santa Cruz Hwy, and proceeding southerly along Santa Cruz Hwy to nonvisible boundary, and proceeding westerly along~~

nonvisible boundary to unnamed Local road, and proceeding easterly along unnamed Local road to Santa Cruz Hwy, and proceeding southerly along Santa Cruz Hwy to State Hwy 17, and proceeding southerly along State Hwy 17 to Santa Cruz Hwy, and proceeding southerly along Santa Cruz Hwy to the Scotts Valley city line, and proceeding westerly along the Scotts Valley city line to Santa Cruz Hwy, and proceeding southerly along Santa Cruz Hwy to State Hwy 17, and proceeding southerly along State Hwy 17 to Santa Cruz Hwy, and proceeding southerly along Santa Cruz Hwy to the Pasatiempo census designated place line, and proceeding southerly along the Pasatiempo census designated place line to Santa Cruz Hwy, and proceeding southerly along Santa Cruz Hwy to the Pasatiempo census designated place line, and proceeding southerly along the Pasatiempo census designated place line to Santa Cruz Hwy, and proceeding southerly along Santa Cruz Hwy to State Hwy 1, and proceeding easterly along State Hwy 1 to Emeline Ave, and proceeding northerly along Emeline Ave to State Hwy 1, and proceeding easterly along State Hwy 1 to unnamed Ramp, and proceeding southerly along unnamed Ramp to Morrissey Blvd, and proceeding southerly along Morrissey Blvd to Chilverton St, and proceeding westerly along Chilverton St to Poplar Ave, and proceeding southerly along Poplar Ave to Keystone Ave, and proceeding westerly along Keystone Ave to Stanford Ave, and proceeding northerly along Stanford Ave to Chilverton St, and proceeding westerly along Chilverton St to N Branciforte Ave, and proceeding southerly along N Branciforte Ave to Soquel Ave, and proceeding westerly along Soquel Ave to May Ave, and proceeding northerly along May Ave to nonvisible boundary, and proceeding northerly along nonvisible boundary to Branciforte Crk, and proceeding westerly along Branciforte Crk to Ocean St, and proceeding northerly along Ocean St to Water St, and proceeding westerly along Water St to Mission St, and proceeding westerly along Mission St to nonvisible boundary, and proceeding westerly along nonvisible boundary to High St, and proceeding westerly along High St to Storey St, and proceeding southerly along Storey St to nonvisible boundary, and proceeding westerly along nonvisible boundary to Highland Ave, and proceeding westerly along Highland Ave to nonvisible boundary, and proceeding northerly along nonvisible boundary to High St, and proceeding westerly along High St to Glenn Coolidge Dr, and proceeding northerly along Glenn Coolidge Dr to nonvisible boundary, and proceeding northerly along nonvisible boundary to the Santa Cruz city line, and proceeding northerly along the Santa Cruz city line to nonvisible boundary, and proceeding northerly along nonvisible boundary to the Felton census designated place line, and proceeding westerly along the Felton census designated place line to nonvisible boundary, and proceeding northerly along nonvisible boundary to unnamed Local road, and proceeding westerly along unnamed Local road to Altamont Dr, and proceeding westerly along Altamont Dr to unnamed Local road, and proceeding westerly along unnamed Local road to Sylvester Rd, and proceeding westerly along Sylvester Rd to the Bonny Doon/Felton census designated place line, and proceeding northerly along the Bonny Doon/Felton census designated place line to San Lorenzo Ave, and proceeding northerly along San Lorenzo Ave to unnamed Local road, and

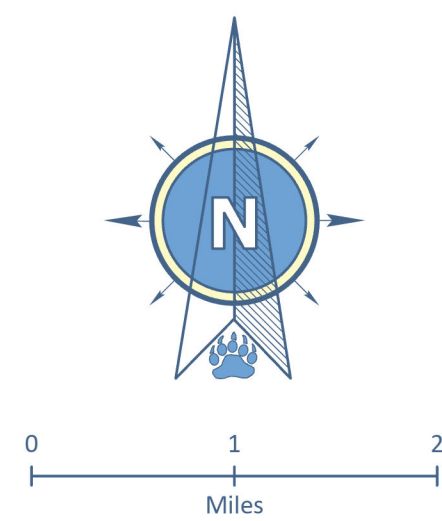
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~~2. As well as beginning at the point of intersection of Pippin Way and Bellflower Way, and proceeding easterly along Pippin Way to the Scotts Valley city line, and proceeding southerly along the Scotts Valley city line to Bellflower Way, and proceeding northerly along Bellflower Way to the point of beginning.~~

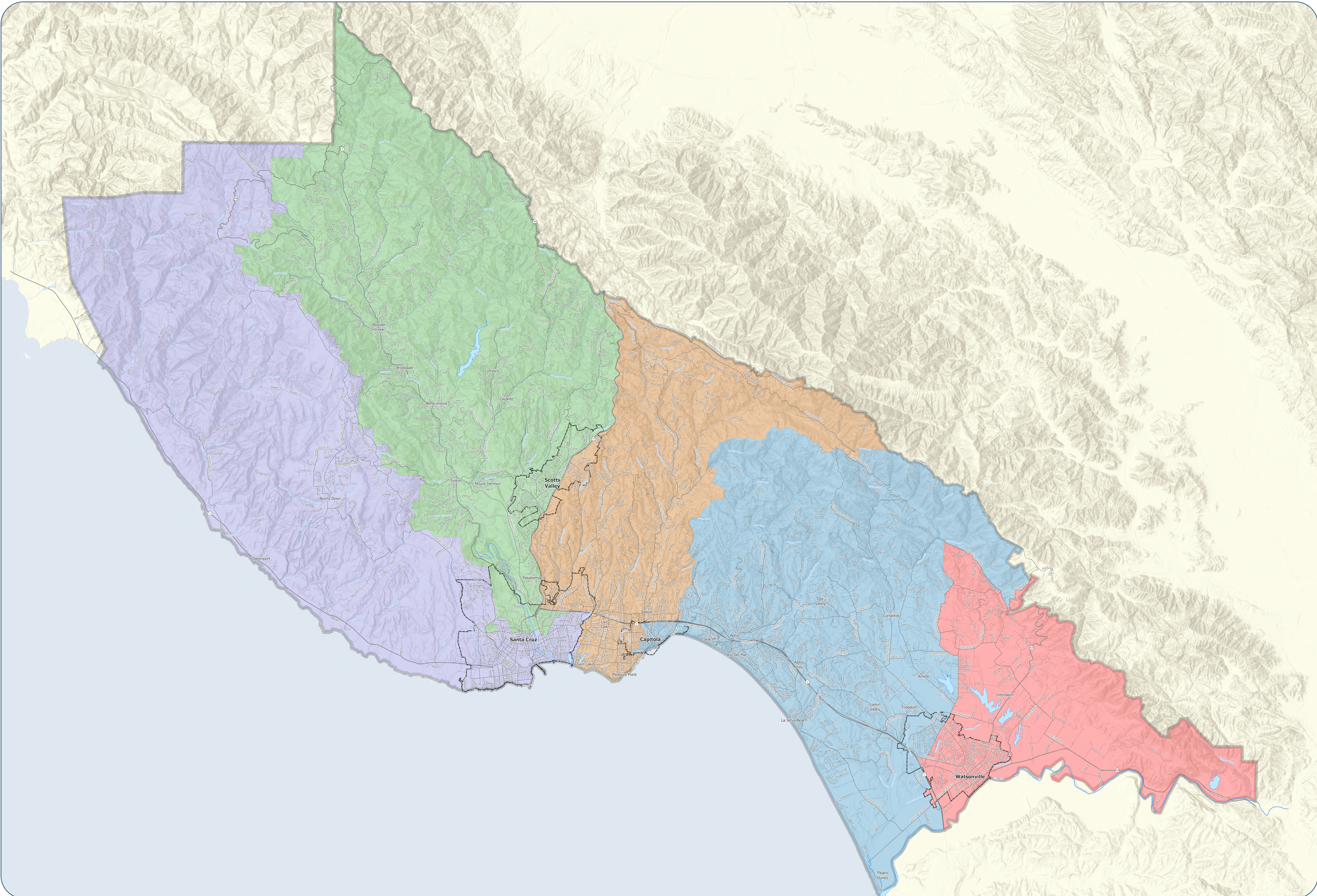
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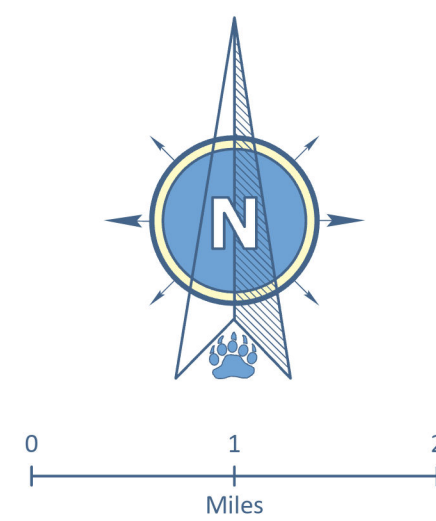


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# Option A: Apple Hill

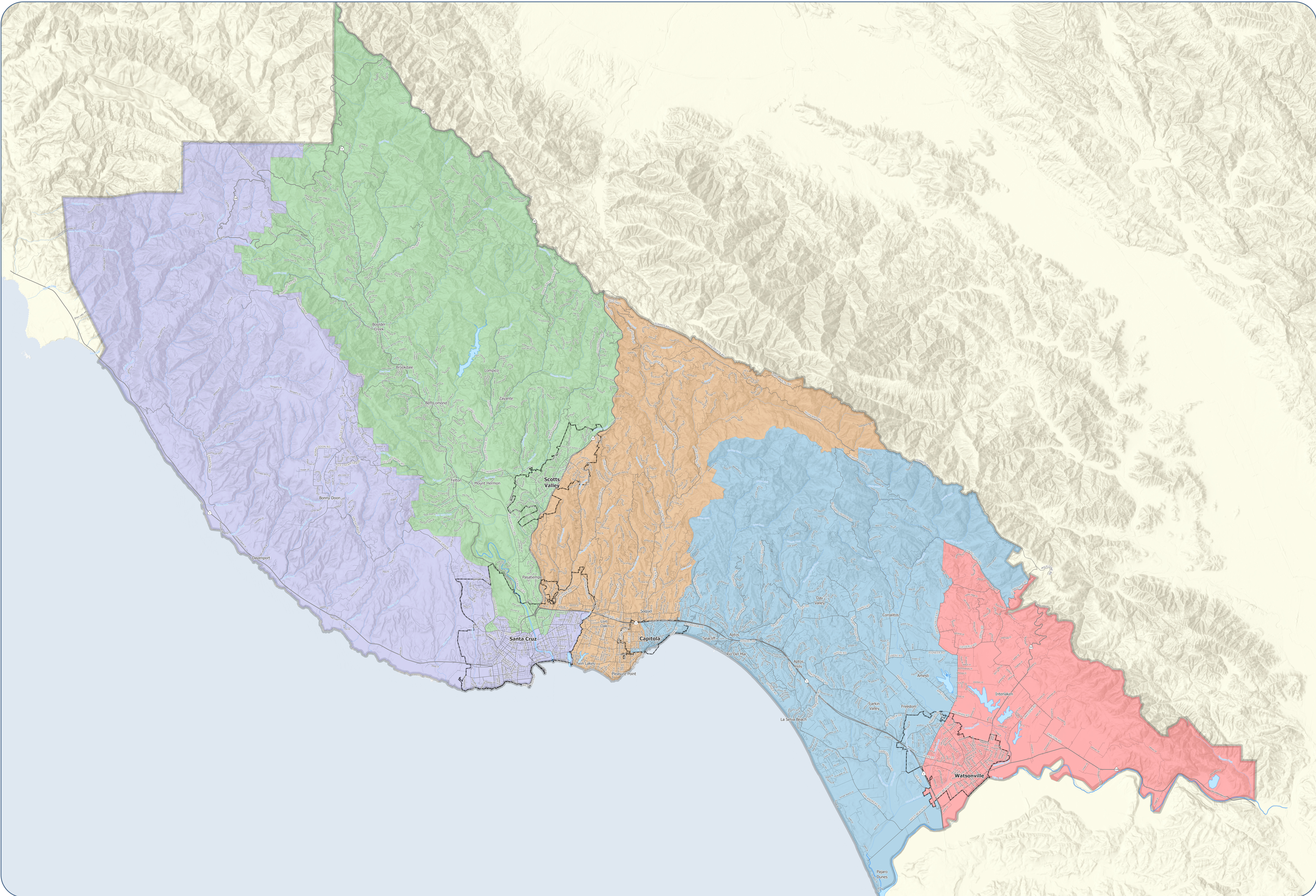




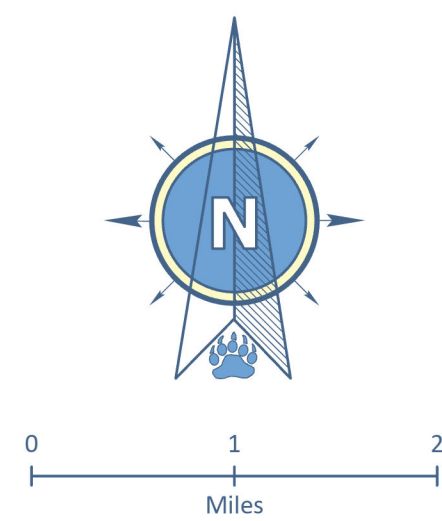


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# Option B: East Harbor

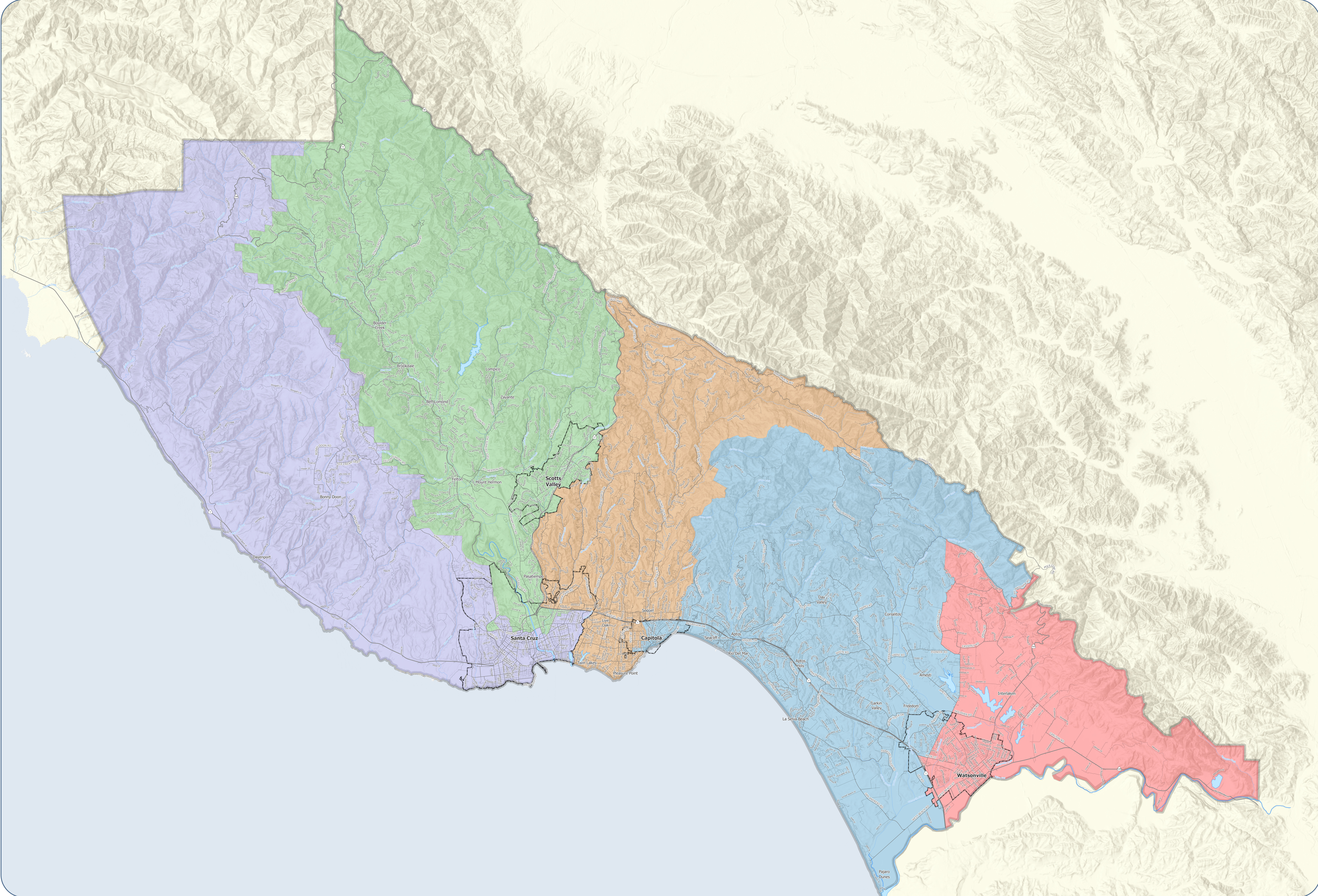




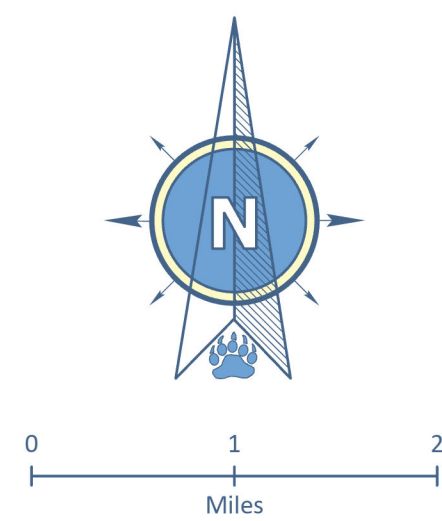


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# Option C: Apple Hill + East Harbor + Scotts Valley

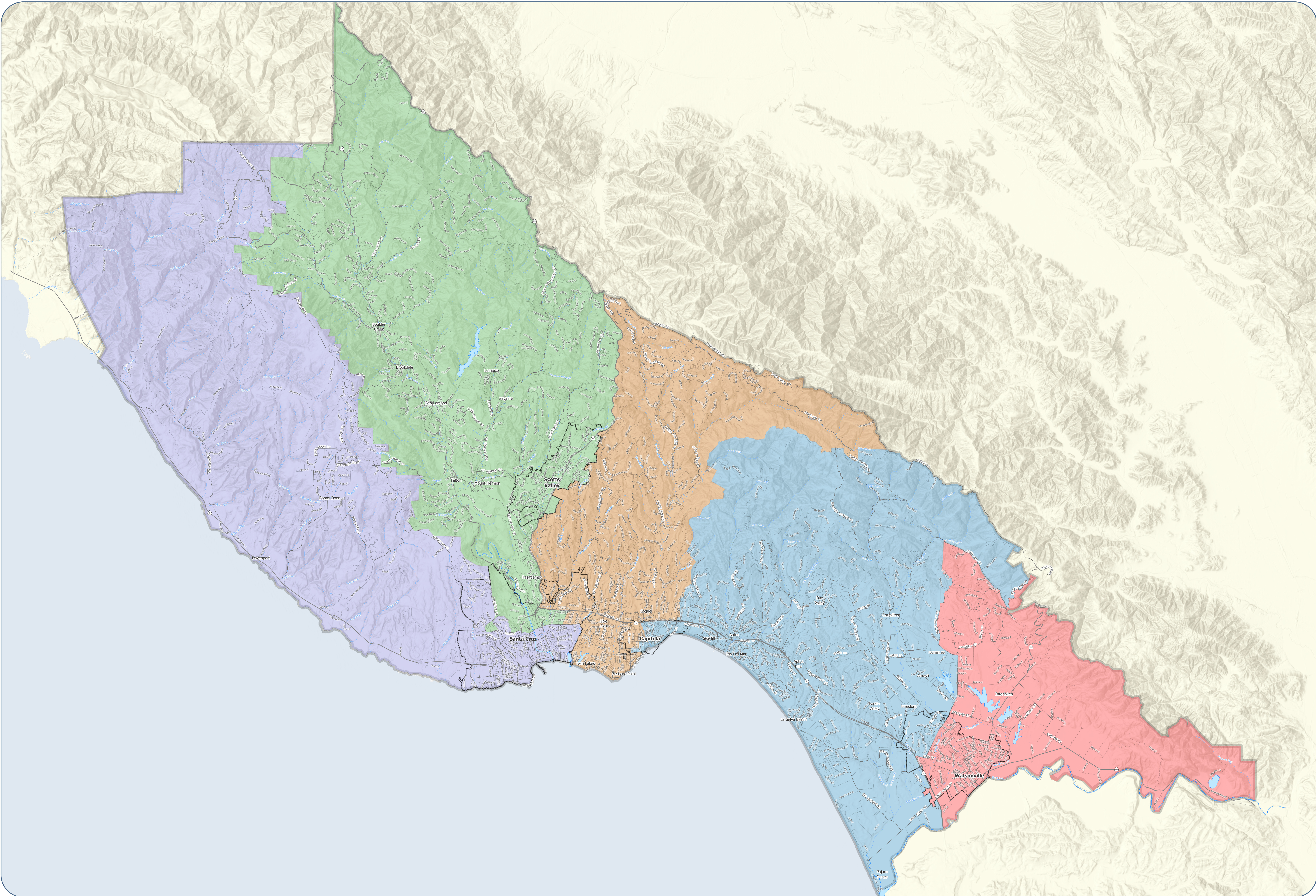






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# Option D: Apple Hill + East Harbor + Derek Timm Plan







# Community of Interest Form

The County's Advisory Redistricting Commission and the Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors want to hear from you! So, we invite you to submit a Community of Interest form as a way of communicating how you want your Community of Interest to be considered in the Redistricting process, which is designed to make each Supervisor's District about equal in population, based on the 2020 Census.

