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2           COMMISSION convened in Public Session on July 6, 2001,  
3           at 8:00 o'clock a.m., at 1700 West Washington, 2nd  
4           Floor, Governor's Reception Hall, Phoenix, Arizona, in  
5           the presence of:

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2 SPEAKERS FROM CALL TO THE PUBLIC:

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7 AGENDA DESIGNATED SPEAKERS:

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9 DR. FLORENCE ADAMS

10 DR. ALAN HESLOP

11 ADOLFO ECHEVESTE

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CHAIRMAN LYNN: Good morning. I'd like to call the meeting of the Independent Redistricting Commission to order.

Second item on the agenda is public comment.

This is the time for consideration and discussion of comments and complaints from the public. Those wishing to address the Commission shall request permission in advance by filling out a speaker slip, which are hopefully located outside. Action taken as a result of public comment will be limited to directing staff to study the matter or rescheduling the matter for further consideration and decision at a later date.

Are there members of the public wishing to be heard at this time?

If not, there will be another opportunity for public comment later in the meeting.

Item III, presentation, discussion, and possible decision with respect to the operational

1 implications of citizen input and the development of the  
2 AURs, Arizona units of representation, for each area of  
3 the state.

4 Dr. Heslop, are you going to lead this  
5 one?

6 And, by the way, for those members of the  
7 public that aren't aware, Dr. Heslop was absent the last  
8 couple weeks having a fairly serious illness. We're  
9 delighted to have him back with us with color in his  
10 checks and standing upright.

11 We're delighted with your speedy recovery.

12 DR. HESLOP: Thank you, Mr. Chairman,  
13 members of the public.

14 I'm going to make a presentation to you to  
15 discuss approaches with regard to operationalizing,  
16 using approaches of the process that you've been  
17 conducting up and down the state, the 24 meetings,  
18 transcripts for most of which, not all, unfortunately,  
19 have been received; summaries of which have been  
20 prepared and passed to you; citizen input forms which  
21 continued to arrive in substantial numbers, some in  
22 paper form, some to the website; e-mails which continue  
23 to come to us; written comments of many kinds.

24 Our effort, as you know, is to put all of  
25 this information in a usable form.

1                   And so this morning, we propose to go  
2 through a short Power Point, which essentially is what  
3 is done and what is being done, and then to respond to  
4 your questions, and after that to demonstrate what we  
5 refer to as an interactive AUR map of Arizona.

6                   This is essentially the tool that we are  
7 proposing to you for use in adjusting the grid.

8                   So this is our effort this morning, and  
9 we'll begin with our Power Point.

10                  CHAIRMAN LYNN: I think it might be useful  
11 for the Commission to take a different seat so we see it  
12 more clearly.

13                  DR. HESLOP: So here we are.

14                  Everyone will remember, I think, that the  
15 grid needs to be adjusted in light of Arizona units of  
16 representation. And I think everyone will remember,  
17 too, that AURs are developed from these sources.

18                  The testimony that the Commission heard at  
19 the 24 public hearings around the state, citizen input  
20 forms and citizen comments, the maps and citizen kits  
21 that were completed by different groups, and, of course,  
22 finally, the census data which provides data with which  
23 we must meet the federal requirement.

24                  Let's begin with AURs developed from  
25 testimony. Here's an example. It's the simplest

1 possible example.

2 I was at the Commission's meeting at Yuma  
3 County. Commissioner Minkoff and I heard just about a  
4 unanimous opinion that there was an Arizona unit of  
5 representation, and it was Yuma County that was the  
6 consensus. But meanwhile, another Commission meeting at  
7 the same evening was going on at Lake Havasu. And at  
8 that hearing, there was nearly unanimous testimony that  
9 the river communities formed an AUR. And you will  
10 notice that those AURs run across the Yuma County  
11 boundary.

12 This will be a theme of my presentation  
13 today. AURs do not necessarily coincide or fit neatly  
14 together like pieces in a jigsaw puzzle. They may and  
15 do conflict.

16 A rather more complicated example of an  
17 AUR developed from testimony, Commissioners who were at  
18 Casa Grande will recognize this as the strong result of  
19 the testimony at the hearing at Casa Grande.

20 So examples of the development of AURs  
21 from testimony at your hearings.

22 Meanwhile, of course --

23 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Dr. Heslop, you have  
24 some hatching. You have hatching.

25 MR. HUTCHISON: Talking here.

1 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Hatching above.

2 MR. HUTCHISON: City boundaries.

3 DR. HESLOP: Hatching is city boundaries.

4 MR. HUTCHISON: City boundaries and tribal  
5 boundaries.

6 DR. HESLOP: Second source, citizen input  
7 forms, putting into a still.

8 You've probably received by fax a summary  
9 of, by way of fax, summary of citizen input forms I  
10 completed this week which put a great deal of emphasis  
11 on county lines. We need county lines in our AUR  
12 system.

13 Another example of input from citizen  
14 forms, tribal reservations. So, yes, here's another  
15 AUR. We need those tribal reservation lines on our  
16 interactive AUR map.

17 Third source of AURs, citizen kits, maps.

18 A number of groups, you are familiar with  
19 them, came before the Commission and produced really  
20 well-worked-out, detailed maps. Here, for example, is  
21 the proposed Navajo Congressional District map.

22 Another example, another group, the  
23 Phoenix Historic District Association developed a  
24 Legislative plan. We turned this into another AUR  
25 because it was a well-developed citizen kit map.



1                   A third source of AURs, Census data.

2                   We know that the law requires us to pay  
3 close attention to minority population. And so we have  
4 in our map shadings representative of different levels  
5 of Hispanic concentrations. And here we have them by  
6 Census tract.

7                   Equally, we know that the law requires us  
8 to pay close attention to Native American  
9 concentrations.

10                  So, a second example on an AUR from Census  
11 data, here it is, Native American concentrations.

12                  Now, this is apparently a straightforward  
13 process. It isn't quite as straightforward when you  
14 start to put AURs together, because they overlap or  
15 conflict with other AURs.

16                  Here is the simple example of it. The  
17 City of Sedona may appear to us in the presentations to  
18 the Commission that they don't like that county line.  
19 And the reason they don't like it, of course, is that  
20 the city crossed it, as do some other cities in the  
21 state. They also cross county lines. So there's a  
22 simple example of conflict among AURs.

23                  Why do you think I'm putting the emphasis  
24 on this? Clearly your consultants need to take  
25 instruction from the Commission when there is conflict.

1 We need direction from the Commission when there is  
2 conflict between or among AURs.

3 Here is another conflict among AURs. The  
4 Commission heard eloquent testimony from the Hopis that  
5 they don't wish to be part of a district with the  
6 Navajos, they wish to have their own representation.  
7 And that's true of the Havasupai and we know Hopi, and  
8 they brought testimony before the Commission.

9 At the same time, the Navajo were making  
10 testimony to the Commission about an inclusive district,  
11 that the Indian tribes should be included together and  
12 be included together with representation.

13 And here, another example, final example  
14 of this kind of conflict. Here are Hispanic  
15 concentrations which we know are important. We know we  
16 cannot dilute Hispanic representation. Here,  
17 superimposed, is the proposed Central Phoenix Historic  
18 District Legislative plan. Here, ladies and gentlemen,  
19 I demonstrated the kind of conflict of AURs we need to  
20 be prepared for.

21 Not all is lost. As you'll see in a later  
22 demonstration, we have developed a tool that not only  
23 presents these AURs but makes it possible, very quick,  
24 to see the sort of conflicts among and to make grid  
25 adjustments with real speed.

1 Well, what about conflict with AURs and  
2 the grid? No surprise. AURs and the grid. One of the  
3 conflicts is the grid and tribal reservation lines.

4 Here, and we heard abundantly from the  
5 City of Tempe, its representatives and residents, that  
6 they did not wish to be split up. Here is what our grid  
7 managed to do to the City of Tempe.

8 If you saw the number of citizen input  
9 forms from Tempe, you'll be aware of, I'm sure, of that  
10 problem.

11 So conflict between AURs and the grid.  
12 Conflict among AURs. How are we going to resolve it?  
13 Through the development of what we referred to as an  
14 interactive AUR map of Arizona.

15 Where are we on this? Well, unfortunately  
16 we have not received all of the transcripts of all of  
17 the hearings, all 24. We are missing four. But -- and  
18 we only this week received some of them. But if we can  
19 get our hands on those missing four, we will have  
20 completed all of the summaries within 72 hours of their  
21 receipt. These summaries, and you've seen some of them,  
22 I think, are enough to put on a page, one page, the  
23 essence of the testimony. In many cases, we have a  
24 somewhat longer summary because the testimony is  
25 complicated. In all cases we're attempting to put the

1 essence of the testimony. And at the bottom of the page  
2 we've put a recommendation or recommendations for  
3 development of AURs for that recommendation.

4 If these have been improperly summarized,  
5 or development of AURs improperly some raised, we're  
6 happy to go back, do it again.

7 We're also receiving citizen input forms,  
8 received an additional 40 or 50 yesterday. We are  
9 pretty much up-to-date.

10 We believe that early next week we can  
11 complete summaries of all of these.

12 Now, how are we summarizing? You have  
13 received by fax an example of a line summary of each of  
14 those citizen input forms. This is not something that  
15 we're delegating. It is something that Florence and  
16 Leroy and I are working on ourselves, because we think,  
17 we believe, it's our experience, that only by working  
18 through the citizen data can we really be in a position  
19 to advise the Commission on line development, especially  
20 these areas of input.

21 The second way of summarizing these input  
22 forms is to provide graphic detail, bar charts, graphs.

23 Here is an example of the sort of graphic  
24 summaries that we will present.

25 You'll remember that the citizen input

1 form included a question, question Number 5, that asked  
2 people to rank order the criteria, basically, that they  
3 thought most important.

4                   We've had a lot of experience in doing  
5 surveys of this sort. It was not our expectation that  
6 people would accurately rank order one through seven,  
7 but it was our expectation they would provide  
8 priorities. They did so so with regard to community of  
9 interest. We know there was a huge disproportion of  
10 citizens who marked their form as to priority, some  
11 number one for community of interest.

12                   Man-made or natural boundaries, however,  
13 did not attract anything like that kind of priorities.  
14 People set it much lower on their priority list.

15                   Keeping districts with whole cities or as  
16 much of a city as equal population permits, this was  
17 another high priority. I'm providing input only from  
18 the citizen input form. Soon you'll have all input  
19 forms.

20                   Local government boundaries, we know from  
21 input forms, typically local government is high  
22 priority.

23                   Keeping Census tracts whole was on the  
24 form, not much priority at all.

25                   Using freeways and major transportation

1 routes for districts and boundaries, not much priority.  
2 You'll see in Metro regions, they'll have a higher  
3 priority.

4 Drawing compact and contiguous districts,  
5 not a major priority.

6 And here, community interest, whole  
7 cities, local boundaries, big priority, you'll see.  
8 These summaries will be available to you next week.

