

**RESOLUTION NO. 04-22-1156**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE WEST  
BASIN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT RE-ALIGNING OF  
DIRECTOR DIVISIONS PURSUANT TO WATER CODE SECTION  
71540 AND ELECTIONS CODE SECTION 22000**

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the West Basin Municipal Water District ("Water District" or "WVWD") are elected using "by-division" elections, *i.e.*, elections in which candidates for the District's governing board (the "Board") must reside within a specific geographic subarea of the District called a "director division" and are only elected by the voters residing in that electoral division; and

WHEREAS, Water Code section 71540 provides, "The board of directors [of a municipal water district] shall, by resolution, adjust the boundaries of any divisions pursuant to Chapter 8 (commencing with Section 22000) of Division 21 of the Elections Code"; and

WHEREAS, Section 22000(a) of the Elections Code provides in relevant part:

Each district required by its authorizing act to adjust division boundaries pursuant to this section shall, by resolution, after each federal decennial census, and using that census as a basis, adjust the boundaries of any divisions so that the divisions are, as far as practicable, equal in population and in compliance with Section 10301 of Title 52 of the United States Code, as amended, to the extent those provisions apply. In adjusting the boundaries of the divisions, the board may give consideration to the following factors: (1) topography, (2) geography, (3) cohesiveness, contiguity, integrity, and compactness of territory, and (4) community of interests of the division.

WHEREAS, the 2020 redistricting data received from the California Statewide Database indicate that the "total deviation" of the existing director divisions that were adopted following the 2020 Census is 10.48%, exceeding the maximum threshold allowed by United States Supreme Court case law and Elections Code § 22000(a); and

WHEREAS, to comply with these and other applicable legal requirements, the District has retained experienced legal counsel and demographic consultants to advise it on the process of re-aligning the existing director divisions and to prepare draft director division maps; and

WHEREAS, the Board also appointed an Ad Hoc redistricting subcommittee consisting of Directors Dear and Gray to serve as liaisons with the consultants and to prepare a proposal for appropriate readjustment of the boundaries; and

WHEREAS, the subcommittee developed a proposal (the "Subcommittee Map") that results in divisions that are substantially equal in population, complies with the federal Voting Rights Act, and tries to unify cities, census designated places (CDPs) and communities of interest; and

WHEREAS, the District's consultants presented the Subcommittee Map to the District's Water and Policy Committee on March 15, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Water and Policy Committee unanimously voted to recommend the Subcommittee Map to the full Board; and

WHEREAS, on March 29, 2022, the District's demographic/redistricting consultants presented the Subcommittee Map to the full Board; and

WHEREAS, following the presentation, the Board conducted a duly noticed public hearing to receive public input regarding the proposed Subcommittee Map; and

WHEREAS, on April 6, 2022, the Board held a second duly-noticed public hearing to seek further public comment with respect to the proposed Subcommittee Map; and

WHEREAS, the Board has considered all public comments on the Plan; and

WHEREAS, the populations in the proposed electoral divisions are all substantially equal, in conformance with legal requirements; and

WHEREAS, Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act, 52 U.S.C. § 10301, prohibits the use of any voting qualification, or prerequisite to voting, or standard, practice, or procedure in a manner which results in a denial or abridgement of the right of any citizen of the United States to vote on account of race or color, and the Subcommittee Map complies with Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act; and

WHEREAS, Section 22000(a) of the Elections Code also provides that in establishing the boundaries of the divisions, the Board may give consideration to (1) topography, (2) geography, (3) cohesiveness, contiguity, integrity and compactness of territory and (4) community of interests of the divisions; and

WHEREAS, the Subcommittee Map gives consideration to topography, geography, cohesiveness, contiguity, integrity and compactness of territory and community of interests of the divisions, as well as to observing established communities insofar as practical; using census geography and geographical features for division boundaries insofar as practical, and striving for division shapes which are reasonably compact and contiguous, to the extent practicable.

