

CITY OF SOUTH PASADENA CITY COUNCIL

<u>A G E N D A</u> SPECIAL MEETING TUESDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2021 AT 5:00 P.M.

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS 1424 MISSION STREET, SOUTH PASADENA, CA 91030

South Pasadena City Council Statement of Civility

As your elected governing board, we will treat each other, members of the public, and city employees with patience, civility and courtesy as a model of the same behavior we wish to reflect in South Pasadena for the conduct of all city business and community participation. The decisions made tonight will be for the benefit of the South Pasadena community and not for personal gain.

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CALL TO ORDER:	Mayor	Diana Mahmud
ROLL CALL:	Mayor Mayor Pro Tem Councilmember Councilmember Councilmember	Diana Mahmud Michael Cacciotti Jack Donovan Jon Primuth Evelyn G. Zneimer
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:	Councilmember	Jon Primuth

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1) Name (optional), and

2) Agenda item you are submitting public comment on.

3) Submit by no later than 2:00 p.m., on Tuesday, October 26, 2021.

ACTION / DISCUSSION

1. <u>DISCUSSION AND DIRECTION ON LOS ANGELES COUNTY REDISTRICTING</u> <u>PROCESS FOR SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT.</u>

Recommendation Action

It is recommended that the City Council receive an update on the Los Angeles County (LA County) Redistricting process and provide the City Manager and staff direction regarding the City's position on Communities of Interest (COI) maps and final District maps for the LA County Supervisorial Districts.

ADJOURNMENT

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

FUTURE CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS (OPEN SESSION)

October 27, 2021	Special City Council meeting	Council Chamber	6:00 p.m.
November 03, 2021	Regular City Council meeting	Council Chamber	7:00 p.m.
November 17, 2021	Regular City Council meeting	Council Chamber	7:00 p.m.

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CERTIFICATION OF POSTING

I declare under penalty of perjury that I posted this notice of agenda for the meeting to be held on **October 26, 2021**, on the bulletin board in the courtyard of City Hall at 1414 Mission Street, South Pasadena, CA 91030, and on the City's website as required by law, on the date listed below.

10/25/2021	Christina Muñoz
Date	Christina Muñoz, Acting Deputy City Clerk





SUBJECT:	Discussion and Direction on Los Angeles County Redistricting Process for Supervisorial District
PREPARED BY:	Lucy Demirjian, Management Services Director
FROM:	Arminé Chaparyan, City Manager
DATE:	October 26, 2021

Recommendation Action

It is recommended that the City Council receive an update on the Los Angeles County (LA County) Redistricting process and provide the City Manager and staff direction regarding the City's position on Communities of Interest (COI) maps and final District maps for the LA County Supervisorial Districts.

Background

The Los Angeles County Citizens Redistricting Commission (CRC) is an independent commission responsible for drawing the five revised supervisorial districts that reflect the changes in population and demographics that have occurred in the current districts over the last 10 years.

Every ten years, supervisorial districts must be redrawn so that each district is substantially equal in population. This process, called redistricting, is important in ensuring that each Board of Supervisors member represents about the same number of constituents. The CRC is considering boundaries for the County's five supervisorial districts following the recent release of federal census data. Redistricting is done using U.S. Census data, which was delayed due to the COVID-19 pandemic. For the County of Los Angeles, the redistricting process must be completed by December 15, 2021. A COI is a contiguous population sharing common social and economic interests that should be included within a single district for purposes of its effective and fair representation.

The redrawing must fall under the federal Voting Rights Act. The county's five supervisorial districts must:

- Be geographically connected;
- Be drawn so as to minimize dividing cities, neighborhoods, or communities of interest'
- Not be "gerrymandered," that is, drawn to favor any political faction, party or officeholder; and
- Include about 2 million people each.