9 Some will come in, continue to come in.  
10 And we'll continue to keep you up-to-date.

11 Here is where we are currently on the  
12 second source of AURs, analysis of citizen kits.

13 Well, some of these citizen kits were  
14 wonderfully well, indeed professionally developed. We  
15 had wonderful presentation at South Mountain led by Mary  
16 Rose Wilcox. There's only one version of the plan, and  
17 we have not entered it into the data base. We will be  
18 entering it this weekend. Most other maps we have  
19 received we either will enter or are about to.

20 So all of these are things come together,  
21 finally, in the development of a great big grand  
22 sounding title, an interactive AUR map. Simply, through  
23 GIS, it's so you can look at the AURs. We think it will  
24 speed your process and do a good job for you.

25 That's the end of my Power Point.

1 I would pause at this point, take  
2 questions before we go into the demonstration of our  
3 interactive AUR map.

4 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Are there questions for  
5 Dr. Heslop?

6 Mr. Elder?

7 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Mr. Chairman, a  
8 comment, because I'm beating up on Tim on it, if  
9 possible, legends. I couldn't tell the most dense  
10 Hispanic to least dense.

11 DR. HESLOP: We'll have that.

12 COMMISSIONER ELDER: I guess, could you do  
13 a breakdown on the statistics when you come back to us  
14 next week concerning what you heard in outlying or rural  
15 areas of the state? You made the comment when you got  
16 to rural areas, edges took on a different characteristic  
17 from what I heard in urban areas, see what the  
18 difference is there, that would be helpful.

19 DR. HESLOP: Two differences. One is  
20 summaries of transcript. Second, on citizen input forms  
21 and written comments, I've been talking about citizen  
22 input forms as a statewide pool. We'll break down by  
23 region, and you'll see very marked differences by  
24 region. And we'll certainly do that.

25 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Last one. We

1 received a series of maps putting into the series AURs.  
2 Can we get a sense of where, what coverage, for example,  
3 that Navajo one, Congressional District, the majority of  
4 the northern part of the state?

5 DR. HESLOP: We have entered the Navajo  
6 map completely. The major omission at the moment, and  
7 we're taking care of it today, is the map presented at  
8 South Mountain. There was only one copy of it. We were  
9 afraid to make use of it before copying it.

10 COMMISSIONER ELDER: The reason I asked  
11 for a list, I hope Legislators and political entities,  
12 the people that we know are interested, because of  
13 self-preservation, would have submitted a map saying  
14 this is what we'd like to see. I'd like to know if  
15 we've received any from political parties, Senators,  
16 Legislators, any of those sort of things.

17 DR. HESLOP: At the moment, I believe it's  
18 true there are only written comments.

19 Do we have a map?

20 DR. ADAMS: One map, from a previous  
21 meeting, delivered to Commissioner Hall early in the  
22 process. It was difficult to follow maps early in the  
23 process. We're in the process of entering that one.

24 Some came in materials we received  
25 yesterday.



1           The way the process goes, things go in to  
2 the Commission, get copied, then get sent out to us. We  
3 have a little bit of delay on that.

4           Also, I should mention, on the Supervisor  
5 Wilcox presentation at South Mountain, they did not  
6 provide the maps at that time. They presented them  
7 again at Avondale at the Estrella meeting and they were  
8 given at the presentation at that meeting and are yet to  
9 be copied and passed to us. We are going to be getting  
10 our hands on it today.

11           MR. ECHEVESTES: They were not given to  
12 them.

13           MS. HAUSER: They were not given.

14           MR. ECHEVESTES: Not given.

15           DR. HESLOP: We'd welcome any thoughts you  
16 may have.

17           COMMISSIONER MINKOFF: A couple things I  
18 recall, at one meeting I attended there was an  
19 individual Legislator that presented a proposed map. Is  
20 that treated as a Legislative map or treated as an  
21 individual that presented a map?

22           DR. HESLOP: Any map presented to us we  
23 use to develop. That doesn't mean the Commissioners  
24 need to regard it as an AUR map. It may be provided as  
25 a map for use.

1 DR. ADAMS: We've received testimony from  
2 a number of elected officials and Legislators. Most of  
3 them have prefaced comments saying "I'm speaking as a  
4 citizen, not speaking as a Legislator, am speaking as a  
5 citizen not for Casa Grande," and so on, and we'd treat  
6 that as citizen information and designate it as such.

7 COMMISSIONER MINKOFF: One other question.  
8 It's become very clear to me from some of the citizen  
9 input forms I read they are part of an organized  
10 campaign. There are any number of them the only thing  
11 changed is the name, address of the person that  
12 submitted the form, and wording is identical.

13 How do you treat that kind of thing versus  
14 something that may only come in from an individual that  
15 didn't call 27 friends, didn't tell them to say the same  
16 thing?

17 DR. HESLOP: We're also aware of an effort  
18 to concert and areas they didn't tell to concert. I,  
19 myself, Commissioner Minkoff, would tell you an effort  
20 to concert is not necessarily bad, does suggest lack of  
21 spontaneity the Commission may wish to take into  
22 account.

23 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Mr. Hall.

24 COMMISSIONER HALL: If I may make a  
25 recommendation, with all the information received, if we

1 can consolidate it, disseminate it, if possible,  
2 consolidate so staff can place it in a large, three-ring  
3 binder and have it constitute tabs for all maps. For  
4 example, I've not had an opportunity to look at any  
5 presentation made by Ms. Wilcox. I know fellow  
6 Commissioners may not have had a chance to look at the  
7 Navajo plan.

8 I don't know how best to make it happen,  
9 but I think those can be reduced to eight-and-a-half by  
10 11, put in a three-ring binder so all of us have an  
11 opportunity to review it all, in addition to summaries,  
12 have it in the same binder, all the maps represented, so  
13 we can all be on the same page in the play book.

14 DR. HESLOP: Sounds like a good idea,  
15 Commissioner Hall, not only maps, the summaries alluded  
16 to of the citizen input would certainly come to you.

17 COMMISSIONER HALL: Two three-ring binders  
18 would be nice, and a four wheel cart with it, so --

19 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Ms. Minkoff.

20 COMMISSIONER MINKOFF: Let me add  
21 something to that, an excellent idea, and also  
22 suggestions. People that didn't specifically draw maps,  
23 said they believe the boundary of their district should  
24 be this street on the north, this street on the east,  
25 this mountain range on the south, et cetera, if those

1 could maybe be drawn out for us and also included as a  
2 map, that would help me.

3 DR. HESLOP: You have reference to Phoenix  
4 street descriptions there.

5 COMMISSIONER MINKOFF: Also one from  
6 Cochise County referring to specific areas.

7 DR. HESLOP: We will definitely work those  
8 up for you and include those in the three-ring binder.

9 Our anticipation is that you will let us  
10 know if you don't like the way we're summarizing things.  
11 Our one-line summaries of the citizen input forms,  
12 they're the best effort we could think of to bring  
13 information to you. We're happy to do it in any other  
14 way.

15 DR. ADAMS: I'm not certain everyone  
16 received those.

17 Did you all receive a fax of the  
18 summaries, one-line summaries, six, seven pages?  
19 Kristina said they were faxed out, confirmations were  
20 faxed out. They may not have gotten to you.

21 MS. HAUSER: Mine was illegible.

22 DR. ADAMS: If you would like, I'll pass  
23 this around. Then we'll give it to Kristina and ask her  
24 to go over, make copies of it.

25 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Just as a matter of

1 mechanics, anything that can be disseminated  
2 electronically is in far better condition for viewing  
3 than anything faxed. If possible, make it available to  
4 Commission staff, then distribute it electronically,  
5 that's better.

6 DR. ADAMS: I understand. The fastest way  
7 for us to get it to you July 4th was to send it by fax.

8 What I'll do is make certain that data  
9 base gets on the computer to e-mail to you as well.

10 Would you like copies at this point,  
11 Commissioner Lynn?

12 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Please.

13 DR. ADAMS: I think you'll see it's nicely  
14 summarized line by line here. You may not want all the  
15 paper forms once you see how this works.

16 Let me have Kristina copy it.

17 Commissioner Hall.

18 COMMISSIONER MINKOFF: Following up, the  
19 Mary Rose Wilcox presentation on CD was just loaded on  
20 my laptop, a revised request. Whenever it's possible to  
21 do so electronically, we can certainly minimize that. I  
22 asked him to do that for all fellow Commissioners.

23 Let me say, Dr. Heslop and staff, we  
24 appreciate the tremendous amount of effort you folks  
25 have taken on with respect to these numerous meetings

1 and tremendous amount of information. And we recognize  
2 there's -- the turnaround time is rapid. I want to  
3 express my appreciation for your efforts in this  
4 respect.

5 DR. HESLOP: I think we can surprise you  
6 with the speed we can finish the summary process.

7 COMMISSIONER MINKOFF: I had requested in  
8 the summary process you summarized the summary form. I  
9 found it overwhelming, as I found the citizen kit forms,  
10 I think it better if grouped not in the order they came  
11 in but by geographic area, so we can look at an area.

12 DR. ADAMS: The first step was to look at  
13 all the information in a general sense, see how people  
14 felt. Then the next step is to divide it into  
15 geographic areas.

16 We have to have some way to keep it in  
17 order.

18 Ones off the website, we're keeping in  
19 order, Tim is sending to us. The others are actually  
20 coming in by geographic area, coming from the meetings.  
21 Then some are coming by mail which we designate what  
22 area we put them in.

23 COMMISSIONER MINKOFF: Even some from  
24 meetings, I recall a meeting I think I went to in Mesa,  
25 I don't know, they all blur, in the Phoenix metropolitan

1 area, someone came from Kings Canyon and also somebody  
2 from Tucson because they happened to be in the area.  
3 Their comments didn't have anything to do with the area  
4 the meeting was at at all.

5 DR. ADAMS: That's true.

6 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Mr. Elder.

7 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Yes, Mr. Chairman.

8 Dr. Heslop, is there a way for linkage of  
9 information as it comes off individual forms to summary  
10 comments, not necessarily so we see them in terms of  
11 Lisa and Jose's presentation, but the DOJ documentation,  
12 paper trail, an attribute, click on it, attributes, this  
13 was found in 106, 104, 105, whatever response. We've  
14 given numbers to each one of the forms. I don't know  
15 whether a link, tracing --

16 DR. HESLOP: That's one of our staffs.

17 Next week we'll take a look at each of the hearings and  
18 link the forms, that came at the hearing, and link forms  
19 from the same general area so there's a back-up to the  
20 summary of the transcript.

21 Now, of course, we're not going to do much  
22 about that if citizen input forms are not saying what  
23 the transcript testimony said. But if there is  
24 conflict, we definitely have to know that. That is one  
25 of the steps.

1                   At the end of this process, not only will  
2 you have the state-wide detail, but 24 packages, 23  
3 packages, with the citizen input forms and summaries.

