



City of Richmond
Introduction to Districting

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Districting Process

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Step	Description
Two Initial Hearings Nov. 5 & 19	Held prior to release of draft maps. Education and to solicit input on the communities in the District.
Nov. 14 & 18	Community forums and demonstrations of mapping tools.
Initial Map Submission Deadline Nov. 21	Deadline to submit maps that will be posted Nov. 26 and considered by Council at Dec. 3 hearing.
Release draft maps No later than Nov. 26	Maps must be posted at least 7 days prior to 3 rd hearing.
Two hearings on draft maps Dec. 3 & 17	Two meetings to discuss and revise the draft maps and to discuss the election sequence. Likely introduction of ordinance at Dec. 17 meeting.
Dec. 5	Community forum and demonstrations of mapping tools.
Submit Map Revisions by Dec. 6	Deadline to submit revisions to posted maps that will be posted Dec. 10 and considered by Council at Dec. 17 hearing.
Community Forum Dec. 10	Opportunity to share thoughts about the draft maps.
Jan. 14	Map adopted via ordinance. Final map must be posted at least 7 days prior to adoption.
Nov. 2020	Initial election in 3 Council districts
2021	Update District lines using 2020 Census data
Nov. 2022	Initial election in the other 3 Council districts

Federal Laws

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

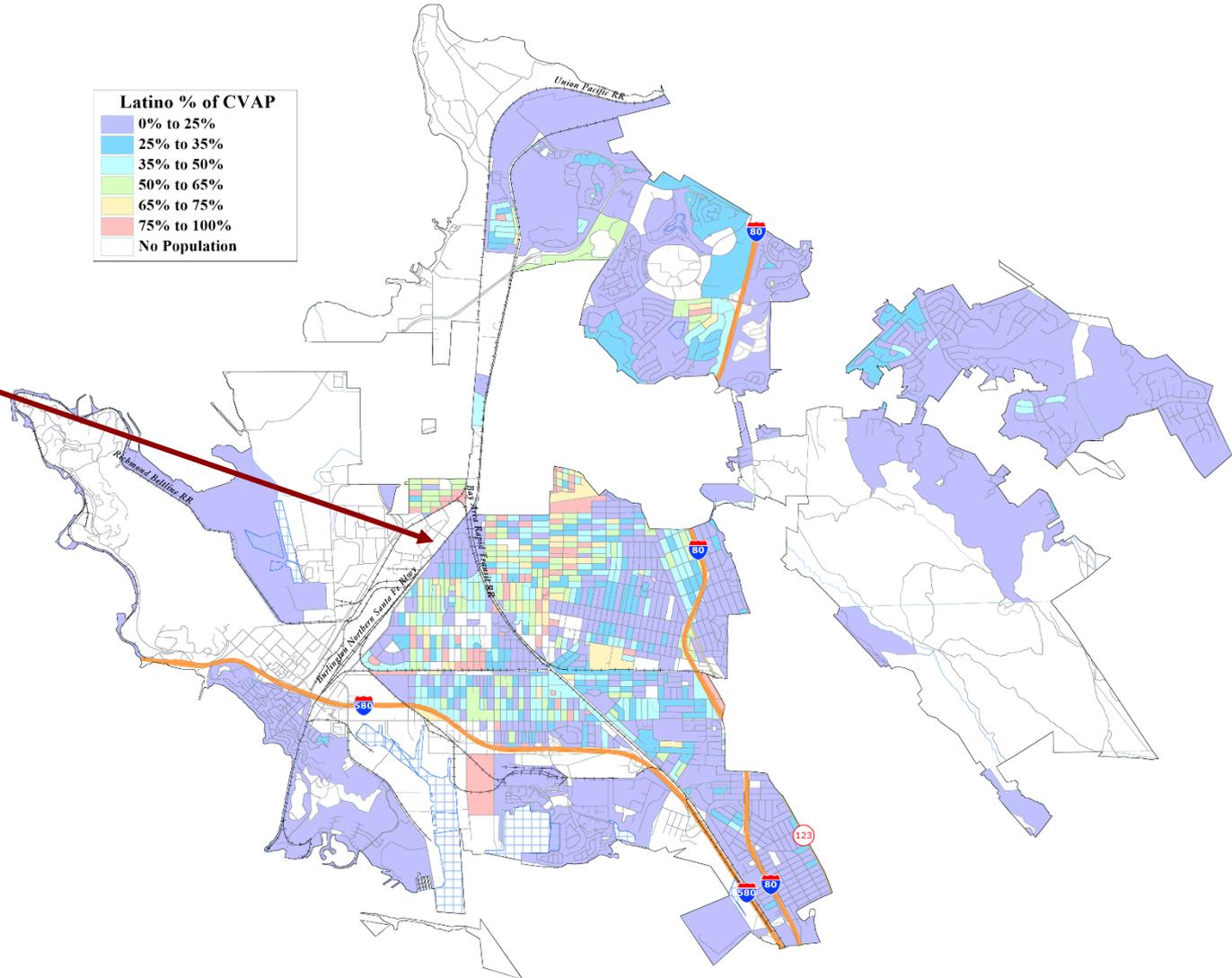
Districting Criteria and Principles

- ❑ **Geographically Contiguous**
- ❑ **Neighborhoods and Communities of interest**
- ❑ **Clear visible (Natural & man-made) boundaries**
- ❑ **Compact** (Do not bypass one group of people to get to a more distant group of people)
- ❑ **Respect voters' choices / continuity in office**
- ❑ **Future Population Growth**



