

# Citizens Redistricting Commission (CRC) Meeting

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# Los Angeles County Citizens Redistricting Commission (CRC)

Regular CRC Meeting: April 28, 2021





# 1. Call to Order



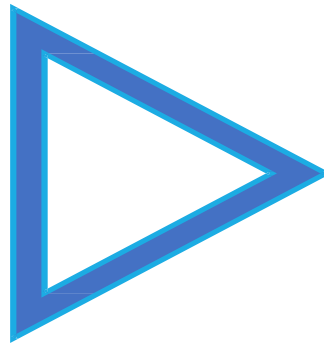
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## 2. Roll Call

Commissioner Jean Franklin

Commissioner David Holtzman

Co-Chair Daniel Mayeda

Commissioner Mark Mendoza

Commissioner Apolonio Morales

Commissioner Nelson Obregon

Commissioner Priscilla Orpinela-Segura

Commissioner Hailes Soto

Commissioner Saira Soto

Commissioner Brian Stecher

Commissioner John Vento

Co-Chair Carolyn Williams

Commissioner Doreena Wong

Vacant





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**Special Thanks to  
Commissioner  
Priya Sridharan**





# 3. Approval of Agenda

Co-Chair Carolyn Williams





# 4. Public Comment: General

Matters Not on the Agenda – Co-Chair Carolyn Williams

*If you wish to speak*, provide the following information through the Q&A button at the bottom of your screen as though you were completing a Public Comment card:

- Public Comment Speaker
- Your Name
- Your Affiliation/Organization

*If on a phone line*, press \*9 to raise your hand. Once called upon, press \*6 to unmute and speak.

## ***Each Person Gets 2 Minutes***

When you speak, share your name and affiliation at the beginning.  
If you feel comfortable, please turn on your video while speaking.

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## **4. Public Comment :** General – Matters Not on the Agenda

No Written Public Correspondence Received by 5:00 pm the night before





# 5. Consent Items: Minutes

Co-Chair Daniel Mayeda

Review and take appropriate action on:

April 14, 2021, Draft Los Angeles County Citizens Redistricting Commission (CRC) Minutes





# 6. Action/Discussion Items

## Overview of Approach

1. Item is introduced
2. Staff present staff report or PowerPoint, if used
3. Commissioners can ask clarifying questions of staff during or after the presentation
4. Public Comment on that specific item is held
5. Public Comment is closed
6. Commission discusses, debates, and votes on the item



# 6A. Action/Discussion Items

CRC Education – Commissioner Mark Mendoza, Leader, and  
Commissioner John Vento, Ad Hoc Working Group on Education –  
Co-Chair Dan Mayeda

**DR. RAPHAEL J. SONENSHEIN** is the Executive Director of the Pat Brown Institute for Public Affairs at Cal State LA. Previously, he was Chair of the Division of Politics, Administration, and Justice at CSU Fullerton. He received his B.A. from Princeton, and his M.A. and Ph.D. from Yale.

He is the author of three books on Los Angeles politics and government. Dr. Sonenshein served as Executive Director of the Los Angeles (Appointed) Charter Reform Commission. He served as Executive Director of the Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Review Commission. He was Best Educator and Distinguished College Faculty Member at CSUF. He received a Wang Family Excellence Award. He was the first winner of the campus wide Carol Barnes Award for Teaching Excellence and one of two co-winners of the Haynes Foundation Research Impact award. He was the fall 2008 Fulbright Tocqueville Distinguished Chair in American Studies at the University of Paris.

Bio: <https://calstatela.patbrowninstitute.org/who-we-are/executive-director/>





## **6A. Action/Discussion Items**

CRC Education – Commissioner Mark Mendoza, Leader, Ad Hoc Working Group on Education –  
Co-Chair Dan Mayeda

LA County mapping software, data sets, and efforts to date – Steven J. Steinberg, Ph.D., MPA,  
GISP, Geographic Information Officer (GIO), County of Los Angeles, Internal Services  
Department (ISD)



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# Overview of Mapping Support for Redistricting

Steven J. Steinberg, Ph.D., MPA, GISP  
Geographic Information Officer  
County of Los Angeles

# Support for Mapping Infrastructure and Data

**Internal Services Dept.  
Enterprise GIS [eGIS]**



**Esri Redistricting**



**Compass Demographics, Inc.**

# Agenda

- Esri Redistricting Team
  - Background and overview of the redistricting solution {~15 minutes}
  - Q&A with Esri Team
- David Ely, Compass Demographics, Inc.
  - Overview of redistricting data being prepared to load into the platform {~10min}
  - Q&A with Esri Team





