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Tue, Aug 3, 3:47 PM

Looks like we're going to send letter
to Gov DeWine and cc: Speaker
Cupp and the Clerk plus others for
OH Redistricting Comms. Will send
out by tomo afternoon. Thanks!

Ok. Thank you!

Will copy you for sure. Have a good
evening

Great! Thanks, Mindy!

You, too!

Wed, Aug 4, 11:14 AM

Good morning! Besides the pending
unemployment council request that
has now been noticed, I have a
JCARR substitution request coming
your way in a few minutes. Thx!

Thank you!

Still working on that one. Do you
intend to switch Sobecki back on
after this week's meeting? If you
know.



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AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE
OHIO LEGISLATIVE SERVICE COMMISSION AND
OHIO UNIVERSITY

THIS AGREEMENT is entered into between the Ohio Legislative Service Commission ("LSC"), Vern Riffe Center, 77 South High Street, 9th Floor, Columbus, OH 43215-6136 and Ohio University ("Contractor"), 104 Research and Technology Center Athens, OH 45701-2979.

The parties agree as follows:

I. NATURE OF AGREEMENT

- A. Contractor shall furnish professional services performed in accordance with normal standards for services of this type necessary for the satisfactory performance of the work. Contractor shall furnish its own support staff necessary for the satisfactory performance of the work.
- B. Contractor shall be employed as an independent contractor, to fulfill the terms of this Agreement and to act as a contractor to LSC. LSC shall be the sole judge of the adequacy of Consultant's services rendered under this Agreement.
- C. LSC enters into this Agreement in reliance upon Contractor's representations that it has the necessary expertise and experience to perform its obligations hereunder, and Contractor warrants that it does possess the necessary expertise and experience.

II. SCOPE OF WORK

- A. Contractor shall undertake the services, work, Tasks and activities set forth in Exhibit I, Scope of Work, attached hereto and made a part hereof (collectively, the "Work"). All of the Work, including all work products, documents, data, reports and other materials, described in Exhibit I shall be completed to the satisfaction of LSC and in accordance with the dates set forth in Exhibit I, unless this Agreement is terminated as provided in Article VI.
- B. LSC, through the Director of LSC, may, as it considers appropriate, communicate specific instructions and requests to Contractor concerning

the performance of the Work. Upon such notice and within ten (10) days after receipt of the instructions or request, Contractor shall comply with such instructions and fulfill such requests to the satisfaction of LSC. LSC and Contractor expressly understand that these instructions and requests are for the sole purpose of assisting LSC and Contractor to satisfactorily complete the Work, and are not intended to amend or alter this Agreement contrary to Article XIII, Section (I) of this Agreement.

- C. Contractor shall consult with the Director of LSC, and when necessary, other appropriate persons or governmental agencies authorized by the Director of LSC, to assure an understanding, and satisfactory completion, of the Work.
- D. Contractor shall be responsive to, provide, and accomplish, as appropriate, any additional tasks or actions mandated by the U.S. Census Bureau regarding the Work set forth in Exhibit I.

III. TIME OF PERFORMANCE

- A. The Work shall have commenced on the date of LSC signing this Agreement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the parties acknowledge that, due to timelines imposed by the U.S. Census Bureau, Contractor has incurred certain expenses for portions of the Work prior to the signing of this Agreement. Any such expenses incurred by Contractor are included in the compensation amount set forth in Section B of Article IV of this Agreement and shall be set forth on invoices prepared by Contractor for submission to LSC in accordance with this Agreement.
- B. The Work shall be concluded on or before December 31, 2021, and this Agreement shall terminate on the earlier of the following to occur: (i) the date on which the Work is completed to the satisfaction of LSC; or (ii) the date on which this Agreement is terminated, as provided in Article VI.

IV. COMPENSATION

- A. In consideration for the promises and performance of Contractor set forth in this Agreement, LSC shall pay Contractor the amounts set forth on invoices that shall be submitted by Contractor based on the completion of the tasks, including their associated cost and approximate schedule, as set forth in Exhibit I (the "Tasks"). Unless the Director of LSC directs

otherwise, invoices should be directed via email to: mflanders@lsc.ohio.gov. LSC shall pay any proper invoice submitted under this Agreement within thirty (30) days after LSC has accepted and approved the successful completion of the associated Task in each invoice.

- B. LSC shall pay Contractor no more than \$478,501.58 for the Work, which shall include invoice reimbursements for the Tasks set forth in Section A of this Article IV and those certain expenses set forth in Section A of Article III.
- C. For purposes of this Agreement, LSC's indirect rate is 15% of Contractor's direct costs.

V. CERTIFICATION OF FUNDS

- A. LSC and Contractor expressly understand that none of the rights, duties, and obligations described in this Agreement shall be binding on either party until all relevant provisions of the Ohio Revised Code have been complied with and until all necessary funds are made available to LSC.

VI. TERMINATION OF CONTRACTOR'S SERVICES

- A. LSC may, at any time prior to completion of the Work, suspend or terminate this Agreement with or without cause by giving written notice to Contractor.
- B. Contractor, upon receipt of notice of suspension or termination, shall cease work on the suspended or terminated activities under this Agreement, suspend or terminate all subcontracts relating to the suspended or terminated activities, take all necessary or appropriate steps to limit disbursements and minimize costs, and, if requested by the Director of LSC, furnish a report to LSC, no more than twenty (20) days after the date Contractor receives notice of suspension or termination, describing the status of all Work under this Agreement, including, without limitation, results, conclusions resulting therefrom, and any other matters LSC requires.
- C. If LSC suspends or terminates this Agreement under this Article VI, Contractor shall be entitled to compensation, upon submission of a proper invoice, for Work performed prior to the receipt of notice of termination

or suspension. LSC shall not be liable for any further claims, and the claims submitted by Contractor shall not exceed the total amount of compensation stated in this Agreement. The amount stated on the invoice must, to the satisfaction of LSC, be reasonable in relation to the total anticipated cost of the Work and to the amount of Work actually accomplished. If this Agreement is suspended or terminated under this Article VI, Contractor shall return to LSC any payments made by LSC for services that have not been rendered by Contractor.

- D. Contractor agrees to waive any right to, and shall make no claim for, additional compensation against LSC by reason of any suspension or termination of this Agreement.

VII. RECORD KEEPING

- A. Contractor shall keep all financial records in a manner consistent with generally accepted accounting principles and in a manner acceptable to the Auditor of State. Contractor shall keep on file documentation to support all Work done in a manner allowing the documentation to be readily located.
- B. Contractor shall not discuss or disclose any information or material obtained pursuant to its obligations under this Agreement without the prior written consent of LSC, except as required by law. If Contractor receives a public records request pursuant to R.C. 149.43 ("Request") for the disclosure of any Work being provided by Contractor under this Agreement, and Contractor, in its reasonable discretion, determines that such Work qualifies as a public record, Contractor may disclose such Work. Prior to making such a disclosure, Contractor will provide the Director of LSC with advance written notice of any such disclosure so that LSC may seek a protective order or other appropriate relief. If LSC does not seek a protective order or other appropriate relief within a reasonable period of time, not to exceed 10 business days, Contractor may disclose the requested Work, and LSC shall be deemed to have waived any claims against Contractor for such disclosure.
- C. Contractor shall keep a separate account for the Work performed under this Agreement ("Contract Account"). All disbursements made from the Contract Account shall only be for obligations incurred in the performance of this Agreement and shall be supported by contracts,

invoices, vouchers, and other data, as appropriate to support such disbursements. Contractor shall forward a verified copy of the Contract Account and copies of all invoices, vouchers, and other receipts used for supporting the Contract Account to LSC within ninety (90) days of completion of this Agreement or within thirty (30) days of the receipt by Contractor of a request from the Director of LSC for such documents.

- D. During performance of this Agreement and for a period of three (3) years after its completion, Contractor agrees to provide LSC, the Director of LSC, or any person duly authorized by the Director of LSC, with access to and the right to examine any books, documents, papers, and records of Contractor involving transactions related to this Agreement. Contractor shall require any subcontractor to agree to comply with this Article VII.

VIII. RELATED AGREEMENTS

- A. All Work, including any Tasks, under this Agreement is to be performed by Contractor. Except as provided in Section B of this Article VIII, Contractor shall not enter into any subcontracts related to the Work without LSC's prior written approval. Any subcontracted Work or Task approved by LSC shall be at Contractor's expense.
- B. Notwithstanding Section A of this Article VIII, Contractor may subcontract without LSC's approval for the purchase of articles, supplies, components, or special mechanical services that do not involve any type of Work described in Exhibit I but that are required for the satisfactory completion of the Work. Contractor shall bind any subcontractor to the terms of this Agreement, so far as applicable to the Work of the subcontractor, and shall not agree to any provision that seeks to bind LSC to terms inconsistent with, or at variance from, this Agreement. Upon the request of the Director of LSC or within fifteen (15) days after Contractor enters into any subcontract, Contractor shall provide the Director with a list of all subcontractors, if any, and their addresses, tax identification numbers, and the dollar amount of each subcontract.
- C. Contractor warrants that it has not entered into, nor shall it enter into, any other agreement, without the prior written approval of LSC, to perform any work or service that is substantially identical to the Work described in this Agreement.

- D. After December 31, 2021, Contractor may, without restriction, enter into other contracts using the Common and Unified Redistricting Database described in Exhibit I (hereinafter, the "Database").

IX. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

- A. Prior to the completion of this Agreement, no employee or officer of Contractor or LSC shall acquire any personal interest, direct or indirect, that is incompatible or in conflict with the discharge and fulfillment of his or her functions and responsibilities with respect to the performance of this Agreement.
- B. Any such person who has or acquires a personal interest on or after the effective date of this Agreement shall immediately disclose the person's interest in writing to the Director of LSC. If the Director has or acquires such an interest, the Director shall immediately disclose this interest in writing to the Chair of LSC. Thereafter, the person shall not participate in any action affecting any Work under this Agreement, unless the Director of LSC, or the Chair of LSC, as appropriate, determines that, in the light of the personal interest disclosed, the person's participation in any such action would not be contrary to the public interest.
- C. Contractor shall incorporate the requirements of Sections A and B of this Article IX into any of its contracts for any Work prescribed herein (other than subcontracts authorized under Section B, Article VIII of this Agreement) and shall require all of its subcontractors for any part of such Work to incorporate such requirements in all subcontracts for such Work.

X. CONTRACTOR'S REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

- A. **Compliance with Laws.** Contractor, in the execution of its duties and obligations under this Agreement, agrees to comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws, rules, regulations and ordinances.
- B. **Drug Free Workplace.** Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws regarding smoke-free and drug-free work places and shall make a good faith effort to ensure that none of its employees or permitted subcontractors engaged in the Work purchase, transfer, use or possess illegal drugs or alcohol, or abuse prescription drugs in any way.

- C. **Nondiscrimination of Employment.** Pursuant to R.C. 125.111, Contractor agrees that Contractor, any subcontractor, and any person acting on behalf of Contractor or a subcontractor, shall not discriminate, by reason of race, color, religion, sex, age, disability, military status, national origin, or ancestry against any citizen of the state of Ohio in the employment of any person qualified and available to perform the Work. Contractor further agrees that Contractor, any subcontractor, and any person acting on behalf of Contractor or a subcontractor shall not, in any manner, discriminate against, intimidate, or retaliate against any employee hired for the performance of the Work on account of race, color, religion, sex, age, disability, military status, national origin, or ancestry.
- D. **Affirmative Action Program.** Contractor represents that it has a written affirmative action program for the employment and effective utilization of economically disadvantaged persons pursuant to R.C. 125.111(B) and has filed an Affirmative Action Program Verification form with the Affirmative Action Unit and Equal Employment Opportunity Unit of the Ohio Department of Administrative Services.
- E. **Findings for Recovery.** Contractor warrants that it is not subject to an "unresolved" finding for recovery under R.C. 9.24. If the representation and warranty in this Section E is found to be false, this Agreement is void ab initio and Contractor shall immediately repay to LSC any funds paid under this Agreement.
- F. **Payment of Expenses & Taxes.** Contractor agrees that it shall be solely responsible for all office and business expenses that Contractor incurs as a result of the performance of this Agreement. Contractor also accepts full responsibility for the payment of all taxes including unemployment compensation insurance premiums, all income taxes and any and all other applicable taxes or payroll deductions required for all employees engaged by Contractor in the performance of the Work. LSC shall not be liable for any taxes under this Agreement.

XI. RIGHTS IN DATA AND COPYRIGHTS/PUBLIC USE

- A. Any Work described in Exhibit I, and provided by Contractor to LSC, shall be the joint property of LSC and Contractor. LSC, Contractor, any representative duly authorized by the Director of LSC and any duly

authorized representative of Contractor shall have an unrestricted right to reproduce, distribute, modify, maintain, and use any portion of the Database. Contractor shall not include in any part of the Database any matter the copyright to which is owned by another person other than Contractor or its employees, unless the copyright owner and LSC gives prior written approval to use such copyrighted matter in the Database.

- B. Unless Contractor obtains the Director of LSC's prior written approval, or unless required by law, Contractor shall not release any portion of the Database, including any working drafts of the Database. However, beginning thirty (30) days after the Director of LSC notifies Contractor that all of the Work described in Exhibit I has been completed to the satisfaction of LSC, Contractor agrees that the Database created under this Agreement shall be made freely available to the general public. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Contractor may release portions of information used to create the Database to the U.S. Census Bureau without the Director of LSC's written approval if such release is required.

XII. OWNERSHIP OF PROPERTY AND TRAINING

- A. All equipment purchased by Contractor to perform the Work under this Agreement shall remain the property of Contractor.
- B. At the request of the Director of LSC, Contractor shall provide, at a mutually agreed upon time and place, training on how to access and use the Database to LSC personnel and any person duly authorized by the Director of LSC. The data in the Database shall be provided in a standard database format that can be used or imported by industry-standard Geographic Information System ("GIS") software.

XIII. MISCELLANEOUS

- A. **Controlling Law.** This Agreement and the rights of the parties hereunder shall be governed, construed and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of Ohio. Contractor consents to jurisdiction in a court of proper jurisdiction in Franklin County, Ohio.
- B. **Waiver.** A waiver by any party of any breach or default by the other party under this Agreement shall not constitute a continuing waiver by such party of any subsequent act in breach of or in default hereunder.

- C. **Survival.** The provisions of Articles IV, VI, VII, X(E), XI, and XII(A) hereof shall survive the termination or expiration of this Agreement.
- D. **Successors and Assigns.** Neither party to this Agreement shall assign nor transfer, in whole or in part, this Agreement or any rights, duties or obligations hereunder, without the prior written consent of the other party.
- E. **Notices.** Except to the extent expressly provided otherwise herein, all notices, consents and communications required hereunder (each, a "Notice") shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been properly given when: 1) hand delivered with delivery acknowledged in writing; 2) sent by overnight delivery service (Fed Ex, UPS, etc.) with receipt; or 3) sent by fax or email. Notices shall be deemed given upon receipt thereof, and shall be sent to the addresses set forth above. Notwithstanding the foregoing, notices sent by fax or email shall be effectively given only upon acknowledgement of receipt by the receiving party. Any party may change its address for receipt of Notices upon notice to the other party. If delivery cannot be made at any address designated for Notices, a Notice shall be deemed given on the date on which delivery at such address is attempted.
- F. **Conflict.** In the event of any conflict between the terms and provisions of the body of this Agreement and any exhibit hereto, the terms and provisions of the body of this Agreement shall control.
- G. **Headings.** Any heading in this Agreement has been inserted for convenient reference only and shall not be considered in any questions of interpretation or construction of this Agreement.
- H. **Severability.** The provisions of this Agreement are severable and independent, and if any such provision shall be determined to be unenforceable, in whole or in part, the remaining provisions and any partially enforceable provision shall, to the extent enforceable in any jurisdiction, nevertheless be binding and enforceable.
- I. **Entire Agreement.** This Agreement contains the entire agreement between the parties hereto and shall not be modified, amended or supplemented, or any rights herein waived, unless specifically agreed

upon in writing by the parties hereto. This Agreement supersedes any and all previous agreements, whether written or oral, between the parties.

- J. **Execution.** This Agreement is not binding upon LSC unless executed in full, and is effective as of the last date of signature by LSC.
- K. **Counterparts.** This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, and all of which shall constitute but one and the same instrument.
- L. **Facsimile Signatures.** Any party hereto may deliver a copy of its counterpart signature page to this Agreement via fax or e-mail. Each party hereto shall be entitled to rely upon a facsimile signature of any other party delivered in such a manner as if such signature were an original.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be executed by their duly authorized representatives.

OHIO LEGISLATIVE SERVICE COMMISSION

By: Mark Flanders

Name: Mark Flanders

Title: Director

Date: May 23, 2019

OHIO UNIVERSITY

By: P. Maureen Valentine

Name: P. Maureen Valentine

Title: Assistant VP for Research

Date: 5/24/19

EXHIBIT I

SCOPE OF WORK

Project start date: September 1, 2016

Project end date: December 31, 2021

Total Estimated project costs: \$478,501.58 (direct costs \$416,087.27 @ 15%)

Contractor shall develop a Common and Unified Redistricting Database (the "Database") to be used for redistricting in the State of Ohio after the 2020 U.S. Census. Data on the state's boundaries of its voting districts, i.e. election precinct boundaries, is required in order for the U.S. Census Bureau to produce census data by precinct in early 2021. The data required for redistricting includes population data from the 2020 Census and computer-based geographic data that describe the boundaries of census blocks. The Database shall unify population and election results data with geographic data containing census political boundaries and block boundaries, as well as election geography for the state.

Task I

September 1, 2016, through May 31, 2018

Work with Census Bureau to develop accurate Census Block files

1. Contact the county boards of elections ("BOEs") to request precinct maps – preferably GIS files.
2. Review precinct maps for urban counties to identify issues with new census block boundaries being suggested by the Census Bureau as part of the Database.
3. Work with the Census Bureau to complete Phase 1 – Block Boundary Suggestion Project ("BBSP") by May 31, 2017¹. During Phase I completion:
 - A. Suggest to the Census Bureau which census data features should be kept as census block boundaries because the features are precinct boundaries, as supported by data submitted to the Census Bureau.
 - B. Use the BBSP to minimize split blocks when creating the Database.
4. Review precinct maps for rural counties to identify issues with new block boundaries being suggested by the Census Bureau.
5. Work with the Census Bureau to complete Phase 3 – Deliver the 2020 Census P.L. 94-171 Redistricting Data Files and Postcensus Geographic Products, by May 31, 2018. During Phase 3 completion, suggest to the Census Bureau which data features should be kept as block boundaries because the feature is a precinct boundary, supported by data.
6. Work with BOEs to assist with the BOEs' responses to the Census Bureau's Boundary and Annexation Survey ("BAS") as needed. It is very important that the Census Bureau be aware of annexation changes in municipal and township boundaries so that new releases of census block boundary geographic files reflect these annexation changes. Annexation changes also directly impact precinct/ward boundaries.

¹ While Contractor has already completed the first stage of the Census Bureau's RDP by researching and certifying that there have been no changes in the district boundaries for the 114th Congress, Contractor did not participate in Phase 1 of the Census Bureau's RDP BBSP, which was due May 31, 2016.

Task II

September 1, 2016, through May 31, 2018

Develop Initial Precinct Boundary Mapping Database

1. Request precinct boundary geographic files from each BOE.
2. Request database information on which precincts are assigned to wards in warded political subdivisions.
3. Request most recent voter registration files from each BOE.
4. Geocode voter registration files and identify voters by precinct.
5. Encourage BOEs and counties to communicate annexation changes through the Census Bureau's BAS program.
6. Adjust BOE precinct boundaries to be consistent with census block boundaries.
7. Communicate with BOEs to resolve precinct boundary questions.
8. Conduct quality assurance/quality control (QA/QC) checks of precincts and wards.
9. Import voter registration files from each BOE.

Exhibit I

Task III
June 1, 2018, through March 31, 2021
Keep Current and Updated Precinct Boundaries

1. Continue to maintain communications with the BOEs in order to be informed of precinct boundary changes or municipal annexations that would impact census geography files.
2. Request election result data from each BOE for all statewide state and federal partisan general election results for the previous 10 years, up to and including the 2020 presidential and general election. This would include the general elections in 2012, 2014, 2016, 2018 and 2020.
3. Work with all county BOEs to create precinct and ward aggregations in preparation for Phase 2 – Voting District Project.
4. Work with the Census Bureau to complete Phase 2 – Voting District Project to report voting districts to the Census Bureau by May 31, 2019.
5. Update the precinct/ward boundaries as of the 2020 general election because these boundaries will be used to create the Database.
6. Determine data disaggregation factors for all census blocks that are split by precinct/ward boundaries.
7. Conduct QA/QC checks of precincts and wards.

Exhibit I

Task IV
April 1, 2021, through May 31, 2021
Prepare the Database

1. Make any final changes to the precinct/ward geographies.
2. Determine data disaggregation factors for all census blocks that are split by precinct/ward boundaries.
3. Allocate election results data to each precinct and to each census block.
4. Prepare database of precincts assigned to wards.
5. Allocate the 2020 Census population data provided by the Census Bureau by census block and split census block.
6. Generate the draft version of the Database, which shall include any other information or data not specified herein, but otherwise required by the Ohio Constitution.
7. Conduct QA/QC checks of the Database and make necessary changes.
8. Prepare documentation describing the Database and the methodology used to develop the Database.
9. No later than June 30, 2021, generate the final version of the Database and deliver to the Director of the Legislative Service Commission twenty (20) copies of the Database on DVD or other electronic medium agreed upon by the Director and Contractor.

Exhibit I

Task V
June 1, 2021, through December 31, 2021
Train Users of the Database

1. Provide training to those individuals designated by the Director of the Legislative Service Commission on how to use the Database ("Users").
2. Provide ongoing consultation to the Users regarding the use of the Database.

Exhibit I

Task VI
September 1, 2016, through December 31, 2021
Project Management and Reporting

1. Provide overall management of the project.
2. Prepare and deliver monthly progress reports to the Director of the Legislative Service Commission and a representative from each of the majority and minority caucuses of the both the Ohio Senate and the Ohio House of Representatives, as designated by the Director.

Exhibit I

PROJECT COSTS BY TASK

<i>Task I</i>	
\$69,348.18	Personnel (salaries and benefits)
\$0.00	Travel within Ohio
\$0.00	Supplies, materials, and plotting/printing
\$10,402.23	University Indirect Overhead
\$79,750.41	<i>Total for Task I</i>

<i>Task II</i>	
\$103,746.37	Personnel (salaries and benefits)
\$400.00	Travel within Ohio
\$800.00	Supplies, materials, and plotting/printing
\$15,741.96	University Indirect Overhead
\$120,688.33	<i>Total for Task II</i>

<i>Task III</i>	
\$72,623.64	Personnel (salaries and benefits)
\$200.00	Travel within Ohio
\$900.00	Supplies, materials, and plotting/printing
\$11,058.54	University Indirect Overhead
\$84,782.18	<i>Total for Task III</i>

<i>Task IV</i>	
\$85,698.73	Personnel (salaries and benefits)
\$400.00	Travel within Ohio
\$500.00	Supplies, materials, and plotting/printing
\$12,989.81	University Indirect Overhead
\$99,588.54	<i>Total for Task IV</i>

<i>Task V</i>	
\$11,976.73	Personnel (salaries and benefits)
\$500.00	Travel within Ohio
\$300.00	Supplies, materials, and plotting/printing
\$1,916.51	University Indirect Overhead
\$14,693.24	<i>Total for Task V</i>

<i>Task VI</i>	
\$68,293.63	Personnel (salaries and benefits)
\$600.00	Travel within Ohio
\$0.00	Supplies, materials, and plotting/printing
\$10,334.04	University Indirect Overhead
\$79,227.67	<i>Total for Task VI</i>

<i>Total for Tasks I - VI</i>	
\$411,687.28	Personnel (salaries and benefits)
\$2,100.00	Travel within Ohio
\$2,500.00	Supplies, materials, and plotting/printing
\$62,443.09	University Indirect Overhead
\$478,501.58	<i>Total for Tasks I - VI</i>

Exhibit I

PROJECT COSTS BY STATE FISCAL YEAR (SFY)

<i>SFY 2017 (Year 1)</i>	
\$94,501.96	Personnel (salaries and benefits)
\$300.00	Travel within Ohio
\$400.00	Supplies, materials, and plotting/printing
\$14,200.29	University Indirect Overhead
\$109,482.25	<i>Total for SFY 2017</i>
<i>SFY 2018 (Year 2)</i>	
\$105,753.71	Personnel (salaries and benefits)
\$300.00	Travel within Ohio
\$400.00	Supplies, materials, and plotting/printing
\$15,968.06	University Indirect Overhead
\$122,421.77	<i>Total for SFY 2018</i>
<i>SFY 2019 (Year 3)</i>	
\$24,723.68	Personnel (salaries and benefits)
\$200.00	Travel within Ohio
\$200.00	Supplies, materials, and plotting/printing
\$3,768.55	University Indirect Overhead
\$28,892.23	<i>Total for SFY 2019</i>
<i>SFY 2020 (Year 4)</i>	
\$29,398.97	Personnel (salaries and benefits)
\$200.00	Travel within Ohio
\$200.00	Supplies, materials, and plotting/printing
\$4,469.85	University Indirect Overhead
\$34,268.82	<i>Total for SFY 2020</i>
<i>SFY 2021 (Year 5)</i>	
\$144,868.25	Personnel (salaries and benefits)
\$700.00	Travel within Ohio
\$1,300.00	Supplies, materials, and plotting/printing
\$22,030.24	University Indirect Overhead
\$160,890.49	<i>Total for SFY 2021</i>
<i>SFY 2022 (Year 6)</i>	
\$12,440.71	Personnel (salaries and benefits)
\$400.00	Travel within Ohio
\$0.00	Supplies, materials, and plotting/printing
\$1,926.11	University Indirect Overhead
\$14,766.82	<i>Total for SFY 2022</i>
<i>Total for SFY 2017 through SFY 2022 (Years 1-6)</i>	
\$411,687.28	Personnel (salaries and benefits)
\$2,100.00	Travel within Ohio
\$2,500.00	Supplies, materials, and plotting/printing
\$62,443.09	University Indirect Overhead
\$478,501.58	<i>Total for SFY 2017 - SFY 2022</i>

Exhibit I

Redistricting 2021 – Develop the Ohio Common and Unified Redistricting Database

Progress Report: May 2021

Prepared by Robert L. Wiley, Redistricting Project Manager
George Voinovich School of Leadership and Public Affairs (GVS)
Month of May 2021
Prepared for the Ohio Legislative Services Commission (LSC) June 3, 2021

Project Purpose and Background

This report summarizes activities conducted under the Redistricting 2021 contract between Ohio University and the Ohio Legislative Services Commission (LSC) for the month of May 2021. The scope of work for this project is based on the proposal prepared by Ohio University and submitted to LSC in early 2016. Work on the project has continued according to the defined tasks and subtasks as described in the scope of work within the proposal.

