

Los Angeles County Citizens Redistricting Commission

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This document synthesizes both the oral comments (100 recorded) and written public input (500 comments):

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Common Themes of Support

General

1. Keep cities whole
2. Keep unincorporated areas whole
3. Keep LA City Neighborhood Councils together – suggest those adjustments be made later as fine-tuning (see table with list of split Neighborhood Councils)

Asian Communities

4. Keep Asian communities whole (e.g., Little Tokyo, Thai Town, and other AAPI communities)
 - a. Keep Little Tokyo whole
 - b. Keep Thai Town whole
 - c. Keep Koreatown whole in SD2 (use NC maps to identify these neighborhoods) – see map at end of this document (Source: Public Comments, Eunice Song, for 12/1/21 Public Hearing No. 3, page 40.)
5. The West and East SGV should NOT be separated from each other in the wake of the San Gabriel Valley's burgeoning population of Asian Americans which has become a dominant cultural force. Several business districts developed to serve the community's needs creating a collection of Southern California Chinatowns loosely connected along the Valley Boulevard Corridor, Main Street/Last Tunas Drive Corridor and Colima Road Corridor.

African American Community in SD 2

6. Preserve historic African American community in SD 2
 - a. Include these cities:
 - i. Inglewood
 - ii. Hawthorne
 - iii. Gardena
 - iv. Carson (historically connected to South LA and Gardena)
 - v. Lynwood
 - vi. Compton
 - vii. Lawndale
 - viii. Culver City
 - ix. Los Angeles
 - b. Include these unincorporated communities:
 - i. Watts
 - ii. Willowbrook
 - iii. View Park
 - iv. Windsor Hills
 - v. Ladera Heights
 - vi. Dominguez Hills
 - vii. Leimert Park
7. Move Carson along with Cal State Dominguez Hills to SD 2

SFV

8. Keep SFV whole – input from residents; identified portions of SFV:
 - a. Northern portion of SFV (Sylmar, Sun Valley, and along Fwy 118)
 - b. Burbank
 - c. Glendale
9. In contrast, keep Tri-Cities whole: Burbank, Glendale, and Pasadena – input from governmental agencies

SGV

10. Divide SGV along foothills to the north – 2 SDs okay; 3 SDs not okay
11. Include Montebello, Commerce, Pico Rivera in SD 1
12. Keep/include Pomona in SD 1

East LA

13. Keep East LA communities together:
 - a. East Los Angeles (unincorporated)
 - b. Boyle Heights
 - c. El Sereno
 - d. Lincoln Heights
 - e. Commerce
 - f. Montebello
 - g. Pico Rivera

Southeast LA (SELA)

14. Keep SELA cities and unincorporated areas together:
 - a. Bell
 - b. Bell Gardens
 - c. Cudahy
 - d. Maywood
 - e. Huntington Park
 - f. Lynwood
 - g. Vernon
 - h. South Gate
 - i. Florence-Firestone (unincorporated)
 - j. Walnut Park (unincorporated)

South LA

15. Keep South LA together:
 - a. Leimert Park
 - b. Park Mesa
 - c. Hyde Park

South Bay

16. Keep Palos Verdes Peninsula whole; keep Palos Verdes aligned with San Pedro community
17. Keep South Bay whole
 - a. South Bay has more in common with the cities of San Pedro and Long Beach than it does with Malibu and the West Valley.
 - b. El Segundo comparable to South Bay cities
 - c. Keep South Bay, San Pedro, Long Beach, and Palos Verdes together
18. Do not lump South Bay with Westside or SFV
19. Do not lump Beach communities with SFV
20. Torrance Refinery Action Alliance – keep communities affected by chemical pollution from refineries together: Torrance, Palos Verdes, Watts, and beach communities

Councils of Government (COGs)

21. Keep Councils of Government (COGs) together (see COG maps at end of this document)
 - a. Gateway Cities
 - b. South Bay
 - c. San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments (SGVCOG) – more flexible

Specifics

1. Move LAX to SD2
2. Keep Westwood and adjacent areas together with UCLA
3. Keep Long Beach whole
4. Put Whittier in SD 4
5. Keep Santa Monica Mountains together
6. Keep La Habra Heights and Hacienda Heights together