When completed, send this form to:

**Advisory Redistricting Commission, County Administrative Office**

701 Ocean Street  
Santa Cruz CA 95060

*x Capitola should all be in same District*

*f Scotts Valley should be all in same District Aptos*

Name: Becky Stanbruner Address: [Redacted]

Phone: [Redacted] Email: [Redacted]

Your District: 2

Give your community a name: Aptos Hills

**Tell us about your community.** What are your shared interests? What brings you together? What is important to you and your community? What issues matter?

*Rural mountainous areas with narrow roads and similar concerns with wildland fire risk and inherent fire insurance cancellations. County Public Works focuses nearly all revenues on maintaining streets in the urban areas, leaving important rural roads without improvement/maintenance and not replacing critical culverts that are rusted out and collapse. these roads need more attention for public safety/evacuation.*

**Tell us about your place.** Are there nearby areas you want to be with? Are there nearby areas you don't want to be with? Why and why not? What are the streets or major geographic boundaries that physically site your community? Which Supervisor's District is your community in?

*Other similar challenges affect areas of the Summit. I think Supervisorial lines should follow geographical features, rather than random lines accommodating population centers.*

**More about your story.** Is there anything else you can tell us about your community?

*We have no voice because more of the votes for the Supervisor come from the more densely populated areas. So, they get all the attention and the resources. We have ~~no~~ few town hall meetings on rural issues. Re-drawing lines would help give everyone fair representation.*



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Which County Supervisor District do you live in? :

Give Your Community A Name: [Bonny Doon](#)

Tell Us About Your Community : Rural issues. We are lumped in with City issues. The rural areas are broken up amongst the districts and have no cohesive voice. Outnumbered at all times by the city populations

Tell Us About Your Place : The rest of the unincorporated area so that we have a dedicated supervisor

More About Your Story : I am not good at maps. Just include County Fire area and all the Valley fire districts. We need someone to actually listen to the rural issues. We could start with effective fire protection that does not abandon us to protect our homes and then get retaliation for it later.



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Which County Supervisor District do you live in? : District 5 (Supervisor McPherson)

Give Your Community A Name: [Santa Cruz Mountain Communities](#)

Tell Us About Your Community : Shared interest in mountain living, independence, unique art & culture, education, and wildlife.

Tell Us About Your Place : Hello, I am a resident of district 5. I strongly support:  
Adding the communities of UCSC and Bonny Doon to District Five to balance the populations of Districts 3 & 5. These are similar mountain communities with similar interests and needs.

Suggestions to include Scotts Valley in our mountain District does not match our people, community, and values.

Scotts Valley has a full city government, national fast-food chains, large retailers, massive new building projects, apartments, condos, etc. not consistent with our people, community, and values.

Thank you

More About Your Story :



**From:** [Stephanie Cabrera](#)  
**To:** [Elissa Benson](#); [Rita Sanchez](#); [Susan Pearlman](#); [Ruby Marquez](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Inequitable Consideration of My Maps and Documents Submitted for November 9, 2021 Redistricting Public Hearing Before Your Board  
**Date:** Wednesday, November 10, 2021 1:45:46 PM

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Please see email below.

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**From:** Becky Steinbruner  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 10, 2021 1:38 PM

**Subject:** Inequitable Consideration of My Maps and Documents Submitted for November 9, 2021 Redistricting Public Hearing Before Your Board

**\*\*\*CAUTION:** This is an EXTERNAL email. Exercise caution. DO NOT open attachments or click links from unknown senders or unexpected email.\*\*\*

Dear Board of Supervisors,

I want to protest the inequitable consideration your Board dealt my maps and documents yesterday that were timely submitted for your public consideration regarding Item #11 Public Hearing for County Redistricting.

Your Board must give equal consideration to all maps and documents submitted to you for consideration in the County Redistricting process, no matter what form they are submitted. During yesterday's public hearing in Item #11, your Board failed to discuss the merits of the maps I had submitted (Attachment 3A) and provided no reasonable discussion of why you would not consider them. Your Board also failed to recognize or discuss the reasons that I explained in my letter (included in Attachment 3A) why I had submitted my proposed maps in paper copy, or the difficulty in printing a paper copy of the District maps from the County's Redistricting website.

In essence, I feel that your Board completely ignored the material I submitted for consideration.

While I am glad that your Board paid attention to the controversial issue of the existing lines that divide the City of Scotts Valley, I feel that you gave inequitable attention and focus on the maps submitted by the Mr. Derek Timm, the Mayor of Scotts Valley, and were willing to work diligently with County Counsel to craft them into a form that would not require your Board scheduling an additional Public Hearing later this month.

Also, in my public testimony during the Item #11 Public Hearing, I stated that I had submitted documents in person at the conclusion of your October 26, 2021 Special Board Meeting regarding the County's Redistricting process. As I was leaving that meeting, I handed the paper copy of the Public Comment on Communities of Interest to the Clerk of the Board, who assured me she would make sure you received it. However, that document was NOT in the November 9 Board agenda packet with other public comments received after your October 26 hearing (Attachments 2 and 4) .

[http://santacruzcountyca.iqm2.com/Citizens/Detail\\_LegiFile.aspx?Frame=&MeetingID=1884&MediaPosition=6178.991&ID=11546&CssClass=](http://santacruzcountyca.iqm2.com/Citizens/Detail_LegiFile.aspx?Frame=&MeetingID=1884&MediaPosition=6178.991&ID=11546&CssClass=)

I stated this in my testimony to you yesterday, in person, but none of you bothered to ask staff about my



missing document.

You also failed to address the other public comments and correspondence submitted to you that were included in your Board packet in Attachments 2 and 4.

Your Board needs to lend equal consideration to all ideas, plans, maps and comments submitted to you by all members of the public, in person, electronically, or in paper copy. Otherwise, you are acting with an abuse of discretion and are liable for legal actions from disenfranchised members of the public that you choose to ignore.

Please respond.

Thank you.

Sincerely,  
Becky Steinbruner



**From:** [Gary Redenbacher](#)  
**To:** [Fifth District](#)  
**Cc:** [Derek Timm](#); [Redistricting2021](#) Scotts Valley redistricting  
**Subject:** Wednesday, November 10, 2021 12:03:38 PM  
**Date:** [Redistricting Mysteries v.2.docx](#)  
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Mr. McPherson,

For many years, I was a legal columnist for the Press Banner. Ten years ago I wrote an article on legal concerns with the redistricting of Scotts Valley. When I noticed that Derek Timm had commented on the upcoming redistricting, I dug out my old article and sent it to him. He suggested I share it with you.

For what it's worth.

Gary Redenbacher

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## Redistricting Mysteries

Surely all who read our weekly epistle have seen the articles about redistricting. The supervisors recently voted to adopt the plan that splits Scotts Valley along Highway 17 into two supervisorial districts. Those living east of Highway 17 within the city limits moved from the 5<sup>th</sup> supervisorial district to the 1<sup>st</sup> supervisorial district. There has been much speculation about why this plan was proposed. At present, the reasons remain shrouded in mystery.

The long arm of the law shoves its fingers into redistricting on several levels. First, the Elections Code requires that supervisorial districts be adjusted every ten years to assure approximately equal populations in each district. The courts say that it needn't be exact and a case from Santa Clara County, which has five districts like Santa Cruz County, holds that as long as each district has between 17% and 23% of the population, the legal requirement of "equal population" is met. Federal Law also requires that districts be formed so that sufficiently large minority populations not be split.

After equal population, state law imposes secondary considerations: (a) topography, (b) geography, (c) cohesiveness, contiguity, integrity, and compactness of territory, and (d) Community of Interests. Finally, our supervisors imposed the following requirements:

1. To the extent possible, the current district boundaries will be preserved.
2. The public will have all the opportunities provided by law to participate in the redistricting process and provide input to the Board.
3. Communities of Interest will be preserved to the extent possible.
4. Each Supervisor will have the opportunity to suggest changes to his or her district's boundaries to the extent such changes are necessary before the public hearings to be held on the redistricting plan.

Although I live outside Scotts Valley city limits and don't have a dog in this fight, the brouhaha intrigued me. With the legal guidelines in mind, I set out to find the reasoning for the split. Surely our stalwart leaders would adhere to the law. Was it based on population? Perhaps, maintaining COI's? Topography?

I first assumed the move was to accommodate the primary requisite of equal representation. But upon review, this does not withstand scrutiny. If the task force had left the city of Scotts Valley whole, 2,028 people living within Scotts Valley city limits on the east side of Highway 17 would have remained in District 5 and the resulting populations would have been close to identical: 51,116 for District 1, John Leopold's district, and 51,258 for District 5, Mark Stone's district. Although the adopted plan meets court mandated guidelines, it results in a greater population disparity than if Scotts Valley was left whole with 49,230 people in District 5 and 53,144 in District 1. So, apparently, equalizing population wasn't the reason for splitting Scotts Valley. (The target population of each district is 52,476, so if Scotts Valley was left whole, District 1 would move a bit further from the target while District 5 would move significantly closer to the target.)

I then searched for the next most logical possibility: maintaining COI's. A COI is "a contiguous population which shares common social and economic interest that should be included within a single district for purposes of its effective and fair representation." I could not, however, find in any of the staff reports any COI that the split sought to preserve. And unless one considers Highway 17 a part of geography, there was no mention of any of the other criteria. The reports merely state that county counsel believes that the "proposed boundaries respect the representation of communities of interest" with no basis cited to support this opinion.



Curiously, the only reason I could find in the staff reports for splitting Scotts Valley is the task force's opinion that the city is better represented by two supervisors. Unfortunately, such reasoning is in direct conflict with the legal criterion that COI's be represented in a single district wherever possible.

People should have factual bases for their decisions, especially if those decisions go against the criteria mandated by law. Without any further explanation, it appears that the supervisors approved the Scotts Valley split in violation of at least two of the very criteria they adopted – preserving present boundaries and COI's.

As with most decisions, if a reason isn't apparent, people become suspicious. It shouldn't surprise our supervisors that rumors of a political decision have surfaced. Some time back I wrote about the Public Records Act. It is one of the tools we, the public, have to assure our elected officials act in our best interests. I am informed that a Public Records Request has been submitted for all information regarding the redistricting decision so we may yet discover the reason for this split. As of this date, the public reports to the supervisors reveal no substantive reason how the Scotts Valley split comports with the criteria established by law.



**From:** [Jayme Ackemann](#)  
**To:** [Redistricting2021](#); [COB Staff](#); [JM Brown](#); [Bruce McPherson](#)  
**Subject:** Redistricting District 5 Impacts  
**Date:** Wednesday, November 10, 2021 2:50:21 PM

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I am writing to oppose the plan set forth by Scotts Valley Mayor Timm to consolidate the city of Scotts Valley into District 5 for personal benefit. As a resident of the neighborhood he is asking be redistricted his proposal seeks not to benefit all of Scotts Valley- nor all of District Five- but to move his own community (and impact a number of others) solely for personal gain.

San Lorenzo Valley residents do not share a community of interest with these Scotts Valley residents. They are not struggling to recover from the impacts of the CZU fire and they do not have the same kinds of geographic challenges related to power outages, potential debris flows, and similar conditions for which our community must prepare. If the boundaries are to be changed, SLV should be joined with our rural neighbors to the north and west.

I understand that the Redistricting Commission carefully considered these proposals and recommended **no changes** to District 5 due in part to the short timeline for residents to consider any revisions and the difficulties that would result for CZU fire victims.

I object to the Board of Supervisors proposing this major change at the very end of a lengthy process, ignoring its own Advisory Commission's recommendations, and limiting the opportunity for public input.

All of the cities in Santa Cruz County are currently split between at least two supervisory districts (Santa Cruz City is split into three districts). Why is the board considering consolidating Scotts Valley into a single district but not the other three cities?

The Board's action suggests political insider dealing and a lack of transparency. Mayor Timm and the Board should disclose that his proposal would move his residence to District 5, making him eligible to run for District 5 Supervisor.

Finally, in seeking to move this neighborhood, Supervisors Friend and Koenig repeatedly cite the 4 comments in favor of this move by Scotts Valley residents as the basis for this need but fail to consider the four comments by SLV residents opposing such a move. Are our concerns not weighted as heavily as those offered by Scotts Valley residents? It's clear Supervisors Friend and Koenig are willing to ignore everyone who doesn't agree with them - redistricting commissioners, residents, etc.

Sincerely,  
Jayme Ackemann  
San Lorenzo Valley Water District Director  
Ben Lomond



I am writing to oppose the plan set forth by Scotts Valley Mayor Timm to consolidate the city of Scotts Valley into District 5.

San Lorenzo Valley residents do not share a community of interest with Scotts Valley residents. If the boundaries are to be changed, SLV should be joined with our rural neighbors to the north and west. Just this year, there was an effort by SLV Water District Manager Rick Rogers to consider consolidation with Scotts Valley Water District, and the residents of both areas were strongly against this action. That's because, even though we are only a few miles apart, we are dramatically different regions. There is no way that Scotts Valley residents would approve of combining their populace into our district, any more than we would welcome their imposition.

I understand that the Redistricting Commission carefully considered these proposals and recommended no changes to District 5 due in part to the short timeline for residents to consider any revisions and the difficulties that would result for CZU fire victims.

I object to the Board of Supervisors proposing this major change at the very end of a lengthy process, ignoring its own Advisory Commission's recommendations, and limiting the opportunity for public input. This was a back door move that will codify personal requests made according to political ambitions.

All of the cities in Santa Cruz County are currently split between at least two supervisory districts (Santa Cruz City is split into three districts). Why is the board considering consolidating Scotts Valley into a single district but not the other three cities?

The Board's action suggests political insider dealing and a lack of transparency. Mayor Timm and the Board should disclose that his proposal would move his residence to District 5, making him eligible to run for District 5 Supervisor.

~Christina Wise  
Felton resident



**From:** [Jason Hawes](#)  
**To:** [Bruce McPherson](#)  
**Cc:** [Redistricting2021](#)  
**Subject:** Unite Scotts Valley back into the 5th District  
**Date:** Thursday, November 11, 2021 9:21:11 AM

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Mr. McPherson,

As a resident, property owner and voter in Scotts Valley for twenty years now, I am requesting that Scotts Valley is made whole by putting all of the city, including the section east of Highway 17, back into the 5<sup>th</sup> supervisorial district. I do appreciate any assistance you can provide in this matter.

Sincerely,

Willaim Hawes

[REDACTED]  
Scotts Valley, CA 95066  
[REDACTED]



**From:** [Terri Hawes](#)  
**To:** [Bruce McPherson](#)  
**Cc:** [Redistricting2021](#)  
**Subject:** Unite Scotts Valley back into the 5th District  
**Date:** Thursday, November 11, 2021 9:36:00 AM

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Mr. McPherson,

We live in the North East portion of Scotts Valley and endorse the redistricting effort to align all of Scotts Valley into district 5.

Thank you for your service.

Terri Hawes

[REDACTED]  
Scotts Valley, CA 95066  
[REDACTED]



**From:** [jsherman](#)  
**To:** [Redistricting2021](#)  
**Subject:** Opposition to consolidation of Scotts Valley into District 5  
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Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors,

I am writing in opposition to the plan proposed by Scotts Valley Mayor Timm to consolidate the city of Scotts Valley into District 5. Scotts Valley residents and San Lorenzo Valley residents do not share a community of interest, specifically because of the rural nature of the San Lorenzo Valley.

It is my understanding that the board appointed Redistricting Commission recommended no changes to District 5 (and other districts in the county) mainly due to the impact on CZU fire victims in the SLV. In addition, life styles and basic needs are vastly different in Scotts Valley and the SLV, as well as attitudes towards growth and development. It makes no sense to make this change.

It seems that this proposal has come at the last minute in order to serve the needs of one individual, Mayor Timm. There is little time for residents to provide input. Please reject this proposal to consolidate Scotts Valley into District 5.

Thank you  
Judi Sherman

  
Ben Lomond, CA 95005



**From:** [Alan Linzer](#)  
**To:** [Redistricting2021](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Redistricting proposal  
**Date:** Thursday, November 11, 2021 10:38:12 PM

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RE: Proposed change in District boundaries.

I oppose the plan set forth by Scotts Valley Mayor Timm to consolidate the city of Scotts Valley into District 5. I don't think San Lorenzo Valley residents share a community of interest with Scotts Valley residents. It is my understanding that the Redistricting Commission carefully considered these proposals and recommended no changes to District 5 for a number of reasons and I support their conclusion.

I object to the Board of Supervisors proposing this major change at the very end of a lengthy process, ignoring its own Advisory Commission's recommendations, and limiting the opportunity for public input. All of the cities in Santa Cruz County are currently split between at least two supervisory districts (Santa Cruz City is split into three districts). It doesn't make sense to consolidate Scotts Valley and not the other cities in the county.

Is it possible that Mayor Timm has an ulterior motive? Why did he submit his proposal on Scotts Valley stationery, yet say this was a personal request? Why were Board members so quick to act on his proposal? Too many questions raised, with not enough evidence that this move is in the best interests of everyone in the community.

Please do not make any changes in District boundaries at this time.

Thank you,

Alan Linzer

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**From:** [scbreeze](#)  
**To:** [Bruce McPherson](#)  
**Cc:** [Redistricting2021](#)  
**Subject:** In support of unifying Scotts Valley in the 5th District  
**Date:** Friday, November 12, 2021 8:32:19 AM

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Dear Supervisor McPherson,

I'm writing to voice my support for bringing Scotts Valley back together into the 5<sup>th</sup> Supervisorial District of Santa Cruz County.

I was stunned when the city was split in two years ago, and am now hopeful that this wrong can now be righted with the current redistricting effort.

The City of Scotts Valley is clearly a unified Community of Interest and needs to be represented as such in one Supervisorial District. One side of highway 17 is served by the same fire, water, police, and school district as the other. Why on earth should they be in separate supervisorial districts? It makes no sense.

Our voters deserve to have the right to have their needs and voting power recognized in one unified community of interest, represented by one Supervisorial District.

Please work with your peers and the Redistricting Committee to bring Scotts Valley back together under one Supervisorial District.

