



County of Merced

Redistricting Draft Maps

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Redistricting Process

Step	Description
Two Public Hearings June 8 & August 10	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Held prior to release of draft maps• Educate, solicit input on the communities in the Districts
Mapping Workshops July 13 & October 19	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Educate and to solicit input on the communities in the Districts• Learn about public mapping tools
Census Data Releases	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Census Bureau releases official 2020 Census population data – Aug. 12• California’s official ‘prisoner-adjusted’ 2020 redistricting data – Sept. 20, 27
Public Hearing November 16	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Discuss, revise the draft maps
Public Hearing December 7	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Discuss and select a map; discuss and determine the election sequence• Adopt resolution• Draft maps due: November 23, 1:30 p.m.• Draft maps posted to website by November 30, 1:30 p.m.

Redistricting Impact on the 2022 Election

Final Map Adoption:

December 7, 2021

Candidate Petition in Lieu Period:

January 4 – February 9, 2022 (5 p.m.)

Candidate Filing Period:

February 14 – March 11, 2022 (5 p.m.)

Registrar of Voters: co.merced.ca.us/3629/Elections

Redistricting Rules and Goals

1. Federal Laws

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



2. California Criteria for Counties

1. Geographically contiguous
2. Undivided neighborhoods and “communities of interest”
(Socio-economic geographic areas that should be kept together)
3. Cities and CDPs
4. Easily identifiable boundaries
5. Compact
(Do not bypass one group of people to get to a more distant group of people)

Prohibited:

“Shall not favor or discriminate against a political party.”

3. Other Traditional Redistricting Principles

- Minimize voters shifted to different election years
- Respect voters’ choices / continuity in office
- Future population growth
- Preserving the core of existing districts

2020 Census

Merced County Current District Official Demographics

District		1	2	3	4	5	Total
	Total Pop	51,532	59,326	56,400	51,209	62,631	281,098
	Deviation from ideal	-4,688	3,106	180	-5,011	6,411	11,422
	% Deviation	-8.34%	5.52%	0.32%	-8.91%	11.40%	20.32%
Total Pop	% Hisp	73.2%	48%	55%	61%	73%	62%
	% NH White	11%	32%	27%	32%	19%	24%
	% NH Black	3%	6%	4%	1%	2%	3%
	% Asian-American	11%	11%	10%	3%	3%	8%
Citizen Voting Age Pop	Total	23,411	37,449	32,667	28,283	27,251	149,060
	% Hisp	59%	40%	41%	40%	56%	46%
	% NH White	21%	41%	43%	53%	34%	39%
	% NH Black	4%	6%	6%	0%	4%	4%
	% Asian/Pac. Isl.	14%	11%	9%	5%	4%	9%

Neighborhoods/Communities of Interest

Neighborhoods

1. What is your neighborhood?
2. What are its geographic boundaries?

In the absence of public testimony, planning records and other similar documents may provide definition.

Communities of Interest

1. What defines your community?
2. Would this community benefit from being “included within a single district for purposes of its effective and fair representation”?

Communities of Interest may not include relationships with political parties, incumbents, or political candidates.

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Possible Neighborhoods / Communities

- (Current) District 1 – farming communities
- 4 Subbasins
- Beachwood Franklin shared school districts with Merced – Connect to City of Merced
- Bear Creek, G St., M St., Olive Ave., Yosemite Ave., Hwy 99 – City of Merced
- Blend District 2 with District 1 to invite more visitors
- Compactness around Merced
- Delhi
- Delhi and Hilmar
- District 4 – should be more compact
- El Nido
- Junction 14 – N. and S. part of county
- Le Grand and Planada
- LeGrand
- Livingston (large Punjabi population)
- Livingston in relation to District 4 cities and demographics
- Near Merced College, Mercy Hospital and El Capitan: Bellevue Ranch
- Santa Nella and Los Banos
- Santa Nella resources (healthcare, groceries, shopping) – connected to Los Banos
- Santa Nella School District
- School districts
- South Parsons Avenue, Merced
- UC Merced
- Unincorporated communities – Dos Palos
- Winton, Livingston, Atwater