4                   CHAIRMAN LYNN: Other questions at this  
5 time for Dr. Heslop?

6                   DR. HESLOP: Thank you.

7                   DR. ADAMS: One comment. We were unaware  
8 there was a CD of the Mary Rose Wilcox plan out there.  
9 We'd appreciate receiving that as soon as possible. If  
10 other CDs, maps come in we're not aware of, I hope we  
11 can receive them as soon as possible.

12                   COMMISSIONER HALL: I conveyed to  
13 Mr. Johnson I received a plan from another gentleman up  
14 north, another proposal from a man up north and conveyed  
15 to him to get that to you.

16                   DR. ADAMS: Thank you.

17                   DR. HESLOP: If you receive information,  
18 other thoughts, don't hesitate to call us.

19                   This coming week it is our effort to  
20 complete this process.

21                   Now we'll go into a different kind of  
22 process.

23                   We're now going to demonstrate the grandly  
24 titled interactive map.

25                   Basically, what it is is the ability to



1 show different AURs singlely, multiplely, on the face of  
2 the map of Arizona.

3 Here is the outlying map of Arizona.

4 There's an AUR. There's a map of the counties. So  
5 there's our county line.

6 Now let's take a look at cities. And here  
7 are our cities on the map.

8 Anyone who has used a computer knows what  
9 we're doing. It's simple stuff but also very handy  
10 stuff, and we won't demonstrate it here, but we can zoom  
11 in and look at Sedona and the county line, or Peoria and  
12 the county line.

13 So let's add something else, add tribal  
14 reservations. And here we have our tribal reservation  
15 lines.

16 Now all you have to do is imagine  
17 superimposition of the grid and you'll understand how  
18 easy it is.

19 Let's return to the state outline and try  
20 other things.

21 Let's put the Census tract up. Census  
22 tract, one of the things we're interested in, citizens  
23 aren't interested in it, and again, we have the power to  
24 zoom in and look at Census tract lines, so we won't  
25 demonstrate it, but what about Hispanic, what about

1 Hispanic shadings to indicate concentrations? We will  
2 promise to provide a legend so shadings can be easily  
3 understood. If you don't understand shadings, we can  
4 recategorize and give you shadings.

5 Here we have Hispanics and different  
6 concentrations. Imagine superimposition of the grid and  
7 see how quickly we can perform adjustment or identify  
8 problem areas.

9 Let's go blank again, state outline, and  
10 try others.

11 Let's put interstate highways up here,  
12 freeways. Let's take a look at the freeway system. I  
13 mentioned in some areas freeways aren't much regarded.  
14 In other states they seem to be.

15 State freeways, here it is. Now how about  
16 superimposing Native American concentrations? And here  
17 they are. Coming up.

18 Chris, were you out late last night? You  
19 are usually faster than this.

20 There are Native American shadings on the  
21 map.

22 Let's go blank again.

23 Here's a Tucson map. Zooming a bit on our  
24 little map here.

25 Let's see school districts.

1                   We know, we had some testimony in the  
2 state, schools are the focal point. So here we have the  
3 ability to put school districts on the map.

4                   Let's take a look at Hispanic shadings,  
5 the final demonstration of this effort, and we are able  
6 to see Tucson schools and Hispanic concentrations.

7                   It doesn't take a lot of imagination,  
8 won't take a lot more imagination. We have a lot of  
9 AURs up on our map.

10                  You know we're developing AURs from  
11 testimony, from maps submitted, from citizen kits. We  
12 will have this map available for your use. We will be  
13 able to demonstrate what we think are major conflicts.  
14 We would intend to come back to you this time with some  
15 major AURs we think the Commission should pay particular  
16 attention to, and we should be able to take your  
17 instruction either on development of additional AURs or  
18 different approaches to them.

19                  So if we could turn the lights back on,  
20 I'd be very pleased to respond to your questions at this  
21 time.

22                  CHAIRMAN LYNN: Questions for Dr. Heslop.  
23 Mr. Elder.

24                  COMMISSIONER ELDER: Start at this end.

25                  Dr. Heslop, these are based on the 2000

1 Census, I assume.

2 DR. HESLOP: All of -- yeah. All of those  
3 that we showed you in this demonstration of the map are  
4 2000 Census.

5 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Is there a way of  
6 showing the Native American -- the percentage of change  
7 or historical, when we get final data input, the final  
8 package EDS data, '94 Census --

9 DR. HESLOP: Population increase? So we  
10 could identify, if this is what you mean, sir, areas of  
11 the state where the population increase has been greater  
12 than that of the state as a whole or less than the state  
13 as a whole? That's easy to do.

14 COMMISSIONER ELDER: I guess where I was  
15 also going, can you go in there, put a cut-off line, say  
16 I want to see everything above 30 percent Native  
17 American?

18 DR. HESLOP: Yes indeed.

19 COMMISSIONER ELDER: So you see where  
20 concentrations are?

21 DR. HESLOP: We can categorize all of this  
22 any way you wish. Not a problem.

23 Certainly, if I may continue, it will  
24 certainly be the case as you get into the adjustment of  
25 the grid you will require fine detail, detail of a

1 particular kind. And we will be able to provide  
2 everything.

3 COMMISSIONER ELDER: If we asked to, in  
4 the Maptitude process, show all areas which contain all  
5 areas combined, we'd be able to get those?

6 DR. HESLOP: Yes.

7 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Other questions for  
8 Dr. Heslop?

9 Again, thank you very much for the  
10 presentation, and good to see you back.

11 DR. HESLOP: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.  
12 Thank you, members of the Commission.

13 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Item IV, presentation,  
14 discussion, and possible decision with respect to the  
15 process and schedule for development of draft  
16 Congressional and Legislative maps, the 30-day public  
17 period, the second round of public hearings, and  
18 adoption of the final Congressional and Legislative  
19 maps.

20 I believe each member of the Commission  
21 has received -- I want to draw attention to two items.  
22 One is a document with a cover memorandum from  
23 Ms. Hauser, item time line for preparation of  
24 Congressional and Legislative maps. The second  
25 document, I believe, passed out this morning has a large

1 memo at the top from Adolfo Echeveste, outreach  
2 coordinator. That particular memo indicates a  
3 methodology for the second round of outreach. I think  
4 everyone received copy of that this morning.

5 So with that as background, Lisa, are you  
6 going to take us through this or how do you want to  
7 proceed?

8 MS. HAUSER: Mr. Chairman, I can do that.

9 The process for AUR development,  
10 obviously, has been laid out pretty clearly here.

11 The next meeting we're looking at having  
12 is July 16th, proposing it would be July 16th for  
13 purposes of giving direction, adopting AURs, officially.  
14 And, of course, all of these dates are really done  
15 without checking all the Commissioners' schedules and  
16 whatnot. There will be some tinkering here. The idea  
17 is to give some idea of the flow.

18 Jose and I spent some time working with  
19 NDC, working with their experience in open member  
20 meetings in how best, how long it takes to go about  
21 making some fairly detailed decisions. That information  
22 we gathered is reflected in this particular memorandum.

23 The next step after developing the AURs is  
24 the process for grid modification.

25 NDC would first make recommendations

1    sometime really during the week of July 23rd, hopefully.  
2    And once those recommendations are received, counsel  
3    will prepare to advise the Commission and would do so in  
4    what appears to be, probably, a couple of days of  
5    meetings for that specific purpose to go through and  
6    give specific legal advice with respect to  
7    recommendations for modification.

8                    Then what we are proposing is to provide  
9    for a couple of days prior to the meeting, the public  
10   meeting to adopt grid modifications, to allow for  
11   individual Commissioners to work with NDC on their own  
12   to test or explore alternatives that you are interested  
13   in.

14                   Maptitude is something that takes some  
15   experience to be able to go ahead and operate. And it  
16   is an opportunity that we wanted to provide. Different  
17   Commissioners have different skill levels in this area,  
18   of course. And we wanted to provide each of you the  
19   individual resources you have to fully test different  
20   resources you have to explore that.

21                   Following that, some additional legal  
22   advice is likely to be needed with respect to grid  
23   modification, theories Commissioners are likely to need,  
24   then two additional days to give to NDC on grid  
25   modifications.

1                   From that NDC moves forward to the phase  
2 of actually adopting the actual grid maps.

3                   The reason this process is a multi-day  
4 event is in recognition of the fact each of the  
5 Commissioners has expressed at one time or another a  
6 desire to make sure that you have adequate time to  
7 consider and that you are not having a lot of stuff  
8 thrown at you that you are expected to just vote on, you  
9 know, on the spot. So this gives a substantial period  
10 of time to work through those issues together.

11                   The adoption of draft maps, after NDC  
12 receives instructions on the grid modifications, they  
13 will return those within 72 hours and will document in a  
14 report the implications under each of the criteria, the  
15 Constitution and Voting Rights Act.

16                   So they will then provide modified grids  
17 and reports to the Commission we're expecting somewhere  
18 around August 10th.

19                   That will be followed by a public meeting  
20 of the Commission to review modified grids by NDC and  
21 the report. And a couple days, once you actually see  
22 what that report looks like, how the draft map will  
23 look, based on the instructions you've given to NDC, you  
24 may want another period to go to and test some of your  
25 own individual ideas at that point prior to a public



1 meeting.

2                   So we've allowed a couple days for that  
3 and then a couple days of public meetings to instruct on  
4 final modifications to the grids. And you give that  
5 instruction.

6                   Then those maps come back within 72 hours  
7 and you have another public meeting period to actually  
8 adopt the draft maps.

9                   Then we move into the public comment  
10 period which, according to Prop 106, is at least 30 days  
11 long. The -- during that period, and possibly even  
12 extending slightly beyond it, the Commission would  
13 conduct a second round of statewide hearings.

14                   It's important for us to give the members  
15 of the public an opportunity to actually study the state  
16 maps prior to beginning the hearings, so we've allowed a  
17 period of time for absorption, if you will, of those  
18 plans before going on the road again.

19                   The public comment period under this  
20 scenario would end on or about September 19th, assuming  
21 that the plan came out, final plans were adopted around  
22 the 20th of August. And we're looking at perhaps having  
23 the public hearing process going on a couple days beyond  
24 that.

25                   We just had, I think, 23 public hearings,

1 24 if you count the interactive one, using Monday  
2 through Thursday. The conversations counsel has had  
3 with NDC basically have resulted in a recommendation  
4 from us that we try to consolidate the hearings a little  
5 bit for the second round in the sense that we had some  
6 areas that were not well-attended or we have some areas  
7 where there is not a great difference of opinion, that  
8 we try to consolidate a little bit, we continue to try  
9 to use two teams for those hearings. We have some, what  
10 NDC calls hot spots, areas of great contention, that we  
11 select those areas and have full Commission hearings  
12 instead of having two teams operating on those  
13 particular days.

14                   After we conclude the public hearings, the  
15 second round of final plans would be adopted. And in  
16 order to do that, again, we have a report from NDC on  
17 possible modifications to the draft plan, additional  
18 legal advice on possible modifications, and public  
19 meeting to adopt possible final Congressional and  
20 Legislative Districts.