Task VI Activities

During the month of May 2021, the GVS continued to prepare the evaluate and check the Census GIS geography for linkage to raw Census Bureau PL94-171 data. It is our plan to complete the final combined uniform redistricting database within two weeks after receipt of the raw PL 94-171 data, which is now scheduled for August 16, 2021.

Discussions with the legal counsels for the State Senate and the Minority Caucus led to finalization of the decision to use the statewide partisan election results for the previous ten years the basis for satisfying the Constitutional requirement to link voting results to precinct geography. Linkage of these datasets will modification of using the Secretary of State's (SoS) election results spreadsheet files from the SOS website. There are two elements to this modification that allows the precinct-level voting results to link with GIS shapefile geography. First, we assured that county and precinct numerical codes were fully consistent with the same codes for these geographies in the geography shapefiles. Second, we revised long field names in the election results datasets to fit the 10-character limit for fields in GIS shapefiles. A data dictionary was prepared that will accompany delivery of the revised files to clearly explain the field modifications.

Projected Activities Going Forward

Over the next month, the GVS will continue to check the accuracy of the geography files and prepare a summary of differences between the geographic files sent to the Census bureau in March 2021 and those returned as final in January 2021, and the magnitude of effect, if any. We are also preparing quality assurance routines to determine that the population data is consistent between various geographic and political units across the PL94-171 dataset, once it is obtained.

We have been invited and will participate in a technical redistricting panel discussion at the Boards of Elections Summer Conference on June 8, 2021.

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Please find attached an updated working schedule of the Ohio Redistricting Commission. We continue to fill in details and will recirculate a finalized version by the end of the week (all dates, times, and general locations are confirmed, however).

We would appreciate if you let us know by Friday morning if your respective Commission member plans on attend any of the hearings, or if they plan on sending a designee, so that we can prepare name plates in advance and advise university site hosts appropriately.

Sincerely,
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**2021 OHIO REDISTRICTING COMMISSION
REGIONAL HEARING SCHEDULE
(INTERNAL)**

Monday, August 23, 2021

9:30AM – Cleveland Cleveland State University
12:30PM Student Center, Room SC311 (Ballroom, 3rd Floor)
 2121 Euclid Avenue
 Cleveland, Ohio 44115

Map: https://www.csuohio.edu/sites/default/files/media/about_csu/documents/campusmap.pdf

Parking: <https://www.csuohio.edu/parking/general-information-visitor-parking-information>

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Location Details for Commission Members, Designees, and Staff:

2:30PM – Youngstown Youngstown State University
5:30PM 1 University Plaza
 Kilcawley Center, Chestnut Room
 Youngstown, Ohio 44555-0002

Map: <https://ysu.edu/campus-map>

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Tuesday, August 24, 2021

9:30AM – Dayton Sinclair Community College
12:30PM 444 West Third Street
 Dayton, Ohio 45402

Map: <https://www.sinclair.edu/about/visit/maps-directions/#dayton>

Parking: <https://www.sinclair.edu/about/visit/maps-directions/#dayton>

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Health & Safety Protocols/Policy:

Location Details for Commission Members, Designees, and Staff:

2:30PM – Cincinnati University of Cincinnati
5:30PM 1819 Innovation Hub
 2900 Reading Road
 Cincinnati, Ohio 45206

Map: <https://www.uc.edu/about/maps.html>

Parking: <https://www.uc.edu/about/parking/visitors/uptown.html>

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Cara Kramer
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Wednesday, August 25, 2021

9:30AM – Zanesville Ohio University – Zanesville
12:30PM Campus Center
 1425 Newark Road
 Zanesville, OH 43701

Gail Hayes
Executive Assistant to the
Dean
Ohio University Zanesville
Campus
(740) 588-1434 (Office)
HayesG@ohio.edu

Maps & Parking: <https://www.ohio.edu/zanesville/about/map>

Health & Safety Protocols/Policy:**Location Details for Commission Members, Designees, and Staff:**

2:30PM – Rio Grande Rio Grande Community College
5:30PM 218 N. College Ave,
 Rio Grande, OH 45674

Rebecca Long
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Map: <https://www.rio.edu/wp-content/uploads/2018/01/CampusMap.pdf>

Location Details for Commission Members, Designees, and Staff:**Thursday, August 26, 2021**

9:30AM – Lima Ohio State University – Lima
12:30PM Life Science Building, Room 100
 4240 Campus Drive
 Lima, Ohio 45804

Bryan Albright
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and Community Engagement
(567) 242-7274 (Office)
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Map: <https://lima.osu.edu/aboutus/campus-maps-and-directions.html>

Details: The Life Science Building is Building 10 on the map. Park in Lot F or G and enter the building through the east entrance. Room 100 is on the north side of the building.

Health & Safety Protocols/Policy:**Location Details for Commission Members, Designees, and Staff:**

2:30PM – Toledo University of Toledo
5:30PM 2801 Bancroft Street
 Toledo, Ohio 43606

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Map: <https://www.utoledo.edu/parkingservices/campus-maps.html>

Parking:

<https://www.utoledo.edu/getinvolved/eventplanning/eventparking.html>

Location Details for Commission Members, Designees, and Staff:**Friday, August 27, 2021**

9:30AM –	Akron	University of Akron 302 E. Buchtel Avenue Akron, Ohio 44325	Matthew Akers Special Assistant to the President for Government Relations, Associate Director of the Ray C. Bliss Institute of Applied Politics (330) 972-4933 (Office) (330) 972-4933 (Mobile) akers1@uakron.edu
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		Parking: https://www.uakron.edu/parking/visitors.dot	
		Health & Safety Protocols/Policy:	
		Location Details for Commission Members, Designees, and Staff:	
2:30PM –	Mansfield	Ohio State University – Mansfield 1760 University Drive Mansfield, OH 44906	Norman Jones, Dean (419) 755-4222 (Office) Jones2356@osu.edu
5:30PM		Riedel Hall, Room 151 1760 University Drive Mansfield, Ohio 44906	
		Map: https://mansfield.osu.edu/future-students/visit/campus-map.html	
		Health & Safety Protocols/Policy:	
		Location Details for Commission Members, Designees, and Staff:	

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Sinclair Community College - Dayton (Sinclair Conference Center Map).pdf
University of Akron (Campus Map).pdf
University of Akron (Quaker Station Map).png
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Please find attached a finalized public schedule. Attached are all of the maps which should accompany the public schedule as well.

Also attached is an (almost) finalized internal schedule. I'm still waiting to hear back from some of the caucuses on what members and staff will be attending, and there are some non-public details on the internal schedule from the universities to be confirmed on the host site end.

Sincerely,
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Time	Location Details	Estimated Drive Time	Host Site Contact	Members/Designees	Legislative Staff Attendees
Monday, August 23, 2021 (Cleveland/Youngstown)					
9:30AM – 12:30PM	<p>Cleveland State University Student Center, Ballroom 311 (3rd Floor) 2121 Euclid Avenue Cleveland, Ohio 44115</p> <p>Map: https://www.csuohio.edu/sites/default/files/media/about_csu/documents/campusmap.pdf</p> <p>Parking: https://www.csuohio.edu/sites/default/files/170719_CSU_GO_Transportation_Guide_Map_FINAL_83017.pdf</p> <p>Health & Safety Protocols/Policy: https://www.csuohio.edu/safe-campus/safe-campus</p> <p>Location Details for Commission Members, Designees, and Staff: Parking is available in the Student Center Garage, which can be accessed by heading north on E. 22nd Street from Euclid. The elevators are located on southwest portion of the garage that will take guests directly into the Student Center or 3rd floor Ballroom.</p>	Downtown Columbus to Cleveland State: 2 hours 6 minutes	<p>Day-of contact: Gayle Kish (440) 220-2040 (Mobile)</p> <p>Barbara L. Kakiris Deputy Chief of Staff & Senior Director of Presidential Initiatives b.kakiris@csuohio.edu (216) 687-3521 (Office) (216) 304-9876 (Mobile)</p>	Matthew J. Donahue, Chief Legal Counsel (designee for Governor Mike DeWine) Auditor Keith Faber (or designee) Merle Madrid, Chief of Staff (designee for Secretary Frank LaRose) Sen. Vernon Sykes (or designee) Rep. Scott Oelslager (designee for Speaker Cupp) Leader Emilia Sykes (or designee) Sen. Theresa Gavarone (designee for President Matt Huffman)	Heather Blessing (614) 352-5819 David Reedy (614) 906-6814
2:30PM – 5:30PM	<p>Youngstown State University Kilcawley Center, Chestnut Room (1st Floor) 117 University Plaza Youngstown, Ohio 44555-0002</p> <p>Map: https://ysu.edu/campus-map</p>	Downtown Columbus to Youngstown State: 2 hours 37 minutes Cleveland State to Youngstown State: 1 hour 13 minutes	<p>Day-of contact: Jackie LeViseur Director of University Events Youngstown State University jmleviseur@ysu.edu</p>	Matt Donahue, Chief Legal Counsel (designee for Governor Mike DeWine) Auditor Keith Faber (or designee)	Heather Blessing (614) 352-5819 David Reedy (614) 906-6814

	<p>Parking: https://ysu.edu/parking-services/campus-visitor. The public may use Lot M81 (cost is \$5 per car).</p> <p>Health & Safety Protocols/Policy: https://ysu.edu/coronavirus-information</p> <p>Location Details for Commission Members, Designees, and Staff: President Jim Tressel will provide a formal welcome at the beginning of the meeting.</p>		(330) 941-2136 (Office) (330) 397-2486 (Cell) Cynthia M. Bell Executive Assistant to the President cmbell02@ysu.edu (330) 941-3102 (Office)	Merle Madrid, Chief of Staff (designee for Secretary Frank LaRose) Sen. Vernon Sykes (or designee) Rep. Tim Ginter (designee for Speaker Cupp) Rep. Michele Lepore-Hagan (designee for Leader Emilia Sykes) Sen. Kirk Schuring (designee for President Matt Huffman)	
Tuesday, August 24, 2021 (Dayton/Cincinnati)					
9:30AM – 12:30PM	<p>Sinclair Community College Sinclair Conference Center (Building 12) Charity Auditorium (1st floor) 444 West Third Street (Corner of Perry and West 4th Street) Dayton, Ohio 45402</p> <p>Map: https://www.sinclair.edu/about/visit/maps-directions/#dayton</p> <p>Parking: Park in Lot C, located underneath the conference center. The entrance to the parking lot is on West 4th Street.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • https://www.sinclair.edu/about/visit/maps-directions/#dayton ▪ https://workforce.sinclair.edu/WorkforceDev/assets/File/Sinclair%20Conference%20Center%20-%20Driving%20Directions%20-%20202018.pdf 	Downtown Columbus to Sinclair Community College: 1 hour 5 minutes	Day-of contact: Kary Iddings Kary.Iddings@sinclair.edu (937) 723-0055 (Mobile)	Matt Donahue, Chief Legal Counsel (designee for Governor Mike DeWine) Adam Murka Vice President for External Affairs and Chief of Staff of the President's Office adam.murka@sinclair.edu (937) 512-2947 (Office) (937) 321-5400 (Mobile)	Sheila Boehner (419) 773-9667 Goran Babic (614) 354-8223 Alex Bilchak, Deputy Chief of Staff (designee for Auditor Keith Faber) Michael Grodhaus, Chief Legal Counsel (designee for Secretary Frank LaRose) Sen. Vernon Sykes (or designee) Rep. Phil Plummer (for Speaker Cupp)

	Health & Safety Protocols/Policy: https://www.sinclair.edu/services/conduct-safety/public-safety/coronavirus/personal-protection/			Rep. Kristin Boggs (designee for Leader Emilia Sykes)	
	Location Details for Commission Members, Designees, and Staff: Park in Lot C, located underneath the conference center. The entrance to the parking lot is on West 4th Street.			Sen. Louis Blessing (designee for President Matt Huffman)	
2:30PM – 5:30PM	<p>University of Cincinnati 1819 Innovation Hub 2900 Reading Road, Room 230 Cincinnati, Ohio 45206</p> <p>Map: https://www.uc.edu/content/dam/common/docs/maps/campus_map_uptown.pdf</p> <p>Parking: https://www.uc.edu/about/parking/visitors/uptown.html</p> <p>Health & Safety Protocols/Policy: https://www.uc.edu/publichealth/campus-safety.html</p> <p>Location Details for Commission Members, Designees, and Staff: A representative of the university TBD will give an opening welcome.</p>	<p>Downtown Columbus to University of Cincinnati (Reading Road): 1 hour 36 minutes</p> <p>Sinclair Community College to University of Cincinnati (Reading Road): 57 minutes</p>	<p>Day-of contact: Patty Moser Director of Experience and Events (303) 513-0300 (Mobile)</p> <p>Cara Kramer cara.kramer@uc.edu, (513) 368-3739 (Mobile)</p> <p>Anthony Aquillo (614) 221-0971 (Office) (937) 243-0454 (Mobile)</p> <p>Julianne Waldron waldojn@ucmail.uc.edu</p> <p>Karen Ryan ryan2k5@ucmail.uc.edu</p>	Matt Donahue, Chief Legal Counsel (designee for Governor Mike DeWine) Alex Bilchak, Deputy Chief of Staff (designee for Auditor Keith Faber) Michael Grodhaus, Chief Legal Counsel (designee for Secretary Frank LaRose) Sen. Vernon Sykes (or designee) Speaker Bob Cupp (or designee) Rep. Jessica Miranda (designee for Leader Emilia Sykes) Sen. Louis Blessing (for President Huffman)	Sheila Boehner (419) 773-9667 Melissa Sandt (330) 933-5662
Wednesday, August 25, 2021 (Zanesville/Rio Grande)					
9:30AM – 12:30PM	Ohio University – Zanesville Campus Center, Rooms 430-431 1425 Newark Road Zanesville, OH 43701	Downtown Columbus to OU-Zanesville: 58 minutes	<p>Day-of contact: Gail Hayes Executive Assistant to the Dean Ohio University Zanesville Campus</p>	Matt Donahue, Chief Legal Counsel (designee for Governor Mike DeWine)	Heather Blessing (614) 352-5819 David Reedy (614) 906-6814

	<p>Maps & Parking: https://www.ohio.edu/zanesville/about/map</p> <p>Health & Safety Protocols/Policy: https://www.ohio.edu/coronavirus/presidential-health-directive</p> <p>Location Details for Commission Members, Designees, and Staff: Hannah Nissen, Dean of Campus and Community Relations will be doing the welcome.</p>		<p>(740) 588-1434 (Office) (740) 624-7015 (Mobile) HayesG@ohio.edu</p> <p>Steve Fraunfelter (IT/Tech Issues) (740) 260-1229 (Cell)</p>	<p>Auditor Keith Faber (or designee)</p> <p>Chris Olivetti, Director of Legislative Affairs (designee for Secretary Frank LaRose)</p> <p>Sen. Vernon Sykes (or designee)</p> <p>Speaker Bob Cupp (or designee)</p> <p>Rep. Jessica Miranda (designee for Leader Emilia Sykes)</p> <p>Sen. Jay Hottinger (designee for President Matt Huffman)</p>	
2:30PM – 5:30PM	<p>Rio Grande Community College Bob Evans Farms Hall, Room 218 (1st floor) 67 Bevo Francis Way Rio Grande, OH 45674</p> <p>Map: https://www.rio.edu/wp-content/uploads/2018/01/CampusMap.pdf</p> <p>Public Parking: Public parking is available directly in front of the building. No special permit required.</p> <p>Health & Safety Policy: Unvaccinated individuals are required to wear a mask while on campus. Vaccinated individuals are not require to mask. When social distancing cannot be maintained, everyone is encouraged to wear a mask.</p> <p>Location Details for Commission Members, Designees, and Staff:</p>	<p>Downtown Columbus to Rio Grande Community College: 1 hour 35 minutes</p> <p>OU-Zanesville to Rio Grande Community College: 2 hours 9 minutes</p>	<p>Day-of contact: Rebecca Long Chief Operating Officer & Vice-President of Student Affairs (740) 245-7376 (Office) (740) 645-1417 (Cell) rthomas@rio.edu</p>	<p>Matt Donahue, Chief Legal Counsel (designee for Governor Mike DeWine)</p> <p>Auditor Keith Faber (or designee)</p> <p>Chris Olivetti, Director of Legislative Affairs (designee for Secretary Frank LaRose)</p> <p>Sen. Vernon Sykes (or designee)</p> <p>Speaker Bob Cupp (or designee)</p>	<p>Heather Blessing (614) 352-5819</p> <p>Marcus Benjamin (419) 575-2663</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The front row of parking in front of Bob Evans Farms Hall will be blocked off and reserved for commission members only. President Ryan Smith will provide a formal welcome. 			Rep. Jessica Miranda (designee for Leader Emilia Sykes) Sen. Jay Hottinger (designee for President Matt Huffman)	
Thursday, August 26, 2021 (Lima/Toledo)					
9:30AM – 12:30PM	<p>Ohio State University – Lima Life Science Building, Room 100 4240 Campus Drive Lima, Ohio 45804</p> <p>Map: https://lima.osu.edu/aboutus/campus-maps-and-directions.html</p> <p>Details: The Life Science Building is Building 10 on the map. Park in Lot F or G and enter the building through the east entrance. Room 100 is on the north side of the building.</p> <p>Health & Safety Protocols/Policy: https://safeandhealthy.osu.edu/personal-protection-hygiene</p> <p>Location Details for Commission Members, Designees, and Staff: n/a</p>	Downtown Columbus to OSU-Lima: 1 hour 25 minutes	<p>Day-of contact: Bryan Albright Assistant Dean of Student and Community Engagement (567) 242-7274 (Office) (419) 438-1920 (Cell) bright.34@osu.edu</p>	Matt Donahue, Chief Legal Counsel (designee for Governor Mike DeWine) Auditor Keith Faber (or designee) Chris Olivetti, Director of Legislative Affairs (designee for Secretary Frank LaRose) Sen. Vernon Sykes (or designee) Speaker Bob Cupp (or designee) Leader Emilia Sykes (or designee) President Matt Huffman (or designee)	Sheila Boehner (419) 773-9667 Frank Strigari (614) 204-0016
2:30PM – 5:30PM	<p>University of Toledo Libbey Hall, 1st Floor 2110 Campus Drive Toledo, Ohio 43606</p> <p>Map: http://www.utoledo.edu/campus(directions/pdfs/Main-Campus-Map.pdf</p>	Downtown Columbus to University of Toledo: 2 hours 29 minutes OSU-Lima to University of Toledo: 1 hour 18 minutes	<p>Day-of contact: Eli Faes Director, State Relations Government Relations 614.559.1918 (office) 614.975.2947 (cell) eli.faes@utoledo.edu</p>	Matt Donahue, Chief Legal Counsel (designee for Governor Mike DeWine) Auditor Keith Faber (or designee)	Sheila Boehner (419) 773-9667 David Reedy (614) 906-6814

	<p>Parking: Parking will be in Lot 13 (via Campus Road). Overflow parking will be via the Main entrance Lot 1N & 1S. They will not be ticketing.</p> <p>Health & Safety Protocols/Policy: https://www.utoledo.edu/coronavirus/</p> <p>Location Details for Commission Members, Designees, and Staff: After entering campus off Bancroft Street, turn right at the first road/alley on the right. 9 spots have been reserved for Commission members.</p>			Chris Olivetti, Director of Legislative Affairs (designee for Secretary Frank LaRose) Sen. Vernon Sykes (or designee) Speaker Bob Cupp (or designee) Rep. Paula Hicks-Hudson (designee for Leader Emilia Sykes) Sen. Theresa Gavarone (designee for President Matt Huffman)	
Friday, August 27, 2021 (Akron/Mansfield)					
9:30AM – 12:30PM	University of Akron Quaker Station, Ballroom 1200 Mill Street Akron, Ohio 44308 Map: https://maps.uakron.edu/ Parking: https://www.uakron.edu/parking/visitors.dot Health & Safety Protocols/Policy: https://www.uakron.edu/return-to-campus/face-coverings Location Details for Commission Members, Designees, and Staff: Park in the parking lot (circled in green) adjacent to Quaker Station (circled in yellow) on the Quaker Station Map. The University will have an attendant on duty with 10 reserved spaces for Commission members or their designees. President Gary Miller will provide a welcome statement.	Downtown Columbus to University of Akron: 1 hour 55 minutes	Day-of contact: Matthew Akers Special Assistant to the President for Government Relations, Associate Director of the Ray C. Bliss Institute of Applied Politics (330) 972-4933 (Office) (330) 972-4933 (Mobile) akers1@uakron.edu	Matt Donahue, Chief Legal Counsel (designee for Governor Mike DeWine) Alex Bilchak, Deputy Chief of Staff (designee for Auditor Keith Faber) Jeananne Chadsey, Deputy Chief of Staff (designee for Secretary Frank LaRose) Sen. Vernon Sykes (or designee) Speaker Bob Cupp (or designee) Leader Emilia Sykes (or designee)	Heather Blessing (614) 352-5819 David Reedy (614) 906-6814

				Sen. Kirk Schuring (designee for President Matt Huffman)	
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2:30PM – 5:30PM	<p>Youngstown State University Kilcawley Center, Chestnut Room (1st Floor) 117 University Plaza Youngstown, Ohio 44555-0002</p> <p>Map: https://ysu.edu/campus-map</p> <p>Parking: https://ysu.edu/parking-services/campus-visitor. The public may use Lot M81 (cost is \$5 per car).</p> <p>Health & Safety Protocols/Policy: https://ysu.edu/coronavirus-information</p>
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	<p>Health & Safety Protocols/Policy: https://www.sinclair.edu/services/conduct-safety/public-safety/coronavirus/personal-protection/</p>
2:30PM – 5:30PM	<p>University of Cincinnati 1819 Innovation Hub 2900 Reading Road, Room 230 Cincinnati, Ohio 45206</p> <p>Map: https://www.uc.edu/content/dam/common/docs/maps/campus_map_uptown.pdf</p> <p>Parking: https://www.uc.edu/about/parking/visitors/uptown.html</p> <p>Health & Safety Protocols/Policy: https://www.uc.edu/publichealth/campus-safety.html</p>
<p>Wednesday, August 25, 2021 (Zanesville/Rio Grande)</p>	
9:30AM – 12:30PM	<p>Ohio University – Zanesville Campus Center, Rooms 430-431 1425 Newark Road Zanesville, OH 43701</p> <p>Maps & Parking: https://www.ohio.edu/zanesville/about/map</p> <p>Health & Safety Protocols/Policy: https://www.ohio.edu/coronavirus/presidential-health-directive</p>
2:30PM – 5:30PM	<p>Rio Grande Community College Bob Evans Farms Hall, Room 218 (1st floor) 67 Bevo Francis Way Rio Grande, OH 45674</p> <p>Map: https://www.rio.edu/wp-content/uploads/2018/01/CampusMap.pdf</p> <p>Public Parking: Public parking is available directly in front of the building. No special permit required.</p> <p>Health & Safety Policy: Unvaccinated individuals are required to wear a mask while on campus. Vaccinated individuals are not require to mask. When social distancing cannot be maintained, everyone is encouraged to wear a mask.</p>
<p>Thursday, August 26, 2021 (Lima/Toledo)</p>	
9:30AM – 12:30PM	<p>Ohio State University – Lima Life Science Building, Room 100 4240 Campus Drive Lima, Ohio 45804</p> <p>Map: https://lima.osu.edu/aboutus/campus-maps-and-directions.html</p> <p>Details: The Life Science Building is Building 10 on the map. Park in Lot F or G and enter the building through the east entrance. Room 100 is on the north side of the building.</p>

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Friday, August 27, 2021 (Akron/Mansfield)	
9:30AM – 12:30PM	<p>University of Akron Quaker Station, Ballroom 1200 Mill Street Akron, Ohio 44308</p> <p>Map: https://maps.uakron.edu/</p> <p>Parking: https://www.uakron.edu/parking/visitors.dot</p> <p>Health & Safety Protocols/Policy: https://www.uakron.edu/return-to-campus/face-coverings</p>
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Attached is the updated internal schedule for the redistricting meetings.

