

# ALASKA REDISTRICTING BOARD WEBSITE RESPONSE

Date: April 4, 2022, 9:42 pm

First Name: **William**. Last Name: **Sola**

Email or Phone Contact: [REDACTED]

Your ZIP Code: **99501**

Issue of Concern (Please provide map name if applicable): **Senate redistricting**

Public Comment: **Please end the partisan gerrymandering proposal that is attempting to link a small amount of Downtown Anchorage, and all of Government Hill to a senate district that primarily represents Chugiak, Eagle River, and Eklutna. This is unfair and will cause our neighborhood to be misrepresented, or vastly underrepresented.**

**Government Hill is much like South Addition, Fairview, Mountain View and even Muldoon; a quasi-urban area with a lifestyle and accessibility that are directly linked with each of these areas.**

**Under the current ill-advised proposal, we would have to drive through three other house districts to connect with another populated section of our district at the far edge of Muldoon and then 25 miles to the next population in our district. The people of the northern side of Eagle River, Chugiak, Eklutna and beyond have distinctly different lifestyles and resource wants and needs. Several times in the past they have actually tried to secede from the Municipality of Anchorage.**

**Government Hill is moments away from the very epicenter of downtown Anchorage, while the "far north neighborhoods" are as far away as possible, there are very little true commonalities between us and them, with regards to issues such as planning and zoning, infrastructure, and even typical residential lot sizes.**

**Government Hill and Downtown each share an enormous amount of frontage with the industrial zone: heavy commercial, railroad yard, port of Alaska, and oil tank district that basically split us apart. Still, we face similar issues when dealing with that area, while the "northern neighborhoods" virtually have no interest in what goes on in the downtown area.**

**To put us in the same group with Chugiak, et. al., would make Government Hill nearly voiceless and not involved with any issues that would affect the Hill and its proximity, while the proposed northern communities would have no interest in our concerns. Likewise, we would have little in common with them.**

**Please support the fair pairing is House District 23 to House District 17.**

**Regards, Will Sola**

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Date: April 4, 2022, 10:33 pm

First Name: **Matthew**

Last Name: **Barth**

Group Affiliation, if applicable:

Email or Phone Contact: [REDACTED]

Your ZIP Code: **99516**

Issue of Concern (Please provide map name if applicable): **Bahnke Map**

**Public Comment: I humbly request the board reject "2022 Proposed Revision: Bahnke v1" The Alaska Supreme Court affirmed the vast majority of the map submitted by the commission, and as such, the board should attempt to retain as much of the current map as possible. The Court clearly outlined three issues the redistricting committee should address. These issues are limited to Senate District K and House District 36. The Bahnke map goes way beyond the scope of the problems presented by the courts and adoption of Bahnke would undermine the countless hours of prior public input, due diligence, and due process. The board should attempt to resolve the three issues brought forward by the Courts with minimal impact. Additionally, focusing solely on the problems presented by the Court will limit further legal challenges and delays.**

**In essence, the public has thoroughly vetted the current map and the board should do what is minimally required by the courts to protect the public process respectfully.**

**Sincerely,**

**Matt Barth**

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Date: April 4, 2022, 11:38 pm

First Name: **Diamond**

Last Name: **Metzner**

Group Affiliation, if applicable:

Email or Phone Contact: 

Your ZIP Code: **99654**

Issue of Concern (Please provide map name if applicable): **Maps make Anchorage too blue, backed by democrats**

Public Comment: **Our redistricting process should be fair and the lines drawn equally to benefit neither party. The new lines and comments are a partisan chop shop to benefit Democrats.**

# ALASKA REDISTRICTING BOARD WEBSITE RESPONSE

Date: April 5, 2022, 12:39 am

First Name: **Heather**

Last Name: **Clopton**

Group Affiliation, if applicable:

Email or Phone Contact: 

Your ZIP Code: **99516**

Issue of Concern (Please provide map name if applicable): **Don't Adopt Bahnke plan**

Public Comment: **Don't adopt the Bahnke plan. The Board should take its time and do it right. The Bahnke plan is clearly partisan. The plan should be balanced and fair and accurately represent the people of Anchorage and Eagle River. By rushing the process, it doesn't allow proper public participation. This process needs to be fair to all not just a small group of individuals. Eagle River should be heard, as a community they deserve for the process to be slowed down.**

# **ALASKA REDISTRICTING BOARD WEBSITE RESPONSE**

Date: April 5, 2022, 7:10 am

First Name: **Vera**

Last Name: **Crews**

Group Affiliation, if applicable:

Email or Phone Contact: [REDACTED]

Your ZIP Code: **99503**

Issue of Concern (Please provide map name if applicable):

Public Comment: **My name is vera crews. I live at 2201 Romig place, Anchorage AK 99503. I encourage the Redistricting Board to adopt a revised district map that links House District 9 (South Anchorage) with House District 22 (Eagle River Valley). These districts share common characteristics justifying their inclusion in the same Senate District K:**

**Each district encompasses many residents living on the foothills and upper slopes of the Chugach Mountains, and as such, one of the most significant common issues residents in these districts face is access to their homes, and their connections to the rest of Anchorage.**

**While much of the rest of Anchorage relies on municipal and state road maintenance, residents of these two districts rely to a great extent on Local Road Service Boards to provide for maintenance of their roads, including snow removal, graveling and repair.**

**Residents in each district face the challenge of managing the risks inherent in living along the urban-wildland fire interface, planning for and responding to wildlife incursions and hazards, less reliable utility service, extremes of weather, and other common issues.**

**The recent snow avalanche that has isolated District 22 residents in the Hiland Road area is a dynamic that is familiar to residents of District 9, who have themselves experienced the hazards of snowslides, traffic halts, and risk to property and personal safety.**

**It should go without saying that the se two districts are socio-economically integrated by virtue each being fully within the Municipality of Anchorage. They are also contiguous, being joined in the uplands of the Chugach Mountains a standard that has already been found valid in earlier district maps that linked an Eagle River Valley House district across the Chugach Mountains to an adjoining House district to the south.**

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Date: April 5, 2022, 7:33 am

First Name: **Carleta**

Last Name: **Schroeder**

Group Affiliation, if applicable: **none**

Email or Phone Contact: [REDACTED]

Your ZIP Code: **99577**

Issue of Concern (Please provide map name if applicable): **Senate pairings in Eagle River**

Public Comment: **I have been a resident of Eagle River for over 10 years. I am very much AGAINST any Senate pairing that puts my house with downtown Anchorage instead of with my community and neighbors. Our home is immediately across the street from the other House seat which I consider my community. I want to be represented by someone who represents the issues of my community. Eagle River should be paired with Eagle River. Thank you.**

# ALASKA REDISTRICTING BOARD WEBSITE RESPONSE

Date: April 5, 2022, 7:34 am

First Name: **Jason**

Last Name: **Norris**

Email or Phone Contact: [REDACTED]

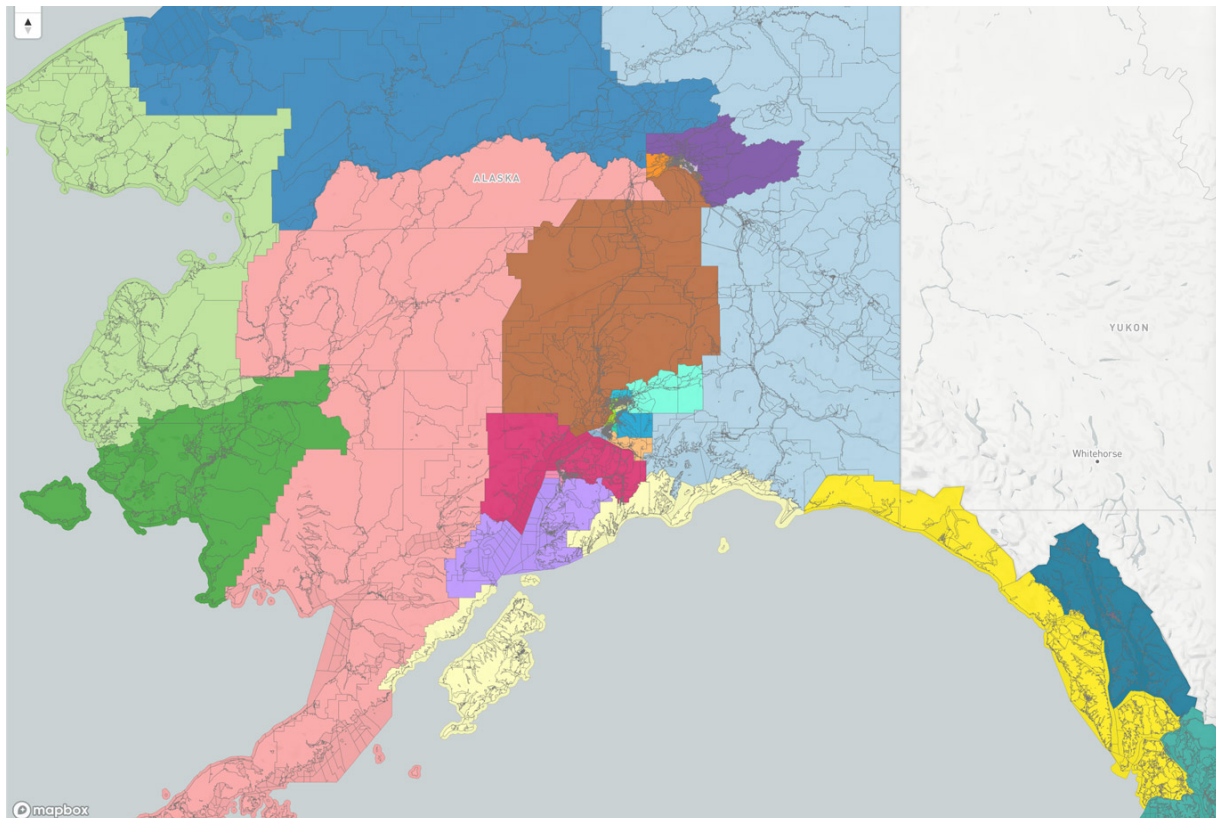
Your ZIP Code: **99516**

Issue of Concern (Please provide map name if applicable): **Senate K and Cantwell**

Public Comment: **I write in support of the "Cantwell Fix" that aligns with the borough boundaries for the MatSu and Denali Boroughs. I also write in support of "Banhnke V1" for the Anchorage Senate Districts.**

**I also humble offer the following for future consideration, partially as a fix for the issues surrounding Valdez/MatSu and Juneau-Skagway. Though I will not go into detail here, there is sound reasoning behind it and considers the four Hickel Process criteria as well as issues like Alaska Native representation. Thank you.**

**<https://districtr.org/plan/122886>**



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Date: April 5, 2022, 7:51 am

First Name: **Steve**

Last Name: **Carhart**

Group Affiliation, if applicable: **none**

Email or Phone Contact: 

Your ZIP Code: **99623**

Issue of Concern (Please provide map name if applicable): **How does one fight  
Gerrymandering.**

Public Comment: **The redistricting committee was so biased in their approach to limit the voice of the conservative limited government rule. From day one in this process, we had to fight every single proposal, every map, every judge ruling, and now with only a couple weeks the entire makeup of all districts. I don't agree with any part of this.**



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Date: April 5, 2022, 8:31 am

First Name: **Rodney**

Last Name: **George**

Group Affiliation, if applicable:

Email or Phone Contact: [REDACTED]

Your ZIP Code: **99577**

Issue of Concern (Please provide map name if applicable): **Bahnke Plan**

Public Comment: **Don't adopt the Bahnke plan. The Board should take its time and do it right. The Bahnke plan is clearly partisan. The plan should be balanced and fair and accurately represent the people of Anchorage and Eagle River. By rushing the process, it doesn't allow proper public participation. This process needs to be fair to all not just a small group of individuals. As a resident of Eagle River we as a community deserve to be heard. Please slow the process down.**

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Date: April 5, 2022, 8:34 am

First Name: **reid**

Last Name: **bahnson**

Group Affiliation, if applicable:

Email or Phone Contact: [REDACTED]

Your ZIP Code: **99587**

Issue of Concern (Please provide map name if applicable): **Proposed map by AFFER putting Girdwood and southern Eagle River in the same district is an obvious attempt by the Republican party to dilute the influence of non -republican voters in Girdwood.**

Public Comment: **The pairing of Girdwood and Eagle River in a single voting district is absurd.**

**Disparity in voting records and demographics between the two distinct communities are patently obvious. If there were ever a blatant case of attempted gerrymandering this potential pairing proposed by the former head of the Alaskan Republican party is it.**

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Alex Gimarc <[REDACTED]>  
Tue 4/5/2022 8:53 AM

The Alaska Supreme Court ruled that Senate District K (House 21 & 22) be revisited.

The proposed AFFER map pairs House District 22 and 9, creating Senate District E for east Anchorage and neighboring uplands. These districts share local service areas and snow management. The 2001 map combined major parts of the senate district in a single House District.

Making this change impacted four other Anchorage senate districts to make this action possible. Three Anchorage senate districts are unchanged. The proposed Bahnke map simply revises the entire Anchorage map, which the Alaska Supreme Court opinion did not call for. It appears that the Bahnke simply takes advantage of a court-opening as an excuse to redraw the boundaries Anchorage-wide, which was neither ordered nor requested.

The proposed AFFER Senate District K (combining House 22 and 9) are contiguous, economically similar districts which meet Alaska Constitutional requirements for Senate District pairings/

Please approve the AFFER map. Thank you.

AG  
John A (Alex) Gimarc

[REDACTED]

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Date: April 5, 2022, 9:26 am

First Name: **Winthrop**

Last Name: **Faulkner**

Group Affiliation, if applicable:

Email or Phone Contact: [REDACTED]

Your ZIP Code: **99517**

Issue of Concern (Please provide map name if applicable): **New district pairings**

Public Comment: **I live in West Anchorage and oppose the new Bahnke map which redraws all Anchorage pairings. The court ruled on just several pairing that are unfair - lets work on those and try not to impact ALL the others. If we are going to start the process entirely over each judges decision, we may never get through the process and will face endless court challenges. JUST FIX THE PROBLEM the court asked. House District 9 (South Anchorage) and House District 22 (Eagle River) have a lot in common. Pair those two.**

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Date: April 5, 2022, 9:35 am

First Name: **Brett**

Last Name: **Watson**

Group Affiliation, if applicable:

Email or Phone Contact: [REDACTED]

Your ZIP Code: **99504**

Issue of Concern (Please provide map name if applicable): **Use High Schools for Anchorage Senate Pairing**

Public Comment: **I would urge the board to adopt a KIS (Keep It Simple) principal in Anchorage Senate pairings, and generally follow the High School boundaries. High school boundaries are how many folks think of neighborhoods in the city. In ascending order: pairing 9 & 11; then 10 & 15 would align with South High. 12 & 13 paired would roughly align with Service HS. 14 & 16 paired; then 17 & 23 paired would align with West HS. 18 & 19 paired would align with East HS. 20 & 21 paired would align with Bartlett HS. Pairing 22& 24 would capture ER and Chugiak HS students.**

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Date: April 5, 2022, 10:34 am

First Name: **Randall**

Last Name: **Hagenstein**

Group Affiliation, if applicable:

Email or Phone Contact: [REDACTED]

Your ZIP Code: **99501**

Issue of Concern (Please provide map name if applicable): **2022 proposed revision Bahnke V1**

Public Comment: **This looks like a sensible and defensible pairing. I fully support Bahnke v1**

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Date: April 5, 2022, 10:52 am

First Name: **Alyce**

Last Name: **Hanley**

Group Affiliation, if applicable:

Email or Phone Contact: [REDACTED]

Your ZIP Code: **99502**

Issue of Concern (Please provide map name if applicable): **Support of AFFER proposed Senate Map**

Public Comment: **The court ruling that District K should be re-visited does not justify changes to all 8 senate districts. As a long time resident of District 15, I support The AFFER Senate map which preserves the pairing of Districts 15 and 16.**

# **ALASKA REDISTRICTING BOARD WEBSITE RESPONSE**

Date: April 5, 2022, 10:58 am

First Name: **Joelle**

Last Name: **Hall**

Group Affiliation, if applicable:

Email or Phone Contact: [REDACTED]

Your ZIP Code: **99577**

Issue of Concern (Please provide map name if applicable): **Senate pairings**

**Public Comment: I am listening to the public comment being given on April 5, 2022 and want to make some observations about the characterizations of previous ER pairings with Anchorage. In previous decades ER did not have enough populations to justify having a single senate seat. As a result of the 2020 census ER now has enough population to have their own seat. I live in this Senate seat and can see no justification to pair my house ( 24) with 23 ( Muldoon JBER Govt Hill) when I can be paired with 22 the other half of my community ER/Chugiak. There is NO reason to break apart ER. We have sufficient population to merit our own seat, we are contiguous, shop at the same stores and go the same schools. Observations about previous decades pairings are moot in 2022 based on the fact that our community has enough population and does not need to pull from Anchorage or the Valley to make a whole senate seat. What is the opposition to pairing ER with ER? Any justifications to break up my community are unjustified.**



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Pat Race [REDACTED]

Tue 4/5/2022 11:42 AM

Eagle River should not be split into two Senate Seats. It's inconsistent and done purely to advantage the political power of that largely conservative community. You wouldn't consider giving Juneau two senate seats and this is just as ridiculous. Be consistent. Make good and fair decisions.

As I understand it there is only one plan for Senate pairings on the table for public comment at the moment, the Behnke plan. I'll support that.

