

City of Half Moon Bay 2018 Districting Initial Hearings

May 15, 2018



California Voting Rights Act (CVRA)

- Under the Federal Voting Rights Act (passed in 1965), a jurisdiction must fail 4 factual tests before it is in violation of the law.
- The California VRA makes it significantly easier for plaintiffs to force jurisdictions into "by-district" election systems by eliminating two of the US Supreme Court *Gingles* tests:
 - 4. Can the protected class constitute the majority of a district?
 - 2. Does the protected class vote as a bloc?
 - 3. Do the voters who are not in the protected class vote in a bloc to defeat the preferred candidates of the protected class?
 - 4. Do the "totality of circumstances" indicate race is a factor in elections?
- Liability is now determined only by the presence of racially polarized voting



CVRA Impact

- Switched (or in the process of switching) as a result of CVRA:
 - At least 165 school districts
 - 28 Community College Districts
 - \blacksquare 80+ cities
 - 1 County Board of Supervisors
 - 8 water and other special districts.

- Key decisions & settlements
 - Only Palmdale has gone to trial on the merits (the city lost)
 - Key settlements:
 - Palmdale: \$4.7 million
 - Modesto: \$3 million
 - Anaheim: \$1.1 million
 - Whittier: \$1 million
 - Santa Barbara: \$600,000
 - Tulare Hospital: \$500,000
 - Madera Unified: about \$170,000
 - Hanford Joint Union Schools: \$118,000
 - Merced City: \$42,000
 - Placentia: \$20,000



Districting Process

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Date	Action
May 15 and June 5	Hold two hearings to gather public input on communities of interest (no draft maps drawn until these are complete)
June 8	Deadline to submit proposed maps for June 19th Council meeting
June 12	All initial draft maps posted on or before this date
June 19 and July 17	Public hearing to gather public input on draft maps and election sequencing
Aug. 21	Council public hearing & introduction of ordinance
Sept. 4	Public hearing, second reading and adoption of ordinance
November 2020	First two districts hold elections
2021	Map redrawn to reflect 2020 Census data
November 2022	Remaining three districts hold elections





Federal Laws	Traditional Redistricting Principles		
Equal Population	Communities of interest		
Federal Voting Rights Act	□ Compact		
No Racial Gerrymandering	Contiguous		
	Visible (Natural & man-made)		



Planned	future	growth

continuity in office

Respect voters' choices /

boundaries

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Demographic Summary

Latinos are 31% of the total population and 16% of the eligible voters (measured by Citizen Voting Age Population data).

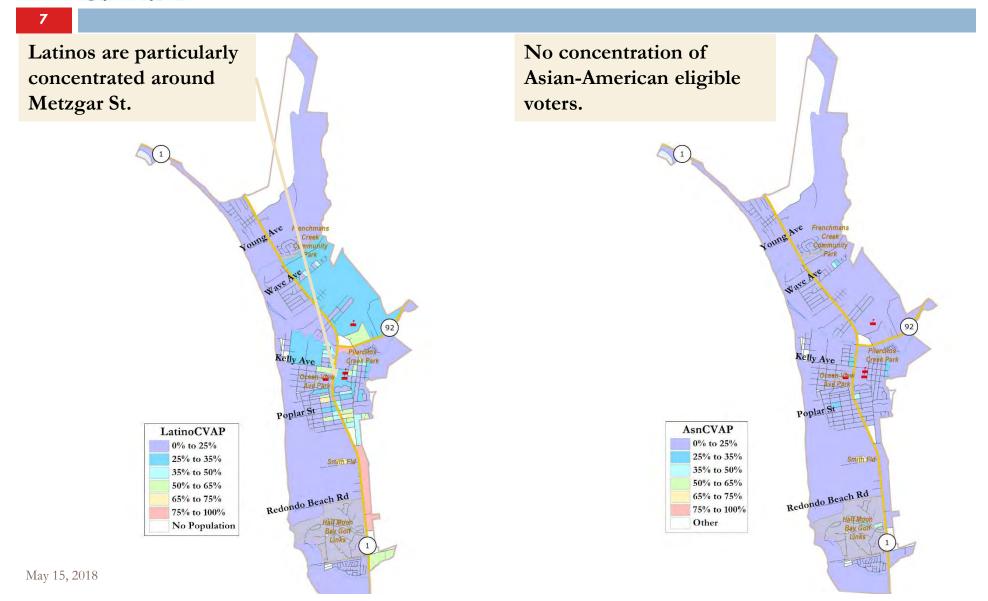
Asian-Americans are 10% of eligible voters.

African-Americans are 1% of eligible voters.

