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4	PROCEEDINGS
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6	CHAIRMAN LYNN: The Commission will come to
7	order.
8	For the record, all four Commissioners are
9	present. Ms. Minkoff continues to be excused. We have
10	legal counsel, consultants, and staff.
11	Ladies and gentlemen, the order of
12	progression this morning, as I see it, is first a report
13	from NDC on the tests that were ordered yesterday. Then
14	I would like to take public comment. And for that
15	purpose, if you have not filled out a yellow slip, please
16	do so, pass it along, and we will take public comment.
17	And at that point, we'll just kind of figure out where we
18	go next. But that's as much as I know. So if there is
19	no objection, I would like to begin with a report from
20	NDC on the tests that were ordered yesterday and the
21	results of those tests, without objection.
22	MR. JOHNSON: Okay. Let me get it up here.
23	Mr. Chairman, Commissioners
24	Mr. Chairman, Members of the Commission,
25	the Commission last night gave, or yesterday, I guess,

- 1 gave NDC six different tests to run. So we have run
- 2 those. And I have results to print out. Five of the
- 3 tests are identical in the two versions that have been
- 4 put around, so on the walls, on the maps on the walls and
- 5 in the spread sheets test A and test B are identical
- 6 everywhere except in Phoenix, so just clarify the
- 7 difference between those. One thing I should also
- 8 mention, on the spread sheets in District S, those two
- 9 kind of errant blocks we talked about other day back in
- 10 the base map. In the spread sheets, S had dropped
- 11 slightly below being majority minority. It's fixed.
- 12 There is no impact on anything else we did. On the maps
- 13 you'll see on the screen those are fixed. To explain on
- 14 the spread sheets, S should be 50.02, not 49.08. The
- 15 exact same changes to blocks in Apache Junction.
- 16 Let me walk through exactly what the tests
- 17 were, first.
- 18 First we were looking at Chandler which was
- 19 trying to reduce Chandler from being split between three
- 20 districts down to being in just two districts. And I'm
- 21 summarizing these.
- 22 The second test was Tucson Foothills to
- 23 look to take District U out of incorporated Tucson.
- 24 Third was looking at the Northern District AA and trying
- 25 to improve the voting right strengths and Native American

- 1 population there. The request was to see if we could get
- 2 to 62.15 or as close thereto as we could. The fourth was
- 3 looking at the Tucson barrios and trying to unify them in
- 4 either District W or T while not affecting the voting
- 5 strength of Hispanics in either district. Fifth was
- 6 trying to make a compact District R. The district goes
- 7 from part of Lake Havasu into Phoenix. And six, this is
- 8 where the difference is between the two plans, was
- 9 looking at districts A, J, K, and N, which are the voting
- 10 rights districts in the South Mountain area. And I'll
- 11 show this graphically, but those, A, J, and N, the
- 12 districts that are now majority Hispanic voting age, are
- 13 identical in both tests, no difference between the two of
- 14 them.
- What we did is in test B, we just did that
- 16 portion of the instruction. And then in test A, the
- 17 Commission also instructed us to look at the compactness
- 18 and ripple that happens and what we could do to different
- 19 other criteria while making these changes. So test A
- 20 you'll see we've been able to reconfigure K and districts
- 21 around it to make some changes to communities and
- 22 compactness for your consideration. That's the
- 23 difference between A and B is districts K and Q and ones
- 24 north of our voting rights Phoenix districts and ripple
- 25 through them.

- 1 So let me walk through, actually, the maps
- 2 and I'll come back to the stats on what happened in each
- 3 one.
- 4 Get this on the screen.
- 5 Okay. Starting in Chandler, we actually
- 6 were able to follow through on the instruction and reduce
- 7 the number of splits in Chandler. Hide the labels so
- 8 it's a little less confusing. So I'll highlight the City
- 9 of Chandler here so you can see it.
- 10 So zooming in on that, so Chandler is now
- 11 only in Districts H, which is the green district you see
- 12 that actually has a majority of Chandler coming down all
- 13 the way to the county line, and then which is similar in
- 14 the 2004 district, turns east and goes east to the 2000
- 15 county line. Now, I'll explain why this happened. It
- 16 comes up in two areas of Mesa. Gilbert I should note is
- 17 unified in Exhibit X, so District H includes Chandler and
- 18 far southeast Mesa areas and then kind of central eastern
- 19 Mesa areas. The other portion of Chandler is District Y,
- 20 the Ahwatukee District. Let me have Dr. McDonald talk a
- 21 little bit about the impact on the rest of the valley and
- 22 what we did in that area.
- 23 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Mr. Chairman.
- 24 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Mr. Huntwork.
- 25 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: I apologize here.