Pat Race  
Juneau, AK

# **ALASKA REDISTRICTING BOARD WEBSITE RESPONSE**

Date: April 5, 2022, 12:24 pm

First Name: **Kevin**

Last Name: **McClea**

Group Affiliation, if applicable:

Email or Phone Contact: [REDACTED]

Your ZIP Code: **99577**

Issue of Concern (Please provide map name if applicable): **Senate pairing for Eagle River (House 24 and 22)**

Public Comment: **I live in the Eagle River valley. My Senator should represent both the town center that I am closest to, House District 22 and the residential district I live in, House District 24. Eagle River Police and Fire services, Eagle River access to the Glenn Highway, and Eagle River/Chugiak parks are all much more relevant to my life than the services and parks of House District 9.**

**My community deserves representation based around my neighborhood, not to be paired with a community an hour away by car. Please pair House Districts 24 and 22.**

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Date: April 5, 2022, 2:35 pm

First Name: **Donna**

Last Name: **Phillips**

Group Affiliation, if applicable:

Email or Phone Contact: [REDACTED]

Your ZIP Code: **99587**

Issue of Concern (Please provide map name if applicable): **Redistricting Girdwood**

Public Comment: **I am writing today to oppose any Senate pairings that pair Girdwood with Eagle River. I am in support of the November 2021 proposed Senate pairings that keep Girdwood with South Anchorage.**

**I have lived in Girdwood for 27 years and drive the Seward Highway everyday. I do my shopping in South Anchorage. I have enjoyed South Anchorage representation at the local level and the state level.**

**Girdwood and Eagle River are very different communities and I would have to drive all the way through Anchorage just to get there. That makes no sense.**

**I urge the board to choose a plan that keeps Girdwood with South Anchorage, like the November 2021 pairings put on the record by Member Bahnke.**

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Date: April 5, 2022, 2:44 pm

First Name: **steve**

Last Name: **gerlek**

Group Affiliation, if applicable:

Email or Phone Contact: [REDACTED]

Your ZIP Code: **99501**

Issue of Concern (Please provide map name if applicable):

**Public Comment: I do not support redistricting Downtown Anchorage and Government Hill into a senate district that primarily represents the rural communities of Chugiak, Eagle River, and Eklutna. The effect of this will be to suppress the voice of many Alaskan families that live in our states urban core. The only fair pairing is House District 23 to House District 17.**

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Date: April 5, 2022, 3:08 pm

First Name: **Stephanie**

Last Name: **A Kesler**

Group Affiliation, if applicable: **None**

Email or Phone Contact: [REDACTED]

Your ZIP Code: **99501**

Issue of Concern (Please provide map name if applicable): **Government Hill House District gerrymandered to Eagle River**

Public Comment: **Please end the mind blowing gerrymander that links Downtown Anchorage and Government Hill to a senate district that primarily represents Chugiak, Eagle River, and Eklutna. It is a blatant attempt at diluting Government Hill and Downtown and results under-representation of our issues and concerns.. We have to drive through three house districts to connect with another populated section of our district at the far edge of Muldoon and then 25 miles to the next population in our district - which is absolutely ridiculous and unconstitutional. Clearly, the obvious fair and constitutional pairing is House District 23 to House District 17.**

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Date: April 5, 2022, 4:22 pm

First Name: **William**

Last Name: **Nye**

Group Affiliation, if applicable:

Email or Phone Contact: 

Your ZIP Code: **99517**

Issue of Concern (Please provide map name if applicable): **Redistricting**

Public Comment: **I support the Bahnke plan. Please adopt it. There is no relation between Chugiak/ER and Girdwood. It takes over an hour to drive between them and the communities are radically different.**

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Date: April 5, 2022, 4:52 pm

First Name: **Patrick**

Last Name: **Klump**

Group Affiliation, if applicable:

Email or Phone Contact: 

Your ZIP Code: **99503**

Issue of Concern (Please provide map name if applicable): **Democrat favorable map**

Public Comment: **Must read Alaska recently published an article stating democrats are coming droves to try to push through a democrat favorable map. I am sending this email in opposition. I believe the people of Anchorage need to have have free, fair, and equal elections. I support a map that gives favorability to no party. We should have equal representations.**

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Date: April 5, 2022, 5:51 pm

First Name: **Jody**

Last Name: **Sola**

Group Affiliation, if applicable: **Government Hill Community Council, president**

Email or Phone Contact: [REDACTED]

Your ZIP Code: **99501**

Issue of Concern (Please provide map name if applicable): **Please support the Bahnke redistricting map**

Public Comment: **First, thank you for your service, to our state and it's residents. I know you have given a tremendous amount of time, not only in meetings, but in "homework" as well. Know, also, that it does not go unnoticed.**

**Your job is not an easy one, however, balancing the districts by sheer numbers alone does not give any of us "fair representation."**

**I am representing the Board of Directors from Government Hill. We are, respectively, asking you to support Melissa Bahnke's proposed changes to the redistricting map as it is the only one that makes sense for our residents. The South Chugiak area is rural Alaskan in distance, lifestyles, and values, and does not represent Government Hill, JBER, or downtown Anchorage. Please consider pairing house district 23 with 17.**

**Thank you again for the opportunity to speak up, and thank you for your consideration.**



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Date: April 5, 2022, 6:10 pm

First Name: **Kimberly**

Last Name: **Collins**

Group Affiliation, if applicable:

Email or Phone Contact: 

Your ZIP Code: **99577**

Issue of Concern (Please provide map name if applicable): **Testimony of or input from Randy Ruedrich**

Public Comment: **I am opposed to the Board considering any input or testimony from Randy Ruedrich. He has violated the Ethics Act in Alaska for having committed abuses of office. He also advocated for the Senate District K pairing that was found to be gerrymandering, and therefore unconstitutional. For this reason, I believe the Board should disregard his testimony and any advice he has to offer regarding maps for any District other than his own. Thank you.**


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Date: April 5, 2022, 6:37 pm

First Name: **Teri**

Last Name: **Lembeck**

Group Affiliation, if applicable:

Email or Phone Contact: 

Your ZIP Code: **99508**

Issue of Concern (Please provide map name if applicable): **Redistricting**

Public Comment: **V1**

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Date: April 5, 2022, 7:33 pm

First Name: Craig

Last Name: Campbell

Group Affiliation, if applicable: Self

Email or Phone Contact: [REDACTED]

Your ZIP Code: 99577

Issue of Concern (Please provide map name if applicable): Equitable Senate Seat Districting Plan

Public Comment: The following was the testimony that I intended to provide during today's public testimony. I called in but was required to return to my work before I was able to provide verbal testimony. Please accept this as if I had testified via teleconference today.

Good Morning. My name is Craig Campbell. I am a 40 year resident of Eagle River. Today I want to provide testimony concerning Alaska redistricting and offer a suggested plan for the Anchorage area that preserves the unified senate district of Eagle River and Chugiak and creates equitable Senate seats for ethical representation.

I strongly recommend the redistricting board consider another approach, one that is based on the very values of fair elections and not one that is reconfiguring districts in favor of a political party, incumbents, or potential candidates. To that end I offer this proposal to create justifiable Senate seats that require no population adjustments. Specifically, I recommend:

-- Districts 22 and 24 (Eagle River and Chugiak) remain combined. This pairing aligns two very similar areas within a single Senate seat, and area that share common socio-economic and cultural characteristics.

-- Districts 20 and 23 (JBER and North Muldoon) should be combined as they represent an integrated community located both on-base and immediately adjacent to the military installation.

-- Districts 18 and 19 (Mountain View and Airport Heights) have similar housing patterns and are comprised of close-knit family units, also sharing a similar characteristic as the JBER and North Muldoon area. Neighbors work,

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shop, go to school, and share recreational activities in this area, making it a well aligned district.

-- Districts 15 and 16 (Sand Lake and Airport), should remain combined as is the original plan. This should not be changed.

-- Districts 14 and 17 (Downtown and Midtown). These two areas are heavily business and commercial oriented which allows a single Senate seat to fairly represent the interest of all voters. While the housing stock is varied through the two areas, the characteristics of businesses and neighborhoods is very similar.

-- District 10 and 13 (Bayshore and Taku). This district was deemed satisfactory by the court and should not be changed.

-- Districts 11 and 12 (O'Mally and Abbott Loop). This district also need not be adjusted.

-- Districts 9 and 21 (South Hillside and South Muldoon). These two areas have been paired for the most current election cycles, in what is now known as Senate seat N and is considered a legal combination. To create this pairing, a minor change must be made swapping an area with no population, which is currently assigned to House District 22, and putting that area into House District 9. To reiterate, no population is affected.

Your task is daunting. You have received a lot of testimony from those who are demanding that you pass a partisan plan that is not characteristic of fair and equitable representation. I do not believe that in politics, "The Loudest Voice Should Rule The Day." Rather, your job is to provide balance and fairness in determining the election districts for Alaska that will be law for the next decade. I ask that you move forward with a fair and equitable plan that serves the best interest of all Alaskans.

Thank you for your time this morning.

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Melissa Mayer <[REDACTED]m>

Tue 4/5/2022 7:53 PM

For the record, I support Option #2 pairing Districts 20 and 21 in order to keep Muldoon intact and bring the neighborhoods into a single united district. I spent years living in East Anchorage with my family near my mom who has lived in East Anchorage (Glencaren Court) since 1992. I value the socioeconomic diversity of the community; they deserve to elect a Senator that represents their united community. In addition, Mountain View, Russian Jack, Reflection Lake, and Chester Valley must be in the same district and allowed to elect a Senator that represents this unique diverse community; I support pairing Districts 18 and 19. The proximity of JBER, downtown, Fairview, and Government Hill should be paired based on proximity and shared areas; personnel living on JBER frequent downtown businesses and always have; I support pairing Districts 17 and 23.

Thank you,

Melissa Mayer  
99517

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Date: April 5, 2022, 8:20 pm

First Name: **Lois**

Last Name: **Epstein**

Group Affiliation, if applicable:

Email or Phone Contact: [REDACTED]

Your ZIP Code: **99501**

Issue of Concern (Please provide map name if applicable): **Eagle River Senate districts**

Public Comment: **Thank you for taking public comments at this time (my comment is dated April 5, 2022). I am out of state and unable to make this comment orally.**

**Following the Anchorage public hearing on October 4, 2021 where I testified, I was speaking with Cliff Groh when Senator Lora Reinbold of Eagle River approached us. I introduced myself and Senator Reinbold said she liked parts of my testimony. I then asked Senator Reinbold about whether she wanted the Eagle River house districts to be paired together which I assumed she did and she strongly agreed. I am recounting this conversation which Cliff Groh heard as well because of its potential importance for the Alaska Redistricting Board's decision this week regarding the pairing of house districts. Given that Eagle River's current Senator wants the two Eagle River house districts to be combined, please do so. It is a commonsense outcome and any other approach would be an unacceptable political gerrymander. Thank you.**

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Date: April 5, 2022, 8:41 pm

First Name: **Terry**

Last Name: **Drake**

Group Affiliation, if applicable:

Email or Phone Contact: [REDACTED]

Your ZIP Code: **99567**

Issue of Concern (Please provide map name if applicable):

Public Comment: **Don't adopt the Bahnke plan. The Board should take its time and do it right. The Bahnke plan is clearly partisan. The plan should be balanced and fair and accurately represent the people of Anchorage and Eagle River. By rushing the process, it doesn't allow proper public participation. This process needs to be fair to all not just a small group of individuals. Eagle River should be heard, as a community they deserve for the process to be slowed down.**

To: Alaska Redistricting Board

From: Gary Newman, Fairbanks

Date: April 5, 2022

Re: Response to Superior Court Remand of 2021 Proclamation following the Supreme Court's ruling.

I have participated for many months observing the activities of the Redistricting Board in creating a redistricting plan for Alaska for the next decade. It has been challenging and time consuming. Technology has made this process much more transparent and overwhelming at the same time. Not receiving the census results in a timely fashion added to the challenge. I thank the board members and staff for their time and diligence.

**The rulings of the Supreme Court seemed pretty clear.**

1. Put Cantwell back in the Denali Borough.
2. Address the gerrymandered pairing of Eagle River with two separate Senate seats, including one with Muldoon.

**Cantwell**

I believe the Board appears to be in agreement in resolving the Cantwell issue. While the original intent to respect ANSCA boundaries in this case with Ahtna, those are legally corporate boundaries and the Supreme Court found that government boundaries per the Constitution had precedent.

**Muldoon**

It seems that the Redistricting Board is accepting of the need to **pair Muldoon North and South House Districts 20 and 21 into a single Senate seat.** Do it.

**Eagle River**

Eagle River – it never made sense to split Eagle River into two Senate seats. Providing '*more representation*' wasn't a valid reason in my view and the view of others. That community should be kept together. The logic is to **pair Districts 22 and 24 into a single Senate seat.** Pairing Eagle River House districts into a single Senate seat leaves where to put District 23. *The suggestion of pairing District 24 and 9 opens the plan to further litigation.*

**Adjustments following Muldoon-Eagle River fixes**

Several proposals have been put forth. While I would have offered further pairings, my recommendation would be to **make as few changes as possible from the 2021 Proclamation while respecting the rulings of the Superior Court and Supreme Court.** This will minimize the opportunity for further litigation and acknowledges the previous voluminous public testimony and the extensive work and deliberation that the Board has already invested in this process.

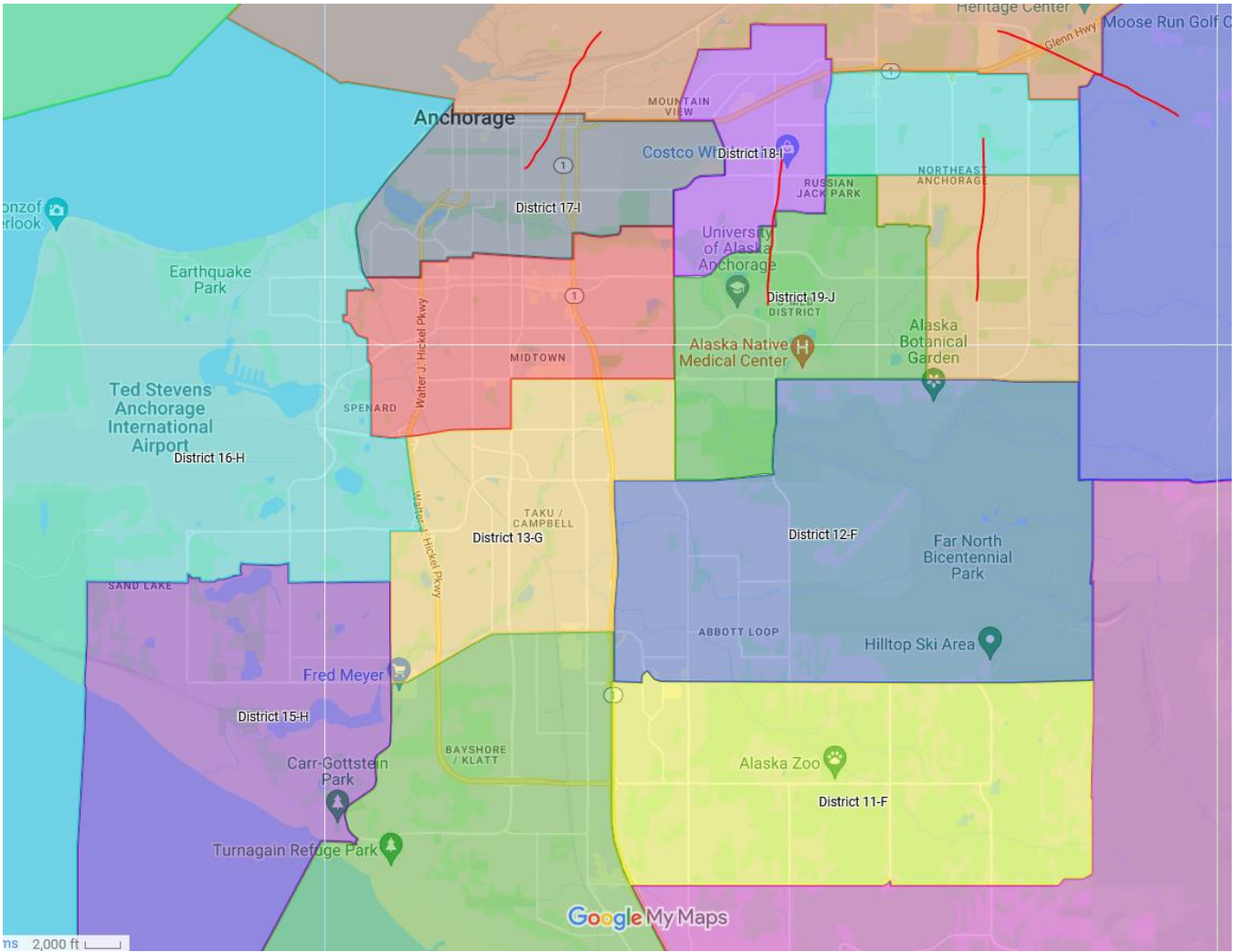
**Pair Districts 23 and 17**

**Pair Districts 18 and 19**

Because of the short timeline before the upcoming elections, I do recommend an **expeditious effort at a revised proclamation following the report to the Superior Court**, if possible in advance of the April 15 deadline. The public record is already quite long and the Board has heard many suggestions and alternates with many hours of testimony.

My suggestions are detailed on the map on the next page. I appreciate the opportunity to participate in this historic process.





**Municipality of Anchorage**  
**Assembly Member Christopher Constant**

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4/5/2022

To: Alaska Redistricting Commission  
From: Assembly Member Christopher Constant, Reapportionment Committee Chair  
Re: Public Comments to Municipal Reapportionment Process

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Dear Commissioners:

I am writing in follow up to my testimony at the public hearing held on April 2, 2022. In this communication I will begin where I ended, expressing my gratitude for your hard work in generating a map that was found for the very most part to be constitutional and well crafted. I will expand on my concern with one senate pairing. I will begin concluding by describing the nature of the public comments received by the Anchorage Assembly during the 2022 Reapportionment process that has just concluded. And finally, I will share with you a table of public comments from individuals as well as community councils submitted to the public record.

First, the house maps you adopted in your final plan have proven to be workable for the vast majority of the 40 house districts. Having chaired the process for the Municipality of Anchorage, a subdivision of the State of Alaska, I can commiserate on how challenging it is to set a proportional map that respects historic boundaries, communities of interest, and maintains contiguity and compactness. Ours was a substantially smaller scale project and it took us scores of hours. Collectively hundreds. Thank you for your diligence.

I still maintain substantial concerns about the senate pairing of House Districts 23 and 24. In particular the stranding of a tiny population of Anchorage voters in a district centered 20 and 30 miles away separated by mountains and a secure military base. They will not be represented, no matter what gilded promises are made by political actors attempting to sustain this gerrymander. The harm, for the most part, is undone by simply pairing House District 23 with House District 17.

**You** have the power to right this.

I recognize the interest in opening up the map and shifting pairings across Anchorage. I believe the Bahnke map is the fairest approach. I think the board is bounded by two borders in its decision making. Either adopt the map previously presented or act narrowly to update only the unconstitutional pairing and the minimum number of pairings to correct the infirmity.