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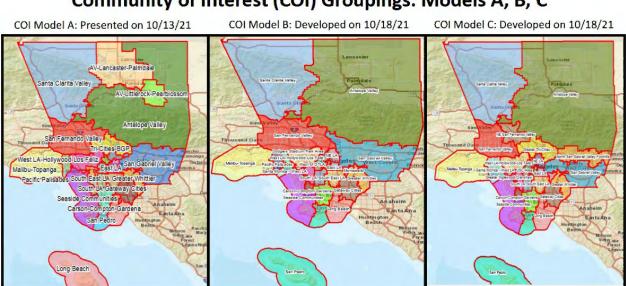
Update

The CRC has held over a dozen public hearings to date to gather input about possible COI's and reviewed COI models on October 13 and October 20.

The CRC has published the following models:

- South Pasadena is included with the City of San Marino, and the Highland Park, Model A: Eagle Rock and Elysian Park neighborhoods of Los Angeles.
- Model B: South Pasadena is included with San Gabriel Valley COI, stretching east to Pomona
- Model C: South Pasadena is included with the Greater Tri-Cities COI, which includes the cities of Burbank, Glendale, and Pasadena.

(See below, and Attachment 2).



Community of Interest (COI) Groupings: Models A, B, C

The cities of Pasadena, Burbank and Glendale have requested to be considered a COI (the "Tri-Cities") to remain within the same supervisorial district, given their historic ties, demographic and economic similarities, shared legislative and municipal objectives. The City of San Marino has also submitted comments in support of Model B, to maintain a San Gabriel Valley cities COL.

Action/Discussion

Staff is seeking direction form the City Council in order to submit official comments to the CRC advocating for the City of South Pasadena to be grouped with specific cities and/or COI's.

The CRC has scheduled focused discussions on selection of map options for October 26, 27, and 28. In order to underscore the City's position, Staff plans to attend each of these meetings to hear Los Angeles County Redistricting – Communities of Interest and District Maps October 26, 2021 Page 3 of 4

arguments by other communities as to their positions for COI affiliation and to provide comment on behalf of the City of South Pasadena as to the Council's stated preference.

The City of South Pasadena is bordered by the 110-freeway to the west, the ridge of the San Pasqual Hills to the south, and is joined by the communities of San Marino and Pasadena to the east and north. Arroyo Seco is a natural border to the City of Los Angeles.

In addition to sharing geographic boundaries with Pasadena, South Pasadena has a relationship with service providers located in Pasadena, including Union Station, Pasadena Humane Society, and the Housing Rights Center.

South Pasadena also participates with the Tri-cities in the Arroyo Verdugo Communities Subregion Joint Powers Authority on regional transportation issues and the Verdugo Fire Communications for rescue dispatch services in the region (includes Burbank, Glendale, Pasadena, San Marino, Arcadia, Sierra Madre, San Gabriel, Alhambra, Monterey Park, and Montebello).

The City also has a relationship exclusively with San Marino for Fire Command staffing.

South Pasadena has been a long-time member of the San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments and has benefited from its collective regional approach on various matters affecting the region including water, stormwater, affordable housing, and homelessness.

Next Steps

The CRC continues to review maps submitted by the public and has identified several map options based on input from our public hearings. In November, the public will have additional opportunity to weigh in on the options. In December, the CRC and its staff will further refine options for further comment. On Dec. 15, the CRC will vote on the final map.

Information on the County of Los Angeles Citizens Redistricting Commission

In 2016, the California Legislature passed Senate Bill 958, requiring Los Angeles County to assemble the CRC following the Federal census. The role of the CRC is to draw the boundary lines of the five single-member, supervisorial districts of the County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors by December 15, 2021. The CRC is to be independent from the influence of the Board of Supervisors.

Commissioners include Jean Franklin, David Holtzman, Mary Kenney, Daniel Mayeda (Co-Chair), Mark Mendoza, Apolonio Morales, Nelson Obregon, Priscilla Orpinela-Segura, Hailes Soto, Saira Soto, Brian Stecher, John Vento, Carolyn Williams (Co-Chair), and Doreena Wong

CRC Staff: Gayla Kraetsch Hartsough, Ph.D., Executive Director, and Holly O. Whatley, Holly O. Whatley, Esq., Independent Legal Counsel, Colantuono, Highsmith & Whatley, PC

Legal Review

The City Attorney has reviewed this item.