21                   Until we see the level of modification  
22 necessary, it's hard to predict a schedule in that  
23 regard.

24                   Our feeling is if we spend an appropriate  
25 amount of time working on the draft maps and put our

1 efforts there, the hope is that we will have not so many  
2 final modifications to make thereafter. We won't have  
3 as burdensome a process to go through at the end.

4 Department of Justice submission,  
5 conservative estimate, Jose and I put in basically to  
6 allow four weeks for that. I think we both agree we can  
7 probably do it faster.

8 MR. RIVERA: Lisa agrees.

9 MS. HAUSER: Depending on ability to get  
10 started on those things while other things are going on.

11 We will try to shortcut the time we need  
12 at the end by working in advance whenever possible. But  
13 that is essentially the kind of schedule that we are  
14 looking at to try to realistically give you an idea what  
15 to do from here on out.

16 We'd like to get dates discussed with you  
17 today so basically you can block out the time you need  
18 from your personal calendars to accomplish this.

19 Anything to add?

20 MR. RIVERA: The other reason is, you'll  
21 find out when Adolfo makes his presentation, in terms of  
22 getting the broadest outreach into the community  
23 possible, community outreach, and also since we used a  
24 lot of junior colleges, schools, some will be when  
25 school is in session.

1                   MS. HAUSER: Basically outreach folks  
2 should be able to get out there even before we adopt,  
3 next, to start beating the drum and let them know we're  
4 coming to help improve the attendance and participation  
5 in those areas.

6                   CHAIRMAN LYNN: I assume rather than  
7 trying to coordinate a number of calendars in an open  
8 meeting what we should do is discuss blocks of time.  
9 Individual days may vary slightly.

10                   For example, if we look at the block of  
11 time for public comment beginning after the maps are  
12 drawn and made public, and I'm thinking more of Adolfo's  
13 schedule -- which we'll get to in a minute, Adolfo.

14                   The notion, if we're all agreed on the  
15 September 4th to September 19th time frame, that we'll  
16 hold that inviolate to begin planning outreach meetings  
17 at this point, that's the kind of thing we're discussing  
18 at this point.

19                   MR. RIVERA: That's correct.

20                   CHAIRMAN LYNN: Mr. Elder?

21                   COMMISSIONER ELDER: No.

22                   CHAIRMAN LYNN: Saw you move, thought you  
23 might want to say something.

24                   MR. ECHEVESTE: I have a comment.

25                   COMMISSIONER HALL: Mr. Chairman, I --

1 first, again, my thanks to Ms. Hauser and Mr. Rivera and  
2 NDC.

3 I wonder if the two weeks we have there,  
4 the first section, second section, to condense these, if  
5 we were to eliminate the weekend interruption, in other  
6 words, take the first -- the top of page two there,  
7 condense July 30th to August 3rd and try to accomplish  
8 that all in that one week, I guess my feeling is,  
9 personally speaking, I'd prefer to work late into the  
10 evening rather than incorporate a whole other weekend  
11 and spend Monday Tuesday, drag over that time.

12 The same would apply, my recommendation  
13 would be for the following week, also, have it condensed  
14 to 8-13 to 8-17, not incorporating the weekend. If we  
15 have to meet longer, that's certainly my preference.

16 If, for example, on the days where  
17 individual Commissioners will have an opportunity to  
18 meet with NDC, if, to accommodate that idea, I'd be more  
19 than willing to meet later in the evening than have to  
20 go down up and come back down and back up. Simply from  
21 a work standpoint, I'd rather take one week rather than  
22 incorporate two weeks.

23 MS. HAUSER: Can you identify the second  
24 week?

25 COMMISSIONER HALL: 8-13 to 8-17, Monday

1 through Friday is it not?

2 COMMISSIONER MINKOFF: I'm lost. We have  
3 a meeting, two days to meet separately, two days of  
4 meetings, two days of more meetings.

5 COMMISSIONER HALL: Again, I think as Lisa  
6 indicated, they erred on the generous side. We don't  
7 need all that time for that. Two days scheduled for NDC  
8 to meet with individual Commissioners. If you'll  
9 notice, take the first week there, we're meeting part of  
10 August 1. The other part could be utilized for maybe a  
11 meeting. I'd rather make the meetings of longer  
12 duration each of those days rather than extended eight  
13 days, nothing through the weekend. I think we can  
14 accomplish it in one week. I'd rather go -- rather do  
15 12-hour days than nine days.

16 COMMISSIONER MINKOFF: First week I'm out  
17 of town Monday the 30th. I'll spend all day long four  
18 days if it's needed to and get it all done.

19 CHAIRMAN LYNN: I think -- I don't know  
20 the 30th is necessarily in play if we make some  
21 adjustments you are talking about that may be in play.

22 Mr. Huntwork?

23 MR. RIVERA: It's out already.

24 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Mr. Chairman, I'd  
25 like to accommodate, if possible, it's more difficult

1 for me to spend a block of four days than to break it  
2 up. I have work I have to do. I get up at 4:00 in the  
3 morning to do some of it. To work 12 hours a day four  
4 days in a row, that's very difficult for me to  
5 accommodate.

6 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Mr. Chairman, let me  
7 ask a question.

8 Individual days, it's my understanding, it  
9 may possibly even be at our locations rather than all  
10 being all here in Phoenix?

11 CHAIRMAN LYNN: In terms of consultation  
12 with NDC, they're willing come to us where we are, for  
13 the individual meetings, at any rate.

14 The blocks of time they're indicating,  
15 ones we're concentrating on, day long, day long multiple  
16 day meetings of the Commission, are there specific  
17 objections to those? Note those for scheduling  
18 purposes, note objections to those. The week of  
19 activity, it's not all activity all together at the same  
20 location in a meeting. Some will, some is not.

21 MR. RIVERA: If I can answer some of  
22 Commissioner Hall's Friday-Monday concern, really the  
23 Friday-Monday concerns, the reason we blocked that is so  
24 NDC has time to go back, go back, put the modifications  
25 in, directions into effect, give them the weekend. The

1 Commission would go back on, come back Monday, come  
2 back, rather than try to do it in an overnight  
3 situation.

4           If you look at approval of draft maps, you  
5 want to have time, a day or two after you make the final  
6 modifications after the maps come back to look at those,  
7 then they come back, then adopt final maps, rather than  
8 overnight, thus giving you an opportunity to reflect on  
9 these and think about what you are going to be doing at  
10 that point in time rather than rush to judgment on  
11 those. That's the reason you see Friday-Monday meetings  
12 on the schedule.

13           CHAIRMAN LYNN: Mr. Huntwork.

14           COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: For me,  
15 personally, if we met over weekends, had consultants do  
16 the work over the week.

17           COMMISSIONER HALL: Anything wrong with a  
18 public meeting over Saturday?

19           MR. RIVERA: No.

20           COMMISSIONER HALL: I'd like that.

21           CHAIRMAN LYNN: May want a Friday-Saturday  
22 two-day meeting, compromise, open individual businesses,  
23 what we need to do during the week.

24           I think all members of the Commission are  
25 willing to give up as much time as is necessary.



1 Clearly we're respectful of the fact we all have gainful  
2 employment outside the Commission, thank goodness, and  
3 we want to make sure we don't need to disrupt that any  
4 more than necessary.

5 MS. MINKOFF: The only Saturday I'm not  
6 available is August 4th, right in the middle of this.  
7 That's right in the middle of this.

8 DR. ADAMS: Commissioner Lynn, members of  
9 the Commission, we are flexible and happy to work the  
10 weekends with you, whatever you decide. We will make  
11 ourselves as flexible as possible to meet your needs.

12 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Thank you.

13 Is there any other comment on the flow of  
14 the work other than individual dates that need to be  
15 nailed down, flow, amount of time available, review,  
16 individual time with consultants, and individual  
17 comment?

18 Ms. Minkoff.

19 COMMISSIONER MINKOFF: Final date,  
20 submission to DOJ, we were led to believe originally DOJ  
21 was supposed to give preclearance and any time DOJ asks  
22 for additional information the 60 days starts all over  
23 again.

24 MR. RIVERA: No.

25 COMMISSIONER MINKOFF: If that's correct,

1 my concern is if at some time in December they decide  
2 they want additional information, we may not get  
3 preclearance until the middle of February, which is  
4 really going to disadvantage people that want to be  
5 candidates in the 2002 election.

6 MS. HAUSER: One of the things, we hope to  
7 get the submission in earlier than that. We indicated  
8 here the outside possibility.

9 When Department of Justice asks for  
10 additional time, the clock can stop once and start over  
11 again; thereafter, you just sort of toll the clock if  
12 they ask for any other thing and then it just continues  
13 to run as soon as you provide it. It doesn't  
14 necessarily start a new 60-day period. That's a recent  
15 change DOJ has undergone.

16 COMMISSIONER HALL: Explain that again.  
17 It does stop or doesn't?

18 MS. HAUSER: My understanding, one time,  
19 if they ask for additional information, it stops the  
20 clock and starts over again as soon as you provide it.  
21 With additional requests for information, for example,  
22 day 30 of the second 60-day period they ask for  
23 information and it takes three days. The clock stops  
24 clicking for three days and picks up and starts up.

25 One of the things Jose and I talked about

1 doing to assist a speedy process with DOJ is after they  
2 have the submission for maybe 10 days to two weeks is to  
3 go there and meet with them to focus in on any  
4 questions, concerns, problems they might have in an  
5 effort to insure that we don't get questions posed on  
6 day 59 of the first period. We're hoping that that  
7 strategy would be a successful one for us. They seem to  
8 be quite willing to submit jurisdictions. I think that  
9 could be helpful.

10 MR. RIVERA: We're hopeful to submit  
11 strategies.

12 CHAIRMAN LYNN: I think a balance can be  
13 struck.

14 What we're talking about here, we  
15 understand the necessity to have the process completed  
16 so those wishing to seek office have a process and no  
17 how to proceed.

18 What we need to do in doing our work is  
19 have enough time for public input and review so as to  
20 strengthen the case with whatever the submission looks  
21 like at the end of the process. That's the balancing  
22 act with what we're attempting to achieve. Both points  
23 are valid. Do the best we can on the back end relative  
24 to what we do on the front end.

25 Other comments?

1 Mr. Elder.

2 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Mr. Chairman, I'm  
3 concerned about the amount of time for when we give  
4 direction to NDC as far as a final map and they come  
5 back to us with a final map, we review, and that follows  
6 up with a -- the beginning of the 30-day public hearing  
7 process. I personally was surprised with what the  
8 ramifications of some of the rules were when we did the  
9 grid.

10 When we give things back to NDC and they  
11 do it, we're expected to come back and say yes, that  
12 looks like what we have. I'd like to have time in  
13 there, submit two days. At that point, when looking at  
14 the map, review it, analyze it, take a look at it.

