



County Administrator's Office Office of County Counsel

2021 Redistricting – Special Meeting

November 29, 2021

Objective

- Conduct a redistricting workshop to discuss and consider modifications to the Board-preferred draft map (NDC 51162-D)

Today's Workshop

- Review of federal and state redistricting laws
- Overview of draft maps
- Board adjustments to maps with NDC (demographer)
- Public comment
- Board direction

Redistricting Rules and Goals

1. Federal Laws

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

2. California Criteria for Counties

To the extent practicable:

1. Geographically contiguous
2. Undivided neighborhoods and “communities of interest”
(Socio-economic geographic areas that should be kept together)
3. Cities and Census-designated places
4. Easily identifiable boundaries
5. Compactness
(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

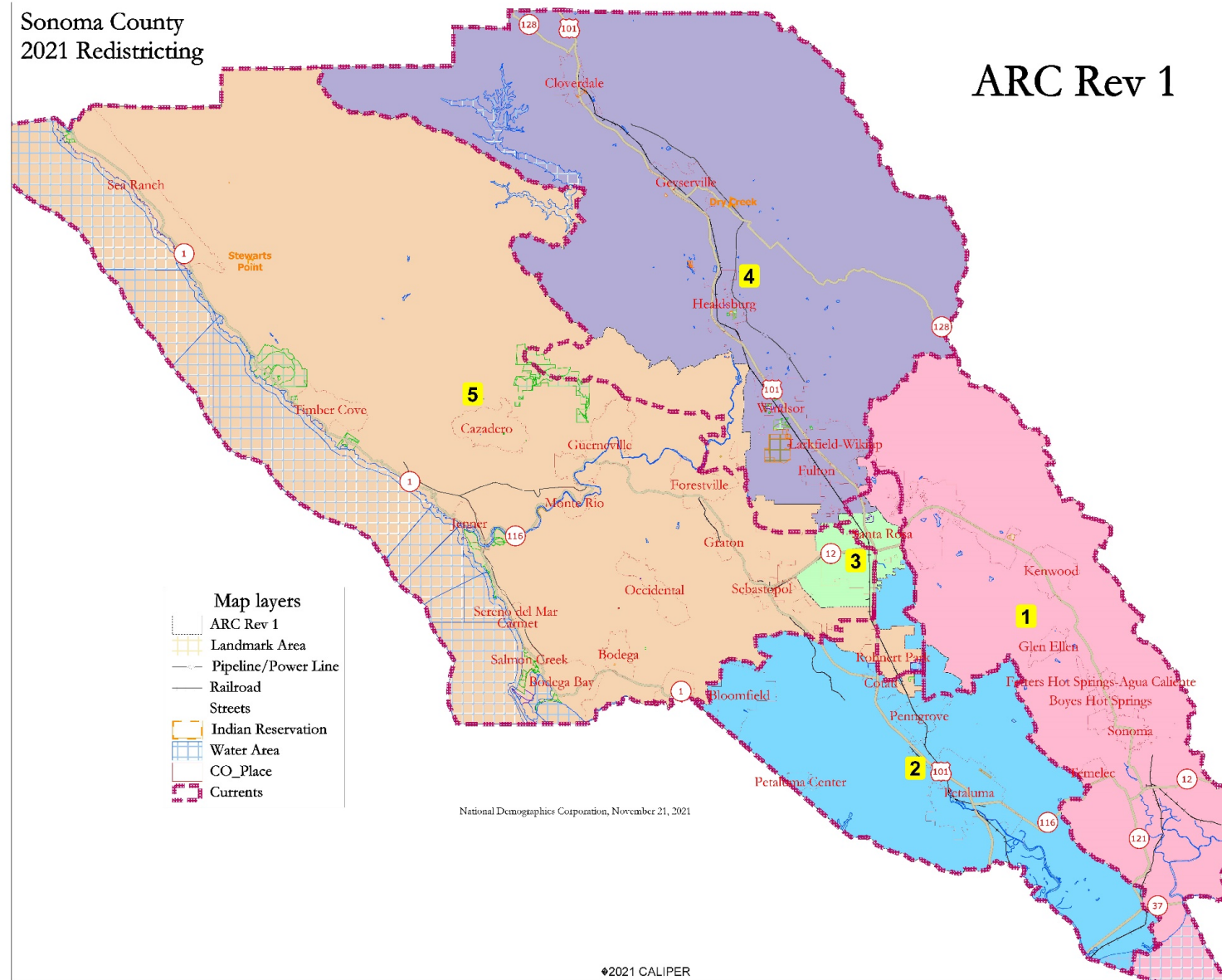
California criteria - order of priority

1. To the extent practicable, geographically contiguous.
2. To the extent practicable, minimize division of community of interest. Consider whether 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, minimizes division of a city.
4. To the extent practicable, bounded by natural and artificial barriers, by streets or by the boundaries of the county.
5. To the extent practicable, **where it does not conflict with the preceding criteria above**, drawn to encourage compactness