- 1 And I know this is going to sound funny, but I'm color
- 2 blind. And I can hardly see those distinctions.
- 3 MR. JOHNSON: Right.
- 4 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Is there any way
- 5 you could change the pallet?
- 6 MR. JOHNSON: Yes.
- 7 COMMISSIONER HALL: Now we know.
- 8 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Is that three years' worth
- 9 of color blindness?
- 10 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Explains a lot.
- 11 CHAIRMAN LYNN: It does.
- 12 COMMISSIONER HALL: If we had known that
- 13 three years ago, we'd have been done.
- 14 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: That's a lot
- 15 better. I can see that a lot better.
- 16 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Anything else you wish to
- 17 share with us, Mr. Huntwork?
- 18 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: That's more than I
- 19 really wanted to.
- THE REPORTER: Actually, over 10 percent of
- 21 males are color blind.
- 22 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Thank you.
- DR. McDONALD: Mr. Chairman, Commissioners,
- 24 when we adjusted District H to incorporate the entire
- 25 City of Chandler within its borders. We lost a

- 1 competitive district in that process. And in order to
- 2 retain a competitive district, we looked elsewhere within
- 3 the region, within specifically the City of Mesa, and
- 4 created a District C, which is this key-shaped feature,
- 5 which runs through the center of Mesa. And this district
- 6 is a competitive district. So in, in adjusting H for
- 7 Chandler, we were able to draw a competitive District C
- 8 to the north of the old District H in the City of Mesa.
- 9 COMMISSIONER HALL: What are the
- 10 boundaries, east, west boundaries of that thing?
- DR. McDONALD: Where are we?
- 12 MR. JOHNSON: In the east it's Crismon --
- MS. HAUSER: "Crismon."
- MR. JOHNSON: Sorry, "Crismon," yes.
- 15 In the north runs along -- I'll probably
- 16 mispronounce this one, McKellips.
- 17 MS. HAUSER: You got it.
- 18 MR. JOHNSON: Then it steps down to
- 19 University Drive, and then it comes over to the Tempe
- 20 city line, and down almost to the Mesa-Chandler border
- 21 stopping at Guadalupe Road.
- 22 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Just out of curiosity,
- 23 Mr. Johnson, not that it's going to improve things a lot,
- 24 you notice an outcropping on the west end of that
- 25 district and a notch at the southern end. If you made

- 1 that trade, would it no longer be competitive?
- DR. McDONALD: That's correct.
- 3 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Thank you.
- 4 DR. McDONALD: This one is right on the
- 5 borderline.
- 6 COMMISSIONER HALL: Can you highlight Queen
- 7 Creek, please?
- 8 MR. JOHNSON: Sure.
- 9 The City of Queen Creek is entirely in H,
- 10 or the Maricopa County side of that, I should say, is
- 11 entirely in H.
- 12 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Mr. Elder.
- 13 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Mr. Chairman, the --
- 14 Doug, could you somehow, or if it's possible to tell me
- 15 what the population spread is between Mesa portions in
- 16 the Mesa area and the Chandler portions?
- 17 MR. JOHNSON: Of District H?
- 18 MR. JOHNSON: District -- yeah, H, that
- 19 one, yes.
- 20 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Okay. I guess I'll
- 21 go, we heard from the representative from Chandler that
- 22 by being split three ways, we had done harm to their
- 23 community of interest, being a city, because none of the
- 24 third areas, or three parts of the areas, had any power
- 25 or strength to be able to implement and they were the

- 1 lost child similar to the way Flagstaff was to the north.
- 2 So if by splitting Mesa and splitting Chandler, the
- 3 splitting Chandler goal was not attained, there's no
- 4 reason to split Mesa five, six times, or whatever it is
- 5 now, where it was split four times before.
- 6 MR. JOHNSON: Uh-huh.
- 7 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Mr. Huntwork, did you have
- 8 a question of Mr. Johnson?
- 9 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Probably. My
- 10 question is a quickie. How many splits of Mesa were
- 11 there before, previously, in the previous map and how
- 12 many in this map?
- 13 MR. JOHNSON: Four in the previous map,
- 14 which I think is what is required. I'll check how many
- 15 is required. Mesa is larger than a district.
- 16 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Right.
- 17 MR. JOHNSON: Four to six. One of six-zero
- 18 population, six, District S; Pinal district fully picks
- 19 up zero population areas on the north edge in order to
- 20 make the districts compact to pass the Polsby-Popper
- 21 test.
- 22 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Four to five.
- 23 MR. JOHNSON: Four to five and a fifth
- 24 unpopulated split.
- Okay. Let me see if I've got this.