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE WEST BASIN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT as follows:**

**Section 1. Incorporation of Recitals**

All of the foregoing recitals are true and correct, and the Board of Directors so finds and determines the recitals set forth are incorporated herein and made effective.

**Section 2. Adoption of Re-Aligned Director Divisions**

The Board hereby adopts a revision to its current director division boundaries and adopts the Subcommittee Map, attached hereto as Exhibit "1" and incorporated herein by this reference a copy of which shall also be on file in the West Basin Municipal Water District's Headquarters, for use at the District's next governing board election and subsequent elections until a further re-alignment is required pursuant to Water Code section 71540 and Elections Code section 22000, following the release of the 2030 Census.

**Section 3. Implementation**

The General Manager and/or his designee take all actions necessary to notify the appropriate County elections officials of the Board's determination forthwith and provide whatever assistance may be required by the Los Angeles County Elections Department to complete the process.

Because the new redistricting plan may contain technical anomalies caused by errors in the 2020 Census line files that do not substantively affect the populations in the director divisions, the division boundaries, or the intent of this resolution, which anomalies are not revealed until implementation begins, the General Manager and/or his designee is authorized to make technical emendations to the new redistricting plan that do not substantively affect the populations in the director divisions, the division boundaries, or the intent of this resolution, and shall advise the Board of any such emendations that are found to be required in plan implementation by the respective county elections officials.

The General Manager and/or his designee shall consult with legal counsel to resolve any legal issues necessary to give effect to this Resolution.

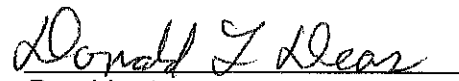
**Section 4. Relation to Resolution No. 12-11-950**

Resolution No. 12-11-950 is hereby repealed to the extent inconsistent with anything contained within this Resolution. Provided, however, that consistent with Elections Code § 22000(e)(1), this Resolution and the repeal of Resolution No. 12-11-950 "shall not affect the term of office of any director." And consistent with Elections Code § 22000(e)(2)-(3) any vacancy occurring in the membership of the Board during the current terms of the directors shall be filled using the director divisions prescribed by Resolution No. 12-11-950. Upon the expiration of the directors' current terms their successors shall be elected using the new director divisions adopted by this Resolution.

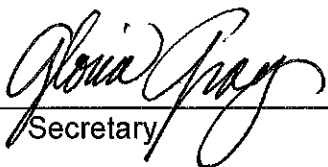
**Section 5. Validity of Remainder of Resolution**

If any section, subsection, clause or phrase in this Resolution is for any reason held invalid, the validity of the remainder of this Resolution shall not be affected thereby. The Board hereby declares that it would have passed this Resolution and each section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase thereof, irrespective of the fact that one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses or phrases or the application thereof be held invalid.

**PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED** on the 6th day, April 2022.

  
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President

ATTEST:

  
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Secretary

(SEAL)