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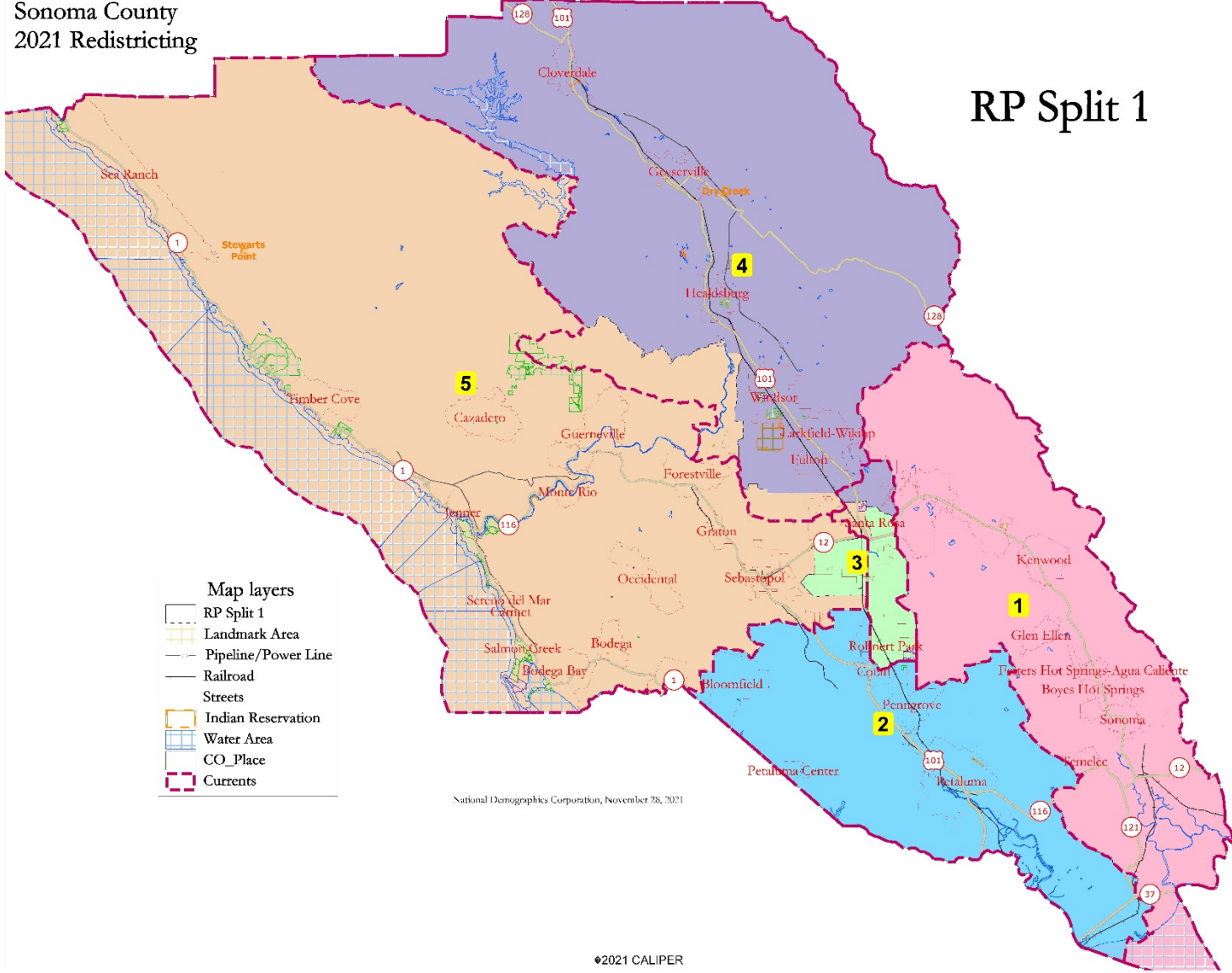