- 1 That's not what I wanted.
- Okay. Try this again.
- 3 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Mr. Elder.
- 4 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Yes.
- 5 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Let me try to understand
- 6 your question as Doug is doing that. You are wanting to
- 7 know, chandler had indicated if split three times they
- 8 felt their influence in those districts would be so small
- 9 they wouldn't get representation.
- 10 COMMISSIONER ELDER: That's correct.
- 11 CHAIRMAN LYNN: You are asking if in a
- 12 two-district split the portion of Chandler that is in the
- 13 district that also contains Mesa has enough population to
- 14 be enough population to be influential. Is that what you
- 15 are trying to get at?
- 16 COMMISSIONER ELDER: I'm trying to say
- 17 "influence within Mesa," may be strong enough Chandler
- 18 has no influence or doesn't have substantial influence in
- 19 the portion left in that district, nor when you look at
- 20 Ahwatukee, have enough strength there so they are still
- 21 out in the cold. If that's the case, why go in and for
- 22 the sake of creating another competitive district, if
- 23 that is what the goal was there, to replace the one we
- 24 were missing, and split the Mesa area, and gain nothing
- 25 for the Chandler area, to me that does substantial harm

- 1 to the community of interest Chandler, does substantial
- 2 harm to the community of Mesa, and we've gained
- 3 absolutely nothing and, therefore, we've done substantial
- 4 detriment and we've gained nothing.
- 5 MR. JOHNSON: Sorry, Mr. Chairman,
- 6 Commissioners. What we have is of the 171,803 people in
- 7 District H, 107,817 are from the City of Chandler. So
- 8 60 -- almost 63 percent of the population of District H
- 9 comes from Chandler in this case.
- 10 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Okay. That answers my
- 11 question. Thank you.
- 12 MR. JOHNSON: Almost 63 percent.
- 13 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Mr. Chairman.
- 14 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Mr. Huntwork.
- 15 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: If -- okay. The
- 16 information that is missing is, and maybe we had it on a
- 17 previous test, I'm not sure, what do these districts look
- 18 like if we don't have a competitive district here and try
- 19 to unite Mesa and Chandler and Gilbert and the other
- 20 southeast valley cities as well as possible? That's
- 21 really, I think, the baseline comparison.
- 22 COMMISSIONER HALL: And not put Queen Creek
- 23 with Chandler.
- 24 MR. JOHNSON: Let me show you what --
- 25 COMMISSIONER HALL: Or Mesa.

- 1 MR. JOHNSON: We got to this map through
- 2 interim step Communities 2A which can fairly easily be
- 3 swapped in here. Let me put some labels on it and -- so
- 4 what is on the map here is that Communities 2A plan. And
- 5 you see this is where Mesa is in four districts. So you
- 6 have H, C, F, and then the southeast areas of Mesa and X.
- 7 So this is the plan that -- and none of these are within
- 8 our JudgeIt competitive range. B -- B always is, in all
- 9 these plans, of C, F, H, X, and I. So this is the one I
- 10 showed at the start of this weekend's meetings where we
- 11 adjusted for voting rights, adjusted for cities,
- 12 compactness, communities, other criteria.
- 13 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Could you show
- 14 me --
- 15 MR. JOHNSON: Well, change the colors, too.
- 16 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: I can see those --
- 17 well, actually, not that well. Show us the current plan,
- 18 2004 plan.
- 19 Okay. So this has, now, what I believe
- 20 this plan has, I think four Mesa splits in this plan,
- 21 too.
- MR. JOHNSON: Yes.
- 23 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Two districts
- 24 almost completely Mesa. There is a very strong Chandler
- 25 district and a very strong Gilbert district, basically.