# 6B. Action/Discussion Items

Updates from Ad Hoc Working Groups





## 6b. Action/Discussion Items

### 6bi. Discussion and Consideration of Process to Fill Vacancy on Commission – Co-Chair Dan Mayeda

**Bylaws Section 4.07(b):** “The Commission may fill a vacancy at a properly noticed meeting called in whole or in part for that purpose. If the Commission chooses to fill the vacancy, it shall endeavor to do so in a manner such that the newly constituted Commission as a whole will meet the criteria under which it was originally established under Section 21532. If possible, the Commission should select a replacement, if at all, from the pool of remaining qualified candidates from the initial Commissioners' selection process prescribed by Section 21532.”





## 6b. Action/Discussion Items

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Elections Code section 21532, subd. (c): *“The commission shall consist of 14 members. The political party preferences of the commission members, as shown on the members’ most recent affidavits of registration, shall be as proportional as possible to the total number of voters who are registered with each political party in the County of Los Angeles or who decline to state or do not indicate a party preference, as determined by registration at the most recent statewide election. However, the political party or no party preferences of the commission members are not required to be exactly the same as the proportion of political party and no party preferences among the registered voters of the county. At least one commission member shall reside in each of the five existing supervisorial districts of the board.”*



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### Demographics of CRC Commissioners

Note: 46 applicants in the highly qualified pool.

Political Party Affiliation	Percent of Registered Voters	Percentages Applied to 14	Commissioners Selected	
			Number	Percent
Democratic	52.449%	7.343	8	57%
NDR	30.400%	4.256	4	29%
Republican	17.151%	2.401	2	14%
<b>Totals</b>	<b>100.000%</b>	<b>14.000</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>100%</b>

Created a Democratic Party vacancy. 26 Democrats

Gender	# CRC Commissioners	% CRC	% of LA County
Female	6	43%	50%
Male	8	57%	50%
Non-Binary	0		

Created a female vacancy; now 5 female and 8 male; female pool has:

- 17 Democrat females
- 5 NDRs
- 2 Republicans

Race/Ethnicity	# CRC Commissioners	% CRC (rounded)	% of LA County
Hispanic/Latino/Latina/Latinx	6	43%	46%
Asian (incl. Pacific Islander)	3	21%	15%
White (Not of Hispanic Origin)	3	21%	25%
Black/African American	2	14%	9%
Other (incl. American Indian/Alaskan Native)		0%	5%

Reduces the number of Asians from 3 to 2. There is 1 Democrat female Asian in the pool.

Note: The number of Commissioners from SD 5 changed from 4 to 3.