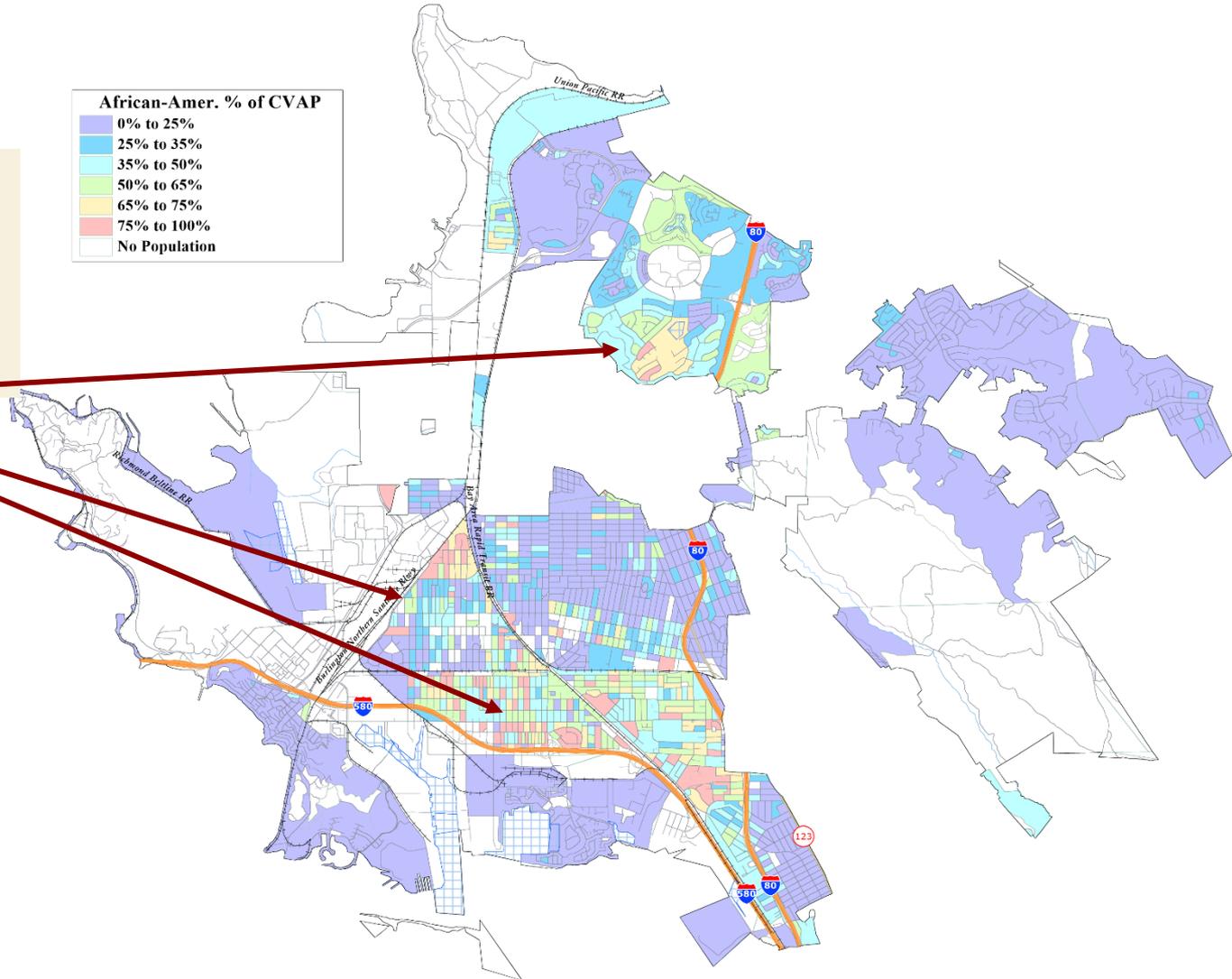
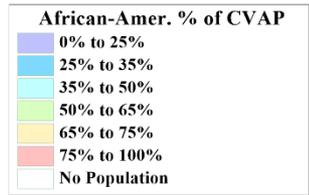
Latino Citizen Voting Age Population

Latinos are particularly concentrated between San Pablo and I-580.



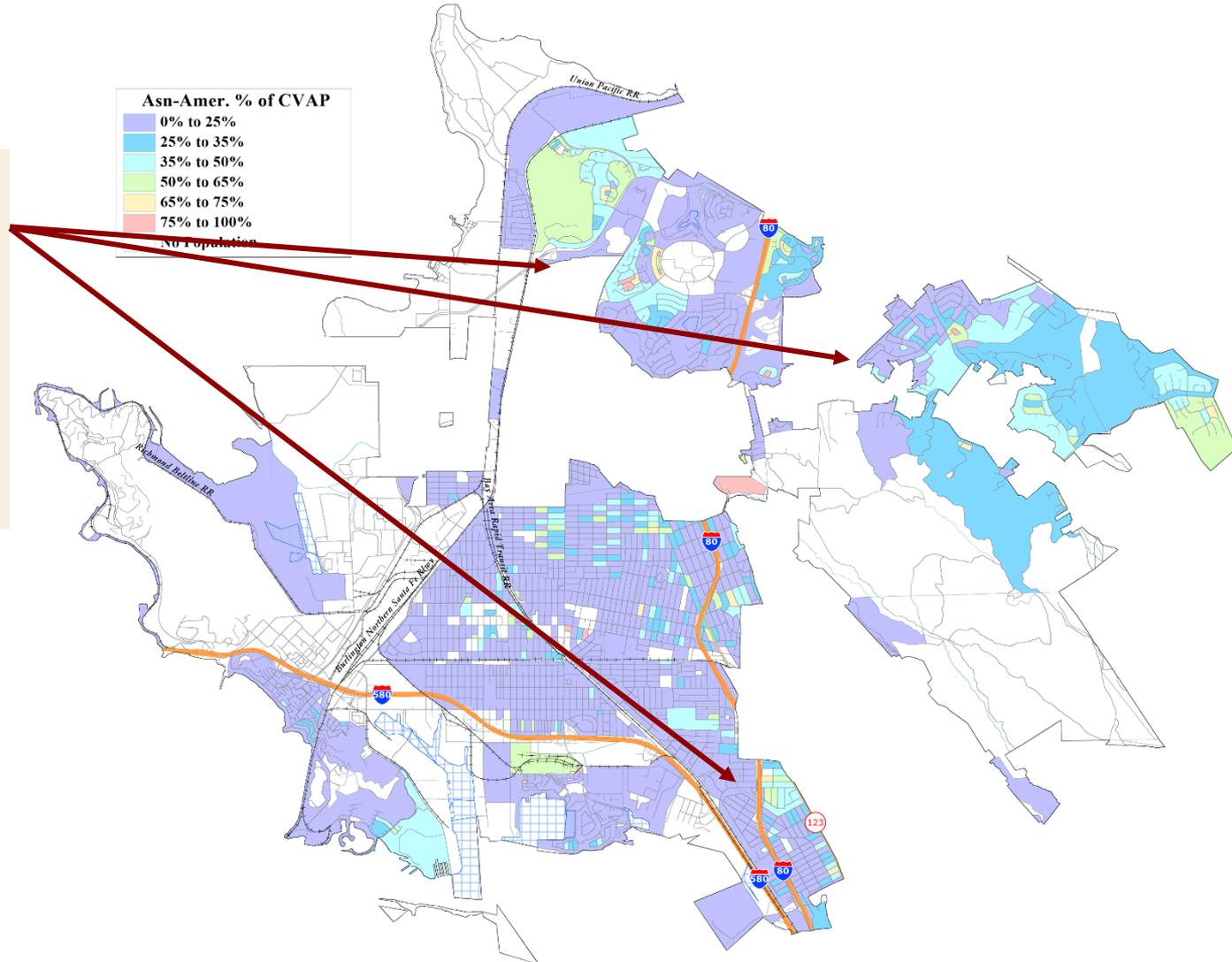
African-American CVAP

African-Americans are particularly concentrated in Hilltop, in the 'Iron Triangle', and between Ohio Ave and I-580.