15 COMMISSIONER MINKOFF: What?

16 CHAIRMAN LYNN: He's referring to around  
17 the August 16, 17 time frame, that range.

18 One observation, I want to comment to Lisa  
19 and the consultant. The grid was a mechanical process.  
20 If you follow the rules, you get the grid. The grid was  
21 what it was. We'll be closer, my observation, closer to  
22 knowing what implications are, having sat with  
23 consultants prior to giving instructions. So the degree  
24 of surprise, if I use that term, as to what  
25 modifications ultimately look like, will be lessened by

1 virtue of that interaction.

2 I think we need enough time so we feel  
3 comfortable once you come back with something, we're not  
4 rushed to judgment on final adoption of a map, either  
5 map we're taking to the public. I take that point.

6 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Mr. Chairman, what  
7 I'd ask, or look at, is I have no idea what Joshua's  
8 individual input will be to NDC nor does Joshua or Andi  
9 know what mine will be. Giving five sets of direction  
10 and coming up with a map, that concerns me. I'd like an  
11 amalgamation of those so we can take look at that  
12 prepared at the meeting. A two-day window, that doesn't  
13 give any time.

14 CHAIRMAN LYNN: I understand.

15 Lisa.

16 MS. HAUSER: Mr. Chairman, one of the  
17 reasons this is a fairly time-consuming process from  
18 August 6 through the 21st is because we tried to build  
19 in time to do just what Commissioner Elder is talking  
20 about in the sense if you look at the proposed schedule,  
21 after the modification instructions are given, NDC  
22 reports back, then there are meetings to review that, to  
23 review that report and give input.

24 Then you go off and have the opportunity  
25 for additional, like a second set of individual

1 meetings.

2                   And then we come back and the August 16th  
3 and 17th set of meetings is to get some legal advice on  
4 modifications, additional modifications that are in  
5 process or have been discussed. And that, of course,  
6 would include any individual requests Commissioners have  
7 been looking at.

8                   So there is an opportunity to absorb each  
9 others thoughts and ideas prior to getting to the two  
10 days of public meetings.

11                   That's what we were trying to do is build  
12 in time for reflection. That was the intent, to build  
13 in time to give you time for reflection of what  
14 everybody was up to.

15                   COMMISSIONER MINKOFF: Since we're not  
16 starting public hearings until September 4th, which is  
17 two weeks after the proposed adoption of the grids,  
18 would it be possible to move those meetings, the 20th  
19 and 21st, later in the week, to later for the reflection  
20 Dan wants?

21                   CHAIRMAN LYNN: It goes to the point the  
22 later for the public, for them to study them after we  
23 have and time for public comment.

24                   COMMISSIONER MINKOFF: If we had meetings  
25 Wednesday, Thursday that week.

1 MS. HAUSER: Mr. Chairman, Commissioner  
2 Minkoff, that's the Commissioners' pleasure. We're  
3 running up into Labor Day, also.

4 The reason we didn't start until the 4th  
5 is because of the Labor Day holiday. How much time with  
6 that being the holiday weekend we have, various groups  
7 want to get together, and whatnot, it impacts their  
8 ability to do that.

9 This is merely our suggestion with respect  
10 to the amount of time. It's certainly the Commission's  
11 prerogative to shorten or lengthen that time as you see  
12 fit.

13 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Mr. Hall.

14 COMMISSIONER HALL: My question is for  
15 NDC.

16 I assume that to respond to individual  
17 Commissioner's questions or ideas, how many, from their  
18 point in this room, do that -- I'm brainstorming here  
19 and thinking out loud. I assume in one day four people  
20 could meet with four Commissioners, right? We all have  
21 our own little computer. I don't --

22 DR. ADAMS: Actually, Commissioner Hall,  
23 members of the Commission, we'd have two, three persons  
24 qualified to do that with you. I think, again, you have  
25 the problem of coming together and coordinating all

1 information that came from individual people. I would  
2 rather be there with someone like Chris.

3 I want to hear what is going on with each  
4 of you. And I think it's important that Dr. Heslop and  
5 I be there to hear what is going on with each of you  
6 rather than having it filtered. That's the way we  
7 typically operate.

8 Matters of testing things, though, very  
9 quickly, say we move -- see what would happen if I moved  
10 a Census tract to this district rather than this  
11 district, we can do this quickly, do it over the  
12 telephone, those kind of things.

13 So meetings themselves, sort of an intense  
14 session with you, get most of your concerns out of the  
15 way, and after that, we would be able to take your calls  
16 if other issues come up, test them very quickly, and  
17 give you a response very quickly.

18 COMMISSIONER HALL: The point is if you  
19 guys had two teams to convince us, whatever, three  
20 teams, with respect to communication, whatever, a  
21 Commissioner has as an idea, it can be burned to a CD  
22 and copied to everyone, like that.

23 DR. ADAMS: We can do that, if that's your  
24 pleasure.

25 COMMISSIONER HALL: Why?



1 DR. ADAMS: These are all tests. Some  
2 tests you may check.

3 COMMISSIONER HALL: I understand they're  
4 individual tests. Same point, an idea there.

5 DR. ADAMS: I'll let the attorneys  
6 respond.

7 MS. HAUSER: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Hall,  
8 pressing the problem, having pressing problems if you  
9 put that on disk and distributed them, you run the risk  
10 of creating an open meeting law violation.

11 Individual testing, it's continual  
12 frustration, having to -- it does take more time,  
13 clearly, to conduct any process this Commission will do  
14 in the sunshine. That is the tradeoff, one of the  
15 trade-offs that is made. And in order to do that, when  
16 your individual ideas are -- have Josh Hall's name on it  
17 and are sent around to everybody else, it does run the  
18 risk of creating a situation of violating the open  
19 meeting law. I discourage that from occurring.

20 MR. RIVERA: Every time you're stamping  
21 things with Commissioner Hall's name, it's one more  
22 block with a name, one more thing to present to Justice,  
23 and one more thing for litigation.

24 COMMISSIONER HALL: It seems to me we're  
25 subject to that regardless.

1                   MR. RIVERA: Depends on the level. It  
2 depends -- as Dr. Adams pointed out, certain things are  
3 not stamped and punched.

4                   COMMISSIONER HALL: We meet, make  
5 recommendations to NDC, amalgamate all five  
6 recommendations in addition to all they receive and will  
7 receive, and come up with a draft map.

8                   MR. RIVERA: General process.

9                   DR. HESLOP: May I make a comment?

10                  COMMISSIONER HALL: Please.

11                  DR. HESLOP: Changes, unless small,  
12 changes, unless very small, will create changes  
13 throughout the map. That's one thing to bear in mind.  
14 Individual Commissioner's ideas, although they may  
15 relate to a particular area or region, will have  
16 consequences throughout the map. That's one thing to  
17 say.

18                  And if I might respond to Commissioner  
19 Elder, I think by the time you get to this stage, the  
20 only surprises are going to be very little ones, not  
21 very important ones. Because at this stage you will  
22 know the problems. Problems will be very tough. They  
23 will be intransigent, and you will be longing for a  
24 surprise. There won't be a solution. I don't think  
25 that will be it.

1                   CHAIRMAN LYNN: Mr. Huntwork and then  
2 Mr. Elder.

3                   COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Back to the  
4 schedule for a second.

5                   MR. RIVERA: It may be a good idea for the  
6 audience to talk, they're in the dark about the  
7 schedule, for somebody to read out the schedule.

8                   COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Lisa outlined the  
9 schedule.

10                  CHAIRMAN LYNN: Lisa did a good idea of  
11 outlining the schedule. We don't expect public comment  
12 on this. We'll make it public as soon as decisions are  
13 made.

14                  MS. HAUSER: Mr. Chairman, the document  
15 that you have been provided contains some, you know,  
16 additional information and comments of counsel that were  
17 not appropriate to share publicly, so that's why I kind  
18 of walked through the schedule. As soon as we have  
19 general direction from the Commission, we can get a time  
20 line posted on the website and posted for distribution  
21 through the Commission offices as soon as possible.

22                  CHAIRMAN LYNN: Mr. Huntwork.

23                  COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: I wanted to look  
24 at the caution. Mr. Echeveste proposed interactive TV.

25                  CHAIRMAN LYNN: Hold that thought. We'll

1 get to that proposal.

2 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: It's relative to  
3 what we're talking about. Two weeks for hearings.

4 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Let's do that.

5 Mr. Echeveste, we'll now take that into  
6 consideration, discussing that.

7 MR. ECHEVESTES: Mr. Chairman, thank you.

8 Given the outline I submitted, I'll  
9 discard that and leave you to read the first section,  
10 which is a synopsis and perspective on the hearings,  
11 preaching to the choir. It was an aggressive schedule.  
12 More importantly, there was tremendous feedback around  
13 the state. It was publicly stated and personally stated  
14 from you and to us that the community was very pleased  
15 with the extensive and aggressive scheduling we did  
16 provide. I think enough said there.

17 Regarding the second round, there is a  
18 piece of information I would like to zero in on as  
19 relates to the schedule as proposed by Jose and Lisa. I  
20 would like to consider it or think it's a minor one.  
21 That is -- the only reason I propose this is it has to  
22 do with the University and community student cycle. My  
23 only comment on that particular flow, or schedule, is  
24 that I would ask that you consider instead of showing  
25 the start of the public hearings on September 4th to

1 move it up a week to Monday, August 27th. And the only  
2 reason for that is according to my staff, in the  
3 preparation for the first round, I'm being told that the  
4 community colleges and university summer sessions end at  
5 the third week of August. So there is a gap there where  
6 we might, and I underscore "may be" able to utilize the  
7 network unimpaired Monday, August 27th, and through the  
8 first, end of the first week of September. So there may  
9 be a two-week period there where there won't be classes.

10 COMMISSIONER MINKOFF: There will be  
11 classes. Yeah, they begin in August.

12 MR. ECHEVESTE: Augusta.

13 MS. KNIGHT: I thought summer session  
14 ended the 24th.

15 COMMISSIONER MINKOFF: I'm almost positive  
16 it's earlier than that. Fall semester begins earlier  
17 than that.

18 CHAIRMAN LYNN: We can start out.  
19 Regardless of that start date, you'll have a problem.  
20 You have lead time to find locations, whether in or not  
21 out of community colleges, work for us, lead time  
22 becomes most important, it seems to me.

23 MR. ECHEVESTE: That's correct.

24 Second important part, consolidation.  
25 While maintaining extensive linkages into the community,

1 with utilization, it's possible to have utilization of  
2 the NAU interactive network in conjunction with the  
3 community college network. The only information I was  
4 given this morning, that's why I'm making comment, if  
5 extended forward -- Commissioner Minkoff is saying no,  
6 that is not the case, so end of that issue.

7                   COMMISSIONER ELDER: Mr. Chairman, maybe  
8 at the combined request for all three consultants, one,  
9 it appears we'll have a final map on the 21st, 22nd,  
10 somewhere in that range from NDC. It jumps to Tim. I  
11 heard in several instances when you come back, could we  
12 have the maps three, four days in advance so when we  
13 come to the meeting we're prepared to talk about  
14 specifics.