Additions – minor grammar corrections, update maps, additional contacts, staff and attendees updated.

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Regional Hearing Schedule (Internal)
General Public Schedule: <https://www.redistricting.ohio.gov/meetings>

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Monday, August 23, 2021 (Cleveland/Youngstown)					
9:30AM – 12:30PM	<p>Cleveland State University Student Center, Ballroom 311 (3rd Floor) 2121 Euclid Avenue Cleveland, Ohio 44115</p> <p>Map: https://www.csuohio.edu/sites/default/files/media/about_csu/documents/campusmap.pdf</p> <p>Parking: https://www.csuohio.edu/sites/default/files/170719_CSU_GO_Transportation_Guide_Map_FINAL_83017.pdf</p> <p>Health & Safety Protocols/Policy: https://www.csuohio.edu/safe-campus/safe-campus</p> <p>Location Details for Commission Members, Designees, and Staff: Parking is available in the Student Center Garage, which can be accessed by heading north on E. 22nd Street from Euclid. The elevators are located on southwest portion of the garage that will take guests directly into the Student Center or 3rd floor Ballroom.</p>	Downtown Columbus to Cleveland State: 2 hours 6 minutes	<p>Day-of contact: Gayle Kish (440) 220-2040 (Mobile)</p> <p>Barbara L. Kakiris Deputy Chief of Staff & Senior Director of Presidential Initiatives b.kakiris@csuohio.edu (216) 687-3521 (Office) (216) 304-9876 (Mobile)</p>	Matthew J. Donahue, Chief Legal Counsel (designee for Governor Mike DeWine) Auditor Keith Faber (or designee) Merle Madrid, Chief of Staff (designee for Secretary Frank LaRose) Sen. Vernon Sykes (or designee) Rep. Scott Oelslager (designee for Speaker Cupp) Leader Emilia Sykes (or designee) Sen. Theresa Gavarone (designee for President Matt Huffman)	House R Heather Blessing Senate R David Reedy Senate D Trae Leak Randall Routh Kate Osterback House D Sam Herd Autumn Mitchell
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	<p>Parking: https://ysu.edu/parking-services/campus-visitor. The public may use Lot M81 (cost is \$5 per car).</p> <p>Health & Safety Protocols/Policy: https://ysu.edu/coronavirus-information</p> <p>Location Details for Commission Members, Designees, and Staff: President Jim Tressel will provide a formal welcome at the beginning of the meeting.</p>	Cleveland State to Youngstown State: 1 hour 13 minutes	<p>jmleviseur@ysu.edu (330) 941-2136 (Office) (330) 397-2486 (Cell)</p> <p>Cynthia M. Bell Executive Assistant to the President cmbell02@ysu.edu (330) 941-3102 (Office)</p>	<p>Auditor Keith Faber (or designee)</p> <p>Merle Madrid, Chief of Staff (designee for Secretary Frank LaRose)</p> <p>Sen. Vernon Sykes (or designee)</p> <p>Rep. Tim Ginter (designee for Speaker Cupp)</p> <p>Rep. Michele Lepore-Hagan (designee for Leader Emilia Sykes)</p> <p>Sen. Kirk Schuring (designee for President Matt Huffman)</p>	<p>Senate D Tracie Leak</p> <p>House D Andy DiPalma Autumn Mitchell</p>
Tuesday, August 24, 2021 (Dayton/Cincinnati)					
9:30AM – 12:30PM	<p>Sinclair Community College Sinclair Conference Center (Building 12) Charity Auditorium (1st floor) 444 West Third Street (Corner of Perry and West 4th Street) Dayton, Ohio 45402</p> <p>Map: https://www.sinclair.edu/about/visit/maps-directions/#dayton</p> <p>Parking: Park in Lot C, located underneath the conference center. The entrance to the parking lot is on West 4th Street.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • https://www.sinclair.edu/about/visit/maps-directions/#dayton. • https://workforce.sinclair.edu/WorkforceDev/assets/File/Sinclair%20Conference%20Center%20Driving%20Directions%20-%202018.pdf 	Downtown Columbus to Sinclair Community College: 1 hour 5 minutes	<p>Day-of contact: Kary Iddings kary.iddings@sinclair.edu (937) 723-0055 (Mobile)</p> <p>Adam Murka Vice President for External Affairs and Chief of Staff of the President's Office adam.murka@sinclair.edu (937) 512-2947 (Office) (937) 321-5400 (Mobile)</p>	<p>Matt Donahue, Chief Legal Counsel (designee for Governor Mike DeWine)</p> <p>Alex Bilchak, Deputy Chief of Staff (designee for Auditor Keith Faber)</p> <p>Michael Grodhaus, Chief Legal Counsel (designee for Secretary Frank LaRose)</p> <p>Sen. Vernon Sykes (or designee)</p> <p>Rep. Phil Plummer (for Speaker Cupp)</p>	<p>House R Sheila Boehner</p> <p>Senate R Goran Babic</p> <p>Senate D Tracie Leak Randall Routh</p> <p>House D Sarah Cherry Nick Muccio</p>

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2:30PM – 5:30PM	<p>University of Cincinnati 1819 Innovation Hub 2900 Reading Road, Room 230 Cincinnati, Ohio 45206</p> <p>Map: https://www.uc.edu/content/dam/common/docs/maps/campus_map_uptown.pdf</p> <p>Parking: https://www.uc.edu/about/parking/visitors/uptown.html</p> <p>Health & Safety Protocols/Policy: j</p>	<p>Downtown Columbus to University of Cincinnati (Reading Road): 1 hour 36 minutes</p> <p>Sinclair Community College to University of Cincinnati (Reading Road: 57 minutes</p>	<p>Day-of contact: Patty Moser Director of Experience and Events patty@blueeyesconsulting.com (303) 513-0300 (Mobile)</p> <p>Cara Kramer cara.kramer@uc.edu, (513) 368-3739 (Mobile)</p> <p>Anthony Aquillo (614) 221-0971 (Office) (937) 243-0454 (Mobile)</p> <p>Julianne Waldron waldrojn@ucmail.uc.edu</p> <p>Karen Ryan ryan2k5@ucmail.uc.edu</p>	<p>Matt Donahue, Chief Legal Counsel (designee for Governor Mike DeWine)</p> <p>Alex Bilchak, Deputy Chief of Staff (designee for Auditor Keith Faber)</p> <p>Michael Grodhaus, Chief Legal Counsel (designee for Secretary Frank LaRose)</p> <p>Sen. Vernon Sykes (or designee)</p> <p>Tom Brinkman (designee for Speaker Cupp)</p> <p>Rep. Jessica Miranda (designee for Leader Emilia Sykes)</p> <p>Sen. Louis Blessing (for President Huffman)</p>	<p>House R Sheila Boehner</p> <p>Senate R Melissa Sandt</p> <p>Senate D Trae Leak Randall Routh Trae Leak</p> <p>House R Sarah Cherry Nick Muccio</p>
Wednesday, August 25, 2021 (Zanesville/Rio Grande)					
9:30AM – 12:30PM	Ohio University – Zanesville Campus Center, Rooms 430-431 1425 Newark Road Zanesville, OH 43701	Downtown Columbus to OU-Zanesville: 58 minutes	<p>Day-of contact: Gail Hayes Executive Assistant to the Dean</p>	Matt Donahue, Chief Legal Counsel (designee for Governor Mike DeWine)	<p>House R Heather Blessing</p> <p>Senate R David Reedy</p>

	<p>Maps & Parking: https://www.ohio.edu/zanesville/about/map</p> <p>Health & Safety Protocols/Policy: https://www.ohio.edu/coronavirus/presidential-health-directive</p> <p>Location Details for Commission Members, Designees, and Staff: Hannah Nissen, Dean of Campus and Community Relations will be doing the welcome.</p>		<p>Ohio University Zanesville Campus (740) 588-1434 (Office) (740) 624-7015 (Mobile) HayesG@ohio.edu</p> <p>Steve Fraunfelter (IT/Tech Issues) steve.fraunfelter@ohio.edu (740) 260-1229 (Cell)</p>	<p>Auditor Keith Faber (or designee) Chris Olivetti, Director of Legislative Affairs (designee for Secretary Frank LaRose) Sen. Vernon Sykes (or designee) Speaker Bob Cupp (or designee) Rep. Jessica Miranda (designee for Leader Emilia Sykes) Sen. Jay Hottinger (designee for President Matt Huffman)</p>	<p>Senate D Scott Stockman Trac Leak</p> <p>House D Andy DiPalma Sarah Cherry</p>
2:30PM – 5:30PM	<p>Rio Grande Community College Bob Evans Farms Hall, Room 218 (1st floor) 67 Bevo Francis Way Rio Grande, OH 45674</p> <p>Map: https://www.rio.edu/wp-content/uploads/2018/01/CampusMap.pdf</p> <p>Public Parking: Public parking is available directly in front of the building. No special permit required.</p> <p>Health & Safety Policy: Unvaccinated individuals are required to wear a mask while on campus. Vaccinated individuals are not required to mask. When social distancing cannot be maintained, everyone is encouraged to wear a mask.</p> <p>Location Details for Commission Members, Designees, and Staff:</p>	<p>Downtown Columbus to Rio Grande Community College: 1 hour 35 minutes</p> <p>OU-Zanesville to Rio Grande Community College: 2 hours 9 minutes</p>	<p>Day-of contact: Rebecca Long Chief Operating Officer & Vice-President of Student Affairs (740) 245-7376 (Office) (740) 645-1417 (Cell) rthomas@rio.edu</p>	<p>Matt Donahue, Chief Legal Counsel (designee for Governor Mike DeWine) Auditor Keith Faber (or designee) Chris Olivetti, Director of Legislative Affairs (designee for Secretary Frank LaRose) Sen. Vernon Sykes (or designee) Speaker Bob Cupp (or designee)</p>	<p>House R Heather Blessing</p> <p>Senate R Marcus Benjamin</p> <p>Senate D Mallory Golski Trac Leak</p> <p>House D Autumn Mitchell Sarah Cherry</p>

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9:30AM – 12:30PM	University of Akron Quaker Station, Ballroom 1200 Mill Street Akron, Ohio 44308 Map: https://maps.uakron.edu/ Parking: https://www.uakron.edu/parking/visitors.dot Health & Safety Protocols/Policy: https://www.uakron.edu/return-to-campus/face-coverings Location Details for Commission Members, Designees, and Staff: Park in the parking lot (circled in green) adjacent to Quaker Station (circled in yellow) on the Quaker Station Map. The University will have an attendant on duty with 10 reserved spaces for Commission members or their designees. President Gary Miller will provide a welcome statement.	Downtown Columbus to University of Akron: 1 hour 55 minutes	Day-of contact: Matthew Akers Special Assistant to the President for Government Relations, Associate Director of the Ray C. Bliss Institute of Applied Politics (330) 972-4933 (Office) (330) 972-4933 (Mobile) akers1@uakron.edu	Matt Donahue, Chief Legal Counsel (designee for Governor Mike DeWine) Alex Bilchak, Deputy Chief of Staff (designee for Auditor Keith Faber) Jeananne Chadsey, Deputy Chief of Staff (designee for Secretary Frank LaRose) Sen. Vernon Sykes (or designee) Speaker Bob Cupp (or designee) Leader Emilia Sykes (or designee)	House R Heather Blessing Senate R David Reedy Senate D Trae Leak Randall Routt House D Andy DiPalma Larry Gunter

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9:30AM – 12:30PM	<p>Ohio State University – Lima Life Science Building, Room 100 4240 Campus Drive Lima, Ohio 45804</p> <p>Map: https://lima.osu.edu/aboutus/campus-maps-and-directions.html</p> <p>Details: The Life Science Building is Building 10 on the map. Park in Lot F or G and enter the building through the east entrance. Room 100 is on the north side of the building.</p> <p>Health & Safety Protocols/Policy: https://safeandhealthy.osu.edu/personal-protection-hygiene</p> <p>Location Details for Commission Members, Designees, and Staff: See parking information above.</p>	Downtown Columbus to OSU-Lima: 1 hour 25 minutes	<p>Day-of contact: Bryan Albright Assistant Dean of Student and Community Engagement (567) 242-7274 (Office) (419) 438-1920 (Cell) albright.34@osu.edu</p>	Matt Donahue, Chief Legal Counsel (designee for Governor Mike DeWine) Auditor Keith Faber (or designee) Chris Olivetti, Director of Legislative Affairs (designee for Secretary Frank LaRose) Sen. Vernon Sykes (or designee) Speaker Bob Cupp (or designee) Leader Emilia Sykes (or designee) President Matt Huffman (or designee)	House R Sheila Boehner Paul DiSantis Senate R Frank Strigari Senate D Mike Rowe Trae Leak House R Sam Herd Sarah Cherry Andy DiPalma
2:30PM – 5:30PM	<p>University of Toledo Libbey Hall, 1st Floor 2110 Campus Drive Toledo, Ohio 43606</p> <p>Map: https://www.utoledo.edu/campus/directions/pdfs/Main-Campus-Map.pdf</p>	Downtown Columbus to University of Toledo: 2 hours 29 minutes OSU-Lima to University of Toledo: 1 hour 18 minutes	<p>Day-of contact: Eli Faes Director, State Relations Government Relations 614.559.1918 (office) 614.975.2947 (cell) eli.faes@utoledo.edu</p>	Matt Donahue, Chief Legal Counsel (designee for Governor Mike DeWine) Auditor Keith Faber (or designee)	House R Sheila Boehner Senate R David Reedy Senate D Mike Rowe Trae Leak

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Friday, August 27, 2021 (Akron/Mansfield)					
9:30AM – 12:30PM	University of Akron Quaker Station, Ballroom 1200 Mill Street Akron, Ohio 44308 Map: https://maps.uakron.edu/ Parking: https://www.uakron.edu/parking/visitors.dot Health & Safety Protocols/Policy: https://www.uakron.edu/return-to-campus/face-coverings Location Details for Commission Members, Designees, and Staff: Park in the parking lot (circled in green) adjacent to Quaker Station (circled in yellow) on the Quaker Station Map. The University will have an attendant on duty with 10 reserved spaces for Commission members or their designees. President Gary Miller will provide a welcome statement.	Downtown Columbus to University of Akron: 1 hour 55 minutes	Day-of contact: Matthew Akers Special Assistant to the President for Government Relations, Associate Director of the Ray C. Bliss Institute of Applied Politics (330) 972-4933 (Office) (330) 972-4933 (Mobile) akers1@uakron.edu	Matt Donahue, Chief Legal Counsel (designee for Governor Mike DeWine) Alex Bilchak, Deputy Chief of Staff (designee for Auditor Keith Faber) Jeananne Chadsey, Deputy Chief of Staff (designee for Secretary Frank LaRose) Sen. Vernon Sykes (or designee) Rep. Bill Roemer (designee for Speaker Cupp)	House R Heather Blessing Senate R David Reedy Senate D Trae Leak Randall Routt House D Andy DiPalma Larry Gunter

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Changes:

- Address corrected for Akron location (120 East Mill Street)
- House Republican staff for Friday

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Regional Hearing Schedule (Internal)
General Public Schedule: <https://www.redistricting.ohio.gov/meetings>

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Monday, August 23, 2021 (Cleveland/Youngstown)					
9:30AM – 12:30PM	<p>Cleveland State University Student Center, Ballroom 311 (3rd Floor) 2121 Euclid Avenue Cleveland, Ohio 44115</p> <p>Map: https://www.csuohio.edu/sites/default/files/media/about_csu/documents/campusmap.pdf</p> <p>Parking: https://www.csuohio.edu/sites/default/files/170719_CSU_GO_Transportation_Guide_Map_FINAL_83017.pdf</p> <p>Health & Safety Protocols/Policy: https://www.csuohio.edu/safe-campus/safe-campus</p> <p>Location Details for Commission Members, Designees, and Staff: Parking is available in the Student Center Garage, which can be accessed by heading north on E. 22nd Street from Euclid. The elevators are located on southwest portion of the garage that will take guests directly into the Student Center or 3rd floor Ballroom. Parking for 4 hours is \$10.</p>	Downtown Columbus to Cleveland State: 2 hours 6 minutes	<p>Day-of contact: Gayle Kish (440) 220-2040 (Mobile)</p> <p>Barbara L. Kakiris Deputy Chief of Staff & Senior Director of Presidential Initiatives b.kakiris@csuohio.edu (216) 687-3521 (Office) (216) 304-9876 (Mobile)</p>	Matthew J. Donahue, Chief Legal Counsel (designee for Governor Mike DeWine) Auditor Keith Faber (or designee) Merle Madrid, Chief of Staff (designee for Secretary Frank LaRose) Sen. Vernon Sykes (or designee) Rep. Scott Oelslager (designee for Speaker Cupp) Leader Emilia Sykes (or designee) Sen. Theresa Gavarone (designee for President Matt Huffman)	House R Heather Blessing Senate R David Reedy Senate D Trae Leak Randall Routt Kate Osterback House D Sam Herd Autumn Mitchell
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Thursday, August 26, 2021 (Lima/Toledo)					
9:30AM – 12:30PM	<p>Ohio State University – Lima Life Science Building, Room 100 4240 Campus Drive Lima, Ohio 45804</p> <p>Map: https://lima.osu.edu/aboutus/campus-maps-and-directions.html</p> <p>Details: The Life Science Building is Building 10 on the map. Park in Lot F or G and enter the building through the east entrance. Room 100 is on the north side of the building.</p> <p>Health & Safety Protocols/Policy: https://safeandhealthy.osu.edu/personal-protection-hygiene</p> <p>Location Details for Commission Members, Designees, and Staff: See parking information above.</p>	Downtown Columbus to OSU-Lima: 1 hour 25 minutes	<p>Day-of contact: Bryan Albright Assistant Dean of Student and Community Engagement (567) 242-7274 (Office) (419) 438-1920 (Cell) albright.34@osu.edu</p>	Matt Donahue, Chief Legal Counsel (designee for Governor Mike DeWine) Auditor Keith Faber (or designee) Chris Olivetti, Director of Legislative Affairs (designee for Secretary Frank LaRose) Sen. Vernon Sykes (or designee) Speaker Bob Cupp (or designee) Leader Emilia Sykes (or designee) President Matt Huffman (or designee)	House R Sheila Boehner Paul DiSantis Senate R Frank Strigari Senate D Mike Rowe Trae Leak House R Sam Herd Sarah Cherry Andy DiPalma
2:30PM – 5:30PM	<p>University of Toledo Libbey Hall, 1st Floor 2110 Campus Drive Toledo, Ohio 43606</p> <p>Map: https://www.utoledo.edu/campus/directions/pdfs/Main-Campus-Map.pdf</p>	Downtown Columbus to University of Toledo: 2 hours 29 minutes OSU-Lima to University of Toledo: 1 hour 18 minutes	<p>Day-of contact: Eli Faes Director, State Relations Government Relations 614.559.1918 (office) 614.975.2947 (cell) eli.faes@utoledo.edu</p>	Matt Donahue, Chief Legal Counsel (designee for Governor Mike DeWine) Auditor Keith Faber (or designee)	House R Sheila Boehner Senate R David Reedy Senate D Mike Rowe Trae Leak

	<p>Parking: Parking will be in Lot 13 (via Campus Road). Overflow parking will be via the Main entrance Lot 1N & 1S. They will not be ticketing.</p> <p>Health & Safety Protocols/Policy: https://www.utoledo.edu/coronavirus/</p> <p>Location Details for Commission Members, Designees, and Staff: After entering campus off Bancroft Street, turn right at the first road/alley on the right. 9 spots have been reserved for Commission members.</p>		Chris Olivetti, Director of Legislative Affairs (designee for Secretary Frank LaRose) Sen. Vernon Sykes (or designee) Rep. Jim Hoops (designee of Speaker Cupp) Rep. Paula Hicks-Hudson (designee for Leader Emilia Sykes) Sen. Theresa Gavarone (designee for President Matt Huffman)	House D Sarah Cherry Autumn Mitchell	
Friday, August 27, 2021 (Akron/Mansfield)					
9:30AM – 12:30PM	University of Akron Quaker Station, Ballroom 120 Mill Street Akron, Ohio 44308 Map: https://maps.uakron.edu/ Parking: https://www.uakron.edu/parking/visitors.dot Health & Safety Protocols/Policy: https://www.uakron.edu/return-to-campus/face-coverings Location Details for Commission Members, Designees, and Staff: Park in the parking lot (circled in green) adjacent to Quaker Station (circled in yellow) on the Quaker Station Map. The University will have an attendant on duty with 10 reserved spaces for Commission members or their designees. President Gary Miller will provide a welcome statement.	Downtown Columbus to University of Akron: 1 hour 55 minutes	Day-of contact: Matthew Akers Special Assistant to the President for Government Relations, Associate Director of the Ray C. Bliss Institute of Applied Politics (330) 972-4933 (Office) (330) 972-4933 (Mobile) akers1@uakron.edu	Matt Donahue, Chief Legal Counsel (designee for Governor Mike DeWine) Alex Bilchak, Deputy Chief of Staff (designee for Auditor Keith Faber) Jeananne Chadsey, Deputy Chief of Staff (designee for Secretary Frank LaRose) Sen. Vernon Sykes (or designee) Rep. Bill Roemer (designee for Speaker Cupp)	House R Josh Sabo Senate R David Reedy Senate D Trae Leak Randall Routt House D Andy DiPalma Larry Gunter

				Leader Emilia Sykes (or designee) Sen. Kirk Schuring (designee for President Matt Huffman)	
2:30PM – 5:30PM	<p>Ohio State University – Mansfield Riedl Hall, Room 151 1760 University Drive Mansfield, Ohio 44906</p> <p>Map: https://mansfield.osu.edu/future-students/visit/campus-map.html</p> <p>Parking: Free parking is available at Lots 3, 4, and 5 on the map.</p> <p>Health & Safety Protocols/Policy: https://safeandhealthy.osu.edu/personal-protection-hygiene</p> <p>Location Details for Commission Members, Designees, and Staff: Dean Norman Jones will be offering a welcome statement.</p>	<p>Downtown Columbus to OSU-Mansfield: 1 hour 15 minutes</p> <p>University of Akron to OSU-Mansfield: 1 hour 6 minutes</p>	<p>Day-of contact: Norman Jones, Dean Jones.2376@osu.edu (419) 755-4222 (Office) (419) 989-3267 (Mobile)</p>	Matt Donahue, Chief Legal Counsel (designee for Governor Mike DeWine) Auditor Keith Faber (or designee) Jeananne Chadsey, Deputy Chief of Staff (designee for Secretary Frank LaRose) Co-Chair Vernon Sykes (or designee) Speaker Robert Cupp (or designee) Rep. Beth Liston (designee for Leader Emilia Sykes) Sen. Jay Hottinger (designee for President Matt Huffman)	House R Travis Butchello Senate R Marcus Benjamin Senate D Trae Leek Mallory Gorski House D Sam Herd Larry Gunter

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OHIO REDISTRICTING COMMISSION

ANNOUNCEMENT OF COMMISSION MEETING

TO:: Members of the Ohio Redistricting Commission
FROM: Speaker Robert Cupp, Co-Chair
Senator Vernon Sykes, Co-Chair
DATE: Tuesday, August 31, 2021
TIME: 1:00 PM
LOCATION: Room 313, Ohio Statehouse, Columbus, Ohio 43215

AGENDA

The Ohio Redistricting Commission will meet to adopt rules, as required by subsection (1)(B) (2)(a)(i) of Article XI of the Ohio Constitution.

House Contact: Aaron Mulvey, 614-466-8759
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Subject: [External]Ohio Redistricting Commission - notice to adopt commission rules tomorrow
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Hello all,

On behalf of Co-chair Sykes and Co-chair Cupp, please see the attached memo to members of the Ohio Redistricting Commission, which provides notice that the commission intends to vote to adopt rules as required by subsection (1)(B)(2)(a)(i) of Article XI of the Ohio Constitution at the meeting in Lima tomorrow Thursday, August 26.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

George

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TO: Ohio Redistricting Commission Members
FROM: Co-chair Vernon Sykes, State Senator
Co-chair Speaker Bob Cupp
RE: Announcement of Vote on Commission Rules
DATE: August 25, 2021

This memo is to provide notice that the Ohio Redistricting Commission intends to vote to adopt rules, as required by subsection (1)(B)(2)(a)(i) of Article XI of the Ohio Constitution, at our meeting in Lima, Ohio on Thursday, August 26, at 9:30 a.m. This meeting will be held at the Lima branch of the Ohio State University, 4240 Campus Drive, Life Science Building, Room 100.

Please let us know if you have any questions.

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Subject: [External]Ohio Redistricting Commission - Regional Hearing Schedule update for Toledo location
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Hello all,

On behalf of Co-chair Sykes, please see the attached memo to members of the Ohio Redistricting Commission regarding a location change for the Toledo regional hearing scheduled for this Thursday. Please let me know if you have any questions.