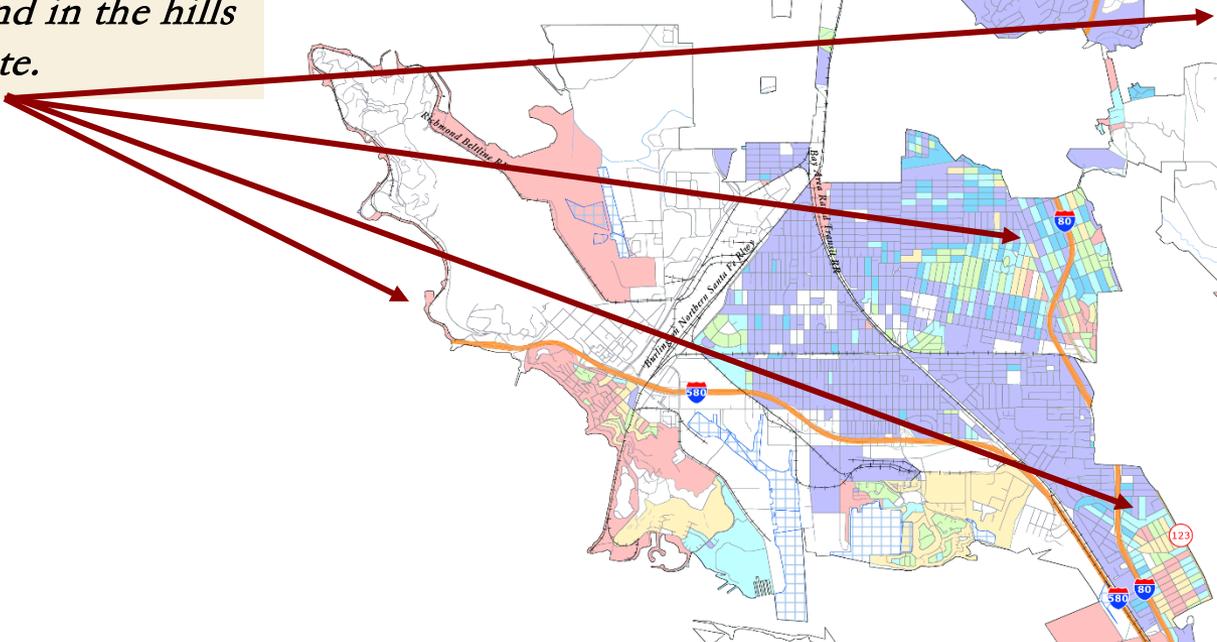
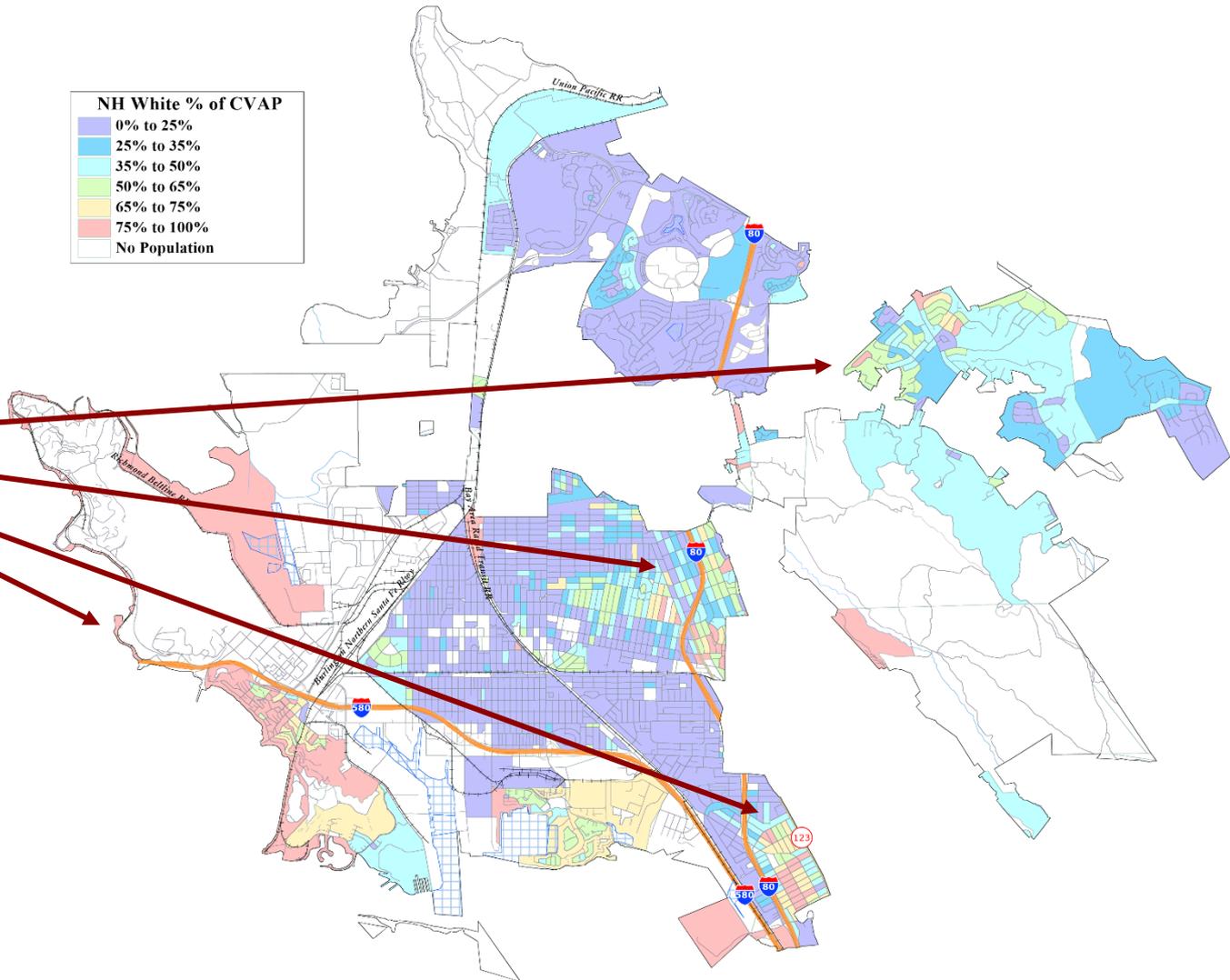
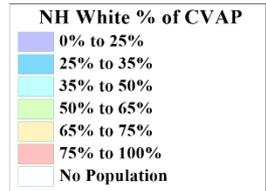


Asian-American CVAP

Asian-Americans are concentrated around the country club and Hilltop Village in the north, in the hills of El Sobrante in the east, and along the border with El Cerrito in the south.



Non-Hispanic Whites are particularly concentrated along the water, south of I-580, along the border of El Cerrito, and in the hills of El Sobrante.



Map Summary

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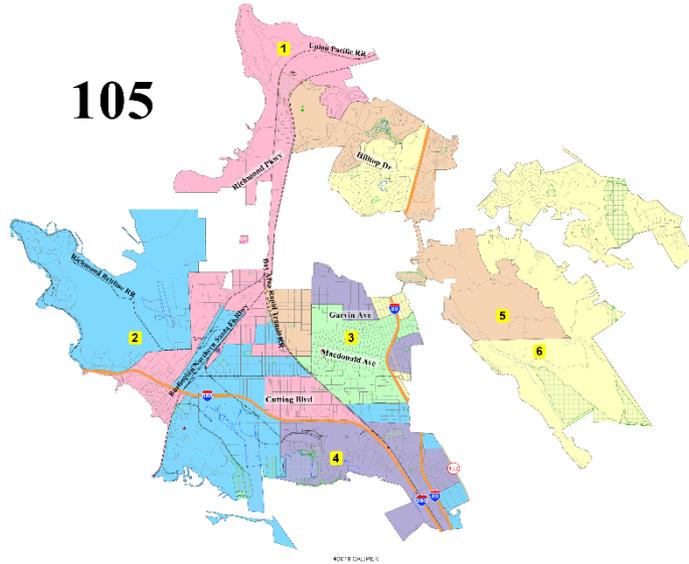
- Two maps received from plaintiff counsel
- Ten maps received from residents
 - ▣ 4 partial maps (one or two districts only, rest of city blank)
 - ▣ 3 non-contiguous maps
 - ▣ 1 contiguous but not quite population-balanced map, which could be adjusted to become population balanced
- Three maps received from NDC