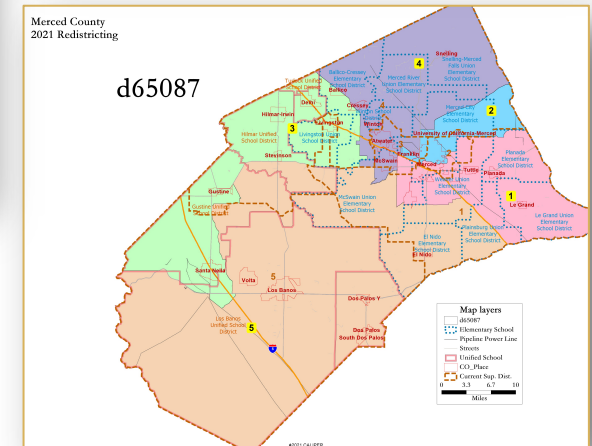
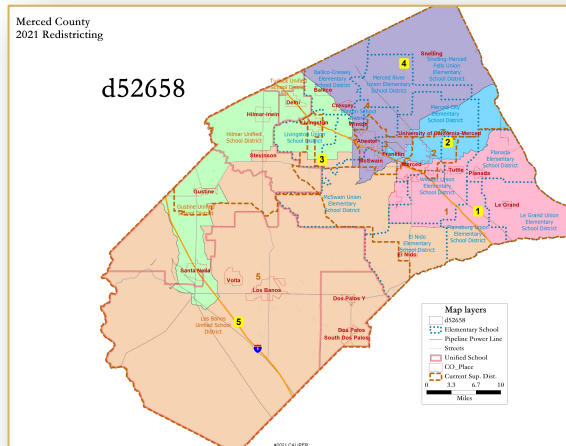
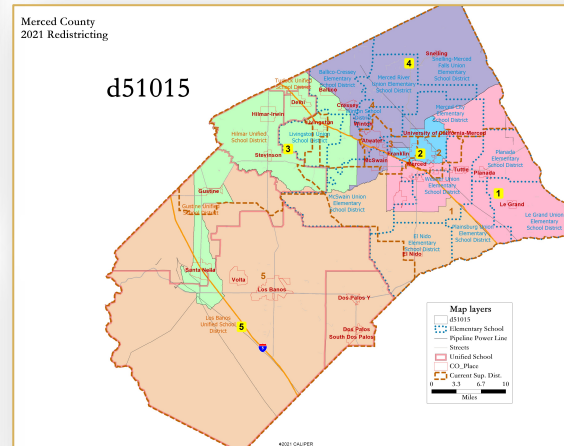
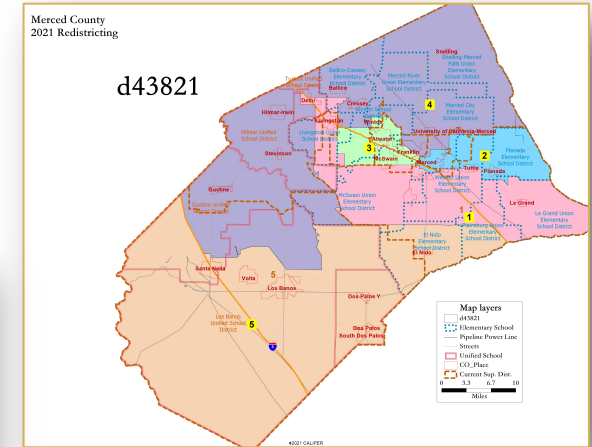
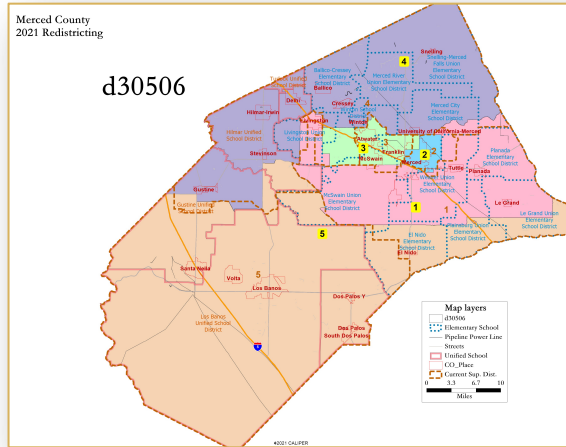
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The Maps