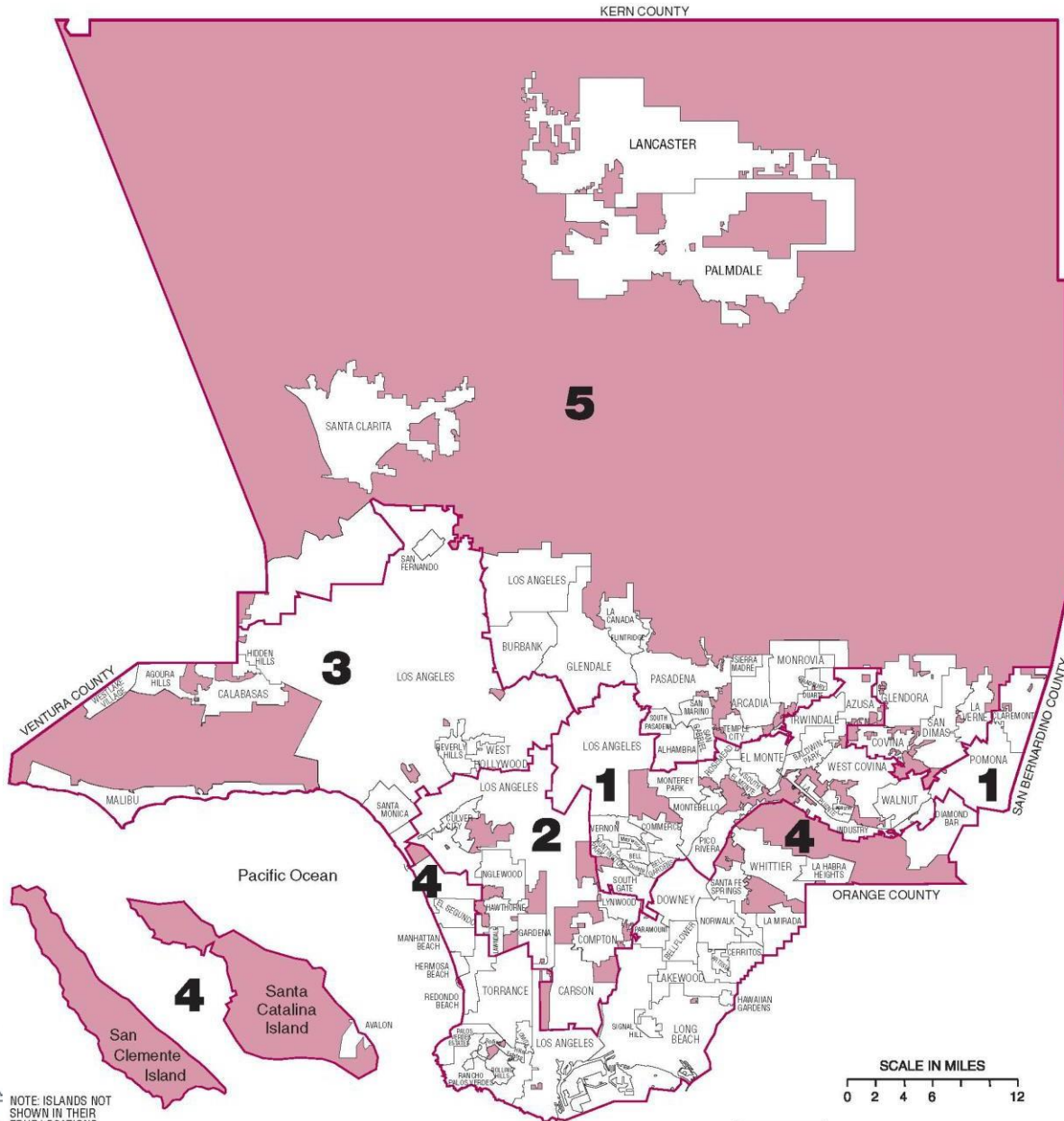




## 6Bii. Commissioner Apolonio Morales, Leader, Ad Hoc Working Group on Public Outreach – Co-Chair Williams

- Update and feedback on April 20, 2021, workshop
- Discussion about ideas to inform and engage organizations in outreach and redistricting
  - Upcoming input from CBOs and FBOs at the LA County Ad Hoc Working Group – Outreach meeting on May 4, 2021, at 5:30 pm
  - Concept of Commissioner Community Liaisons
- Proposed regional approach to upcoming public hearings – Gayla Kraetsch Hartsough, LA County CRC Executive Director

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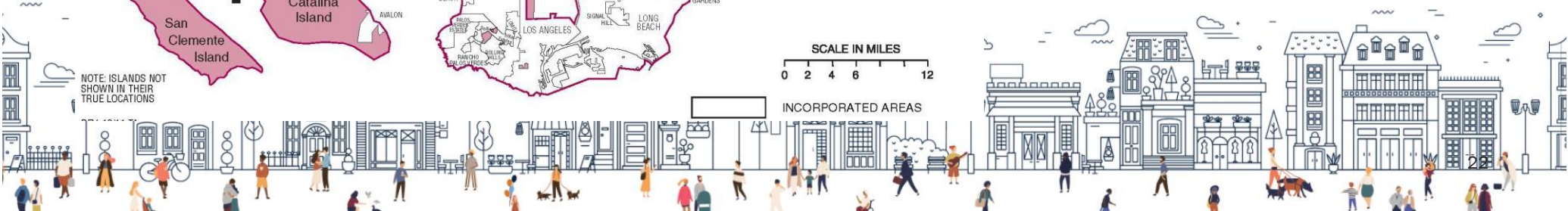
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Current Supervisorial Districts