I believe restraint is in order here. That Superior Court Judge Matthews maintains jurisdiction over this matter should be a caution to all parties. It is a mandate to exercise restraint in the final stage of this process, exercising only the minimum level of action necessary to achieve the constitutional goal. This likely means adopting the principle of maximum preservation of all district pairings ruled constitutional, except for those that must be repaired to accommodate the mandatory change as a result of the court's finding that the adopted East Anchorage/Eagle River senate district is unconstitutional.

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*I ask **you** to be the hero by pairing House Districts 17 and 23 into a single senate district to protect two small neighborhoods whose interests are threatened to be subsumed into a larger district with completely different needs.*

Now, I will share a bit about the Anchorage Reapportionment Process. The Municipality is a subdivision of the State of Alaska and organized as a First Class Municipality exercising the maximum level of self-government allowed under the State Constitution. As such, the Municipality began its Charter required reapportionment mere days after the publication by this body of the State Final Plan map on November 10, 2021. We ran a robust public process with more than 20 opportunities for the public to be heard. We also had a public comment portal and received emails in our regular method of receiving public comments. We hired a contractor who proposed several maps and opened the map making process up to the public, from whom we receive several viable maps. In fact, the final adopted map was submitted by a member of the public.

One of the maps drafted by the contractors and an additional map submitted by a member of the public paired Chugiak Eagle River with Hillside in South Anchorage. That pairing was a lightning rod causing scores and scores of comments in opposition from the public. The comments came in through all channels. Phone calls to members, emails through our regular email system. Comments posted to the portal, and substantial in person testimony in opposition. The opposition was overwhelming that the pairing of Eagle River and Hillside is inappropriate and shouldn't be promulgated. *The Assembly listened.*

It is my hope the Alaska Redistricting Board will incorporate the comments of members of the public and community councils duly submitted to a subdivision of the State under a substantially similar and coordinated process. By including a sample of comments received by email, a near complete table of comments submitted via the portal, and the Community Council resolutions passed relating to the pairing of Eagle River and Hillside, the Redistricting Board will have substantive record of concerns and overwhelming oppositions from the public to an irrational pairing of Chugiak, Eagle River and South Anchorage Hillside. Comments opposing the pairing are highlighted in yellow.

Now, I will conclude where I started. Having walked through a similar process recently, I thank you for the diligence exhibited by members of the Board in crafting a redistricting plan map that meets the needs of most Alaskans. Please complete this process and let's get on with implementation of your new districts.

Respectfully,



Christopher Constant, Vice Chair  
Anchorage Assembly, District 1  
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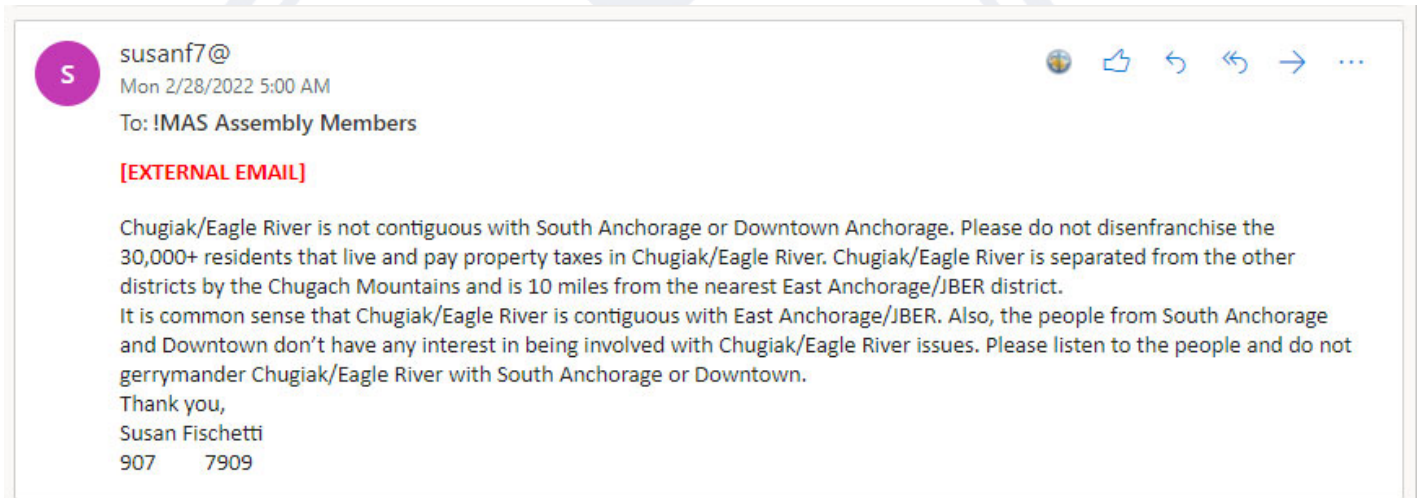
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Appendices

1. Sample email public comment via email
2. Community Council resolutions opposing Eagle River/Hillside Pairings
3. Select table of comments received through Assembly Reapportionment Comment Table

Appendix 1.: Example of public comments via email:



Appendix 2 and 3 follow.

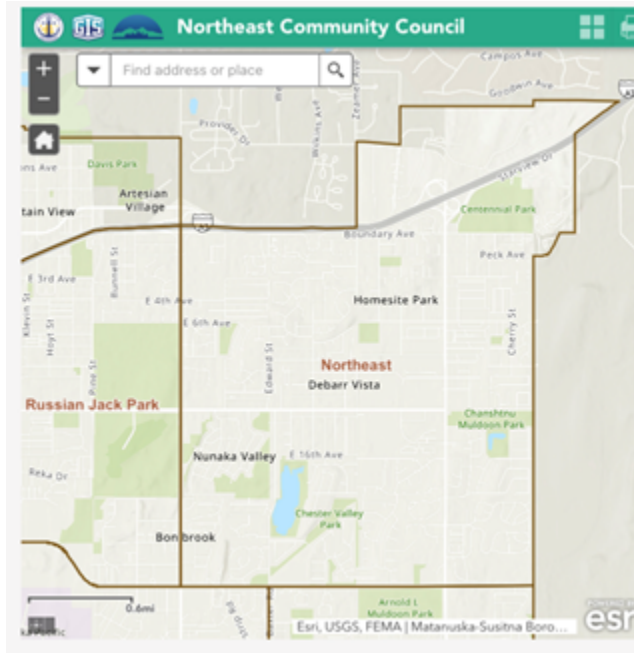
## Resolution 2022-01

Northeast Community Council (NECC)

January 20, 2022

### Assembly Reapportionment

**WHEREAS**, the Northeast Community Council (NECC) is the Community Council that is the voice of the people of Northeast Anchorage and includes the following boundaries:



**WHEREAS**, according to Census data, Northeast Anchorage has one of the most ethnically and racially diverse populations in the United States;

**WHEREAS**, according to Census data, the Northeast Community Council area has a population of 29,266;

**WHEREAS**, The target population per district is 48,541. The total deviation in actual population to target population must be less than 10% (federal law), and ideally less than 5%.

**WHEREAS**, Northeast Anchorage is a distinct and socioeconomically integrated area with strong neighborhood identities very different than that of Eagle River;

**WHEREAS**, Northeast Anchorage is home to many active-duty service members and Veterans who frequent the businesses and services provided along Muldoon Rd and near the Joint Base Elmendorf Richardson (JBER) Muldoon Rd. gate;

**WHEREAS**, in the past, portions of Northeast Anchorage have been included within the Eagle River district that is not socioeconomically similar and have very different legislative interests;



**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the NECC respectfully asks the Anchorage Assembly to:

1. Protect our neighborhoods and maintain our neighborhood ties by including the entire NECC boundaries within one Assembly District;
2. Include Bartlett High School in our District to keep it connected to the families it serves.

Date: January 20, 2022

Votes for: 10      Votes Against: 0      Abstain: 1

**Motion Passes**      /      Motion Does Not Pass

President:       Secretary:   
T'Shalla Baker      Rachel Boudreau

HALO Reapportionment Resolution  
**Resolution to Defend the Representation of the Hillside**

WHEREAS, the HOME AND LANDOWNERS ORGANIZATION is dedicated to the advancement of issues related to living in the Hillside area of the Municipality of Anchorage. We promote the Anchorage Hillside rural way of life in a community of low density so that the character of the community experience remains; and

WHEREAS, our community is bound by the Hillside District Plan and represented by five Community Councils; and

WHEREAS, our community bond relies on our shared community experience and location. Lot size, drinking water source, nor street maintenance source are not an important factor in our community definition. Our community is linked by lifestyle, shared location, and homestead history; and

WHEREAS, the Hillside has no community connection i.e., schools, churches, parks, shared stores, coffee shops, or community activities with Eagle River; and this connection between Hillside and Eagle River is only similar to any other part of the Municipality; and

WHEREAS, the population of Eagle River far outweighs the population on the Hillside proposed to move and therefore would divide our community and not represent the residents of the Hillside; and

WHEREAS, the Anchorage Assembly must conduct Reapportionment after declaring itself malapportioned November 23, 2021, and has six months to reapportion itself and the Anchorage Assembly's Reapportionment Committee has presented ten maps for review; and

WHEREAS, Reapportionment must consider 1) Districts must be compact, contiguous and a relatively integrated socioeconomic area, 2) The principle of equal protection and "one person, one vote" must be maintained; and

WHEREAS, five of the maps remove portions of the Hillside and joins them with District 2 (Eagle River) which would remove a compact and contiguous district, and does not maintain 'one person one vote'; and

WHEREAS HALO does not support maps that divides our community citing lot size as a division in our community. We do not support bringing all or portions of Hillside into District 2; and

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved that HALO urges the Assembly to support our community identity and allow the Hillside to stay separate from Eagle River in our representation urging the support of maps that keep the Hillside in District 6.

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved that HALO supports maps that keep the Hillside Districts together in one assembly district. Maps presented which keep the lower and upper Hillside together represent our community and forms a compact, contiguous, and socioeconomic integrated district.

**Resolved this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of February 2022 by unanimous vote**

Katie Nolan  
President Home and Landowners Organization

HILLSIDE COMMUNITY COUNCIL  
1057 West Fireweed Lane, Suite 100  
Anchorage, AK 99503

February 8, 2022

To: Anchorage Assembly  
Assembly Reapportionment Committee Members

RE: Reapportionment of the Anchorage Hillside neighborhood

The Hillside Community Council (HCC) Board of Directors appreciates the opportunity to provide input on the process of Municipal Reapportionment. We understand that the Draft Maps are still under consideration and revision; therefore, the HCC is not endorsing a specific map at this time. Our comments in this document are specifically intended to address any Draft Maps that divide the Anchorage Hillside by removing a portion of its residents from District 6 and reapportion them into District 2 (Eagle River).

The Hillside is a cohesive, well-established neighborhood within the city of Anchorage, with many shared connections among its residents, including but not limited to schools, programs, community outreach groups, sports and neighborhood organizations, and more.

We believe that Eagle River is its own separate and unique community within the municipality, with its own specific needs and issues. Additionally, Eagle River has no common community connections with Hillside residents.

We believe that combining an estimated 12,000 Hillside residents with the population of Eagle River will produce a disproportionate district. As a result, the reapportioned Hillside residents would be unfairly underrepresented in the new district, and their Assemblyperson would likely be someone unfamiliar with their neighborhood and community's specific needs.

In addition, representatives from the Boards of HCC, Huffman/O'Malley Community Council, Rabbit Creek Community Council and the Anchorage Home and Landowners Organization (HALO) attended a District 6 Constituents' meeting on February 5<sup>th</sup>, to discuss reapportionment. All representatives in attendance expressed support for keeping the Hillside neighborhood intact, and opposed grouping a portion of the Hillside residents with Eagle River.

The HCC Board of Directors respectfully requests that the Reapportionment Committee and Anchorage Assembly keep the Hillside's cohesive neighborhood intact, and not approve or recommend a map(s) that combines a portion of the Hillside with Eagle River.

Respectfully submitted,



Carmela Warfield, President  
Hillside Community Council Board of Directors



HOCC Reapportionment Resolution  
**Resolution to Support the South Anchorage and Hillside Community**

WHEREAS, the Huffman O'Malley Community Council (HOCC) is dedicated to the advancement of issues related to living in the South Anchorage and Hillside area of the Municipality of Anchorage. We promote the character of our shared community experience and interests; and

WHEREAS, the Hillside is a well-established, cohesive neighborhood whose residents share neighborhood road connections and many common community connections; and

WHEREAS, Hillside is one neighborhood and our community is bound by the Hillside District Plan and represented by five Community Councils; and

WHEREAS, our community bond relies on our shared community experience and location. Neither lot size, drinking water source, or street maintenance source are important factors in our community definition. Our community is linked by lifestyle, shared location, close road access, and homestead history; and

WHEREAS, the Hillside has little community connection i.e., schools, churches, parks, shared stores and coffee shops, or community activities with Eagle River; and this connection between Hillside and Eagle River is only similar to any other part of the Municipality; and

WHEREAS, the population of Eagle River far outweighs the population on the Hillside proposed to move and therefore would divide our community and not represent the residents of the Hillside; and

WHEREAS, the Anchorage Assembly must conduct Reapportionment after declaring itself malapportioned. That declaration was made November 23, 2021, and the deadline is to complete activity within six months to reapportion itself. We do not understand the rush to adopt maps with little time for boundary review. Anchorage Assembly's Reapportionment Committee has presented ten maps for review on February 9th, but these maps may not be the maps under consideration. This process seems rushed; and

WHEREAS, Reapportionment must consider 1) Districts must be compact, contiguous and a relatively integrated socioeconomic area, 2) The principle of equal protection and "one person, one vote" must be maintained.

WHEREAS, five of the maps remove portions of the Hillside and joins them with District 2 (Eagle River) which would remove a compact and contiguous district, does not keep common community interests together, and does not maintain 'one person one vote'; and

WHEREAS HOCC does not support maps that divide our community citing lot size as a division in our community. We do not support bringing all or portions of Hillside into District 2.

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved that HOCC urges the Assembly to support our community identity and allow the Hillside to stay separate from Eagle River in our representation. HOCC supports maps that keep the Hillside in District 6.

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved that HOCC supports reapportioned districts which keep the lower and upper Hillside together forming a district with boundaries similar to the Hillside District Plan and with road access to support community functions and a compact, contiguous, and socioeconomically integrated district.

Resolved this 9<sup>th</sup> day of February 2022

*Cyber Spotted*  
Signature  
President, Huffman  
Title  
O'Malley Community  
Council



## **RABBIT CREEK COMMUNITY COUNCIL (RCCC)**

A Forum for Respectful Communication & Community Relations



**1057 West Fireweed Lane, Suite 100 / Anchorage, AK 99503**

### **RESOLUTION AND COMMENTS FROM THE RABBIT CREEK COMMUNITY COUNCIL ON THE 2022 ASSEMBLY REAPPORTIONMENT PROCESS**

At our February 10, 2022 meeting, the Rabbit Creek Community Council (RCCC) discussed draft maps currently under consideration for the required Assembly Reapportionment process. In doing so, the RCCC reminds the Assembly Reapportionment Committee that: legal requirements compel the Committee to create districts which are “compact and contiguous territory containing as nearly as practicable a relatively integrated socioeconomic area” (Municipality of Anchorage Code of Ordinance, Part I, Article IV, Section 4.01). By a vote of 26 yeas, 3 nays, and 1 abstention, RCCC approved the following resolution:

#### **RESOLUTION**

The Rabbit Creek Community Council:

- Affirms that the re-apportionment closely follow the legal requirements to create compact, contiguous, and socioeconomically integrated districts.
- Opposes combination of any portions of the Hillside with Eagle River.
- Emphasizes that Chugach State Park does not create contiguity between the populations of the Hillside and Eagle River, as it is uninhabited. Therefore, reapportionment maps should display it as a distinct, unpopulated area.
- Supports continued work with maps proposed by Denny Wells and Brice Wilkins that: work to keep neighborhoods intact across Anchorage; are considerate and encompassing of other Assembly member concerns; and keep the Hillside together in one district, separate from Eagle River.

#### **JUSTIFICATION**

The RCCC strongly opposes any map that would combine the Rabbit Creek and neighboring Hillside areas with Eagle River because these two distinct, separate areas are not integrated through socio-economic interactions, land use patterns, businesses, roads and traffic patterns, or schools. Additionally, these areas are neither compact nor contiguous, thus further failing to meet the requirements of Section 4.01. Travel from the Hillside to Eagle River requires traversing several intervening districts. It is inappropriate to use the large, steep, uninhabited, and in some areas or to some people inaccessible, Chugach State Park as justification to combine Eagle River and Hillside into one Assembly district.

Common issues that distinguish the Hillside from most other parts of the Anchorage Bowl include resident concerns around wildfires and high winds, on-site water and septic systems, Limited Road Service Areas, drainage, water supply and other watershed features on steep slopes. Eagle River has different watersheds, an integrated road service district, its own park district, and facilities that have little or no daily relevance to Hillside residents, including a

Community College, its own branch library, a Wal-Mart, and a central business district. The local roads, trails, and recreation areas we use throughout the Hillside are completely different from the local roads, trails, and recreation areas used by Eagle River residents; the roads we travel to schools and local shopping/businesses, as well as to destinations in Midtown and Downtown, are completely different from the roads used by Eagle River residents.

We remind the Assembly that the 2010 Hillside District Plan (HDP) defines the boundaries of the Hillside. Much thought, effort, and an iterative public process were involved throughout the development of that Assembly-approved plan. The HDP sets a strong precedent for maintaining the cohesion of the RCCC area and the larger Hillside area in one district, with no part of the Hillside combined with Eagle River.

While maintaining a low population deviation between districts is of obvious importance, it is not outlined as a consideration in Section 4.01, and therefore should not be granted more importance than the criteria that are included in Municipal ordinance. Respecting neighborhood continuity is more important than pushing for the smallest deviation in size of each Assembly district and will best achieve fair representation. We do appreciate the difficulty of this effort.