Quick Fixes

Blue text indicates some of the Ad Hoc Working Groups' changes made but the list is not complete of all of the changes or "tweaks" made to the made.

| Map Option | Split Cities and Unincorporated Areas |
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| B-2 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Los Angeles – Longwood – combined into SD 2▪ Unincorporated - Covina (Charter Oak) – moved from SD 5 to SD 1 |
| F-1 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Los Angeles – Westchester – split for now so that Dockweiler Beach can connect the beach communities in SD 3 and LAX can be part of SD 2▪ Unincorporated – Covina/Walnut Island – leave as is▪ Unincorporated - Covina (Charter Oak) – moved to SD 5▪ Unincorporated - Miracle Mile/Gilmore Island – moved to SD 2 with Beverly Boulevard as the boundary▪ Unincorporated - Northeast San Gabriel – to be addressed latter |
| G | <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Unincorporated - Covina/Walnut Island – leave as is▪ Unincorporated - Covina (Charter Oak) – moved to SD 5▪ Unincorporated - Northeast San Gabriel – leave as is |

Conflicting Viewpoints

1. Keep Arcadia and Temple City in foothills in SD 5 **VERSUS** SD 1
2. Keep Palos Verdes Peninsula whole with the South Bay cities **VERSUS** more aligned with the Harbor communities
3. Keep SFV whole, including Northern portion of SFV (Sylmar, Sun Valley, and along Fwy 118), Burbank, and Glendale – from residents **VERSUS** keep Tri-Cities whole: Burbank, Glendale, and Pasadena – from governmental agencies
4. Whittier works closely with nearby cities of Santa Fe Springs, La Mirada, Norwalk, Pico Rivera, Cerritos, and Lakewood on a variety of water supply and water quality concerns **VERSUS** other combinations of cities
5. Commerce should be with SD 4 **VERSUS** part of SD 1 because it is part of the Gateway Cities Council of Governments
6. Bellflower should be part of the Gateway Cities **VERSUS** SD 1 (City of Bellflower more closely aligned with ITS neighbors in Long Beach than other Eastern cities.)

Map Fixes

Map B-2

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APPI Communities

1. Do not split Chinatown, Little Tokyo, and WSGV COIs; separates the Metro LA AAPI COIs (Korea Town, Thai Town, HiFi, Little Tokyo, and Chinatown) into 3 SDs.
 - a. Separates Hawthorne from Lennox and Inglewood, where many members of the Tongan community live. **Moved Hawthorn from SD 4 to SD 2; other communities already in SD 2**
 - b. Chinatown is split between SD1 (with East LA) and SD2.
 - c. Little Tokyo is split between SD1 and SD2 (with Koreatown and Historic Filipino (HiFi) Town) – **already together in SD 2**
 - d. Thai Town is with SD3 with SFV and Malibu.

SGV

2. Do not split Temple City from Arcadia – **kept together in SD 1**
3. **Moved Pomona, Commerce, and Irwindale to SD 1**
4. Suggested SGV Amendments:
 - a. Northern border ends with cities along the 210 Fwy – **not possible; proposed boundaries follow the existing cities' boundaries**
 - b. Western border ends along the 710 Fwy – **not possible; proposed boundaries follow the existing cities' boundaries**
5. Putting Whittier, Downey, Santa Fe Springs, Norwalk, La Mirada, Artesia, and Cerritos with other Gateway Cities of SD 4 – **moved Whittier, South Whittier, and East Whittier together in SD 4**

SELA

6. Keep SELA/Gateway Cities region together; Map B-2 divides region into 3 separate districts :
 - a. Do not dilute the Black voters of SD 2 from having good representation (as this SD 2 would focus more on the high Latinx populations of Downey-Florence-Lynwood)
 - b. **Moved Carson and West Carson from SD 2 to SD 4 – involved considerable debate**
7. Include Bell Gardens with other Southeast LA communities

Beach Communities

8. Continue to keep the Westside and the South Bay together, separate from the SFV
9. Keep beach cities together: Long Beach, San Pedro, the Peninsula, and Santa Monica (they have less to do with Malibu and the West Valley)
10. **Moved Wiseburn to SD 2**
11. Do not put South Bay with West Side and San Fernando