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TO: Ohio Redistricting Commission Members
FROM: Co-chair Vernon Sykes, State Senator
RE: Location of Toledo Regional Hearing
DATE: August 24, 2021

This memo is to notify you that the location of the Toledo regional public hearing, scheduled for Thursday, August 26 from 2:30 – 5:30 p.m., has been changed to the Main Branch of the Toledo Lucas County Public Library at 325 N. Michigan St. in downtown Toledo (43604). The hearing will be in the library's McMaster Center. Parking is free in the garage, which is located under the library and accessible from Adams St. The media and members of the public are being notified of this change, as well as witnesses who have submitted testimony.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

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As Notice has been sent that the proposed Rules for the Commission may be discussed and voted on at tomorrow morning's hearing in Lima, Secretary LaRose directed me to provide you with his proposed edits to the draft Rules.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns about his suggested edits.



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Rule 01 | Establishing authority.

(A) Article XI, Section 1 of the Ohio Constitution creates the Ohio Redistricting Commission, which is comprised of seven persons who are responsible for the redistricting of the State of Ohio for the general assembly, and, if necessary, for congress. Such persons, collectively, shall be referred to in these rules as “Members” and, individually, as “Member.”

(B) These rules are adopted in compliance with, and under the authority of, Article XI, Section 1 of the Ohio Constitution.

(C) The rules stated herein, as supplemented by Robert’s Rules of Order, shall be the procedural rules for the operation of the Ohio Redistricting Commission.

Rule 02 | Notices of meetings and hearings.

(A) Any person may ascertain the time and place of all regularly scheduled meetings, the time, place, and purpose of all specially scheduled meetings, and the time and place of public hearings of the Ohio Redistricting Commission through one of the following methods:

(1) Consulting the website of the Ohio Redistricting Commission at:

www.redistricting.ohio.gov

(2) Consulting the public bulletin boards located outside of the chambers of the Ohio House of Representatives and the Ohio Senate on the second floor of the Ohio Statehouse, Columbus, Ohio 43215.

(3) Requesting electronic notice of all meetings of the Ohio Redistricting Commission. The Co-Chairs’ designated staff shall jointly maintain a list of all persons who have requested such notification. A request for such notification shall:

(a) Contain the name of the person making the request and an email address to which electronic notice should be sent;

(b) Be sent in writing either:

(i) By mail to:

Ohio Redistricting Commission
c/o Clerk of the Ohio Senate
Ohio Statehouse
Columbus, Ohio 43215

(ii) Or, by electronic mail to: meetings@redistricting.ohio.gov

- (c) Be received forty-eight hours prior to any regularly scheduled meeting, specially scheduled meeting, or public hearing.
- (C) In the event of a regularly scheduled meeting, specially scheduled meeting not of an emergency nature, or public hearing, the Co-Chairs' designated staff shall provide notice of such meeting or hearing by providing the notice described in paragraph (A)(1), (A)(2), or (A)(3) of this rule not later than twenty-four hours prior to the meeting or hearing. In the event of a special meeting of an emergency nature, the Co-Chairs' designated staff shall provide notice of such meeting by providing the notice described in paragraph (A)(1), (A)(2), or (A)(3) of this rule. In such event, however, the notice need not be given twenty-four hours prior to the meeting, but shall be given immediately upon the scheduling of such meeting.

Rule 03 | Open meetings.

All meetings and public hearings of the Ohio Redistricting Commission shall be held in accordance with the Sunshine Law, section 121.22 of the Revised Code, as amended. All meetings and public hearings of the Ohio Redistricting Commission shall be broadcast by electronic means of transmission using a medium readily accessible by the general public.

Rule 04 | Officers; participation of members; minutes.

- (A) The Ohio Redistricting Commission shall have two Co-Chairs selected by the legislative leaders in the Senate and the House of Representatives of each of the two largest political parties represented in the general assembly, acting jointly by political party to serve.
- (B) Each member of the Ohio Redistricting Commission shall be entitled to participate in all voting and debates, regardless of position held on the Commission.
- (C) Minutes of each meeting of the Ohio Redistricting Commission shall be maintained by the Co-Chairs' designated staff. Such minutes shall be circulated among the members and adopted by majority vote at a subsequent meeting of the Ohio Redistricting Commission. Transcripts of meetings of the Ohio Redistricting Commission shall be provided upon request and completion and verification through the Ohio Government Telecommunications Service.

Rule 05 | Calling of meetings.

After the initial meeting of the Ohio Redistricting Commission, at which the Commission is convened, a meeting of the Commission may be called upon twenty-four hours notice. Such call and notice to each member of the Ohio Redistricting Commission shall be issued jointly by the Co-Chairs, or may be dispensed with if a motion to recess a meeting designates a time certain for continuation of that meeting. However, a meeting may be jointly called by the Co-Chairs, upon proper notice, prior to a previously designated meeting, should the Co-Chairs deem it necessary.

Rule 06 | Quorum.

A majority of the seven members of the Ohio Redistricting Commission constitutes a quorum. A majority of the Ohio Redistricting Commission is required for any official actions of the Commission, including but not limited to the adoption of a plan of redistricting. All motions before the Ohio Redistricting Commission shall be determined by majority vote and in accordance with Article XI of the Ohio Constitution, and, if necessary, Article XIX of the Ohio Constitution. Members of the Ohio Redistricting Commission or their designees may, from time to time, conduct public hearings referred to in Rule 08, absent a quorum of members.

Rule 07 | Records retention and public records policies.

(A) Pursuant to section 149.34 of the Revised Code, the Ohio Redistricting Commission shall adopt the Ohio department of administrative services general records retention schedules for general administration records, personnel records, fiscal records, and information technology records.

(B) Pursuant to division (E)(2) of section of 149.43 of the Revised Code, the Ohio Redistricting Commission shall adopt a public records policy.

Rule 08 | Public hearings.

The Co-Chairs' designated staff shall organize a series of public hearings in locations around the State of Ohio for the Ohio Redistricting Commission's members or their designees to receive public comment and input on the redistricting process. The Co-Chairs' designated staff shall notify the members of the Ohio Redistricting Commission or their designees of the time, date, and location of each public hearing in the manner prescribed in paragraph (A)(1), (A)(2), or (A)(3) of Rule 02 and in no event less than twenty-four hours prior to each public hearing.

The Co-Chairs of the Ohio Redistricting Commission, or their designees, shall preside over these public hearings. Members of the Ohio Redistricting Commission need not be present at these public hearings. Each member of the Ohio Redistricting Commission may designate an individual(s) to represent the member at any or all of these public hearings. Any individual so designated to represent a member of the Ohio Redistricting Commission shall have no voting rights. No official business or action of the Ohio Redistricting Commission shall take place at the public hearings referred to in this rule, except for the receiving of public comment and input or adopting procedural rules for the operation of the Commission; provided that, the Co-Chairs must provide at least twenty-four hours written notice to the Commission members for there to be a vote on adopting procedural rules for the operation of the Commission.

The Co-Chairs shall make certain that proper decorum and civility is maintained throughout these public hearings. All persons coming before the Commission to speak should be allowed to speak without interference or disruption from others in attendance at the hearing. The Co-Chairs may direct that any person or persons who are disrupting the hearings, or who are hindering any other person's ability to address the Commission, be removed from the hearing room.

Rule 09 | Redistricting plans.

Any member of the Ohio Redistricting Commission, person, or organization may submit for the consideration of the Commission a proposed general assembly district plan. Any member of the Ohio Redistricting Commission, person or organization may submit for the consideration of the Commission a congressional redistricting plan, following the expiration of the September 30, 2021 deadline in Article XIX, Section 1 of the Ohio Constitution.

Redistricting plans submitted to the Ohio Redistricting Commission for consideration should contain visual representations of the proposed boundaries. The Ohio Redistricting Commission's website shall give any person or organization access to necessary Census data.

Redistricting plans submitted by the public to the Ohio Redistricting Commission for consideration shall be submitted on the Commission's website at:

www.redistricting.ohio.gov

or by mailing to:

Ohio Redistricting Commission
c/o Clerk of the Ohio Senate
Ohio Statehouse
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Upon receipt, the Co-Chairs' designated staff shall promptly provide electronic notification of a submitted plan to all the members of the Ohio Redistricting Commission, and cause each submitted plan to be posted on the Commission's website for the public to view.

Rule 10 | Consideration of redistricting plans; adoption of plan.

The Ohio Redistricting Commission shall reconvene during the week of August 29, 2021, to consider the various plans submitted to the Commission.

If no final general assembly district plan is adopted on or before September 1, 2021, as contemplated in Article XI, Section 1 of the Ohio Constitution, then as soon as is practicable after September 1, 2021, the Commission shall release to the public a proposed general assembly district plan. At least three public hearings shall be held on the proposed plan prior to the September 15, 2021 deadline. Following the public hearings, the Ohio Redistricting Commission shall reconvene the week of September 12, 2021 to adopt a final general assembly district plan.

During the meeting or meetings of the commission, a sponsor of a plan may personally or through a representative present the substance of their plan to the members of the Redistricting Commission for a period not to exceed ten minutes, unless extended by a majority of the commission. The public may offer testimony or comment not to exceed five minutes on any redistricting plan before the commission, unless extended by a majority of the commission. The

co-chairs of the Ohio Redistricting Commission may limit testimony or comments on plans before the Commission, as the Co-Chairs deem necessary.

Any person wishing to testify on a given plan must provide written notice to the Co-Chairs' designated staff prior to the meeting scheduled to consider the various plans submitted.

Members of the Ohio Redistricting Commission may ask questions of any person testifying on the various redistricting plans before the Commission during the meeting scheduled to consider these plans. Members of the Ohio Redistricting Commission may request testimony from experts during this meeting.

Only members of the Ohio Redistricting Commission may offer amendments to a general assembly district plan or, if necessary, a congressional district plan.

The Co-Chairs of the Ohio Redistricting Commission may offer amendments on behalf of those persons sponsoring redistricting plans who are not members of the Commission.

Rule 11 | Publication of redistricting plan.

After a final general assembly district plan is adopted by the Ohio Redistricting Commission and filed with the Secretary of State in accordance with Article XI of the Ohio Constitution, the Co-Chairs of the Commission shall coordinate with the Governor for the publication of the adopted plan no later than September 30, 2021. The first publication of the plan shall be made electronically on the Ohio Redistricting Commission's website and in its entirety in at least four Ohio newspapers that are geographically diverse, and may be made in a preprinted insert. The second publication shall be made in abbreviated form in those newspapers pursuant to section 7.16 of the Revised Code. No further newspaper publications are required if the second, abbreviated notice meets the requirements of section 7.16 of the Revised Code.

If the Ohio Redistricting Commission adopts a congressional district plan in accordance with Article XIX of the Ohio Constitution, the Co-Chairs of the Commission shall publish the plan no later than November 15, 2021. The first publication of the plan shall be made electronically on the Ohio Redistricting Commission's website and in its entirety in at least four Ohio newspapers that are geographically diverse, and may be made in a preprinted insert. The second publication shall be made in abbreviated form in those newspapers pursuant to section 7.16 of the Revised Code. No further newspaper publications are required if the second, abbreviated notice meets the requirements of section 7.16 of the Revised Code

Rule 12 | Reconvening the Redistricting Commission.

Should further action be necessary pursuant to either Article XI, Section 9 or Article XIX, Section 3 of the Ohio Constitution, the Ohio Redistricting Commission shall reconvene at the joint request of the Co-Chairs subject to this chapter.

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All:

In follow-up to a conversation the legislative leaders had last week, we put together a proposed schedule (below and attached) of public hearings for the Ohio Redistricting Commission and have made initial inquiries to potential host sites. Please let us know if you have any questions or suggestions.

Sincerely,

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2021 OHIO REDISTRICTING COMMISSION - PROPOSED REGIONAL HEARING SCHEDULE

Monday, August 23, 2021		
10:00AM – 12:00PM	Cleveland	Cleveland State University 2121 Euclid Avenue Cleveland, Ohio 44115
2:00PM – 4:00PM	Youngstown	Youngstown State University 1 University Plaza Youngstown, Ohio 44555-0002
Tuesday, August 24, 2021		
10:00AM – 12:00PM	Dayton	Wright State University 3640 Colonel Glenn Highway Dayton, OH 45435
2:00PM – 4:00PM	Cincinnati	University of Cincinnati 2600 Clifton Avenue Cincinnati, Ohio 45221
Wednesday, August 25, 2021		
10:00AM – 12:00PM	Zanesville	Ohio University – Zanesville 1425 Newark Road

		Zanesville, OH 43701
3:00PM – 5:00PM	Rio Grande	Rio Grande Community College 218 N. College Ave, Rio Grande, OH 45674
Thursday, August 26, 2021		
10:00AM – 12:00PM	Lima	Ohio State University – Lima 4240 Campus Drive Lima, Ohio 45804
2:00PM – 4:00PM	Toledo	University of Toledo 2801 Bancroft Street Toledo, Ohio 43606

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2:00PM – 4:00PM	Youngstown	Youngstown State University 1 University Plaza Youngstown, Ohio 44555-0002

Tuesday, August 24, 2021

10:00AM – 12:00PM	Dayton	Wright State University 3640 Colonel Glenn Highway Dayton, OH 45435
2:00PM – 4:00PM	Cincinnati	University of Cincinnati 2600 Clifton Avenue Cincinnati, Ohio 45221

Wednesday, August 25, 2021

10:00AM – 12:00PM	Zanesville	Ohio University – Zanesville 1425 Newark Road Zanesville, OH 43701
3:00PM – 5:00PM	Rio Grande	Rio Grande Community College 218 N. College Ave, Rio Grande, OH 45674

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2:00PM – 4:00PM	Toledo	University of Toledo 2801 Bancroft Street Toledo, Ohio 43606

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Dear Members of the Ohio Redistricting Commission:

Please see attached the proposed Rules for the Ohio Redistricting Commission to be offered tomorrow.

Sincerely,
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**OHIO REDISTRICTING COMMISSION
RULES**

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(B) These rules are adopted in compliance with, and under the authority of, Article XI, Section 1 of the Ohio Constitution.

(C) The rules stated herein, as supplemented by Robert’s Rules of Order, shall be the procedural rules for the operation of the Ohio Redistricting Commission.

Rule 02 | Notices of meetings and hearings.

(A) Any person may ascertain the time and place of all regularly scheduled meetings, the time, place, and purpose of all specially scheduled meetings, and the time and place of public hearings of the Ohio Redistricting Commission through one of the following methods:

(1) Consulting the website of the Ohio Redistricting Commission at:

www.redistricting.ohio.gov

(2) Consulting the public bulletin boards located outside of the chambers of the Ohio House of Representatives and the Ohio Senate on the second floor of the Ohio Statehouse, Columbus, Ohio 43215.

(3) By calling a toll-free phone number with a pre-recorded message stating the date, time, and location of upcoming meetings of the Commission.

(4) Requesting electronic notice of all meetings of the Ohio Redistricting Commission. The Co-Chairs’ designated staff shall jointly maintain a list of all persons who have requested such notification. A request for such notification shall:

(a) Contain the name of the person making the request and an email address to which electronic notice should be sent;

(b) Be sent in writing by electronic mail to: meetings@redistricting.ohio.gov

(c) Be received by start of business the day of any regularly scheduled meeting, specially scheduled meeting, or public hearing.

(B) In the event of a regularly scheduled meeting, specially scheduled meeting not of an emergency nature, or public hearing, the Co-Chairs' designated staff shall provide notice of such meeting or hearing by providing the notice described in paragraph (A)(1), (A)(2), (A)(3), or (A)(4) of this rule not later than twenty-four hours prior to the meeting or hearing. In the event of a special meeting of an emergency nature, the Co-Chairs' designated staff shall provide notice of such meeting by providing the notice described in paragraph (A)(1), (A)(2), (A)(3), or (A)(4) of this rule. In such event, however, the notice need not be given twenty-four hours prior to the meeting, but shall be given immediately upon the scheduling of such meeting.

Rule 03 | Open meetings.

All meetings and public hearings of the Ohio Redistricting Commission shall be held in accordance with the Sunshine Law, section 121.22 of the Revised Code, as amended. All meetings and public hearings of the Ohio Redistricting Commission shall be broadcast by electronic means of transmission using a medium readily accessible by the general public.

Rule 04 | Officers; participation of members; minutes.

(A) The Ohio Redistricting Commission shall have two Co-Chairs selected by the legislative leaders in the Senate and the House of Representatives of each of the two largest political parties represented in the general assembly, acting jointly by political party to serve.

(B) Each member of the Ohio Redistricting Commission shall be entitled to participate in all voting and debates, regardless of position held on the Commission.

(C) Minutes of each meeting of the Ohio Redistricting Commission shall be maintained by the Co-Chairs' designated staff. Such minutes shall be circulated among the members and adopted by majority vote at a subsequent meeting of the Ohio Redistricting Commission. Transcripts and archived video of meetings of the Ohio Redistricting Commission shall be provided upon request and completion and verification through the Ohio Government Telecommunications Service.

Rule 05 | Calling of meetings.

After the initial meeting of the Ohio Redistricting Commission, at which the Commission is convened, a meeting of the Commission may be called upon twenty-four-hours notice. Such call and notice to each member of the Ohio Redistricting Commission shall be issued jointly by the Co-Chairs, or may be dispensed with if a motion to recess a meeting designates a time certain for continuation of that meeting. However, a meeting may be jointly called by the Co-Chairs, upon proper notice, prior to a previously designated meeting, should the Co-Chairs deem it necessary.

Rule 06 | Quorum.

A majority of the seven members of the Ohio Redistricting Commission constitutes a quorum. A majority of the Ohio Redistricting Commission is required for any official actions of the Commission, including but not limited to the adoption of a plan of redistricting. All motions before the Ohio Redistricting Commission shall be determined by majority vote and in accordance with Article XI of the Ohio Constitution, and, if necessary, Article XIX of the Ohio Constitution. Members of the Ohio Redistricting Commission or their designees may, from time to time, conduct public hearings referred to in Rule 08, absent a quorum of members.

Rule 07 | Records retention and public records policies.

(A) Pursuant to section 149.34 of the Revised Code, the Ohio Redistricting Commission shall adopt the Ohio department of administrative services general records retention schedules for general administration records, personnel records, fiscal records, and information technology records.

(B) Pursuant to division (E) of section 149.43 of the Revised Code, the Ohio Redistricting Commission shall adopt a public records policy.

Rule 08 | Public hearings on the process.

The Co-Chairs' designated staff shall organize a series of public hearings in locations around the State of Ohio for the Ohio Redistricting Commission's members or their designees to receive public comment and input on the redistricting process. The Co-Chairs' designated staff shall notify the members of the Ohio Redistricting Commission or their designees of the time, date, and location of each public hearing in the manner prescribed in paragraph (A)(1), (A)(2), or (A)(3) of Rule 02 and in no event less than twenty-four hours prior to each public hearing.

The Co-Chairs of the Ohio Redistricting Commission, or their designees, shall preside over these public hearings. Each member of the Ohio Redistricting Commission may designate an individual(s) to represent the member at any or all of these public hearings. Any individual so designated to represent a member of the Ohio Redistricting Commission shall have no voting rights. No official business or action of the Ohio Redistricting Commission shall take place at the public hearings referred to in this rule, except for the receiving of public comment and input or adopting procedural rules for the operation of the Commission; provided that, the Co-Chairs must provide at least twenty-four hours written notice to the Commission members for there to be a vote on adopting procedural rules for the operation of the Commission.

Rule 09 | Redistricting plans.

Any member of the Ohio Redistricting Commission, person, or organization may submit for the consideration of the Commission a proposed general assembly district plan. Any member of the Ohio Redistricting Commission, person or organization may submit for the consideration of the Commission a congressional redistricting plan.

Redistricting plans submitted to the Ohio Redistricting Commission for consideration should contain visual representations of the proposed boundaries. The Ohio Redistricting Commission's website shall give any person or organization access to necessary Census data.

Redistricting plans submitted by the public to the Ohio Redistricting Commission for consideration shall be submitted on the Commission's website at:

www.redistricting.ohio.gov

or by mailing to:

Ohio Redistricting Commission
c/o Clerk of the Ohio Senate
Ohio Statehouse
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Upon receipt, the Co-Chairs' designated staff shall promptly provide electronic notification of a submitted plan to all the members of the Ohio Redistricting Commission, and cause each submitted plan to be posted on the Commission's website for the public to view.

Rule 10 | Consideration of redistricting plans; adoption of plan

The Redistricting Commission shall hold no less than three hearings on three separate days after the Redistricting Commission introduces a proposed General Assembly district plan pursuant to Ohio Const. Art. XI, § 8(A)(1) but prior to adoption of a final plan.

During the meeting or meetings of the commission, a sponsor of a complete statewide general assembly district plan may personally or through a representative present the substance of their plan to the members of the Redistricting Commission for a period not to exceed ten minutes, unless extended by a majority of the commission. The public may offer testimony or comment not to exceed five minutes total on any redistricting plan before the commission, unless extended by a majority of the commission. The co-chairs of the Ohio Redistricting Commission may limit testimony or comments on plans before the Commission, as the Co-Chairs deem necessary.

Any person wishing to testify on a given plan must provide written notice to the Co-Chairs' designated staff prior to the meeting scheduled to consider the various plans submitted.

Members of the Ohio Redistricting Commission may ask questions of any person testifying on the various redistricting plans before the Commission during the meeting scheduled to consider these plans. Members of the Ohio Redistricting Commission may request testimony from experts during this meeting.

Only members of the Ohio Redistricting Commission may offer amendments to a general assembly district plan or, if necessary, a congressional district plan.

The Co-Chairs of the Ohio Redistricting Commission may offer amendments on behalf of those persons sponsoring redistricting plans who are not members of the Commission.

Rule 11 | Publication of redistricting plan.

After a final general assembly district plan is adopted by the Ohio Redistricting Commission in accordance with Article XI of the Ohio Constitution, the Co-Chairs of the Commission shall coordinate with the Governor for the publication of the adopted plan no later than September 30, 2021. The first publication of the plan shall be made electronically on the Ohio Redistricting Commission's website and in its entirety in at least four Ohio newspapers that are geographically diverse, and may be made in a preprinted insert. The second publication shall be made in abbreviated form in those newspapers pursuant to section 7.16 of the Revised Code. No further newspaper publications are required if the second, abbreviated notice meets the requirements of section 7.16 of the Revised Code.

If the Ohio Redistricting Commission adopts a congressional district plan in accordance with Article XIX of the Ohio Constitution, the Co-Chairs of the Commission shall publish the plan no later than November 15, 2021. The first publication of the plan shall be made electronically on the Ohio Redistricting Commission's website and in its entirety in at least four Ohio newspapers that are geographically diverse, and may be made in a preprinted insert. The second publication shall be made in abbreviated form in those newspapers pursuant to section 7.16 of the Revised Code. No further newspaper publications are required if the second, abbreviated notice meets the requirements of section 7.16 of the Revised Code

Rule 12 | Reconvening the Redistricting Commission.

Should further action be necessary pursuant to either Article XI, Section 9 or Article XIX, Section 3 of the Ohio Constitution, the Ohio Redistricting Commission shall reconvene at the joint request of the Co-Chairs subject to this chapter.

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All,

As a follow up from last week, attached are the draft rules that we are hoping to adopt on Thursday at the Lima meeting. We are sending them to you now so that your offices have time to review them before Thursday.

As I mentioned, the House and Senate democratic caucuses have been advocating for adopting the Commission's rules on Thursday. We believe the attached rules should enable us to do that, on a bipartisan basis.

Please note, however, there appears to be 1 issue in the attached draft that is not completely resolved yet; specifically, the 2nd paragraph in Rule 10. Staff for the senate democratic caucus has requested that the rule require 3 public hearings to be held **prior to September 1**. As I have discussed again with them, because of the 4+ month delay in receiving the census data, having a map introduced, considered at 3 public hearings and voted on by September 1 is not realistically possible.

Consequently, we are proposing instead that there be 3 public hearings (the Constitution only requires 1) **prior to adoption on September 15**. Paul and I believe that this idea is much more realistic and doable. And from what Paul has told me, staff for the House democratic caucus agree. Thus, if the Senate democratic caucus can agree to this, the Rules should be ready to go on Thursday.

In the meantime, we wanted your offices to see the latest draft as soon as possible.

Please contact us if you have any questions or concerns about the attached rules.

Frank

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Dear Christine and Heather,

On behalf of Senator Sykes, please find attached a revised proposal for the Ohio Redistricting Commission regional meeting schedule. When Sen. Sykes talked to Speaker Cupp earlier today, Sen. Sykes indicated that he would be sending suggested revisions. The meeting time slots are now 3 hours each. This is to allow up to 3 hours per meeting if needed. The meetings would not necessarily need to be 3 hours long. Please call me if any questions. Thanks.

George

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**REVISED 2021 OHIO REDISTRICTING COMMISSION
PROPOSED REGIONAL HEARING SCHEDULE**

Monday, August 23, 2021

10:00AM – 1:00PM	Cleveland	Cleveland State University 2121 Euclid Avenue Cleveland, Ohio 44115
4:00PM – 7:00PM	Youngstown	Youngstown State University 1 University Plaza Youngstown, Ohio 44555-0002

Tuesday, August 24, 2021

10:00AM – 1:00PM	Akron	University of Akron
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Thursday, August 26, 2021

10:00AM – 1:00PM	Lima	Ohio State University – Lima 4240 Campus Drive Lima, Ohio 45804
3:00PM – 6:00PM	Toledo	University of Toledo 2801 Bancroft Street Toledo, Ohio 43606

Saturday, August 28, 2021

10:00AM – 1:00PM	Dayton	Wright State University 3640 Colonel Glenn Highway Dayton, OH 45435
4:00PM – 7:00pm	Cincinnati	University of Cincinnati 2600 Clifton Avenue Cincinnati, OH 45221

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Thanks!