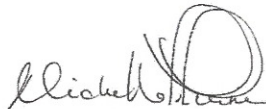
## CONCLUSION

In accordance with Anchorage Municipal Ordinance and the strong precedent set by the Hillside District Plan, the RCCC area and larger Hillside of south Anchorage should remain in a single Assembly district with no part of the Hillside combined with Eagle River on the northeast side of Anchorage. Moreover, RCCC recommends that the Assembly take similar care to not split up other neighborhoods throughout Anchorage, and instead, support neighborhood continuity. The Assembly's overarching goal should be to ensure fair and effective representation for all residents.



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Ann Rappoport, Co-chair  
Rabbit Creek Community Council



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Michelle Turner, Co-chair  
Rabbit Creek Community Council

Signed: February 13, 2022

Municipality of Anchorage--Reapportionment  
Public Comment Portal Comments

Date	Topic	Commenter	Comment
12/31/2021	Map Three	Elizabeth Forsman	Map 3. I don't believe JBER should be included in downtown. I do believe the port should be.
1/11/2022	Map Five	Cheryl Lovegreen	I just looked through the map proposals for reapportionment. I may have more comments after I have studied the maps more closely, but today I am concerned about District 5, East Anchorage. In the recent state Redistricting process, East Anchorage was pasted onto Eagle River in a way that diluted the power of its diverse population. In the reapportionment, a similar thing happens in Map 3 by adding some South Anchorage residents and in Map 5 by Eagle River absorbing a section east of Muldoon Road. I hope the committee is sensitive to the integrity of our neighborhoods and "relatively integrated socioeconomic area" of each district.
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Comments highlighted in yellow oppose the Eagle River/South Anchorage pairing

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1/21/2022	Map 10 Wells B	Denmer Wells	<p>After reviewing my Map A and thinking about the shortcomings of some of the other maps, I made a second map:  Denny's Map B:  <a href="https://districtr.org/plan/103441">https://districtr.org/plan/103441</a>  - Even smaller population deviation than Denny's Map A  - Compact, mostly following major roads and other natural boundaries, except at the 3-way intersection of Districts 1, 4, and 5, where the boundary follows 36th to Elmore, then across 40th, and finally follows the South Fork of Chester Creek to Boniface.  - District 5 includes Russian Jack, as in the current districts.  - District 4 is more mid-town and less SW Anchorage.  - The District 1/ District 3 boundary is at West Chester rather than the railroad.</p>
1/21/2022	Map One Greene	Denmer Wells	<p>Map 1: Matching Eagle River/Chugiak and upper Hillside with Girdwood/Indian is problematic because those areas are not only discontinuous, but they are significantly culturally different with significantly different issues.</p>

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Municipality of Anchorage--Reapportionment  
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1/21/2022	Map Two	Denmer Wells	Map 2: This map, with almost surgical precision, increases the voting power of Eagle River at the expense of Muldoon by putting disparate population sizes in each district.
1/21/2022	Map Three	Denmer Wells	Map 3: As with Map 2, this map surgically increases the voting power of Eagle River at the expense of Muldoon. But it takes that disparity a step further by including lower Hillside with Muldoon. District 5 in this map is both discontinuous and merges significantly different populations.
1/21/2022	Map Four	Denmer Wells	Map 4: This map seems specifically targeted at fracturing the voting power of Muldoon. It splits the current Muldoon district into 3 sections – giving one section each to the Downtown and Eagle River districts, and then adding the significantly un-diverse U-Med area and lower hillside to the remaining skeleton of the diverse Muldoon district.
1/21/2022	Map Five	Denmer Wells	Map 5: This takes the problems of Map #4 and amps them up significantly. It is again specifically targeted at splitting the Muldoon district. This time, it gives even more of the district to Eagle River, and adds JBER to the remaining (even smaller) skeleton of Muldoon.

Comments highlighted in yellow oppose the Eagle River/South Anchorage pairing

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Date	Topic	Commenter	Comment
1/21/2022	Unclassified	Denmer Wells	<p>Regarding all 5 proposed maps: In all 5 of the proposed reapportionment maps, my neighborhood along the north shore of Campbell Lake is included in District 6 with south Anchorage and the hillside rather than being included in District 3 with Sand Lake. This is irrational. The area South of Dimond, West of Arlene and North of Campbell Lake should be included in the same district with Sand Lake, as it is now. This area is zoned for Kincaid Elementary school, with our neighbors in Sand Lake. This area is in legislative districts (both current and pending with the new redistricting) with our neighbors in Sand Lake. In order to go from this area to South Anchorage and the rest of the district, we would literally have to transit the Sand Lake district. I understand that someone may draft a proposal with the Sand Lake/South Anchorage boundary at Dimond instead of at Campbell Lake, but that ALL FIVE of the current proposals make this change is irrational and speaks to an underlying problem in the process used to draft these maps. My neighborhood, bounded by Campbell Lake to the south and Dimond Blvd to the north should be included with Sand Lake for our Anchorage Municipal Assembly district. All 5 of these maps are gravely problematic, all in very similar ways. They ALL include the north shore of Campbell Lake with South Anchorage, they ALL advantage Eagle River or pair Eagle River with another dis-similar community in the municipality, and all but Map 1 explicitly disadvantage Muldoon. There is a pattern here. These plans should not be adopted.</p>
1/21/2022	Map 9 Wells A	Denmer Wells	<p>For your consideration, I propose the following map (made using the state redistricting board's tool). Let's call it Denny's Map A <a href="https://districtr.org/plan/101570">https://districtr.org/plan/101570</a> My proposed map has the following characteristics: - Smaller population deviation from the target than all but the original Map 1 proposal. - It follows major roadways and/or bodies of water for boundaries. No wonky carve-outs. Very compact. - Eagle River is in a district with JBER and Stuckagain Heights. JBER is rational, as it is currently in the Eagle River district, and Eagle River is a bedroom community for JBER. Stuckagain Heights is discontinuous, which is unfortunate, but the demographics and issues there are very similar to the demographics and issues in the neighborhood around the upper reaches of the South Fork of Eagle River.</p>

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1/21/2022	Unclassified	Denmer Wells	As a real estate photographer, I have spent time in the homes of families all over Anchorage. I have shot more than 2000 homes in the municipality, in all parts of town, from the tiniest run down single-wide trailer to the most amazing million dollar homes, from places in the densest parts of South Addition to the furthest reaches of the Eagle River valley, from homes so new the paint was not yet dry to homes so old they are on historic building registers. I was mindful of that experience as I crafted my maps. I encourage you to be mindful of the whole community as you draft your final official maps. I urge you to adopt a map that is fair and compact. None of your initial 5 drafts fit those criteria. I believe my proposed maps are a step in the right direction. They are certainly more fair than the current 5 drafts, and much more compact than the 2012 district boundaries.
1/21/2022	JBER	Briana Sullivan	I am addressing any maps that include Military Land: Does it matter how many people are registered voters? Does it matter if population is considered Alaska Residents?
1/26/2022	Public Comment Process	Gretchen Stoddard	Please provide an email address to submit comments. I can not find an email for comments in your information. Thank you.
1/27/2022	Eagle River\Hillside	Diane Shellenbaum	I live on the lower Hillside, currently in District 6. I have reviewed maps 1-10, and am strongly against any map that groups Eagle River with portions of the Hillside (maps 1 and 8 are the worst.) The issues of Eagle River are very specific and that population should be represented by Assembly members who can represent those. Hillside issues are different and I believe would be overwhelmed by Eagle River issues.

Comments highlighted in yellow oppose the Eagle River/South Anchorage pairing



Municipality of Anchorage--Reapportionment  
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Date	Topic	Commenter	Comment
1/27/2022	Map Five	Diane Thompson	Re Map 5: I am concerned about assigning East Anchorage east of Muldoon to Eagle River. I've lived on JBER (back when it was Ft. Richardson) and in Eagle River and Muldoon east of Muldoon road in the impacted area. My experience was that Ft. Rich/JBER was more similar to Eagle River than Muldoon is. I believe people living east of Muldoon Road, but in Muldoon, most closely resemble and would be better served by the same Assembly member as East Anchorage residents west of Muldoon Road.
1/27/2022	Eagle River\Hillside	Diane Thompson	I am concerned about assigning East Anchorage east of Muldoon to Eagle River. I've lived on JBER (back when it was Ft. Richardson) and in Eagle River and Muldoon east of Muldoon road in the impacted area. My experience was that Ft. Rich/JBER was more similar to Eagle River than Muldoon is. I believe people living east of Muldoon Road, but in Muldoon, most closely resemble and would be better served by the same Assembly member as East Anchorage residents west of Muldoon Road.
1/27/2022	Map 8 Alaskans for Fair Redistricting	Elizabeth Ellis	Hello, I support adopting map number eight for Anchorage. Thank you.

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1/28/2022	Public Comment Process	Helene Mikes	Please especially refer my comments to my two assembly members, John Weddleton and Suzanne LaFrance.
1/28/2022	Map Four	Darryl Parks	Within the maps, map 4 makes the most sense from a boundary standpoint. The problem lies that by including JBER in any of the districts, you do that district a disservice. Many, a large portion, of the population on JBER are not registered voters in the state of Alaska, as many service members maintain residency in their home state, even though they benefit from the services provided by the municipality. JBER residents are a transient population with most serving for 3 years, then moving on to their next assignment. Including JBER impacts the voting power of any district that includes portions of the base since many of the residents are not eligible to vote in the district where they reside.

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1/31/2022	Map 6 Anchorage Action	Curtis Smith	<p>I would like to strongly advocate for the adoption of Map #6 proposed by Anchorage Action for many reasons including the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Highly compact and contiguous</li> <li>- Closely resembles the current map except for the District 1, which understandably extends into Midtown due to the addition of a second representative</li> <li>- Better than Map #2, the next best map, for reasons that include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Lower total deviation</li> <li>o District 4 in Map #6 includes the U-Med area while District 4 in Map #2 instead includes areas that nearly all people would normally consider to be associated with South Anchorage (e.g., O'Malley and Birch area in the present District 6)</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>All of the remaining maps have substantial issues including the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Not contiguous--e.g., Map numbers 1, 7, 9, 10 all pair Eagle River / Chugiak with parts of South Anchorage and/or Stuckagain Heights</li> <li>- Placing all or part of JBER in Districts 1 or 5 (e.g., Map numbers 1, 4, 5, 7, 8) when JBER is best placed within District 2, an area that also has a significant presence of military personnel/families</li> <li>- Not compact--e.g., District 5 in Map #3 extends over an unacceptably large and varied area from the Glenn Highway all the way to Huffman Road</li> </ul> <p>None of the proposed maps is perfect, but I believe Map #6 proposed by Anchorage Action is the best option for the reasons mentioned above. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.</p> <p>Curtis Smith</p>

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2/1/2022	Map 9 Wells A	Denmer Wells	<p>After the initial rounds of public feedback, I'd like to offer a revised map selection. Let's call this Denny's Neighborhood Cohesion map. I'd like to specifically offer it as a replacement for Denny's Map A, currently hosted as Map 9 on the reapportionment page. This map can be found at <a href="https://districtr.org/plan/107533">It can also be found at https://districtr.org/plan/107533</a> and an image of it is attached to this comment.</p> <p>The message I heard at the public hearings, and through people who have reached out since, is that keeping neighborhoods together is a high priority for the community. I heard this at last Wednesday's meeting from Assembly Member Zalatel regarding Rogers Park. I heard this from residents who spoke at Thursday's meeting about keeping Hillside together. I heard this from Assembly Member Allard at Thursday's meeting regarding maps that paired Eagle River with distant communities along Hillside or Turnagain Arm. I heard this from Stuckagain Heights residents who reached out expressing a desire to stay connected with Anchorage districts. The public comments online also are generally critical of various Anchorage-Eagle River or Anchorage-JBER pairings.</p> <p>I know that Alaskan's for Fair Redistricting has advocated an extremely low per-district deviation to achieve as much voter-parity as possible. But their map makes clear that holding rigidly to such a target results in a deep disregard for neighborhood integrity. In addition to their unusual boundary splitting neighborhoods across the north end of Russian Jack and Muldoon, their low deviation target drove a really unusual break through the middle of Bayshore, the carving off of a single block in the neighborhood around Vernon Street south of Dimond, a circuitous cut through Goldenvue, drawing a line through the middle of the neighborhood south of Campbell Elementary, and they cut Airport Heights in half. I appreciate the precision with which they achieved a low deviation, but I believe their map demonstrates the unintended consequences of only focusing on one measure of equitable districts (low deviation) without considering other measures.</p> <p>Some of the other maps were less concerned with deviation, but they also missed some neighborhood cohesion elements.</p>

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2/1/2022	Map Two	Doug Robbins	<p>The standards for drawing fair Anchorage reapportionment maps should be the same as the criteria for State Districts in the Alaska constitution. Districts should be near equal population, compact, contiguous, and represent related neighborhoods. By those criteria, the best proposed map is Map 6, submitted by Anchorage Action. The districts in this map are compact, contiguous, and connect related neighborhoods. Proposed Map 2 is also good, but has a higher overall population deviation than Map 6. Map 2: Good. Districts are contiguous and compact; connecting related neighborhoods.</p>
2/1/2022	Eagle River\Hillside	Doug Robbins	<p>By no means should Eagle River be connected to the Anchorage Hillside, Girdwood, or Stuckagain Heights. These neighborhoods use entirely different municipal infrastructure than Eagle River, have different problems, and cannot be represented well by a single Assembly representative. You shouldn't have to drive through other districts to get from one side to the other side of a district. Maps 1, 7, 8, 9 and 10 are bad because they connect unrelated neighborhoods to Eagle River.</p>

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2/1/2022	Map Four	Doug Robbins	Maps 3, 4 and 5 are bad because they connect unrelated neighborhoods across Bicentennial Park, or unrelated neighborhoods from north to south across east Anchorage. Map 4: Bad. District 5 is not contiguous or compact; it extends across Bicentennial Park, connecting unrelated neighborhoods.
2/1/2022	Map Five	Doug Robbins	Maps 3, 4 and 5 are bad because they connect unrelated neighborhoods across Bicentennial Park, or unrelated neighborhoods from north to south across east Anchorage. Map 5: Bad. District 5 is not compact; it connects JBER with a neighborhood adjacent to Dowling.
2/1/2022	Map 7 Hockema	Doug Robbins	Maps 1, 7, 8, 9 and 10 are bad because they connect unrelated neighborhoods to Eagle River. Map 7: Bad. Stuckagain Heights and the Upper Hillside are connected with Eagle River.

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2/1/2022	Map 8 Alaskans for Fair Redistricting	Doug Robbins	Maps 1, 7, 8, 9 and 10 are bad because they connect unrelated neighborhoods to Eagle River. Map 8: Bad. Lower & Upper Hillside, and Stuckagain Heights are connected to Eagle River.
2/1/2022	Map 9 Wells A	Doug Robbins	Maps 1, 7, 8, 9 and 10 are bad because they connect unrelated neighborhoods to Eagle River. Map 9: Bad. Stuckagain Heights is connected to Eagle River.
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2/1/2022	Eagle River\Hillside	Nicole Branch	<p>After studying the maps presented, Maps 3 and 5 are the most reasonable reapportionment suggestions.</p> <p>1) JBER is a unique part of our community. JBER falls under a single community commander who is responsible for everything that happens on the base. Dividing JBER into more than one district, whether 1, 2, or 5, will not allow for the base commander to create a unified and cohesive base. The responsibilities of the base commander stretch into the community. The base commander should be focused on their "constituents" and not the juggling the responsibilities associated with multiple districts. Also, one needs to examine the actual number of Alaskan voters on JBER. Dividing them into multiple districts may not provide them with the best representation possible.</p> <p>2) I also disagree with dividing the Hillside into district 2 or 6. The assumption is that Hillside voters align with ER voters due to lot size among other factors. If the Upper Hillside to Girdwood is placed in District 2, I believe that those in Bird thru Girdwood will be underrepresented. Should they become part of District 2, their representation will be invisible due to the strength of ER. The Hillside should closely mimic the school boundaries set by ASD creating a unified interest. It is nonsensical to have the district 2 representative drive every district to reach both ends of their district. Logic needs to drive the reapportionment, not creating the most favorable boundaries for elections.</p>
2/1/2022	Map Three	Nicole Branch	<p>After studying the maps presented, Maps 3 and 5 are the most reasonable reapportionment suggestions.</p>

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2/3/2022	Map 10 Wells B	Patrick Hoffmann	My concerns are limited to the general neighborhood in which we live, the Upper Hillside. We have nothing in common with Chugiak / Eagle River (CER) but elevation. Therefore I categorically reject any pairing of our neighborhood with CER. This limits my support to Denny Wells A and B, maps #9 and #10

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2/3/2022	Map 6 Anchorage Action	Patrick Hoffmann	Therefore I categorically reject any pairing of our neighborhood with CER. This limits my support to Denny Wells A and B, maps #9 and #10, as well as Anchorage Action map #6.
2/3/2022	Eagle River\Hillside	Catherine Larrea	After review of the proposed redistricting maps, I am strongly against any boundary changes that would lump any part of the Hillside area with Eagle River/Chugiak areas. These are completely different communities. The maps proposals I appose are Map 1, Map 7 and Map 8. I oppose any other current or future redistricting that combine any or all of the Hillside with Eagle River.
2/3/2022	Map One Greene	Catherine Larrea	The maps proposals I appose are Map 1, Map 7 and Map 8.

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2/3/2022	Map 8 Alaskans for Fair Redistricting	Catherine Larrea	The maps proposals I appose are Map 1, Map 7 and Map 8.
2/3/2022	Eagle River\Hillside	Deirdre Schwartz	I have reviewed the redistributing maps and want to express concern over extending District 2 into the South Anchorage Hillside beyond the military boundary as shown in Map 8 and others. Eagle River and the non-military areas of Anchorage Hillside are very different politically, demographically, and environmentally. I would not expect an elected Assembly member to be able to fairly represent such diverse interests and priorities. Please do not dilute representation for either community by combining these disparate areas.
2/3/2022	Map 8 Alaskans for Fair Redistricting	Deirdre Schwartz	I have reviewed the redistributing maps and want to express concern over extending District 2 into the South Anchorage Hillside beyond the military boundary as shown in Map 8 and others. Eagle River and the non-military areas of Anchorage Hillside are very different politically, demographically, and environmentally. I would not expect an elected Assembly member to be able to fairly represent such diverse interests and priorities. Please do not dilute representation for either community by combining these disparate areas.