SFV

12. **Moved Sylmar, along with neighboring COIs in the northeast corner of SFV along the 210, to SD 5 to balance the population in SD 1**
13. Keep the Rim of the Valley along the Santa Susanna Mountains with SFV, perhaps an adjustment to include Granada Hills yielding the West Side areas such as the Flats of Beverly Hills
14. Keep Northridge together; use 118 freeway as boundary (use NC map to identify neighborhoods)
15. Continues to cut out a strangely shaped segment of Stonehurst along Wealtha and put those relatively few homes into District 3, but now has also cut out Hansen Dam, the Big T wash, most of Lake View Terrace, and La Tuna Canyon Road out of District 5 and put them into District 3,

leaving Shadow Hills and most of Stonehurst in District 5. This separates the horsekeeping, agrarian, and severe-fire-risk communities from one another.

16. Do not put South Bay with West Side and San Fernando

No-Nos

17. Do not pack Latinx and Black communities into a single district
18. Do not put South Bay with West Side and San Fernando

Map F-1

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- Not shown on the Esri map: Westchester would be part of SD 3, LAX would be part of SD 2 – Dockweiler Beach would connect the beach communities in SD 3
- Moved Hollywood to SD 1
- Moved West Hills

East LA

1. Keep East LA communities together; add Montebello, Commerce, Pico Rivera in SD 1

SGV

2. Okay to divide SGV along foothills
3. Adjustments to the eastern end of the San Gabriel Valley – move out of SD 1 to SD 4:
 - a. Diamond Bar (AAPI)
 - b. Walnut
 - c. Hacienda Heights (AAPI) – moved to SD 4
 - d. Rolling Heights (AAPI)
 - e. Irwindale
 - f. La Habra Heights – moved to SD 4
 - g. Azusa (northern end in SD 5)
4. Keep AAPI community together by moving Hacienda Heights, Roland Heights, and Diamond Bar to SD 4.
 - a. Keep Thai Town whole – in SD 1
 - b. Extend the border of SD 2 to keep Koreatown whole
 - c. Move Arcadia and Temple City into SD 1 to keep API communities in the West SGV united and whole
 - d. Keep Rosemead, Monterey Park, and Alhambra together – already done
 - e. Move Hacienda Heights, Rowland Heights, and Diamond Bar from SD 1 to SD 4 – already done
 - f. Move Walnut – Walnut and Walnut Island moved to SD 1
5. Move Rowland Heights, Diamond Bar, Walnut and Hacienda Heights be moved to SD 4.

SD 2 and Westside

6. Move Carson and CSUDH from SD 4 to SD 2 – already done
7. Unsplit Westside region:
 - a. Westwood (UCLA) into SD 2 – already done
 - b. South Bay by separating the Beach Cities & LAX from the rest of the region

Beach Communities

8. Do not put the South Bay with SFV
9. Keep South Bay with other harbor areas (Long Beach/San Pedro, Redondo Beach)
10. Keep the Beach Cities and the South Bay at large intact

No-Nos

11. Do not create a SD that stretches from Torrance/Rancho Palos Verdes to Northridge (LA) and Sylmar.
12. SFV has little to do with beach communities
13. Do not separate Griffith Park from the Santa Monica Mountains

Other Maps to Consider

14. Map OP 67 (Henry Fung): High delta between Black and White population; keeps Armenian and LGBTQ communities together
15. Map OP 77 (Stecher):
 - a. Moved Montebello into SD1
 - b. Moved La Habra Heights into SD4
 - c. Moved Playa Vista and the area east of Marina del Rey into SD2

Map G

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1. Like LAX as part of SD 2
2. Move Carson with SD 2 – moved Carson and West Carson to SD 2