- 1 MR. JOHNSON: Yes. That's correct.
- 2 Gilbert is united in 22, some pieces of Mesa and Gold
- 3 Canyon.
- 4 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Yeah.
- 5 Just out of curiosity, why would -- why --
- 6 I know this map came up a different way. Insofar as it
- 7 does the job of uniting the cities in the area, I'm just
- 8 wondering, we, even in this new process, we defined the
- 9 cities as communities of interest. Why -- and that was,
- 10 I think, our primary goal -- why did we have -- why did
- 11 it come out differently considering we had the same
- 12 motivation doing of both plans in this part of the
- 13 valley?
- 14 MR. JOHNSON: The differences are kind of
- 15 just at the edges and result largely from just a slightly
- 16 different process we followed in getting to here. What I
- 17 have on the screen now, I can zoom in now a little bit,
- 18 this is the Communities 2A plan. The colors overlaid on
- 19 top of it is the 2004 plan. You can see the differences
- 20 are, in both plans, you have two entirely Mesa districts.
- 21 You have this mixed heavily Chandler, also a fairly
- 22 heavily Mesa District, Mesa coming down in 22, Gilbert
- 23 united in both. The real difference in rotation came
- 24 about just through the steps followed of where 22,
- 25 instead of coming up a little more into Mesa goes down to

- 1 the south county line.
- 2 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Right.
- 3 MR. JOHNSON: Actual equal population
- 4 trades, more just walking through the districts and
- 5 trying to keep them compact and uniting communities is a
- 6 slightly different process, slightly different lines.
- 7 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Okay.
- 8 MR. JOHNSON: You are right. It could be
- 9 the 2004 approach rather than 2A.
- 10 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Mr. Chairman, I
- 11 have commentary. Maybe we should just continue with our
- 12 tour of the tests.
- 13 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Happy to give plenty of
- 14 time to comment. Why don't we go through the
- 15 presentation.
- 16 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Thank you.
- 17 MR. JOHNSON: So that's the Chandler test.
- 18 Next, let me jump down a little bit, jump
- 19 around a little bit to Tucson and look first at the
- 20 barrios, and I'll show you the Foothills. Start first
- 21 with where we began.
- 22 So in the B2 test we were looking at
- 23 yesterday, if I remember, the barrio area, Tucson barrio
- 24 area which was split between W on the west and T on the
- 25 east. The instruction was to unite it in one or the

- 1 other without impacting the Hispanic voting strength in
- 2 either district, which we've done, actually uniting it
- 3 into District W. So you can see the barrio area is
- 4 united in W, T around it by a split, and then there were
- 5 trade-offs just around the freeway to balance out
- 6 populations between the two. So it's fairly
- 7 straightforward. We may be able to clean up compactness
- 8 of T in here. It's just a time matter of making sure we
- 9 accomplished the instruction. And we can revisit that a
- 10 little bit later. But we got there. All these
- 11 districts, of course, passed the compactness
- 12 measurements.
- 13 So any questions about that before we go up
- 14 to the Foothills?
- 15 COMMISSIONER ELDER: For the record, this
- 16 did not change the Hispanic voting rights or voting age
- 17 in either of the two districts?
- 18 MR. JOHNSON: Right. I think it altered it
- 19 by a couple hundredths of a point.
- 20 So to go up to the Foothills area, this
- 21 one, let me give a little explanation. At first glance
- 22 it's probably not what was expected. Let me start from
- 23 the map we started at yesterday. The instructions were
- 24 to look at District U, which is the red district here,
- 25 which was crossing from the retirement communities

- 1 through the mountain to the Foothills and then down into
- 2 Tucson. The instruction was to test taking that out of
- 3 the incorporated Tucson area. What happened is we did
- 4 that -- is we took it out, and then it, it's kind of a
- 5 bifurcated district. We have Foothills population,
- 6 retirement communities population. What we first did was
- 7 kind of an effort to unite the communities and avoid
- 8 compactness problems. We then tried to pick up the
- 9 Marana area from V. And V, of course, we're trading off
- 10 between these two. V picked up the north Tucson area.
- 11 As we rotated this through we tried to balance it, ended
- 12 up with a very, very skinny V, portions of Marana down
- 13 below the Foothills as we tried to make it compact. What
- 14 we ended up with is getting one of the two Foothills
- 15 districts out of incorporated Tucson but rather than V,
- 16 it actually was U. You could change the lettering and
- 17 technically meet the instruction, but it's the same goal,
- 18 I hope.
- 19 So what we ended up with, as these
- 20 districts kind of rotate around and just to keep
- 21 configured before, V on top or U below, V to the west and
- 22 U to the south and east, V picks up or has Marana, or the
- 23 portion of Marana east of the freeway, has retirement
- 24 communities, and then much of the Foothills. Let me get
- 25 the road coming across. There is -- the rough part of