- 8 full maps to consider tonight
 - ▣ 101 and 102 from plaintiff counsel
 - ▣ 113, 114 and 115 from NDC
 - ▣ 103, 104 and 107 from residents
 - *But potential Federal Voting Rights Act concern with 103*

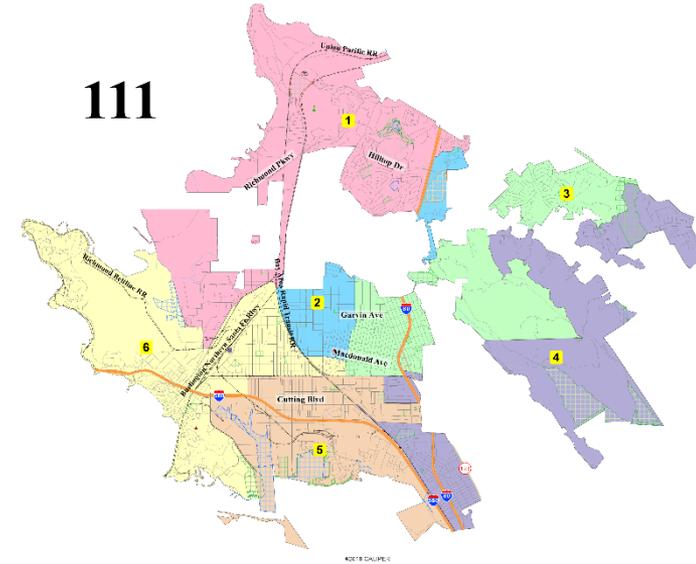
Non-Contiguous: 105, 106, 111

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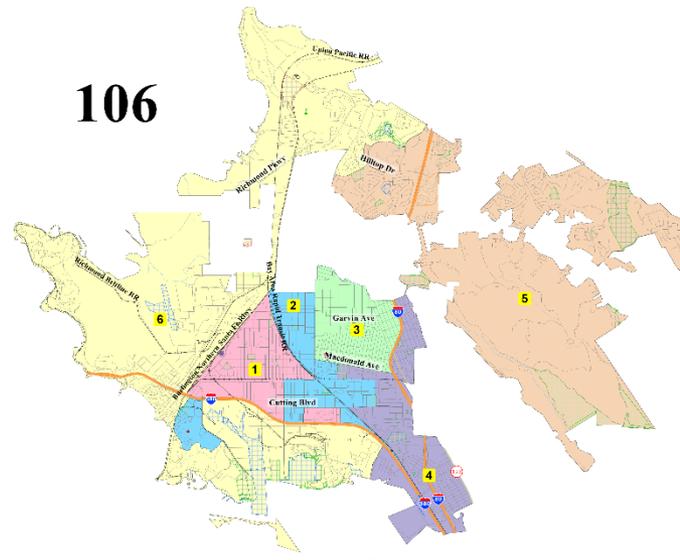
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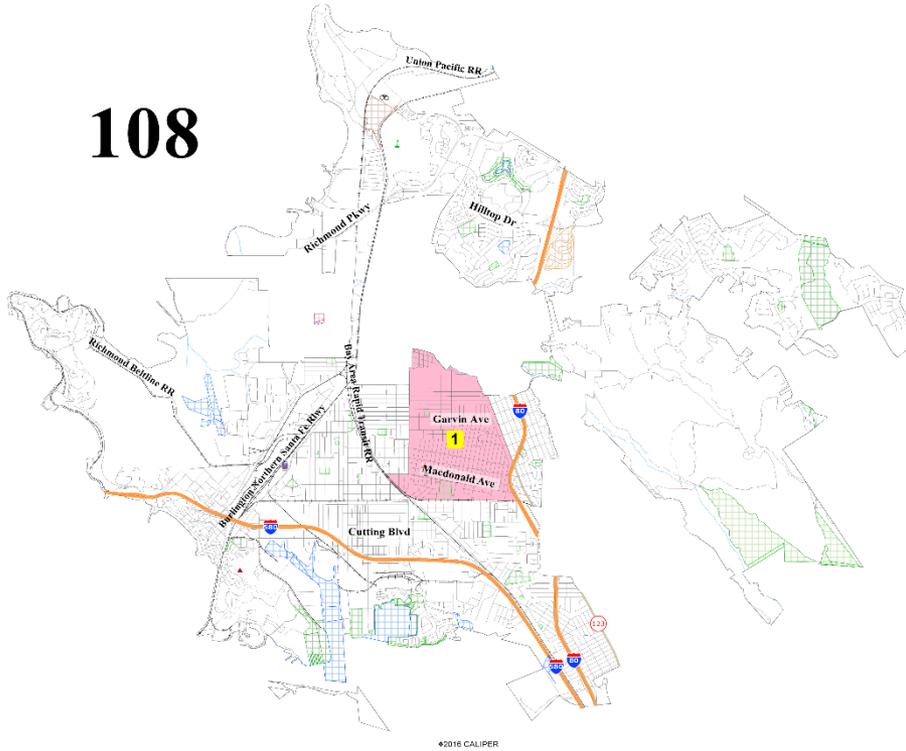


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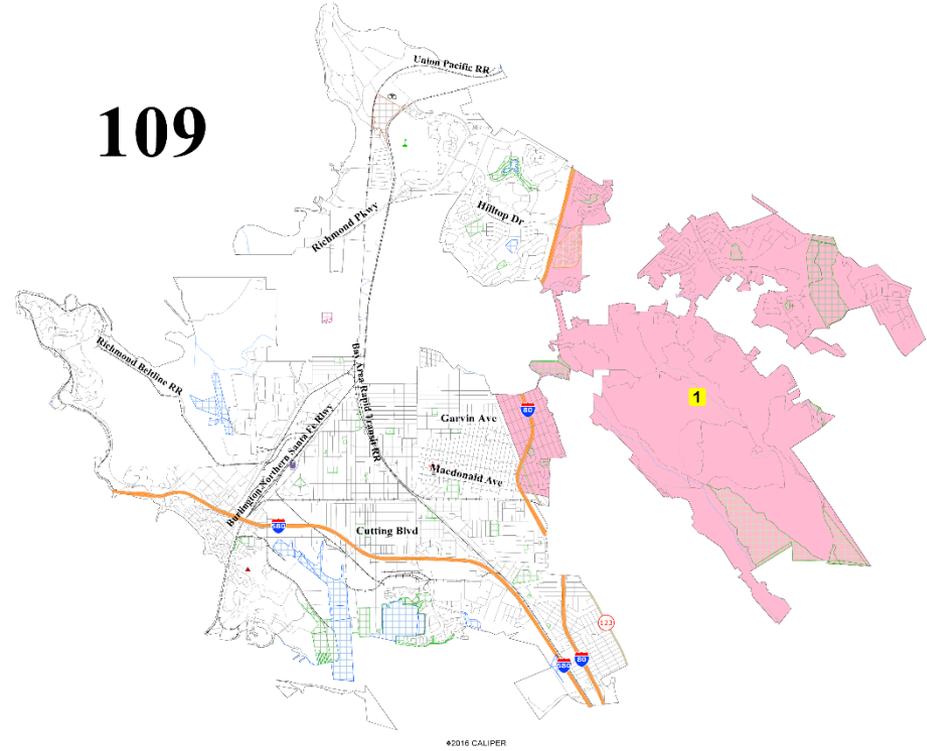