**EXHIBIT "1"**

**MAP AND DEMOGRAPHICS OF SUBCOMMITTEE MAP**

**ADOPTED BY BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**APRIL 6, 2022**

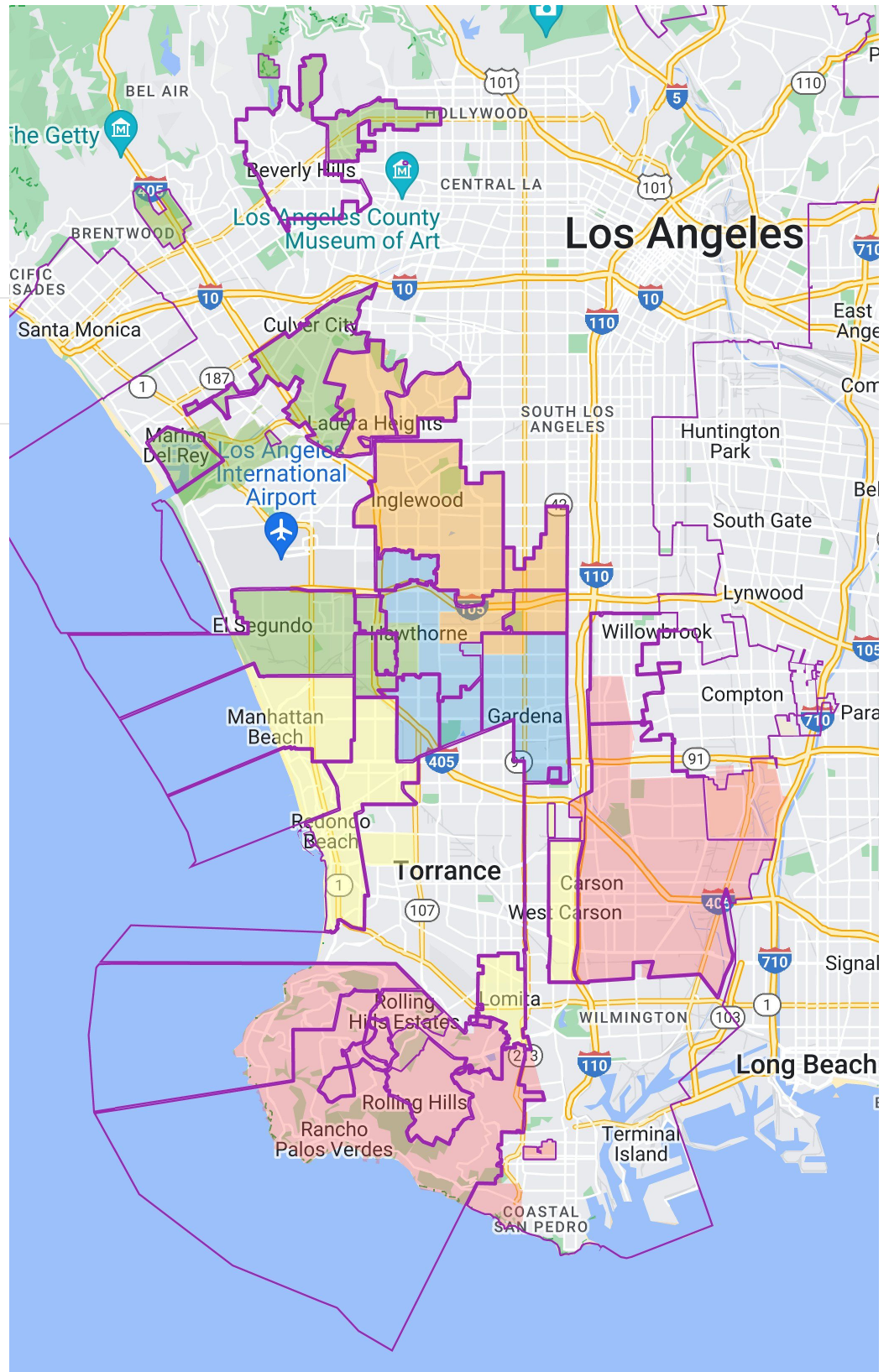
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## Cities & Census Places

