Redistricting Data & Call for Change

Existing Lines, New Lines & Why

Maricopa County Elections Department
Inter Tribal Council Redistricting Summit
May 23rd, 2011
Overview of the process:

- Scope
- Timeline
- Gathering tools
- Public proposals
- Final product & Preclearance
- Public notification
Scope

Who draws what lines?
Scope

- Congressional & Legislative lines are done by the Independent Redistricting Commission.
Scope

- Schools & Cities/Towns which are divided into wards or districts will be done by the school boards and the city/town councils.

- In Maricopa that means:
  - Technical districts:
    - EVIT &
    - West MEC
  - School District:
    - Phoenix Union
  - Cities/Towns:
    - Buckeye,
    - Glendale,
    - Surprise,
    - Mesa,
    - Phoenix,
    - Peoria
Scope

- Counties are responsible for:
  - Board of Supervisor Districts
  - County Community College Districts
  - Special Health Care Districts
  - Justice of the Peace
  - Constables
  - Voting precincts
Timeline
## Timeline

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- Census data files continue to be made available on their website.
- Redistricting block data available during this time.
- Be sure that vested parties are included in the planning stages to prevent unnecessary retracing of steps later.
- DOJ Voting Section Chief made several mentions of this in his section at JEOLC.
- Presentations in each of the 5 Districts.
- All lines will be discussed.
- Census releases demographic data & estimated release of Federal Registry & language coverage.

Timeline will be impacted by Independent Redistricting Commission.
Gathering the Tools
Gathering tools

- Identify what needs attention:
  - High growth areas
  - Areas ripe for combining
  - Problematic splits within precincts/districts
  - Areas with excessive Judicial Productivity Credits
  - Communities of interest divisions
  - Property divisions
It’s not always pretty

- By following the lines of the golf course and public plantings in this area we get an odd shape but don’t split plots of land (or houses!)
Gathering Tools: What to consider?

- There are 2 different data sets for lines depending on the type of district:
  - Judicial Productivity Credits—Justice of the Peace/Constable lines
  - Census Data—all other districts

- For the county districts, existing elected officials cannot be drawn out of their districts so their home addresses must be taken into consideration.
- Majority minority districts must be maintained so other data sources will need to be utilized for review.
- Communities of interest must also be maintained.
Gathering tools

- **Data sources:**
  - Census data
  - Turnout for general election cycles
  - Wait time survey results
  - PEVL
  - Minority language demographics
  - Reservation/Native American Nation boundaries
  - Polling place locations & historical consolidations
  - Hispanic surname analysis
Judicial Productivity Credits (JPCs)

- Justice of the Peace lines are drawn to equalize the workload to no more than 1200 JPCs:

A.R.S. §§ 22-125 H

“The judicial productivity credits for any justice court precinct shall not exceed twelve hundred credits. If the total judicial productivity credits of a justice court precinct exceed twelve hundred credits, the county board of supervisors shall create sufficient courts, or redraw the justice court precinct boundaries according to section 22-101, in order to reduce the judicial productivity credits for any precinct which exceeds that limit.”
Judicial Productivity Credits (JPCs)

- JPCs are allocated as such:
  - 60 Misdemeanors = 1 JPC
  - 10 Felonies = 1 JPC

- If lines can be configured to maintain the same number of districts, without creating any additional ones, there isn’t the need for:
  - Additional court building(s)
  - Additional courtroom(s) & administrative office space(s)
  - Additional staff
Census Data & Impact

What do the numbers tell us?
Total population for Maricopa County: 3,817,117
Divided by 5 districts: 763,423
DISTRICT 1:

• Goal Population: 763,423
• Current Population: 798,245
• Difference: +34,822
DISTRICT 2:

- **Goal Population:** 763,423
- **Current Population:** 666,050
- **Difference:** -97,373
DISTRICT 3:

- Goal Population: 763,423
- Current Population: 645,787
- Difference: -117,636
DISTRIBUTION 4:

• Goal Population: 763,423
• Current Population: 934,377
• Difference: +170,954
DISTRICT 5:

- Goal Population: 763,423
- Current Population: 772,658
- Difference: +9,235
This year there will be 3 counties (Mohave, Pinal, and Yavapai) which will be adding to their Board of Supervisors based on their population increases.

These Boards will go from a 3 person to a 5 person board.
JPC Data & Impact

What do the numbers tell us?
### MARICOPA COUNTY JUSTICE COURTS

#### Judicial Productivity Credits

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Average: 984.7, 965.0, 982.6, 983.5, 985.5, 1047.9, 1115.9

Desert Ridge and Highland Courts were new in January 2009, so their JPC totals include only CY 2009 actual figures. Therefore, the JPC totals reflected for 2008/2009 are 50% for Desert Ridge and Highland. 2010 (actuals) are projected based on CY 2009.

Source: Administrative Office of the Courts. Based on actual calendar years.

1065

with Desert Ridge & Highland

1011.5

-9.4%
Part of the reason some districts saw a decline in numbers is due to the removal of photo enforcement on the highways. This accounted for the higher numbers from October 2008-July 2010.
Another impacting circumstance is the lower number of officers because of vacant positions not being filled due to budgetary constraints.