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2/3/2022	Eagle River\Hillside	Cathy Foerster	The constituency and needs of the Upper Hillside are very different from those of Eagle River and Chugiak Please do not lump their representation.
2/3/2022	Eagle River\Hillside	Cindy Lelake	<p>Listening to the first (virtual) muni redistricting conversation, I was struck by the fact that Independence Park, where I reside, seems to move at whim from map to map.</p> <p>The precise "character" of Independence Park, which seems to be a perennial question, also permeates state redistricting maps and efforts. In the current state redistricting plan, it joins the Lower Hillside in District 11.</p> <p>My perspective is that, as far as muni redistricting goes, the high-density housing situation of most of Independence Park makes it a poor candidate for combination with the Hillside assembly district, which for the most part consists of individual dwellings on relatively large property parcels.</p> <p>Thanks for considering my input!</p> <p>Cindy Lelake</p>
2/3/2022	Eagle River\Hillside	Stephanie Cornwell-George	Leave Eagle River and Chugiak as they are. We are nothing like hillside or Girdwood. We each have our own concerns, a rep trying to speak for both would not be representative and would limit access. ERCC includes Birchwood, Peters creek, Eklutna and these areas are one of the few places left for anchorage to really grow. Eagle River already wants to separate, lumping us in with another community that has their own unique needs would only push that desire further.

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2/3/2022	Eagle River\Hillside	Richard Emanuel	<p>To Whom It May Concern: I am writing to strongly object to Maps 1 and 8, which would put my home and neighborhood, presently in Dist 6, into Dist 2. I live in the mid-Hillside, near Huffman and Birch Roads. I know little about local issues as they affect Eagle River, which represents the heart of Dist. 2. Nor do I believe many residents of Dist. 2 know much about where I live. "Contiguous" means "being in actual contact or sharing a common boundary." My neighborhood is NOT in contact with Eagle River. That is an absurd assertion. If there is a "common boundary" here, it seems to be Chugach State Park. Are there any voters in the Park? Are there voting precincts in the Park? No, there are not. Now, I like Eagle River just fine. But the last time I was there was when I stopped at Jitters once last summer. I have friends in Eagle River who consider it a big deal to drive into "Anchorage," by which they usually mean Muldoon, or maybe the Center for the Performing Arts or the 5th Avenue Mall. They don't shop in South Anchorage, at the Dimond Center or anywhere else. They might visit the Alaska Zoo, but even so, neither the Zoo nor the Dimond Center are in Dist. 2 on either Maps 1 or Map 8. These proposals stretch the concept of "contiguous" well beyond the breaking point. Just because you can color in a section of Chugach State Park as if it were part of Dist. 2 does not establish a meaningful connection between Eagle River and my mid-Hillside neighborhood. Maps 1 and 8 are blatantly bogus reapportionment schemes, drawn for reasons I cannot fathom and without regard to reality. They are absurd. At present, I feel very well represented by the assembly persons for District 6. Please do not put me in District 2. The Hon. Jamie Allard would not well represent me or my family on the Assembly. And the representation works both ways: Believe me, Ms. Allard would not want me as a constituent. Vote NO on Map 1 and Map 8!</p>

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2/3/2022	Map One Greene	Richard Emanuel	To Whom It May Concern: I am writing to strongly object to Maps 1 and 8, which would put my home and neighborhood, presently in Dist 6, into Dist 2. Now, I like Eagle River just fine. But the last time I was there was when I stopped at Jitters once last summer. I have friends in Eagle River who consider it a big deal to drive into "Anchorage," by which they usually mean Muldoon, or maybe the Center for the Performing Arts or the 5th Avenue Mall. They don't shop in South Anchorage, at the Dimond Center or anywhere else. They might visit the Alaska Zoo, but even so, neither the Zoo nor the Dimond Center are in Dist. 2 on either Maps 1 or Map 8. These proposals stretch the concept of "contiguous" well beyond the breaking point. Maps 1 and 8 are blatantly bogus reapportionment schemes, drawn for reasons I cannot fathom and without regard to reality. Vote NO on Map 1 and Map 8!
2/3/2022	Map 8 Alaskans for Fair Redistricting	Richard Emanuel	To Whom It May Concern: I am writing to strongly object to Maps 1 and 8, which would put my home and neighborhood, presently in Dist 6, into Dist 2. Now, I like Eagle River just fine. But the last time I was there was when I stopped at Jitters once last summer. I have friends in Eagle River who consider it a big deal to drive into "Anchorage," by which they usually mean Muldoon, or maybe the Center for the Performing Arts or the 5th Avenue Mall. They don't shop in South Anchorage, at the Dimond Center or anywhere else. They might visit the Alaska Zoo, but even so, neither the Zoo nor the Dimond Center are in Dist. 2 on either Maps 1 or Map 8. These proposals stretch the concept of "contiguous" well beyond the breaking point. Maps 1 and 8 are blatantly bogus reapportionment schemes, drawn for reasons I cannot fathom and without regard to reality. Vote NO on Map 1 and Map 8!
2/4/2022	Map Two	Kenneth Kugel	I support Map 2. The new districts as drawn are compact and maintain neighborhood cohesiveness. There is minimal movement of the existing district boundaries so as to be the least disruptive to the voters.

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2/5/2022	Eagle River\Hillside	Matt Burkholder	Please keep neighborhoods whole and districts contiguous. Please leave Eagle River in Eagle River and don't drag it down into South Anchorage. Thanks.
2/6/2022	Eagle River\Hillside	Julie Coulombe	I strongly object to any of the Hillside being combined with District 2. It is not contiguous. We are also our own separate community with shared interests and history. Large lots, wells and LRSA's do not wholly define a community. Eagle River has its own unique identity and issues that will overshadow the small population being proposed on the Hillside for District 2. Eagle River should be combined with JBER instead of Muldoon or the Hillside. Eagle River has a high percentage of military population living there, and is a much more obvious fit with JBER. I also urge you not to just focus on the variance, but community cohesion. It makes more sense for the Midtown District to move South and West into District 6, than to take off the Hillside to District 2.
2/6/2022	Eagle River\Hillside	charles springer	The idea of combining Eagle River and the Hillside is absurd. Now if your reason is to dilute the representation of the Hillside then it represents the best in gerrymandering.
2/7/2022	Eagle River\Hillside	Jodi Taylor	Maps that join South Anchorage and Eagle River are putting together two communities with separate needs. Eagle River is clearly a bedroom community of Anchorage vs South Anchorage is part of the city - wishes of residents will be too varied and poor fit. Maps that leave Eagle River with JBER, where families go to school, shop, sports have worked and make sense. Leaving South Anchorage as a group also makes sense for families that shop, children attend same schools and use the same community areas therefore have stronger overlapping concerns. Please keep South Anchorage alone, and group JBER w Eagle River.

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2/7/2022	Map Two	Paula Davis	<p>Hi Reapportionment Committee,</p> <p>Thanks so much for including the public in this very important process, since it could affect us all so much. I'd like to go on record for a preference for Map2 of the options displayed recently at the library. I had a hard time trying to figure out the districts from the movable map on line, so I really appreciated the nice visual, which I'm sure you must display from time to time.</p> <p>In a nutshell, Map 2 seems the best because it seems least disruptive and doesn't stretch out districts to include areas that do not seem related.</p> <p>Thanks for all your hard work.</p> <p>Sincerely,</p> <p>Paula Davis</p>
2/7/2022	Eagle River\Hillside	Cynthia Wentworth	<p>Dear Assembly members,</p> <p>I strongly oppose creating District 2 Chugiak/Eagle River to include much of the eastern Hillside. These are two areas which differ socioculturally and which have very different issues. I feel the Hillside residents would be outnumbered and misrepresented.</p>
2/8/2022	Map Five	Bryan Silva	<p>I would be willing to accept all the apportionment maps as presented except #5. However, Eagle River should not be part of the Muldoon district. These are very different neighborhoods and need to be separated for voting purposes. Let the two neighborhoods be part of more similar voting districts.</p>

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2/8/2022	Eagle River\Hillside	John Yeafoli	Districts should be contiguous to the greatest extent possible, allowing citizens and representatives to focus on common issues. Maps 7 & 8 propose merging parts of District 6 Hillside and District 2 Eagle River. The Hillside has unique traits and issues and I am not in favor of mixing these two districts in order to make the numbers work. There are several other map proposals that balance the numbers without breaking up the District 6 hillside area.
2/8/2022	Map 7 Hockema	John Yeafoli	Maps 7 & 8 propose merging parts of District 6 Hillside and District 2 Eagle River. The Hillside has unique traits and issues and I am not in favor of mixing these two districts in order to make the numbers work. There are several other map proposals that balance the numbers without breaking up the District 6 hillside area.
2/8/2022	Map 8 Alaskans for Fair Redistricting	John Yeafoli	Maps 7 & 8 propose merging parts of District 6 Hillside and District 2 Eagle River. The Hillside has unique traits and issues and I am not in favor of mixing these two districts in order to make the numbers work. There are several other map proposals that balance the numbers without breaking up the District 6 hillside area.
2/8/2022	Eagle River\Hillside	Katie Nolan	I am hesitant to endorse any map as these are not yet set in stone; however, the version submitted by Anchorage Action and the A & B versions of Denny Wells map are the only choices for the Anchorage Hillside. The Anchorage Hillside is a compact, cohesive and well-established area represented by the Hillside District Plan for well over a decade. It has little in in common with Eagle River, and attempts to fly over the mountains and combine the two areas are obscene. Unlike the Anchorage Hillside, Eagle River has their own Parks & Rec department and their own road service area. Please ensure that the Anchorage Hillside is kept in one area, united as we have always been. Thank you.

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2/8/2022	Map 6 Anchorage Action	Katie Nolan	I am hesitant to endorse any map as these are not yet set in stone; however, the version submitted by Anchorage Action and the A & B versions of Denny Wells map are the only choices for the Anchorage Hillside.
2/8/2022	Map 9 Wells A	Katie Nolan	I am hesitant to endorse any map as these are not yet set in stone; however, the version submitted by Anchorage Action and the A & B versions of Denny Wells map are the only choices for the Anchorage Hillside.
2/8/2022	Map 10 Wells B	Katie Nolan	I am hesitant to endorse any map as these are not yet set in stone; however, the version submitted by Anchorage Action and the A & B versions of Denny Wells map are the only choices for the Anchorage Hillside.
2/8/2022	Eagle River\Hillside	Nicholas Mazzolini	I believe that the combining of the hillside and Eagle River marginalizes the voters of these areas. For this reason, i would like to oppose this reapportionment.  Nick Mazzolini and household

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2/8/2022	Eagle River\Hillside	John Kaufman	<p>This is John Kaufman of Hillside O'Malley HOCC. I have read the maps and comments. The maps and comments for maps A and B are excellent. Map 10 is also excellent.</p> <p>Above all, please observe the boundaries of the Hillside District Plan. Do not merge Eagle River with any portion of Hillside.</p> <p>Few population changes or movements exist that would justify dividing our traditional associations and boundaries into separate districts.</p> <p>Thank you</p>
2/8/2022	Map 10 Wells B	John Kaufman	The maps and comments for maps A and B are excellent. Map 10 is also excellent.
2/8/2022	Map 9 Wells A	John Kaufman	The maps and comments for maps A and B are excellent.

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2/9/2022	Eagle River\Hillside	Huffman O'Malley Community Cou HOCC c/o Gretchen Stoddard	The Huffman O'Malley Community Council board met on 2/8/22 and unanimously passed a resolution related to Municipal Reapportionment. The HOCC supports reapportioned districts which keep the lower and upper Hillside together forming a district with boundaries similar to the Hillside District Plan and with road access to support community functions . The signed resolution is attached and has sent by email to the municipal assembly email addresses. Thank you Gretchen Stoddard President, Huffman O'Malley Community Council
2/9/2022	Eagle River\Hillside	Katie Nolan	The addition of several new potential reapportionment maps has provided a map that meets the Hillside's unique needs. The John Weddleton Map 11 meets the needs of the Anchorage Hillside, most follows the boundaries of the Hillside District Plan, and keeps our distinct neighborhoods together. I urge endorsement of this map. Thank you.
2/12/2022	Eagle River\Hillside	Peter Johnson	I have been following the reapportionment map proposals and am very concerned about maps that join Eagle River (district 2) with parts of the Anchorage Hillside (district 6). because of the population density of Eagle River and the low density of the Hillside, those from district 6 being placed in district 2 would lose any political voice they now have. Additionally, the Anchorage Hillside is a coherent community with common interests and values. Splitting the hillside into different districts does not make sense and must not be done. Of the maps presented, I support Anchorage Action V2. I am adamantly against the Robert Hockema V2 and the Anchorage for Fair Redistricting maps. Both of those maps will result in beefing up Eagle River's political influence and decrease South Anchorage's political voice.

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2/13/2022	Eagle River\Hillside	Kim Mazzolini	<p>I strongly disagree with the re-apportionment concept of combining Eagle River and the hillside. The very fact that these two communities are on polar opposite sides of multiple issues and the demographics are drastically different are reason enough not to force them into the same voting district. In addition, growth in the anchorage area is in the direction of eagle river which will quickly create an imbalance. The combining of these two districts will also lead to a drastic marginalization of many of these citizens' votes and is not in the best interest of either of these districts.</p> <p>Reapportionment is not to be used as a political tool in an attempt to strengthen a liberal majority. Once again your push to control the Anchorage area voters needs to be called out. Unfortunately this constant conflict the assembly creates with the people of Anchorage is outrageous and needs to stop!</p>
2/13/2022	Eagle River\Hillside	EG Paul Mazzolini	<p>I strongly disagree with the re-apportionment concept of combining Eagle River and the hillside. The very fact that these two communities are on polar opposite sides of multiple issues and the demographics are drastically different are reason enough not to force them into the same voting district. In addition, growth in the anchorage area is in the direction of eagle river which will quickly create an imbalance. The combining of these two districts will also lead to a drastic marginalization of many of these citizens' votes and is not in the best interest of either of these districts.</p> <p>Reapportionment is not to be used as a political tool in an attempt to strengthen a liberal majority. Once again your push to control the Anchorage area voters needs to be called out. Unfortunately this constant conflict the assembly creates with the people of Anchorage is outrageous and needs to stop!</p>

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2/14/2022	Map 10 Wells B	Courtney Weaver	As the deadline draws near for the approval of new district maps for Anchorage, I would like you all to consider approving district map 10. This map draws the boundaries of the districts at distinct and specific road systems. Anchorage residents can rely on map 10 because the boundaries are laid out along most major roadways and intersections. This map ensures all residents are equally represented on the assembly regardless of political leaning, beliefs, or creed. Please consider the approval and use of district map 10.
2/14/2022	Eagle River\Hillside	Vicki Herman	I do not support combining Eagle River and the Hillside into one district.
2/14/2022	Map 11v2 Weddleton	Nicole Branch	<p>To whom it may concern:</p> <p>I would like to place a rank order for preference of the remaining three reapportionment maps.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Weddleton map. Boundaries are clear and concise between districts.</li> <li>2. Anchorage Action v2. Maintains integrity within the hillside. District 4 boundaries between Lake Otis and New Seward create some confusion in an otherwise cohesive area.</li> <li>3. Hocksma v2. District 4 boundary has the same issue as the Anchorage Action map. Also, a portion of Hillside is placed in district 2. Not optimal for fair representation.</li> </ol> <p>Thank you, Nicole Branch</p>

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2/14/2022	Map 6v2 Anchorage Action	Nicole Branch	2. Anchorage Action v2. Maintains integrity within the hillside. District 4 boundaries between Lake Otis and New Seward create some confusion in an otherwise cohesive area.
2/14/2022	Map 7v2 Hockema	Nicole Branch	3. Hocksma v2. District 4 boundary has the same issue as the Anchorage Action map. Also, a portion of Hillside is placed in district 2. Not optimal for fair representation.
2/14/2022	Eagle River\Hillside	Scott Herman	I oppose combining the hillside and eagle river into one voting district.
2/14/2022	Map 11v2 Weddleton	Irene Bortnick	As residents of the Rogers Park Community Council, our preference is for map 11 which leaves most of our community council intact. Irene and Alex Bortnick

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2/14/2022	Map 6v2 Anchorage Action	Sandra Blomfield	<p>Reapportionment Committee, I have reviewed the criteria and maps presented for consideration. I would like to endorse MAP #6.</p> <p>However, you might consider minor changes to the midtown area. Boundaries for a midtown area logically could include:</p> <p>NORTH BOUNDARY DEBAR ROAD SOUTH BOUNDARY TUDOR ROAD EAST BOUNDARY BONIFACE ROAD WEST BOUNDARY MINNESOTA</p> <p>The above boundaries offer Midtown residents their own representation and is not included with the Downtown district. Downtown district should include the port</p> <p>JBEAR should be included with Eagle River</p> <p>Strong opposition to moving the Upper Hillside to Eagle River.</p> <p>Thank you for your consideration. Sandy Blomfield</p>
2/14/2022	Eagle River\Hillside	Sandra Blomfield	<p>Strong opposition to moving the Upper Hillside to Eagle River.</p>

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2/14/2022	JBER	Sandra Blomfield	JBEAR should be included with Eagle River
2/15/2022	Map 10 Wells B	Nathan Andrews	I support the adoption and approval of proposed Map 10
2/15/2022	Map 12 Allard	Brad Chastain	I own four properties within the Municipality of Anchorage and fully support Map 12 offered by Assemblywoman Allard.
2/15/2022	Map 6v2 Anchorage Action	David Ferriera	I support map 6 and 7!
2/15/2022	Map 7v2 Hockema	David Ferriera	I support map 6 and 7!

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2/15/2022	Unclassified	Daisy Smith	I support Map 11b for the strongest consideration. I see no cause for concern in this map. Districting lines stay mostly along natural lines and none of the current districts are carved up in some radical way. Thanks-
2/16/2022	Eagle River\Hillside	Rebecca Judd	I'm very concerned that our rabbit creek hillside area is being considered in the same district as Eagle River. We have very little in common with people who live in ER other than some of us live in the mountains. We don't share the same services, roads, stores or schools. Their interests and ours are different and sometimes in conflict. Neither area will be represented fairly by the same individual. (I know there are several map revisions taking place, so I am not able to keep track of all of them.)
2/16/2022	Eagle River\Hillside	Claire Steffens	I live in South Anchorage and request that the South Anchorage area be retained as a single, cohesive district, not broken into parts and pieces with other areas.  I also request that the prevailing philosophy in re-districting returns to the values supporting what is good for our residents, not what is good for an individual Assembly member's political philosophy. Our grand children and great grand children deserve high integrity from political servants (which is what each Assembly member is - a political servant of his/her constituents). Let's get back to what is good in the long run, and makes common sense, not what is expedient at the moment. Thank you for listening.