SFV

3. Sylmar belongs with San Fernando, Pacoima, Lakeview Terrace, North Hills, and Mission Hills
 - a. Moved Sylmar to SD 3
 - b. Kept Lakeview Terrace in SD 5
4. Map G (and others): Move Sylmar from SD5 to SD3 in exchange for moving Granada Hills South, Northridge West, and Chatsworth from SD3 to SD5 (use NC map to identify these neighborhoods)
5. Map G, SD 3: To resolve deviation issue and keep communities more intact and will reduce the number of people in those areas that will find themselves in new SDs:
 - a. Put Sylmar back in the SFV in SD 3 – done
 - b. Take the area west of Topanga Blvd., north of Roscoe, east of the Ventura County line, up to the Map G proposed boundary between SD 3 and SD 4 and put it in SD 5.
 - c. The Southwestern part of Chatsworth and its environs remains in SD 5, where it is now.
6. Cuts out a strangely shaped segment of Stonehurst along Wealtha and put those relatively few homes into District 3 but has left most of Stonehurst and all of Shadow Hills in District 5 with Lake View Terrace, Hansen Dam, and the Big T wash. However, it has taken La Tuna Canyon Road out of District 5 and put that area into District 3. This separates La Tuna Canyon from the other horse-keeping, agrarian, and severe-fire-risk communities still in District 5. – Believe this is addressed; currently in SD 5 – may need to do more refinement

SGV

7. Move Temple City to SD 5– done
8. Move the Azusa from SD 1 to SD 5; keep Azusa with the foothill communities– done
9. Move the city of Walnut to SD 1
10. Keep Walnut with the Cal Poly Pomona – Covina region (due to Mt. San Antonio College) – already done

SD 2 and Beach Communities

11. Move Palos Verdes Peninsula to SD 4 with San Pedro, Long Beach, etc. – done
12. Move Carson to SD 2 – done

13. Move Cal State Dominguez Hills to SD 2 – done

No-Nos

14. Unsplit Korea Town, Thai Town, and WSGV communities of interest; do not separate the Metro LA AAPI COIs into three SDs – revised so in 2 SDs

- a. Considering moving Korean Town to include East of Wilton and South of Beverly in future map iterations
- b. Considering moving Korean Town to include West of Hoover and between San Marino and Washington; however, it is part of the Pico Union Neighborhood Council

Other Maps to Consider

15. Map OP 78 for SFV to be kept whole; includes Burbank and Glendale in SFV

16. Map OP 79: Commissioner Hailes Soto submitted a new map with some minor modifications to Option G based on Wednesday night's public comments. He wrote: "Maybe this can help the other working group quickly see the simple modifications and then proceed with some more challenging changes."

Unsplit Neighborhood Councils (NCs)

The following Neighborhood Councils (NCs) in the City of Los Angeles were mentioned in the public comments:

- Westside Neighborhood Council and Westwood South HOA
- Draw the SFV northerly line along the 118 freeway instead of going south and dividing Northridge East Neighborhood Council and Northridge West Neighborhood Council into two SDs