15                   A, after we get the map, break into areas,  
16 can Tim produce those and get them to locations, as an  
17 example, the city manager, clerk said "We'll post them  
18 in the City Hall at Globe, post them in the library,  
19 eight-and-a-half by elevens, post them in Walmart. I  
20 don't know, if we shorten the time, can we produce maps,  
21 get them to locations earlier than what the schedule  
22 shows with Ms. Hauser?

23                   Try to respond to that.

24                   CHAIRMAN LYNN: Go back to Mr. Huntwork.

25                   COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: What I was driving

1 at, the question I wanted to ask was whether we reduce  
2 the time at the back end, the public hearings, using  
3 interactive television. Is it a better idea, reach more  
4 people better with that than with the extensive travel  
5 we did around the state? Let me just pose that  
6 question.

7                   CHAIRMAN LYNN: I think, having sat  
8 through the one interactive television experience,  
9 clearly the technology is much improved, but there are  
10 still limitations. One of the concerns I have about  
11 utilizing it, it doesn't mean we can't utilize it, the  
12 quality of the video is less than desirable,  
13 particularly when somebody is addressing a nuance on a  
14 map at a remote location. My concern will be, even  
15 though outreach people are present, outreach  
16 coordinators are present at remote locations, regardless  
17 of where you are viewing the interaction, that some of  
18 that nuance may be lost and that nuance becomes critical  
19 when drawing very fine lines on a map. There are some  
20 advantages to cutting down the time frame, some  
21 limitations. I'm concerned about those.

22                   Mr. Hall.

23                   COMMISSIONER HALL: Response, I think  
24 we're better off doing that than not appearing at all.  
25 Better off appearing that way than not at all. I think

1 we're better off doing that than doing 24 meetings.

2                   When we did the interactive in Flagstaff,  
3 Kayenta and Ganado.

4                   MR. ECHEVESTE: Yes.

5                   MR. RIVERA: Kings Canyon and Chinlee.

6                   COMMISSIONER HALL: We had comment from a  
7 participant from Ganado, someone whose comments wanted  
8 to be very detail oriented. "We think we understand  
9 what you are saying. Please also memorialize your  
10 comments to assure accuracy."

11                   I agree with your assessment. It's better  
12 off with what you are saying. Make some attempt.

13                   CHAIRMAN LYNN: Maybe with protocol  
14 attempts so the citizen commenting does indeed state not  
15 only what concerns are, also say to him or her we're  
16 available to answer questions, have the consultant, so  
17 there's no misunderstanding what somebody is commenting  
18 on and comments are understood.

19                   DR. HESLOP: I'd like to make a  
20 suggestion, Mr. Chairman. We've found correspondence  
21 with people who have attended the first meeting, letting  
22 them know, the sort of map Commissioner Elder was  
23 suggesting would cover interest at the first stage of  
24 interest and an invitation to respond to us when they  
25 get the letter and map and indicate comments on it.



1 It's not a very difficult problem. I think we have a  
2 fairly effective data base on those that attended the  
3 first meeting.

4 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Ms. Minkoff.

5 COMMISSIONER MINKOFF: At the end of the  
6 first round of public hearings, I think I was as  
7 exhausted as I've been in a very, very long time. And  
8 spending another three weeks doing that is not my idea  
9 of a summer vacation. However, looking at it from the  
10 point of view of people who attended those public  
11 hearings and who wanted to speak to us rather than to a  
12 television camera, I really think that except in those  
13 areas where the attendance was very poor and there  
14 perhaps was not enough input to justify going back, I  
15 think that we have to go back. And I think we have to  
16 go back in person. Because what these people have to  
17 say is very, very important to us. And they need to  
18 know that we believe that it's very important. And I'm  
19 not sure that psychologically you can convey that if  
20 they are in a room just with a staff person and no  
21 commissioners and talking to a TV screen, if they don't  
22 see the people talking to them.

23 If the limited way we use interactive TV  
24 in small areas makes some sense, for the most part, I  
25 think we physically have to go back to the places we

1 were before.

2 CHAIRMAN LYNN: There are two proposals:  
3 One, Mr. Echeveste's report, one is use interactive  
4 television; another is consolidation of live input  
5 opportunities.

6 I think, Adolfo, if you would, go over  
7 those. That's part of the equation as well.

8 MR. ECHEVESTE: If I may, then, just  
9 review quickly what I have underlined for a second round  
10 of public hearings.

11 I wanted to point out I felt it was  
12 extremely important to kick off the hearing process with  
13 extensive mass media coverage at the conclusion of your  
14 meeting where you decide what the map is going to be, I  
15 think it is newsworthy, that we get extensive media  
16 coverage. And I outlined various possibilities there:  
17 Videotaping the presentation, to send that out to all  
18 the communities that have the public television, to make  
19 that ongoing. But the key point is to have extensive  
20 coverage up front.

21 What I pointed out in my memo is, one,  
22 what Commissioner Minkoff mentioned is option one, the  
23 repeat of what we did. And I have to point out that  
24 during the process, there were a number of comments made  
25 that we'll be back. So it's a judgment call given the

1 extensive and exhaustive process that we all went  
2 through.

3           The second option which you've asked me to  
4 comment on was a possible -- I just put it out  
5 conceptually to finetune it later with input from the  
6 Commission in terms of some possible consolidation in  
7 some areas of the actual hearings and then tying in  
8 interactive television.

9           Now the issue is back to scheduling. If  
10 we do the interactive TV tied to a host, central public  
11 hearing, with all the Commissioners or most of them  
12 present, the issue of when we can schedule them crops  
13 up. I thought, given staff input, we had a window of  
14 two weeks there. If Commissioner Minkoff is correct, we  
15 do not have that. The only way we can do interactive  
16 mass outreach is on a Saturday, Saturday morning,  
17 Saturday afternoon. You need to be aware of that.  
18 That's the only time the interactive TV network would be  
19 available except, unless we went from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00  
20 p.m., we were told this last round, anyway, was a dead  
21 time for them. We could do it then. The issue then, of  
22 course, is you don't reach the working person.

23           Those are the kind of considerations we  
24 need to look at when talk about clustering.

25           One of the thoughts was cluster

1 regionally. For example, up north, northeastern up  
2 north, move to Show Low, consolidate Show Low, possibly  
3 Holbrook, interactive Holbrook, Window Rock, White  
4 River.

5 COMMISSIONER HALL: St. Johns.

6 MR. ECHEVESTE: And a public hearing with  
7 the Commission in St. Johns.

8 In some areas, a public hearing, southern  
9 hearings, Sierra Vista Community College, pull in  
10 Bisbee, Douglas, doesn't reduce, augments.

11 Yuma, reduce probably to Arizona Western,  
12 pick up San Luis and Summerton, possibly, maybe La Paz,  
13 I'm not sure.

14 Those are the kind of things I wanted to  
15 bring to you for your consideration.

16 If I get a sense of this body, move to  
17 stack issues out and move when to have them, I sense  
18 nobody wants to have them at 2:00 to 5:00 o'clock, means  
19 Saturday, have consolidation, less hearings, move some  
20 to Saturdays. Those are the kind of considerations.

21 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Mr. Elder and then  
22 Mr. Hall.

23 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Mr. Chairman, I tend  
24 to fall for the first one, have repetitive hearings.  
25 Every venue, I said, "I'll be back." I intend to be

1 back, if I can. It was exhausting. I had the four  
2 corners, Bullhead, all four corners. Only one I missed,  
3 Holbrook, Window Rock.

4 You did trade me Yuma. I appreciate that.

5 I think we need to go back. If we expand,  
6 pick up Benson, or outlying areas, that's wonderful. We  
7 need to go back.

8 MR. ECHEVESTE: Even if Saturday, weekday  
9 to Saturday?

10 COMMISSIONER ELDER: I think evenings,  
11 6:00 o'clock or 7:00. I don't know we'd get  
12 participation on Saturdays. I don't think it benefits  
13 us.

14 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Mr. Hall, Huntwork.

15 COMMISSIONER HALL: Mr. Chairman, with all  
16 due respect to my fellow Commissioners to my right, I  
17 disagree. Option two is not only more feasible, it's  
18 practicable. I think we have to do what we have to to  
19 reduce. The areas I visited, there's no problem with  
20 consolidation. There can also be a reduction in  
21 Maricopa and Pima counties. It encourages a drive time,  
22 get a larger location, which I prefer physically, but  
23 it's not a problem. In light of that, I recommend we  
24 pursue the second option with minor adjustments.

25 I don't think there's going to be anyone

1 who is going to be offended we may be in a general  
2 location in order to accommodate an aggressive schedule.

3 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Mr. Huntwork and then  
4 Ms. Minkoff.

5 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: I agree with Josh.  
6 I'm going to point out a couple of things.  
7 With the schedule we had before, the hearing process  
8 took three weeks. With time being short, if there's a  
9 way we can cover as much ground, more ground, and  
10 consolidate it into two weeks, we certainly ought to  
11 consider that possibility.

12 Secondly, it wasn't just we who were  
13 exhausted from the first approach. Staff was exhausted.  
14 Consultants were exhausted, tied up every day. There  
15 were the logistics of getting from one place to another,  
16 no time for us to pause and reflect on what we were  
17 hearing, certainly not for me. It was kind of a  
18 whirlwind. Maybe on the weekends, maybe then there was  
19 a chance to catch up. But I think also on one side it  
20 affects staff in not being able to be as proactive as we  
21 wanted them to be and they very much wanted to be  
22 working with communities that appeared at the hearings.

23 Part of the process is proactive work to  
24 explain to people what we've done and why, interactive  
25 communication before we show up at the hearing, make a

1 comment, or ask a question that might have been answered  
2 if we had the time.

3 I'm thinking a little less travel and more  
4 reflection and communication and consideration could be  
5 a better way to do the same thing.

6 CHAIRMAN LYNN: I also think we need to be  
7 clear, regardless of which schedule is adopted, there's  
8 public input and the continual option of the website in  
9 terms of public comment.

10 Ms. Minkoff?

11 COMMISSIONER MINKOFF: A couple comments.  
12 You may be breaking a tie. I'm siding with my fellow  
13 Commissioner on the right.

14 If we're going to consolidate interactive  
15 TV, we cannot have evening TV. That's clear. We do not  
16 have television facilities in the evening. We only have  
17 Saturday sessions available to us during the public  
18 comment period. We could have it on Saturday, only if  
19 there is a Commissioner at each, five sessions feeding  
20 in, one of us at each of those, the public having one of  
21 us eyeball to eyeball, then consolidate some meetings on  
22 those Saturdays we had, not consolidate all of those.  
23 We cannot have 2:00 to 5:00 weekdays, only on Saturdays,  
24 which only gives us two Saturdays.

25 The other thing is in terms of condensing

1 three weeks to two weeks, while that might have worked  
2 for our initial meetings, it doesn't make a difference  
3 for the second round of meetings. It's a mandated  
4 30-day comment period anyway. So whether we conduct the  
5 meetings in two weeks or three weeks, we're not going to  
6 speed up the process. It has to be a minimum of 30 days  
7 for public comments before we move to the next step of  
8 adopting final plans anyway.

