STATEWIDE AND MULTIPLE DISTRICT MAP PRESENTATIONS: INPUT HEARING POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

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The Citizens Redistricting Commission (commission) desires the presentation of statewide or multiple district plans that fully demonstrate the boundaries of Communities of Interest and proposed districts as outlined in its <u>Guidelines on the Submission of Statewide and Multiple Districts Plans to the California Citizens Redistricting Commission</u>. This document may be found on our website, <u>www.wedrawthelines.com</u>, and should be used to enhance a presentation to ensure the capture of the plan's essential data by the commission's line drawing consultant.

In order to promote an orderly process for the presentation of statewide or multiple district plans to the commission, the following policies and procedures are established.

- The Commission has allocated two days of public hearings May 24th at Laney College, Oakland and May 26th at the California State University Northridge, Northridge – to provide the eligible groups with opportunities to present statewide and regional plans. Please note:
 - District maps prepared by a group will be considered by the commission even if
 they are not formally presented at a public hearing, however, developers of
 district maps are strongly encouraged to participate in these hearings to provide
 highlights of their plans in an expanded time format and to be available to
 answer questions posed by the commission, its staff, and/or its consultants.
 - The commission requests that eligible groups present statewide presentations in only one of the two locations allocated for this purpose. Redundant presentations will not enhance the commission's consideration of a proposal and will potentially decrease the opportunity for another group to provide a presentation. Eligible groups may provide regional presentations at both venues provided there is no redundancy in the material presented.

2. The hearing schedules for statewide or multiple district presentations at both public hearings will be:

Presentations	9:00 a.m. − 12:00 p.m
Lunch Break	12:00 p.m 1:00 p.m
Presentations	1:00 p.m 6:00 p.m
Dinner Break	6:00 p.m 7:00 p.m
Presentations	7:00 p.m 9:00 p.m

Groups will be assigned a presentation time based on time availability. The assignments are first come, first served based on when the request for presentation time was received. Some groups may not be given a presentation time because of the demand received as of the cut off time of 5:00 p.m., May 18, 2011. Groups who do not receive a presentation time will be "wait listed" in the order of the receipt of their request. Any group that is not given the opportunity to present to the commission at the group presentation locations are strongly encouraged to submit their presentation to the commission in written or electronic format for its consideration prior to first drafts of the district maps. The deadline for submission of information that will be considered prior to the first drafts is May 23, 2011.

3. Only group presentations of Statewide or Multiple District plans will be allowed during the time reserved for this purpose. Multiple district plans are considered to be maps describing two or more districts.

An eligible group would be one of the following:

- (1) <u>Pre-existing Group</u>: an entity that exists independent of the redistricting process, has an interest in redistricting because of its core goals or mission, and whose group status can be verified based on a self-reported description and any documentation (e.g., IRS legal status or membership), or
- (2) <u>Redistricting Group</u>: an entity that has been formed for the purpose of engaging in redistricting activities, whose group status can be verified based on a self-reported description and any documentation, and has held itself out as a group and engaged in redistricting activities since before the announcement of the May 24 and 26 hearings.

- (3) Two or more individuals who are not members of a pre-existing group or a redistricting group, but are instead coming together only for the purpose of gaining access to the May 24 or 26 hearings would not be eligible as a "group." These individuals should be free to submit electronic and printed copies of maps and reports, but would not be eligible to make a group presentation on May 24 or 26.
- 4. Statewide or multi-district presentations of plans for the different types of districts, Assembly, Senate, Congressional or the Board of Equalization are considered separate and distinct. The commission will allow a separate presentation time and question and answer period for each distinct presentation.
- 5. Each presentation shall be no longer than 15 minutes in length and each question and answer period following a presentation shall be no longer than 10 minutes in length. Within the 10 minute time limit for questions and answers, the presenter will be given a maximum of two minutes to answer each question posed by the commission. All presentations and responses will be timed by commission staff and the individual speaking will be notified when there are 30 seconds remaining in the presentation or response period. Each speaker is expected to wrap up their presentation or response within a few seconds of the notification that their time has ended.
- 6. Groups or individuals requiring power point presentations are strongly encouraged to provide those presentations at least three days prior to the presentation. If the power point presentation cannot be provided until the day of the hearing, it must be presented prior to the beginning of the hearings. No power point presentation will be uploaded for viewing after the hearing has begun. It is important to note that the commission is not responsible for the quality of a presentation provided to its staff nor is the commission or its staff responsible for the compatibility of a power point presentation with the computer or imaging equipment provided by the commission for this purpose. This is particularly true for any power point presentations provided after the deadline specified for these types of presentations.
- 7. Please be courteous and civil to all individuals attending these hearings and respect every speaker's right to provide their point of view.
- 8. Security is provided at every venue for the safety and protection of the public, commission staff, and the commission. If a problem arises, either within or outside the hearing, please immediately notify the security personnel assigned to the hearing and the commission's staff.