SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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FROM: Executive Office

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SUBJECT: Supervisorial Redistricting Plan

SUBMITTAL DATE: June 8, 2011

June 28, 2011 the attached proposed Supervisorial Redistricting Plans to adjust the boundaries of the Districts. **BACKGROUND:** Under California Elections Code § 21500, the Board of Supervisors is required to adjust Supervisorial District boundaries following each decennial federal census, using the census numbers as a basis. The general goal of the "One Person One Vote Rule" mandated by

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors: 1) receive and file the attached recommendations by the Redistricting Steering Committee; and 2) set for public hearing on

to adjust Supervisorial District boundaries following each decennial federal census, using the census numbers as a basis. The general goal of the "One Person One Vote Rule" mandated by the Federal and State Constitutions is to produce Districts which shall be as nearly equal in populations as may be, although Federal Court decisions have indicated that a maximum deviation from population equality of less than ten percent between Districts is generally permissible.

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		FINANCIAL DATA	Current F.Y. Total Cost:	\$ N/A	In Current Year Budg	get: N/A
			Current F.Y. Net County Cost:	\$ N/A	Budget Adjustment:	N/A
			Annual Net County Cost:	\$ N/A	For Fiscal Year:	N/A
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California Elections Code § 21500 also requires that the adjustment of Supervisorial District boundaries must comply with the Federal Voting Rights Act as well as give consideration to the following factors: a) topography, b) geography, c) cohesiveness, contiguity, integrity, and compactness of territory, and d) communities of interests of the districts.

Federal Census data released in March 2011, reveal the following population by Supervisorial District: 1st District, 422,327; 2nd District, 407,271; 3rd District, 517,853; 4th District, 396,579; and, 5th District, 445,611. An equal distribution of the County's total population of 2,189,641 would put 437,928 residents in each Supervisorial District.

Per Agenda Item 3.9 on September 28, 2010, the Executive Office created a Redistricting Steering Committee. The Committee is comprised of County Assessor Larry Ward, Assistant CEO Jay Orr, and the chief of staff to each of the five members of the Board of Supervisors. The Committee is supported by staff from the Executive Office, County Counsel, Transportation Land Management Agency (TLMA), Registrar of Voters, and the Economic Development Agency.

Beginning on October 26, 2010, the Committee held a total of fourteen meetings, including three evening public outreach forums. The outreach forums allowed the public who were unable to attend the daytime meetings an opportunity to observe first-hand the progress of the Committee and provide input in-person to the Committee. Moreover, two of the outreach forums were held in outlying communities where it was more convenient for the attendance of members of the public from the Desert and Southwest areas of the County. Input was also provided via email, the redistricting website, the U.S. Postal Service, and in-person at the daytime redistricting meetings held at the County Administrative Center. Additional outreach efforts were conducted through the website, weekly updates by Supervisor Ashley at the Board of Supervisor meetings, and through press releases.

The initial meetings were spent finalizing the work plan, determining which specialized mapping software should be purchased, and discussing the legal criteria governing Supervisorial District boundary changes. The updated census population numbers were received by the County in March 2011. Once the numbers were received and the target population of 437,928 for each district was calculated, the Committee began the task of developing one or more Supervisorial Redistricting Plans that would include new boundary lines.

The Committee decided that each district representative should meet with TLMA:GIS staff and develop individual district maps to present to the entire Committee. Upon the completion of all five individual maps, TLMA:GIS staff was able to combine the individual efforts together into one map which identified areas of agreement and few areas labeled undecided. Draft versions of each individual effort, and the consolidated map, were ultimately presented in the public outreach forums.

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After considering public input, the Committee was able to make decisions as to most of the undecided areas. The Committee gave particular emphasis to avoiding the division of cities and other communities of interests throughout the County with the exception of the City of Riverside due to its size and population. Despite the Committee's general consensus from a countywide perspective, the boundary between District 1 and District 2 could not win unanimous approval due primarily to differences as to where the boundary lines are drawn within the City of Riverside. As a result, the Committee decided it was most appropriate to recommend the two attached Supervisorial Redistricting Plan proposals to the Board of Supervisors for its review.

The action today will set a public hearing for June 28, 2011. At least two public hearings are required to be held on any redistricting plan proposal before it can be adopted. The tentative work plan included the dates of July 12, 2011 and July 26, 2011, for additional public hearings. At the conclusion of the last public hearing, the Board of Supervisors may approve a Supervisorial Redistricting Plan. The county surveyor will then prepare a legal description that conforms to the boundaries of the new supervisorial districts referenced in the approved Supervisorial Redistricting Plan. It is anticipated that Survey's legal description task will be completed by the end of August. An implementing ordinance enacting the approved Supervisorial Redistricting Plan must be adopted by the Riverside County Board of Supervisors no later than September 30, 2011 in order for the necessary boundary adjustments to be effective before November 1, 2011 as required by California Elections Code § 21501.