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Fiscal Impact

Although there is no fiscal impact with this report, where the City falls within the new supervisorial district boundaries may affect future funding to the City and the region.

Public Notification of Agenda Item

The public was made aware that this item was to be considered this evening by virtue of its inclusion on the legally publicly noticed agenda, posting of the same agenda and reports on the City's website.

Attachments:

- 1. CRC redistricting process and timeline
- 2. COI models

Los Angeles County Citizens Redistricting (CRC) Commission







No Public Input Taken Today

This presentation is designed to be educational about the redistricting process. I can answer questions about the process.

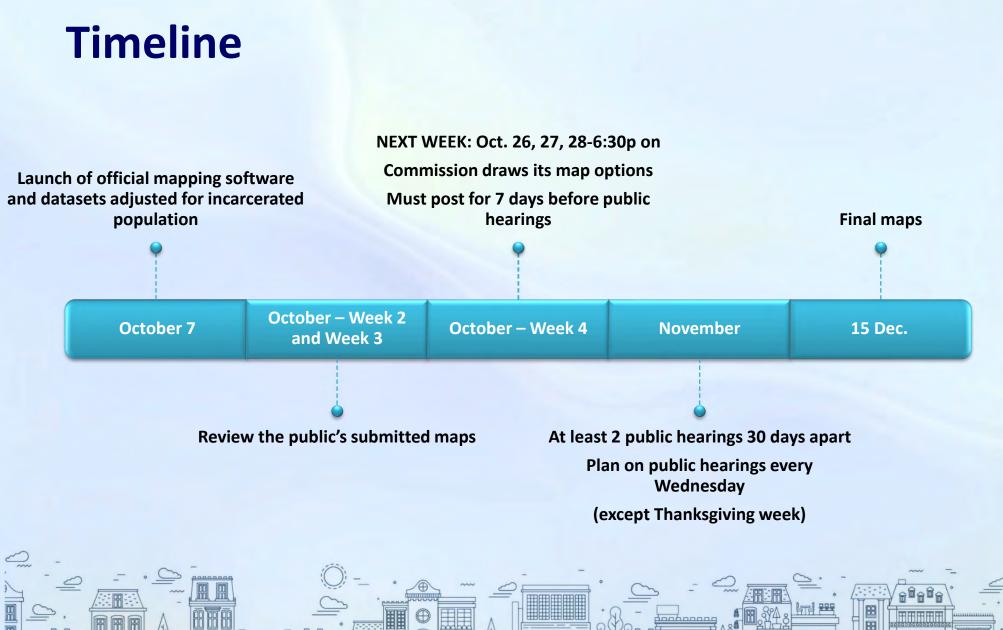
Any input you may have about where to draw the district lines must be shared with the full LA County CRC at our upcoming meetings in October and public hearings in November.

To provide written public input on Agenda Items, please visit our website: <u>https://publiccomment.redistricting.lacounty.gov/</u>

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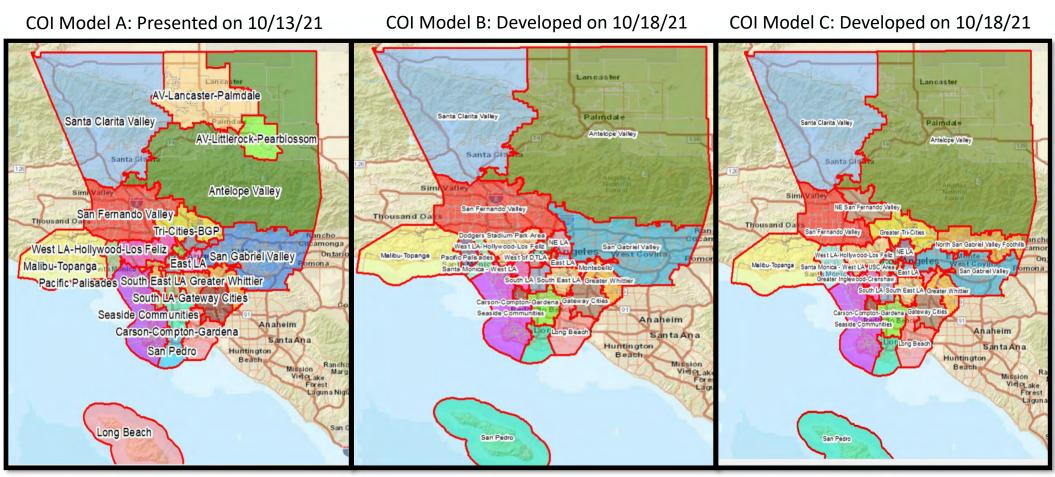