Race/Ethnic Profile	Count	Percent	ACS Profile	Count	Percent
Total Population	11,324		ACS Total Population	12,188	8%
Latino	3,563	31%	Immigrant	3,288	27%
NH White	6,977	62%	Naturalized (pct of total immigrants)	1,610	49%
NH Black/African-American	86	1%	Age 5+	11,582	
NH Native American	51	0%	Speak English at home	7,484	65%
NH Asian-American	572	5%	Speak Spanish at home	2,981	26%
NH Pacific Islander	25	0%	Speak an Asian language at home	371	3%
NH Other	20	0%	Speak other language at home	746	6%
NH Multi-Race	30	0%	Speak English only "well" or less	1,905	16%
Citizen VAP total	8,872		Age 25+	9,367	
CVAP Latino	1,446	16%	Age 25+, no HS degree	1,515	16%
CVAP NH White	6,413	72%	Age 25+, HS degree (only)	3,410	36%
CVAP NH African-American	45	1%	Age 25+, bachelor degree (only)	2,531	27%
CVAP NH Asian & Pacific Islander	909	10%	Age 25+, graduate degree (only)	1,911	20%
CVAP Other	58	1%	Households	4,846	
			Child under 18 in Household	1,148	24%
			Income \$0-25k	584	12%
Voter Registration (Nov. 2016)	7,187		Income \$25-50k	688	14%
Latino Reg	1,468	20%	Income \$50-75k	519	11%
Asian-Surnamed Reg.	1,842	26%	Income \$75-200k	1,881	39%
Filipino-Surnamed Reg.	395	5%	Income \$200k+	1,174	24%
Est. NH White Reg.	6,285	87%	Housing units	5,290	
Est. African-Amer. Reg	45	1%	Single-Family	4,538	86%
Democratic Reg.	1,098	15%	Multi-Family	751	14%
Republican Reg.	151	2%	Rented	1,508	31%
Other/No Party Reg.	5,938	83%	Owned	3,337	69%
Voters Casting Ballots (Nov. 2016)	6,016		Voters Casting Ballots (Nov. 2014)	3,829	53%
Latino voters	1,249	21%	Latino voters	304	8%
Asian-Surnamed voters	1,428	24%	Asian-Surnamed voters	106	3%
Filipino-Surnamed voters	295	5%	Filipino-Surnamed voters	36	1%
Est. NH White voters	5,318	88%	Est. NH White voters	3,304	86%
Est. African-Amer. Reg	38	1%	Est. African-Amer. Reg	53	1%
Democratic voters	828	14%	Democratic voters	1,930	50%
Republican voters	168	3%	Republican voters	941	25%
Other/No Party voters	5,020	83%	Other/No Party voters	958	25%









Defining Communities of Interest

1st Question: what is your neighborhood or community of interest?

A Community of Interest is generally defined as a neighborhood or community of shared interests, views, problems, or characteristics. Possible community feature/boundary definitions include:

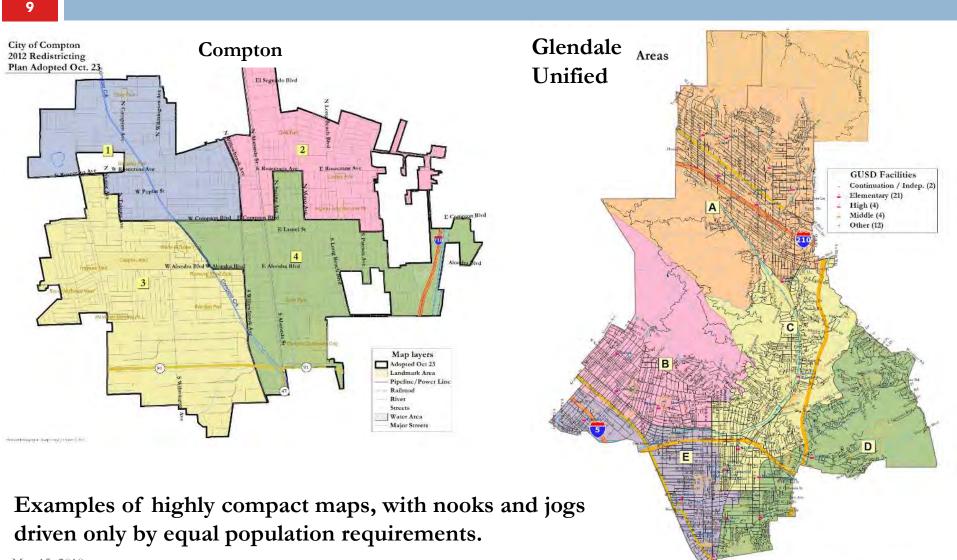
- □ School attendance areas
- Natural neighborhood dividing lines, such as highway or major roads, rivers, canals, and/or hills
- □ Areas around parks and other neighborhood landmarks
- □ Common issues, neighborhood activities, or legislative/election concerns
- □ Shared demographic characteristics
 - **u** Such as similar levels of income, education, or linguistic isolation

2nd Question: Does a Community of Interest want to be united in one district, or to be divided to have a voice in multiple elections?