Thank You,  
Roger Snyder  
Board Trustee, Scotts Valley Unified School District



**From:** [larry darnell](#)  
**To:** [Redistricting2021](#)  
**Subject:** district 5 and scotts valley  
**Date:** Friday, November 12, 2021 9:17:41 AM

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to whom it may concern,

I am writing to oppose the plan set forth by Scotts Valley Mayor Timm to consolidate the city of Scotts Valley into District 5.

San Lorenzo Valley residents do not share a community of interest with Scotts Valley residents.

I understand that the Redistricting Commission carefully considered these proposals and recommended no changes to District 5 due in part to the short timeline for residents to consider any revisions and the difficulties that would result for CZU fire victims.

Since little has changed in terms of population, the Commission recommended to leave things as they are, and as we all secretly know Scotts Valley and SLV are not kissin' cousins, this is a great opportunity to leave things as they are for our benefit, but not the interest of Mr. Timm.

Cordially  
Larry Darnell



Felton CA



**From:** [Barbara Sprenger](#)  
**To:** [Redistricting2021](#)  
**Subject:** Redistricting: Objection to moving portion of Scotts Valley into District 5  
**Date:** Friday, November 12, 2021 12:17:23 PM

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Dear People:

The Redistricting Commission has spent months reviewing maps, taking testimony, meeting and planning in order to deliver a thoughtful proposal to the County Board of Supervisors. After all of this work, they recommended keeping the district boundaries as they are now. Their reasons were clear and understandable — and correct — to the community as a whole:

- The existing boundaries met the requirement that populations had not changed more than 5%.
- Because of the pandemic, there was not sufficient time (or reason) to change the boundaries.
- All of the cities in the county are represented by 2 supervisors, and there hasn't been sufficient discussion (or any good reason) to change this.

Now, after all this work has been completed, and at the last minute, there is a recommendation out of the blue by the mayor of Scotts Valley to move the eastern portion of Scotts Valley into District 5. This appears to be political insider dealing and is a very bad idea, in part for the following reasons:

- All of the other cities in the county are represented by two supervisors. What valid reason is there to have one city — Scotts Valley — treated differently?
- This proposal did not go through the vetting process of review by the Redistricting Commission. It's very bad policy to ignore the commission and its recommendations. What possible reason is there for doing so?
- This recommendation came from the mayor of Scotts Valley, and moves his residence into District 5. This appears to be the only reason — and no reason has been stated — for the change, a move that would allow him to run for supervisor in a district that he currently is outside of.
- District 5 consists primarily of the San Lorenzo Valley. This is a rural district with very special interests and needs. Scotts Valley, as a city, does not fit in the definition of a shared community of interest and is best represented according to current policy.

Please accept the recommendation of the Redistricting Commission and continue the good governance policies of Santa Cruz County.

Sincerely,

**Barbara Sprenger**



**From:** [Jeanette Guire](#)  
**To:** [Bruce McPherson](#); [Ryan Coonerty](#); [Greg Caput](#); [Zach Friend](#); [Manu Koenig](#); [Redistricting2021](#); [COB Staff](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Redistricting  
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Good afternoon.

Having a hard time with the logic that SLV and Bonny Doon are not similar and should be together in one district. Scotts Valley has no inkling of the situations that arise in SLV.

I urge the Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors to disregard the obvious power grab by political aspirants in Scotts Valley and by those who have little interest in the health and welfare of the San Lorenzo Valley as we recover from the pandemic and the wildfires. Our decidedly rural community, already reeling, would be further damaged by the one-sided incursion proposed by the Scotts Valley Mayor who has no connection to, or understanding of, the San Lorenzo Valley.

His Board aspirations aside, it is just common sense to see the bigger picture for the rest of the County. Please do not vote this redistricting in. If your Redistrict Committee did not recommend the change, why go over their heads.

Thank you,

Jeanette Guire



**From:** [Robert Hull](#)  
**To:** [Redistricting2021](#)  
**Subject:** Scotts valley  
**Date:** Friday, November 12, 2021 4:27:26 PM

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I support Derek Timm's recommendation to unify Scotts Valley during redistricting.

Robert Hull  
Scotts Valley



**From:** [Nancy Gerdt](#)  
**To:** [Redistricting2021](#)  
**Subject:** Letter regarding change request by SV  
**Date:** Friday, November 12, 2021 6:41:07 PM

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November 12, 2021

To Whom it May Concern:

Like many county residents, I have been aware of the redistricting process happening these last several months and have read articles and summaries. I was pleased to see that the 5<sup>th</sup> district where I live, was proposed by commissioners to remain relatively unchanged. This seemed like a prudent recommendation given the upheavals of the past two years. I was shocked to read in the Sentinel that a last-minute change was being proposed by SV Mayor Timm. I oppose the plan for several reasons.

1. San Lorenzo Valley residents do not share a community of interest with Scotts Valley residents. When I served for 8 years on the Library Joint Powers Board (cities and unincorporated members), I witnessed the overreaching power of cities. We live in a unique county that boasts an unincorporated population (142K) that is greater than all 4 cities combined (134). While SLV residents were working to bring a modern library to Felton, I often found SC city and SV opposing the idea. Cities have a separate governing body and often separate goals than the County. Not surprisingly, the goals of cities and the unincorporated areas are sometimes at odds. Therefore, I feel that no city government should be exclusively in one supervisor's district. If anything, SLV should take on more population to the west including Bonny Doon and Davenport.
2. San Lorenzo Valley residents share a community of interest with the rest of the rural region of north county that includes Bonny Doon and the north coast, not with Scotts Valley. I've been grateful to the citizens who stepped up to sift through the large number of reports and data. This took months and was open to the public. After many meetings, recommendations were made and seemingly accepted at the first of three BOS meetings. The Sentinel article reporting on the last-minute proposal by SV was inappropriately timed and had a whiff of backroom dealing between supervisors. The time to speak out was months ago.
3. Recovery for the CZU fire areas will take years and laser focus by the 5<sup>th</sup> District Supervisor. Changing the district now to include the full power of an incorporated city with its own separate set of ambitions and goals will not be advantageous to recovery and could serve to dilute the recovery of the unincorporated areas of the 5<sup>th</sup> District.

Sincerely,  
Nancy Gerdt  
Felton resident



**From:** [Robert Alarcon](#)  
**To:** [Redistricting2021](#)  
**Subject:** Objection to the Consolidation of Scotts Valley into District 5  
**Date:** Friday, November 12, 2021 9:17:31 PM

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I am writing to you as many of my neighbors are to communicate my opposition to the plan proposed by the current Scotts Valley Mayor Timm to consolidate the city of Scotts Valley into District 5.

As a 35+ year resident of the San Lorenzo Valley I know for a fact that SLV does not share a community of interest with Scotts Valley residents. The areas are as different as night and day. If the boundaries are to be changed, then SLV should be joined in a natural fit with our rural neighbors to the north and west. These too are rural communities. I offer as clear evidence that SV & SLV are not a community of shared interests, that when SV had the chance to create one big high school with the residents of the San Lorenzo Valley the residents of SV voted to create their own High School instead. Also of note is the refusal of SV to accept a Landfill site, where does SV think their garbage should go, to the SLV forever???

I understand that the Redistricting Commission carefully considered these proposals and their recommendation is that no changes every made to District 5. Based partially on the limited time available for residents to consider any revisions.

I object to the Board of Supervisors proposing this major change at the very end of a lengthy process. I object to the BoS ignoring its own Advisory Commission's recommendations, and I object to limiting the opportunity for public input. This is outrageous.

All of the cities in Santa Cruz County are currently split between at least two supervisory districts (Santa Cruz City is split into three



districts). So that leads to the questions of What is the driver for this? Does SV's wants/needs carry more weight than SLV's? And, if it's so important for a "city" to be all in one district then one has to ask, Why is the Board considering consolidating Scotts Valley into a single district but not any of the other cities?

The Board's action on this matter strongly suggests political insider dealing and demonstrates a lack of effort to create transparency. Mayor Timm and the Board should immediately disclose that Mayor Timm's proposal would personally benefit him as it would move his residence into District 5, making him eligible to run for District 5 Supervisor. Which one could imagine would set him up to run for Supervisor whenever Supervisor Mcpherson decides to step down, suspicious people might assume that time to be eminent or at the least in the works.

Make no changes to District 5, unless it is to add other rural communities to the West and North of SLV.

Concerned resident, voter, citizen of the San Lorenzo Valley,  
Bob Alarcon



**From:** [Glenn Glazer](#)  
**To:** [Susan Pearlman](#)  
**Cc:** [Rita Sanchez](#); [Ruby Marquez](#); [Elissa Benson](#); [Matt Price](#); [Jennifer Gomez](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Can't Submit  
**Date:** Saturday, November 13, 2021 10:37:45 AM  
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Greetings, Ms. Pearlman and thanks for getting back to me.

Please find a screenshot of my map attached.

My commentary is this:

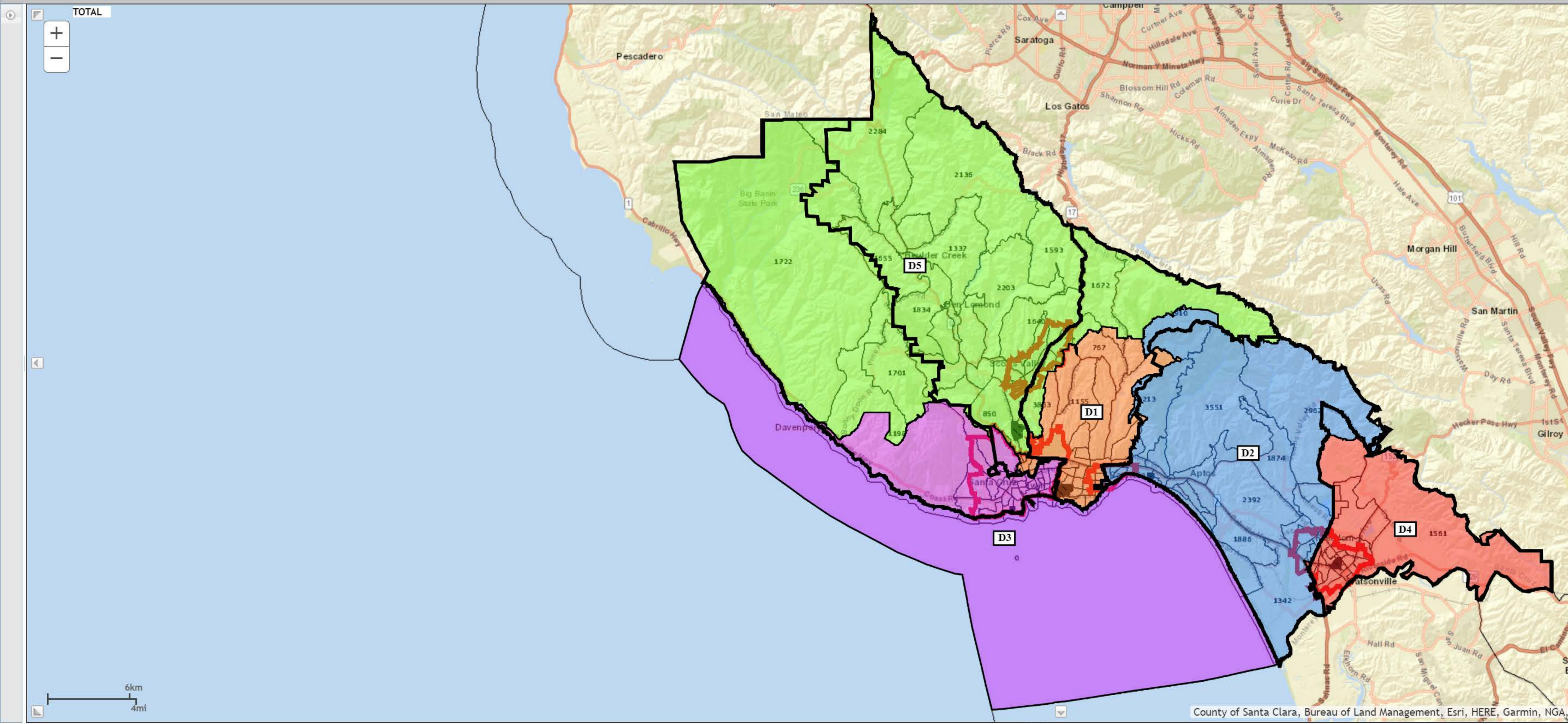
"One of the primary reasons for redistricting is to keep communities of interest from being gerrymandered into multiple districts, thus diluting their vote. Currently, the northern rural areas of the county are gerrymandered into three separate districts. This brings them back together again in a single, rural District 5. In order to balance the incoming population, urban areas of what is currently District 5 were given back to more urban districts, primarily the areas east and west of River in the current District 5 were given to District 1. The population and geography of District 1 areas are already urban and thus the River adjacent areas are much more like Highway 1 adjacent neighborhoods, than say Bonny Doon, SLV or Castle Rock.

In this proposal District 4 remains unchanged and the balancing work shows that Districts 2 and 3 have exactly equal population, just five people less than District 5, six more than District 1 and a scant 113 people less than District 4. The numbers are effectively equal and that is another goal of redistricting to ensure fair representation."

Best,

Glenn





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District 5		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	54,257	-13	-0.02	6,127	41,637	287	169	1,990	59	446	3,542



**From:** [Peter Gelblum](#)  
**To:** [Redistricting2021](#)  
**Subject:** Objection to late proposal to incorporate more of Scotts Valley into District 5  
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Dear Supervisors:

I am writing to oppose the last-minute redistricting plan proposed by Scotts Valley Mayor Timm and Supervisor Friend to consolidate the city of Scotts Valley into the Fifth District.

I understand that the Redistricting Commission recommended no changes to District 5 partly because of the extraordinarily short time (one month instead of the normal eight to ten months) they and the public had to consider changes in the district lines. Why is the BOS considering this change at the last minute, against the recommendations of the Advisory Commission, with extremely limited opportunity for public input? Are you aware that this proposal would move Mr. Timm's home into the Fifth District?

I live in Boulder Creek. Although I travel to Scotts Valley for some entertainment, eating, and shopping, I don't feel that San Lorenzo Valley residents share "a community of interest" with Scotts Valley residents. Scotts Valley feels like a very different place than SLV, filled with shopping malls, parking lots, manufactured home communities, wide boulevards, and a lot of traffic - very little of which exists in SLV. Most of it is and feels suburban, while SLV is and feels much more rural. Scotts Valley was untouched by the CZU Fire, but SLV was devastated. For that and many other reasons, SLV has a lot more in common with our neighbors in Bonny Doon and the North Coast.

Thank you for your consideration,  
Peter Gelblum

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Boulder Creek 95006



**From:** [Mary Hagler](#)  
**To:** [Bruce McPherson](#); [Ryan Coonerty](#); [Greg Caput](#); [Zach Friend](#); [Manu Koenig](#); [Redistricting2021](#); [COB Staff](#)  
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The recommendation from the study evaluating redistricting was to leave it alone. So?

“We urge the Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors to disregard the obvious power grab by political aspirants in Scotts Valley and by those who have little interest in the health and welfare of the San Lorenzo Valley as we recover from the pandemic and the wildfires. Our decidedly rural community, already reeling, would be further damaged by the one-sided incursion proposed by the Scotts Valley Mayor who has no connection to, or understanding of, the San Lorenzo Valley.”

I am a homeowner in Felton/Lompico since 1995 and I vote.

Dr. Mary Hagler

to the Board of Supervisors at:

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Dear Santa Cruz County Redistricting Staff,

After the November 9, 2021 Redistricting Public Hearing before the Board of Supervisors, I sent the e-mail copied below to the Board to express my frustration with their disregard of public input. My letter has not been included in public correspondence for the November 16 Board Public Hearing agenda materials.

I am sending it now to your Commission, and hope that it will be added to the Item #10 agenda packet for what could be the final action the Board may take on drawing the Supervisorial District boundary lines. The Board has ignored public input and should be held accountable.

Thank you in advance for your response.

Sincerely,  
Becky Steinbruner  
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Dear Board of Supervisors,

I want to protest the inequitable consideration your Board dealt my maps and documents yesterday that were timely submitted for your public consideration regarding Item #11 Public Hearing for County Redistricting.

Your Board must give equal consideration to all maps and documents submitted to you for consideration in the County Redistricting process, no matter what form they are submitted. During yesterday's public hearing in Item #11, your Board failed to discuss the merits of the maps I had submitted (Attachment 3A) and provided no reasonable discussion of why you would not consider them. Your Board also failed to recognize or discuss the reasons that I explained in my letter (included in Attachment 3A) why I had submitted my proposed maps in paper copy, or the difficulty in printing a paper copy of the District maps from the County's Redistricting website.

In essence, I feel that your Board completely ignored the material I submitted for consideration.

While I am glad that your Board paid attention to the controversial issue of the existing lines that divide the City of Scotts Valley, I feel that you gave inequitable attention and focus on the maps submitted by the Mr. Derek Timm, the Mayor of Scotts Valley, and were willing to work diligently with County Counsel to craft them into a form that would not require your Board scheduling an additional Public Hearing later this month.

Also, in my public testimony during the Item #11 Public Hearing, I stated that I had submitted documents in person at the conclusion of your October 26, 2021 Special Board Meeting regarding the County's Redistricting process. As I was leaving that meeting, I handed the paper copy of the Public Comment on Communities of Interest to the Clerk of the Board, who assured



me she would make sure you received it. However, that document was NOT in the November 9 Board agenda packet with other public comments received after your October 26 hearing (Attachments 2 and 4) .

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I stated this in my testimony to you yesterday, in person, but none of you bothered to ask staff about my missing document.

You also failed to address the other public comments and correspondence submitted to you that were included in your Board packet in Attachments 2 and 4.

Your Board needs to lend equal consideration to all ideas, plans, maps and comments submitted to you by all members of the public, in person, electronically, or in paper copy. Otherwise, you are acting with an abuse of discretion and are liable for legal actions from disenfranchised members of the public that you choose to ignore.

Please respond.

Thank you.

Sincerely,  
Becky Steinbruner

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**From:** [Monica Martinez](#)  
**To:** [Board Of Supervisors](#)  
**Cc:** [Redistricting2021](#)  
**Subject:** Please listen to SLV residents  
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Dear Members of the Board of Supervisors,

I am writing to oppose the plan set forth by Scotts Valley Mayor Timm to consolidate the city of Scotts Valley into District 5. I am deeply concerned about the timing and lack of transparency of this proposal, as well as the substantive impact it will have on the residents of the San Lorenzo Valley.

As a resident of Felton, I have been an invested participant in the public redistricting process for several months. I attended the September 29, 2021, Redistricting Public Input Session at the Felton Library, where I spoke publicly about the importance of preserving the San Lorenzo Valley and neighboring rural communities as a “community of interest.” During that meeting, several other San Lorenzo Valley residents made similar statements regarding our unique rural community, and no participant stated an interest in consolidating the City of Scotts Valley. In October 2021, I submitted a Community of Interest form on behalf of the San Lorenzo Valley on the Redistricting 2021 website. I took these actions as a part of the transparent and publically available process for citizen engagement in the redistricting process. Following widespread opportunities for public participation, the Advisory Redistricting Commission was entrusted to review public input and make an informed recommendation. I am dismayed to see that a last minute, backdoor proposal may be used to override the public process and the Commission’s recommendation.

The San Lorenzo Valley is a mountain community that has unique features and challenges more similar to other rural regions of North County, such as Bonny Doon and Davenport. These communities share many challenges, such as transportation, power outages, and the health impacts of social isolation. As a resident of the 5<sup>th</sup> District, I would rather see our district expand to include more of these rural neighbors, as opposed to more residents of an incorporated city. It is my understanding that the Redistricting Commission weighed this option, and due to the critically important recovery efforts of CZU, decided to keep the 5th District boundaries the same. I thank the Commission for their consideration and I support their decision.