NOTE: ISLANDS NOT SHOWN IN THEIR TRUE LOCATIONS



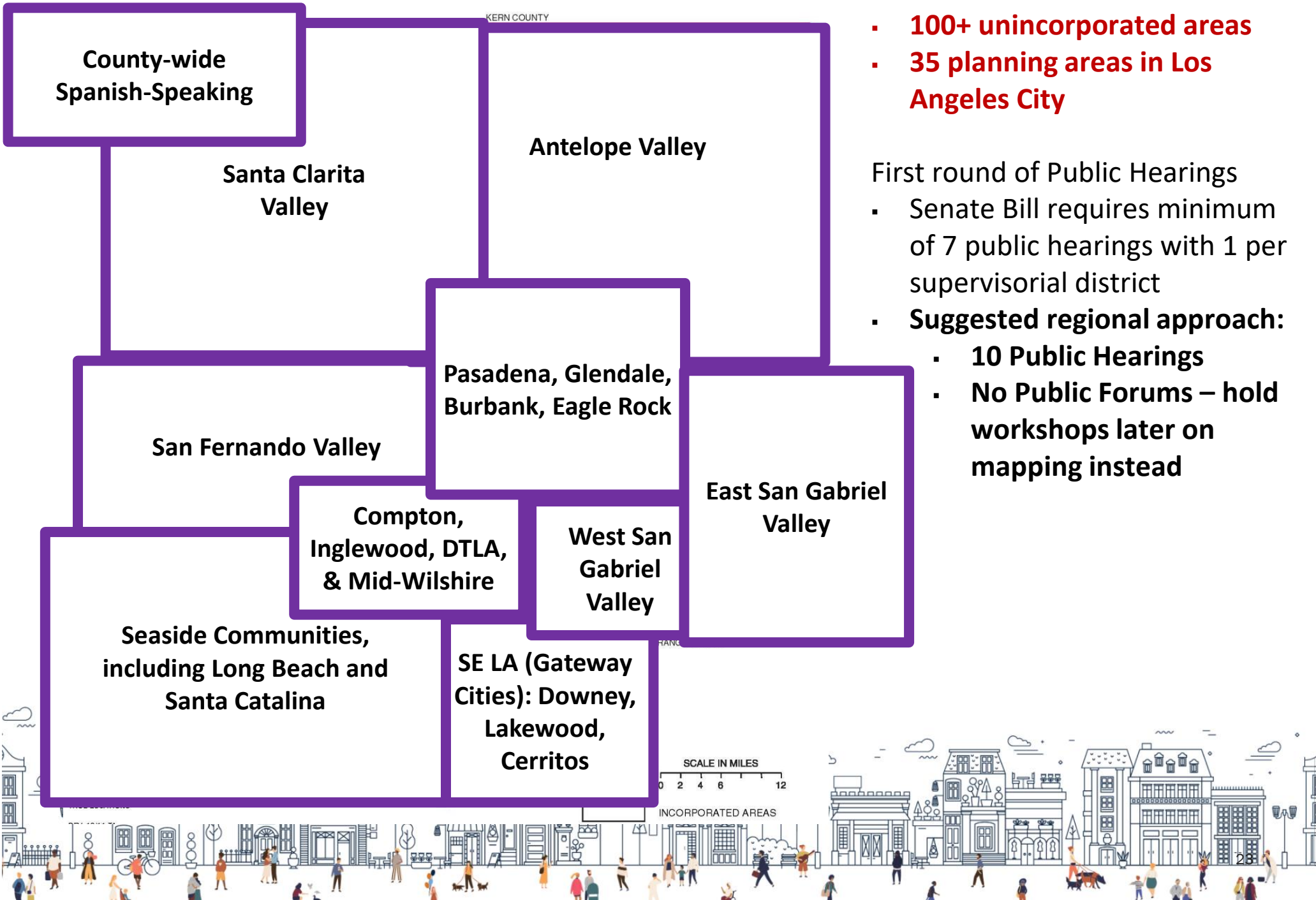
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