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2/16/2022	Eagle River\Hillside	JOHN RILEY	I oppose the combination of any portions of the Hillside with Eagle River. I want to emphasize that Chugach State Park does not create contiguity between the populations of the Hillside and Eagle River, as it is uninhabited. Therefore, reapportionment maps should display it as a distinct, unpopulated area. I support continued work with maps proposed by Denny Wells and Brice Wilkins that: work to keep neighborhoods intact across Anchorage; are considerate and encompassing of other Assembly member concerns; and keep the Hillside together in one district, separate from Eagle River.
2/16/2022	Map 10 Wells B	JOHN RILEY	I support continued work with maps proposed by Denny Wells and Brice Wilkins that: work to keep neighborhoods intact across Anchorage; are considerate and encompassing of other Assembly member concerns; and keep the Hillside together in one district, separate from Eagle River.
2/16/2022	Map 9 Wells A	JOHN RILEY	I support continued work with maps proposed by Denny Wells and Brice Wilkins that: work to keep neighborhoods intact across Anchorage; are considerate and encompassing of other Assembly member concerns; and keep the Hillside together in one district, separate from Eagle River.
2/16/2022	Eagle River\Hillside	Scott Bailey	I am submitting comments on Map 11b. This map should be adopted maintaining five contiguous communities including those of Eagle River/Chugiak. These communities have different neighborhood issues, infrastructures and are under a separate Chapter of Title 21 from the rest of Anchorage. Birchwood, Peters Creek and Eklutna anchor the NE section of this Assembly District.

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2/16/2022	Map 11v2 Weddleton	Scott Bailey	I am submitting comments on Map 11b. This map should be adopted maintaining five contiguous communities including those of Eagle River/Chugiak. These communities have different neighborhood issues, infrastructures and are under a seperate Chapter of Title 21 from the rest of Anchorage. Birchwood, Peters Creek and Eklutna anchor the NE section of this Assembly District.
2/17/2022	Map 6v2 Anchorage Action	Cindy Lelake	Map 6v.2 is my favorite so far, because it preserves the integrity of Independence Park as a member of Abbott Loop rather than the Hillside.
2/17/2022	Map 6v2 Anchorage Action	Jennifer Harlos	I support Map6v2. It keeps things more continuous, stays true to historic districts, and just makes sense. Putting this section of Anchorage with Eagle River makes no sense.
2/17/2022	Map 7v2 Hockema	Marc June	<p>As a 35 year Hillside resident, I am outraged at Map 7.v.2 which puts my neighborhood in an Eagle River Assembly district. Effectively, this will mean I am unrepresentative as the Hillside has few, if any, local government issues in common with Eagle River.</p> <p>I encourage you to vote against Map 7.v.2.</p> <p>I support Assembly person Weddleton's proposed map.</p>

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2/17/2022	Eagle River\Hillside	Marc June	As a 35 year Hillside resident, I am outraged at Map 7.v.2 which puts my neighborhood in an Eagle River Assembly district. Effectively, this will mean I am unrepresentative as the Hillside has few, if any, local government issues in common with Eagle River.
2/17/2022	Eagle River\Hillside	Jennie Bostick	I do not support any map that joins South Anchorage/Hillside with Chugiak/Eagle River.  Thank you
2/17/2022	Eagle River\Hillside	Gennifer Moreau	OPPOSE redistricting Glen Alps to be part of Eagle River.
2/18/2022	Eagle River\Hillside	Shannon Wileman	I have looked at the maps that are for up for consideration for reapportionment. Please do not combine Hillside with Eagle River. Those communities are not contiguous and have vastly different needs.
2/18/2022	Eagle River\Hillside	Trina Lovdahl	I am opposed to linking Hillside and Eagle River together in the reapportionment maps. Thank you

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2/18/2022	Map 11v2 Weddleton	sage cohen	I strongly support Map 11 Version 2  I strongly opposed Map 12
2/18/2022	Map 12 Allard	sage cohen	I strongly opposed Map 12
2/18/2022	Eagle River\Hillside	James Wileman	If you're going to combine south anchorage and eagle river-which is a stupid idea, just make all assembly seats at large.
2/19/2022	Map 12 Allard	Sandy Blomfield	As you continue to refine the reapportionment maps, and after review I endorse: Map #12

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2/19/2022	Map 11v2 Weddleton	Catherine Coward	<p>To whom it may concern,</p> <p>Thank you for taking public testimony regarding assembly boundaries. I have reviewed version 2 of the proposed maps and hope that you will approve Map 11, Version 2 (the John Weddleton map), as it appears to have the most clean cut and compacted districts. I live in East Anchorage, and appreciate that the my district boundaries are sensible.</p> <p>Thank you for your consideration on this matter.</p>

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2/20/2022	Map 11v2 Weddleton	Catherine Giessel	<p>Dear Assembly members, I am writing in SUPPORT OF MAP 11v2. I believe it keeps well-identified neighborhoods intact, which is very important.</p> <p>A second choice is MAP 6v2. This is very much like our Assembly districts are today. It keeps the Hillside District Plan areas together and also seems to align with Community Council areas, which makes sense.</p> <p>I am OPPOSED to combining any portion of the Anchorage hillside with any portion of Eagle River.</p> <p>Thank you for your diligent work on this important issue.</p> <p>Best regards, Cathy</p> <p>Cathy Giessel, MS, RN, APRN, FAANP cgiessel@me.com 907.242.5450</p> <p>12701 Ridgewood Rd, ANC 99516</p>
2/20/2022	Map 6v2 Anchorage Action	Catherine Giessel	<p>A second choice is MAP 6v2. This is very much like our Assembly districts are today. It keeps the Hillside District Plan areas together and also seems to align with Community Council areas, which makes sense.</p>

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2/20/2022	Eagle River\Hillside	Catherine Giessel	I am OPPOSED to combining any portion of the Anchorage hillside with any portion of Eagle River.
2/21/2022	Eagle River\Hillside	Robert Polley	<p>To whom it may concern:</p> <p>I'm writing to voice my strong opposition to the potential redistricting which could allocate a portion of the Glen Alps neighborhood to the Eagle River district. As a resident of Glen Alps for the past 10 years, I can tell you we have zero connection to Eagle River, geographic or otherwise.</p> <p>Thank you for considering my input.</p> <p>Robert Polley</p>
2/21/2022	Map 7v2 Hockema	Michele Martin	<p>Comment on Map 7v2: Against my better judgement, I'm submitting this comment regarding the idiocy of combining the residents of Glen Alps with Eagle River. Why against my better judgement? Because the assembly is going to do what it wants to do so I'm basically wasting my time and energy on this. I have served on the Glen Alps Road Service Area (GARSA) Board of directors, since 2010, and intend to serve another 3-year term. The residents of Glen Alps have totally different issues than the residents of Eagle River. Just because the land "touches" does not mean they should be joined and put into the same pot. For those who don't live in either Eagle River or the Glen Alps area, you really don't know what you are talking about and you should leave well enough alone. You should rethink this decision; however, I know you won't.</p>

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2/21/2022	Map 7v2 Hockema	Joy Boston	I do not support map 7 version 2. Please do not divide Hillside community by combining it with Eagle River. Districts should be contiguous, not interrupted by other districts. Constituents should be able to drive across their home district without crossing through another district. Maps 6v2, 11 and 12 are acceptable. I prefer map 11.  Thank you
2/21/2022	Eagle River\Hillside	Joy Boston	Please do not divide Hillside community by combining it with Eagle River. Districts should be contiguous, not interrupted by other districts. Constituents should be able to drive across their home district without crossing through another district.
2/21/2022	Map 6v2 Anchorage Action	Joy Boston	Maps 6v2, 11 and 12 are acceptable.
2/21/2022	Map 12 Allard	Joy Boston	Maps 6v2, 11 and 12 are acceptable.

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2/21/2022	Map 11v2 Weddleton	Joy Boston	Maps 6v2, 11 and 12 are acceptable. I prefer map 11.
2/21/2022	Map 11v2 Weddleton	Carolyn Gove	Thank you for the opportunity to comment. I have reviewed the proposed maps and consider Map 11, Version 2 to be the best alternative, as its boundaries are compact and follow natural divisions between neighborhoods.
2/21/2022	Map 11v2 Weddleton	Judy Caminer	I support Assembly Member Weddleton's map. There is no reason to include Glen Alps and areas north of Glen Alps Road in the Eagle River district. His option makes sense and keeps interests aligned with neighborhoods.
2/21/2022	Map 11v2 Weddleton	Julie Coulombe	I'm opposed to Map 7. I will echo what many have been saying, do not combine the Hillside with Eagle River. It does not create equal representation for the people on the Hillside. I favor Map 11 v2.
2/21/2022	Eagle River\Hillside	Julie Coulombe	I will echo what many have been saying, do not combine the Hillside with Eagle River. It does not create equal representation for the people on the Hillside.

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2/21/2022	Map 7 Hockema	Julie Coulombe	I'm opposed to Map 7. I will echo what many have been saying, do not combine the Hillside with Eagle River. It does not create equal representation for the people on the Hillside.
2/21/2022	Map 11v2 Weddleton	Gene White	After reviewing the proposed redistricting maps, I highly recommend map #11, revision 2. This seems to be the most compact and makes the most sense. Thank You
2/21/2022	Map 11v2 Weddleton	Maria Williams	I support the Weddleton map. I was born and raised in Fairview and live in South Fairview. I support this approach because it is bipartisan and aligns with geographical boundaries that reflect current Anchorage demographics
2/22/2022	Map 11v2 Weddleton	Kathy Kuletz	I am a 30 year resident of Government Hill (Downtown). I have reviewed the proposed redistricting maps and I want the assembly to know that I support Map 11 (v2, Weddleton). This map makes the most sense.  I reiterate my strong opposition to any gerrymandered map that was previously proposed, which tried to link a portion of the downtown district to Eagle River.  Sincerely, Kathy Kuletz

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2/22/2022	Eagle River\Hillside	Kathy Kuletz	I reiterate my strong opposition to any gerrymandered map that was previously proposed, which tried to link a portion of the downtown district to Eagle River.
2/22/2022	Map 11v2 Weddleton	Gene White	After reviewing the proposed redistricting maps, I highly recommend map #11, revision 2. This seems to be the most compact and makes the most sense.
2/22/2022	Map 7v2 Hockema	Joy Boston	Please do not reapportion any part of the Anchorage Hillside area to Eagle River as depicted in map 7 version 2. Of the remaining maps, 6v2, 11 and 12, I prefer map 11. Any reapportionment should maintain district integrity; constituents should not have to cross into or through other districts to access any and all parts of their own district.  Keep districts contiguous and do not combined Hillside with Eagle River.
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2/22/2022	Map 7v2 Hockema	Joseph Connolly	<p>To all who are part of the district reapportionment process. I will keep my thoughts simple and brief about the 3 different plans that have been proposed. Specifically, Map 7v.2 should either be amended or removed from consideration for the following primary reasons:</p> <p>1) This plan would apparently use Glen Alps Road as a dividing line between District 2 and 6, and divide our neighborhood in half. Essentially, The people across the street from us would be in district 2, and those of us south of Glen Alps road would be in District 6. This creates a host of issues - the obvious being.. if, for example, we are trying to alleviate a concern in our neighborhood, we would have to contact two different assembly members and assume they would work in unison to solve our problems. 2) It also dilutes the voting power of our neighborhood considerably.3) Eagle river is a 45 minute to an hour drive, depending on where you're coming and going from.. which is extremely far away. This would be like pairing Eagle River with Big Lake, or Sutton. We are not very far geographically, but by road and community it is a long way. 4) We are very much a "South Anchorage" community and in no way do we want to be forced to participate in Eagle River meetings or with Eagle River assembly members if we want our voice heard.</p> <p>Thank you for the consideration. Joe Connolly -Glen Alps Resident -Glen Alps Road Service Area Board of Supervisors Chairperson</p>

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2/23/2022	Map 11v2 Weddleton	Jan Carolyn Hardy	<p>9040 Emerald Drive Anchorage, Alaska 99502 February 23, 2022</p> <p>Honorable Members of the Anchorage Assembly,</p> <p>I am a resident of District 3 and an endorser of Map 11 v2 for the Anchorage Reapportionment of District Boundaries.</p> <p>1. The Population Deviation Summary indicates there is a fair balance of population numbers in each District without giving preference to any individual group. The Boundaries are logical divisions by major roads and thoroughfares. There is an acceptable deviation of 4.16% +/- for each Districts population count. The shapes of the Districts are compact bounded by straight lines.</p> <p>2. JBER is in one District as befits a more transient population.</p> <p>3. East Anchorage is whole. There is no annexation of Stuckagain Heights into the Eagle River District. Stuckagain Heights is not contiguous with Eagle River.</p> <p>4. Midtown remains its own District. Midtown is distinct from Downtown and South Anchorage.</p> <p>5. Eagle River and Chugiak remain in their own distinct and unique geographical area.</p> <p>Map 11 v2 respects the integrity of Anchorage's diverse and distinct geographical areas. Neighborhoods and</p>

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2/23/2022	Map 11v2 Weddleton	David Kohler	I support the Weddleton Map for redistricting because it appears to be the most sensible and least partisan of the options.  Thank you David Kohler Anchorage

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2/23/2022	Map 11v2 Weddleton	Tyler Watson	As a resident of East Anchorage I'm writing in support of Map 11. It's important to me that assembly districts represent actual communities in our city. The maps that pair parts of East Anchorage, Stuckagain Heights, and even Hillside with Eagle River divide communities and make the work for assembly members harder. By keeping common sense boundaries for communities constituents get better representation and assembly members can focus their work more effectively. Thanks for considering my testimony.
2/23/2022	Map 11v2 Weddleton	Sergio ACUNA	Dear Assembly members, I appreciate the opportunity to comment on proposed Assembly district boundaries. I live in Midtown and believe the Weddleton redistricting map is the strongest in terms of compactness and logical district boundaries. Using Dimond/Abbott as southern boundary of the new Midtown district creates a clear and understandable boundary, and the Weddleton map as proposed respects Midtown neighborhoods , including where I live near Lake Otis and Campbell Creek. Thank you for work to update Assembly district boundaries.
2/23/2022	Map 11v2 Weddleton	James Dahl	I appreciate that there is an opportunity granted to weigh in on draft redistricting maps. My family and I reside in South Anchorage, and believe that the Weddleton proposal (Map 11) does the best job in establishing compact, logical districts with boundaries that will be clear and understandable for voters. I do not support the Allard gerrymander, which seems clearly designed to manipulate district boundaries for partisan purposes. Thank you.
2/23/2022	Map 12 Allard	James Dahl	I do not support the Allard gerrymander, which seems clearly designed to manipulate district boundaries for partisan purposes.

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2/23/2022	Map 6v2 Anchorage Action	D. Matt Duncan	<p>Dear Assembly Members,</p> <p>I want to thank you for this convenient online forum for everyone to make public comment, as well as thank you for all your hard work serving the citizens of our town. I have looked at the four maps very closely and would like to make comment as a homeowner in Anchorage, a member of Spenard Community Council (SCC) and most importantly community organizer for the Old Hermit Park Neighborhood. I am advocating in this public comment for the adoption of map 6v2. The guiding principle for my advocacy understands that the work of the community councils is vital to the success of our city. Each community council's work and identity is extremely valuable to the city and it is highly desirable to maximize representation for the community councils by not dissecting or diluting them into multiple assembly districts. Map 6v2 is the best map for maintaining integrity of Spenard. Map 7v2 is OK, but not as good as 6v2. Map 11v2 and 12 are unacceptable. The intent and function of maps 11v2 and 12 is to dissect and dilute the SCC. There is no place on earth like Spenard, and it is important that we protect Spenard's voice and identity.</p> <p>Thank you for your time and efforts dealing with these difficult topics.</p> <p>D. Matt Duncan, TSGT, AKANG Vice President Spenard Community Council</p>
2/23/2022	Map 7v2 Hockema	D. Matt Duncan	Map 7v2 is OK, but not as good as 6v2.

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2/24/2022	Map 7v2 Hockema	Victoria Parks	I oppose Map 7v.2, which lumps the East Hillside in with Eagle River. I'm currently in District 5, and I'm happy there. I don't think the East Hillside/Stuckagain Heights area is anything like Eagle River. Eagle River has its own set of problems which should stay in Eagle River. The active Eagle River secession efforts just highlight that; why would you lump Anchorage voters in with a district that might secede? That's completely unfair to voters who don't identify at all with Eagle River, and who are, in fact, geographically, a long way away from Eagle River.
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2/24/2022	Map 7v2 Hockema	Dorothy Parks	I'm opposed to map 7v,2. I live in Stuckagain Heights and consider it part of Anchorage and not Eagle River. I feel that East Anchorage and Stuckagain Heights should not be lumped with Eagle River. Geographically we may seem close but politically we are far apart. I have read comments from people in South Anchorage and the Hillside who also do not want to be lumped with ER and I agree it is a very bad idea. Thank you.
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2/24/2022	Map 11v2 Weddleton	Jillian Simpson	Greetings Anchorage Assembly, I live in Glen Alps in Anchorage and support either Map 11v2 (Weddleton) or Map 6v2 (Anchorage Action). Both keep our neighborhood fully intact and part of South Anchorage. I encourage you to throw away Map 6 v2 as it pairs us with Eagle River. We are not part of the Eagle River community. In fact, I haven't been to Eagle River since 2015. I have been up the Dalton Highway more frequently than I have taken the exit ramp to Eagle River. While we may have a mountain range in common, that is it. I would like to be represented by an Assembly member who is familiar with the issues and needs of my neighborhood- and preferably one who shares my values. Thank you for your consideration.
2/24/2022	Map 6v2 Anchorage Action	Jillian Simpson	I live in Glen Alps in Anchorage and support either Map 11v2 (Weddleton) or Map 6v2 (Anchorage Action). Both keep our neighborhood fully intact and part of South Anchorage.