Partial Maps: 108 and 109

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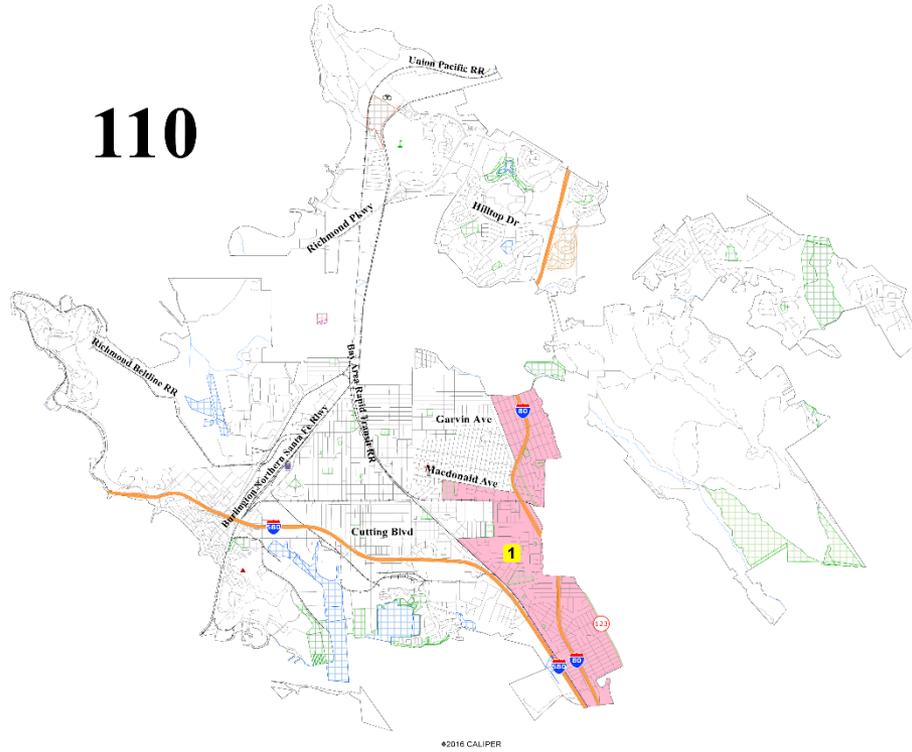
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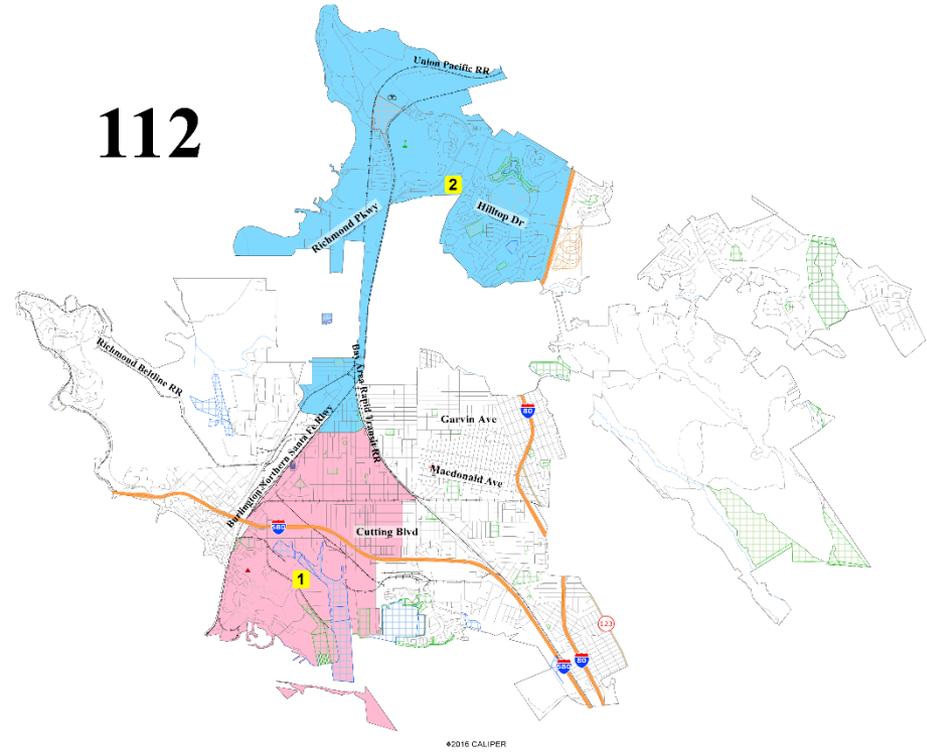
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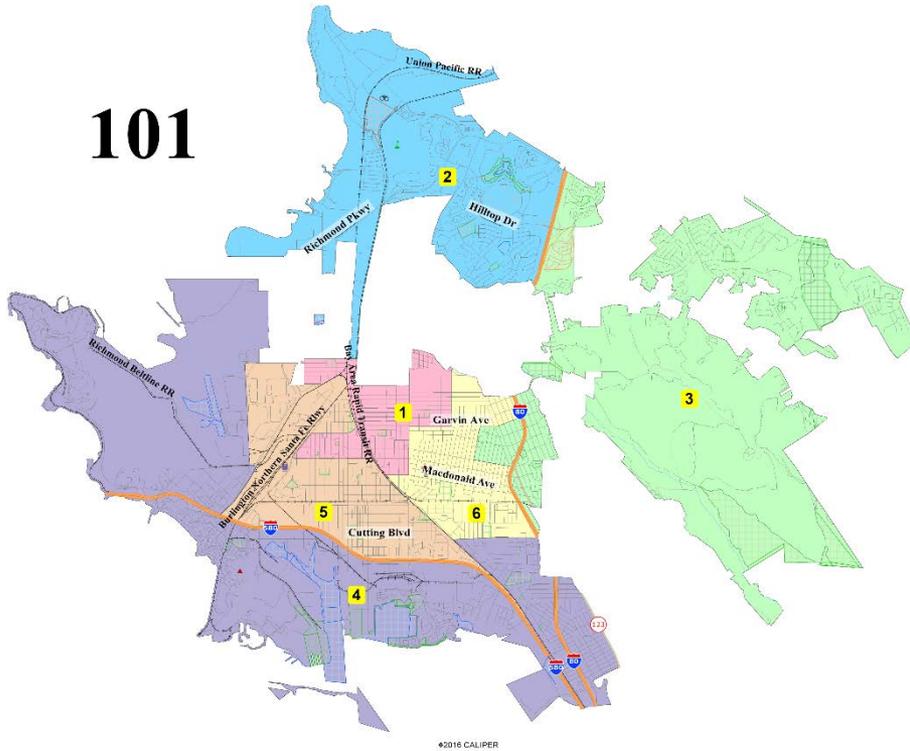