I ask that the Board reject Mayor Timm’s last minute proposal, which did not follow the appropriate process and does not reflect the voices or needs of the San Lorenzo Valley residents. Please follow through with the good work of the Redistricting Advisory Commission and support their recommendation to make no changes to the 5<sup>th</sup> District boundaries. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,  
Monica Martinez  
Felton Resident  
CC: Advisory Redistricting Commission



**From:** [Betty](#)  
**To:** [Redistricting2021](#)  
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Dear Board of Supervisors,

Please find attached my letter opposing Mayor Timm's proposal to consolidate the City of Scotts Valley into District 5.

Sincerely,

Betty Salois

Salois & Associates

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Betty A. Salois

[REDACTED]  
Ben Lomond, CA 95005

Dear Board of Supervisors,

I am writing to oppose the plan set forth by Mayor Timm of Scotts Valley to consolidate the city of Scotts Valley into District 5.

I vehemently object to the Board of Supervisors proposing this major change at the very end of a lengthy process, ignoring its own Advisory Commission's recommendations, and limiting the opportunity for public input.

San Lorenzo Valley residents do not share a community of interest with Scotts Valley residents.

I understand that the Redistricting Commission carefully considered these proposals and recommended no changes to District 5 due in part to the short timeline for residents to consider any revisions and the difficulties that would result for CZU fire victims. We have been through enough!

All of the cities in Santa Cruz County are currently split between at least two supervisory districts (Santa Cruz City is split into three districts). Why is the board considering consolidating Scotts Valley into a single district but not the other three cities?

The Board's action suggests political insider dealing and a lack of transparency. Mayor Timm and the Board should disclose that his proposal would move his residence to District 5, making him eligible to run for District 5 Supervisor.

Sincerely,



Betty Salois  
SLV Homeowner



**From:** [James Mosher](#)  
**To:** [Redistricting2021](#)  
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Please see attached.

Best regards,

James F. Mosher, JD  




November 15, 2021

To: Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors  
From: James F. Mosher, JD, Member, Santa Cruz County Advisory Redistricting Commission  
Re: Scotts Valley Mayor Timm's Proposal re Redistricting

Dear Members of the Board of Supervisors:

I am the 5<sup>th</sup> District representative on the Advisory Redistricting Commission ("ARC") and am writing to provide my perspective on Mayor Timm's proposal and how it relates to the work of the ARC. I want to emphasize that I am speaking as an individual who is also a member of the ARC and not purporting to represent the ARC or any of its other members.

The ARC considered a possible Scotts Valley consolidation into District 5 along with dozens of other proposals for redistricting changes. It did not receive or consider the additional proposed revisions that Mayor Timm put forward regarding the boundaries in Santa Cruz City.

The Commission received comments from a small number of Scotts Valley residents advocating for consolidation of Scotts Valley. We received a larger number of comments from residents in the San Lorenzo Valley and other areas of north county advocating for consolidation of rural areas of Districts 3 and 5 and either keeping Scotts Valley split or moving it to District 1. These residents emphasized that their community of interest encompassed the rural areas of north county and that it was currently split into two districts. This is not a case of one community interest requesting a split of another community of interest. Rather, it involves conflicting requests to respect a community of interest and a city's boundaries.

I personally investigated the feasibility and advisability of these two conflicting proposals, including drafting maps, and the ARC also received maps from the public. After deliberation, the two proposals were tabled and no concrete proposal was introduced as a possible recommendation to your Board.

Speaking only for myself, I decided not to pursue either proposal for the following reasons:

Potential Disruption of the CZU fire recovery process. I received numerous comments that shifting rural residents from District 3 to District 5 could be disruptive to CZU fire victims, requiring them to switch Supervisory officers midstream in the process.

Limited public input. The ARC and County staff made herculean efforts to encourage public input over a period of four months, yet very few people participated. The Commission did not receive any input from Mayor Timm or the Scotts Valley city council. I interpreted this lack of participation as a sign that most of our citizens were either neutral about or supported the current redistricting lines.

Short timeline. I was concerned that there would be limited opportunity for public review and comment, creating risks of backlash and unintended consequences. I therefore urged the Commission to exercise caution, supported proposals that evidenced support by those who would be affected, and advocated for consensus among Commissioners. I believed this was in



accord with the direction the ARC received from your Board – that the ARC exercise caution in making revisions to boundaries.

All cities in the county are split. The ARC considered and rejected a proposal to consolidate Watsonville, Capitola, and Scotts Valley into one district and reduce Santa Cruz’s districts from three to two. Watsonville, Capitola and Scotts Valley could all have been consolidated.<sup>1</sup> I did not see basis for consolidating just one of the three cities.

The legal standard for review provides flexibility in addressing community of interest and city boundaries. The County Counsel advised the ARC that it was not required to consolidate any of the cities or particular communities of interest. Rather, it needed to establish a record that it had reviewed the proposals and provided reasons for not recommending them that meet the relevant legal standard. California Elections Code section 21500(c)(2)(3)<sup>2</sup> provides that city consolidation should be respected “to the extent practicable,” a standard that demonstrates the state legislature’s determination that the redistricting process should have flexibility.

I am personally disappointed that your Board would consider Mayor Timm’s proposal without at least seeking a briefing from the ARC regarding its deliberations on the matter. The ARC was already concerned about the short timeline, as noted above. Nevertheless, Mayor Timm and other Scotts Valley leaders had nearly four months to bring his proposal to the ARC so that it could be considered and researched. Our first public workshop was September 1. He instead brought his proposals to your Board at your third redistricting public hearing and within one week of a scheduled final vote, the last possible moment for the proposal to be considered. In my opinion, this last-minute maneuver undermines the credibility of the ARC and integrity of the redistricting process.

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<sup>1</sup> The population figures for the four cities are as follows:

Santa Cruz city: 64,522

Watsonville: 53,800

Scotts Valley: 11,637

Capitola: 10,125

The target population for each district for the purposes of redistricting is within 5 percent of 54,270.

<sup>2</sup> “(c) The board shall adopt supervisorial district boundaries using the following criteria as set forth in the following order of priority: ...

(2) To the extent practicable, the geographic integrity of any local neighborhood or local community of interest shall be respected in a manner that minimizes its division. A “community of interest” is a population that shares common social or economic interests that should be included within a single supervisorial district for purposes of its effective and fair representation. Communities of interest do not include relationships with political parties, incumbents, or political candidates.

(3) To the extent practicable, the geographic integrity of a city or census designated place shall be respected in a manner that minimizes its division.”

Supervisor Koenig has cited this statute but omitted the key “to the extent practicable” language. He has written that the ARC and the Board are therefore “required to keep cities and communities together if they can be” and that the Scotts Valley consolidation is required by law. This is incorrect. If adopted, then both Watsonville and Capitola would also be required to be consolidated.



**From:** [Rachel Bickert](#)  
**To:** [Redistricting2021](#); [Manu Koenig](#); [Zach Friend](#); [Ryan Coonerty](#); [greg.caput@santacruzcounty.us](mailto:greg.caput@santacruzcounty.us); [Bruce McPherson](#)  
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Attached.

-Rachel Bickert

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Dear Board of Supervisors:

I am writing to oppose the plan set forth by Scotts Valley Mayor Timm to consolidate the city of Scotts Valley into District 5.

If the boundaries are to be changed, SLV should be joined with our rural neighbors to the north and west. I understand that the Redistricting Commission carefully considered these proposals and recommended no changes to District 5 due in part to the short timeline for residents to consider any revisions and the difficulties that would result for CZU fire victims.

I object to the Board of Supervisors proposing this major change at the very end of a lengthy process, ignoring its own Advisory Commission's recommendations, and limiting the opportunity for public input.

All of the cities in Santa Cruz County are currently split between at least two supervisory districts (Santa Cruz City is split into three districts). Why is the board considering consolidating Scotts Valley into a single district but not the other three cities?

The Board's action suggests a lack of transparency. Mayor Timm and the Board should also disclose that his proposal would move his residence to District 5.

SLV residents expressed opposition to this change on the basis that SLV does not share a community of interest with Scotts Valley. Several residents expressed support for reconfiguring District 5 to create a "rural" district that would incorporate the north coast and other mountain communities (e.g., Bonny Doon) and consolidating Scotts Valley into District 1. SLV has shared interests and concerns with these other rural communities in contrast to Scotts Valley, an incorporated city with a city council. The one map submitted to the Commission by the public proposed exactly this change.

The Commission decided that this alternative proposal creating a rural district was not practical at this time because it would be disruptive to the CZU fire recovery effort and would move a large number of residents to new districts with little notice or opportunity to review. It instead decided that the prudent course of action was to keep the current boundaries in District 5.

All four cities in Santa Cruz County are split into at least two supervisory districts (Santa Cruz City has three). Staff informed the Commission that this had been intentional by previous redistricting commissions because it benefitted cities to have more than one supervisor representing their interests. The Commission decided it was impractical to redraw the boundaries so that each city had a single supervisor and that the status quo should be maintained for all four cities. It therefore accepted the decision made by previous commissions. The BOS and Mayor Timm provide no rationale for why only Scotts Valley should be consolidated and not Watsonville, Capitola and Santa Cruz City. The BOS decision to consider Scotts Valley consolidation at this late date, ignoring its own process for obtaining and considering public input, provides at least the appearance of political insider dealing for a process that should be transparent.



I encourage the Board to listen to the Redistricting Commission's comments and either keep the District 5 lines as they are, or to move Bonny Doon into the district, rather than the rest of Scotts Valley.

Thank you,

Rachel Bickert

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**From:** [Jayme Ackemann](#)  
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Dear Board of Supervisors,

Please find a pdf of the petition circulated by San Lorenzo Valley residents asking the Board to adopt the Redistricting Commission's proposal not to change district boundaries.

As of this writing, the petition has 207 signatures. Signatories and comments are attached.

Kind regards,  
Jayme Ackemann  
Ben Lomond



Change.org petition Monday, November 15, 2021

# **Stop Scotts Valley Mayor's Last Minute Proposal to Change 5th District Boundaries**



To Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors: Greg Caput, Ryan Coonerty, Bruce McPherson, Zach Friend, Manu Koenig, Clerk of the Board, Advisory Redistricting Commission (ARC 21)

Every decade the United States goes through a redistricting process that considers the boundaries of lines for county, state, and federal elections. The process determines how the boundaries for each elected official's district are set based on the new population data gathered in the census.



In our county, the lines are supposed to be drawn so that each Supervisor's district has roughly an equal population total and keeps most communities with shared interests together, where possible.

In April, the Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors (BOS) appointed an Advisory Redistricting Commission (ARC 21), with representatives from each district. The ARC pondered redistricting options for months and submitted their recommendations to the BOS, which advised the Board to leave the existing boundaries unchanged.

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But at the Tuesday, November 9 BOS meeting Scotts Valley's Mayor Derek Timm, who appears to have aspirations for a BOS seat in 2024, submitted a last-minute proposal that would shift his own neighborhood and residence out of Supervisor Manu Koenig's 1st District, into Supervisor Bruce McPherson's 5th District, asking the board to ignore the Commission's recommendation not to change the boundaries. With the assumption that McPherson will retire, the Scotts Valley-centric Timm may see this as an opportunity to snag the seat.

But in seizing the moment he's asking the Board to ignore the calls to unify San Lorenzo Valley and Bonny Doon, the calls to leave San Lorenzo Valley's District boundaries unchanged, and the redistricting commission's recommendation that the boundaries remain unchanged.

Mayor Timm and his supervisorial champions Koenig and Friend suggest that there is value in unifying Scotts Valley under a single Supervisor. But if the board accepts the argument that there is value in unifying Scotts Valley under a single supervisorial district then they should give the same consideration to Capitola, Watsonville, and Santa Cruz - all of which are split among multiple supervisorial district's as well.



Even more frustrating for those of us watching the redistricting process is how readily Aptos Supervisor Zach Friend and 1st District Supervisor Koenig supported this proposal, like unusually fast.

The vote was moved on a 4 - 1, with Caput commenting on the obvious political nature of the move and Coonerty voting against. McPherson's vote is a question mark.

"Reuniting Scotts Valley" as some local media put it, is only a logical aim if you can explain why no other incorporated city enjoys the same opportunity. Even unincorporated communities of interest are split among supervisorial districts. One could easily argue that Bonny Doon and SLV share more in common than Scotts Valley and SLV, and yet we are separated by a voting boundary.

We urge the Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors to disregard the obvious power grab by political aspirants in Scotts Valley and by those who have little interest in the health and welfare of the San Lorenzo Valley as we recover from the pandemic and the wildfires. Our decidedly rural community, already reeling, would be further damaged by the one-sided incursion proposed by the Scotts Valley Mayor who has no connection to, or understanding of, the San Lorenzo Valley

Signed by:

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Jeffrey Compton	Ben Lomond	CA	95005	US	11/11/2021
Josh Reilly	Ben Lomond	CA	95005	US	11/11/2021
Patricia Russell	Ben Lomond	CA	95005	US	11/11/2021
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Kathryn James	Santa Cruz	CA	95005	US	11/11/2021
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Kay Ra	Fremont	CA	94537	US	11/15/2021
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Christina Banko	Richmond	CA	23225	US	11/15/2021
Dan Dion	Santa Cruz	CA	95060	US	11/15/2021
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Vicki Miller	Santa Cruz	CA	95065	US	11/15/2021
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Margaret Edwards	Scotts Valley	CA	95066	US	11/15/2021
Beth Janis	Silver Spring	MD	20901	US	11/15/2021

Comments:

*"No thanks"*

*"Ignoring the recommendations of the ARC? Not even soliciting SLV residents for their opinions? Sounds like the SV Mayor thinks he's better than us."*

*"I strongly oppose changing the border of district 5."*

*"CZU fire survivors did not hear one peep from Scotts Valley. Any support came from Santa Cruz and Watsonville. Scotts Valley is a very closed, self-serving community and are aloof to anything that would benefit SLV. The only reason they want any part of us is to GET OUR WATER. Please deny the Mayor's request for redistricting."*

*"The San Lorenzo Valley and Scotts Valley are two very different valleys....Please keep it that way!"*

*"The most recent proposal (apparently sponsored by the current Mayor of Scotts Valley) is simply an effort of the Mayor of Scotts Valley to change the boundaries so he can run. NOT a good reason for a fundamental rearrangement of district lines."*

*"I live in Boulder creek and don't want this."*

*"Supe Friend and his wife, a Scotts Valley official, are leaving this area soon (she got a job elsewhere). Why they support this is anybody's guess. This is not the way forward."*

*"We need more representation for fire victims on the BoS, not less."*

*"This seems like an attempt to undermine the regular process to benefit a narrow special interest."*



*"It's the right thing to do."*

*"Because I am so sick of political ambitions taking priority over our people. Enough is enough. This guy is not allowed!!!"*

*"We need to have disinterested parties draw new lines not someone very interested in the outcome for personal reasons."*

*"Reeks of political collusion, backdoor deals. Very much NOT transparent. This makes a mockery of the public process that the Redistricting effort was supposed to be."*



**From:** [Board Of Supervisors](#)  
**To:** [Agenda Management Support](#)  
**Subject:** #10 comment\_Darnell, J  
**Date:** Tuesday, November 16, 2021 11:00:58 AM  
**Attachments:** [BOS letter 11.15.2021.docx](#)

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**From:** Redistricting2021 <[Redistricting2021@santacruzcounty.us](mailto:Redistricting2021@santacruzcounty.us)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 16, 2021 9:05 AM  
**To:** Board Of Supervisors <[BoardOfSupervisors@santacruzcounty.us](mailto:BoardOfSupervisors@santacruzcounty.us)>  
**Subject:** FW: Redistricting proposal for District 5- Oppose

Please add as written comment for agenda item #10

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**From:** Judy Darnell  
**Sent:** Monday, November 15, 2021 4:46 PM  
**To:** Redistricting2021 <[Redistricting2021@santacruzcounty.us](mailto:Redistricting2021@santacruzcounty.us)>  
**Cc:** Bruce McPherson <[Bruce.McPherson@santacruzcounty.us](mailto:Bruce.McPherson@santacruzcounty.us)>  
**Subject:** Redistricting proposal for District 5- Oppose

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To BOS -

Please find my letter attached objecting to the consolidation of the city of Scotts Valley into District 5.

Judith Darnell  
Felton, CA 95018



November 15, 2021

To: Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors  
From: Judy Darnell, Felton resident of 41 years

Re: Proposal to consolidate Scotts Valley into District 5 - OPPOSE

To the Honorable Members of the Board of Supervisors:

I was recently made aware of Scott Valley's Mayor Timm's proposal to consolidate the city of Scotts Valley into District 5. I am in strong opposition of this proposal and ask that the Board reject this plan and adopt the new boundaries as proposed by your Redistricting Commission.

In my many years as a San Lorenzo Valley resident and as someone who worked closely with the community as an employee of Valley Resource Center/Mountain Community Resources and as Healthy Start Director, I can assure you that the San Lorenzo Valley residents do not share a community of interest with Scotts Valley residents. If any lines were to be redrawn, it would make much more sense for SLV to be joined with our rural neighbors to the north (Bonny Doon) and west (Davenport). As recent events over the past years such as the CZU fire and potential debris flows and evacuations, it is obvious we have many issues not shared by our Scotts Valley neighbors.

In addition, the social and economic realities in SLV greatly differ from Scotts Valley. Our residents experience natural disasters, transportation challenges affecting employment and services access, and social isolation at a much greater rate from Scotts Valley. We also rely on our Board of Supervisor member being highly aware of these issues as our only local governmental representative. Supervisor McPherson seems to have gone out of his way to make sure he understands and represents us. We need similar representation in the future.

I understand that the Redistricting Commission carefully considered these proposals and recommended no changes to District 5 due in part to the short timeline for residents to consider any revisions and the difficulties that would result for CZU fire victims.

I find the fact of the Board of Supervisors proposing this major change at the very end of a lengthy process, ignoring its own Advisory Commission's recommendations, and limiting the opportunity for public input, to be puzzling. The Board's action suggests possible backroom political dealing and a lack of transparency. Mayor Timm and the Board should disclose that his proposal would move his residence to District 5, making him eligible to run for District 5 Supervisor.

Please reject this proposal to consolidate Scotts Valley into District 5.

Sincerely,



Judy Darnell  
Felton, CA 95018

*Letter via email to Redistricting2021@santacruzcounty.us*



**From:** [Board Of Supervisors](#)  
**To:** [Agenda Management Support](#)  
**Subject:** #10 comment\_Smith, K  
**Date:** Tuesday, November 16, 2021 11:15:34 AM

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From: Friends of SLV Watershed <slvwatershedfriends@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, November 15, 2021 2:40 PM

To: Greg Caput <Greg.Caput@santacruzcounty.us>; Ryan Coonerty <Ryan.Coonerty@santacruzcounty.us>; Bruce McPherson <Bruce.McPherson@santacruzcounty.us>; Board Of Supervisors

<BoardOfSupervisors@santacruzcounty.us>; cob@santacruzcounty.us; resdistricting2021@santacruzcounty.us

Subject: Nov 16 agenda item 10: Please accept the ARC recommendation

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Dear Supervisors Greg Caput, Ryan Coonerty, Bruce McPherson, Zach Friend, and Manu Koenig,

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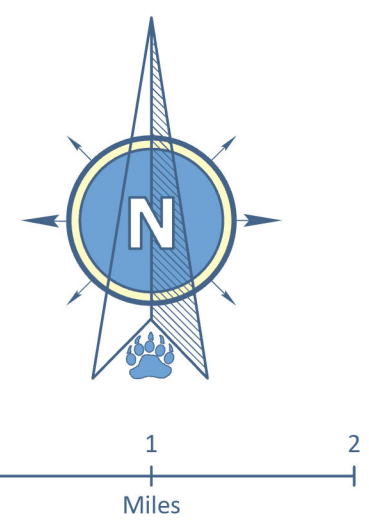
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Please accept the ARC's recommendation to Board.

Thank you.

