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## Contra Costa County Launches Redistricting Process First Public Hearing on August 10, 2021

(Martinez, CA) – Contra Costa County announces its Redistricting effort, a once-a-decade process of redrawing the boundaries for Supervisorial districts after the U.S. Census. As part of that process, the County's first public hearing on Redistricting will be held starting at 9 am on Tuesday, August 10, 2021.

Redistricting is the regular process of adjusting the lines of voting districts in response to accordance with population shifts within the County. Every ten years, supervisorial districts must be redrawn so that each district is substantially equal in population. This process is important in ensuring that each Supervisor represents about the same number of people. Redistricting is done using U.S. Census data, which is expected to be released by September 30, 2021.

"The Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors is committed to a robust Redistricting and public outreach process with public hearings, public workshops, and a website with resources, including online mapping tools," said Board Chair, Supervisor Diane Burgis. "We will seek community input in selecting the next district map for supervisorial districts in our County and look forward to engaging the public in this important endeavor."

The County Board of Supervisors will hold a Public Hearing about the Redistricting process on August 10, 2021 on the required adjustment of boundaries of supervisorial districts; provide an overview of the redistricting process; review the new redistricting dedicated website; provide information about communities of interest; explain how to submit draft maps once Census Data is available; describe planned public outreach and availability of mapping software training; receive input from the public; and receive direction from the Board of Supervisors.

The public hearing starting at 9 am during the Board of Supervisors meeting will be held via Zoom and can be viewed online at <a href="https://www.contracosta.ca.gov">www.contracosta.ca.gov</a> and on Contra Costa Television channels Comcast Cable 27, ATT/U-verse 99, and WAVE 32. To request accommodations for language translation, please send an email request 72 hours in advance of the meeting.

For more information about Redistricting and how to provide input, visit <a href="https://www.cocorealistricting.org">www.cocorealistricting.org</a> or the County website's homepage at <a href="https://www.contracosta.ca.gov">www.contracosta.ca.gov</a>.