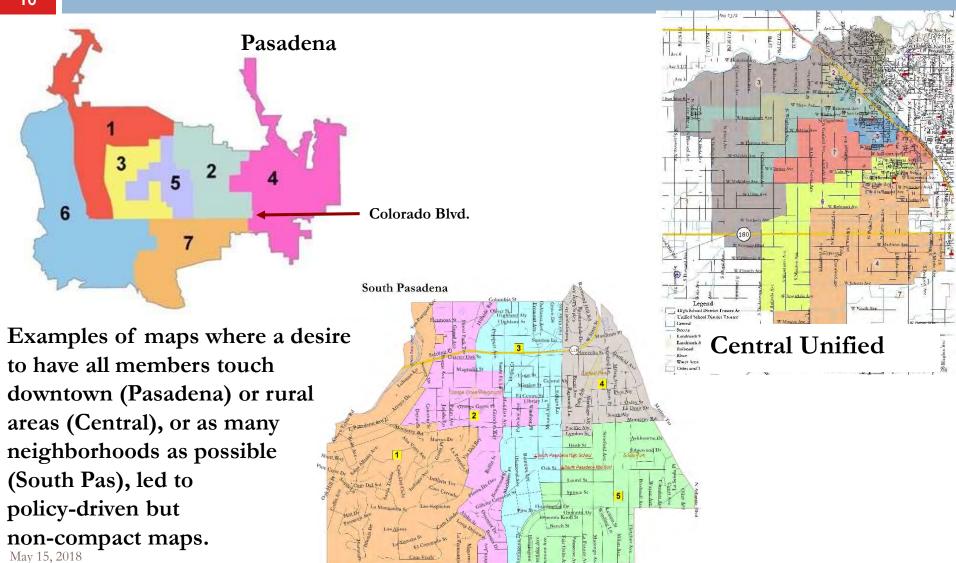
Sample Compact Maps



National Demographics Corporation, July 28, 2016

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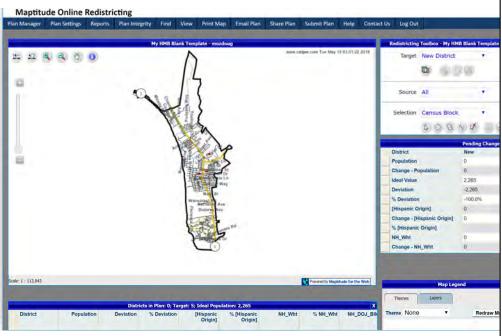


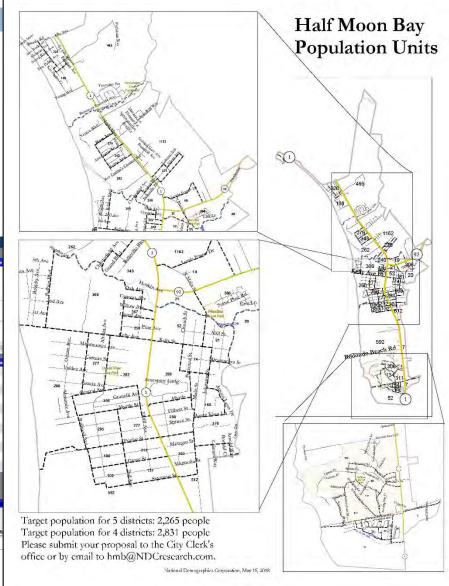
Map-Drawing Tools

Tools are available at www.DrawHMB.org

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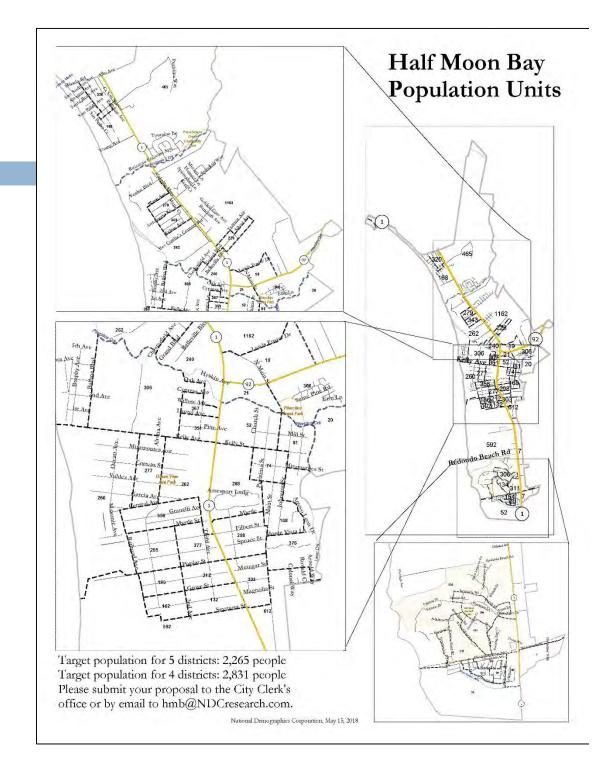
- Use the paper map, the online tool, or any other map
- Draw your neighborhood; draw the district you want for your area; or draw an entire citywide map