-Merle



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All-

Secretary LaRose will be on orders with the US Army next week.

He will be represented by staff at each hearing.

Monday in Cleveland and Youngstown
Merle Madrid, Chief of Staff

Tuesday in Dayton and Cincinnati
D. Michael Grodhaus, Chief Legal Counsel

Wednesday in Zanesville and Rio Grande and
Thursday in Lima and Toledo
Chris Oliveti, Director of Legislative Affairs

Friday in Akron and Mansfield
Jeananne Chadsey, Deputy Chief of Staff

Thanks so much!

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Gentlemen,

Attached please find the most recent draft of the proposed commission rules. Please let me know if you have any suggested edits or opinions on this version.

Thanks,

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(C) The rules stated herein, as supplemented by Robert’s Rules of Order, shall be the procedural rules for the operation of the Ohio Redistricting Commission.

Rule 02 | Notices of meetings and hearings.

(A) Any person may ascertain the time and place of all regularly scheduled meetings, the time, place, and purpose of all specially scheduled meetings, and the time and place of public hearings of the Ohio Redistricting Commission through one of the following methods:

(1) Consulting the website of the Ohio Redistricting Commission at:

www.redistricting.ohio.gov

(2) Consulting the public bulletin boards located outside of the chambers of the Ohio House of Representatives and the Ohio Senate on the second floor of the Ohio Statehouse, Columbus, Ohio 43215.

(3) Requesting electronic notice of all meetings of the Ohio Redistricting Commission. The Co-Chairs’ designated staff shall jointly maintain a list of all persons who have requested such notification. A request for such notification shall:

(a) Contain the name of the person making the request and an email address to which electronic notice should be sent;

(b) Be sent in writing either:

(i) By mail to:

Ohio Redistricting Commission
c/o Clerk of the Ohio Senate
Ohio Statehouse
Columbus, Ohio 43215

(ii) Or, by electronic mail to: meetings@redistricting.ohio.gov

- (c) Be received forty-eight hours prior to any regularly scheduled meeting, specially scheduled meeting, or public hearing.
- (C) In the event of a regularly scheduled meeting, specially scheduled meeting not of an emergency nature, or public hearing, the Co-Chairs' designated staff shall provide notice of such meeting or hearing by providing the notice described in paragraph (A)(1), (A)(2), or (A)(3) of this rule not later than twenty-four hours prior to the meeting or hearing. In the event of a special meeting of an emergency nature, the Co-Chairs' designated staff shall provide notice of such meeting by providing the notice described in paragraph (A)(1), (A)(2), or (A)(3) of this rule. In such event, however, the notice need not be given twenty-four hours prior to the meeting, but shall be given immediately upon the scheduling of such meeting.

Rule 03 | Open meetings.

All meetings and public hearings of the Ohio Redistricting Commission shall be held in accordance with the Sunshine Law, section 121.22 of the Revised Code, as amended. All meetings and public hearings of the Ohio Redistricting Commission shall be broadcast by electronic means of transmission using a medium readily accessible by the general public.

Rule 04 | Officers; participation of members; minutes.

- (A) The Ohio Redistricting Commission shall have two Co-Chairs selected by the legislative leaders in the Senate and the House of Representatives of each of the two largest political parties represented in the general assembly, acting jointly by political party to serve.
- (B) Each member of the Ohio Redistricting Commission shall be entitled to participate in all voting and debates, regardless of position held on the Commission.
- (C) Minutes of each meeting of the Ohio Redistricting Commission shall be maintained by the Co-Chairs' designated staff. Such minutes shall be circulated among the members and adopted by majority vote at a subsequent meeting of the Ohio Redistricting Commission. Transcripts and archived video of meetings of the Ohio Redistricting Commission shall be provided upon request and completion and verification through the Ohio Government Telecommunications Service.

Rule 05 | Calling of meetings.

After the initial meeting of the Ohio Redistricting Commission, at which the Commission is convened, a meeting of the Commission may be called upon twenty-four hours notice. Such call and notice to each member of the Ohio Redistricting Commission shall be issued jointly by the Co-Chairs, or may be dispensed with if a motion to recess a meeting designates a time certain for continuation of that meeting. However, a meeting may be jointly called by the Co-Chairs, upon proper notice, prior to a previously designated meeting, should the Co-Chairs deem it necessary.

Rule 06 | Quorum.

A majority of the seven members of the Ohio Redistricting Commission constitutes a quorum. A majority of the Ohio Redistricting Commission is required for any official actions of the Commission, including but not limited to the adoption of a plan of redistricting. All motions before the Ohio Redistricting Commission shall be determined by majority vote and in accordance with Article XI of the Ohio Constitution, and, if necessary, Article XIX of the Ohio Constitution. Members of the Ohio Redistricting Commission or their designees may, from time to time, conduct public hearings referred to in Rule 08, absent a quorum of members.

Rule 07 | Records retention and public records policies.

(A) Pursuant to section 149.34 of the Revised Code, the Ohio Redistricting Commission shall adopt the Ohio department of administrative services general records retention schedules for general administration records, personnel records, fiscal records, and information technology records.

(B) Pursuant to division (E) of section 149.43 of the Revised Code, the Ohio Redistricting Commission shall adopt a public records policy.

Rule 08 | Public hearings on the process.

The Co-Chairs' designated staff shall organize a series of public hearings in locations around the State of Ohio for the Ohio Redistricting Commission's members or their designees to receive public comment and input on the redistricting process. The Co-Chairs' designated staff shall notify the members of the Ohio Redistricting Commission or their designees of the time, date, and location of each public hearing in the manner prescribed in paragraph (A)(1), (A)(2), or (A)(3) of Rule 02 and in no event less than twenty-four hours prior to each public hearing.

The Co-Chairs of the Ohio Redistricting Commission, or their designees, shall preside over these public hearings. Each member of the Ohio Redistricting Commission may designate an individual(s) to represent the member at any or all of these public hearings. Any individual so designated to represent a member of the Ohio Redistricting Commission shall have no voting rights. No official business or action of the Ohio Redistricting Commission shall take place at the public hearings referred to in this rule, except for the receiving of public comment and input or adopting procedural rules for the operation of the Commission; provided that, the Co-Chairs must provide at least twenty-four hours written notice to the Commission members for there to be a vote on adopting procedural rules for the operation of the Commission.

Rule 09 | Redistricting plans.

Any member of the Ohio Redistricting Commission, person, or organization may submit for the consideration of the Commission a proposed general assembly district plan. Any member of the Ohio Redistricting Commission, person or organization may submit for the consideration of the Commission a congressional redistricting plan.

This is a working draft and subject to revision

Redistricting plans submitted to the Ohio Redistricting Commission for consideration should contain visual representations of the proposed boundaries. The Ohio Redistricting Commission's website shall give any person or organization access to necessary Census data.

Redistricting plans submitted by the public to the Ohio Redistricting Commission for consideration shall be submitted on the Commission's website at:

www.redistricting.ohio.gov

or by mailing to:

Ohio Redistricting Commission
c/o Clerk of the Ohio Senate
Ohio Statehouse
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Upon receipt, the Co-Chairs' designated staff shall promptly provide electronic notification of a submitted plan to all the members of the Ohio Redistricting Commission, and cause each submitted plan to be posted on the Commission's website for the public to view.

Rule 10 | Consideration of redistricting plans; adoption of plan.

During the meeting or meetings of the commission, a sponsor of a plan may personally or through a representative present the substance of their plan to the members of the Redistricting Commission for a period not to exceed ten minutes, unless extended by a majority of the commission. The public may offer testimony or comment not to exceed five minutes on any redistricting plan before the commission, unless extended by a majority of the commission. The co-chairs of the Ohio Redistricting Commission may limit testimony or comments on plans before the Commission, as the Co-Chairs deem necessary.

Any person wishing to testify on a given plan must provide written notice to the Co-Chairs' designated staff prior to the meeting scheduled to consider the various plans submitted.

Members of the Ohio Redistricting Commission may ask questions of any person testifying on the various redistricting plans before the Commission during the meeting scheduled to consider these plans. Members of the Ohio Redistricting Commission may request testimony from experts during this meeting.

Only members of the Ohio Redistricting Commission may offer amendments to a general assembly district plan or, if necessary, a congressional district plan.

The Co-Chairs of the Ohio Redistricting Commission may offer amendments on behalf of those persons sponsoring redistricting plans who are not members of the Commission.

Rule 11 | Publication of redistricting plan.

This is a working draft and subject to revision

After a final general assembly district plan is adopted by the Ohio Redistricting Commission in accordance with Article XI of the Ohio Constitution, the Co-Chairs of the Commission shall coordinate with the Governor for the publication of the adopted plan no later than September 30, 2021. The first publication of the plan shall be made electronically on the Ohio Redistricting Commission's website and in its entirety in at least four Ohio newspapers that are geographically diverse, and may be made in a preprinted insert. The second publication shall be made in abbreviated form in those newspapers pursuant to section 7.16 of the Revised Code. No further newspaper publications are required if the second, abbreviated notice meets the requirements of section 7.16 of the Revised Code.

If the Ohio Redistricting Commission adopts a congressional district plan in accordance with Article XIX of the Ohio Constitution, the Co-Chairs of the Commission shall publish the plan no later than November 15, 2021. The first publication of the plan shall be made electronically on the Ohio Redistricting Commission's website and in its entirety in at least four Ohio newspapers that are geographically diverse, and may be made in a preprinted insert. The second publication shall be made in abbreviated form in those newspapers pursuant to section 7.16 of the Revised Code. No further newspaper publications are required if the second, abbreviated notice meets the requirements of section 7.16 of the Revised Code

Rule 12 | Reconvening the Redistricting Commission.

Should further action be necessary pursuant to either Article XI, Section 9 or Article XIX, Section 3 of the Ohio Constitution, the Ohio Redistricting Commission shall reconvene at the joint request of the Co-Chairs subject to this chapter.

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From: Will.Hinman@ohiohouse.gov

Sent: Monday, July 26, 2021 11:47:56 AM

To: 'Bob Cupp'; 'Christine Morrison'

Cc: Dwight.Crum@ohiohouse.gov

Subject: RE: tomorrow's calendar

Sensitivity: Normal

I have some things for you to sign, but otherwise, I will defer to Christine.

Will

From: Bob Cupp <rcupp@bright.net>

Sent: Monday, July 26, 2021 10:04 AM

To: 'Christine Morrison' <christinemorrison@yahoo.com>

Cc: Hinman, Will <Will.Hinman@ohiohouse.gov>; Crum, Dwight <Dwight.Crum@ohiohouse.gov>

Subject: tomorrow's calendar

I'm working on planning my schedule for the week.

1. Are we still on for the meetings with Pres. Huffman, et al, regarding redistricting? What time are those meetings?
2. Is the LSC memo on the comparison of the sports betting bills (the one in Finance and the one in conference committee) available yet? I would like to review it and have a conversation with Dwight about it. I understand that meeting with Seitz, Edwards, and Carfagna is not possible due to their other commitments, but I think a meeting with Dwight would be helpful to my understanding of where things now stand in advance to the larger meeting.
3. Are there other things that I should/can do while I am in Cols tomorrow (if the redistricting meeting is still on).

Thanks.

Bob

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Sensitivity: Normal
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Cc: John Barron <john.barron@ohiosenate.gov>; Mike Rowe <Mike.Rowe@ohiosenate.gov>
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All,

Sorry for the delay in getting these to you today. I had to leave early this afternoon for doctor appointments for our kids, so my day didn't go exactly as planned.

Nevertheless, per our meeting yesterday, attached are the following:

1. The draft constitutional amendment that was discussed; and
2. An updated Allocation of Task Force funds

For the draft amendment, it should include the fundamental ideas that were discussed; namely, a proposed amendment that:

1. Is limited solely to when the federal census is delayed; and
2. If/when the census is delayed, the general assembly has the authority to either use other data or extend the constitutional deadlines

The other ideas in the draft are simply that, ideas. So any thoughts you have are appreciated.

Thanks again for your patience today, and I look forward to your comments.

Frank

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The Ohio Senate
Senator Rob McColley
Co-Chair



The Ohio House of Representatives
Minority Leader, Emilia Sykes
Co-Chair

LEGISLATIVE TASK FORCE ON REDISTRICTING, REAPPORTIONMENT
& DEMOGRAPHIC RESEARCH
ALLOCATIONS OF FUNDS
April 22, 2021

Pursuant to ORC 103.51(A), the Co-Chairs of the Legislative Task Force on Redistricting, Reapportionment, and Demographic Research (“Task Force”) “may enter into any agreements on behalf of the task force and perform any acts that may be necessary or proper for the task force to carry out its powers and duties under this section.” As the Co-Chairs of the Task Force, we hereby authorize and direct the allocation of Task Force funds as follows:

Allocation of Funds

Each pair of legislative caucuses is allocated funds to purchase, lease or rent hardware, software, physical space and/or supplies, and contract for technical and legal services directly related to the 2021 redistricting processes of this state. This authority is limited at this time to \$150,000 for each pair of legislative caucuses and only for those expenses incurred after the date of this Allocation of Funds, up until January 1, 2022. The caucuses of each party may choose to split their \$150,000 allotment.

No such funds shall be used to pay for any legal services rendered for litigation related to the 2021 redistricting processes of this state. Further, any tangible goods purchased with these funds shall remain the property of the State of Ohio and in the possession of the caucus making the purchase.

Payment of Expenses

Any expense incurred by a caucus pursuant to this Allocation of Funds must be submitted for approval, along with supporting documentation of the expense, to the respective Task Force Co-Chair who is of the same political party as the caucus submitting the expense. The director of the Legislative Service Commission shall facilitate payment of any allowable expense approved by the Task Force Co-Chair to whom the expense was submitted.

The payment of any other expenses not covered in this Allocation of Funds requires documentation of the expense and approval of both Task Force Co-Chairs.

Rob McColley
State Senator, District 1
Co-Chair

Emilia Sykes
Minority Leader, Ohio House of Representatives
Co-Chair

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**134th General Assembly
Regular Session
2021-2022**

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A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing to amend Section 7 of Article XI and Section 2
of Article XIX and to enact Section 8a of Article XI
and Section 4 of Article XIX of the Constitution of
the State of Ohio to modify the redistricting
procedures that apply when the federal decennial
census is delayed.

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Be it resolved by the General Assembly of the State of
Ohio, three-fifths of the members elected to each house
concurring herein, that there shall be submitted to the electors
of the state, in the manner prescribed by law at a special
election to be held on August 3, 2021, a proposal to amend
Section 7 of Article XI and Section 2 of Article XIX and to
enact Section 8a of Article XI and Section 4 of Article XIX of
the Constitution of the State of Ohio to read as follows:

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ARTICLE XI

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Section 7. Notwithstanding the fact that boundaries of
counties, municipal corporations, and townships within a
district may be changed change over time, ~~district boundaries~~
~~shall be created by using~~ the boundaries of counties, municipal



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corporations, and townships as they exist existed at the time of
the most recent federal decennial census on which the
redistricting is based, or, if unavailable, on such other basis
as the general assembly has directed from which data was received
shall be used to create district boundaries required under this
article.

Section. 8a. If the general assembly has not received the
federal decennial census data for this state from the federal
government by the first day of April in a year ending in the
numeral one, such that it will not be feasible for the Ohio
redistricting commission to meet the deadlines described in
Sections 1 and 8 of this article, the general assembly may adopt
a concurrent resolution that either directs the usage of some
other basis or extends the deadlines for a period of time it
determines necessary. Any such deadlines adopted by the general
assembly supersede any deadlines otherwise set forth in this
article.

ARTICLE XIX

Section 2. (A) (1) Each congressional district shall be
entitled to a single representative in the United States house
of representatives in each congress.

(2) The whole population of the state, as determined by
the federal decennial census or, if the federal decennial census
is unavailable, another basis as directed by the general
assembly, shall be divided by the number of congressional
districts apportioned to the state pursuant to Section 2 of
Article I of the Constitution of the United States, and the
quotient shall be the congressional ratio of representation for
the next ten years.

(3) Notwithstanding the fact that boundaries of counties, municipal corporations, and townships within a district may be changed change over time, district the boundaries shall be created by using the data from of counties, municipal corporations, and townships as they existed at the time of the most recent recent federal decennial census or from the basis directed by the general assembly, as applicable from which data was received shall be used to create district boundaries required under this article.	49 50 51 52 53 54 55 56 57
(B) A congressional district plan shall comply with all of the following requirements:	58 59
(1) The plan shall comply with all applicable provisions of the constitutions of Ohio and the United States and of federal law, including federal laws protecting racial minority voting rights.	60 61 62 63
(2) Every congressional district shall be compact.	64
(3) Every congressional district shall be composed of contiguous territory, and the boundary of each district shall be a single nonintersecting continuous line.	65 66 67
(4) Except as otherwise required by federal law, in a county that contains a population that exceeds the congressional ratio of representation, the authority drawing the districts shall take the first of the following actions that applies to that county:	68 69 70 71 72
(a) If a municipal corporation or township located in that county contains a population that exceeds the congressional ratio of representation, the authority shall attempt to include a significant portion of that municipal corporation or township in a single district and may include in that district other	73 74 75 76 77

municipal corporations or townships that are located in that county and whose residents have similar interests as the residents of the municipal corporation or township that contains a population that exceeds the congressional ratio of representation. In determining whether the population of a municipal corporation or township exceeds the congressional ratio of representation for the purpose of this division, if the territory of that municipal corporation or township completely surrounds the territory of another municipal corporation or township, the territory of the surrounded municipal corporation or township shall be considered part of the territory of the surrounding municipal corporation or township.	78 79 80 81 82 83 84 85 86 87 88 89
(b) If one municipal corporation or township in that county contains a population of not less than one hundred thousand and not more than the congressional ratio of representation, that municipal corporation or township shall not be split. If that county contains two or more such municipal corporations or townships, only the most populous of those municipal corporations or townships shall not be split.	90 91 92 93 94 95 96
(5) Of the eighty-eight counties in this state, sixty-five counties shall be contained entirely within a district, eighteen counties may be split not more than once, and five counties may be split not more than twice. The authority drawing the districts may determine which counties may be split.	97 98 99 100 101
(6) If a congressional district includes only part of the territory of a particular county, the part of that congressional district that lies in that particular county shall be contiguous within the boundaries of the county.	102 103 104 105
(7) No two congressional districts shall share portions of the territory of more than one county, except for a county whose	106 107

population exceeds four hundred thousand.	108
(8) The authority drawing the districts shall attempt to include at least one whole county in each congressional district. This division does not apply to a congressional district that is contained entirely within one county or that cannot be drawn in that manner while complying with federal law.	109 110 111 112 113
(C)(1) Except as otherwise provided in division (C)(2) of this section, for purposes of this article, a county, municipal corporation, or township is considered to be split if, based on the census data used for the purpose of redistricting, any contiguous portion of its territory is not contained entirely within one district.	114 115 116 117 118 119
(2) If a municipal corporation or township has territory in more than one county, the contiguous portion of that municipal corporation or township that lies in each county shall be considered to be a separate municipal corporation or township for purposes of this section.	120 121 122 123 124
<u>Section 4. If the general assembly has not received the federal decennial census data for this state from the federal government by the first day of April in a year ending in the numeral one, such that it will not be feasible for the general assembly or the Ohio redistricting commission, as applicable, to meet the deadlines described in Section 1 of this article, the general assembly may adopt a concurrent resolution that either directs the usage of some other basis or extends the deadlines for a period of time it determines necessary. Any such deadlines adopted by the general assembly supersede any deadlines otherwise set forth in this article.</u>	125 126 127 128 129 130 131 132 133 134 135
EFFECTIVE DATE	136

If adopted by a majority of the electors voting on this proposal, Section 7 of Article XI and Section 2 of Article XIX amended by this proposal and Section 8a of Article XI and Section 4 of Article XIX enacted by this proposal shall take effect immediately and the existing version of Section 7 of Article XI and the existing version of Section 2 of Article XIX of the Constitution of the State of Ohio shall be repealed effective immediately.	137 138 139 140 141 142 143 144
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From: Christine.Morrison@ohiohouse.gov

Sent: Friday, April 30, 2021 5:18:35 PM

To: Bob.Cupp

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Recently, we have had a number of meetings and conversations with the democratic leaders in the House and the Senate to discuss the federal government's delayed delivery of key census data for our state, and offered some initial ideas. Candidly, we are utterly bewildered by some of the responses so we thought it would be helpful to clarify the problem.

Ohio's Constitution expressly requires the Ohio Redistricting Commission to approve a bipartisan, 10-year map for General Assembly districts by September 1 of this year. If the Commission fails to do that, the Commission has an additional 14 days to try again, and if they still cannot, then they have to approve a 4-year map by a simple majority. In either case, the Commission must approve of a map by September 15. The Commission cannot be relieved of this constitutional requirement, including asking the Ohio Supreme Court to magically allow the Commission to disregard its constitutionally mandated deadline. The Supreme Court has no more authority than the legislature to move a constitutional deadline.

Normally, the two deadlines would not be a problem if the Census Bureau provided Ohio with the necessary data by the federal law deadline of March 31. Unfortunately, the Census Bureau was unable to provide Ohio with that data by March 31, but instead notified all states that they will receive their respective census data by August 16 – approximately 4 ½ months later than the federal law deadline.

If Ohio actually receives the census data on August 16 as promised, it will take a couple extra weeks to prepare it so that the Commission can begin to create a new map. The problem is that, at that point, it will be September 1, and the Commission will already have been unable to do any of the following constitutionally mandated tasks: (1) introduce a proposed new map, (2) have at least 3 required public hearings on the proposed map, and/or (3) vote on a map. Instead, they will be rushing to draw a last-minute map to comply with the September 15 deadline, further limiting any bipartisan discussions amongst the members of the Commission, and most importantly, any public input.

For these reasons, we sought mutual consensus with leadership on how to fix the problem. Specifically, we proposed a simple amendment to the Ohio Constitution on the August 3 ballot, which Ohioans would need to approve. The four of us met in person to discuss this issue, we had a follow up phone call a couple days later, and our staff has submitted a couple different proposals to the democratic leaders' staff, asking for suggestions that they may have to our proposed ideas. To date, we have not received a single counter-suggestion, but instead, have only heard their thoughts through the media.

We are asking the democrats in good faith to help us ensure their input in the upcoming redistricting process, and the input of all Ohioans. Nothing more, nothing less. We believe a simple one-time extension of two deadlines in the Constitution – again, which voters must approve – will accomplish those objectives. If the democrats do not wish to help us do that, all we ask them to do is directly tell us that because we are not interested in proceeding without their support. What we are not interested in doing is either injecting politics so early into this process or impairing, in any way, this process, which we all worked so tirelessly on over the last 10 years.

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From: [Bob Cupp](#)
Sent: Thursday, April 29, 2021 7:20:00 PM
To: Dwight.Crum@ohiohouse.gov
Cc: Christine.Morrison@ohiohouse.gov; Heather.Blessing@ohiohouse.gov
Subject: RE: let me know your thoughts
Sensitivity: Normal
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Co-sponsor Request Const Amend Time Ext.docx ;

Please see attached for your review.

From: Dwight.Crum@ohiohouse.gov <Dwight.Crum@ohiohouse.gov>
Sent: Thursday, April 29, 2021 7:09 PM
To: Robert Cupp <rcupp@bright.net>
Cc: Christine.Morrison@ohiohouse.gov; Heather.Blessing@ohiohouse.gov
Subject: Re: let me know your thoughts

Yes and I had meant to include Heather on the prior email so adding her here
Thanks!

On Apr 29, 2021, at 6:57 PM, Robert Cupp <rcupp@bright.net> wrote:

I've made a few clarifying changes to the draft. Shall I forward to you?

----- Original message -----

From: Dwight.Crum@ohiohouse.gov
Date: 4/29/21 5:00 PM (GMT-05:00)
To: rcupp@bright.net, Christine.Morrison@ohiohouse.gov
Subject: Fwd: let me know your thoughts

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Blessing, Heather" <Heather.Blessing@ohiohouse.gov>
Date: April 29, 2021 at 10:05:55 AM EDT
To: "Crum, Dwight" <Dwight.Crum@ohiohouse.gov>
Subject: RE: let me know your thoughts

No changes except for the date, which is TBD, and changing "I" to "we" depending on how many primary joint sponsors.

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To: Blessing, Heather <Heather.Blessing@ohiohouse.gov>
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Date: April 28, 2021 at 4:34:27 PM EDT
To: "Crum, Dwight" <Dwight.Crum@ohiohouse.gov>
Subject: RE: let me know your thoughts

This works for me

From: Crum, Dwight <Dwight.Crum@ohiohouse.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, April 28, 2021 4:14 PM
To: Disantis, Paul <Paul.Disantis@ohiohouse.gov>
Subject: let me know your thoughts

I will soon be introducing a proposal constitutional amendment to help the new Ohio Redistricting Commission fulfill its mission of drawing Ohio General Assembly district lines using Ohio's new voter-approved redistricting process.

By way of background, in 2015, Ohio voters approved a bipartisan plan to reform redistricting. This constitutional amendment was the result of extensive work, and it was endorsed by Ohio's leading newspapers as well as leaders from across the political spectrum. Most importantly, it earned nearly 71 percent of the vote.