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2/24/2022	Map 7v2 Hockema	Colby Parks	Concerning area 7V.2:  To merge my area (Stuck Again Heights) with Eagle River, is a disgraceful attempt to prevent local government.
2/24/2022	Map 11v2 Weddleton	Alex Baker	As a resident of Fairview, I am in favor of adopting Map 11. Map 11 keeps me in a district with my downtown neighbors and similar neighborhoods to the east. Map 11 draws common-sense districts for each of Anchorage's distinct geographic areas. The lines are straight and the districts are compact. I believe this map would give each district a fair opportunity to elect the representatives that fit their community and its needs. Thank you for reading my testimony.
2/24/2022	Map 11v2 Weddleton	Gabriel Hardy	As a resident of the Sand Lake area, I am writing to request the Assembly implement map 11 (Weddleton). Map 11 has the most logical boundaries for my district (West Anchorage), compared to other maps that have more jagged boundaries separating West Anchorage and Midtown from South Anchorage. I recognize it is a challenge to maintain fairly equal population and have boundaries that logically follow major roadways or drainages, but Map 11 seems to do the best job compared to other maps that have been advertised for public comment.

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2/24/2022	Eagle River\Hillside	Kathy Privratsky	We live in Stuckagain Heights and have for 25 yr. We do not want to be part of the Eagle River district or south district. We want to support the interests of the East side of Anchorage. We DO NOT SUPPORT map number 12. We DO SUPPORT map 11 or any map that does not have us part of Eagle River.  Thank you.  Kathy and Ken Privratsky
2/24/2022	Map 12 Allard	Kathy Privratsky	We DO NOT SUPPORT map number 12.
2/24/2022	Map 11v2 Weddleton	Kathy Privratsky	We DO SUPPORT map 11 or any map that does not have us part of Eagle River.

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2/24/2022	Map 7v2 Hockema	Todd Carroll	<p>Hello, I have lived in various locations including JBER, Eagle River, Chugiak, West Anchorage, NE Anchorage, and the Hillside in the last 40 years so my interest once I looked at the proposals went further afield than I initial expected. With that in mind I have the following comments.</p> <p>Map - Robert Hockema 7.V2 - Makes little sense to me. If you want to know a bit more why, keep reading, otherwise, that is it. I don't support it. It would move Anchorage neighborhoods into the northern communities district 2. Simply geographically speaking this is a dead end for me. How would our Assembly member be attending meetings, including community council meetings on the Anchorage Hillside, Basher, and Northern Communities? How would I attend these meetings? Further, there is a completely different prioritization for someone that lives in Anchorage and drives, rides a bus, bikes, uses trails, or otherwise in Anchorage from someone living in the Northern Communities. I do not commute on the Glenn Highway and don't rely on it as the sole source of road travel to Anchorage. I also don't use Campbell Airstrip road as my sole means to access work and business in Anchorage. I have lived in those areas and they deserve their own separate representation.</p> <p>District 5 should keep Basher.</p> <p>Map 6.v.2 - seems ok. I like that District 6 goes direct down current boundaries and the other districts maintain close to their prior boundaries, although I would have cut district 1 at Northern Lights instead of south to 36th and left that in District 4.</p> <p>Map 11.v.2 Weddleton - seems ok. Similar comments to 6.v.2.</p> <p>Map 11.B - (12?) - prefer 6.v2 or 11v2, but this is ok. I would keep District 3 closer to its current boundaries. Seems like Turnagain is more an airport neighborhood than a downtown neighborhood and south of Cambell Lake, especially south of Klatt is more suited to District 6.</p>

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2/25/2022	Eagle River\Hillside	Diane Schenker	<p>As a resident of the Stuckagain Heights/Basher community for over 25 years, and a lifetime Anchorage resident, I strongly oppose any plan to group our neighborhood with Eagle River, such as redistricting proposal 7. I support proposed redistricting maps 6 or 11, which keep us with adjacent neighborhoods that I visit, shop in, travel through, walk through, and regularly visit. I have not set foot in Eagle River for years, and have no reason to visit it. I will not be fairly represented by any person who is trying to address the needs of Eagle River, since I never go there, and I have no knowledge of or interest in the issues unique to that area. Likewise, my distant neighborhood would get short shrift from someone concerned with the majority of his/her constituents, Eagle River residents, who have no knowledge of or concern for my neighborhood or the areas physically around it. Residents of nearby neighborhoods do come to Stuckagain Heights to hike our trails or just enjoy a sightseeing drive, and therefore care about our road, crime, littering, vandalism, trailheads, wildlife, and other issues affecting all of us who spend time in the area. I doubt that most Eagle River residents even know where we are located, while residents of adjacent neighborhoods like Muldoon and Scenic Park, or anywhere else in East Anchorage are at least familiar with our location. Likewise, I am directly affected by what happens in East Anchorage neighborhoods adjacent to my neighborhood. I visit them daily or at least weekly to shop; I care about the same roads/traffic/transportation issues they do, and we share interest in issues such as location of homeless services in the area, parks improvements, zoning, housing projects, businesses where I shop regularly, and of course, crime. Look at an aerial map of Eagle River's huge, significant physical separation from Stuckagain Heights and tell me that grouping us with Eagle River isn't the very definition of gerrymandering, a blatant effort to rob us of fair representation on our Assembly.</p>
2/25/2022	Map 6 Anchorage Action	Diane Schenker	<p>I support proposed redistricting maps 6 or 11, which keep us with adjacent neighborhoods that I visit, shop in, travel through, walk through, and regularly visit.</p>

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2/25/2022	Map 12 Allard	Britton Goldberg	After reviewing the maps, map 12 seems to be the best of all the presented options. It makes sense, and has fewer strange borders that seem targeted to keep some houses in certain districts arbitrarily.
2/25/2022	Map 11v2 Weddleton	Shannon o'neal	Thank you for the opportunity to comment on draft Assembly maps. I live in East Anchorage and believe that Map 11 does the best job keeping neighborhoods together, and has the district boundaries that will be most easily understandable for local residents. It makes sense for district lines to follow major roadways, and Map 11 keeps JBER together, which is a good thing for service members living on base. Thank you
2/25/2022	Eagle River\Hillside	Greg Groeneweg	Sirs, I have resided in Anchorage since before statehood and have lived on the hillside(area by Hilltop Ski) since 1985. I have turned to my Assembly reps and community counsel from time to time over the years with assistance needed or that I offered. I am very concerned that I would be moved out of my district to Eagle River. That is a different area with different concerns. Please leave our hillside community intact. It is comforting to be connected with my physical neighbors. To be able to share "over-the-fence" so to speak. Please preserve our neighborhood representation. Thank you, Greg Groeneweg

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2/26/2022	Eagle River\Hillside	Richard Fuller	I am referring to map 6 and map 11. The combining of Stuckagain Heights with Eagle River follows no logical reasoning in regards to infrastructured shared, issues directly affecting both areas, or maintaining voting integrity. Stuckagain Heights needs to remain in District 5.
2/26/2022	Map 6 Anchorage Action	Richard Fuller	I am referring to map 6 and map 11. The combining of Stuckagain Heights with Eagle River follows no logical reasoning in regards to infrastructured shared, issues directly affecting both areas, or maintaining voting integrity. Stuckagain Heights needs to remain in District 5.
2/26/2022	Map 11v2 Weddleton	Richard Fuller	I am referring to map 6 and map 11. The combining of Stuckagain Heights with Eagle River follows no logical reasoning in regards to infrastructured shared, issues directly affecting both areas, or maintaining voting integrity. Stuckagain Heights needs to remain in District 5.
2/28/2022	Eagle River\Hillside	Margaret Nelson	I support putting my neighborhood with the Anchorage Hillside or with Eagle River, as it does seem we have more in common with these neighborhoods. I would have liked to have seen those options. Nonetheless, I do believe the overwhelming support is for as close to the status quo as possible which it appears that is the way the assembly is leaning. However, I object to the carving out of Forrest Dunbar's house to another district. If this passes then I do believe that he should not be able to run again for assembly in a different district.

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2/28/2022	Map 11v2 Weddleton	Laura Bonner	I support Map 11 version 2 (Weddleton). It keeps me in a district with my neighbors on the Hillside and South Anchorage. It keeps Stuckagain Heights as a part of East Anchorage while respecting the common community interests of Eagle River and Chugiak. It has compact shapes and uses major roads and thoroughfares as common sense boundaries. The deviation of 4.16% is acceptable. I think it is the best and fairest map proposed.
2/28/2022	Unclassified	Sandra Thompson	As a longtime resident of the Muldoon area, I am in favor of the adoption of Map 11. I have lived in both Fairview and Muldoon in my 50 years in Anchorage. These are culturally diverse neighborhoods, and socio-economically different from Eagle River. Map 11 draws common-sense districts. I believe this map would give each district a fair opportunity to elect representatives that fit their communities.
2/28/2022	Unclassified	Elizabeth(Lizzie) Newell	<p>I live in Independence Park(Abbott Loop CC; O'Malley/Hillside house district; HALO district 1)</p> <p>I have a strong preference for map 11 v2. It was made with community input and it's the best for keeping communities together. The problems with the other maps are as follows:</p> <p>Maps 6-7: Split Morningside Loop neighborhood(between Old and New Seward just south of Scooter) This is a dense neighborhood that probably is multiethnic and which has been underrepresented in the past. To my knowledge, these voters aren't very engaged, probably because their neighborhood has been split for years.</p> <p>Map 7: Fractions of Hillside and of Basher lumped with Eagle River. For assembly members to attend that number of community council meetings(6 in Eagle River 2 in Anchorage) is a logistical nightmare. Along with the impossibility of understanding the issues facing these 3 very different communities.</p> <p>Map 12: Splits Abbott Loop, cutting into the heart of the community council area. Map 11 does split off Independence Park, but it's along the logical boundary of Abbott, the same as the boundary between house districts 11 and 12.</p> <p>The best Map 11 v2: Keeps intact: Morningrise Loop, Abbott Loop, Hillside, and Basher.</p>

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3/1/2022	Unclassified	Jo Ann Gruber	<p>After spending time reviewing the four (4) maps, it appears to me that Map 7 is the most reasonable and fair; and it's the one that I support.</p> <p>Since Eagle River and its surrounding areas' populations are too small for a full district, they've always needed to pull population from portions of Anchorage. There are individuals who support leaving areas of Muldoon or other areas of Anchorage out of the district completely. This would be simply unfair to everyone in the Municipality since it would leave District 2 significantly underpopulated and violating the principle of one person, one vote.</p> <p>I live in Eagle River, and I believe it's extremely important to have equally populated districts to ensure that all districts have the same voting power. Leaving District 2 significantly underpopulated would give them more voting power than other districts in Anchorage.</p> <p>I understand that communities in Muldoon have felt disenfranchised by being included in the same district as Eagle River, so it's time to consider another pairing.</p> <p>I believe that Eagle River and the Hillside share much more in common than Eagle River does with any portion of Muldoon. Both communities (Eagle River &amp; Hillside) are mainly rural with larger building lots. Both have limited road service areas and use well and septic systems. In addition, at an assembly meeting last year, I heard Mr. Weddleton and Ms. Allard discuss how similar both areas were.</p> <p>So, for the reasons stated above and the fact that it has the lowest deviation of the four maps still being considered, I support the boundaries proposed in Map 7 Version 2 submitted by Robert Hockema.</p> <p>Thank you for allowing us an opportunity to comment.</p>

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3/1/2022	Unclassified	Sandy Blomfield	<p>I have studied all twelve redistricting maps proposed to the assembly. The maps that the assembly has determined as semi-finalists need clarification and clear boundaries. It appears the redistricting process is being fast-tracked by the assembly in an effort to pass, once in a decade redistricting, for the benefit of sitting assembly members rather than for the good of our city. I studied the maps and worked within the confines of the semi-final maps which were pre-approved by the Anchorage Assembly Members who are also THE REAPPORTIONMENT COMMITTEE! Now there is a conflict of interest if I ever seen one! Moving geographical boundaries to secure your own assembly seat rather than what is in the best interest for the City of Anchorage. I do appreciate the considerable time and energy for residents and leaders who did make logical decisions to keep neighborhood boundaries intact. Ethnicity should not be a consideration as it has no relevance within the confines of neighborhoods. People want their representatives to properly decide on issues within congruent neighborhoods and geographical boundaries which include main arterial roads, secondary roads, limited road service districts, and community councils. The Anchorage Hillside and Eagle River residents have made their voices heard regarding placing both communities in the same non-contiguous district. The voices were a resounding NO!</p> <p>Likewise, Anchorage's Downtown needs to remain independent of any other neighborhoods. Release the proposed JBER stronghold by attempting to join our military base within the density of downtown Anchorage. This action does not make sense as the needs of Downtown are far different than the unique needs of JBER Military base. Combining Eagle River and JBER is the solution and meets the population density goals.</p> <p>I strongly suggest an amendment is made to extend the entire redistricting process and do a proper job rather than push this process through prior to the April 5, 2022 Municipal election.</p> <p>Assembly members, please approach this task as the finale of your terms and please do it right! Redistrict the Municipality of Anchorage properly for the next decade, through the 2030 Census.</p>

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3/1/2022	Unclassified	Chris Twiford	I like 12 best. 11 is good 6 version 2 is acceptable NO WAY on #7
3/1/2022	Unclassified	Robin Brewster	After looking at the maps I am in favor of map 11. As second choice I would pick map 6. I DO NOT support Map 7 at all!! Eagle River should not be combined with Hillside. Keeping Eagle River with JBER makes the most logical sense to me.
3/1/2022	Unclassified	Michael Vechter	Hello, I would like to express my support of two reapportionment maps; Map 6 v2 (by Anchorage Action) – AO 2022-37 and Map 11 v2 (by Weddleton) – AO 2022-37(S-1). These maps consider sameness of areas, and historical placement. I do NOT support other maps that attempt to gerrymander Anchorage to a more conservative minority as a false representation of our fair city. These maps are not legal, do not consider public comments, and are an obvious ploy to entrench a minority position as a force in city politics. Thank you, Mike Vechter.

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3/1/2022	Unclassified	LuAnn Piccard	<p>I am a member of the Basher Community Council, living in Stuckagain Heights. Our BCC voted overwhelmingly (65 to 5) to keep Stuckagain Heights with District 5 and NOT to join us with District 2-Eagle River (Map 7-Hockema). Specifically, I favor Map 11 v2 (Weddleton). I feel Map 11 represents balanced and proximate representation across Anchorage. I know this reapportionment process is challenging and I appreciate the hard work of the Repportionment Committee and everyone that has participated in this process.</p> <p>I want to be represented by people that live in Anchorage proper, not people living 45 minutes away in Eagle River. I want representatives who will show up, engage actively, and empathize with, understand and appreciate concerns within and across our adjacent East Side and South Hillside neighborhoods regarding traffic &amp; roads, fire and safety, crime prevention, parks and recreation, and land-use.</p> <p>For example, I do not support a Mass Homeless Shelter at Elmore/Tudor, and I want local representatives who understand the negative impact this \$35M white elephant project will have on the East side of Anchorage and the community as whole. While supporters claim this project will benefit our homeless people, most informed experts agree that no-threshold mass shelters don't work. Smaller, tailored facilities that meet people where they are at, where some level of accountability can be maintained, and that are spread across a community do work. Our experience with Sullivan and Brother Francis/Beans facilities, the people served, and the resulting impacts on the surrounding neighborhoods and community resources provide factual evidence. Why would we support repeating the same doomed approach? Bronson's \$35M megashelter vanity project will increase traffic incidents/deaths along one of our busiest and most dangerous traffic corridors. It will increase crime and safety issues for 10,000's of residents living in adjacent neighborhoods, at UAA APU, and healthcare facilities, and will compromise recreational facilities and trails nearby. It will increase the already dangerous wild-fire risk on the Hillside. It will simply transfer to East Anchorage the very same issues that we've seen at Sullivan and Brother Francis/Bean's locations. So far the concerns voiced by experts and the people most impacted have been met with indifference and fallen on the deaf ears of the current D2 representatives.</p> <p>The current representatives from D2 Eagle River have demonstated that they don't care about East Anchorage. They do not listen to or appreciate our concerns, despite significant public testimony at Assembly meetings and other forums when these issues have been discussed in depth. In fact I have never heard either</p>

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3/1/2022	Unclassified	Leon Jaimes	<p>Hello, I support pairing Eagle River with Hillside in order to ensure that the district is as close as possible to 48,541 people. I oppose pairing Eagle River with Muldoon or Downtown because those are demographically different than Eagle River. The 2020 Census shows that Eagle River is 76% White, it shows that Muldoon is only 43% White. If we assume that the current Assembly Member from Eagle River accurately represents Eagle River right now, with ties to white supremacist groups like the Three Percenters, and with defensiveness of hateful symbols such as license plates that celebrate Nazi's then it would not make sense to pair an area with a large percentage of non-White people with a community who has elected a representative who is a threat to them. While this is certainly an unfortunate circumstance, and we would all hope to have an anti-racist Assembly Member for every district in our Municipality, we can not escape the racist reality in which we find ourselves.</p> <p>In conclusion, I will share some quotes from the private Save Anchorage group which Member Jamie Allard is a member of. These were in response to a story in the Alaska Watchman about the non-partisan group The Alaska Black Caucus who was organizing a march in September 2020 to commemorate the 57th anniversary of the March on Washington.</p> <p>G.O. said: "Wow. I cant believe just how many supporters of the terrorist organization there are in alaska"</p> <p>T.T. said: "So they think we have some store to loot? That won't go well for them."</p> <p>C.B. said "They better not come here at all if they know whats good for them!"</p> <p>C.P. said "lets meet them on the other side of the street.....we are not Calif. They showed up in other places and they were meet with guns, we can do the same" AND "Black lives don't matter, you are rioters not protesters"</p> <p>T.K. said "September 7th makes sense. Night has returned to Alaska. Easier to cause mayhem under the cover of darkness. BLM: Burn, Loot and Murder."</p> <p>P.W. said "Just a reminder to this BLM group. We are not Seattle or Portland. As much as our Mayor would like us to be."</p> <p>L.A. said "We are also heavily armed."</p> <p>T.K. said ""I have a dream! I dream of a country where a black man can loot Walmart and Target stores and there are no oppressive white police around to stop him!""</p>