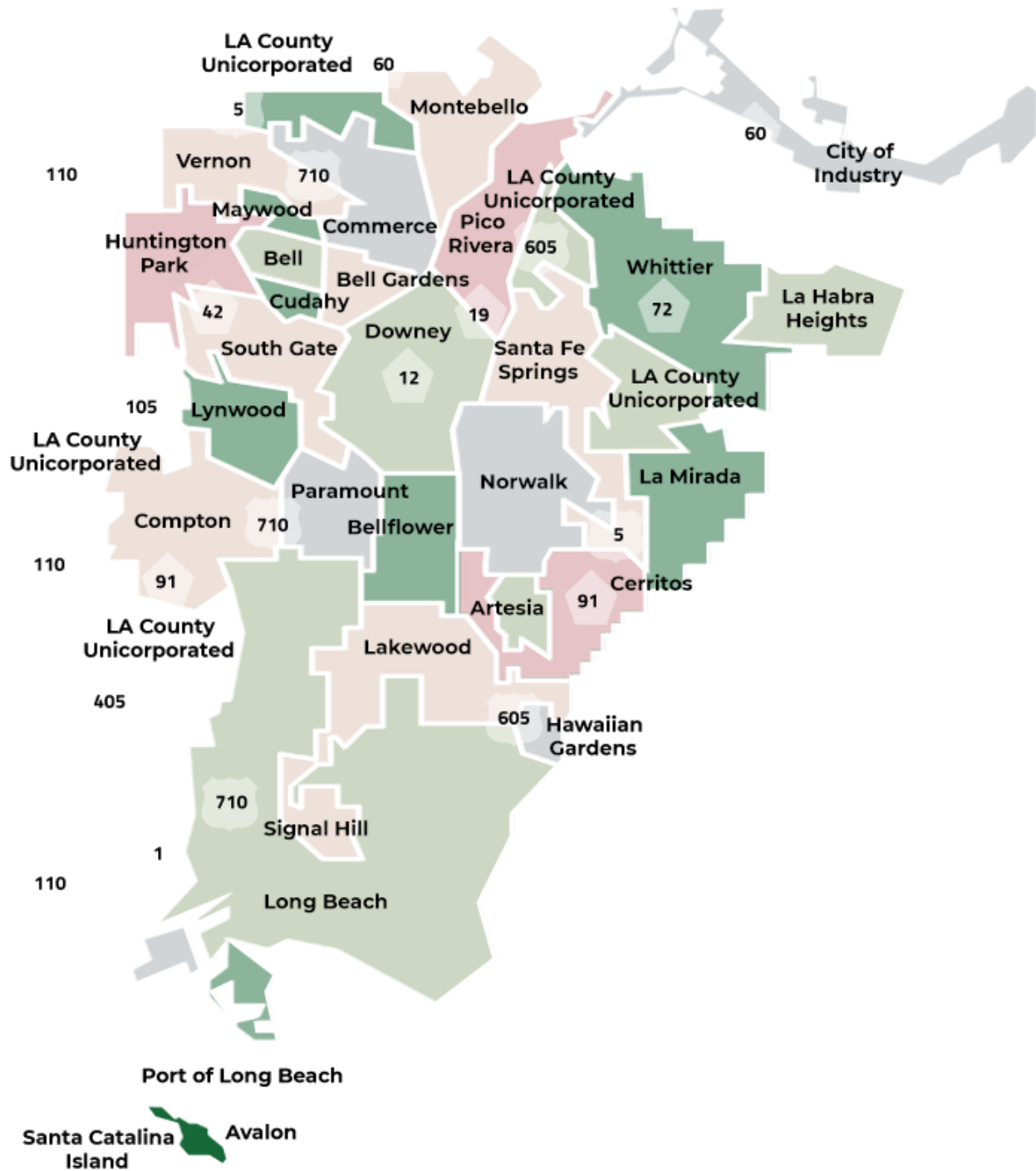
ARCBridge identified all current NC splits.

| Map B-2 | Map F-1 | Map G |
|----------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| Arts District Little Tokyo | Chatsworth | Chatsworth |
| Downtown Los Angeles | East Hollywood | East Hollywood |
| Echo Park | Granada Hills South | Foothill Trails District |
| Foothill Trails District | Greater Wilshire | Granada Hills South |
| Glassell Park | Hollywood Hills West | Greater Wilshire |
| Greater Cypress Park | Hollywood United | Hollywood Hills West |
| Greater Wilshire | MacArthur Park | Hollywood United |
| Historic Cultural North | Mid-City West | MacArthur Park |
| Mid-City | North Hollywood Northeast | Mar Vista |
| Mid-City West | Northridge East | Northridge East |
| Northridge East | Northridge West | Northridge West |
| Northridge West | Pico Union | Olympic Park |
| Olympic Park | Rampart Village | P.I.C.O. |
| Rampart Village | South Central | Pacoima |
| Silver Lake | South Robertson | Pico Union |
| South Central | Westchester/Playa | Rampart Village |

| Map B-2 | Map F-1 | Map G |
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| West Adams | Westside | South Central |
| Westside | Wilshire Center Koreatown | South Robertson |
| Wilshire Center Koreatown | | Venice |
| | | Wilshire Center Koreatown |

Reference Maps

Gateway Cities Council of Governments



San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments

The San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments (SGVCOG) is a regional government planning agency and a joint powers authority made up of representatives from 31 cities, 3 Los Angeles County Supervisorial Districts, and the 3 Municipal Water Districts located in the San Gabriel Valley. The SGVCOG works on issues of importance to its member agencies, including transportation, homelessness, the environment, and water, and seeks to address these regionally.