Among the details of the plan was a requirement that maps for Ohio General Assembly districts be approved by September 15.

Typically, the data necessary to draw the maps is released by the federal government in April. Recently, however, we learned that due to the impact of COVID-19, redistricting

data from the 2020 Census will not arrive until mid-August, leaving the commission with only a few weeks to craft and approve new General Assembly district maps.

Clearly, this presents significant challenges.

In order to allow the Ohio Redistricting Commission to fulfill its responsibilities in a fair, transparent manner, I will soon be introducing a proposed constitutional amendment that, if approved by the legislature, would appear on the August 3 ballot. This proposal would seek voter approval for two changes to the timeline for this upcoming round of redistricting.

First, the deadline by which Ohio General Assembly maps need to be approved would be changed from September 15 to November 17.

Second, the proposal would make a corresponding change to candidate residency requirements, giving candidates for the Ohio General Assembly 90 days following the approval of the maps to establish residency in the new districts.

Again, these changes would only apply to 2021.

Let me be clear: This proposal does not in any way undermine or alter the intent of the proposal approved by voters. It doesn't change the criteria for drawing the maps. It also does not change the process to be used. It only changes the date by which the maps must be complete and makes an accompanying change to ensure Ohioans wishing to run for the legislature have ample opportunity to do so.

These two non-controversial changes are important to ensure Ohio's new voter-approved redistricting reform plan for Ohio General Assembly districts is implemented smoothly.

In short, this proposal protects the will of the voters and ensures maps are drawn using accurate data.

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Archived: Wednesday, August 25, 2021 2:45:47 PM
From: Heather.Blessing@ohiohouse.gov
Sent: Friday, April 30, 2021 11:10:19 AM
To: Bob.Cupp@ohiohouse.gov
Cc: Christine.Morrison@ohiohouse.gov
Subject: RE: let me know your thoughts
Sensitivity: Normal

All looks good to me.

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From: Bob Cupp <rcupp@bright.net>
Sent: Thursday, April 29, 2021 7:20 PM
To: Crum, Dwight <Dwight.Crum@ohiohouse.gov>
Cc: Morrison, Christine <Christine.Morrison@ohiohouse.gov>; Blessing, Heather <Heather.Blessing@ohiohouse.gov>
Subject: RE: let me know your thoughts

Please see attached for your review.

From: Dwight.Crum@ohiohouse.gov <Dwight.Crum@ohiohouse.gov>
Sent: Thursday, April 29, 2021 7:09 PM
To: Robert Cupp <rcupp@bright.net>
Cc: Christine.Morrison@ohiohouse.gov; Heather.Blessing@ohiohouse.gov
Subject: Re: let me know your thoughts

Yes and I had meant to include Heather on the prior email so adding her here
Thanks!

On Apr 29, 2021, at 6:57 PM, Robert Cupp <rcupp@bright.net> wrote:

I've made a few clarifying changes to the draft. Shall I forward to you?

----- Original message -----

From: Dwight.Crum@ohiohouse.gov

Date: 4/29/21 5:00 PM (GMT-05:00)

To: rcupp@bright.net, Christine.Morrison@ohiohouse.gov

Subject: Fwd: let me know your thoughts

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Blessing, Heather" <Heather.Blessing@ohiohouse.gov>

Date: April 29, 2021 at 10:05:55 AM EDT

To: "Crum, Dwight" <Dwight.Crum@ohiohouse.gov>

Subject: RE: let me know your thoughts

No changes except for the date, which is TBD, and changing "I" to "we" depending on how many primary joint sponsors.

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From: Crum, Dwight <Dwight.Crum@ohiohouse.gov>

Sent: Thursday, April 29, 2021 9:39 AM

To: Blessing, Heather <Heather.Blessing@ohiohouse.gov>

Subject: Fwd: let me know your thoughts

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Disantis, Paul" <Paul.Disantis@ohiohouse.gov>

Date: April 28, 2021 at 4:34:27 PM EDT

To: "Crum, Dwight" <Dwight.Crum@ohiohouse.gov>

Subject: RE: let me know your thoughts

This works for me

From: Crum, Dwight <Dwight.Crum@ohiohouse.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, April 28, 2021 4:14 PM
To: Disantis, Paul <Paul.Disantis@ohiohouse.gov>
Subject: let me know your thoughts

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From: Murray, Kane
Sent: Friday, May 14, 2021 4:36 PM
To: Young, Brad; Kelsey Culbertson
Subject: I-134-1280-4
Attachments: 1_134_1280-4.pdf

Hello,

Please see bill to be filed for Redistricting Transparency.

Primary sponsor : Representative Paula Hicks-Hudson

Cosponsors: Rep. Boyd, Rep. Boggs, Rep Skindell, Rep. Miranda, Rep. Troy, Rep. O'Brien, Rep. Sheehy, Rep Crossman, Rep. Kent Smith ,Rep. Robinson, Rep. West , Rep. A. Miller, Rep. Sweeny, Rep. B. Kelly, Rep. Michele Lepore-Hagan , Rep Crawley, Rep. Leland, Rep. Brown, Rep. Weinstein, Rep. J Miller, Rep. Denson, Rep M. Smith, Rep. Sykes, Rep. Upchurch, Rep Liston, Rep Blackshear, Rep. Ingram, Rep. Brent, Rep. Russo, Rep. Sobecki, Rep. Howse

Best,

Kane E. C. Murray

Legislative Aide

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134th General Assembly
Regular Session
2021-2022

. B. No.

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A BILL

To amend sections 101.30 and 103.51 and to enact
sections 103.52 and 103.53 of the Revised Code
to delineate the public records, public
meetings, and other requirements with which the
Ohio Redistricting Commission, the General
Assembly, and the Legislative Task Force on
Redistricting, Reapportionment, and Demographic
Research must comply during the redistricting
process, to make an appropriation, and to
declare an emergency. 1
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BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That sections 101.30 and 103.51 be amended and
sections 103.52 and 103.53 of the Revised Code be enacted to 11
read as follows: 12
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Sec. 101.30. (A) As used in this section: 14
(1) "Legislative document" includes, but is not limited 15
to, all of the following: 16

(a) A working paper, work product, correspondence, 17


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preliminary draft, note, proposed bill or resolution, proposed amendment to a bill or resolution, analysis, opinion, memorandum, or other document in whatever form or format prepared by legislative staff for a member of the general assembly or for general assembly staff;	18 19 20 21 22
(b) Any document or material in whatever form or format provided by a member of the general assembly or general assembly staff to legislative staff that requests, or that provides information or materials to assist in, the preparation of any of the items described in division (A) (1) (a) of this section;	23 24 25 26 27
(c) Any summary of a bill or resolution or of an amendment to a bill or resolution in whatever form or format that is prepared by or in the possession of a member of the general assembly or general assembly staff, if the summary is prepared before the bill, resolution, or amendment is filed for introduction or presented at a committee hearing or floor session, as applicable.	28 29 30 31 32 33 34
(2) "Legislative staff" means the staff of the legislative service commission, legislative budget office of the legislative service commission, or any other legislative agency included in the legislative service commission budget group.	35 36 37 38
(3) "General assembly staff" means an officer or employee of either house of the general assembly who acts on behalf of a member of the general assembly or on behalf of a committee or either house of the general assembly.	39 40 41 42
(B) Legislative staff shall maintain a confidential relationship with each member of the general assembly, and with each member of the general assembly staff, with respect to communications between the member of the general assembly or	43 44 45 46

general assembly staff and legislative staff. Except as otherwise provided in this division and division (C) of this section <u>and in sections 103.51, 103.52, and 103.53 of the Revised Code</u> , a legislative document arising out of this confidential relationship is not a public record for purposes of section 149.43 of the Revised Code. When it is in the public interest and with the consent of the commission, the director of the commission may release to the public any legislative document in the possession of the commission staff arising out of a confidential relationship with a former member of the general assembly or former member of the general assembly staff who is not available to make the legislative document a public record as provided in division (C) of this section because of death or disability, whom the director is unable to contact for that purpose, or who fails to respond to the director after the director has made a reasonable number of attempts to make such contact.	47 48 49 50 51 52 53 54 55 56 57 58 59 60 61 62 63
(C) (1) A legislative document is a public record for purposes of section 149.43 of the Revised Code if it is an analysis, synopsis, fiscal note, or local impact statement prepared by legislative staff that is required to be prepared by law, or by a rule of either house of the general assembly, for the benefit of the members of either or both of those houses or any legislative committee and if it has been presented to those members.	64 65 66 67 68 69 70 71
(2) A legislative document is a public record for purposes of section 149.43 of the Revised Code if a member of the general assembly for whom legislative staff prepared the legislative document does any of the following:	72 73 74 75
(a) Files it for introduction with the clerk of the senate	76

or the clerk of the house of representatives, if it is a bill or resolution;	77 78
(b) Presents it at a committee hearing or floor session, if it is an amendment to a bill or resolution or is a substitute bill or resolution;	79 80 81
(c) Releases it, or authorizes general assembly staff or legislative staff to release it, to the public.	82 83
Sec. 103.51. (A) There is hereby created the legislative task force on redistricting, reapportionment, and demographic research, consisting of six members. The president of the senate shall appoint three members, not more than two of whom shall be members of the same political party. One member appointed by the president shall not be a member of the general assembly. The speaker of the house of representatives shall appoint three members, not more than two of whom shall be members of the same political party. One member appointed by the speaker shall not be a member of the general assembly.	84 85 86 87 88 89 90 91 92 93
Appointments to the task force shall be made within fifteen days after the commencement of the first regular session of each general assembly in the manner prescribed in this division. A vacancy on the task force shall be filled for the unexpired term in the same manner as the original appointment. Members of the task force shall serve on the task force until the appointments are made in the first regular session of the following general assembly or, in the case of task force members who also are general assembly members when appointed, until they are no longer general assembly members.	94 95 96 97 98 99 100 101 102 103
The president of the senate shall appoint a member of the task force, and the speaker of the house of representatives	104 105

shall appoint a member of the task force, to serve as eo-chairmen co-chairpersons of the task force. The eo-chairmen co-chairpersons shall be members of different political parties.	106 107 108
The eo-chairmen co-chairpersons may enter into any agreements on behalf of the task force and perform any acts that may be necessary or proper for the task force to carry out its powers and duties under this section.	109 110 111 112
(B) The members of the task force shall serve without compensation, but shall be reimbursed for their actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their official duties.	113 114 115 116
(C) The task force shall do all of the following:	117
(1) Provide such assistance to the general assembly and its committees as requested in order to help the general assembly fulfill its duty to establish districts for the election of representatives to congress;	118 119 120 121
(2) Provide such assistance to the apportionment board as requested in order to help it fulfill its duty to provide for the apportionment of this state for members of the general assembly. As used in this section, "apportionment board" means the persons designated in Section 1 of Article XI, Ohio Constitution, as being responsible for that apportionment.	122 123 124 125 126 127
(3) Engage in such research studies and other activities as the task force considers necessary or appropriate in the preparation and formulation of a plan for the next apportionment of the state for members of the general assembly and a plan for the next establishment of districts for the election of representatives to congress and in the utilization of census and other demographic and statistical data for policy analysis,	128 129 130 131 132 133 134

program development, and program evaluation purposes for the benefit of the general assembly.	135 136
(D) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the task force may do all of the following:	137 138
(1) Hire such employees and engage such experts and technical advisors and fix their compensation, and obtain such services, as are necessary for the task force to exercise its duties under this section;	139 140 141 142
(2) Authorize the providing of such services and the furnishing of such data by the task force to any state agency or political subdivision of this state as the task force may specify, on such terms and conditions as the task force may specify, including the amount of the payment for providing the services and furnishing the data;	143 144 145 146 147 148
(3) Conduct meetings and hearings both within and outside this state and otherwise exercise all of the powers of a standing or select committee of the general assembly;	149 150 151
(4) Request and receive from any state agency or political subdivision of this state such assistance and data as will enable the task force to exercise its powers and duties under this section.	152 153 154 155
(E) <u>Notwithstanding any contrary provision of section 121.22 of the Revised Code, the co-chairpersons of the task force shall provide the public with at least seventy-two hours of advance notice of the time and location of any meeting or hearing of the task force, shall make that meeting or hearing open to the public, and shall hold that meeting or hearing in a public building or office.</u>	156 157 158 159 160 161 162
(F) <u>Notwithstanding any contrary provision of section</u>	163

<u>101.30 of the Revised Code, all records related to the work of the task force kept by any member of the task force or the member's employee or agent, including any contractor or consultant directly or indirectly retained by any member of the general assembly, any task force member, or the Ohio redistricting commission, or by any other public office are public records within the meaning of section 149.43 of the Revised Code.</u>	164 165 166 167 168 169 170 171
<u>Sec. 103.52. (A) The governor shall convene the Ohio redistricting commission described under Article XI, Ohio Constitution, not later than the first day of June of each year ending in the numeral one. During the period beginning on the day the governor convenes the Ohio redistricting commission and ending on the day the commission is dissolved, the co-chairpersons of the commission shall do all of the following:</u>	172 173 174 175 176 177 178
<u>(1) Within fourteen days of the commission's convening, adopt rules for the commission, announce the hiring of staff for the commission, announce a plan for spending the commission's appropriated funds in a bipartisan manner, and adopt a plan for holding public hearings both before and after congressional maps are proposed;</u>	179 180 181 182 183 184
<u>(2) Hold a public hearing or briefing concerning the status of the commission's work at least once each week;</u>	185 186
<u>(3) Begin holding public hearings at least three weeks before any final map approval vote, the same requirement applying to any committees doing the work of the commission, regardless of whether data from the United States census bureau is available;</u>	187 188 189 190 191
<u>(4) Issue a written progress report to the public at least</u>	192

<u>once each week concerning the status of the commission's work,</u>	193
<u>signed by the co-chairpersons and include copies of all draft</u>	194
<u>redistricting plans that have been shared between two or more</u>	195
<u>members of the commission or their employees or agents during</u>	196
<u>the period covered by the report;</u>	197
<u>(5) Develop and maintain a process by which the commission</u>	198
<u>receives and considers, in real time, maps and comments</u>	199
<u>submitted by members of the public concerning any draft</u>	200
<u>redistricting plan;</u>	201
<u>(6) Cause to be developed and maintained the Ohio</u>	202
<u>redistricting web site described in division (B) of this</u>	203
<u>section.</u>	204
<u>(B) The Ohio redistricting web site shall be a publicly</u>	205
<u>accessible online redistricting tool with a population and</u>	206
<u>redistricting data set identical to the data set used by the</u>	207
<u>general assembly and the Ohio redistricting commission to draw</u>	208
<u>new legislative and congressional districts. The most recent</u>	209
<u>census population data from the 2019 American community survey</u>	210
<u>shall be made available on the web site while the United States</u>	211
<u>census bureau finishes compiling enumeration data from the 2020</u>	212
<u>census. The 2020 enumeration data shall be made available on the</u>	213
<u>web site once it is provided to the state by the United States</u>	214
<u>census bureau. The web site shall be hosted by the legislative</u>	215
<u>service commission, shall be accessible from the web site of the</u>	216
<u>legislative service commission, and shall do all of the</u>	217
<u>following:</u>	218
<u>(1) Include a space for members of the public to submit</u>	219
<u>comments on any state legislative or congressional maps, and to</u>	220
<u>submit their own maps in various formats;</u>	221

<u>(2) Provide information on Ohio's redistricting process, including redistricting criteria and previous maps;</u>	222 223
<u>(3) Provide information about upcoming hearings, including time and place;</u>	224 225
<u>(4) Provide contact information for all elected officials who are members of the commission, the legislative task force on redistricting and demographic research, or any legislative committees involved in the redistricting process.</u>	226 227 228 229
<u>(C) Notwithstanding any contrary provision of section 121.22 of the Revised Code, the co-chairpersons of the commission shall provide the public with at least seventy-two hours of advance notice of the time and location of any meeting or hearing concerning redistricting, shall make that meeting or hearing open to the public, and shall hold that meeting or hearing in a public building or office.</u>	230 231 232 233 234 235 236
<u>(D) Notwithstanding any contrary provision of section 121.22 of the Revised Code, the Ohio redistricting commission and any related committees shall conduct public hearings outside of standard working hours and in locations compliant with the "Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990," 42 U.S.C. 12101 et seq. that are accessible by public transportation.</u>	237 238 239 240 241 242
<u>(E) Any person who has submitted a complete map, directly or through the Ohio redistricting web site under division (B) of this section, which is compliant with the basic principles of redistricting, to a chairperson or the co-chairpersons of the Ohio redistricting commission or a related committee shall be permitted to discuss the proposed map at any of the general assembly's or commission's public hearings regarding redistricting.</u>	243 244 245 246 247 248 249 250

<u>(F) Notwithstanding any contrary provision of section 101.30 of the Revised Code, all records related to the Ohio redistricting commission kept by any member of the commission or the member's employee or agent or by any other public office are public records within the meaning of section 149.43 of the Revised Code.</u>	251 252 253 254 255 256
<u>(G) The commission shall allow for virtual, interactive testimony and participation by the public and shall not require members of the public to appear in person to testify.</u>	257 258 259
<u>Sec. 103.53. (A) Beginning on the first day of July in a year ending in the numeral one, and continuing until the general assembly has adopted new congressional districts, the speaker and minority leader of the house of representatives and the president and minority leader of the senate shall do all of the following:</u>	260 261 262 263 264 265
<u>(1) Hold a public hearing or briefing concerning the status of the general assembly's work on congressional redistricting at least once each week;</u>	266 267 268
<u>(2) Issue a written progress report to the public at least once each week concerning the status of the general assembly's work on congressional redistricting, including the public input received with transcribed copies of hearings and public comments submitted on the Ohio redistricting web site under section 103.52 of the Revised Code. The report shall be signed by the speaker and minority leader of the house of representatives and by the president and minority leader of the senate and, notwithstanding section 101.30 of the Revised Code, shall include copies of all draft redistricting plans that have been shared between two or more members of the general assembly or their employees or agents during the period covered by the</u>	269 270 271 272 273 274 275 276 277 278 279 280

<u>report. This report shall be routinely uploaded to the Ohio</u>	281
<u>redistricting web site.</u>	282
<u>(3) Develop and maintain a process by which the members of</u>	283
<u>the general assembly receive and consider, in real time, maps</u>	284
<u>and comments submitted by members of the public concerning any</u>	285
<u>draft congressional redistricting plan.</u>	286
<u>(B) In accordance with Article XIX of the Ohio</u>	287
<u>Constitution, the general assembly shall create a joint</u>	288
<u>committee called the joint committee on redistricting to hold</u>	289
<u>hearings and report a congressional district plan to the general</u>	290
<u>assembly. The committee shall begin holding public hearings at</u>	291
<u>least three weeks before any final map approval vote. Hearings</u>	292
<u>shall take place both before and after maps are introduced for</u>	293
<u>consideration by the committee. The committee shall be comprised</u>	294
<u>of an equal number of majority party and minority party members,</u>	295
<u>who shall be appointed by the speaker of the house of</u>	296
<u>representatives, the minority leader of the house, the president</u>	297
<u>of the senate, and the minority leader of the senate.</u>	298
<u>(C) Notwithstanding any contrary provision of section</u>	299
<u>121.22 of the Revised Code, the public shall be provided with at</u>	300
<u>least seventy-two hours of advance notice of the time and</u>	301
<u>location of any meeting by committees of the general assembly</u>	302
<u>concerning congressional redistricting, and that meeting shall</u>	303
<u>be open to the public and held in a public building or office.</u>	304
<u>(D) Notwithstanding any contrary provision of section</u>	305
<u>101.30 of the Revised Code, all records related to congressional</u>	306
<u>redistricting kept by any member of the general assembly, the</u>	307
<u>member's employee or agent, or any other public office are</u>	308
<u>public records within the meaning of section 149.43 of the</u>	309
<u>Revised Code.</u>	310

<u>(E) The general assembly and its committees shall allow for virtual, interactive participation by the public and shall not require members of the public to appear in person to testify on any matter relating to redistricting.</u>	311 312 313 314
Section 2. That existing sections 101.30 and 103.51 of the Revised Code are hereby repealed.	315 316
Section 3. All items in this act are hereby appropriated as designated out of any moneys in the state treasury to the credit of the designated fund. For all operating appropriations made in this act, those in the first column are for fiscal year 2022 and those in the second column are for fiscal year 2023. The operating appropriations made in this act are in addition to any other operating appropriations made for the FY 2022-FY 2023 biennium.	317 318 319 320 321 322 323 324
Section 4.	325

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A RDC OHIO REDISTRICTING COMMISSION

B General Revenue Fund

C	GRF	006400	Ohio Redistricting Commission	\$2,000,000	\$0
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D	TOTAL GRF General Revenue Fund		\$2,000,000	\$0
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E	TOTAL ALL BUDGET FUND GROUPS		\$2,000,000	\$0
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OHIO REDISTRICTING COMMISSION 327

The foregoing appropriation item 006400, Ohio Redistricting Commission, shall be used by the Commission to perform all necessary duties in accordance with Articles XI and XIX of the Ohio Constitution and section 103.52 of the Revised Code.	328 329 330 331 332
Section 5. Within the limits set forth in this act, the Director of Budget and Management shall establish accounts indicating the source and amount of funds for each appropriation made in this act, and shall determine the form and manner in which appropriation accounts shall be maintained. Expenditures from operating appropriations contained in this act shall be accounted for as though made in the main operating appropriations act of the 134th General Assembly. The operating appropriations made in this act are subject to all provisions of the main operating appropriations act of the 134th General Assembly that are generally applicable to such appropriations.	333 334 335 336 337 338 339 340 341 342 343
Section 6. This act is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety. The reason for such necessity is that the redistricting process underway this year must be transparent and accessible to the public. Therefore, this act shall go into immediate effect.	344 345 346 347 348 349

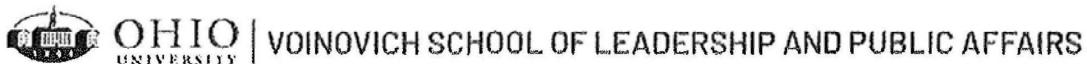
Blessing, Heather

From: Wiley, Robert <wileyr1@ohio.edu>
Sent: Tuesday, May 11, 2021 12:56 PM
To: Blessing, Heather
Subject: RE: help with explanation

Ms. Blessing

We ran a quick check for split blocks state wide and found none. We continue to check the database. Let me know if you need anything else.

Rob



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Sent from Mail for Windows 10

From: Heather.Blessing@ohiohouse.gov
Sent: Wednesday, May 5, 2021 9:08 AM
To: Wiley, Robert
Cc: Finney, Michael; Jolley, Jason
Subject: RE: help with explanation

Thank you very much! This is exactly the kind of summary I was looking for. So, does this mean there are no more split census blocks?? If so, hallelujah!

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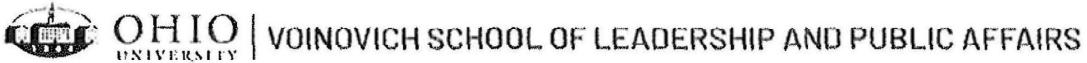
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Redistricting 2021 – Develop the Ohio Common and Unified Redistricting Database

Progress Report: July 2019

**Prepared by Robert L. Wiley, Redistricting Project Manager
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Month of July, 2019

Prepared for the Ohio Legislative Services Commission (LSC) August 11, 2019

Project Purpose and Background

The previous report submitted on July 2, 2019 covered the period from initiation of the work in November 2016 through June 30, 2019. This report summarizes activities conducted under the Redistricting 2021 contract between Ohio University and the Ohio Legislative Services Commission (LSC) authorized on June 4, 2019, for the month of July 2019. The scope of work for this project is based on the proposal prepared by Ohio University and submitted to LSC in early 2016. Work on the project has continued according to the defined tasks and subtasks as described in the scope of work within the proposal.