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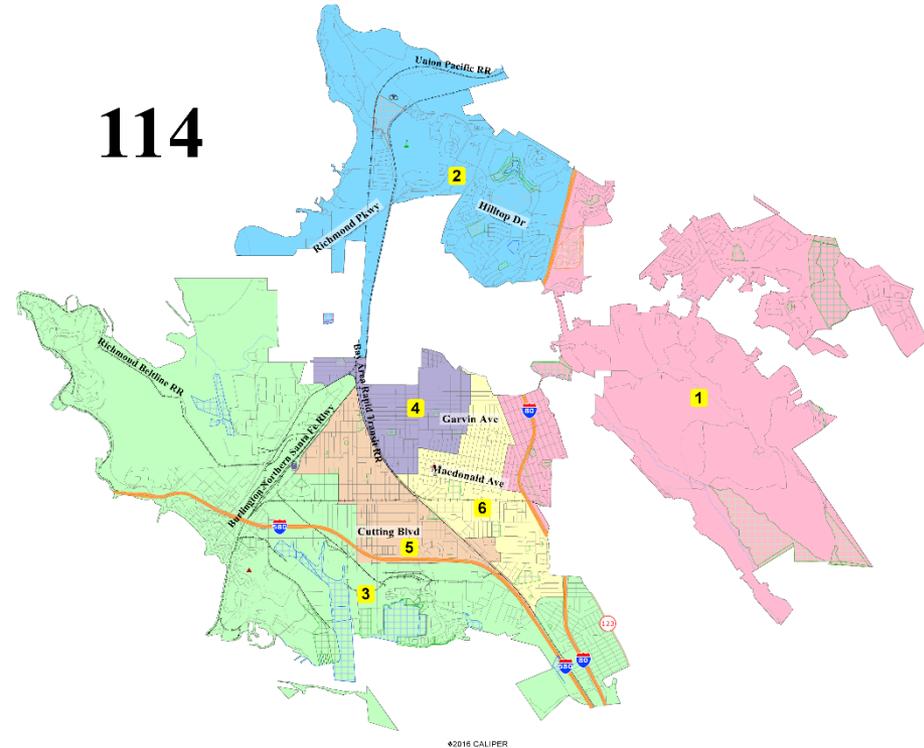


Hilltop Following I-80: 101, 114

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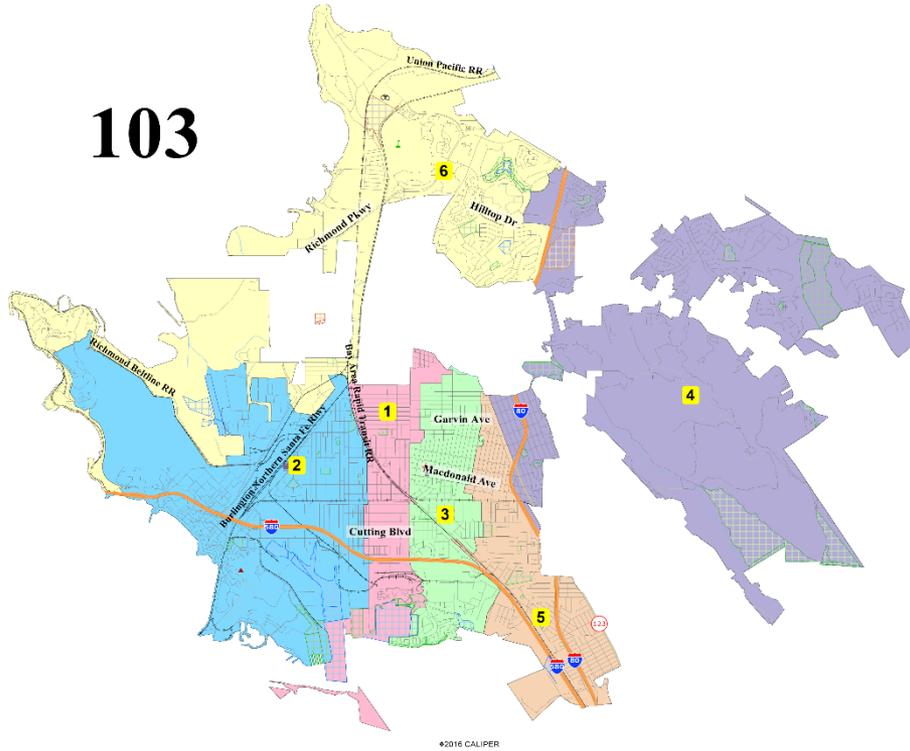
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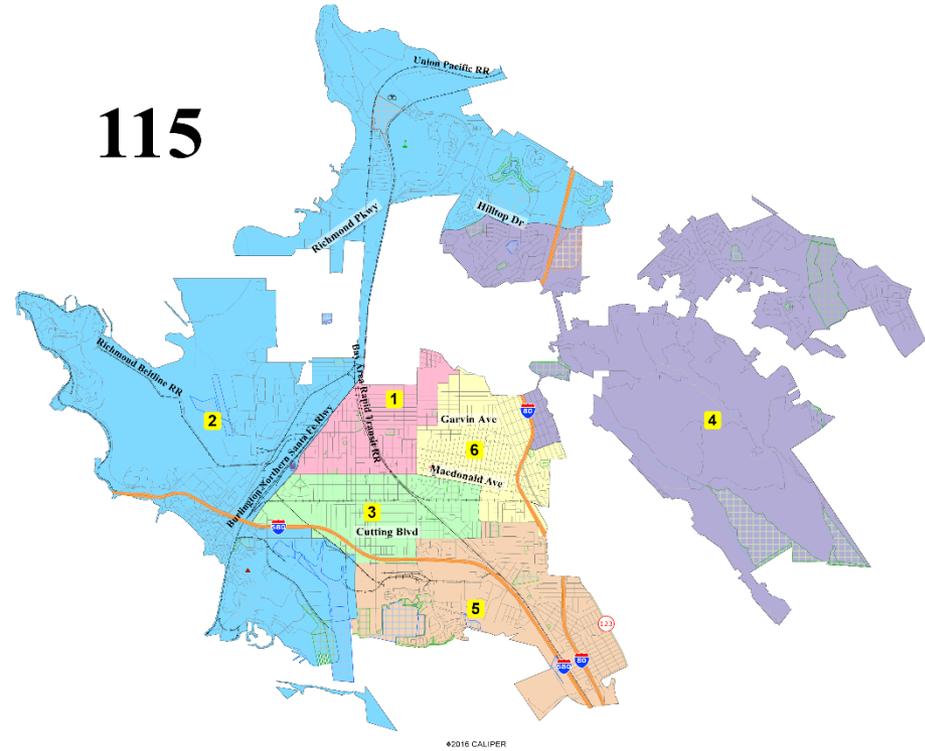
Split South of 580: 103, 115