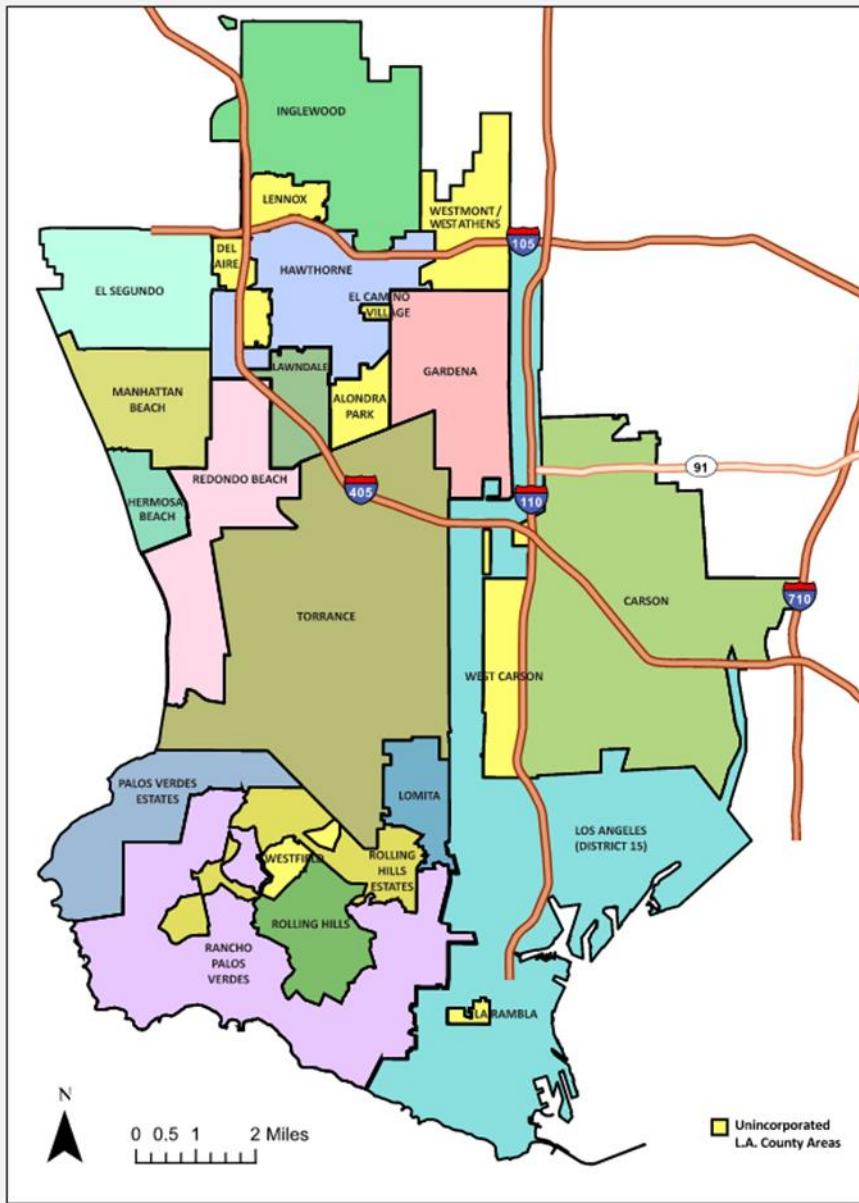
SGVCOG Members

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|--------------------------|--------------------|
| 1. Alhambra | 17. Monrovia |
| 2. Arcadia | 18. Montebello |
| 3. Azusa | 19. Monterey Park |
| 4. Baldwin Park | 20. Pasadena |
| 5. Bradbury | 21. Pomona |
| 6. Claremont | 22. Rosemead |
| 7. Covina | 23. San Dimas |
| 8. Diamond Bar | 24. San Gabriel |
| 9. Duarte | 25. San Marino |
| 10. El Monte | 26. Sierra Madre |
| 11. Glendora | 27. South El Monte |
| 12. Industry | 28. South Pasadena |
| 13. Irwindale | 29. Temple City |
| 14. La Canada/Flintridge | 30. Walnut |
| 15. La Puente | 31. West Covina |
| 16. La Verne | |