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Task III Activities

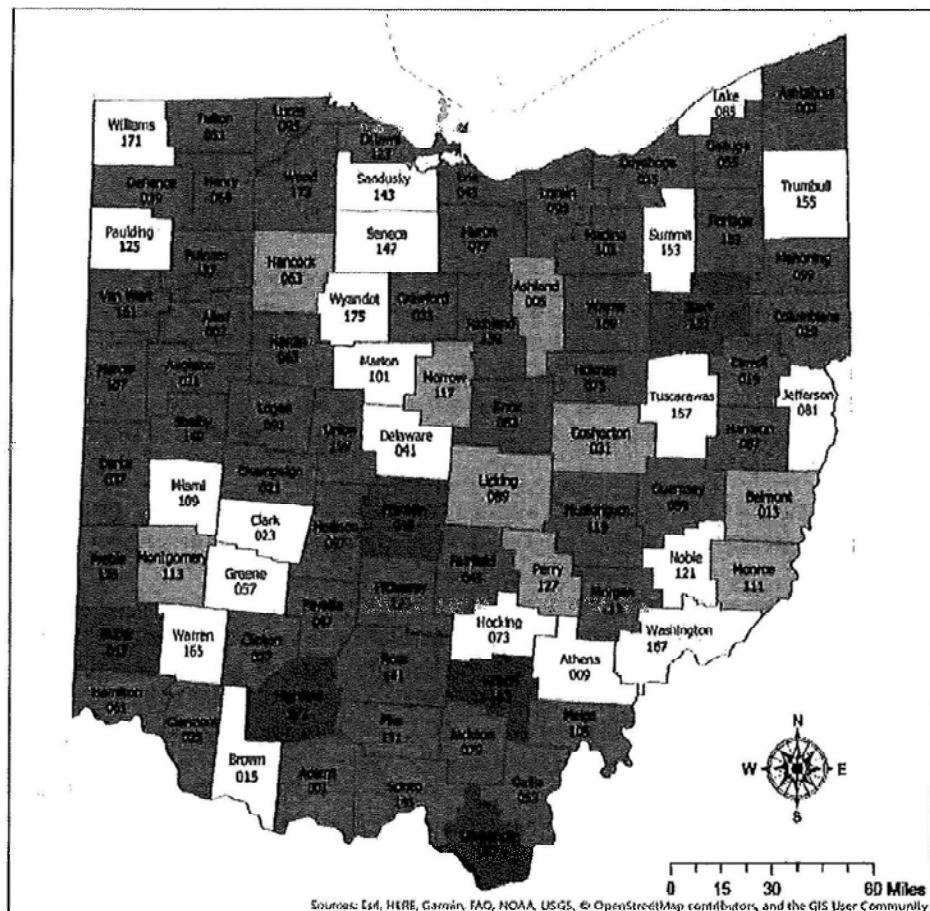
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Task VI Activities

In order to encourage continued county participation, Redistricting 2021 project personnel have traveled to and presented at five regional Board of Elections (BOE) conferences. The presentation utilized is transmitted as a separate document. Conferences were held and attended as follows:

DATE	BOE REGION	LOCATION
July 16, 2019	Southwest	Springfield, Clark County
July 18, 2019	Central	Delaware, Delaware County
July 24, 2019	Southeast	Marietta, Washington County
July 30, 2019	Northeast	Geneva-on-the-Lake, Ashtabula County
July 31, 2019	Northwest	Montpelier, Williams County

FIGURE 1



County Status as of 08/06/2019

Status as of 08/06/2019

- County Participated and Reviewed: 52
- Never Opened Website, Contacted Directly: 3
- Promised but No Response: 21
- Submitted Data or Review: 9
- Submitted too Late for Correction, Sent RDO: 3

Project Summary:

As of the phase deadline of 5/31/2019, 55 counties had participated. Of those that participated, 3 were unable to be reviewed and updated due to time constraints at time of submittal.

As of 08/06/2019 a further 9 counties had submitted shapefiles or reviews. There are still 21 counties that have not submitted data or initiated further contact.

We remain in contact with all counties, encourage their participation, and continue to offer them assistance. One aspect of our continued assistance is the maintenance of the Redistricting website. Each county was provided a link and five password protected individual accounts on February 8, 2019. This website will be maintained and updated at least until June 30, 2021 to allow the counties to see progress on voting district geography and offer any additional changes that we could incorporate until March 20, 2020. The master website with data for all counties can be accessed and reviewed using the following:

<https://gis.ohio.edu/BoundaryQ/>

UserID: vlewer@ohio.edu

Pass: Viewer@OU2019

Please contact me if there are any questions about using the website.

Continued Project Activities

During the Month of August 2019 Redistricting 2021 project personnel will continue to interact with county boards of election and GIS departments to obtain data necessary to prepare the most up to date precinct geometry. We will develop these data and hold it until there is a new opportunity to submit changes to the Census Bureau. The next and final update period, before the Census begins, is the first week of January 2020 and ends on March 20, 2020. The Census Bureau will not accept any precinct geography changes that date. The Census begins on April 1, 2020. Census data, parsed into the blocks and precincts, will be provided through the PL 94-171 data program on March 31, 2021.

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Progress Report: August 2019

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Month of August, 2019

Prepared for the Ohio Legislative Services Commission (LSC) September 24, 2019

Project Purpose and Background

The previous report submitted on September 5, 2019 covered the period from initiation of the work in July 1 2011 through July 31, 2019. This report summarizes activities conducted under the Redistricting 2021 contract between Ohio University and the Ohio Legislative Services Commission (LSC) for the month of August 2019. The scope of work for this project is based on the proposal prepared by Ohio University and submitted to LSC in early 2016. Work on the project has continued according to the defined tasks and subtasks as described in the scope of work within the proposal.

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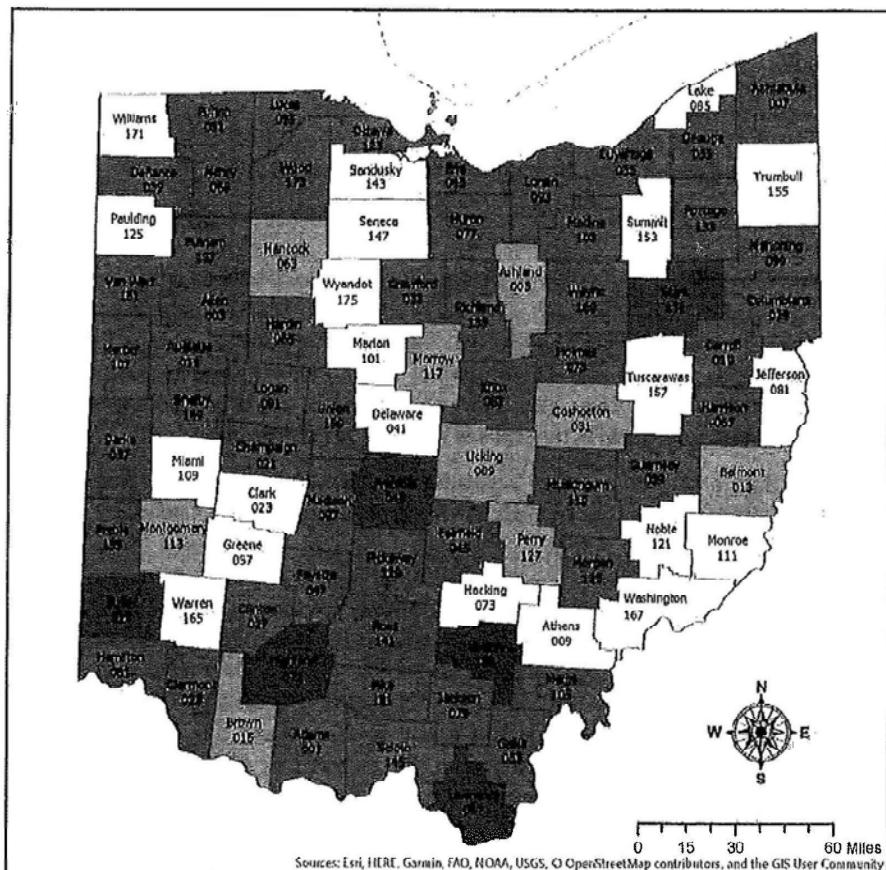
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Project staff have been reworking the precinct geometry and will continue to do so as other files arrive from the boards of elections (BOEs). There are still 21 counties that have not participated by sending new precinct geometry. We continue to make contact with these counties, offer assistance and ask for participation. Two counties have provided new precinct geometry since July 2019, Morrow and Hancock. We have made great efforts to inform, assist, encourage and request county BOEs to participate by providing updated voting district maps. We suggest that participation will not occur lacking additional stringent impetus to the counties from the Secretary of State's Board of Elections team. Figure 1 maps the present status of county participation.

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As of 09/09/2019 one more county had submitted a shapefile. There are still 21 counties that have not submitted data or initiated further contact.

Task VI Activities

We have noted throughout this effort to prepare a unified redistricting database that a significant percentage of the voting district boundary errors were due to fundamental differences in place boundaries (primarily municipal boundaries) between the boundaries provided by the Census Bureau and the municipalities themselves. We have under the Census' VTD Program made revisions and corrections to obvious place boundaries errors suggested by updated county voting district geometry provided by the BOEs. We have created new files showing these changes, however, in many instances, the Census Bureau has not received the proper documentation from county and state officials to support these changes and may revert them back to the 2019 position if unable to confirm the changes through the Census Boundary Area Suggestion (BAS) procedures. Still, up until now, the Census Bureau has encouraged us to make boundary changes, in hope of improving realistic allocation of Census data after 2020.

We participated on July 19, 2019, in a group conference call with James Whitehorse (Chief of Census Redistricting and Voting Rights Data Office) and other senior Census Bureau staff to discuss whether it would be useful to continue to make place boundary changes, as we proceed into the final phase of the VTD Program and submit corrections in 2020. The Census Bureau concluded that there was insufficient time to resolve BAS documentation errors before the decennial Census begins in April 2020 and as result, they could not accept any additional changes to place boundaries. This conclusion will result in an increased number of post-Census changes in 2021 in order to place all new data into the correct geography for redistricting as presented by the BOEs.

Projected Activities for September 2019

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Progress Report: September 2019

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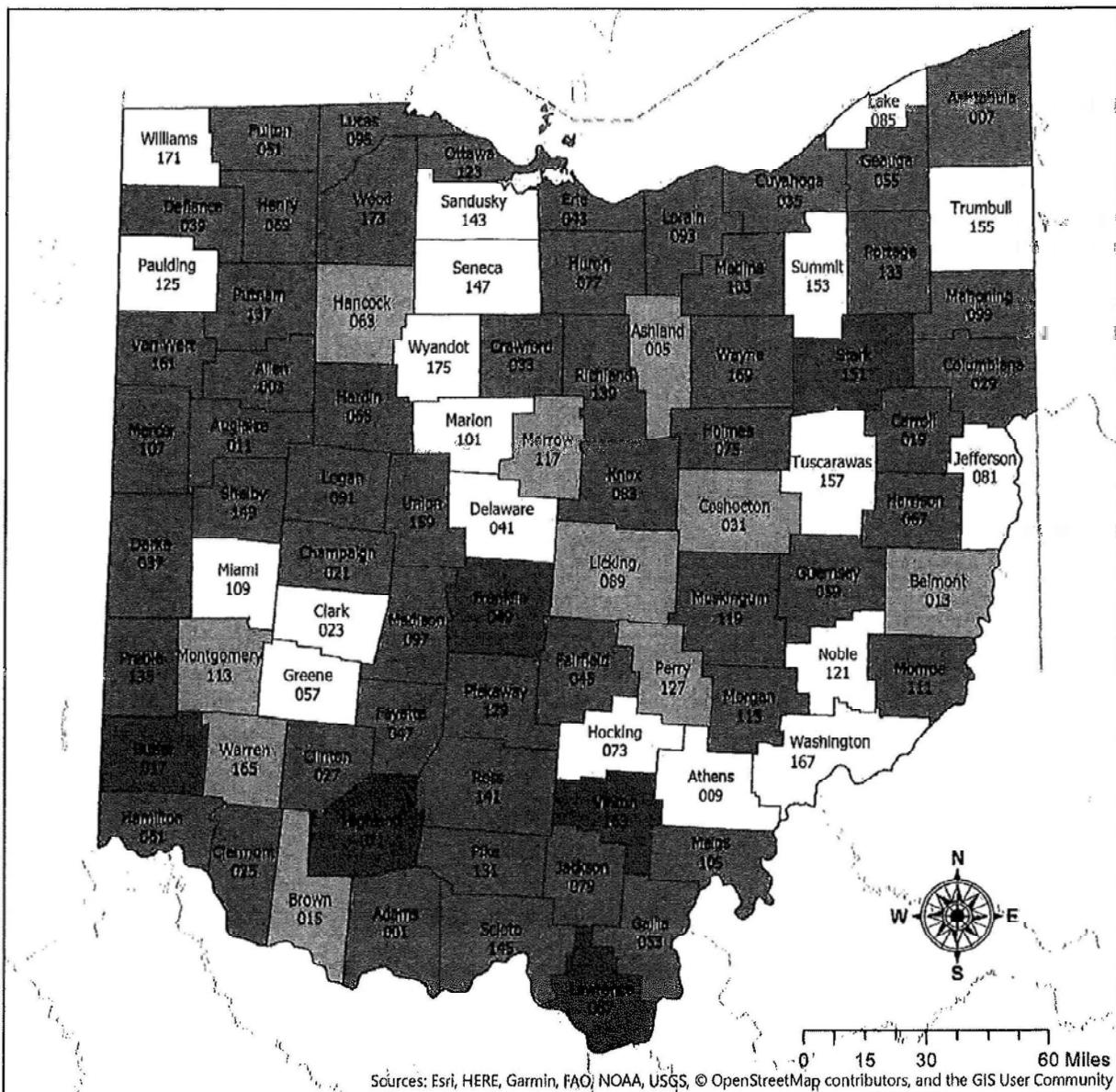
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There are still 19 counties that have not participated by sending new precinct geometry including two, Highland and Vinton Counties, that have not opened the Redistricting website. Hocking County accepted the redistricting mapping geometry as existing on the website without modification. This moves them to a "have participated" status. We received a new precinct geometry files from Delaware County and Athens County. Licking County sent PDFs responding to the redistricting website; however they rejected all boundary changes that resulted from mismatches with the municipal boundaries mapped by the Census Bureau. These municipal boundary rejections cannot be accepted based on direction from the Census Bureau in September 2019. Figure 1 (attached) shows the participation status of all counties.

Butler, Brown and Ashland Counties provided additional updates to their precinct boundaries since the May 2019 submittals. Wood County submitted a precinct map with all the road rights of ways excluded from the voting districts, rather than just using the centerlines of roads as the boundaries. This error will take some effort to repair for submittal to the Census Bureau.

Telephone discussions were held with Summit, Lake, Highland and Clark Counties, who all agreed to send the requested mapping but nothing arrived during the month of October. Lawrence County reviewed the website, called for assistance, and left a message. Subsequent efforts to reconnect with them have been unsuccessful; they do not answer their phone or respond to emails.

We contacted Amanda Grandjean; Director of Elections at the Secretary of State's office on October 22, 2019 to obtain whatever assistance that she might contribute to encourage counties to participate in the redistricting effort. In response she sent emails to non-participating counties asking for participation. Several counties previously mentioned responded to her request.

Requested efforts by the LSC to solicit assistance from the Legislature resulted in telephone and email contact by the Office of the Speaker of the House. Discussions included identification of the issues surrounding chronic mismatch of county municipal boundaries with Census Bureau municipal boundaries. It was concluded that legislative efforts could not address the issues in a timely manner that would assist us in complying with the March 2020 final data submission date before the Census 2020 begins in April.

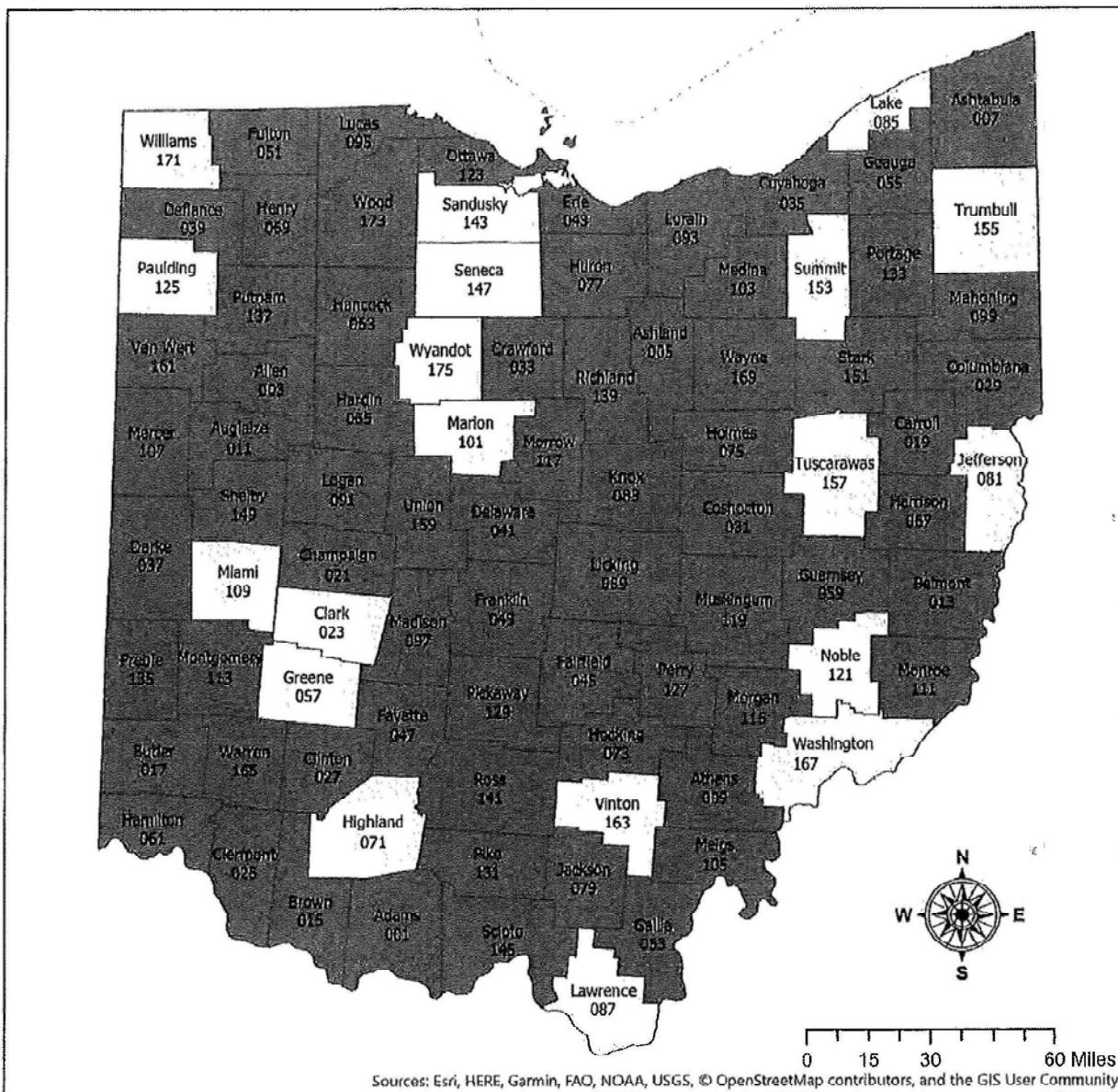
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Projected Activities for November 2019

Voinovich School staff will continue to receive and modify precinct geometry as it is received from county BOEs in preparation for submittal to the Census Bureau beginning January 2020. We intend to become increasingly active in contacting non-participating counties and in obtaining whatever assistance that may be available from the Secretary of State's office to encourage county BOEs to participate in the project. New mapping data based on the May 2019 submittal is expected from the Census Bureau during the first week of January 2020.



County Participation as of 10/31/2019

Status as of 10/31/2019

Non-Participating

■ Participating

Project Summary:

As of October 31 there are 69 counties participating in the project.

There are still 19 counties that are non-participating.

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Only 13 counties remain that have not participated by sending new precinct geometry or by confirming their concurrence with the Census Bureau mapping. Washington, Paulding and Sandusky Counties accepted the Census redistricting mapping geometry as existing on the website without modification. This moves these counties to a "have participated" status. Perry County reconfirmed the accuracy of new geometry provided in May 2019. Lake and Seneca Counties finally made contact and promised (now that elections are complete) to shortly review the website and provide new precinct data. Telephone discussions were attempted with Vinton, Highland and Lawrence Counties. Highland County promised to engage the issue and call back with questions. No additional contacts from them have been received. Figure 1 (attached) shows the participation status of all counties as of December 1, 2019.

James Whitehorse of the Census Bureau spoke recently on the national progress of the upcoming Census, noting that some states had difficulties with county participation. Members of the Ohio State Legislature attended this conference; returning with an enhanced interest in the progress of the redistricting mapping project. As result, a meeting was requested by the House Minority Leader to explore the progress and technical issues of the ongoing database preparation process. Michael Finney and I provided an update on the Redistricting project to the House Minority leader and several members of her staff on November 14, 2019. The group resolved to direct Democratic House members in non-participating counties to communicate with their boards of elections and encourage participation. This likely facilitated the participation of Summit County this month.

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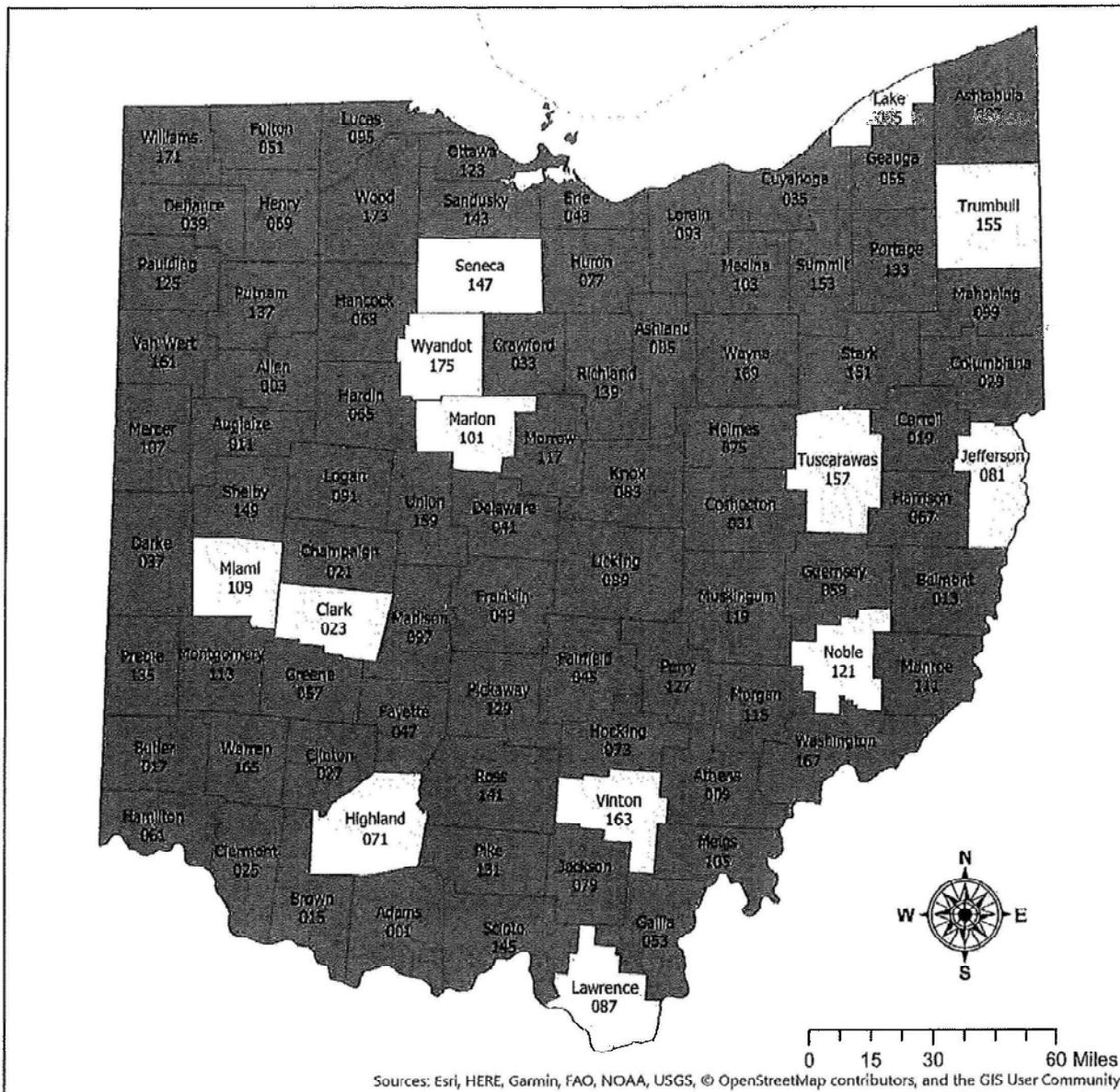
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Projected Activities for December 2019

Voinovich School staff will continue to receive and modify precinct geometry as it is received from county BOEs in preparation for submittal to the Census Bureau in January 2020. We intend to become increasingly active in contacting non-participating counties and in obtaining whatever assistance that may be available from the Secretary of State's office to encourage county BOEs to participate in the project. New mapping data based on the May 2019 submittal is expected to arrive from the Census Bureau during the first week of January 2020. We will then have approximately 9 weeks to submit final updates to the Census Bureau for all county voting district geometry.



County Participation as of 11/30/2019

Status as of 11/01/2019

Non-Participating

Participating

Project Summary:

As of November 30 there are 75 counties participating in the project.

There are still 13 counties that are non-participating.

Redistricting 2021 – Develop the Ohio Common and Unified Redistricting Database

Progress Report: December 2019

**Prepared by Robert L. Wiley, Redistricting Project Manager
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Month of December, 2019

Prepared for the Ohio Legislative Services Commission (LSC) January 10, 2020

Project Purpose and Background

The previous report submitted on December 9, 2019 covered the period from initiation of the work in November 1, 2019 through November 30, 2019. This report summarizes activities conducted under the Redistricting 2021 contract between Ohio University and the Ohio Legislative Services Commission (LSC) for the month of December 2019. The scope of work for this project is based on the proposal prepared by Ohio University and submitted to LSC in early 2016. Work on the project has continued according to the defined tasks and subtasks as described in the scope of work within the proposal.

Project work during the month of December 2019 included continuing work under Task III – Adjust Precinct Boundaries as County BOE's Provide Data and Task VI – Project Management and Reporting.