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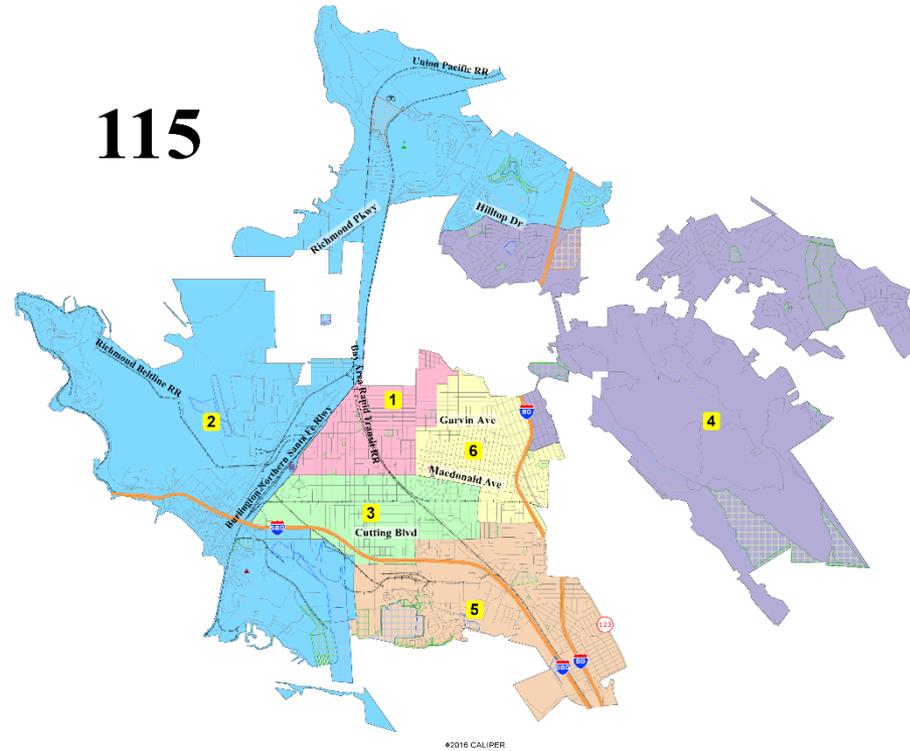
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Note: NDC has Federal VRA concerns about map 103.
Also needs slight population balancing.

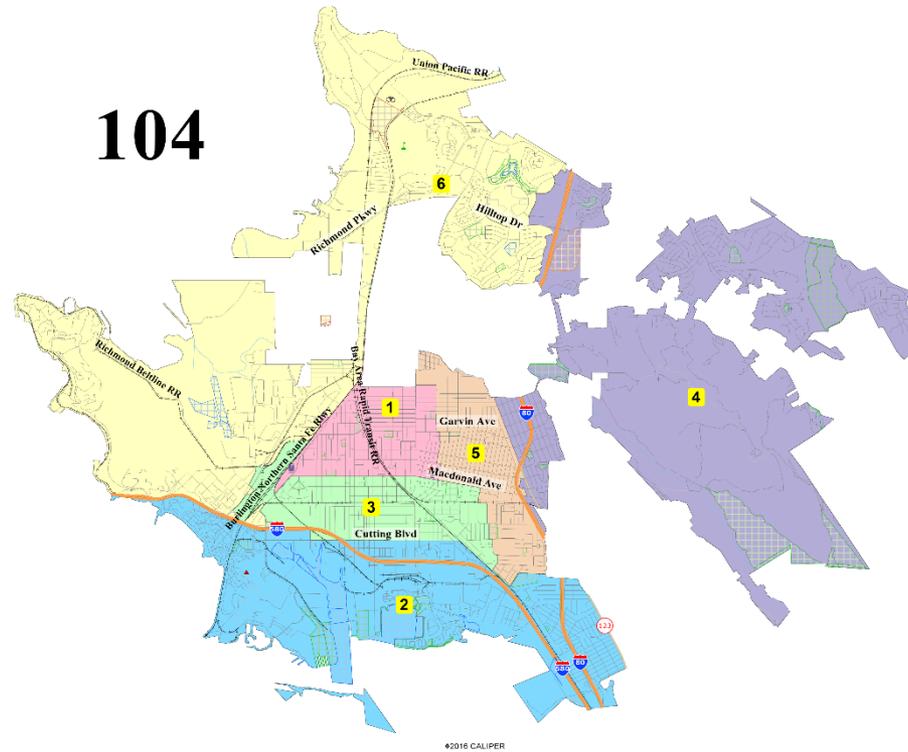
Only 1 Neighborhood Split: 115

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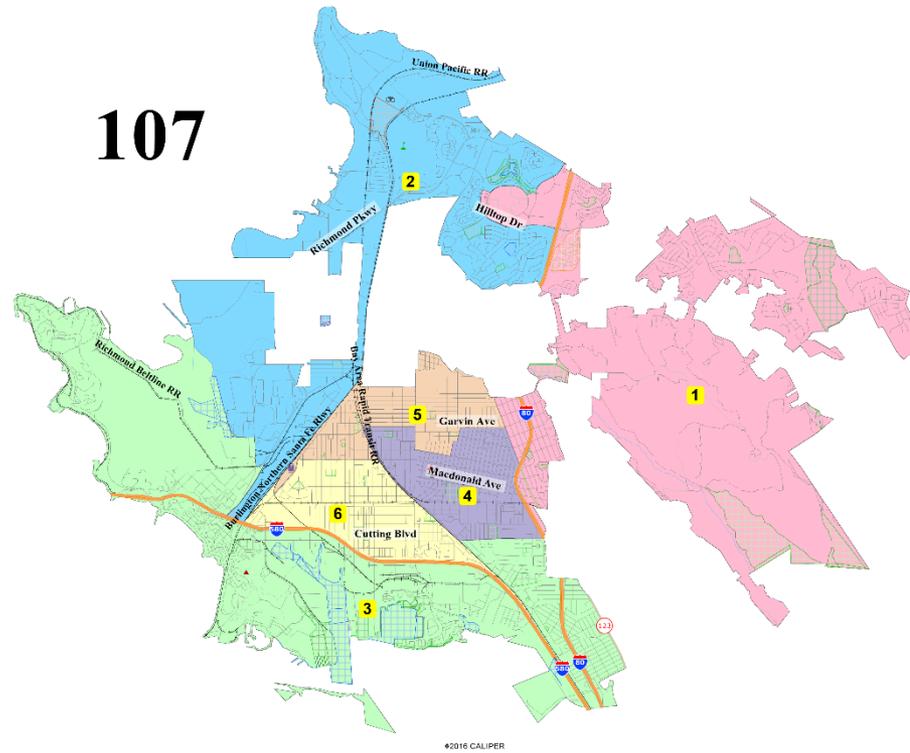


Highly Compact: 104

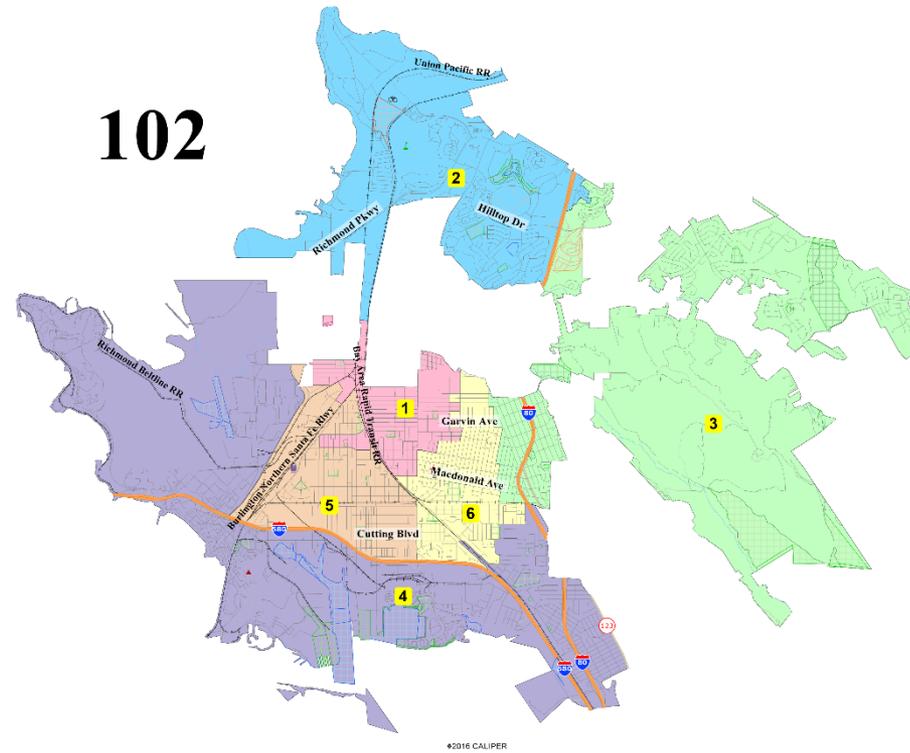
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Railroad Focus: 107