- All items



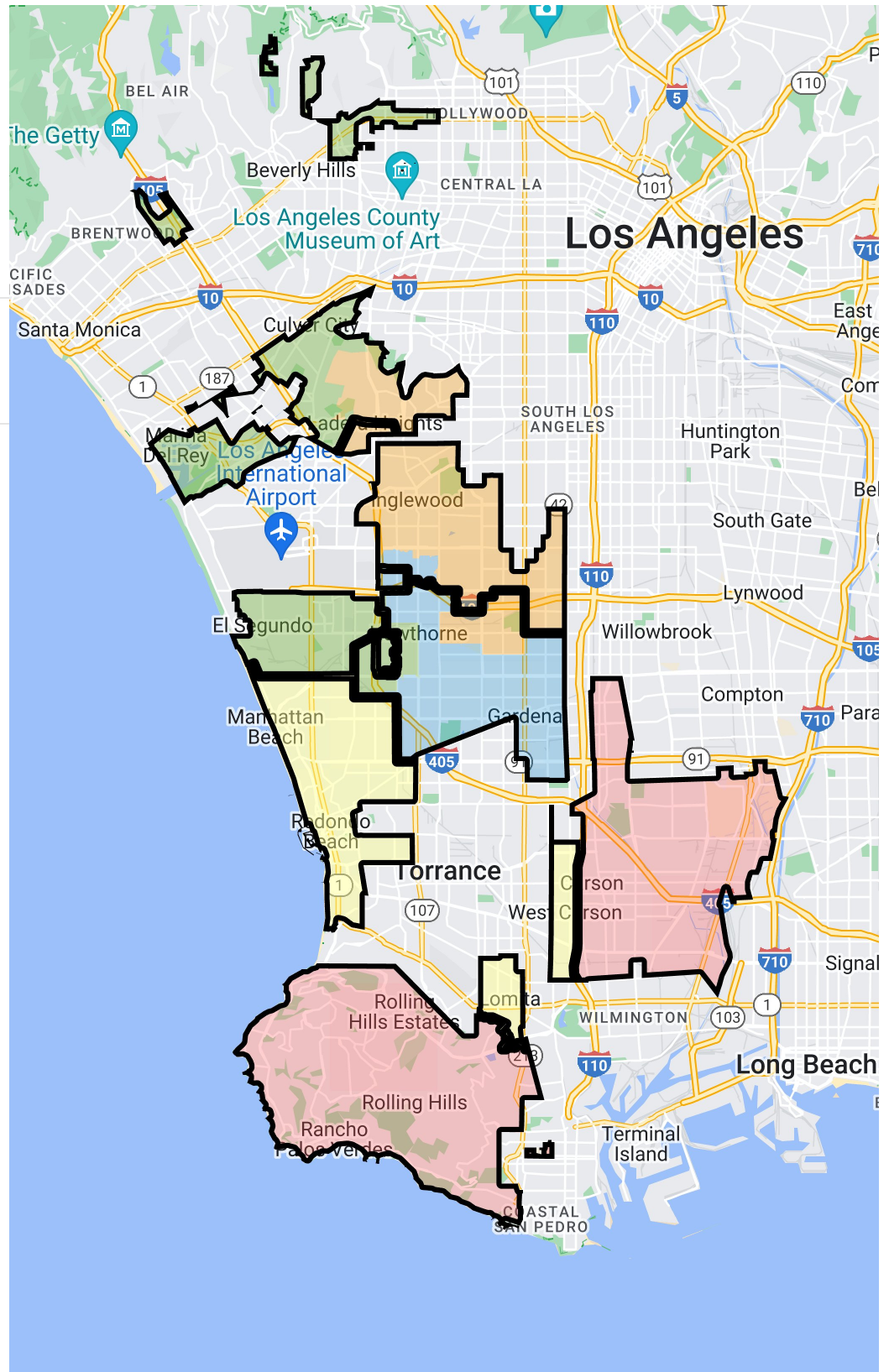
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## Existing Director Divisions (lines)

- All items



**West Basin Municipal Water District - Demographic Analysis of Subcommittee Proposal  
Assessment Based on 2021 Final Statewide Database Adjusted Census Data**