Using the One-Page Paper Map



Interactive Map

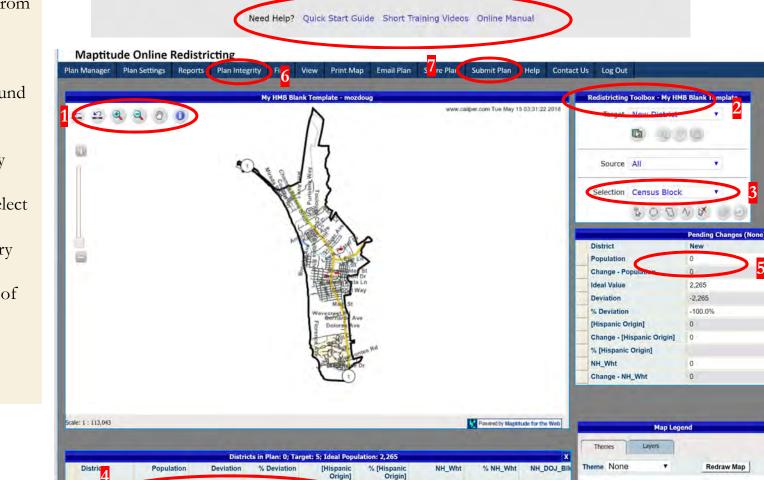


Using the online tool

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Tutorials and help resources are available from the login page.



Access Your Online Redistricting Plans

and password

Log In

Circled items:

1: controls to move around the map;

2: choose into which

district selected territory

will be placed;

3: options for how to select territory;

4: demographic summary of districts;

5: demographic change of currently selected area;6: review map when

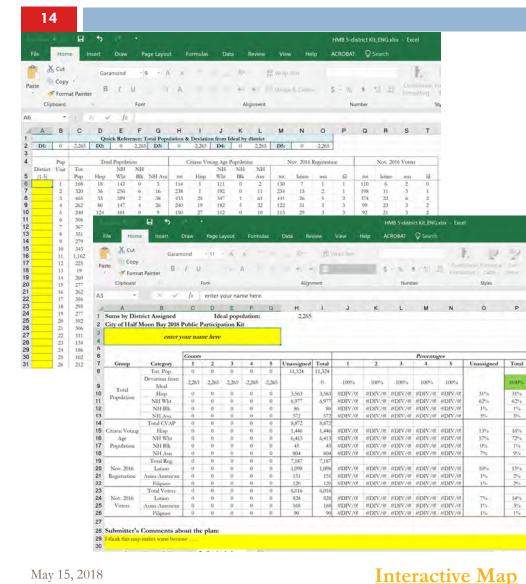
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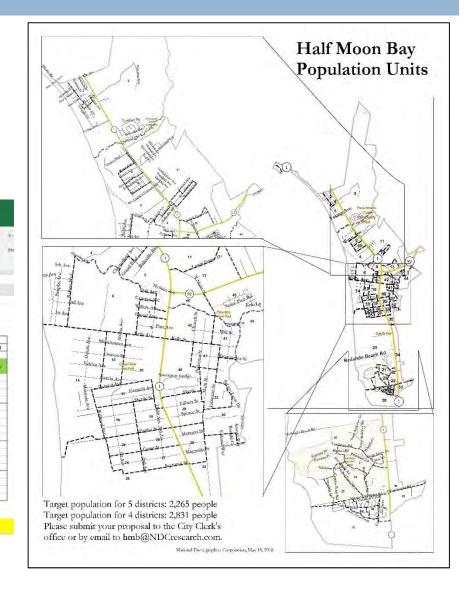
7: submit map.



Enter the district assignment in the highlighted column, and Excel will calculate the resulting demographic changes.

National Demographics Corporation







Public Hearing & Discussion

- 1. What is your neighborhood or "community of interest"
- 2. Do you prefer your neighborhood be kept together in one district or have multiple representatives?
- 3. What are other communities of interest in the City that should be considered when drafting maps?