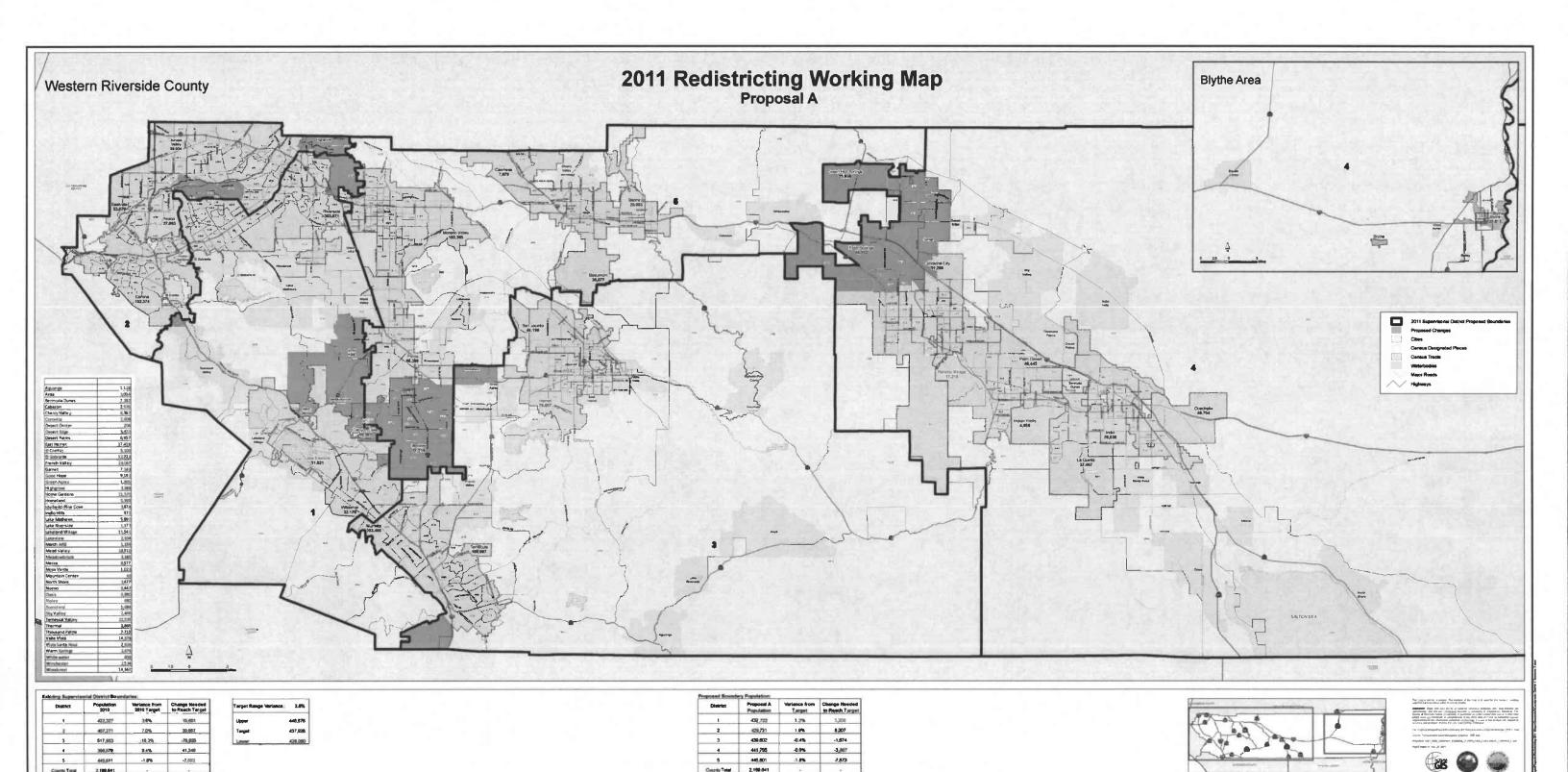
If the Board of Supervisors fails to complete the redistricting process before November 1, 2011 then a redistricting commission composed of the district attorney, the county assessor, and the county superintendent of schools will have until December 30, 2011 to make the adjustment.