	1	%	2	%	3	%	4	%	5	%	Totals	%
Total Pop. (SWDB 2021)	173,509		183,489		184,163		178,008		185,475		904,645	
Hispanic Pop.	49,019	28.25%	84,469	46.04%	35,357	19.20%	33,801	18.99%	106,044	57.17%	308,691	34.12%
NH White Pop.	47,747	27.52%	7,687	4.19%	95,975	52.11%	101,300	56.91%	15,817	8.53%	268,526	29.68%
NH Black Pop. (DOJ)	22,396	12.91%	80,674	43.97%	7,958	4.32%	11,422	6.42%	31,451	16.96%	153,901	17.01%
NH Indian Pop. (DOJ)	790	0.46%	498	0.27%	1,475	0.80%	1,317	0.74%	644	0.35%	4,724	0.52%
NH Asian Pop. (DOJ)	47,951	27.64%	4,328	2.36%	37,731	20.49%	24,749	13.90%	26,291	14.17%	141,050	15.59%
NH Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Pop. (DOJ)	1,829	1.05%	535	0.29%	886	0.48%	629	0.35%	1,333	0.72%	5,212	0.58%
NH Other Pop. (DOJ)	1,866	1.08%	1,672	0.91%	3,185	1.73%	3,155	1.77%	1,846	1.00%	11,725	1.30%
NH Other MR Pop. (DOJ)	1,912	1.10%	3,624	1.98%	1,596	0.87%	1,635	0.92%	2,050	1.11%	10,817	1.20%
Voting Age Pop. (18+) (SWDB 2021)	140,635		143,484		147,912		152,341		143,957		728,329	
Hispanic VAP	36,793	26.16%	61,550	42.90%	26,477	17.90%	26,690	17.52%	78,280	54.38%	229,790	31.55%
NH White VAP	41,340	29.40%	6,689	4.66%	80,518	54.44%	90,401	59.34%	13,783	9.57%	232,731	31.95%
NH Black VAP (DOJ)	18,527	13.17%	66,681	46.47%	6,387	4.32%	9,562	6.28%	24,613	17.10%	125,769	17.27%
NH Indian VAP (DOJ)	674	0.48%	412	0.29%	1,247	0.84%	1,166	0.77%	518	0.36%	4,017	0.55%
NH Asian VAP (DOJ)	39,049	27.77%	3,680	2.56%	29,215	19.75%	20,296	13.32%	22,811	15.85%	115,051	15.80%
NH Hawaiian/Pacific Islander VAP (DOJ)	1,501	1.07%	399	0.28%	670	0.45%	499	0.33%	1,055	0.73%	4,123	0.57%
NH Other VAP (DOJ)	1,368	0.97%	1,262	0.88%	2,353	1.59%	2,546	1.67%	1,358	0.94%	8,888	1.22%
NH Other MR VAP (DOJ)	1,384	0.98%	2,812	1.96%	1,044	0.71%	1,181	0.78%	1,540	1.07%	7,961	1.09%
CVAP (SWDB 2021)	119,408		116,166		127,081		130,939		106,541		600,135	
Hispanic CVAP	27,237	22.81%	36,775	31.66%	19,983	15.72%	20,935	15.99%	51,034	47.90%	155,964	25.99%
NH White CVAP	40,131	33.61%	6,814	5.87%	77,347	60.86%	83,861	64.05%	13,402	12.58%	221,555	36.92%
NH Black CVAP	18,290	15.32%	67,510	58.12%	5,970	4.70%	9,483	7.24%	23,067	21.65%	124,320	20.72%
NH Amer. Ind. CVAP	472	0.40%	380	0.33%	656	0.52%	463	0.35%	407	0.38%	2,378	0.40%
NH Asian CVAP	29,882	25.03%	2,390	2.06%	22,251	17.51%	14,529	11.10%	16,733	15.71%	85,785	14.29%

Ideal: 180,929  
 Deviation Range 11,966  
**Total Deviation % 6.61%**

	1	2	3	4	5
Pop.	173,509	183,489	184,163	178,008	185,475
Dev.	-7,420	2,560	3,234	-2,920	4,546
Dev. %	-4.10%	1.41%	1.79%	-1.61%	2.51%

NH = Not of Hispanic Origin  
 MR = Multiracial  
 CVAP = Citizen Voting Age Population  
 SWDB = Statewide Database  
 DOJ = USDOJ/OMB's Aggregation