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This message is intended to describe some of the rational behind the map I previously submitted - Public Map 201. I realize the options presented in the map involve MAJOR changes, but I think they respect both incorporated city boundaries (and city council districts where they exist) and the major unincorporated communities, respond to some of the public comments expressed to date particularly regarding maximizing the Hispanic population in a single district, are very highly balanced (having only a 0.78% population deviation) and are far more compact (particularly regarding District 4) than the existing strange gerrymandering that goes back to the 1980 census redistricting.

Map 201 moves all of unincorporated Mill Valley (including the Homestead Valley and Muir Woods Park neighborhoods) on the Richardson Bay side of Panoramic Highway into District 3. Then, in order to balance the population between districts, moves the Ring Mt. part of Tiburon clearly defined by the major roads Tiburon Blvd., Trestle Glen and Paradise Drive from District 3 to District 2, and removes the "over Mt. Tam" spine of current District 4 and puts all of Corte Madera and the remaining parts of Larkspur (including Larkspur Landing) as well as San Quentin in District 2. In order to balance the population within District 2, it puts all of Fairfax (one of the main entrance points to West Marin - along Sir Francis Drake Blvd.) in District 4,

Most importantly the map moves the entire Cal Park, Bret Harte and Gerstle Park neighborhoods from District 2 into District 1 and removes the Canal neighborhood from District 4 and also puts it in District 1. With these changes all of south San Rafael (the 94901 zip code) and all of three of the four City Council districts are in District 1. In order to balance the population in District 1, the map moves the Terra Linda, Mont Marin, Marinwood and Lucas Valley neighborhoods (all of the fourth City Council district plus unincorporated areas) from District 1 to District 4 generally using the City Council district boundary along the SMART rail tracks. This area includes another major entrance to West Marin - Lucas Valley Road.

In addition, the map moves more of the western part of Novato (including all of Indian Valley) from District 5 to District 4 using Novato Blvd., McClay Road and the Novato City Limits line to more clearly define the District boundary while eliminating the current awkward division that exists within the San Marin neighborhood. This area of Novato serves as a third major entrance to West Marin - Novato Blvd. It also moves the agricultural area north of Novato from District 5 into District 4.

Map 201 is intended to presents some options available during this once in a decade exercise.

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From:	
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Richard Bernstein would like information about:

I have lived in California Park, located in southeast San Rafael, for he past 38 years. Our neighborhood has benefitted from a long and positive relationship with Supervisor Katie Rice and, prior to that, Supervisor Hal Brown. I am extremely disappointed that the redistricting proposal alternative that moves Bret Harte and California Park to the same district as the Canal is being favored. While the Canal has significant, legitimate, and pressing issues that need attention, they are different than those of California Park and Bret Harte. I feel like our neighborhood is being thrown in to balance the numbers. The only thing we share with the Canal is Southeast San Rafael geography. As part of District 4 we and our issues will barely be noticed.

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As a lifelong resident of Marin County, I strongly support the redrawing of district lines to give the greatest possible voice to the residents of San Rafael's Canal district. Marin is "the most segregated county in the region by far." Othering & Belonging Institute, Most Segregated Cities & Neighborhoods in the SF Bay Area (Oct. 11, 2021). Nearly 92% of Canal district residents are Latinx. Many are Spanish-speaking, first generation immigrants. 13.9% of Canal residents live in poverty, about twice the rate in Marin County as a whole. This area reflects a truly unique community of interest that differs greatly from the surrounding areas and deserves its own political representation. Thank you.

Tammy Edmonson