9 So a mixture of interactive versus what we  
10 did the first time, possibly do that, eliminate a few  
11 meetings, that's the most effective.

12 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Mr. Chairman, two  
13 weeks for people to review plans, then the public  
14 hearing process. Two weeks' review, three weeks for  
15 public comments, that's five weeks, a lengthened period.  
16 That math is wrong. Secondly, there are three weekends  
17 in that period. In other words, if we start on  
18 Saturday, there's another Saturday, a third Saturday,  
19 essentially, plus two days rather than three full weeks.  
20 We have a shortened period, three Saturdays. Finally,  
21 and most importantly, it's not really true we can only  
22 do this on Saturdays. The hearing Joshua and I attended  
23 on a week night had an interactive TV network for remote  
24 locations. I know those possibilities exist. We might  
25 be able to do much better. This is the worst case.



1                   MR. ECHEVESTE: Generally this is the  
2 comment coming out from a scheduler. We might get  
3 lucky. We can go and check, see if a localized  
4 regionalized TV network might be open on Tuesday or  
5 Thursday or Friday. I don't know.

6                   CHAIRMAN LYNN: Let's do this. First, we  
7 need a break fairly quickly. Let's -- perhaps what we  
8 might want to do, let's take a break, come back, give  
9 some specific direction, explore what, by next Monday,  
10 which appears is the next meeting date -- a week from  
11 Monday, the next meeting date, what you have been able  
12 to get into place. And if you need attention from the  
13 Arizona Heart Hospital, you -- I know that scared the  
14 heck out of you. A week from Monday.

15                   What you are hearing, you are hearing a  
16 difference of opinion. Clearly some members of  
17 Commission wish to replicate the first session.

18                   I think what is -- from my standpoint,  
19 what is more important than replicating or not  
20 replicating, we now have more than a month advance work  
21 that could be done we didn't have available to us that  
22 could be done, regardless of what schedule we ultimately  
23 come up with, an ability to tell the public about it,  
24 increase awareness, before we start the next round of  
25 hearings.

1                   Let's do this. Without objection, take a  
2 break, come back in 10 minutes, give final direction to  
3 Adolfo, ask any more questions you have, and see if we  
4 can't get him to come back a week from Monday with a  
5 revised schedule.

6                   Mr. Rivera.

7                   MR. RIVERA: One comment on Mr. Huntwork's  
8 five weeks. The proposed time line, adoption of the  
9 maps is August 20th or 21st. 30 days starts running  
10 from that point. The hearing schedule, minimum, is off  
11 by a date. It should be the 20th. The minimum 30-day  
12 period is the 20th. Public hearing is scheduled from  
13 the 20th.

14                   COMMISSIONER HALL: Option one, three  
15 weeks of hearings, Mr. Echeveste's proposal.

16                   MR. RIVERA: We can't end before the 20th.

17                   COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: I understand.

18                   CHAIRMAN LYNN: 30 days' public comment  
19 from the date of adopting those drafts to the time we'll  
20 again consider modifications.

21                   Take a 10-minute break. Let's return  
22 promptly at 10:10 and move forward.

23                   (Recess taken.)

24                   CHAIRMAN LYNN: Mr. Elder, before we  
25 broke, I sense you were trying to get the floor to make

1 another comment. Let's start there.

2 COMMISSIONER ELDER: My comment was I feel  
3 we can probably condense the Maricopa County and Pima  
4 down from the three and seven or three and six fairly  
5 easily. But I would object, still, to trying to  
6 condense and eliminate venues that we hit in the rural  
7 parts of the state. Distances of travel, getting to  
8 other parts of locations, makes it difficult to  
9 participate.

10 CHAIRMAN LYNN: In terms of direction to  
11 Mr. Echeveste, so he can get to us with a more complete  
12 outline --

13 Apparently they are getting a lot of rain  
14 outside. There's been a brief interruption in power as  
15 well.

16 Comments on the overall schedule,

17 COMMISSIONER HALL: In response to  
18 Mr. Elder's comment, the rural areas, Show Low, I think,  
19 is very central. NPC does have feeds, St. Johns, Eager,  
20 Winslow, Holbrook, White River. And I think that is  
21 certainly an option.

22 I guess it's appropriate, Mr. Chairman, in  
23 the form of a motion, I think, to move we pursue this --  
24 a consolidation schedule and that you present this to  
25 this Commission. There may need to be adjustments. I

1 move we do that.

2 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Second?

3 COMMISSIONER MINKOFF: Second.

4 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Thank you.

5 Ms. Minkoff?

6 COMMISSIONER MINKOFF: I would like to  
7 suggest something that may handle both considerations  
8 we've been talking about. We need to go back to places  
9 we were before and we need to condense some of the  
10 meetings somewhat.

11 Apparently the interactive TV is not as  
12 available on the week nights. We can't have meetings on  
13 weekday afternoons because it will eliminate people that  
14 want to come talk to us. We do have three Saturdays to  
15 work with. I suggest you take those three Saturdays,  
16 combine certain areas. Let's try to get a Commissioner  
17 at each one of those areas, even though we're combining  
18 meetings and we're having in a sense five meetings at  
19 once on a Saturday morning. That way people do have a  
20 Commissioner to talk to rather than a TV monitor. And  
21 then the other meetings we would have to schedule as we  
22 scheduled the earlier meetings on week nights during the  
23 week but they wouldn't be quite as burdensome, Monday  
24 through Thursday, for three solid weeks. Something like  
25 that I think would work.

1                   CHAIRMAN LYNN: There's a motion on the  
2 floor.

3                   Further discussion?

4                   Mr. Huntwork.

5                   COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: I made some  
6 comments before suggesting that this approach might be  
7 better for the people who wish to participate in these  
8 meetings. I also want to add another thought to that as  
9 well. Particularly in the rural areas of the state,  
10 people have to drive potentially a hundred miles or more  
11 to attend a meeting on a week night. It's very  
12 inconvenient for people. And I think I observed, I'm  
13 not certain this was a trend, I think I observed people  
14 at those meetings tend to, by and large, be very close  
15 to where the meeting was being held. Certainly it would  
16 have taken heroic effort to get to something. To the  
17 extent we can get a way to provide more locations by way  
18 of use of multimedia, we're really doing a service for  
19 people. And to the extent we can have these on  
20 Saturdays, I think we're also affording people an  
21 additional opportunity to participate.

22                   CHAIRMAN LYNN: Other comments.

23                   Mr. Elder?

24                   COMMISSIONER ELDER: Mr. Chairman, I agree  
25 with going ahead and extending other activities or other

1 potential to participate would be good. I also contend  
2 that if, as an example, Sierra Vista, maybe we only got  
3 people close to Sierra Vista. Now it's three or four  
4 hundred miles to get to anyplace. We can't take away  
5 that access.

6 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Further discussion on the  
7 motion?

8 Before we vote on the motion, let me make  
9 this comment. I think there may be some room for a  
10 middle ground. I do think that based on our experience,  
11 some communities, and again the experience is you have  
12 got to take it for what it's worth, this was raw input  
13 as opposed to having published maps and people reacting  
14 to those maps. I'm not sure you can gauge one set of  
15 input given this will be a different set of information.  
16 But having said that, I think where I come down on this  
17 issue is I do think there are some opportunities to  
18 consolidate the schedule, to some degree. Perhaps the  
19 number of meetings in Phoenix, perhaps the number of  
20 meetings in Tucson. I also think that there are some  
21 natural consolidations in some of the rural areas of the  
22 state. And I think with notice, the inconvenience may  
23 be minimal, or minimalized; because in some cases,  
24 presenters actually made more than one appearance, they  
25 actually came to more than one appearance, made the very

1 same presentation or similar presentation. With enough  
2 notice, they can be at the meeting.

3 I'm prepared to vote in favor of the  
4 motion insofar as it's general, option two is generally  
5 to be pursued with the idea some degree of consolidation  
6 is appropriate.

7 I think both Ms. Minkoff's comments and  
8 Mr. Huntwork's comments about utilization of interactive  
9 television on Saturdays, if necessary, where  
10 appropriate, are fine within the context of the time  
11 that we'll be on the road.

12 So having said that, any further  
13 discussion?

14 If not, all those in favor of the motion  
15 signify by saying aye.

16 (Vote taken.)

17 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Those opposed, no.

18 (Vote taken.)

19 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Chair votes aye.

20 Motion carries.

21 Again, come back a week from Monday with  
22 your best scheduling with respect to outreach, also  
23 other options, not just one, either/or, so maybe you can  
24 give us some other option to discuss.

25 MR. ECHEVESTE: Having worked for 15 years

1 with a five-member Board of Supervisors, I have  
2 experience with having an opportunity to glean the sense  
3 of the Board, and having received that, will come up  
4 with options to satisfy the Board.

5 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Thank you, Mr. Echeveste.

6 COMMISSIONER HALL: Mr. Echeveste, you  
7 don't have a sense, you have a motion.

8 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Was that a motion or  
9 just a notion?

10 COMMISSIONER HALL: A motion.

11 Since we decided rather randomly to work  
12 backwards, since in reverse, no point in shifting.

13 Working backwards then from the public  
14 hearings, Mr. Chairman, then, I again would like to  
15 reiterate my comments that I think it's possible to try  
16 to consolidate sections as identified on the time line,  
17 basically two-week seven, eight days, incorporating  
18 Mr. Huntwork's comment, utilizing weekends, as much as  
19 possible.

20 If doing that, back up the starting date  
21 for public hearings as much as possible to the week of  
22 August 27th to essentially allow the public one week  
23 between August 20th and 27th to review the draft maps  
24 and then give a little more flexibility with respect to  
25 public hearings, start in the last week of August and



1 moving through the end of September.

2                   So I just want to reiterate I feel like  
3 there's the capability and opportunity to maybe condense  
4 those two and maybe not make it overlapping a weekend on  
5 the first two sessions.

6                   CHAIRMAN LYNN: I think that sense of  
7 utilizing perhaps Saturdays as an opportunity to meet  
8 but not bridging a weekend between meetings, that does  
9 make it difficult when from out of town, not that  
10 Phoenix isn't a lovely place to spend the weekend.  
11 Direction should be given to modify that as well.

12                   Other comments as far as other parts of  
13 the schedule?

14                   Mr. Elder?

15                   COMMISSIONER ELDER: Sure, Mr. Chairman.  
16 I would like to propose, it doesn't make any difference  
17 which ones, I'd like to at least discuss the potential  
18 of having one of these or several of these meetings in  
19 the Tucson area, get out of Phoenix. It might be  
20 cooler, have more amenities in Tucson.

21                   CHAIRMAN LYNN: We had said from the  
22 beginning the Commission would meet in various places  
23 around the state. I certainly am not going to have too  
24 many objections to that suggestion. We might want to at  
25 least think about that.