- 1 the border where you see jagged edges is the Tucson city
- 2 line. And then it levels out, goes across Snyder Road
- 3 until you get to -- I believe it's Tanque Verde that jogs
- 4 up to Mount Lemon in Tanque Verde, areas in incorporated
- 5 Tucson, and one of the areas you switch in incorporated
- 6 Tucson, and the other one does not.
- 7 Let me have Dr. McDonald comment on what
- 8 happened with competitiveness of these districts.
- 9 DR. McDONALD: Excuse me.
- Yes, when we made this switch, hopefully
- 11 I've got the right lettering on my spread sheets here,
- 12 we're at test B --
- 13 MR. JOHNSON: Both are the same.
- DR. McDONALD: Spread sheets here.
- 15 District U maintained its competitiveness.
- 16 It's now at 51.4, and districts five maintained its
- 17 competitiveness, 46.7 percent, but District V became an
- 18 uncompetitive district at 44.0 percent.
- 19 COMMISSIONER HALL: Which way?
- DR. McDONALD: Republican now.
- 21 MR. JOHNSON: Questions about any of this
- 22 rotation?
- 23 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Let's press ahead.
- 24 MR. JOHNSON: Jumping up north to District
- 25 AA, what we did up here is first we took it all the way

- 1 to the underpopulation level that was adopted in the 2004
- 2 plan, 2.06 percent underpopulated, because we had not yet
- 3 hit the benchmark as we walked towards that number. Got
- 4 to that number. We were at 62.1. The catch was that
- 5 district failed -- well, BB which resulted from those
- 6 changes failed the compactness test. What you are
- 7 looking at was not that. That district, west of Kingman,
- 8 came all the way north until it hits the river. That
- 9 2.06 percent underpopulation got us to 62.1, just short
- 10 of the 62.15 number that was mentioned by the public
- 11 yesterday. We also stopped and checked at 1.75
- 12 underpopulated, the reference we've adopted for
- 13 significant detriment resulting from competitiveness. At
- 14 that point we reached Native American strength of 61.83,
- 15 which also failed on the compactness test, less than .17
- 16 on the Polsby-Popper score.
- 17 COMMISSIONER HALL: BB did.
- 18 MR. JOHNSON: Yes, BB did. What you are
- 19 looking at passes the Polsby-Popper test, .17. AA is
- 20 underpopulated by 0.55 percent, so about one-half of one
- 21 percent, and the Native American voting age population of
- 22 AA is 60.83. So we wanted to lay out those three
- 23 options.
- 24 What you are looking at passes the
- 25 compactness test AA at 60.83, could also go to 1.75 by

- 1 moving up in the west here, which would increase Native
- 2 American voting age population in AA, also reduce the
- 3 compactness score below .17, or continue further north
- 4 and get all the way to 2.06 Native American population
- 5 had before. There are three options to consider here.
- 6 COMMISSIONER HALL: What populations are
- 7 you losing when you reduce AA, specifically?
- 8 COMMISSIONER HALL: The areas that were
- 9 moved.
- 10 MR. JOHNSON: The first step, Grand Canyon
- 11 Village and -- Tusayan?
- 12 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Tusayan.
- 13 MR. JOHNSON: South of the Colorado River
- 14 where AA had been crossing over and picking up
- 15 population, those were added into BB. Other areas are
- 16 area from the Mohave County reservation south. Now AA
- 17 stops at the -- includes the reservation and stops at the
- 18 reservation border until it comes around to Kingman. So
- 19 we're moving in three areas, the Grand Canyon Village
- 20 area, south of the reservation in Mohave County, and
- 21 north along the river a little bit. If we were to go to
- 22 other steps going north along the river north.
- 23 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Mr. Chairman.
- 24 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Mr. Huntwork.
- 25 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: So you are moving

- 1 population into BB.
- 2 MR. JOHNSON: Yes.
- 3 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Makes it
- 4 overpopulated.
- 5 MR. JOHNSON: Yes.
- 6 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Have you done
- 7 anything to shed population from BB?
- 8 MR. JOHNSON: Yes. BB went up to three
- 9 percent overpopulated. So what we did is in Lake Havasu,
- 10 which was already split, District R picks up more
- 11 population from Lake Havasu to offset those deviations
- 12 and you end up, and then a little bit of that from R we
- 13 bled off into P, a little into Q as well. So we end up
- 14 with BB overpopulated by 1.19 percent, and still we're
- 15 careful, still passing the competitiveness test, and
- 16 compactness test. And then R, another one of the steps
- 17 up, actually R through all net changes, populated net
- 18 seven four percent because of other things going on in
- 19 Phoenix. That's how we could have taken those, about two
- 20 percent through --
- 21 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Why couldn't you
- 22 shed more of BB into R?
- MR. JOHNSON: You could, could shed more.
- 24 It's a matter of time in balancing these tests. Roughly,
- 25 as you'll see, it's roughly to get right at about one