Submitted maps posted on LA County CRC website: https://redistrictinglacounty.hub.arcgis.com/



Community of Interest (COI) Groupings: Models A, B, C









Where to draw the lines?

U.S. Constitution, 52 U.S.C. § 10301, Cal. Election Code § 21534

District lines will be adopted using the following criteria in order of priority:

- Each district shall be <u>reasonably equal in total resident population</u> to the other districts, except where deviation is required to comply with the Federal Voting Rights Act (VRA) of 1965 or allowable by law.
- 2. Districts shall <u>comply with the Federal Voting Rights Act (VRA)</u> of 1965.
- 3. Districts shall be geographically contiguous.
- 4. The <u>geographic integrity of city, local neighborhood, or community</u> <u>of interest</u> shall be respected in a manner that minimizes its division.
- 5. To the extent practicable, and where it does not conflict with numbers 1-4 above, districts shall be drawn to encourage geographic compactness.

Besides the above criteria, districts shall not be drawn for purposes of favoring or discriminating against an incumbent, political candidate, or political party.



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Question:

What other COI groups would you like to be combined with to reach 2 million residents?





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Note: October meetings will be virtual; November public hearings may be hybrid: Attend and participate in person in keeping with COVID-19 health safety protocols - masks required



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Executive Director Overview Slides Available Depending on Questions



LA County Redistricting Approach

Past Approach

- The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors appointed an advisory-only Boundary Redistricting Committee (BRC) to study proposed changes to the boundaries.
- The Board of Supervisors could make revisions before adopting the final redistricted boundaries.

New Approach with California SB 2016

- Formation of Citizens Redistricting Commission to draw the boundary lines of the five single-member supervisorial districts for the next 10 years
- Independent from the influence of the Board
- Reasonably representative of the County's diversity



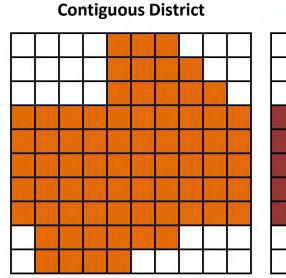


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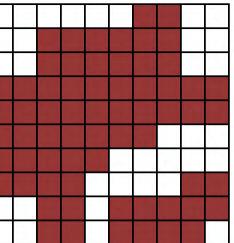
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Simply put:

- Establish reasonably equal population
- Give racial and ethnic groups a fair shot
- Connect all parts of a district (geographic contiguity)
- Preserve geographic integrity of cities, neighborhoods, and communities of interest
- Don't bypass nearby populations in drawing districts (compactness)
- Avoid partisan favoritism



Non-Contiguous District



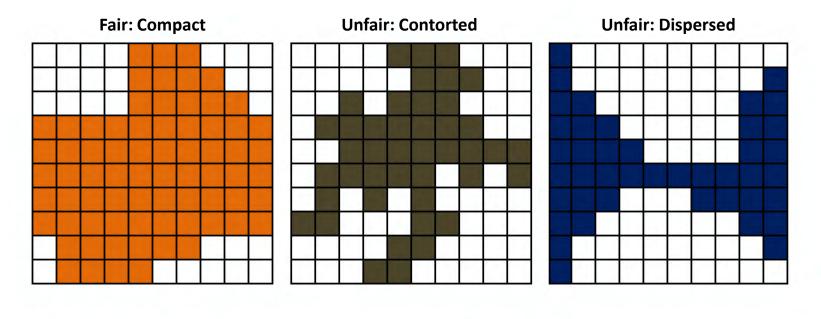


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Toolkits to spread the word!

