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Re: Redistricting Draft Plans

We have reviewed the four draft plans for Supervisorial District Maps provided by the Redistricting Partners for consideration on October 19, 2021. Based on the “Fair Maps Act Redistricting Criteria” and the “6 Considerations that are used to redraw district lines” as provided on the County redistricting site, draft Plan 4 best meets those criteria as seen in the comparison chart below.

**Comparison of Four Draft Plans Meeting Redistricting Criteria**

	Total Deviation	Maximum Deviation	Divides Cities	Anchor City Undivided or Minimally Divided
<b>Plan 1</b>	4.70%	4.30%	Oxnard in 3 Thousand Oaks in 3 Moorpark in 2 Port Hueneme in 2	NO
<b>Plan 2</b>	2.10%	2.00%	Oxnard in 3 Camarillo in 3	NO
<b>Plan 3</b>	4.40%	4.10%	Oxnard in 3	NO
<b>Plan 4</b>	2.00%	1.70%	Oxnard Primarily in 2 Port Hueneme in 2	<b>YES</b>
<b>Plan 4a*</b>	0.90%	0.80%	Oxnard Primarily in 2 Port Hueneme in 2	<b>YES</b>

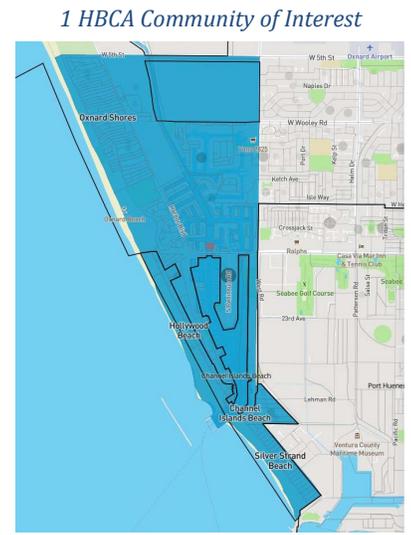
\* Relocates Silver Strand from E to A. This improves deviation scores and joins Silver Strand with its community of interest.

This small adjustment to Plan 4 actually improves Plan 4's deviation scores and locates the Silver Strand area in the same district with the Channel Islands Harbor and beach communities as a "community of interest".

As you are aware, this area has proven it shares the same issues of concern and values as these other neighborhoods and have acted in concert with them, making these neighborhoods a true "community of interest".

Though Oxnard and Port Hueneme are divided in both plan 4 and 4 a, Plan 4a results in:

- 1) 0.9 % total deviation from the ideal and 0.8 % maximum deviation.
- 2) All districts are geographically contiguous.
- 3) The inhabited areas in the City of Oxnard are within two supervisorial districts and meet the principles approved for the redistricting maps by the Oxnard City Council at their September 30, 2021 meeting. The City of Port Hueneme is also divided into two districts and perhaps this could be avoided with adjustments. An important redistricting principle is keeping cities within a single district ensures fair and effective representation. When not feasible as in Oxnard's case, minimizing the division is consistent with redistricting principles. This also best ensures the grouping of neighborhoods and communities of interest within one district.
- 4) Boundaries separating the districts are easily identifiable and do not favor a political party.
- 5) Districts are compact, not stretched to include specific neighborhoods or communities.



We also submitted at the redistricting site, a draft map, [Compactness Cities ID: 63100](#), whose total deviation is 2.20% and maximum deviation is 1.78%. It is similar to Plan 4, includes Silver Strand as noted above but does not divide Port Hueneme. Please see: <https://districtr.org/plan/65138>

Objectively, the plan that best meets the redistricting criteria should be adopted. Doing otherwise should raise questions and issues of concern.

Best regards,

Rene Aiu and Debbie Mitchell on behalf of the Harbor & Beach Community Alliance

cc: Clerk of the Board