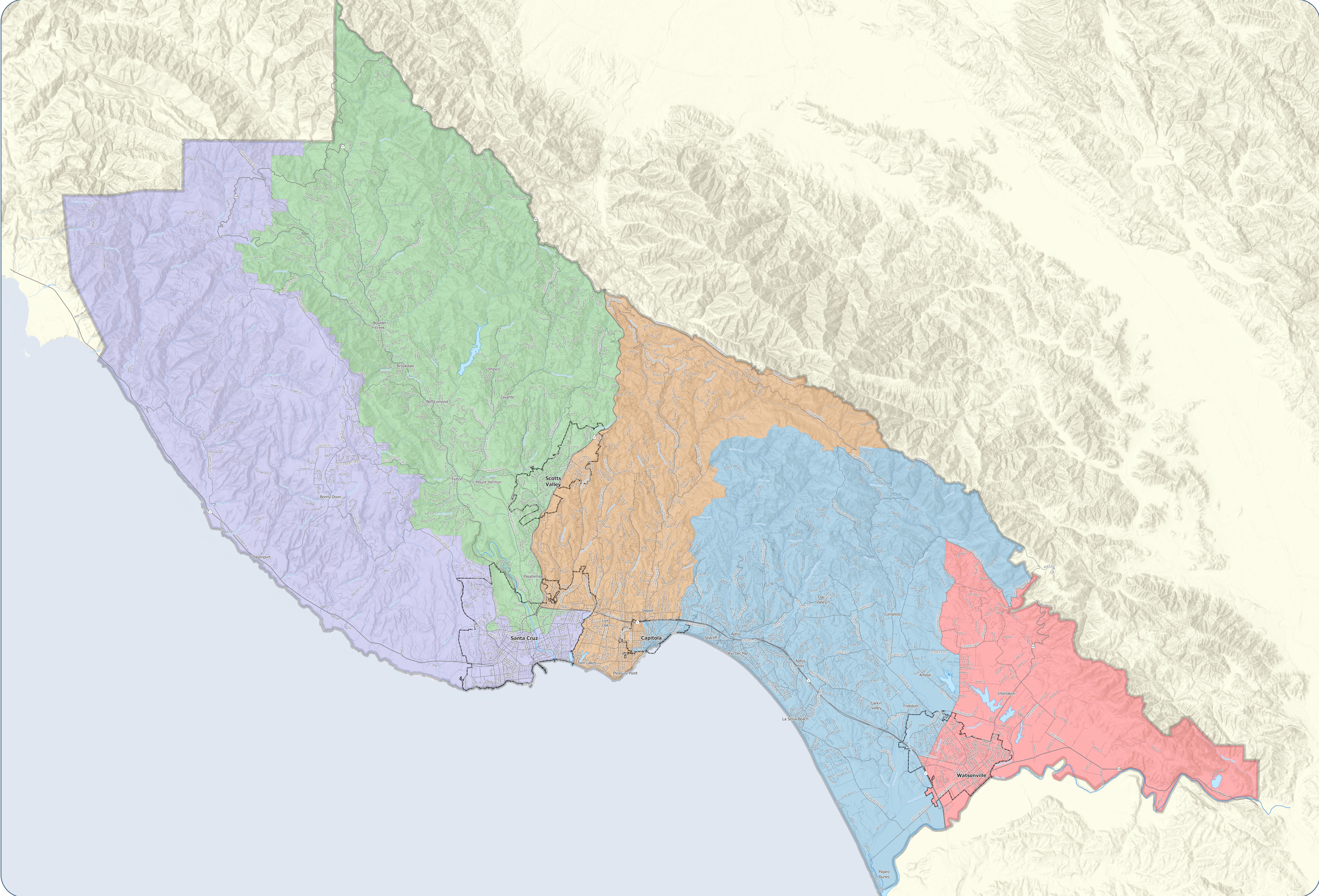
Kira Smith, Felton, CA





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# Option E: Arc Recommended Plan





**From:** [Board Of Supervisors](#)  
**To:** [Agenda Management Support](#)  
**Subject:** #10 comment\_Darnell, J  
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**From:** Judy Darnell [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, November 15, 2021 4:50 PM  
**To:** Board Of Supervisors <[BoardOfSupervisors@santacruzcounty.us](mailto:BoardOfSupervisors@santacruzcounty.us)>  
**Subject:** Proposal to Consolidate Scotts Valley into District 5 - OPPOSE

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To the Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors members:

Attached please find my letter of opposition to the proposal to consolidate the city of Scotts Valley into District 5.

Sincerely,

Judy Darnell  
[REDACTED], Felton, CA 95018  
[REDACTED]



**From:** [Sam Smith](#)  
**To:** [Greg Caput](#); [Ryan Coonerty](#); [Bruce McPherson](#); [Board Of Supervisors](#); [COB Staff](#)  
**Subject:** BOS item 10 redistricting for Nov 16 meeting  
**Date:** Monday, November 15, 2021 3:04:02 PM

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In the November 11, 2021 edition of the Press Banner, Scotts Valley Mayor Derek Timm said, **“Splitting a portion of our residents from the 5th District only serves to dilute our ability to select a Supervisor to represent our community.”**

Timm has made no secret of his intent to run for supervisor in 2024, but perceives that he can't run against Manu.

Further, I can find no instance anywhere online or in print where Manu expressed concern during his election campaign in 2020 about reunifying Scotts Valley, a community that is already firmly unified under its city council.

This is all so flagrantly political. Please support the ARC21 recommendations and disregard this bizarre political power play by Timm and his backers.

Samuel J. Smith  
Ben Lomond, CA 95005



**From:** [Rita Sanchez](#)  
**To:** [Redistricting2021](#)  
**Cc:** [irwin.ortiz@cityofwatsonville.org](mailto:irwin.ortiz@cityofwatsonville.org)  
**Subject:** City of Watsonville - 4th Community Advisory Redistricting Meeting, November, 18, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.  
**Date:** Sunday, November 14, 2021 11:57:19 AM  
**Attachments:** [Redistricting Meeting.pdf](#)  
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*Community Partners and Friends,*

*I am forwarding an informational email on City of Watsonville redistricting efforts that might be of interest to you. Additional information on county and state-wide redistricting efforts may be found on the County's Redistricting Website under the Resources page <http://www.co.santa-cruz.ca.us/Redistricting2021/Resources.aspx>*

*Thank you*

The **City of Watsonville's** Community Advisory Redistricting Committee will be holding its fourth meeting on Thursday, November 18, 2021, at 6:30 p.m. The meeting will be held in the Community Room, located at 275 Main Street, Top Floor, Watsonville. You may also join virtually through this link: <https://cityofwatsonville-org.zoomgov.com/j/1608214673>  
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We are inviting you to participate in this important process and asking for your help to reach out to as many Watsonville residents as possible. Please forward this email to any and all of your contacts. For further information see the attached flyer and agenda packet. You may also access the agenda on our website here:

<https://www.cityofwatsonville.org/2250/Redistricting-MeetingsReuniones>

Thank you for your assistance.

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**From:** [Friends of SLV Watershed](#)  
**To:** [COB Staff](#)  
**Subject:** Nov 16 agenda item 10: Please accept the ARC recommendation  
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Thank you.

Kira Smith, Felton, CA



**From:** [Robert Alarcon](#)  
**To:** [COB Staff](#)  
**Subject:** Objection to the Consolidation of Scotts Valley into District 5  
**Date:** Friday, November 12, 2021 9:18:44 PM

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I am writing to you as many of my neighbors are to communicate my opposition to the plan proposed by the current Scotts Valley Mayor Timm to consolidate the city of Scotts Valley into District 5.

As a 35+ year resident of the San Lorenzo Valley I know for a fact that SLV does not share a community of interest with Scotts Valley residents. The areas are as different as night and day. If the boundaries are to be changed, then SLV should be joined in a natural fit with our rural neighbors to the north and west. These too are rural communities. I offer as clear evidence that SV & SLV are not a community of shared interests, that when SV had the chance to create one big high school with the residents of the San Lorenzo Valley the residents of SV voted to create their own High School instead. Also of note is the refusal of SV to accept a Landfill site, where does SV think their garbage should go, to the SLV forever???

I understand that the Redistricting Commission carefully considered these proposals and their recommendation is that no changes every made to District 5. Based partially on the limited time available for residents to consider any revisions.

I object to the Board of Supervisors proposing this major change at the very end of a lengthy process. I object to the BoS ignoring its own Advisory Commission's recommendations, and I object to limiting the opportunity for public input. This is outrageous.

All of the cities in Santa Cruz County are currently split between at least two supervisory districts (Santa Cruz City is split into three



districts). So that leads to the questions of What is the driver for this? Does SV's wants/needs carry more weight than SLV's? And, if it's so important for a "city" to be all in one district then one has to ask, Why is the Board considering consolidating Scotts Valley into a single district but not any of the other cities?

The Board's action on this matter strongly suggests political insider dealing and demonstrates a lack of effort to create transparency. Mayor Timm and the Board should immediately disclose that Mayor Timm's proposal would personally benefit him as it would move his residence into District 5, making him eligible to run for District 5 Supervisor. Which one could imagine would set him up to run for Supervisor whenever Supervisor Mcpherson decides to step down, suspicious people might assume that time to be eminent or at the least in the works.

Make no changes to District 5, unless it is to add other rural communities to the West and North of SLV.

Concerned resident, voter, citizen of the San Lorenzo Valley,  
Bob Alarcon

**From:** [Board Of Supervisors](#)  
**To:** [Agenda Management Support](#)  
**Subject:** #10 comment\_DeLaGarza, M  
**Date:** Monday, November 15, 2021 5:03:38 PM  
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**From:** Maria Elena de la Garza [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, November 15, 2021 4:58 PM  
**To:** Board Of Supervisors <[BoardOfSupervisors@santacruzcounty.us](mailto:BoardOfSupervisors@santacruzcounty.us)>  
**Cc:** Helen Ewan-Storey [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Comment on 11/16 BOS Agenda Item 11547

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Dear County Board of Supervisors,

I am submitting a comment for Agenda Item 11547 on the 11/16 BOS meeting agenda. Please see the attached letter. (CAB has also submitted this comment directly to the BOS online agenda.)

Thank you in advance for your consideration,

**PLEASE BE SAFE; WEAR A MASK; KEEP 6 FEET APART; SHELTER IN PLACE; WASH YOUR HANDS; CELEBRATE SAFELY**

*Maria Elena De La Garza*

Executive Director

**Community Action Board of Santa Cruz County, Inc.**

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						<p>Dear Redistricting Staff, This public comment form is confusing and of seemingly little value. The cities listed do not include Watsonville. Ben Lomond is not an incorporated city. There is not an option for any other Communities of Interest to register, even as "unincorporated area" residents. I do not understand what is meant by the item #... is that to address certain meetings scheduled or others that have already been held? What will happen with these comments? Who will see them? This form makes no sense. Also, since I find that I cannot even submit this form unless I mark a box in #3 and #4, but I will have to enter false information on #3 and an unclear about the meaning of #4.</p>
19	10/29/21 11:19:42	English (United States)	Becky	Steinbruner	Ben Lomond	Item 4 - Regular Agenda (All items listed/follow the elements enumerated)
20	11/12/21 11:33:36	English (United States)	Diane	Cham	Santa Cruz	Item 3 - Public Comment/ Comentario Publico - Redistricting
						<p>Redistricting Public Hearing #3 Please consider moving the 5th District boundary to include the entire City of Scotts Valley with respect to communities of interest, it makes absolutely no sense to slice off a small portion of the city and place it in the 1st District. I strongly urge you to keep the City of Scotts Valley intact within the 5th District. Thank you for your consideration of this request.</p>
21	12/07/21 11:14:43	English (United States)	Linda	Kerner	Scotts Valley	<p>Other: Submit written comment below (will be distributed and added to the record. Comments will not be read into record) (Other: envíe un comentario escrito en el espacio debajo (se distribuirá y agregará al registro. Los comentarios no se leerán en el momento)</p>
						<p>Please keep Capitola's Jewel Box neighborhood in one district, District 2. As the city's representative for the last General Plan update for that one-third portion of the city, I and others placed language in the General Plan that recognizes known neighborhoods as entities within the city. The Jewel Box has been a distinct neighborhood since 1921 and should remain in District 2, as defined by the proper boundaries of 45th Ave and 47th Ave (west-east) and Capitola Rd to Popa St (north-south). Though none of the options show dividing our neighborhood as of 11 November, I have heard discussion of doing so. Thank you for your consideration.</p>
22	11/11/21 20:28:44	English (United States)	Ron	Burke	Capitola	



**From:** [Becky Steinbruner](#)  
**To:** [Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors](#); [Stephanie Cabrera](#)  
**Cc:** [Redistricting2021](#); [Rob Bonta](#); [Becky Steinbruner](#)  
**Subject:** Public Correspondence Continued to be Omitted from Board of Supervisor Agenda Packets re: Santa Cruz County Redistricting Public Hearing  
**Date:** Tuesday, November 16, 2021 1:02:33 PM

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Dear Board,

Thank you for recognizing the importance of the public input submitted by Scotts Valley Mayor Mr. Timm and for reuniting Scotts Valley's Supervisorial representation. As noted in today's deliberation, his map was not "late" or "last minute", but merely submitted in reflection of the ARC 21 work.

As was pointed out to your Board, the ARC was not finished with the work they would have like to have completed, and sent your Board only the maps upon which there was consensus. Ms. Benson, Deputy CAO who staffed the ARC 21 meetings, had assured the Commission at their October 15 Special Meeting that she would notify you of this information, and even submit to you the idea that you reconvene the ARC 21 to allow them to complete work in other areas, such as UCSC, the disadvantaged Jewell Box Community split in Capitola, and the Beach Road / Pajaro Dunes Community of Interest in Watsonville. She failed to do any such thing.

I do not understand why your Board refused to schedule another public hearing on the Redistricting Maps, and to have it be an evening meeting. The final ARC hearing in Watsonville on September 30 had virtually no public attendance and should not have been allowed to count as one of the required evening meetings.

Finally, I again protest that my documents have been omitted from your Board's agenda packets, and none of you has bothered to address this problem with staff or asked that my letters be included, even though I have repeatedly asked you to do so in my in-person and remote testimonies during public hearings. As stated today, my Community of Interest comment form that I submitted in person after your October 26 Special Board meeting was not included in your packet until today. The three-page letter that I submitted in person during testimony at your November 9 public hearing, explaining the suggestions made in maps I had submitted, was not included in any of the Board packet materials for November 9 or today's November 16 hearing. This is not acceptable.

I also do not understand why your Board never gave any direction to staff to send County Redistricting materials to the County libraries. There has been no material at all available at the public libraries that would have notified interested members of the public who may or may not be engaged in social media but that would very likely have become involved, had they known of the Redistricting process and, most importantly, how the ARC 21 recommendations and deliberations could or would have affected their representation. While it was excellent that CAO Benson and Ms. Pearlman provided a presentation to the Capitola City Council (at their request), why didn't they visit the Watsonville, Scotts Valley and Santa Cruz City Councils as well?

Please respond in writing. I have yet to receive any response to any of my communication to your Board on this matter. This is incongruous with your Board and CAO staff's claims that you value the public's input. I have been very involved, and have submitted maps, letters and multiple public testimonies that have all been ignored and omitted from your Board agenda packets.

I thank you in advance for your response.

Sincerely,  
Becky Steinbruner



# Public Hearing #4: County Supervisorial Redistricting 2021

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**Santa Cruz County**

County Administrative Office

November 16, 2021



# What is Redistricting? Why it Matters?

## Redrawing District Boundaries

After every decennial census, district boundaries are redrawn so that each district is substantially equal in population.

## Electing Representatives

Redistricting determines which neighborhoods and communities are grouped together into a district for purposes of electing a board member.

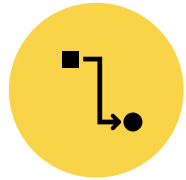
## Population Equality

Redistricting is important in ensuring that each board member represents about the same number of constituents.

## Community Voice

Redistricting has been used at times to exclude communities from political power. By fully participating in and monitoring the redistricting process, more communities may have a better opportunity to elect candidates of their choice and voice their needs and interest.

# Objectives for 11.16.21 Meeting



Review 2021 County Redistricting Legal Context & Process



- Recap 9.30.21 (PH1), 10.26.21 (PH2), 11.9.21 (PH3) Public Hearing input
- Consider Redistricting Proposals and other input and proposals received since last meeting



Hear Public Testimony



Discuss and consider Proposed Maps and Plans and take appropriate actions



# Redistricting Process per FAIR MAPS Act

## Public Hearings

- At least four public hearings.
- At least two after draft maps are drawn.
- At least one on a Saturday, Sunday, or after 6pm Monday through Friday.
- Must be noticed at least five days in advance.
- Draft maps must be published seven days prior to adoption by a Board of Supervisors.

## Public Outreach

- Must encourage public participation through a variety of media, live translations, publications of notices, etc.

## Recordkeeping

- Must record every public comment, keep webpage maintained for 10 years in multiple languages, save all draft maps, etc.

# Redistricting Process – Timeline & Phases

## 1) Plan Redistricting Process: Feb-May

- Establish Advisory Commission
- Build County Team
- Receive Nominations
- Convene ARC21

## 2) Access & Outreach: May - Dec

- Website launched
- Online Community of Interest (COI) tools
- Public outreach efforts
  - County Press Release
  - Social Media Campaigns
  - Share infographics and key information with public & community partners

## 3) Involvement and Engagement: Sept - Oct

### Public Education and COI Input Workshops

- Sept 1 – County Building
- Sept 22 – Sheriffs Comm Room
- Sept 29 – Felton Library
- Sept 30 Public Hearing 1– Starlight Elementary

### Online mapping software available to public

## 4) Line Drawing and Mapping: Oct - Dec

- ARC 21 Line Drawing Meetings
- Oct 26, Nov 9 – Public hearings 2 & 3 to consider submitted maps and receive public testimony
- Nov 16 – Final Public Hearing and adoption final map
- Dec 15 – Map adoption deadline



# Advisory Redistricting Commission



**Cheri O'Neil**

First District

Supervisor Manu Koenig



**Michael Watkins**

Second District

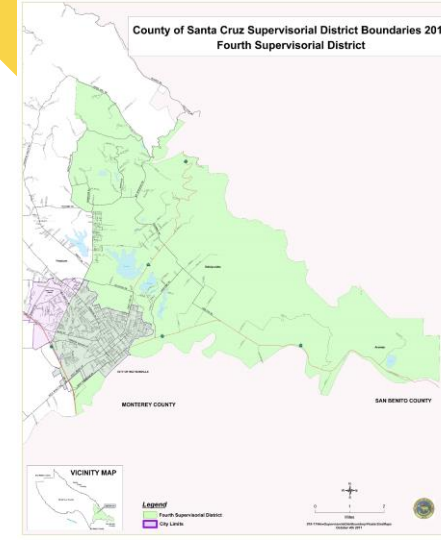
Supervisor Zach Friend



**Kris Reyes**

Third District

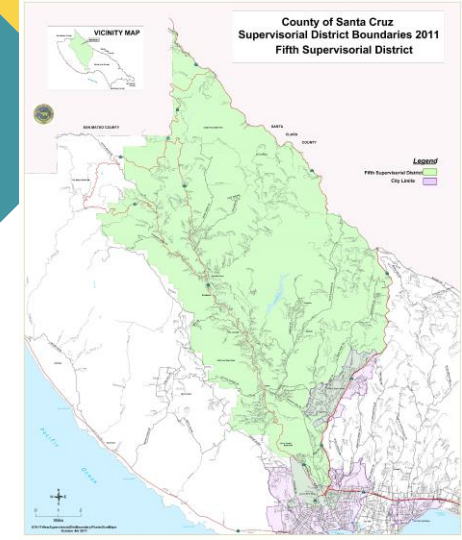
Supervisor Ryan Coonerty



**Peter Radin**

Fourth District

Supervisor Greg Caput



**James Mosher**

Fifth District

Supervisor  
Bruce McPherson

# ARC 21 Role and Work

## Commission Role

- Appointed April 13
- Serve as the “eyes” and “ears” of the Supervisors
- Conduct public outreach through informational sessions and public workshops to solicit public input on COIs and participation in redistricting process
- Consider certain federal and state legislation when drafting plans/maps