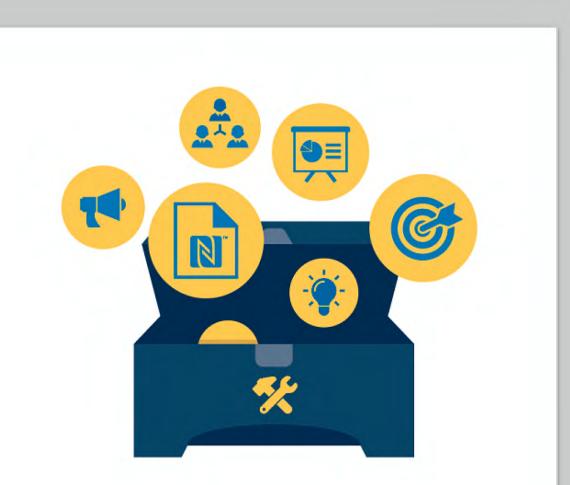
Outreach toolkit on our website in the County's 12 threshold languages:

- Fact sheets
- Presentations

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LA County's 12 Threshold Languages

-	Armenian	-	Tagalog/Filipino
•	Chinese	•	Vietnamese
-	Cambodian/Khmer	•	Hindi
•	Farsi	•	Japanese
•	Korean	•	Thai
-	Spanish		Russian

Gayla Kraetsch Hartsough, Ph.D., serves as the Executive Director of the Los Angeles County Citizens Redistricting Commissioner (LA County CRC). She has been the President of KH Consulting Group (KH) since 1986. KH offers management consultant services in strategic and organizational planning, business process improvements, change management, and performance and management audits. KH has served more than 200 clients in 25 states and 9 foreign countries, including Australia, The Czech Republic, Taiwan, Canada, France, Singapore, Indonesia, The Philippines, Saudi Arabia, and China. Among her clients are:

- Government (e.g., the City of Los Angeles, County of Los Angeles, County of Orange (CA), and City and County of Denver)
- Higher education and non-profit organizations (USC, UCLA, Northwestern University, California State University system, Los Angeles Unified School District, Los Angeles Community College District, San Francisco City College, among others)
- Transportation networks (LAX, Port of Long Beach, Port of Los Angeles, South Australia Department of Marines & Harbours, and Port Authority of New York-New Jersey)
- Utilities (Metropolitan Water District, Illinois Power Company, Telstra (Australia), Southern California Edison, and Los Angeles Department of Water & Power (LADWP))
- Other private sector entities

Prior to KH, she was a Managing Consultant at Towers Perrin (now Willis Towers Watson).

She holds a B.S. degree from Northwestern University; a master degree from Tufts University; Ph.D. and master degrees from the University of Virginia; and a post-doctorate fellowship from the Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation.

She has served on various boards, including National Association of Women Business Owners Los Angeles (NAWBO-LA) (Board Member 2008-2011); Organization of Women Executives; Earth Protect (Advisory Council Member); and Northwestern University Entertainment Alliance (NUEA-West) (former Board Member). She is a member of Northwestern University's Council of 100.

She is an Associate Adjunct Faculty member and teaches public policy to international graduate students and delegations at the University of Southern **t**ali**2** finia, Sol Price School of Public Policy.