Not in the SGVCOG

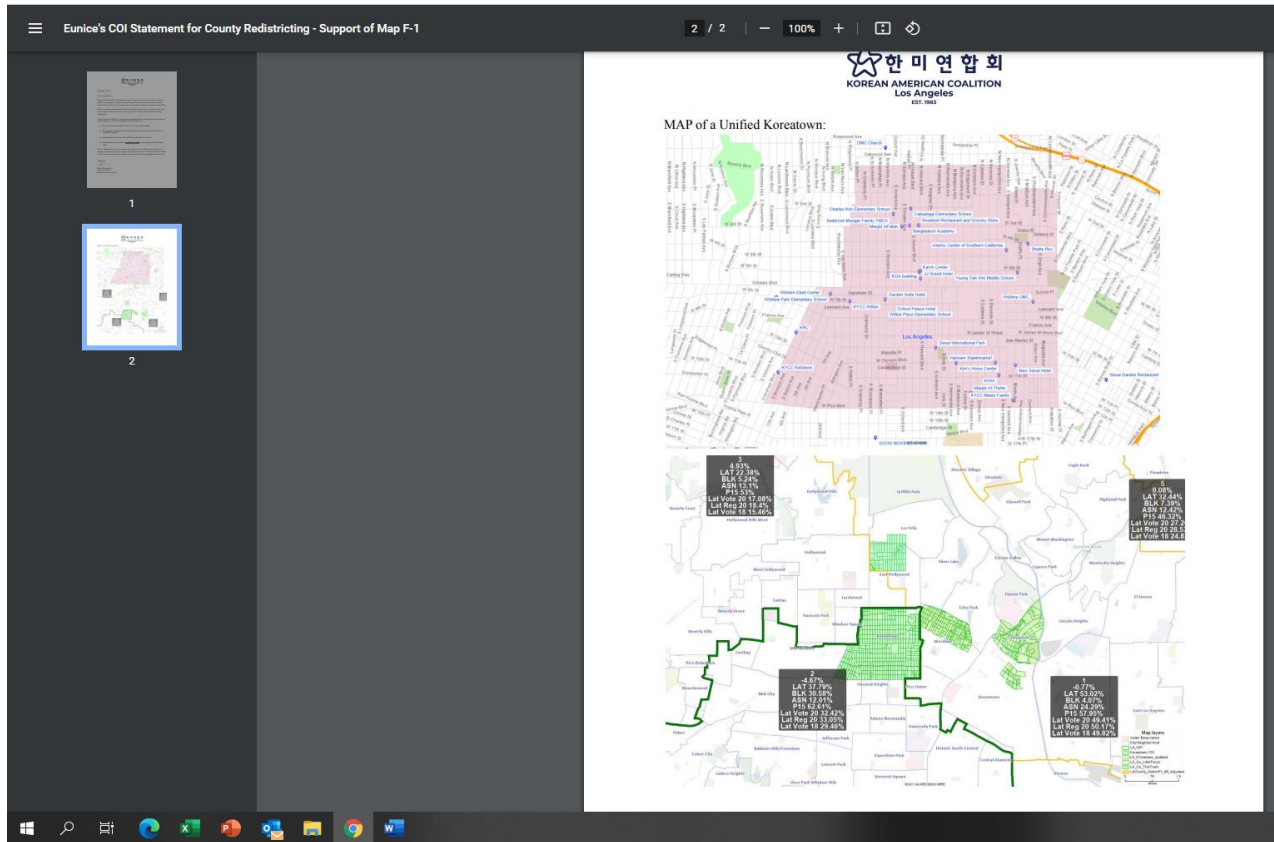
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| 1. Altadena | 11. Mayflower Village |
| 2. Avocado Heights | 12. North El Monte |
| 3. Bassett | 13. Rowland Heights |
| 4. Charter Oak | 14. San Pasqual |
| 5. Citrus | 15. South San Gabriel |
| 6. City of Industry | 16. South San Jose Hills |
| 7. East Pasadena | 17. Valinda |
| 8. Hacienda Heights | 18. Vincent |
| 9. Hillgrove | 19. West Puente Valley |
| 10. Los Angeles (El Sereno) | |

South Bay Council of Governments



Korea Town Map

See Public Comments for 12/1/21 Public Hearing No. 3, page 40.



Sources on LA County CRC Website

Cities: file.lacounty.gov/SDSInter/lac/1043530_09-10CitiesAlpha.pdf

Unincorporated communities: file.lacounty.gov/SDSInter/lac/1043534_UnincorpAlphaWeb.pdf