## Legislative Guidelines

- Federal
  - Substantially Equal Population
  - Voting Rights Act
- State, FAIR MAPS Act
  - To the extent practicable:
    1. Contiguity
    2. Communities of Interest and neighborhoods
    3. Cities and Census designated places
    4. Identifiable Boundaries
    5. Geographical Compactness
- No favoring political parties, candidates, or incumbents

## Working with Population Data

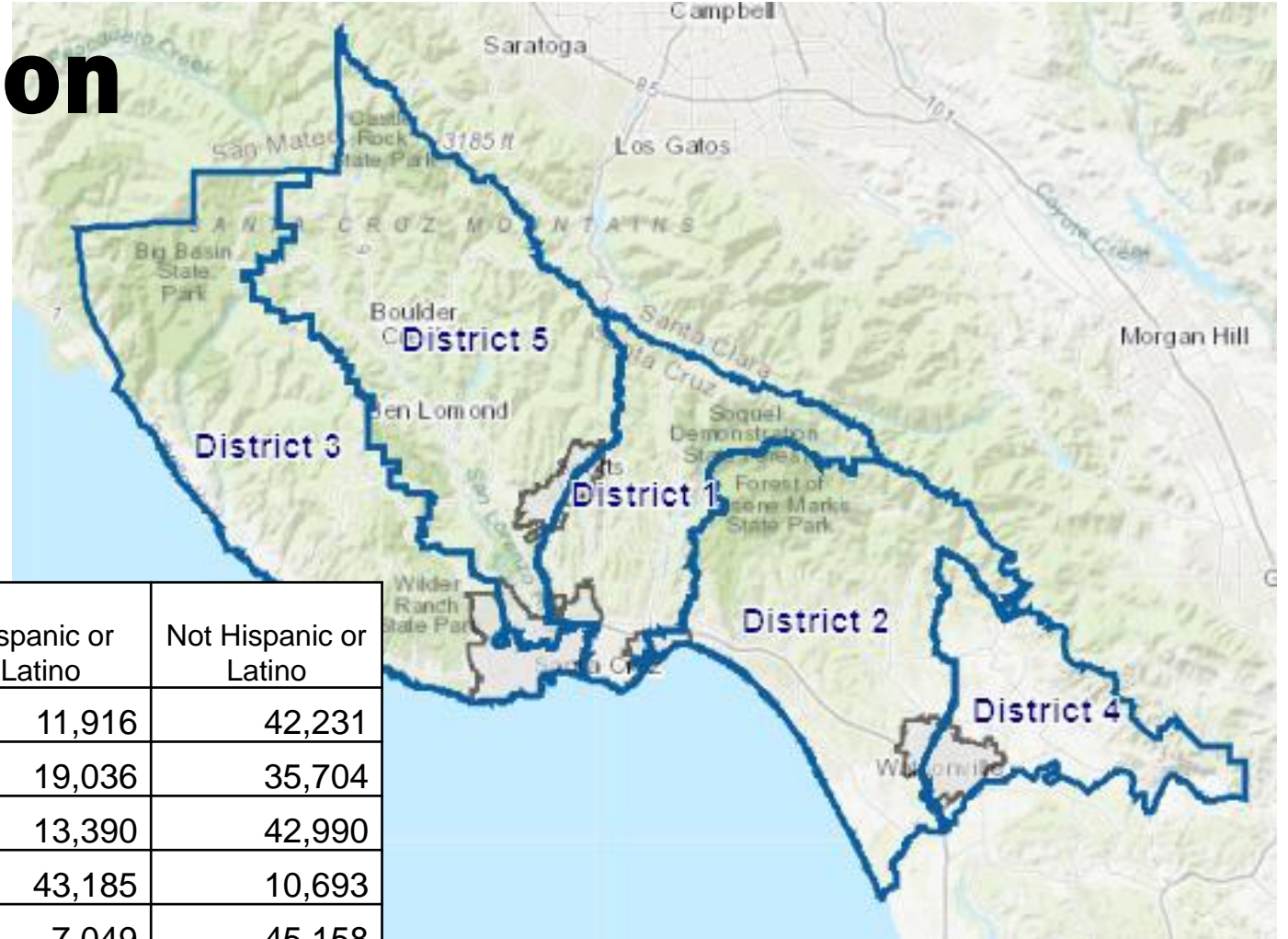
- First look at data in late-August
- Final data with reallocated prison population released late-September
- Final data downloaded into redistricting software and made available for use on October 1
- Mapping Proposals ARC Meetings: 10/6/21; 10/13/21; and 10/15/21



# Public Hearing Schedule

<p><u>Public Hearing #1</u> As provided under Elections Code (EC) section 21507.1 (a)(2)(e), county staff was permitted to conduct one of the pre-map Public Workshops in lieu of holding one of the four public hearings required by EC 21507.1(a).</p>	<p>Sept 30 – Public Workshop 6:30 p.m.</p>
<p><u>Public Hearing #2</u> Receive ARC 21 recommendations and hear public testimony. Board members can suggest changes and/or additional plans(s) or map(s).</p>	<p>Oct 26th – Special Evening BOS Meeting 6:30 p.m.</p>
<p><u>Public Hearing #3</u> Hear public testimony and request additional work (if needed) from staff.</p>	<p>Nov 9th – Regular BOS Meeting 10:45 a.m. <i>Notice for 11.16.21 Public Hearing 4 by COB</i></p>
<p><u>Public Hearing #4</u> Hear public testimony and request additional work (if needed) from staff. After close of public hearing, Board option to adopt final map</p>	<p>Nov 16th – Regular BOS meeting 10:45 a.m.</p>
<p><u>Additional Public Hearing #5 (if needed)</u> <i>Week of 11/29/21 and no later than 12/6/21</i></p>	<p>Additional Public Hearing (if needed) to re-publish proposed maps. Senate Bill 594 candidate filing period</p>

# Current Supervisorial Boundaries and Adjusted Population



2020 Census Adjusted Population for Redistricting

District	Total Population	Target Population	Over - Under	% Over - Under	Hispanic or Latino	Not Hispanic or Latino
District 1	54,147	54,270	-123	-0.23	11,916	42,231
District 2	54,740	54,270	469	0.87	19,036	35,704
District 3	56,380	54,270	2,109	3.89	13,390	42,990
District 4	53,878	54,270	-392	-0.72	43,185	10,693
District 5	52,207	54,270	-2,063	-3.80	7,049	45,158



# Recap of Input at Previous Public Hearings

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## 10.26.21 Public Hearing Materials, Plans, and Maps considered

1. Advisory Commission Recommended Redistricting Proposals A (East Harbor) & B (Apple Hill)
2. Redistricting Plan and Maps by K. Hallinan
3. Community of Interest Forms

## 11.9.21 Public Hearings Materials, Plans, and Maps considered

1. Additional Redistricting Plans and Maps received:
  - Redistricting Plan and Maps from B. Steinbruner
  - Redistricting Plan and Maps from D. Timm
2. Additional COI input forms and emails

# **11.9.21 BOS Direction to Notice Various Maps and Plans**

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- 1. Plan A Apple Hill - Attachment A**
- 2. Plan B East Harbor - Attachment B**
- 3. Plan C Apple Hill, East Harbor, Scotts Valley - Attachment C**
- 4. Plan D Apple Hill, East Harbor, Scotts Valley, Midtown - Attachment D**
- 5. Plan E ARC 21 Proposal - Attachment E**



# Additional Community Input received

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- Attachment F – all COI and other public comments
- Additional Materials posted on 11.15.21 including emails and Proposed Map from G. Glazer (received 11.13.21)



**Questions**

**Hold Public Hearing**

**Board Discussion & Direction**





# Recommended Actions should BOS be ready to adopt Final Map

Adopt the attached resolution establishing the new Supervisorial District boundaries.

- Identify Map to be titled "County of Santa Cruz Supervisorial District Boundaries 2021" and resolves and orders boundaries to be modified per action
- Allows County Clerk and GIS to make minor administrative adjustments to assignments to address parcels that are currently divided between districts
- Disbands ARC21 as duties and obligations are complete and thank them for their service to the community

Adopt the attached ordinance in concept that repeals Santa Cruz County Code Chapter 2.04 (Supervisorial Districts) and enacts Chapter 2.05 (Supervisorial Districts) to codify the changes in Supervisorial District boundaries adopted by the Board,

- Repeals current SCCC Chapter 2.04 chapter that relies on metes and bounds
- Replaces with SCCC Chapter 2.05 that references "County of Santa Cruz Supervisorial District Boundaries 2021" on file with Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

# Recommendations

- 1) Accept and file this report;
- 2) Consider preliminary final maps for redistricting, titled Plans A through E, that adjust county supervisorial boundaries;
- 3) Consider Community of Interest Forms and public input received since the November 9th Public Hearing #3;
- 4) Open Public Hearing #4 and receive testimony from the public;
- 5) Close Public Hearing #4;
- 6) If BOS is ready, adopt a final map reflecting revised Supervisorial District boundaries as a result of the redistricting process, and
- 7) Adopt the attached resolution establishing the new Supervisorial District boundaries; and
- 8) Adopt the attached ordinance in concept that repeals Santa Cruz County Code Chapter 2.04 (Supervisorial Districts) and enacts Chapter 2.05 (Supervisorial Districts) to codify the changes in Supervisorial District boundaries adopted by the Board, and direct staff to place the ordinance on the next available agenda for second reading and approval.





# Legal Requirements

Supervisory districts must be drawn under the following order of priority:

## Federal requirements

**1 – Equal Population**

**2 – Voting Rights Act**

## State requirements (FAIR MAPS Act) – to the extent practicable:

**1 – Contiguity**

**2 – Communities of Interest (COI)**

**3 – Geographic Integrity**

**4 – Identifiable Boundaries**

**5 – Geographical Compactness**

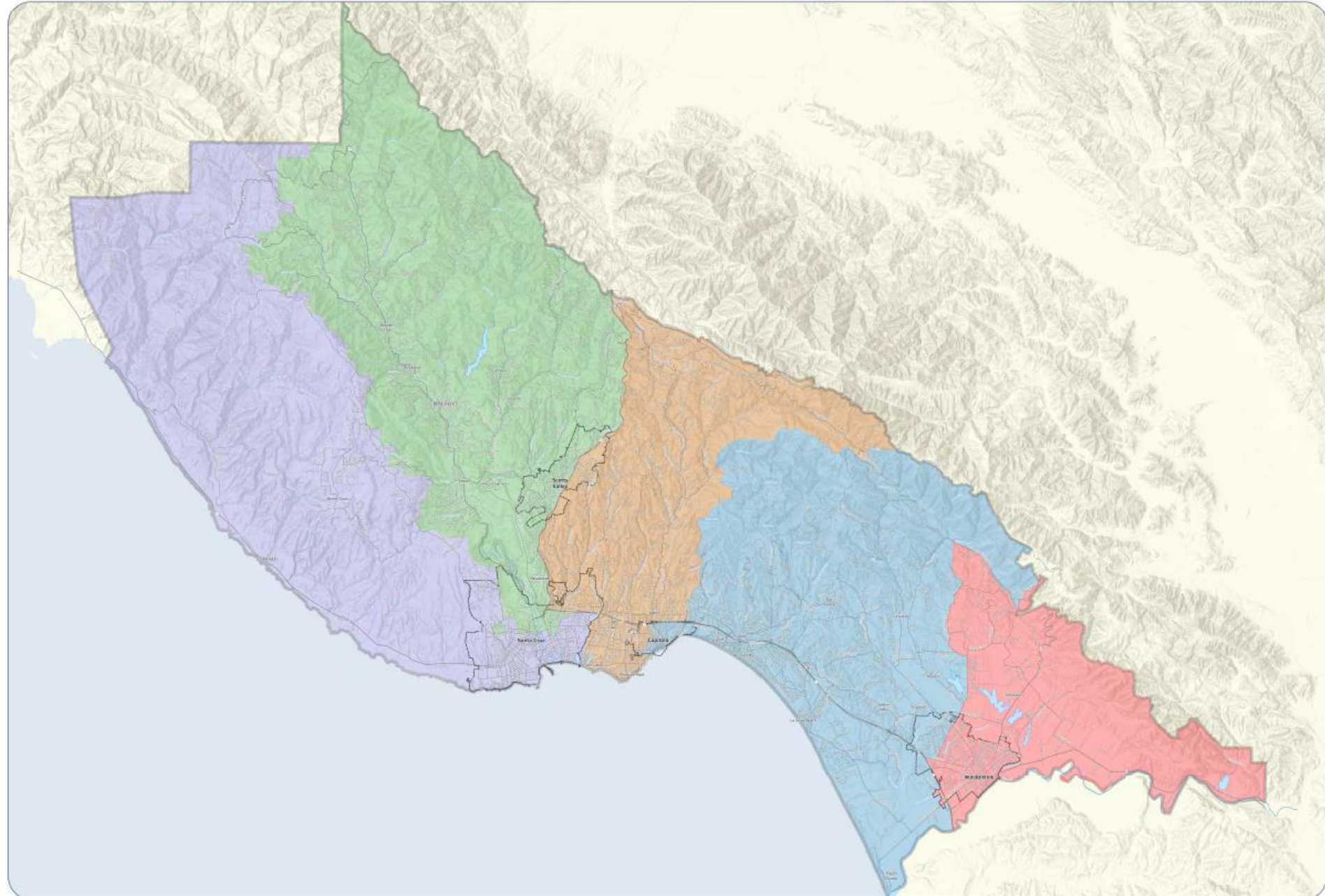
**Political Parties** - Lines cannot be drawn to favor or discriminate against any political party, incumbent, or candidate.





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# Option A: Apple Hill

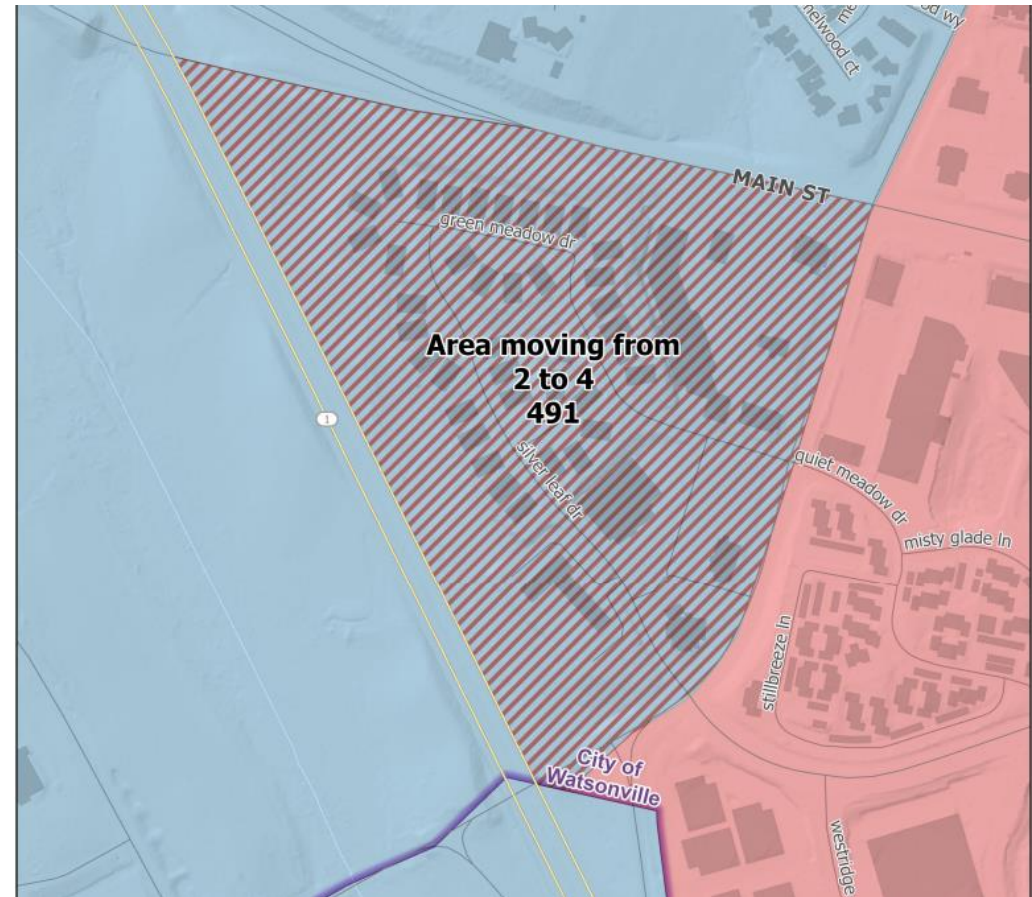


# Plan A Apple Hill

# Zoom in on ARC 21 Proposal A

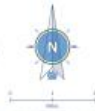
## Apple Hill

- Includes residents of Silver Leaf Drive and Green Meadow Drive
- Proposal transfers 491 persons from District 2 to 4



District	Target Population	Census Population	Proposed Population	Diff. Population	Hispanic	% Hispanic	Non-Hispanic	% Non-Hispanic	Pop Over 18	% Over 18	Hispanic Over 18	% H Over 18
Second	54,270	54,740	54,249	-491	18,674	34.4	35,575	65.6	43,791	80.7	13,126	24.2
Fourth	54,270	53,878	54,369	491	43,547	80.1	10,822	19.9	39,303	72.3	30,009	55.2