Some areas are reporting 19-29% lower staffing rates.
Total Judicial Productivity Credits:
27,566
Divided by 25 districts:
1102
Below the 1200 JPC threshold
Voting Precincts
**Voting Precincts**

- In Maricopa we will not be making any changes to voting precincts that are within tribal boundaries.
- In other areas we are consolidating precincts which have shared polling places in the past so that they will be one large precinct now, rather than two small ones.
**Voting Precincts**

- By doing this the lines will no longer be by precinct, which the voter may not know, but will be the voter’s last name in alphabetical (A-L, M-Z) order, which the voter should know.
- We now have fewer voters going to the polls (with more than 900,000 on the Permanent Early Voting List) and this will save almost $1 million dollars each federal election cycle.
- This will potentially impact the urban Indian population.
- I have brought maps of the Census data for Maricopa County and will post them on our redistricting website as well.
- Legend:

![2010 Census American Indian Voting Age Population](image)
Maricopa County
Census 2010 Native American Population by Voting Precinct
Public Proposal
Public Proposal

• At public meetings Maricopa County provides:
  • Court reporter
  • Translation services—please notify MCED prior to 48 hours of the meeting start time if translation services will be necessary:
    • American Sign Language (ASL)
    • Spanish
    • Tohono O’odham

Language translation should be available in the applicable covered Native language(s).
Online Feedback

- MCED offers the public the ability to use an online tool to make recommended changes.
- The tool allows the public to submit plans for both the BOS/MCCC/SHCD and the JP/Constable lines.
Redistricting Website

Maricopa County Election’s newest webpage
How do I find it?

Elections & Voter Information icon:

www.recorder.maricopa.gov
How do I find it?

To Redistricting Webpage:

Directly to Mapping Tool:
Interactive Mapping Tool

Public Presentations

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REDISTRICTING 2011

In order to assist the public, the Maricopa County Elections Department has established an informational page on Redistricting. Timelines have been created, public hearings have been listed, access to mapping is available and notices are posted. Maricopa County Elections Department does not establish congressional and legislative lines; supervisors, community colleges, special health care districts, justice of the peace lines and voting precincts only. WEST MEC and EVIT information are partially available. Information on congressional and legislative lines should be directed to the Independent Redistricting Commission. Please feel free to utilize this page. If there are questions call 602/506-1511.

REDISTRICTING MAPPING TOOL

Click here to submit your redistricting suggestions. (Screen resolution: 1024x768)

You must have the free Microsoft Silverlight plug-in installed to view. Information here for the plug-in.

MAPS

Pct Minority Countywide

Pct Minority Metropolitan

Countywide BOS With Pop And Target Pop And Difference Pop

Metropolitan BOS With Pop And Target Pop And Difference Pop

Deadline for suggestions is June 1st – Send suggestions to Gary Bilotta or Greg Bunce

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS ON REDISTRICTING

Maricopa County Redistricting Mapping Tool

Community Network 2-2011 Redistricting Process

Community Network 3-2011 Redistricting Data and Needs

Community Network 4-2011 Redistricting Public Hearing Update

PRESS ADVISORY

Introductory Redistricting Meeting for Maricopa County Offices

MEETING NOTICES
Meeting Schedule on the Redistricting Website:

- Each listing has the link to the campus map for building locations:
  - April 4, 2011
    - 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
    - South Mountain
    - Located in Student Union Room 100 ABC
    - 7050 S. 24th St.
    - Phoenix, AZ 85042

- April 5, 2011
  - 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
  - Rio Salado - Surprise
  - Located in Communiversity
  - 15950 N. Civic Center Plaza
  - Surprise, AZ 85374

- April 6, 2011
  - 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
  - Gateway
  - Located in MA Room 1100N/S
  - 108 N. 40th Street
  - Phoenix, AZ 85034

- As well as to Google maps for the campus address:
Interactive mapping tool demonstration.
All submitted maps are reviewed & included in the DOJ submission.
Proposals & Suggestions

• The public can make suggestions via a variety of avenues:
  • At the public hearings
  • In writing:
    Maricopa County Elections Department
    Attention: Redistricting
    111 S 3rd Avenue Ste 102
    Phoenix, AZ 85003
  • By fax:
    602-506-3069
  • By telephone:
    602-506-1511
  • By email:
    gismail@risc.maricopa.gov
Final Product
Final Product

• Final determinations will be presented to the public in July with a public hearing in each of the 5 districts in Maricopa County.

• Upon approval of the Board of Supervisors the lines will be submitted to DOJ.

• We are hopeful that the IRC timeline will run parallel to our efforts as voting precincts cannot be divided by congressional or legislative lines.
Presenting the Final Product
Final Product

• Once the lines are finalized we will:
  • Notify stakeholders
  • Publish final lines and maps
  • Issue press release
  • Ensure that all old data is updated to reflect new information
  • Issue new voter ID cards to all impacted voters
  • Prepare new signature requirements for 2012
  • Census will get new lines, apply the appropriate demographics from 2010 census, and release new information in 2013.
Questions?