- 1 percent in each district just because that last percent
- 2 is a lot of time to work out while still testing.
- 3 We can revisit this.
- 4 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Okay.
- 5 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Mr. Johnson, in the Lake
- 6 Havasu area, I know only of one split. Help me
- 7 understand what this test did in terms of splitting
- 8 Havasu. Where did the greater population, where was it
- 9 and where did it end up?
- 10 MR. JOHNSON: I'll zoom in on Lake Havasu.
- 11 The black line indicates where we started
- 12 this test with the overwhelming majority of population in
- 13 District BB, the green district. But there's still a
- 14 couple thousand people in the southern portion in
- 15 District R. And what happened as a result of test AA
- 16 working through, R picked up more population, I think
- 17 about 1,500 or 2,000 more people. Maybe not quite that
- 18 many, may have picked up more. The majority of
- 19 population remains very heavily in BB.
- 20 MR. JOHNSON: Actually I can get the exact
- 21 numbers.
- 22 CHAIRMAN LYNN: No, that's okay.
- 23 Could you zoom out again, Mr. Johnson?
- 24 To Mr. Huntwork's question about shedding
- 25 population, there are obviously a couple places where

- 1 that could happen. If you were given enough time, would
- 2 one of those solutions, and I apologize for not knowing
- 3 it off the top of my head, would one of those solutions
- 4 work to improve the split in Lake Havasu or is that
- 5 inevitable?
- 6 MR. JOHNSON: In all the testing we've done
- 7 in different towns, places, trade-offs, we've always
- 8 ended up with Lake Havasu split to keep BB competitive.
- 9 CHAIRMAN LYNN: I understand that. This
- 10 test slightly increased the split. Is there a way to
- 11 shed population that would go back toward the original
- 12 line in that area?
- 13 MR. JOHNSON: We could, one thing mentioned
- 14 yesterday was Seligman and Ash Fork, and we also have the
- 15 little town of Bagdad in Yavapai County, R and C could
- 16 pick up and take -- that would reduce the split. Still
- 17 split Lake Havasu, but smaller. We could test the impact
- 18 on competitiveness and compactness of that trade,
- 19 tradeoff. That's something we could look at.
- 20 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Thank you.
- 21 MR. JOHNSON: Any other questions?
- 22 No?
- DR. McDONALD: I think I should state for
- 24 the record BB remains a competitive district.
- 25 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Thank you, Dr. McDonald.

- 1 MR. JOHNSON: As long as in the area,
- 2 District R, compactness changes made to it. Again,
- 3 looking at where the black lines are, where we started
- 4 following the Yavapai County border and following old
- 5 district 24 border down in La Paz, that led us to the
- 6 narrow neck discussed yesterday in R and actually failing
- 7 on the compactness test. What we've done is pick up, let
- 8 me see, I think it's a total of 30 people from Yavapai
- 9 County. You can see we picked up the area just in the
- 10 very corner. There's actually -- bring the streets up a
- 11 little bit -- if you are familiar with the area, this is
- 12 Highway 93, it kind of runs along that corner. And we
- 13 did not go all the way to Highway 93, just the corner of
- 14 the county, very corner of the county, and picked up the
- 15 east of Wendon and Salome, I think maybe 10 people, off
- 16 the top of my head, in that area here. What that did was
- 17 improve the compactness of R so it passes our compactness
- 18 test. Before I knew what this was. I don't know off the
- 19 top of my head.
- 20 CHAIRMAN LYNN: While you are finding this,
- 21 was Yavapai previously split and this added an additional
- 22 split?
- MR. JOHNSON: Correct.
- 24 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Two or three?
- 25 MR. JOHNSON: We were at two and now this