Communities of Interest Models 10-13-21 and 10-20-21

Presentation to the County of LOS ANGELES CITIZENS REDISTRICTING COMMISSION

ARCBridge Consulting & Training Inc. www.arcbridge.com



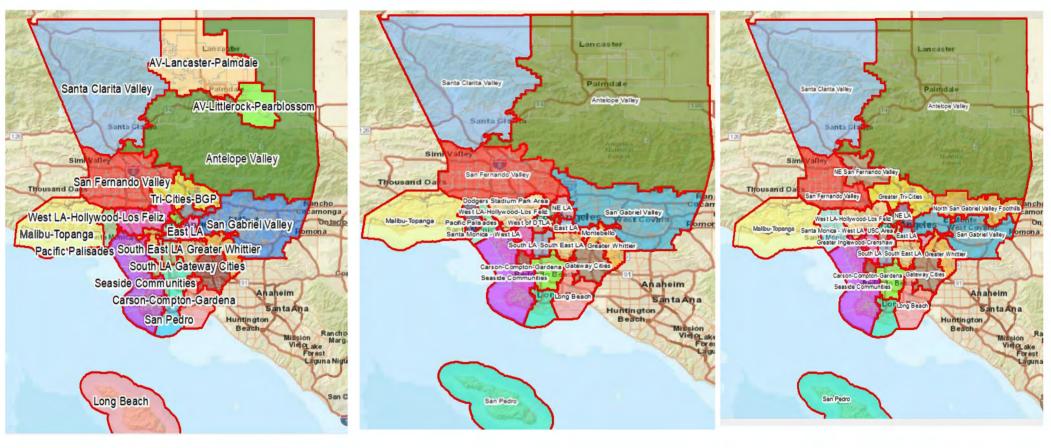
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Community of Interest (COI) Groupings: Models A, B, C

COI Model A: Presented on 10/13/21

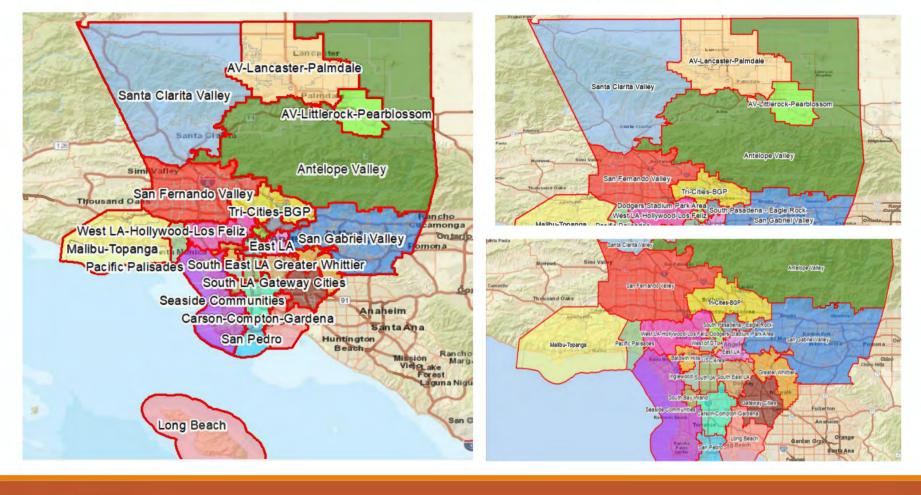
COI Model B: Developed on 10/18/21

COI Model C: Developed on 10/18/21



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Los Angeles County – Model A COI Groupings (10-13-21)