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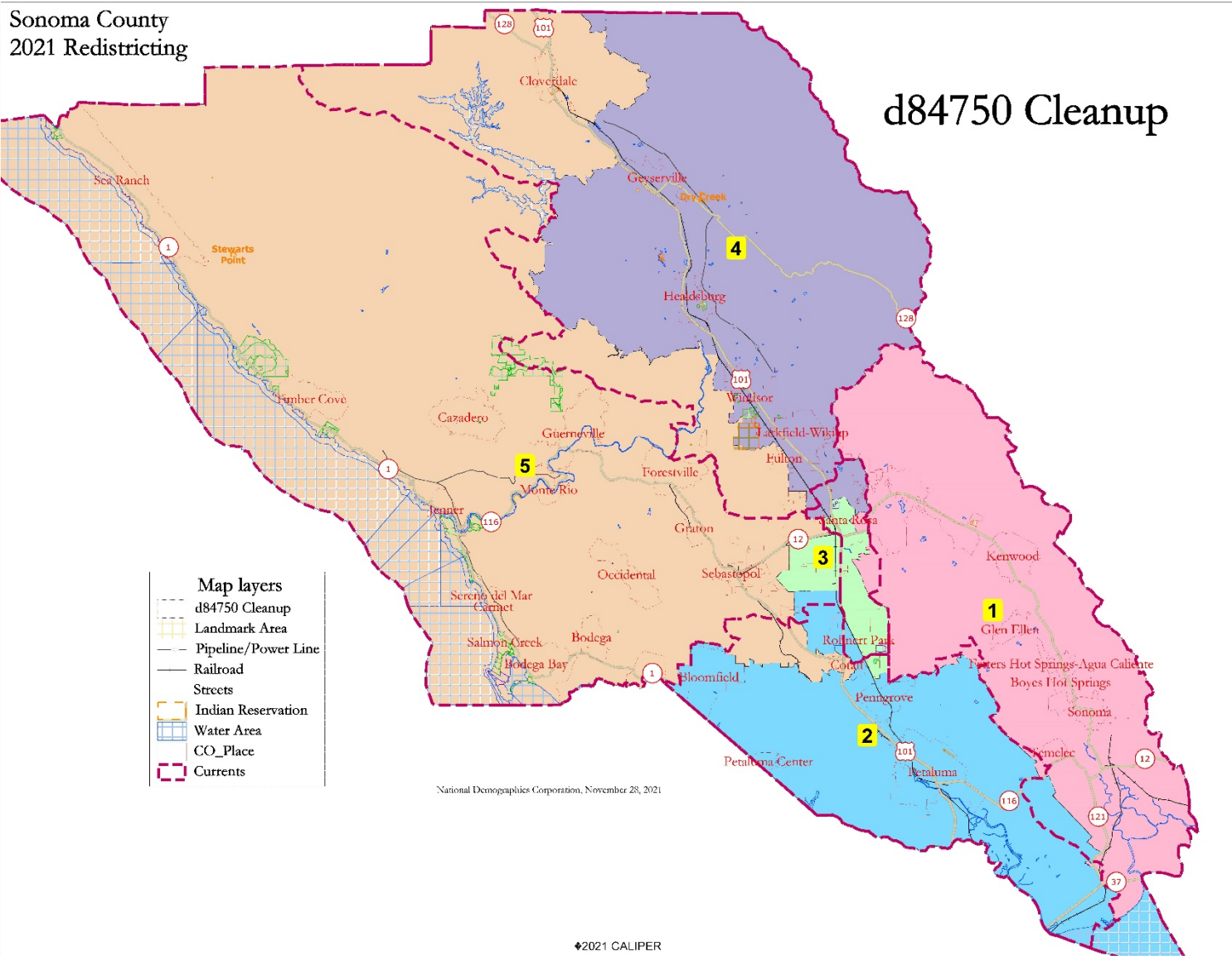
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“D84750 Cleanup”



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Upcoming Key Dates

Date (2021)	Description
November 29	Board of Supervisors – Special Meeting
November 30	Map posted (subject to change)
December 7	Board of Supervisors – 5 th public hearing; introduce ordinance to adopt map; adopt map
December 14	Board of Supervisors – if needed
December 15	Statutory deadline to adopt map

Thank you

- Next public hearing on December 7, 2021
- Public comment can be submitted to redistricting2021@sonoma-county.org



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