Jigsaw Map: 102



Discussion

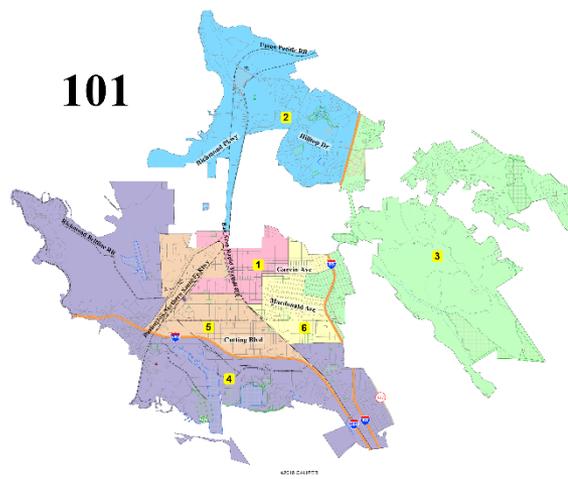
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1. Which map(s) do you prefer? Why?
2. What modification(s) would make your preferred map(s) even better?
3. Possible Council narrowing to a handful of “focus” maps
4. Possible Council direction on new / revised maps

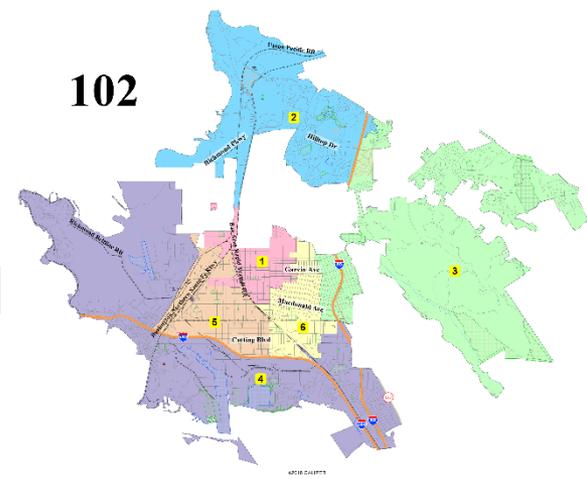


Interactive review map

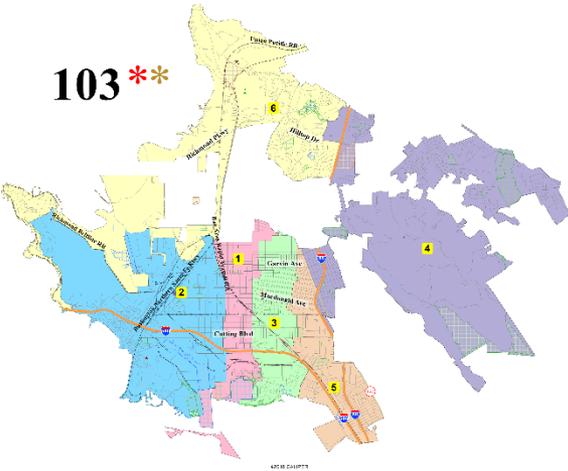
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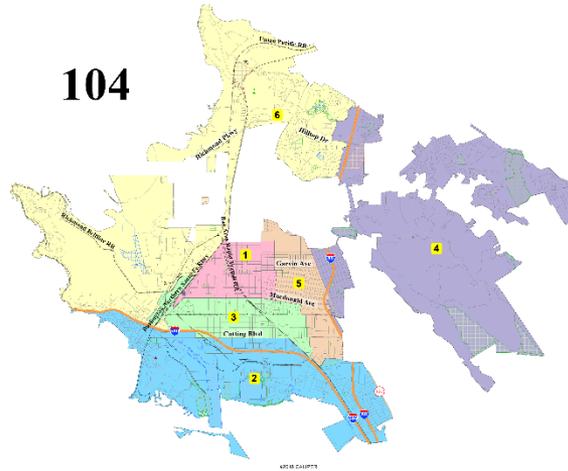
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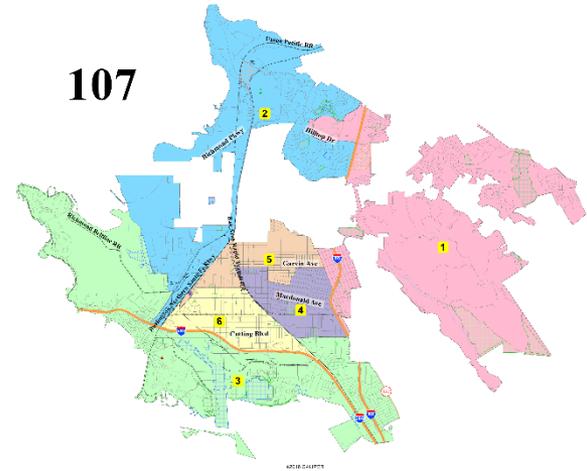
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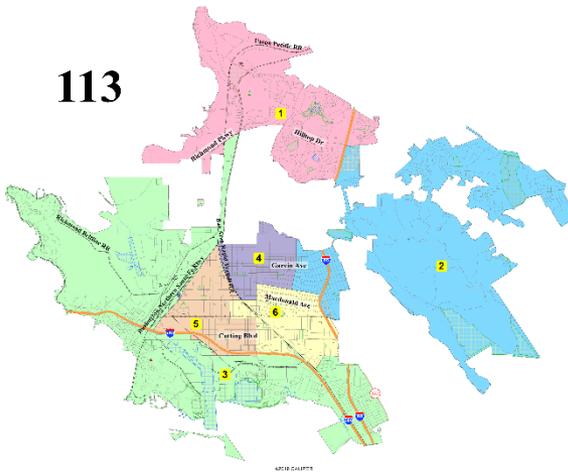
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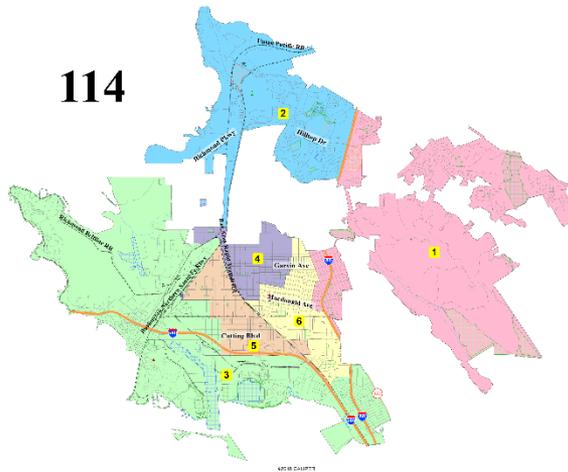
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