1                   COMMISSIONER HALL: Pinetop is nice this  
2 time of year.

3                   COMMISSIONER ELDER: Let's at least look  
4 at that as an option as we go forward with this.

5                   I would like to continue -- I would prefer  
6 a Friday Saturday, if we're going to have a dual  
7 meeting, than doing a Friday and Monday, prefer Thursday  
8 Friday than a Monday, possibly eliminate some Mondays.  
9 I know we did outreach Monday through Thursdays. That  
10 gave us in town, at least the first part of Mondays to  
11 take care of staff meetings, whatever we had from a  
12 business standpoint.

13                   Mondays are a disaster. If we can skip  
14 Mondays, from my perspective, it's much preferred.

15                   CHAIRMAN LYNN: I concur. Mondays are  
16 tough, tough for me.

17                   Other input at this time?

18                   Let me ask legal staff and the  
19 consultants, have you heard enough input to modify from  
20 the way we're discussing?

21                   MS. HAUSER: We need clarification with  
22 respect to the Monday comment. You are referring to  
23 meetings during the day during Mondays, not outreach  
24 meetings?

25                   CHAIRMAN LYNN: Mr. Elder's comment or

1 asking about mine?

2 MS. HAUSER: Both of yours.

3 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Mr. Elder, outreach  
4 meetings in that last comment.

5 MS. HAUSER: Oh.

6 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Me, generally, Mondays are  
7 not generally good days. I have other standing meetings  
8 scheduled.

9 COMMISSIONER ELDER: That's mine, also.  
10 During the day, I have an ACC meeting. I cannot attend  
11 a meeting here. That's the way it is.

12 COMMISSIONER HALL: Reiterating my  
13 comment, two weeks here, Monday through Friday or  
14 Saturday, instead of bridging a weekend.

15 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Other comments or input to  
16 consultants or legal staff?

17 DR. HESLOP: Mr. Chairman, the Commission  
18 has been gratified by the public response, citizen  
19 comments. The second part, you'll be startled by the  
20 volume and intensity. You might keep that in mind.

21 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Thank you for that ominous  
22 point of view.

23 COMMISSIONER ELDER: The first round, no  
24 goring by oxes. Second round, pointed horns on the  
25 oxes. I imagine longer hearings, more specific comments

1 by a broader range of people.

2 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Let's move to the  
3 Executive Director.

4 Part we've had, Mr. Echeveste's report.

5 I'd ask if there are any comments anyone  
6 would like to make about the first round of outreach  
7 hearings.

8 I'd like to make a comment, to thank the  
9 staff very profoundly for the first round of hearings.  
10 As all of you know, with such a short period of time  
11 from the time we had staff on board to the beginning of  
12 hearings, everyone in the office is to be commended,  
13 which I'll express later today at a meeting with the  
14 staff. And I think by and large the meetings were  
15 well-organized and materials were available. Obviously  
16 there were some glitches here and there. That's to be  
17 expected. On a whole, staff did a fantastic job. They  
18 should be commended. I'm sure the second round will run  
19 as smoothly if not more so.

20 Mr. Huntwork?

21 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: I echo that.

22 I'd also like to say that I think that the  
23 press was very cooperative in helping us to make known  
24 times and places of these meetings and to attract public  
25 interest and reporting on the results of the meetings.

1 And the public responded very well, as well. I was  
2 impressed by, in many cases, by not just how many cases  
3 we received but how thoughtful they were, and in some  
4 cases how creative they were. I think we received all  
5 kinds of input that couldn't have been generated any  
6 other way.

7 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Thank you, Mr. Huntwork.

8 Ms. Hauser.

9 MS. HAUSER: We need some clarification  
10 with respect to the time line.

11 Is it my understanding the Commission  
12 wants Jose and I to redraft the time line based on the  
13 discussion today, redraft the time line to bring back to  
14 the next meeting.

15 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Without objection, that's  
16 where we're headed.

17 COMMISSIONER HALL: E-mail it to us in  
18 advance.

19 COMMISSIONER MINKOFF: My comment also.

20 COMMISSIONER HALL: The only comment I  
21 have, be sure all the meetings are at the same time.

22 CHAIRMAN LYNN: All meetings start at the  
23 same time so there's no confusion if it's at 6:00 or  
24 7:00 o'clock on a start date.

25 MR. ECHEVESTE: For direction, given we

1 had some at 6:00, 6:30, 7:00 p.m. meetings, do you  
2 prefer 6:00, 6:30, or 7:00?

3 CHAIRMAN LYNN: It's not so much which.  
4 6:00 may be close for people coming from work. Again, I  
5 don't know what your pleasure is. 6:30 or 7:00 would be  
6 reasonable.

7 COMMISSIONER HALL: In light of  
8 Dr. Heslop's comment --

9 DR. HESLOP: 6:30.

10 COMMISSIONER HALL: Already some went way  
11 late. It's possible 6:30 is as early as we can do it,  
12 get out of the gate.

13 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Any other comment from the  
14 first round of the meetings?

15 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: I just wanted to,  
16 regarding the starting time, I'm concerned about giving  
17 people an opportunity to get there, particularly some of  
18 the rural areas. It would seem to me 7:00 would allow  
19 people a greater opportunity to arrive.

20 CHAIRMAN LYNN: We may have time to  
21 actually check out that perception and see what works.

22 Mr. Echeveste, do outreach investigation  
23 on allowing people to get there in deference to the fact  
24 we'll have much more public comment and pick a time and  
25 make it uniform.

1                   COMMISSIONER MINKOFF: One more comment  
2 about the public hearings. I was extremely impressed  
3 with the amount and quality of public comment. My  
4 concern was there were many group presentations, in some  
5 cases large group presentations, in some cases Power  
6 Point, and other people had to sit through not only our  
7 Power Point, but two or three presentations. We either  
8 need a time cap, no more than 10 minutes, or should they  
9 want to speak more than 10 minutes, have them come at  
10 the end of the meeting, not the beginning of the  
11 meeting.

12                   CHAIRMAN LYNN: Other comments?

13                   The rest of the Executive Director's  
14 report.

15                   Mr. Echeveste, Ms. Rezzonico indicated she  
16 has nothing in particular to report this meeting. We'll  
17 put that on the agenda for the next meeting. We'll put  
18 on the agenda for the next meeting plan for outreach.  
19 Without objection, we'll defer that for the next agenda.

20                   I'll suspend the rules and move items  
21 around in deference to the public.

22                   We're going to have an Executive Session  
23 to discuss legal and personnel matters prior to items VI  
24 and VII on the agenda. In order to facilitate that and  
25 give members of the public an opportunity to speak,

1 without objection, I'll take item IX followed  
2 immediately by Executive Session.

3 Is there an objection to the change in the  
4 agenda?

5 If not, let me state this is the time for  
6 consideration and discussion of comments and complaints  
7 from the public. Those wishing to address the  
8 Commission shall request permission in advance by  
9 filling out a speaker slip. Action taken as a result of  
10 public comment will be limited to directing staff to  
11 study the matter or rescheduling the matter for further  
12 consideration and decision at a later date.

13 Are there members of the public wishing to  
14 be heard at this time?

15 If not, may I have a motion to go into  
16 Executive Session for consideration of both legal and  
17 personnel matters?

18 COMMISSIONER MINKOFF: So moved.

19 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Second.

20 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Those in favor, signify by  
21 saying aye.

22 (Vote taken.)

23 (Motion carried.)

24 CHAIRMAN LYNN: We will be back in a brief  
25 public session when we're through to deal with the rest



1 of the agenda.

2 MS. HAUSER: Legal staff only.

3 (Whereupon, the Commission recessed the  
4 Open Public Session at 10:47 a.m. and convened in  
5 Executive Session until 12:12 p.m.)

6 (Recess taken.)

7 (Whereupon, the Commission reconvened Open  
8 Public Session at approximately 12:15 p.m.)

9 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Let me call the regular  
10 meeting of the Commission to order.

11 Item VI, discussion or consideration,  
12 possible consideration concerning possible resignation  
13 of the Executive Director.

14 Let me, for the record, read a letter  
15 dated July 2nd, 2001, to Commissioners, Independent  
16 Redistricting Commission:

17 "Honorable Commissioners, I'm writing you  
18 this letter to inform you have my intent to resign as  
19 Executive Director of the Independent Redistricting  
20 Commission for the State of Arizona effective Friday,  
21 July 6, 2001.

22 "During the last three months, it has been  
23 exciting developing a start-up operation from nothing.  
24 At times personnel issues were a challenge but the ADOA  
25 Personnel ADOA staff are to be commended for their

1 support to the Commission. In regard to the State  
2 Procurement Office, I understand we set a record in  
3 processing a million dollar plus RFT in less than one  
4 month from inception to award.

5 "Lastly, I developed the administrative  
6 structure for the Commission, including the hiring of an  
7 exception and dedicated 14 member staff in one month.  
8 Those employees have shown their dedication and  
9 commitment to the work of the Commission by working an  
10 average of approximately 60 hours per week in order to  
11 manage 24 very successful hearings throughout our great  
12 state in a three-week time period. I want to thank them  
13 all for their work above the call of of duty.

14 "I wish you all great success in your  
15 endeavor to redistrict our state.

16 "Sincerely, Enrique Medina Ochoa."

17 The Chair would accept a motion to accept  
18 the Executive Director's resignation.

19 COMMISSIONER MINKOFF: I move the  
20 Independent Redistricting Commission accept with regret  
21 the resignation of Enrique Medina Ochoa and further  
22 authorize an additional \$500 per month compensation  
23 retroactive from date of his hire.

24 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Second?

25 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Second.

1                   CHAIRMAN LYNN:  It's been moved and  
2 seconded.

3                   Discussion?

4                   Let me first indicate for the record that  
5 the accomplishments of the office under Mr. Ochoa are  
6 many and that the office has run in some very difficult  
7 circumstances very well considering the start-up time we  
8 had to move things ahead and to get meetings  
9 accomplished.  Clearly we expect our challenges will  
10 remain difficult and we expect the staff will continue  
11 to perform at a very high level.

12                   Is there further discussion the motion?

13                   Hearing none, all those in favor of the  
14 motion, signify by saying aye.

15                   (Vote taken.)

16                   The Chair votes aye as well.

17                   Motion carries unanimously.

18                   Next item says possible consideration,  
19 selection and consideration of a new Executive Director.  
20 The Chair may vote, the Chair may vote to table this  
21 matter.

22                   COMMISSIONER HALL:  So moved.

23                   COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK:  Second.

24                   CHAIRMAN LYNN:  It's been moved and  
25 seconded.

1 All those in favor, signify by saying aye.

2 (Vote taken.)

3 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Those opposed, say no.

4 (Vote taken.)

5 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Motion carried

6 unanimously.

7 Item X. The Commission will stand

8 adjourned until its regularly posted meeting.

9 MS. HAUSER: Which is July 16th.

10 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Probably. July 16th is

11 the one we're talking about. It may move one day or

12 something. We'll see what we can do.

13 (Whereupon, the hearing concluded at

14 approximately 12:28 p.m.)

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