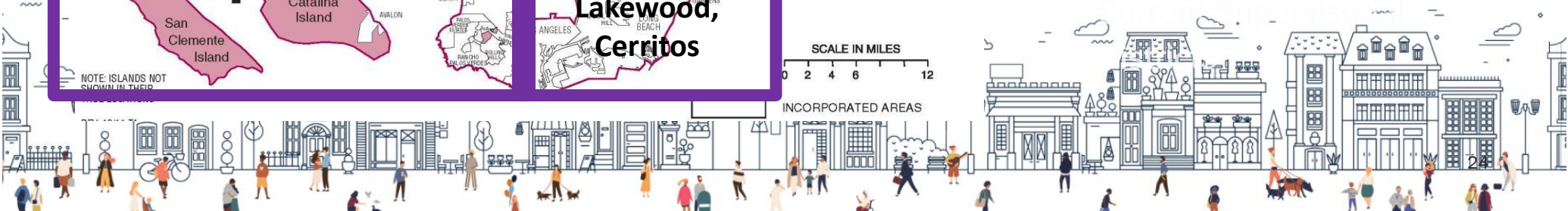
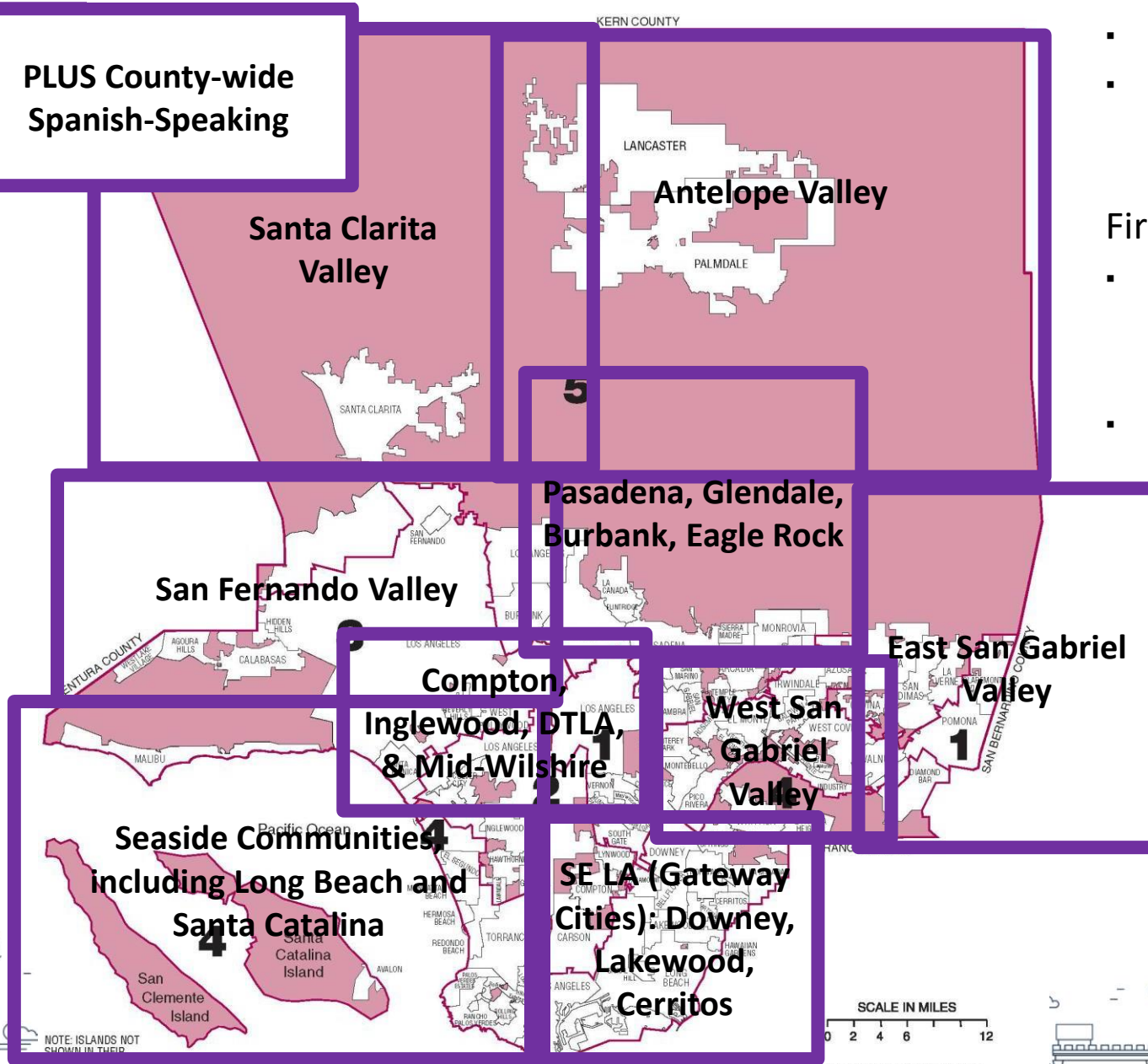
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**PLUS County-wide Spanish-Speaking**