- 1 is a third.
- CHAIRMAN LYNN: Thank you.
- 3 MR. JOHNSON: After changes District R .16
- 4 to .2 one in the Polsby-Popper test. Paragraph any other
- 5 questions about this? Okay. Paragraph okay. So, now,
- 6 last of the test, I'll give you some summary stats as
- 7 well. Let me show you, in Phoenix, this is where I'll
- 8 have to, actually, to present, A and B. Let me start,
- 9 actually, with B. Paragraph so the first step was
- 10 looking down, I'll put up the districts where we started
- 11 yesterday, down here in A, J, and N, N went to 59th, on
- 12 the border between N and K, and came to 35th and turn on
- 13 the border between J and N. And the comments from the
- 14 public and the instructions were to look at and see if we
- 15 could get that from its 52.5 percent Hispanic VAP up
- 16 above 53, try to get it up above at least half point.
- 17 District A was at 48 and change Hispanic VAP, and the
- 18 instruction was to see if we could get that up to 52,
- 19 looking at moving that into K in area below Thomas and
- 20 McDowell, and then trading areas from the northern
- 21 portion of A back, and then also to look at seeing if we
- 22 could get J from its 54.7 percent Hispanic VAP to 55
- 23 percent, all -- and the discussion was about helping with
- 24 DOJ preclearance and community concerns in this area. So
- 25 what we've done is a rotation very similar to what was

- 1 described. One thing I realized, as working on this, is
- 2 where N should pick up, but I've not thought to ask where
- 3 N should drop off. That's one area probably different
- 4 from what we talked about yesterday. We didn't talk
- 5 about it. N was discussed yesterday slightly south and
- 6 then slightly east, goes south to baseline, east just
- 7 comes over 35th, but not all the way to 27th up there.
- 8 The tradeoff for those areas that were added, actually K,
- 9 and there was a concern about N not going east of 59th.
- 10 I'm curious about feedback okay coming west of 59th.
- 11 Where we did it is actually north of the canal up there.
- 12 Let me show that.
- 13 K comes across 59th along the Grand Canal.
- 14 And other than between the Grand Canal and Indian School,
- 15 north of Indian School, and it goes over to 67th Avenue.
- 16 So that tradeoff of picking up areas from J and giving up
- 17 that area to balance it out, brings District N up in both
- 18 tests to 53.3. So we do meet the 53 percent goal that
- 19 was mentioned and we also don't come across 59th and thus
- 20 don't divide those communities as we discussed yesterday.
- 21 The ripple is from N and J.
- 22 As we discussed yesterday, J has given up
- 23 population to N, then picks it up over here in the
- 24 eastern end of A and picks up an area that is east of,
- 25 who is this, yeah, east of 32nd and other than one small

- 1 corner north of McDowell. So that's the population
- 2 tradeoff, and it actually brings J up to -- J is now
- 3 55.35 percent, three-tenths of a percent over the target
- 4 we're shooting for in the instruction. J and N are then
- 5 have met the goals for that test.
- 6 District A, when we brought it over, per
- 7 the instruction, we brought it over to 51st. When we
- 8 just started we came to 43rd and it was not enough
- 9 Hispanic population to meet the target, so we brought it
- 10 over to 51st south of Thomas and also over to 43rd
- 11 between Thomas and -- Thomas and Indian School. The
- 12 first tradeoff there was K, then came into the area north
- 13 of Indian School and picked up an area going just east of
- 14 the freeway. There still wasn't an even population
- 15 shift.
- 16 So what made sense was also, or made the
- 17 most sense, we were looking at the numbers and trying to
- 18 keep these things compact. Rather than bringing K in
- 19 this narrow neck across the canal, we brought L down.
- 20 This both helped L being a competitive Republican
- 21 district, bringing Democrats in, and it helped us with
- 22 compactness of A. And we did manage to meet the target
- 23 goal. A now went 48.3 percent Hispanic VAP to 53.77, and
- 24 you can also see two areas, a strip right between east of
- 25 the freeway here and one mile just north of Glendale that

- 1 were traded off between K and L to balance out that
- 2 rotation. So the first part of this instruction, which
- 3 was to increase the Hispanic voting age strength in A, J,
- 4 and N were accomplished that way.
- 5 I'll let Dr. McDonald comment on what the
- 6 impact was on competitiveness from test B.
- 7 DR. McDONALD: Previously District K was
- 8 a -- just outside the competitiveness range being a
- 9 Democratic district. With these adjustments, K becomes a
- 10 competitive district at 52.1 percent Democratic
- 11 competitive district. All voting rights districts remain
- 12 solidly Democratic and District L as well. I don't have
- 13 the numbers sitting right in front of me on L. L now is
- 14 still a competitive Republican district at 47.3.
- 15 MR. JOHNSON: We kind of freeze framed that
- 16 to bring to you as one option. The other portion of
- 17 this, as doing this to look at other criteria,
- 18 compactness, cities, other criteria of Prop 106, these
- 19 changes made possible other adjustments. So what we have
- 20 here, let me highlight a bit of this, what I've done
- 21 along that line for your consideration is a couple
- 22 things. The jagged edge between M and K, K comes into
- 23 Glendale. The split through Western Glendale is removed.
- 24 M comes all the way to the city border. And K runs --
- 25 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Mr. Johnson, what does that