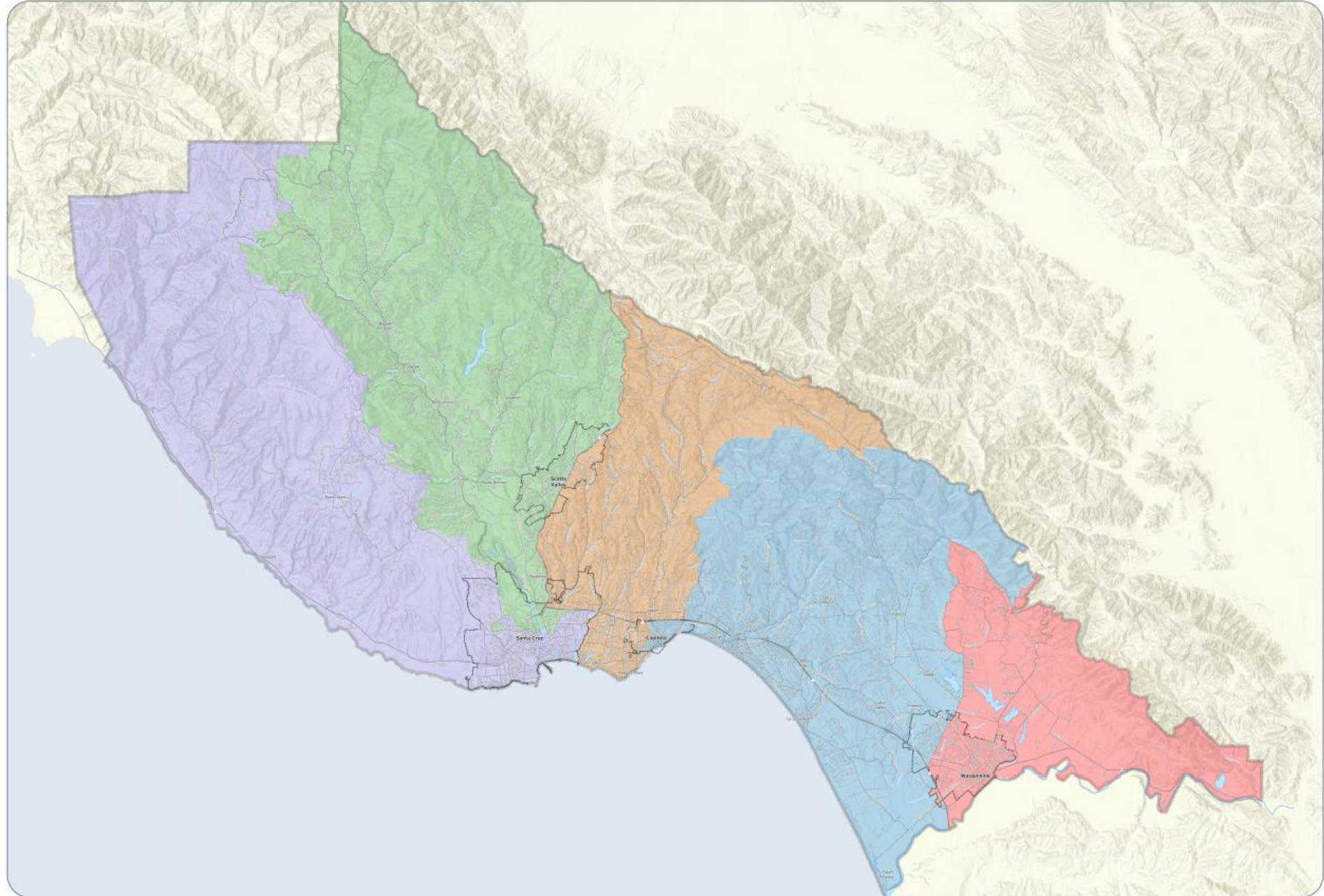




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# Option B: East Harbor

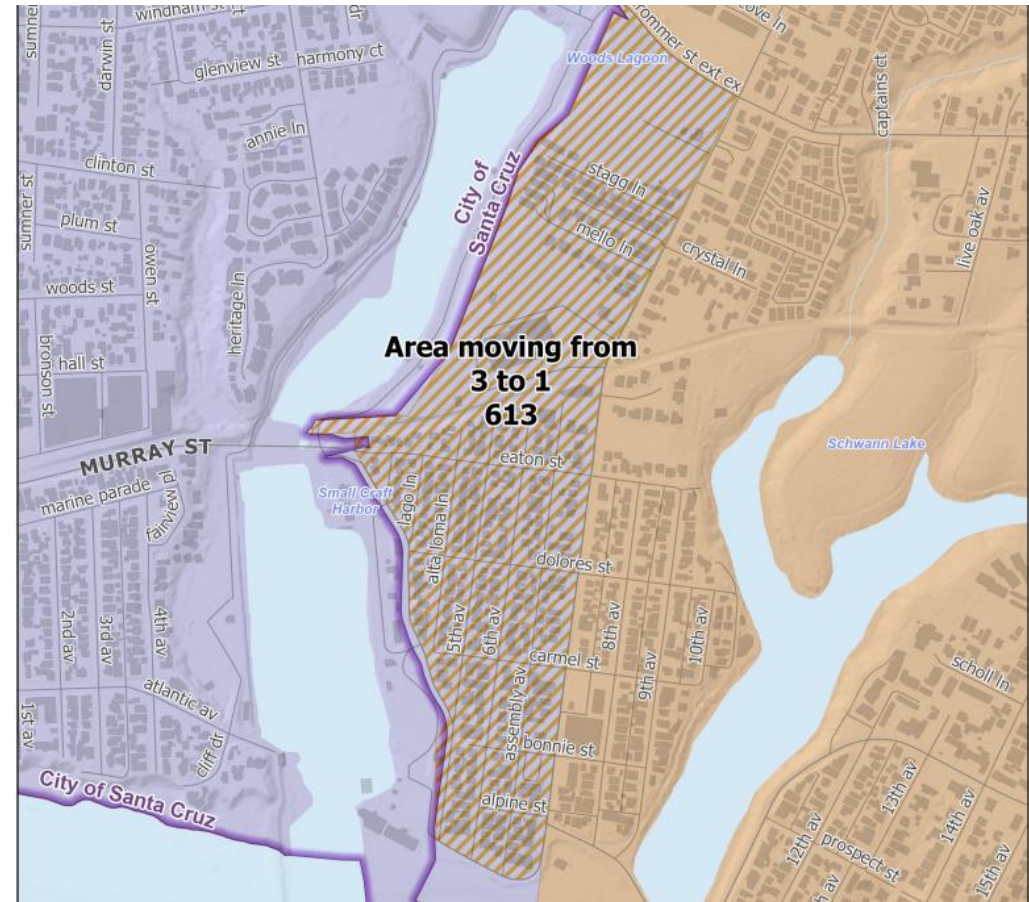
# Plan B East Harbor



# Zoom in on ARC 21 Proposal B

## East Harbor

- Includes portions of the East Harbor neighborhoods
- Proposal transfers 613 persons from District 3 to 1



District	Target Population	Census Population	Proposed Population	Diff. Population	Hispanic	% Hispanic	Non-Hispanic	% Non-Hispanic	Pop Over 18	% Over 18	Hispanic Over 18	% H Over 18
First	54,270	54,147	54,760	613	12,003	21.9	42,757	78.1	45,208	82.6	8,723	15.9
Third	54,270	56,380	55,767	-613	13,303	23.8	42,464	76.1	48,893	87.7	11,058	19.8

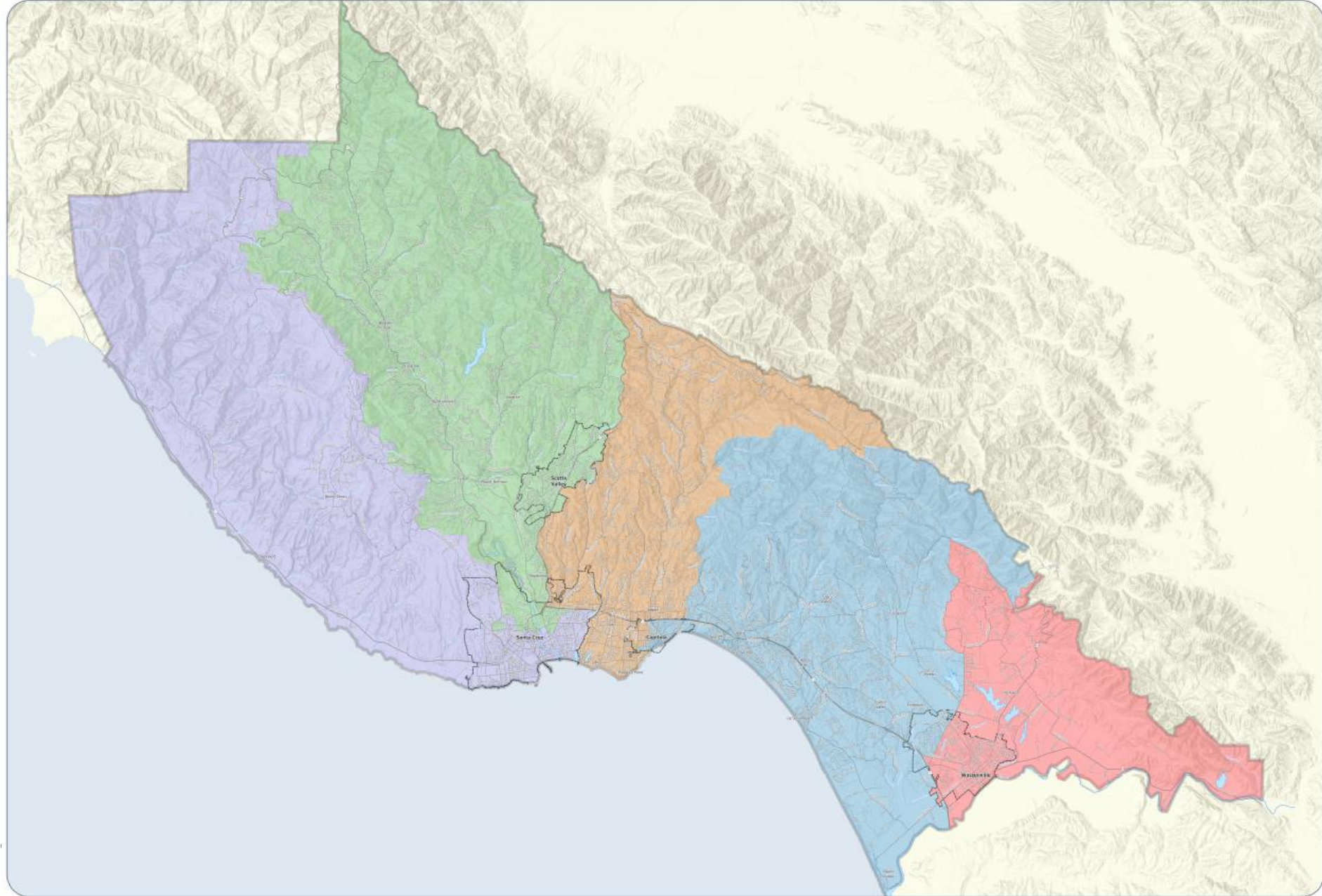




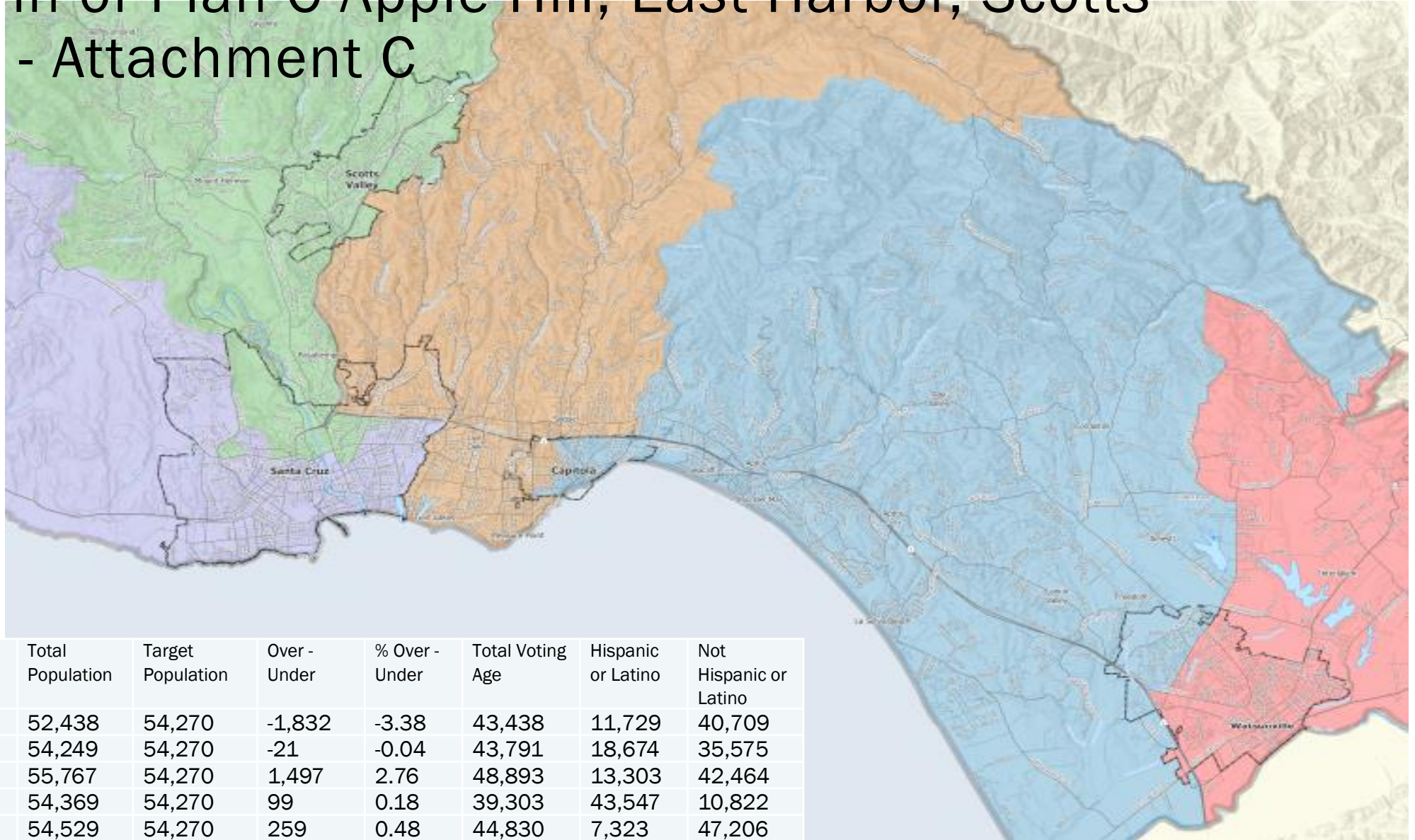
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# Option C: Apple Hill + East Harbor + Scotts Valley

Plan C  
Apple  
Hill,  
East  
Harbor,  
Scotts  
Valley



# Zoom in of Plan C Apple Hill, East Harbor, Scotts Valley - Attachment C



District	Total Population	Target Population	Over - Under	% Over - Under	Total Voting Age	Hispanic or Latino	Not Hispanic or Latino
District 1	52,438	54,270	-1,832	-3.38	43,438	11,729	40,709
District 2	54,249	54,270	-21	-0.04	43,791	18,674	35,575
District 3	55,767	54,270	1,497	2.76	48,893	13,303	42,464
District 4	54,369	54,270	99	0.18	39,303	43,547	10,822
District 5	54,529	54,270	259	0.48	44,830	7,323	47,206

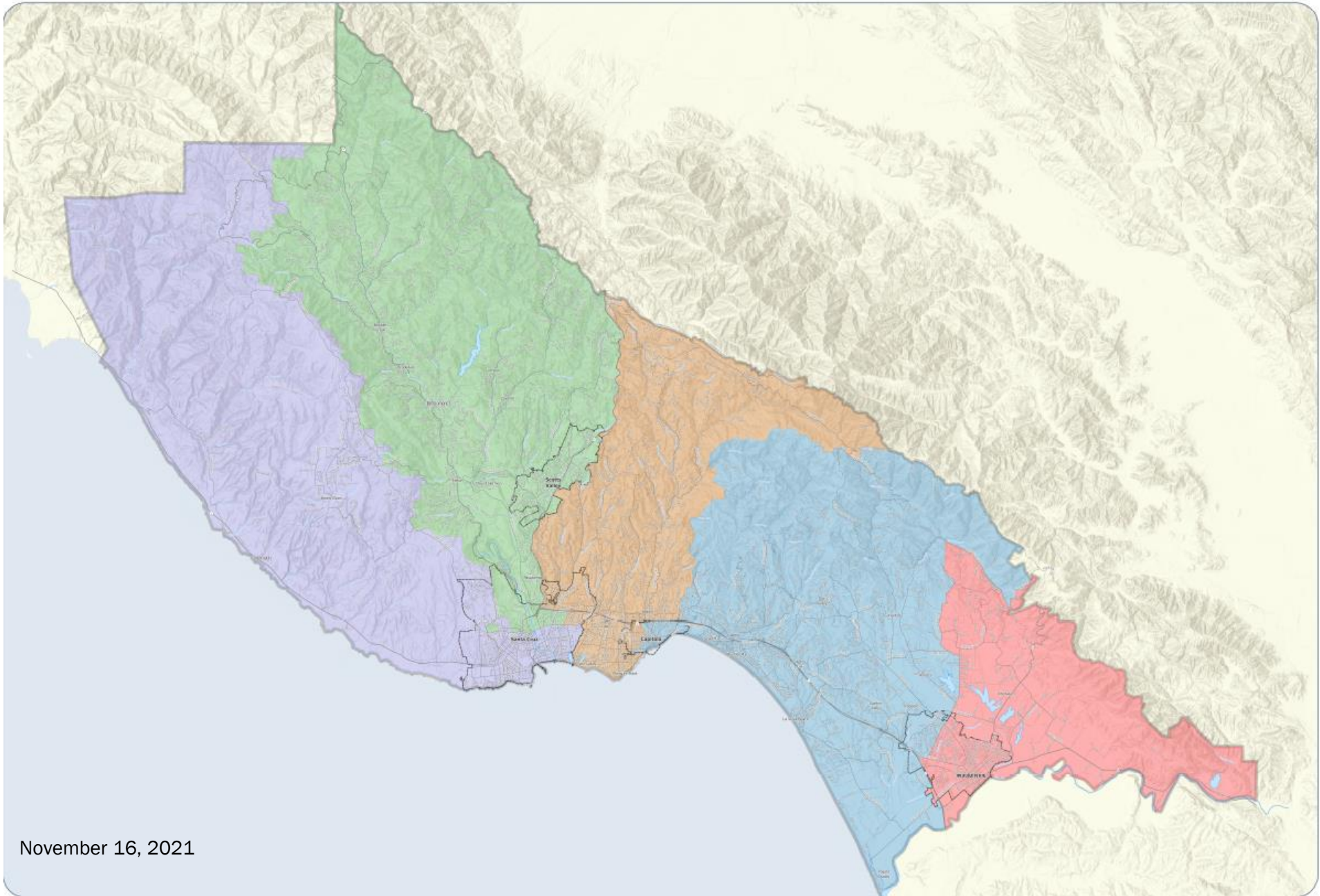




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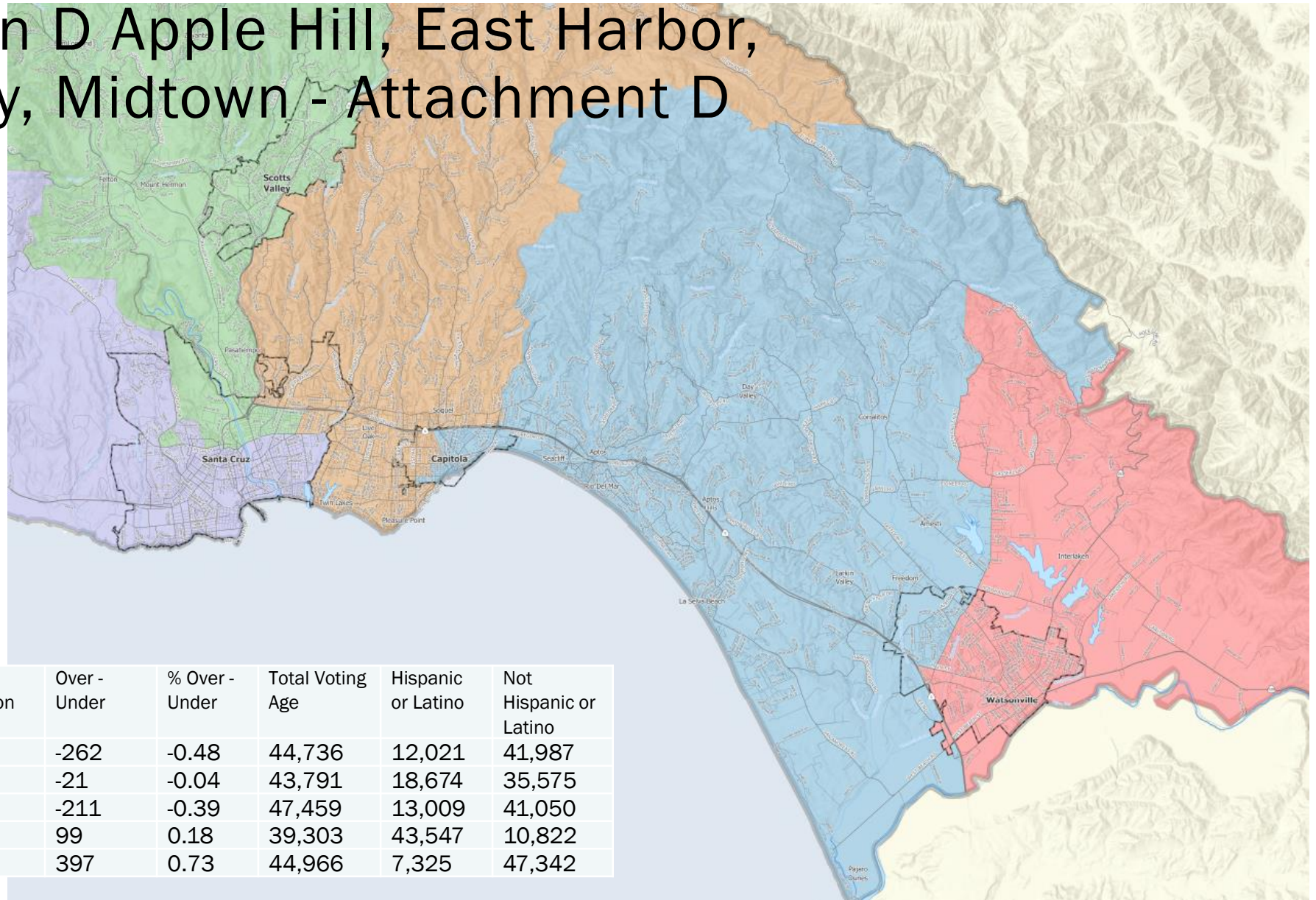
# Option D: Apple Hill + East Harbor + Derek Timm Plan