- **Total drafts maps: 15**
- **Public submitted: 12**
- **NDC produced: 3**
- **Compliant: 10**
- **Noncompliant: 5**

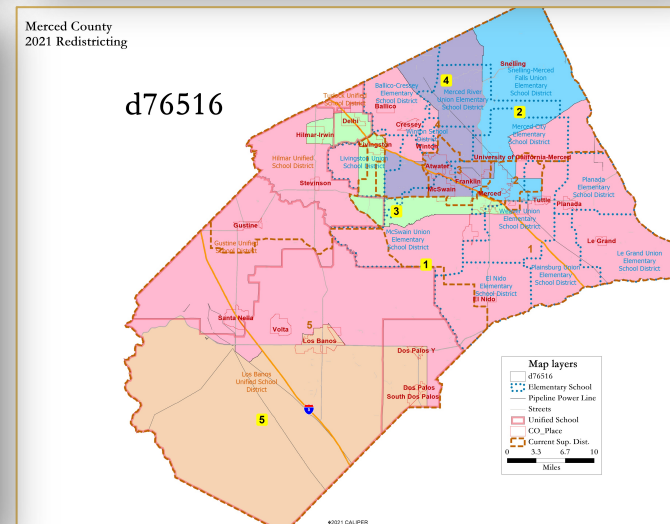
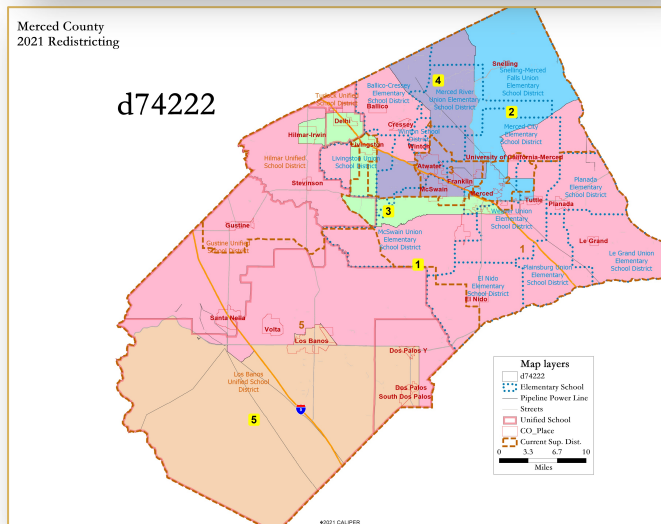
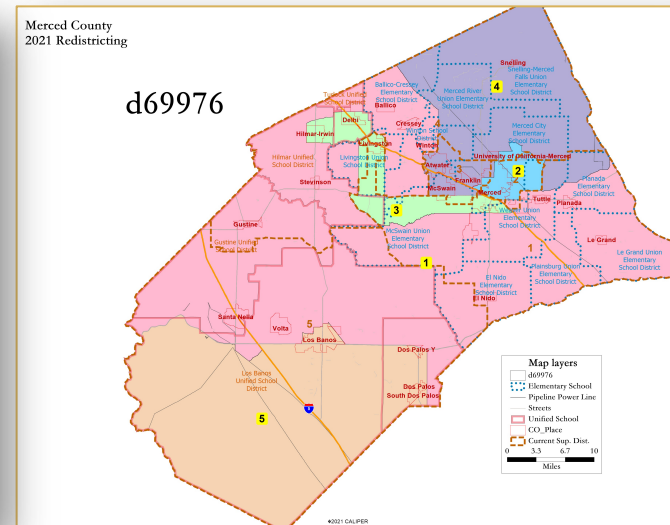