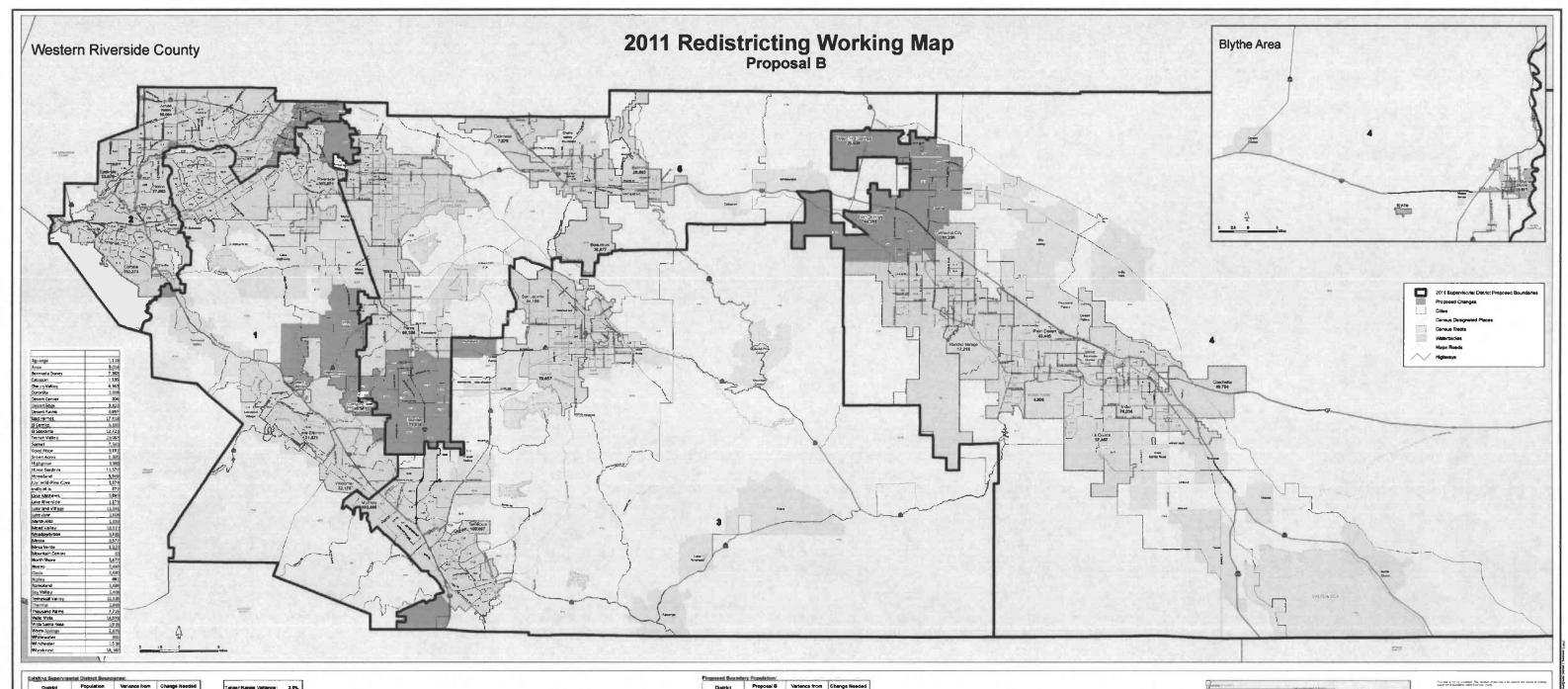
The recommended motion today is for the Board of Supervisors to set for future public hearing the two recommended Supervisorial Redistricting Plan proposals; however, the Board is not limited to these proposals and it may consider alternative redistricting plan proposals to be reviewed as part of the public hearing process.

The target population for each district is 437,928 people.

ATTACHMENT

Existing Supervisorial	CENSUS 2010				
District Boundary	Population 2010	Gain or Loss To Target	% Gain or Loss Needed		
1	422,327	+15,601	+3.56%		
2	407,271	+30,657	+7.00%		
3	517,853	-79,925	-18,25%		
4	396,579	+41,349	+9.44%		
5	445,611	-7,683	-1.75%		
County Total	2,189,641	_	_		





District	Population 2010	Variance from 2010 Target	to Reach Target
_1	422,347	3.6%	16,601
2	407,271	7.0%	30,667
3	517,663	-18.3%	-71,925
4	308,579	9,4%	41,349
5	445,611	+1.8%	-7,683
County Total	2.189 841		

arget Range Variance:	2.8%
Upper	448,876
Target	437,928
Lower	429,980

District	Proposal 8 Population	Variance from Target	to Reach Target
1	428.418	2.2%	9,510
2	434,025	0.9%	3,903
3	439,602	-0.4%	-1,674
4	441,795	-0.9%	-3,367
5	445.801	-1.8%	-7,875
County Total	2,180,641		