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### 6Biii. Redistricting Mapping & Demography

#### Timeline of Tasks for the Upcoming Months (April 1, 2021 Through December 15, 2021) -- **DRAFT**



Tasks	Lead	Months				Dates Indicate Monday of Each Week:								
		Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug				Sep				
						2	9	16	23	30	6	13	20	27
1 Workshops to inform CBOs, FBOs, cities, schools, governmental agencies about role in	CRC	✓												
2 At least 7 public hearings to inform general public about their role in redistricting	CRC													
3 Mapping software and underlying maps and datasets	LA County Gov/ ESRI													
4 Public training and outreach on use of mapping software and submission of maps	LA County Gov/ CRC													
5 Guidelines posted for submitting maps to LA County CRC	LA County Gov/ CRC													
6 U.S. Census 2020 legacy data made available	US Gov/ LA County Gov													
7 Integration of U.S. Census legacy data into mapping software	LA County Gov													
8 Official US Census 2020 data made available	US Gov/ LA County Gov													Sep 30
9 Receive public input	CRC													
10 Review submitted maps	CRC													

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			4	11	18	26	1	8	15	22	29	6	13-15
9	Receive public input	CRC											
10	Review submitted maps	CRC											
11	State of California reallocation of prison population made available	Calif/ LA County Gov	Possibly Sep 20			Oct 30							
12	Develop proposed map options	CRC					Nov 1						
13	Issue LA County CRC proposed map(s)	CRC					Nov 1						
14	Post dates for public hearings on LA County CRC map(s) for at least 7 days notification	CRC					Nov 1	Nov 8					
	Thanksgiving	Holiday								Nov. 25			
15	Hold 2 or more public hearings on LA County CRC's map(s) over 30 days	CRC						Nov 8				Dec 7	
15	Meet to finalize redistricting map	CRC										Dec 8	Dec 15
16	Post LA County CRC map, based on the input from public hearings	CRC											Dec 15
17	Draft and issue Official Report	CRC Demograph.											Dec 15
18	Adopt LA County CRC redistricting map plan and file with RR/CC	CRC											Dec 15

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## Redistricting Code Requirements and Scenario

### Code

- The Code requires that after the Commission draws a **draft** map, it must conduct two public hearings over no fewer than 30 days.
  - Those hearings have to have 7 days' notice.
- Because the language states a “draft map,” the law contemplates that the Commission may change that map over the ensuing period in which public hearings are held.
- Changing the map during that period does not trigger a new 30-day review/public hearing period.

### Possible Scenario

- The Commission drafts a map (or perhaps 2 or 3). It posts the draft map(s) on the website.
- The Commission also posts draft maps from the public as they come in, including even before the Commission itself drafts a map.
- Over the course of the next 30 days and 2 public hearings (or maybe more), the Commission begins to tweak the original proposed map(s).
- The tweaked maps continue to be posted 7 days in advance of any hearings as they evolve (or the one map if it is only one).
- The final map adopted could include elements of the Commission's original draft map, plus some tweaks in response to public comments or other draft map suggestions submitted.





## 6Biv. Commissioner David Holtzman, Leader, Legislation and Updates on Other Redistricting Commissions – Co-Chair Mayeda





## 6Bv. Commissioner Mark Mendoza, Leader, Education – Co-Chair Dan Mayeda

### Upcoming Speakers/Educators

- May 12: No speakers; oral presentations from Demography & Mapping and VPA Consultant finalists
- May 26: Panel on 2011 Los Angeles County Border Redistricting Committee (BRC) experiences and lessons learned
  - Alma D. Martinez, former BCR Committee Alternate; currently Administrative Deputy Director, Los Angeles County Public Works – **tentative**
  - Steve Napolitano, former BCR Committee Alternate; currently City Council Member, City of Manhattan Beach, CA
  - Martin Zimmerman, Assistant Chief Executive Officer, serving as BCR Executive Director (now retired)
  - Mark Greninger, GIS Manager, Mapping & GIS Services, Los Angeles County Public Works
  - Nick Franchino, GIS Manager, Los Angeles County Department of Regional Planning





# 7. Future Agenda Items

Co-Chair Carolyn Williams

Commissioners, do we have any “Matters Not Posted”  
to be placed on a future agenda?





# 8. Executive Director's Report

Executive Director, Gayla Kraetsch Hartsough, Ph.D.



# 9. Adjournment

Co-Chair Daniel Mayeda





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Public Comment: **1 Minute**

Time Remaining





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## Public Comment: 2 Minutes

Time Remaining