Plan D  
Apple Hill,  
East  
Harbor,  
Scotts  
Valley,  
Midtown





# Zoom in Plan D Apple Hill, East Harbor, Scotts Valley, Midtown - Attachment D



District	Total Population	Target Population	Over - Under	% Over - Under	Total Voting Age	Hispanic or Latino	Not Hispanic or Latino
District 1	54,008	54,270	-262	-0.48	44,736	12,021	41,987
District 2	54,249	54,270	-21	-0.04	43,791	18,674	35,575
District 3	54,059	54,270	-211	-0.39	47,459	13,009	41,050
District 4	54,369	54,270	99	0.18	39,303	43,547	10,822
District 5	54,667	54,270	397	0.73	44,966	7,325	47,342





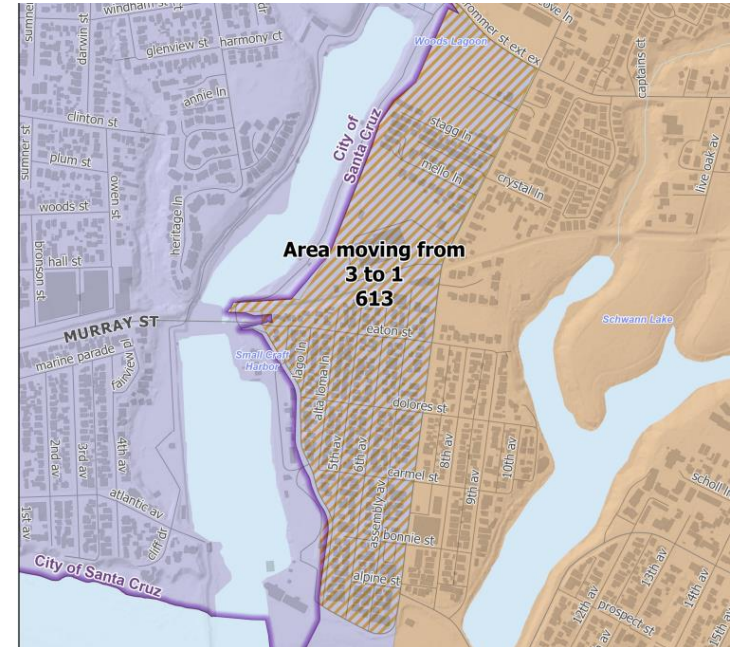
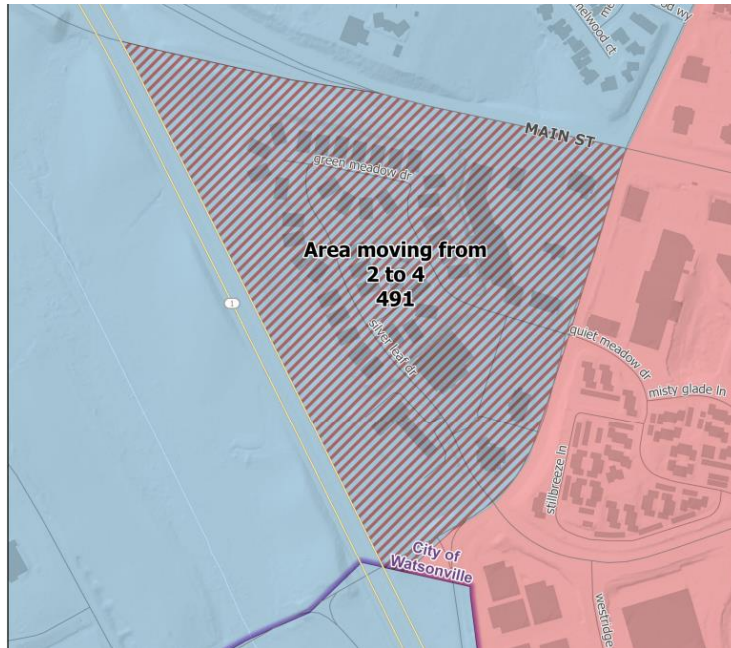
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# Option E: Arc Recommended Plan

## Plan E ARC 21 Proposal



# Zoom in of Plan E ARC 21 Proposal



District	Total Proposed Population	Target Population	Over - Under	% Over - Under/ Census	% Over - Under/ Proposed	Hispanic or Latino	Not Hispanic or Latino
District 1	54,760	54,270	490	<b>-0.23</b>	<b>0.9</b>	12,003	42,757
District 2	54,249	54,270	-21	<b>0.87</b>	<b>-0.04</b>	18,674	35,575
District 3	55,767	54,270	1,497	<b>3.89</b>	<b>2.76</b>	13,303	42,464
District 4	54,369	54,270	99	<b>-0.72</b>	<b>0.18</b>	43,547	10,822
District 5	52,207	54,270	-2,063	<b>-3.80</b>	<b>-3.8</b>	7,049	45,158



# Additional Redistricting Mapping Proposals received but not noticed for final adoption

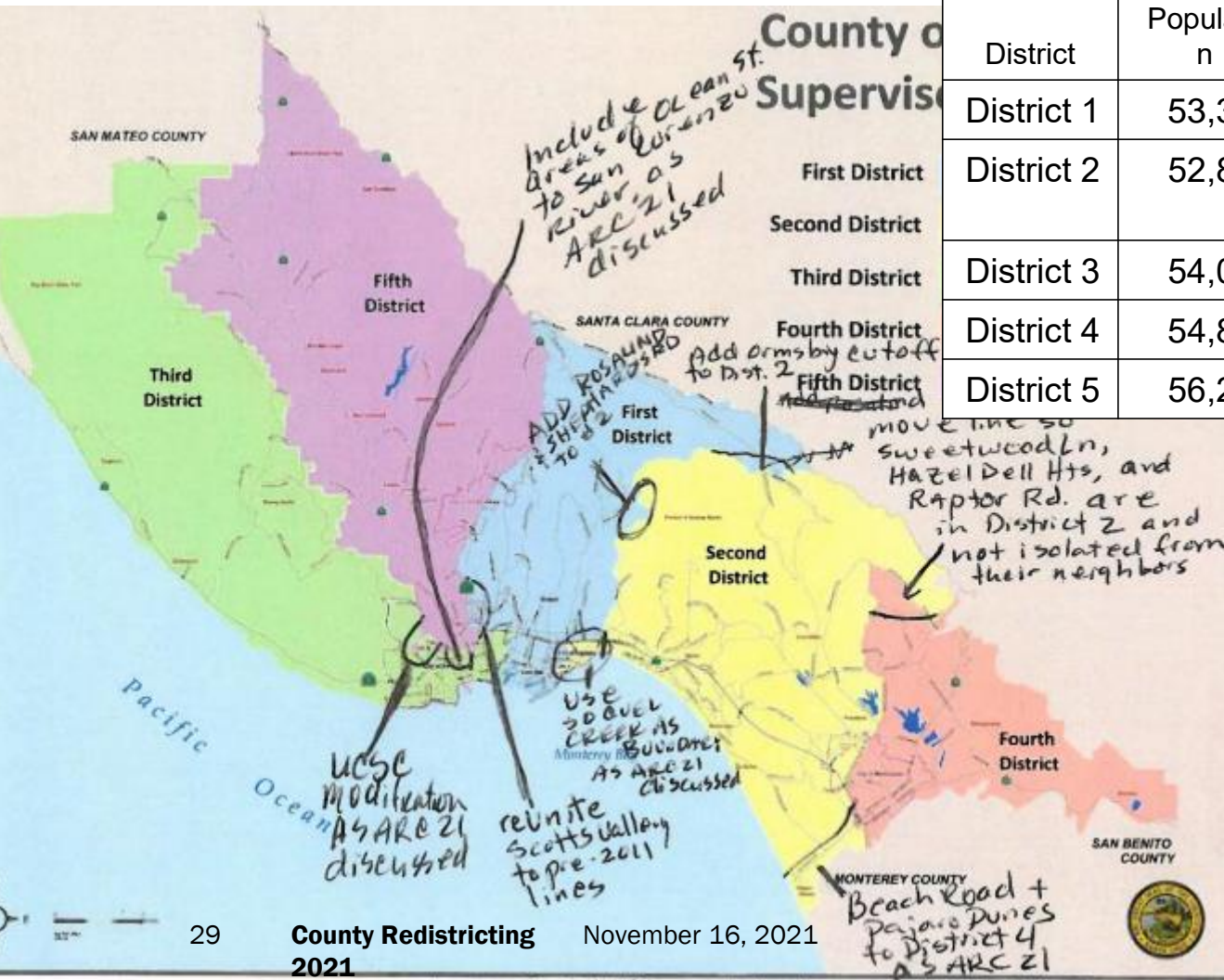
Proposed Plan and Map by K. Hallinan



District	Total Proposed Population	Target Population	Over - Under	% Over – Under/ Census	% Over – Under/ Proposed	Hispanic or Latino	Not Hispanic or Latino
District 1	53,604	54,270	-666	<b>-0.23</b>	<b>-1.23</b>	16,442	37,162
District 2	54,427	54,270	157	<b>0.87</b>	<b>0.29</b>	12,577	41,850
District 3	54,328	54,270	58	<b>3.89</b>	<b>0.11</b>	13,775	40,553
District 4	55,144	54,270	874	<b>-0.72</b>	<b>1.61</b>	45,440	9,704
District 5	53,841	54,270	-429	<b>-3.80</b>	<b>-0.79</b>	6,339	47,502

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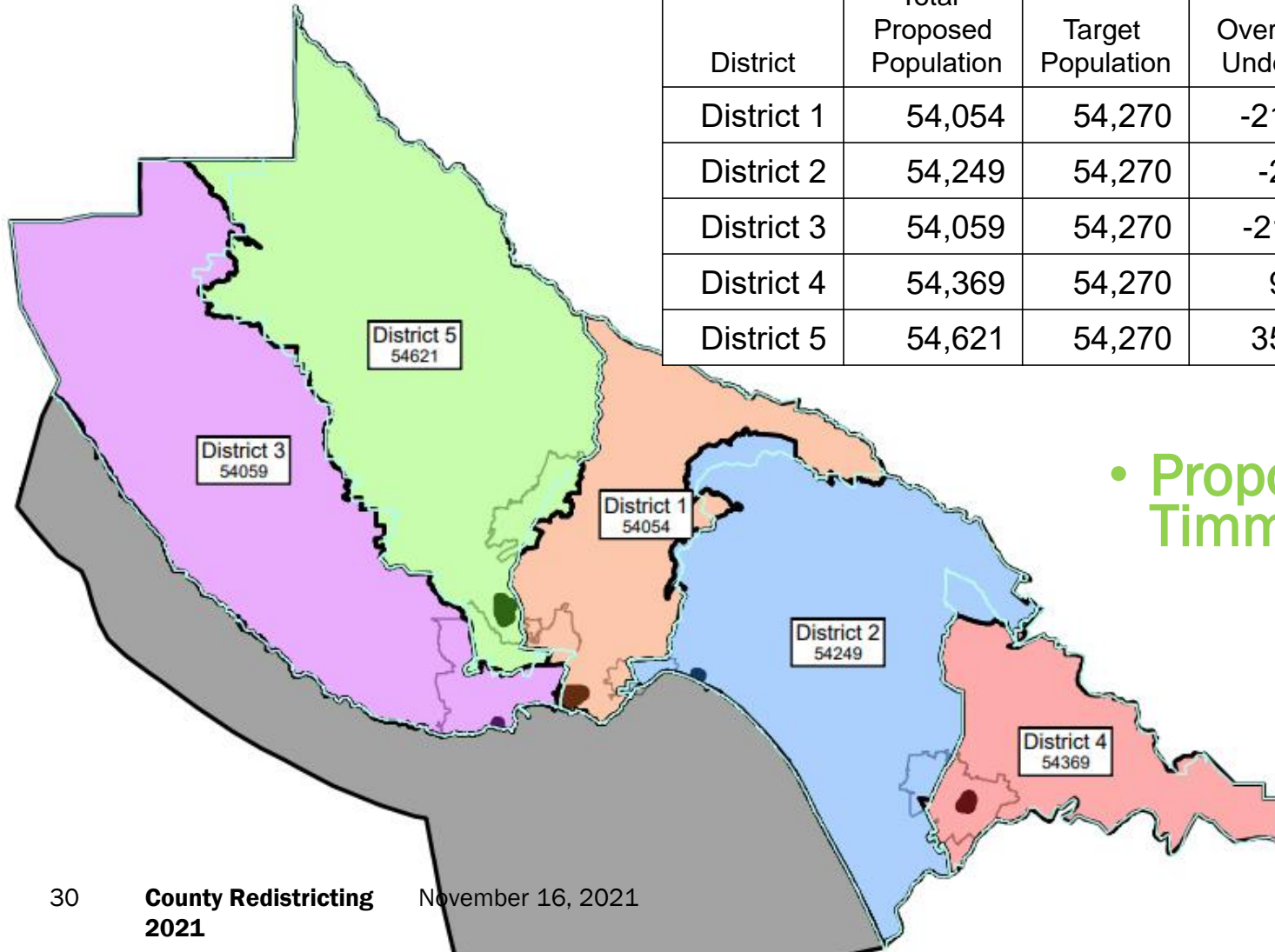
Proposed Plan and Map by B. Steinbruner



District	Total Proposed Population	Target Population	Over - Under	% Over - Under/ Census	% Over - Under/ Proposed	Hispanic or Latino	Not Hispanic or Latino
District 1	53,369	54,270	-901	-0.23	-1.66	11,890	41,479
District 2	52,869	54,270	-1,401	0.87	-2.58	18,207	34,662
District 3	54,013	54,270	-257	3.89	-0.47	12,601	41,412
District 4	54,818	54,270	548	-0.72	1.01	43,853	10,965
District 5	56,283	54,270	2,013	-3.80	3.71	8,025	48,258



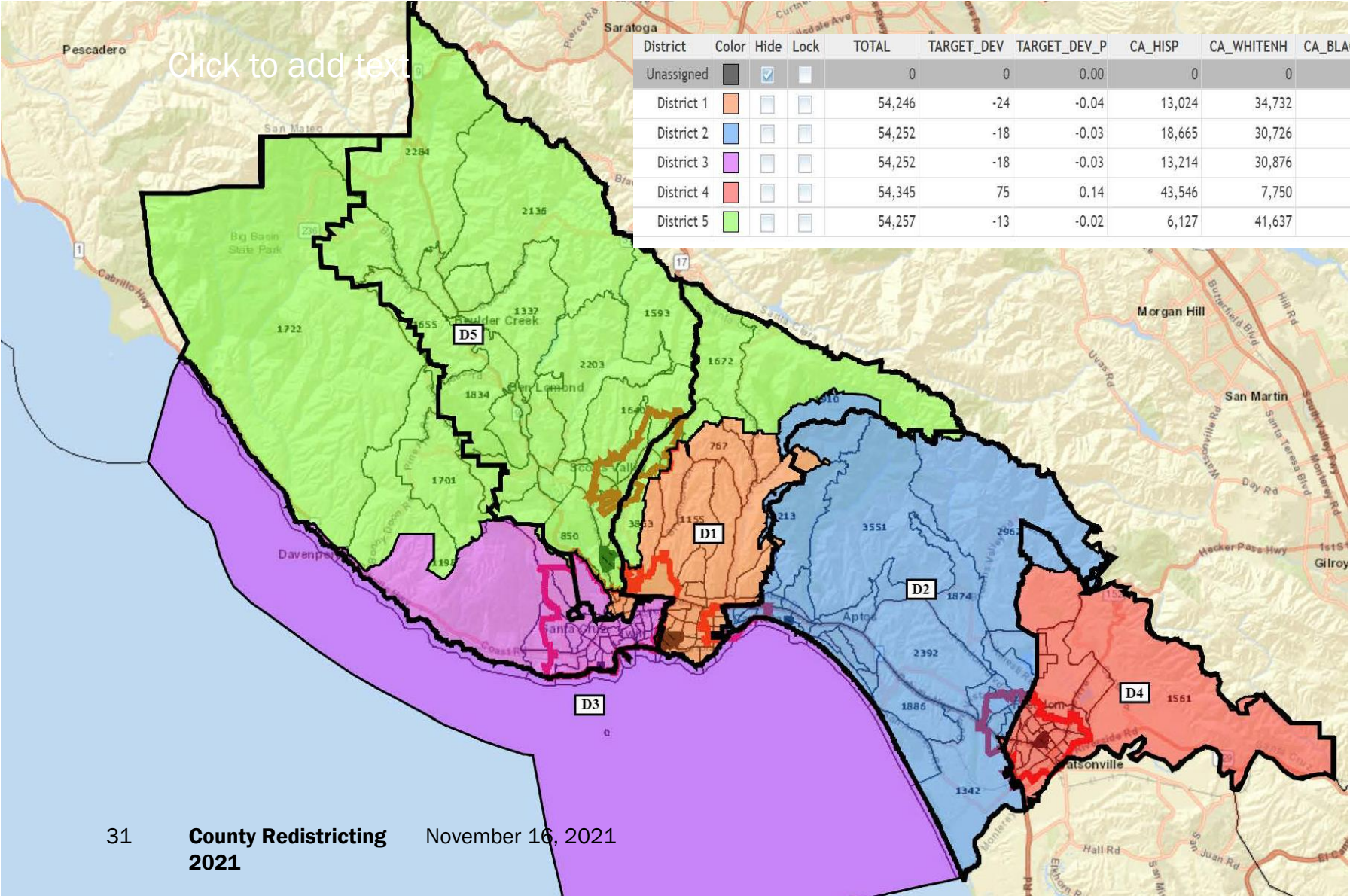
# Additional Redistricting Mapping Proposals received



District	Total Proposed Population	Target Population	Over - Under	% Over - Under/ Census	% Over - Under/ Proposed	Hispanic or Latino	Not Hispanic or Latino
District 1	54,054	54,270	-216	<b>-0.23</b>	<b>-0.40</b>	12,040	42,014
District 2	54,249	54,270	-21	<b>0.87</b>	<b>-0.04</b>	18,674	35,575
District 3	54,059	54,270	-211	<b>3.89</b>	<b>-0.39</b>	13,009	41,050
District 4	54,369	54,270	99	<b>-0.72</b>	<b>0.18</b>	43,547	10,822
District 5	54,621	54,270	351	<b>-3.80</b>	<b>0.65</b>	7,306	47,315

• Proposed Plan and Map by D. Timm

# Additional Redistricting Mapping Proposals received but not noticed for final adoption



Proposed Plan and Map by G. Glazer, received 11.13.21



# ARC21 Considered but not recommended

## First District

- Jewel Box Proposal

Considered neighborhood as a COI to be consolidated into a single district, yielding a more equal representation of the Capitola city boundaries among the First and Second Districts.

Would have moved an additional 1,064 persons from District 2 to 1.

## Third District

- UCSC Campus Proposal

Proposal to improve substantial equality between the Fifth and Third Districts and gain a more equal representation of the campus population.

Would have moved an additional 2,474 persons from District 3 to 5.

- Ocean St Proposal

Proposal to reconfigure the area around the County Building on Ocean Street and share among District 3 and 5 the impacts, and solutions, to homeless encampments permitted in this area.

Would have moved an additional 294 persons from District 3 to 5.

## Fourth District

- Beach Street Corridor Proposal

Proposal reflected a COI shared among the agricultural support industries located in the corridor from Beach Street to the Monterey Bay, and from the Pajaro River to about Sunset Beach Road.

Would have moved 449 persons from District 2 to 4.