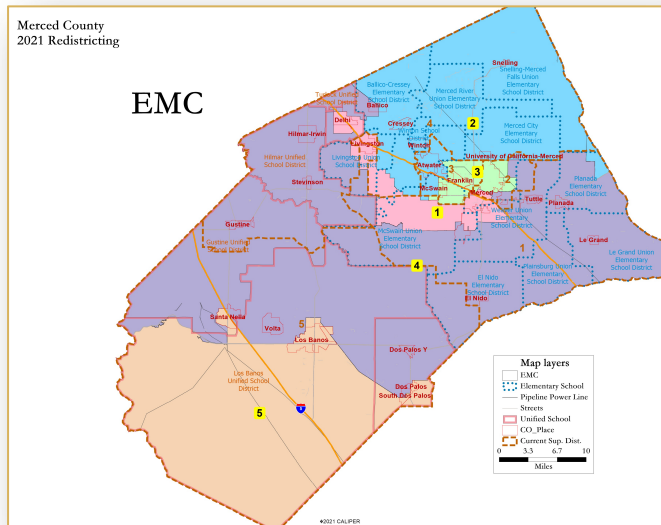
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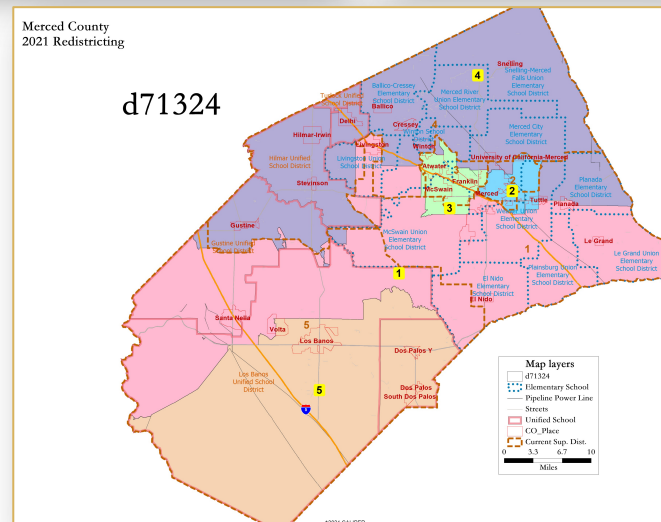
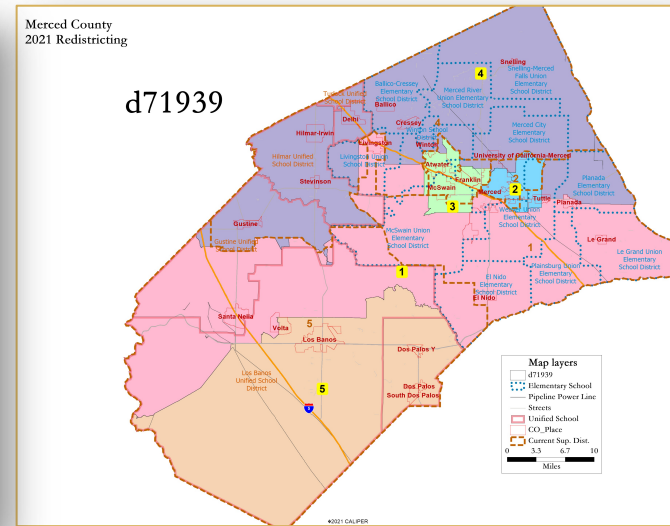
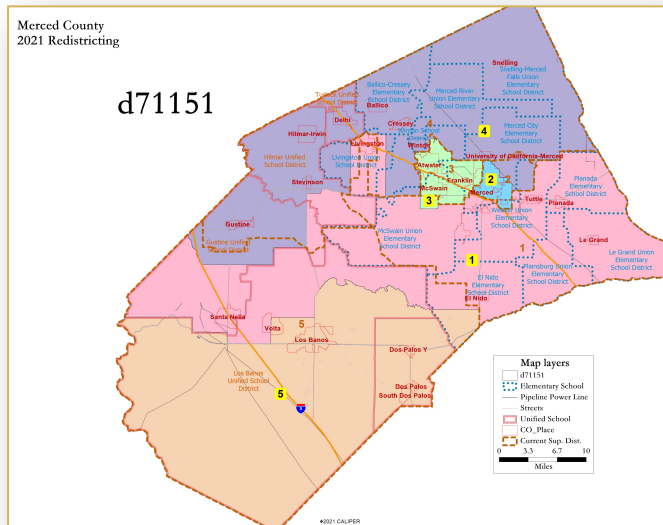