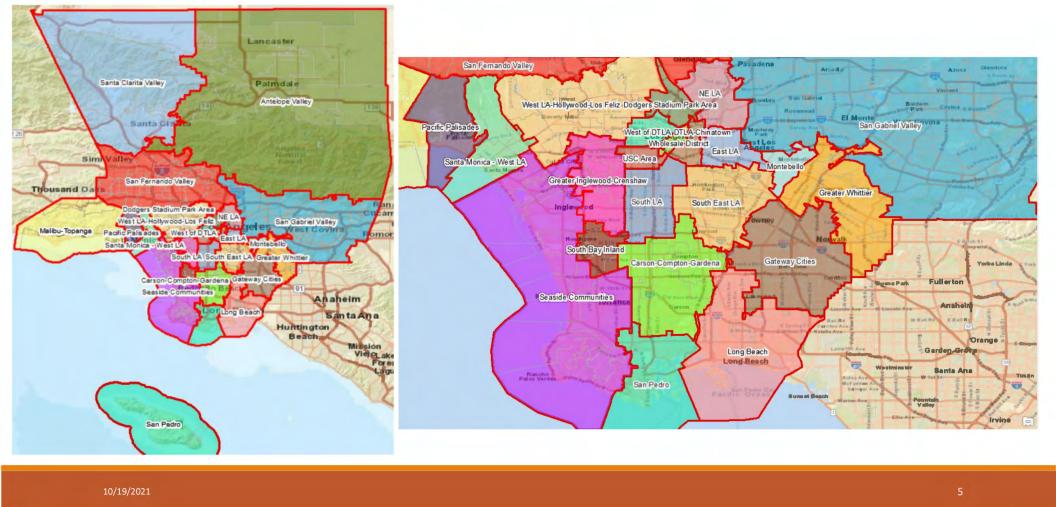


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Los Angeles County – Model A COI Groupings (10-13-21) Population

	Community of Interest	Population		Community of Interest	Population
1	Antelope Valley	31,696	15	San Fernando Valley	1,505,137
2	AV-Lancaster-Palmdale	368,524	16	San Gabriel Valley	1,522,292
3	AV-Littlerock-Pearblossom	17,237	17	San Pedro	179,730
4	Baldwin Hills	222,722	18	Santa Clarita Valley	291,144
5	Carson-Compton-Gardena	425,555	19	Seaside Communities	682,962
6	Dodgers Stadium Park Area	84,831	20	South Bay Inland	161,499
7	DTLA-Chinatown	55,292	21	South East LA	425,056
8	East LA	308,162	22	South LA	409,628
9	Gateway Cities	533,349	23	South Pasadena - Eagle Rock	168,325
10	Greater Whittier	366,353	24	Tri-Cities-BGP	535,366
11	Inglewood	169,664	25	USC Area	117,837
12	Long Beach	483,894	26	West LA-Hollywood-Los Feliz	560,771
13	Malibu-Topanga	82,575	27	West of DTLA	279,696
14	Pacific Palisades	24,712			





Los Angeles County – Model A COI Groupings (10-18-21) Population

	Community of Interest	Population		Community of Interest	Population
1	Antelope Valley	417,457	15	San Gabriel Valley	1,793,251
2	Carson-Compton-Gardena	425,555	16	San Pedro	183,605
3	Dodgers Stadium Park Area	84,831	17	Santa Clarita Valley	291,144
4	DTLA-Chinatown	55,292	18	Santa Monica - West LA	165,878
5	East LA	197,383	19	Seaside Communities	589,735
6	Gateway Cities	533,349	20	South Bay Inland	161,499
7	Greater Inglewood-Crenshaw	318,231	21	South East LA	425,056
8	Greater Whittier	303,713	22	South LA	444,366
9	Long Beach	480,019	23	USC Area	102,112
10	Malibu-Topanga	82,575	24	West LA-Hollywood-Los Feliz	543,262
11	Montebello	62,640	25	West of DTLA	279,696
12	NE LA	199,662	26	Wholesale District	39,969
13	Pacific Palisades	24,712			
14	San Fernando Valley	1,809,017			

Los Angeles County – Model C COI Groupings (10-18-21)





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Los Angeles County – Model C COI Groupings (10-18-21) Population

	Community of Interest	Population		Community of Interest	Population
1	Antelope Valley	417,468	15	North San Gabriel Valley Foothills	370,718
2	Carson-Compton-Gardena	425,555	16	San Fernando Valley	1,107,957
3	Dodgers Stadium Park Area	84,831	17	San Gabriel Valley	1,151,574
4	DTLA-Chinatown	55,292	18	San Pedro	183,605
5	East LA	197,383	19	Santa Clarita Valley	291,144
6	Gateway Cities	533,349	20	Santa Monica - West LA	190,590
7	Greater Inglewood-Crenshaw	318,231	21	Seaside Communities	589,735
8	Greater Tri-Cities	574,839	22	South Bay Inland	161,499
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14	NE San Fernando Valley	397,169	28	Wholesale District	39,969