Task III Activities

On December 22, we sent emails to each of the 12 non-participating counties to encourage project participation. A few counties responded. Lake County provided new voting district geometry on December 12, 2019. Jefferson County provided PDF corrections on December 23, asserted to have been provided last March. Miami County provided new precinct shapefiles on December 23. Wyandot County notified us of recombination of a village into a township on December 30, 2019 and confirmed that all other districts remain consistent with the blue lines on the web map. Nine counties remain that have not participated by sending new precinct geometry or by confirming their concurrence with the Census Bureau mapping. Figure 1 (attached) shows the participation status of all counties as of December 31, 2019.

We remain in contact with all counties, encourage their participation, and continue to offer them assistance. One aspect of our continued assistance is the maintenance of the Redistricting website. Each county was provided a link and five password protected individual accounts on February 8, 2019. This website will be maintained and updated at least until June 30, 2021 to allow the counties to see progress on voting district geography and offer any additional changes that we could incorporate until March 31, 2020.

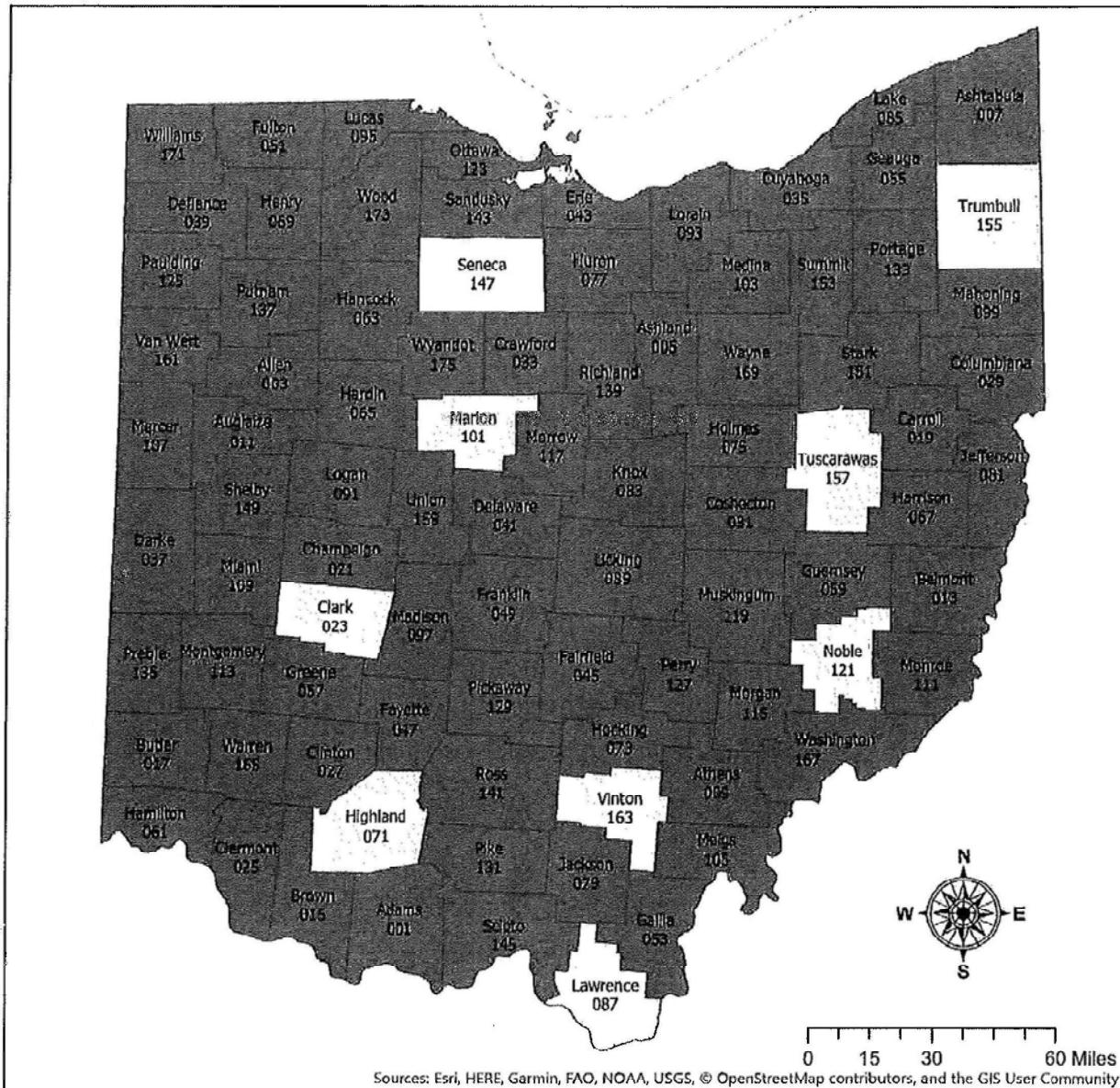
Any county data obtained between August and December 31, 2019 will be used to make corrections to the precinct maps for the respective counties. We received the revised voting district shapefiles from the Census Bureau on January 6, 2020. We will begin submitting the revised final precinct boundaries during the week of January 13, 2020. New precinct mapping data received by March 30, 2020 will also be used to revise county VTDs.

Projected Activities for January 2020

This is the beginning of the final update period where precinct maps can be submitted to the Census Bureau, before the 2020 Census begins. It ends on March 31, 2020. The Census Bureau will not accept any precinct geography changes after that date. The Census begins on April 1, 2020. Census data, parsed into the blocks and precincts, will be provided back to the State through the PL 94-171 data program on March 31, 2021.

GVS staff (Mike Finney and Robert Wiley) will attend the annual Ohio Association of Election Officials conference on the 14th through the 16th of January at the downtown Hilton Hotel in Columbus. We will be setting up a table with live internet connections to our redistricting web map site. We will assist counties with the reviewing of their data on the website and encourage participation in this program.

Voinovich School staff will continue to receive and modify precinct geometry as it is received from county BOEs in preparation for submittal to the Census Bureau starting in January 2020. We have become increasingly active in contacting non-participating counties and in obtaining whatever assistance that may be available from the Secretary of State's office to encourage county BOEs to participate in the project. New data based on the May 2019 submittal has arrived from the Census Bureau during the first week of January 2019. We will then have approximately 9 weeks to submit final updates for all county voting district geometry.



County Participation as of 12/31/2019

Status as of 12/31/2019

Non-Participating

Participating

As of December 31, 2019 seventy-nine counties have participated.

There are still 9 counties that are non-participating.

Blessing, Heather

From: Wiley, Robert <wileyr1@ohio.edu>
Sent: Wednesday, May 05, 2021 10:30 AM
To: Blessing, Heather
Cc: Finney, Michael
Subject: Split blocks

There should be no more split blocks but we are rechecking the Census geography against the files we sent them in March 2020.

Rob Wiley

Sent from Mail for Windows 10

From: Heather.Blessing@ohiohouse.gov
Sent: Wednesday, May 5, 2021 9:08 AM
To: Wiley, Robert
Cc: Finney, Michael; Jolley, Jason
Subject: RE: help with explanation

Thank you very much! This is exactly the kind of summary I was looking for. So, does this mean there are no more split census blocks?? If so, hallelujah!

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Cc: Finney, Michael <finney@ohio.edu>; Jolley, Jason <jolleyg1@ohio.edu>
Subject: RE: help with explanation

Ms. Blessing:

GVS will create the final Common Unified Redistricting Database (CURD) by linking the PL94-171 Census Data to the final geography files at a precinct and block level. We will also link the results of the 2020 election statewide races and the statewide races for the last five biennial races to precinct level data in one or more datasets known as "shapefiles". We

will provide a data dictionary for those using the datasets. We will also provide limited training for those participating in redistricting on an as requested basis; however, we will not participate in the redistricting process at any level.

There should be no block splitting this time because of the iterative processes of block, precinct and boundary revisions completed over the past four years. We will not conduct any reformatting except to shorten candidate or issues names to fit limited database column widths.

We are in the process of linking the election results data to the geography data files now and intend to be ready when the PL94-171 data arrives to quickly create the final CURD. This last effort should require about two weeks or less to conduct quality control and link the files, as long as the received PL94-171 is in the identical to the example data recently provided by the Census Bureau for Providence RI.

Please contact me if you have additional questions.



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Sent: Tuesday, May 4, 2021 12:34 PM
To: Finney, Michael; Wiley, Robert
Subject: help with explanation

Dear Mr. Finney and Mr. Wiley:

I hope you are doing well. I was wondering if you could help me with a quick summary about what reformatting or processing OU does with the census data once it's received and before it's passed on to LSC.. I know that for state redistricting, the data is reformatted so that the lowest level is the split census block, but I didn't know what specifically was done for the congressional district database and what other services/work OU does with the data for (1) state redistricting (2) congressional redistricting. I was looking for some kind of summary in case I am asked specifically when the data is released in non-tabulated format in mid to late August by the census.

Sincerely,
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Progress Report: February 2020

Prepared by Robert L. Wiley, Redistricting Project Manager
George Voinovich School of Leadership and Public Affairs (GVS)
Month of February, 2020
Prepared for the Ohio Legislative Services Commission (LSC) March 9, 2020

Project Purpose and Background

The previous report submitted on January 31, 2020 covered the period from January 1, 2020 through January 31, 2020. This report summarizes activities conducted under the Redistricting 2021 contract between Ohio University and the Ohio Legislative Services Commission (LSC) for the month of February 2020. The scope of work for this project is based on the proposal prepared by Ohio University and submitted to LSC in early 2016. Work on the project has continued according to the defined tasks and subtasks as described in the scope of work within the proposal.

Project work during the month of February 2020 included continuing work under Task III – Adjust Precinct Boundaries as County BOE's Provide Data and Task VI – Project Management and Reporting.

Task III Activities

GVS has continued to receive and process final county voting district changes and submit final changes to the Census Bureau. On February 5, 2020, an email was sent to all counties asking them to confirm that their voting districts were up-to-date, complete and that no additional revisions would be provided to us. We have received notifications of completion from 34 counties since that request. We have forwarded County voting district shapefiles to the Census Bureau that have been revised and completed.

We were instructed by the Census Bureau that precinct boundary changes resulting from municipal boundary annexations could not be processed in this final revision phase ending March 31, 2020. On January 9, we received additional direction from the Census Bureau that we could process annexation boundary changes until February 14, 2020, if such changes were approved and official at the local level by December 31, 2019, and only if supported by required ordinances and maps. The GVS shared this information via email with all 88 counties on January 7, 2020. We received complete annexation data packages from Fayette, Franklin, Ottawa, and Union Counties before February 14, processed them and submitted them to the Census Bureau. Madison and Perry Counties sent annexation data after the February 14 deadline. This data will be filed for potential future use.

The GVS has reclassified the progress map to show the status of each county in terms of both project participation and map completion status for the final submittal to the Census Bureau. Figure 1 (attached) shows the county completion status as described below:

- **Non-participating:** As of February 29, 2020, there are still 2 counties that have not provided any data, new shapefiles, or responded to the website. These are Noble and Tuscarawas Counties. Both have been contacted by telephone and email. Noble County reported no changes since 2016 and will be sent as complete to the Census Bureau. Tuscarawas County reported problems with

- personnel changes and email blocking issues. GVS will continue to work with them to process their up-to-date precincts before the end of March 2020.
- **Participating:** These 28 counties have been guided by the GVS on completion of precinct boundaries. These counties have either self-identified as complete or have submitted minor final changes yet to be processed.
 - **Participating Under Revision:** The GVS has received final precinct boundary data for 21 counties and is the process of creating the final map updates to be sent to the Census Bureau.
 - **Participating Complete:** Final revisions are complete for 37 counties and there were no changes to precinct boundaries in 2020. These have been submitted to the Census Bureau as complete.

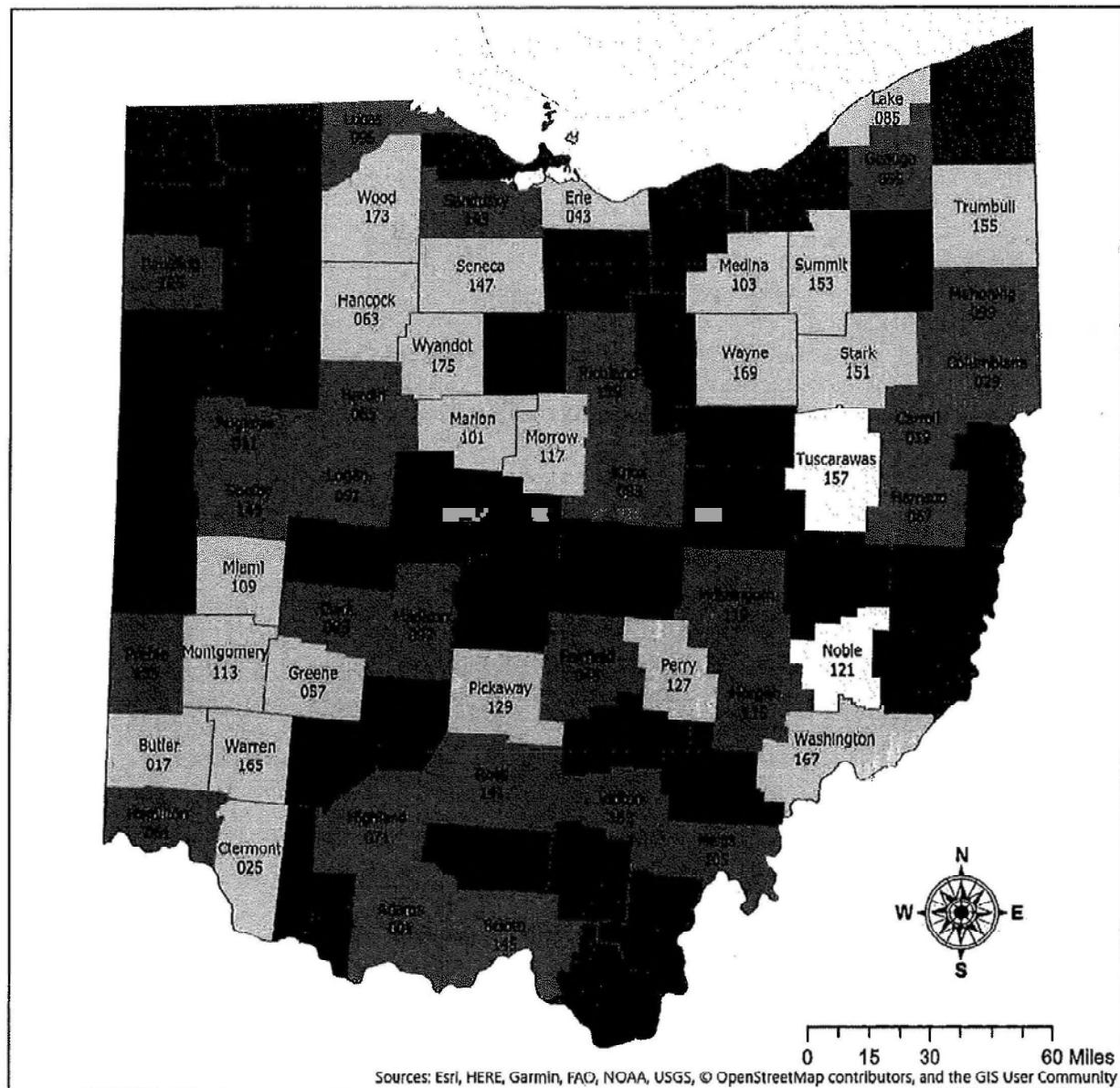
We remain in contact with all counties, encourage their participation, and continue to offer them assistance. One aspect of our continued assistance is the maintenance of the Redistricting website. Each county was provided a link and five password protected individual accounts on February 8, 2019. This website will be maintained and updated at least until June 30, 2021 to allow the counties to see progress on voting district geography and offer any additional changes that we could incorporate until March 31, 2020.

Any additional county data obtained between during March 2020 will be used to make corrections to the precinct maps for the respective counties. Any precinct data received after that date will be filed for potential future use but not submitted to the Census Bureau this year. A total of 37 counties have been submitted to the Census Bureau as complete as of February 29, 2020.

Projected Activities for March 2020

We had asked the counties to submit any final changes by March 1, 2020 to allow for time to complete final revisions. The final VTDV2 revision period ends on March 31, 2020. The Census Bureau will not accept any precinct geography changes after that date. We continue to actively contact non-participating counties to encourage county BOEs to participate in the project. We will submit completed county precinct files to the Census Bureau as finished by staff at the GVS.

The Census begins on April 1, 2020. Census data, parsed by the blocks and precincts, will be provided back the State through the PL 94-171 data program on March 31, 2021.



County Participation as of 02/29/2020

Status as of 02/29/2020

- Non-Participating
- Participating - Under Revision
- Participating
- Participating - Complete

As of February 29, 2020 eighty-six counties have participated.

There are still 2 counties that are non-participating.

There are still 27 counties that participated in the last phase of the project but have not indicated whether additional updates will need to be implemented in this final phase.

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Progress Report: January 2020

Prepared by Robert L. Wiley, Redistricting Project Manager
George Voinovich School of Leadership and Public Affairs (GVS)
Month of January, 2020
Prepared for the Ohio Legislative Services Commission (LSC) January 31, 2020

Project Purpose and Background

The previous report submitted on January 24, 2020 covered the period from December 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019. This report summarizes activities conducted under the Redistricting 2021 contract between Ohio University and the Ohio Legislative Services Commission (LSC) for the month of January 2020. The scope of work for this project is based on the proposal prepared by Ohio University and submitted to LSC in early 2016. Work on the project has continued according to the defined tasks and subtasks as described in the scope of work within the proposal.

Project work during the month of January 2020 included continuing work under Task III – Adjust Precinct Boundaries as County BOE's Provide Data and Task VI – Project Management and Reporting.

Task III Activities

On January 1, 2020 the final precinct revision phase (VTDV2) began. The US Census Bureau provided the CDs containing the new partnership map data files on January 6, 2020. The disks include, among other spatial data, the final place boundaries and the most recent precinct shapefiles resulting from revisions submitted by GVS on or before May 31, 2019. These latest precinct shapefiles were posted on our Redistricting web map for comparison with county precinct geometry, particularly those revised or received and under revision since May 31, 2019. In addition, we began geocoding the 2020 voter registration address locations downloaded from the Secretary of State to assist in the final revision phase.

We had been previously instructed by the Census Bureau that precinct boundary changes resulting from municipal boundary annexations could not be processed in this final revision phase ending March 31, 2020. On January 9, we received additional direction from the Census Bureau that we could process annexation boundary changes until February 14, 2020, if such changes were approved and official at the local level by December 31, 2019, and only if supported by required ordinances and maps. The GVS shared this information via email with all 88 counties on January 7, 2020. We have received a complete annexation documentation from Ottawa County and will forward that change to the Census Bureau. Pickaway County has promised to send us their annexations before the February 14, 2020 closing date.

Mike Finney and Robert Wiley attended the 2020 Ohio Association of Election Officials conference between January 14th and 16th in Columbus. We set up a table display in the vendor area with live monitors, and assisted county election officials with the use of the web map and the process of voting district boundary revisions. We had a steady stream of interested BOE members. We made efforts to meet with members from non-participating counties to encourage participation. This effort resulted in

several formerly non-participating counties engaging with us and sending new maps or helping correct their maps using the mapping web site developed by the GVS.

The GVS has reclassified the progress map to show the status of each county in terms of both project participation and map completion status for the final submittal to the Census Bureau. Figure 1 (attached) shows the county completion status as described below:

- **Non-participating:** As of January 31, 2020, there are still four counties that have not provided any data, new shapefiles, or responded to the website.
- **Participating:** These 56 counties have been contacted and guided by the GVS on completion of precinct boundaries. These counties are in the process of creating final revisions and promise submittal within the next few weeks.
- **Participating Under Revision:** The GVS has received final precinct boundary data for 24 counties and is the process of creating the final map updates to be sent to the Census Bureau.
- **Participating Complete:** Final revisions are complete and there were no changes to precinct boundaries in 2020. These have been submitted to the Census Bureau as complete.

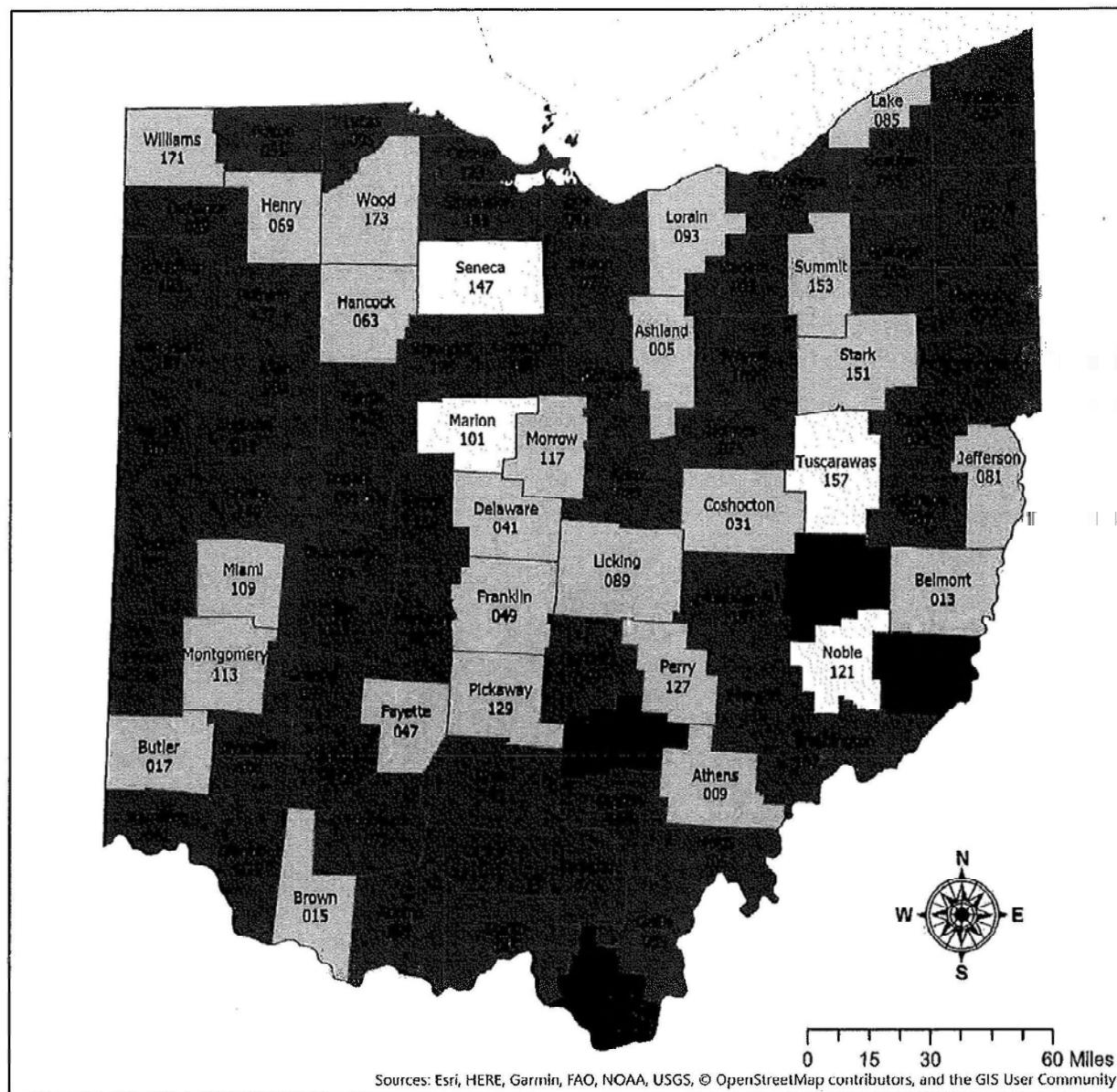
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Any county data obtained between May 31, 2019 and March 1, 2020 will be used to make corrections to the precinct maps for the respective counties. We began submitting the revised final precinct boundaries that are complete to the Census Bureau during the week of January 27, 2020.

Projected Activities for February 2020

We have asked the counties to submit any final changes by March 1, 2020 to allow for time to complete final revisions. The final VTDV2 revision period ends on March 31, 2020. The Census Bureau will not accept any precinct geography changes after that date. We continue to actively contact non-participating counties to encourage county BOEs to participate in the project. We will submit completed county precinct files to the Census Bureau as finished by staff at the GVS.

The Census begins on April 1, 2020. Census data, parsed by the blocks and precincts, will be provided back the State through the PL 94-171 data program on March 31, 2021.



County Participation as of 01/31/2020

Status as of 01/31/2020

- Non-Participating
- Participating
- Participating - Complete
- Participating - Under Revision

As of January 31, 2020 eighty-four counties have participated.

There are still 4 counties that are non-participating.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Freda J. Levenson, hereby certify that on October 22, 2021, I caused a true and correct copy of the following documents to be served by email upon the counsel listed below:

- 1. Affidavit of Collin J. Marozzi**
- 2. Public Records Requests, Appendix of Exhibits, Volume 1 of 6 (pages 1 - 289)**
- 3. Public Records Requests, Appendix of Exhibits, Volume 2 of 6 (pages 290 - 557)**
- 4. Public Records Requests, Appendix of Exhibits, Volume 3 of 6 (pages 558 - 834)**
- 5. Public Records Requests, Appendix of Exhibits, Volume 4 of 6 (pages 835 - 998)**
- 6. Public Records Requests, Appendix of Exhibits, Volume 5 of 6 (pages 999 - 1226)**
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