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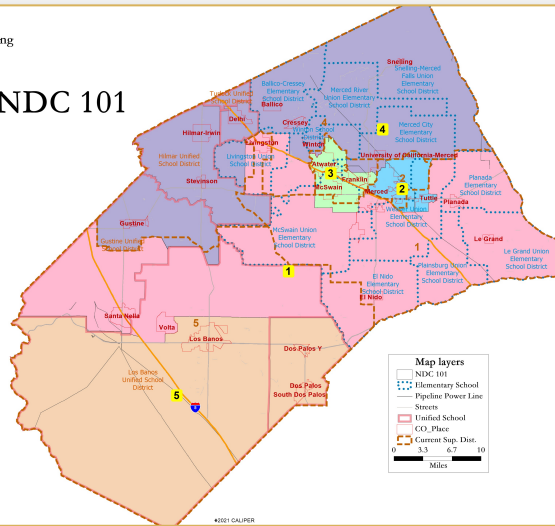
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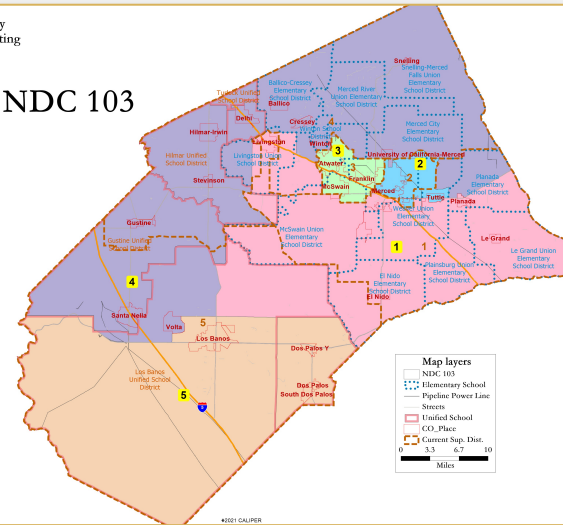
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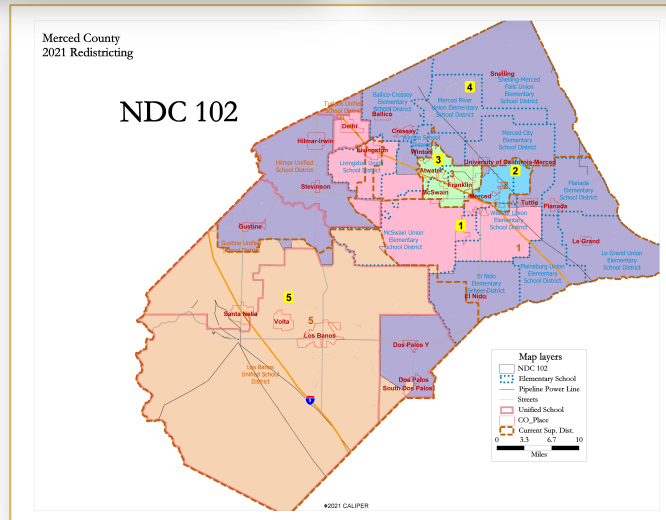
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Discussion/Action

Which map(s) do you prefer?

What modification(s) would make your preferred map(s) even better?

Possible: Narrowing to “focus” maps

Provide: Direction on new/revised map(s)