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3/1/2022	Unclassified	Barbara Gingell-Farris	I urge you to keep Muldoon and any area in East Anchorage out of the Eagle River apportionment. Eagle River has nothing in common, socio-economically, with those of us who live in Muldoon. We don't share the same services, stores or recreational opportunities. We in Muldoon are a diverse population. And including Muldoon with Eagle River, white-washes and dilutes that diversity. Please consider adding a portion of the hillside to Eagle River. They are more similar physically and socio-economically to Eagle River.
3/1/2022	Unclassified	Julie Barrow	After carefully looking at each proposed map, I believe map 11 would be the best choice for Anchorage Residents. Map 7 is absolutely ridiculous and should be thrown out, combining Hillside and Eagle River would be a the last two I would even think about combining.
3/1/2022	Unclassified	Jeffrey Sperry	Weddleton Map 11 v2 is the best choice of all of the maps. It maintains the current districts as much as possible and is very reasonable. It is the map that should be chosen above all of the others All of the other maps should be thrown away.
3/2/2022	Unclassified	Sandy Blomfield	Endorsement of Map #11, V3 with minor accommodations to keep neighborhoods intact

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3/15/2022	Unclassified	Jonathan and Margaret Isaacs	<p>March 14, 2022</p> <p>Dear Assembly Members: Re: AO 2022-37(S-1) Assembly Redistricting of Turnagain and West High Neighborhood</p> <p>With regard to Ordinance No. AO 2022-37(S-1), we are contacting you to express our opposition to include the Forest Park Drive-West High neighborhood, west of Minnesota Drive and south of Westchester Lagoon, in the Downtown Assembly District as part of the redistricting process. We have lived at our current address for the past 45 years.</p> <p>Our neighborhood has had nothing in common with the Downtown District for decades. During that period, we have been actively part of the Turnagain District and neighborhood, participating in neighborhood issues related to West Northern Lights Blvd traffic, Ted Stevens International Airport, Fish Creek and Turnagain Bog Wetlands, and Safe Routes to School Committees, among many other Turnagain area issues. Our community involvement is consistently reflected in Turnagain Community Council records. The character of our neighborhood – residential single family and duplex housing stock, lot size and zoning - has more in common with the Turnagain area than the Downtown area. In talking with our friends and neighbors, few are aware of the proposed assembly district change and how it will affect our neighborhood; once informed, they are uniformly opposed.</p> <p>We sympathize with the difficulties faced by the Assembly in the redistricting process, and understand that the current proposed redistricting leaves a lot of people dissatisfied. We have nothing but respect for the Downtown Assembly members, but feel that our neighborhood interests have been and will remain best represented by our two West Anchorage Assembly members. Therefore, we request that the assembly district boundaries for our neighborhood remain part of Assembly District 3, rather than as shown in Assembly Redistricting Map 11V2. Thank you for your time and consideration.</p> <p>Respectfully Jon and Marnie Isaacs 2418 Forest Park Drive Anchorage, Alaska 99517 isaacs@gci.net</p>

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3/15/2022	Unclassified	Cami Dalton	I realize that it is complicated and messy and is never going to be perfect, but after reviewing all the maps, complaints,etc, I am in favor of the reapportionment maps devised by John Weddleton.
3/15/2022	Unclassified	Less Hultquist	I want map 11 first to be approved and/or then map. 6 but NO WAY map 7
3/16/2022	Unclassified	Shelly Dalton	My vote is map 11... Seems very commonsensical and no on map 7!!
3/16/2022	Unclassified	Brenda Bergsrud	I would like to testify in favor of Chris Constant's amendment. I believe that this amendment takes into consideration public testimony as well the concerns that the Assembly members identified in work sessions. It is responsive to public testimony that asks for Turnagain to remain whole in West Anchorage, it keeps East Anchorage whole, and puts East High in East Anchorage, and keeps Rogers Park and upper Airport Heights in Midtown. Please accept the amendment put forward by Chris and continue the process so that we can move forward with the election of our new downtown assembly member.

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3/16/2022	Unclassified	Timbi Barron	I support Christopher Constant's amendments to Map 11.
3/17/2022	Unclassified	Barry Piser	<p>I would like support the Constant Amended Map 11 v2. This amendment takes into consideration public testimony and concerns identified during community work sessions. The amendment summary does a good job of highlighting the reasoning and positive outcome: moving three high schools back into their namesake districts.</p> <p>I am specifically opposed to the Kennedy Amended Map 11 v2. This amendment shows a lack of understanding regarding community identity in the proposed areas of change, while illegally splitting census blocks.</p> <p>Please accept the amendment put forward by Assemblyperson Christopher Constant. As a resident of District 1, please move forward as quickly as possible so that my district can achieve the equal representation that was overwhelmingly approved by Anchorage voters in 2020 with the passage of Propostion 12.</p>
3/17/2022	Unclassified	Tiffany Ma	<p>I would like support the Constant Amended Map 11 v2. As a mother of three children, I like that three high schools back into their namesake districts.</p> <p>I am specifically opposed to the Kennedy Amended Map 11 v2. As a former resident of College Village until 2020, I can see those working on this amendment do not understand some of the neighborhoods they propose splitting.</p> <p>Please approve Christopher Constant's amendment of Map 11v2. As a District 1 resident, I ask that you move quickly so that my district can have equal representation as intended by the passage of Propostion 12 in 2020.</p>

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3/18/2022	Unclassified	Sheri Whitethorn	<p>Dear Anchorage Assembly: I have heard generally good comments about the Reapportionment Map 11 V2 Constant Amendments in the various sections that are proposed for changes from that, with the exception of the proposed change to the Airport Heights area. Please do NOT accept this section of the Constant Amendment. Dividing Airport Heights in two does nothing helpful for the neighborhood or for Anchorage as a whole. Either leave this area as it currently is in Map 11 v2, without this amendment, or amend this section of the amendment's map in this area of town to make Northern Lights BLVD. the straight dividing line from West/District 3 through Midtown/4 all the way to District 3/East. This would make for clean, easy to understand and follow lines between districts. Because we are adding a new Assembly member to District 1, this reapportionment is more broad than the more usual tweaks that are done every ten years. Let's do this carefully in ways that make sense for specific areas as much as possible, while taking a broader view of what works best for Anchorage as a whole. Thank you all for your diligent work on this big project.</p>
3/18/2022	Unclassified	Gretchen Stoddard	<p>Thank you for all your work. It sounds like a lot of productive discussion in the reapportionment meeting this morning, that was adjourned at 3/18/22 by 10:50 or soon before 11 am. I am very appreciative the meeting is available online for viewing, thanks.</p> <p>Can we please have an update to the reapportionment timeline on the website? This is in Timeline and Participation Options. I told some people the wrong time for the reapportionment meeting today. That is not a significant problem, but I am not sure where we are going on the meetings. When I look now, 3/18 afternoon, I see a "2022-0228, Updated Reapportionment Timeline.pdf" This appears to be a press release from 2-28-22. It says there is a worksession today at 1 - 3 pm, and I think the meeting was adjourned before that time.</p> <p>Current information I see from the Muni Reapportionment website. This is a cut &amp; paste from the Muni Reapportionment website I see now and the time of the 3/18 meeting probably changed. Not a problem, but it would be great to confirm the path forward here: - March 15: Public Hearing #3 at Regular Assembly Meeting, 6pm at Assembly Chambers at Loussac Library • March 18: Assembly Worksession on Reapportionment, 1-3pm at City Hall, Suite 155 • March 23: Special Assembly meeting re: Reapportionment and process for filling new Assembly seat, 6pm at Assembly Chambers at Loussac Library.....</p>

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3/20/2022	Unclassified	Yarrow Silvers	<p>I am strongly opposed to the Meg/Felix amendment for a couple reasons. This amendment was turned in after the public comment period, limiting public participation. Furthermore, unless someone specifically goes to the committee page, they would have no idea that this amendment had even been introduced for consideration as it is past the agreed upon and publicized period for introduction. This is way too important of a process to have last minute amendments sprung on the public, that they are unable to fully participate in. I oppose this amendment as well as any other last minute amendments, particularly anything that may be brought up during the assembly debate process.</p> <p>In the state redistricting process, the senate pairings were brought to vote without public comment, damaging public trust by springing on the public a gerrymander that the board knew would be unacceptable to the public; the courts found that this action was a violation of section 10 and remanded the maps back to the board to be redrawn. Please do not make this same mistake in your process.</p> <p>I also oppose this map because of the finger carving apart diverse neighborhoods in East Anchorage. This has the appearance of a gerrymander. East Anchorage is tired of fingers, tired of being gerrymandered, and tired of being treated as 2nd class citizens because of our largely low income residential status.</p> <p>I am in support of Chris Constant's amendment because it ticks all the boxes for the requests by the different areas of town - upper Airport Heights and Rogers Park in Midtown, East high, Bartlett and the Muldoon corridor in East Anchorage, and West High/Forest Park in West Anchorage, while keeping districts compact and with lines that make sense. I like the way East Anchorage appears very compact with no fingers or gerrymanders. After a multitude of public and assembly input that upper Airport Heights has a distinct Midtown identity, it defies reason that it has suddenly been thrust into downtown in this last minute amendment.</p> <p>Thank you for your consideration and for your hard work in this process. I continue to invite assembly members to consider Anchorage as a whole and to consider the importance of following a proper process, rather than approaching this with a Laser like focus on their own districts.</p> <p>Yarrow Silvers</p>

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3/21/2022	Unclassified	Andrew Gray	I support Constant Amended Map 11 V2. I agree with the logic of restoring high schools to their namesake districts. Although the Kennedy Amended Map 11 V2 also restores high schools to their respective districts, the deviations benefit District 2 at the cost of all other districts; the Constant version benefits District 1 and 5 as well as District 2. To my mind, it is not fair to have a map that only benefits one district. Please note, I live in District 4 which actually is much closer to the goal number on the Kennedy version; so my comment is not selfish -- I still prefer the Constant version. I also believe that more than enough time has been given for consideration of the maps (almost three months with 16 different chances for the public to testify); I do not believe that additional time would make much difference at this point. I encourage the Assembly to vote yes on Constant Amended Map 11 V2.
3/22/2022	Unclassified	Michael Schechter	I am a West Anchorage resident and I support the Constant Amended S-1 as the best map for ensuring current communities are represented as districts. Kennedy S-1 makes the problems of the prior round of mapping worse and seems designed solely for the benefit of Eagle River rather than Anchorage as a whole.
3/23/2022	Unclassified	Irene Bortnick	As a 33 year member of the Roger's Park Community Council, I ask that you adopt AO 2022-37(S-1), Constant Amended Map 11 v2. The RPCC has been an active and engaged council for many years and it should be kept intact. In addition, keeping the high schools in the districts they are in now is important. It is time to take a vote and finalize the map. The more delays, the more amendments are proposed which leads to more delays. The public has had enough time to weigh in. The committee has had enough time to debate.
2/6/2022	Eagle River\Hillside	Julie Coulombe	The Board of HALO has passed, with unanimous vote, the attached resolution against combining any or part of the Hillside with Eagle River (District 2).

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2/13/2022	Eagle River\Hillside	Ann Rappoport, Co-chair	<p>RESOLUTION AND COMMENTS FROM THE RABBIT CREEK COMMUNITY COUNCIL ON THE 2022 ASSEMBLY REAPPORTIONMENT PROCESS</p> <p>At our February 10, 2022 meeting, the Rabbit Creek Community Council (RCCC) discussed draft maps currently under consideration for the required Assembly Reapportionment process. In doing so, the RCCC reminds the Assembly Reapportionment Committee that: legal requirements compel the Committee to create districts which are "compact and contiguous territory containing as nearly as practicable a relatively integrated socioeconomic area" (Municipality of Anchorage Code of Ordinance, Part I, Article IV, Section 4.01). By a vote of 26 yeas, 3 nays, and 1 abstention, RCCC approved the following resolution:</p> <p>RESOLUTION</p> <p>The Rabbit Creek Community Council:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Affirms that the re-apportionment closely follow the legal requirements to create compact, contiguous, and socioeconomically integrated districts.</li> <li>• Opposes combination of any portions of the Hillside with Eagle River.</li> <li>• Emphasizes that Chugach State Park does not create contiguity between the populations of the Hillside and Eagle River, as it is uninhabited. Therefore, reapportionment maps should display it as a distinct, unpopulated area.</li> <li>• Supports continued work with maps proposed by Denny Wells and Brice Wilkins that: work to keep neighborhoods intact across Anchorage; are considerate and encompassing of other Assembly member concerns; and keep the Hillside together in one district, separate from Eagle River.</li> </ul>

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2/13/2022	Map 10 Wells B	Ann Rappoport, Co-chair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Supports continued work with maps proposed by Denny Wells and Brice Wilkins that: work to keep neighborhoods intact across Anchorage; are considerate and encompassing of other Assembly member concerns; and keep the Hillside together in one district, separate from Eagle River</li> </ul>
2/13/2022	Map 9 Wells A	Ann Rappoport, Co-chair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Supports continued work with maps proposed by Denny Wells and Brice Wilkins that: work to keep neighborhoods intact across Anchorage; are considerate and encompassing of other Assembly member concerns; and keep the Hillside together in one district, separate from Eagle River</li> </ul>
2/13/2022	Eagle River\Hillside	Ann Rappoport, Co-chair	While maintaining a low population deviation between districts is of obvious importance, it is not outlined as a consideration in Section 4.01, and therefore should not be granted more importance than the criteria that are included in Municipal ordinance. Respecting neighborhood continuity is more important than pushing for the smallest deviation in size of each Assembly district and will best achieve fair representation. We do appreciate the difficulty of this effort.

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2/21/2022	JBER	Rachel Boudreau	Please see the attached resolution from the Northeast Community Council. Resolution 2022-01 Northeast Community Council (NECC) January 20, 2022 Assembly Reapportionment WHEREAS, the Northeast Community Council (NECC) is the Community Council that is the voice of the people of Northeast Anchorage and includes the following boundaries: Northeast Community Council 8 WHEREAS, according to Census data, Northeast Anchorage has one of the most ethnically and racially diverse populations in the United States; WHEREAS, according to Census data, the Northeast Community Council area has a population of 29,266; WHEREAS, The target population per district is 48,541. The total deviation in actual population to target population must be less than 10% (federal law), and ideally less than 50/0. WHEREAS, Northeast Anchorage is a distinct and socioeconomically integrated area with strong neighborhood identities very different than that of Eagle River; WHEREAS, Northeast Anchorage is home to many active-duty service members and Veterans who frequent the businesses and services provided along Muldoon Rd and near the Joint Base Elmendorf Richardson (JBER) Muldoon Rd. gate, WHEREAS, in the past, portions of Northeast Anchorage have been included within the Eagle River district that is not socioeconomically similar and have very different legislative interests; NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the NECC respectfully asks the Anchorage Assembly to: 1. Protect our and maintain our ties by including the entire NECC boundaries within one Assembly District; 2. Include Bartlett High School in our District to keep it connected to the families it serves. Date: January 20, 2022 Votes for: 10 Motion Passes President: Votes Against: 0 Abstain: 1 Motion Does Not Pass Secretary: T'Shalla Baker Rachel Boudreau
3/1/2022	Unclassified	Margaret Nelson	The Basher Community Council supports maps 6 and/or 11, per the attached resolution. We appreciate your consideration of the community's position. FYI about 70 people in the community were surveyed and the vote was overwhelming that the Stuckagain Heights area served by the Basher Community Council remain within Anchorage proper.

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3/1/2022	Unclassified	Margaret Tyler	Please see attached resolution from the Girdwood Board of Supervisors
3/18/2022	Unclassified	Gretchen Stoddard	<p>Dear Chair LaFrance and Assembly Members:</p> <p>Huffman O'Malley Community Council thanks you and the reapportionment committee for the work toward redistricting efforts. After looking at the Amendments submitted and active on 3/17, we voted to strongly support the Weddleton map 11 v2.</p> <p>HOCC has monitored and commented on the redistricting process. We have studied each proposed map, and would take this opportunity to thank you for listening to our community concerns. The Huffman O'Malley Community Council had our monthly meeting on Thursday 3/17 starting at 7 pm. We voted unanimously to support the Weddleton map 11 v2. Thank you. Gretchen Stoddard Huffman O'Malley Community Council President</p> <p>Note/ Addition on 3/18. I apologize to the community and community council members. Last night (3/17 or 3/18 am) I thought I entered comments before the apportionment committee meeting on 3/18 am. I did not successfully enter the comments correctly, and that was my operator error when using the commenting website.</p> <p>Our community council members evaluated 3 maps at our 3/17 meeting. We thought that was the total of the current maps. We evaluated (Weddleton) Map 11 v2; Kennedy S1 map 11 v2; and Constant S1 map 11 v2. I now see an addition to the website with an amended map from Zalatel Rivera S1 map 11 v2, and our council did not evaluate that map. If this is a current map to evaluate, we would appreciate a view of that map, but it seems these changes are north of our community council area and district. Thank you.</p>

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3/21/2022	Unclassified	Anna Brawley	<p>This comment is re-affirming Turnagain Community Council's priorities and position on AO 2022-37, Municipal Reapportionment, and amendments to be considered at this Wednesday's special meeting. Our original testimony is re-attached, expressing concerns with the current map under consideration (Map 11 v.2, Constant Amendment S-1) and also with Map 12, which has since been archived. Our original testimony at the March 1, 2022 meeting is attached for reference.</p> <p>Turnagain Community Council supports the proposed changes in the Constant amendment to restore the West High and Forest Park area of Turnagain in District 3, and opposes the increased amount of community council area removed from District 3 in the Kennedy amendment. We urge the Assembly to adopt the Constant amendment in the final map.</p> <p>Our reasons for supporting the Constant amendment are outlined in our original testimony, because we support keeping our community council area within the same district, and this particular area is strongly integrated with and identified as an important part of West Anchorage. Similarly, while the Kennedy amendment does not go as far as the prior Map 12 did in splitting up our district, it removes more of our council area from District 3, which conflicts with keeping our council area within one district.</p> <p>Again, we urge the Assembly to adopt the Constant amendment, then promptly approve that amended map as the final Reapportionment maps for Anchorage for the next decade.</p> <p>Thank you for the opportunity to engage in this thorough and complex process, and finding a balance that promotes fair representation in Anchorage.</p>

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