- 1 do to the total number of splits in Glendale?
- MR. JOHNSON: Actually, we were at three
- 3 and remain at three. The difference in these three
- 4 correspond fairly closely to the communities of Glendale
- 5 discussed the other day in West Glendale.
- 6 CHAIRMAN LYNN: West and east?
- 7 MR. JOHNSON: Old Town -- there is still a
- 8 split in the north for population reasons, but it is just
- 9 the far north tip of Glendale.
- 10 MR. JOHNSON: Did you have a different
- 11 question?
- 12 COMMISSIONER ELDER: The communities
- 13 discussed included Old Town. That was one of things we
- 14 wanted to unite.
- 15 MR. JOHNSON: I can virtually show you the
- 16 switch. See, actually test B, where the line kind of
- 17 comes up? K actually comes all the way to the southern
- 18 border of Glendale here. The split comes through Old
- 19 Town, jogs back and forth as is done to make M a
- 20 competitive district is a reason for that configuration
- 21 while still keeping K to what we're looking for at that
- 22 time for voting act reasons. So now we have similar --
- 23 more feedback from the public and Hispanic community, a
- 24 change in voting rights for K, allows M all the way to
- 25 the border unifying the districts in Glendale. One other

- 1 thing, the compactness of communities and all that, K
- 2 comes up and picks up the southern end of O. That then
- 3 triggers a series of changes. O becomes more compact. E
- 4 becomes more compact. And P becomes more compact. And
- 5 over here, the number of splits in Peoria is still three
- 6 but more in line with Peoria communities where instead of
- 7 the north-south issue, or north-south running line, just
- 8 far north of the portion of Peoria, the central main
- 9 body, or small, southern westward edge, I'm sorry, the
- 10 southern westward leg of Peoria in M.
- A, J and N do not change in both tests.
- 12 The only differences between the two tests are the impact
- 13 north of those districts on primarily Q, M, K, O, and
- 14 then somewhat rippling population into P and E.
- 15 So then we will have Dr. McDonald talk
- 16 about the competitiveness impacts of this.
- 17 DR. McDONALD: Competitiveness, K remains a
- 18 Democratic competitive district at 52.2 percent. M
- 19 remains competitive at 52.9. O is no longer competitive,
- 20 a 43.4 percent Republican district. E was never a
- 21 competitive district. And the last one is P -- P to the
- 22 north. P and L, L is not touched as far as I can tell in
- 23 terms of competitiveness. And P, again, does not change
- 24 its status either.
- 25 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Net is loss of one in this

- 1 test.
- DR. McDONALD: Between A and B, net loss of
- 3 one district.
- 4 COMMISSIONER ELDER: K?
- 5 MS. HAUSER: It's O.
- 6 COMMISSIONER ELDER: K was brought into --
- 7 DR. McDONALD: Net gain between the
- 8 previous iteration, then when we do these tests, the two,
- 9 the different tests, one with the additional district, O,
- 10 and one without that District O, so we have K competitive
- 11 both in the new districts and we could go one more with
- 12 0.
- 13 MR. JOHNSON: Summary stats here, walking
- 14 through essentially the maps here, we had the communities
- 15 AA I mentioned at -- it seems months ago, I guess only a
- 16 couple days ago, that had 14 cities were split in that.
- 17 Then we walked through various changes over the past few
- 18 days. We got to the B2 plan with 15 split cities. Both
- 19 of these tests keep 15 split cities. The number of city
- 20 splits, unsurprisingly the plan focusing on city splits,
- 21 the lowest is 46, picked up a 47, and changes looked at
- 22 you add two splits in test A and two more in test B. The
- 23 number of competitive districts Dr. McDonald just talked
- 24 about went from four in AA up to 10, dropped to nine,
- 25 which is the loss of the Tucson district in test A which

- 1 switched K for O and just lost V.
- 2 And test B you have K and O as competitive
- 3 districts back up to 10.
- 4 The number of districts below Polsby-Popper
- 5 for compactness, many communities, AA is one, and R is
- 6 below that number, and we fixed that so it's zero in both
- 7 tests.
- 8 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Let me ask, from the
- 9 Commission, questions of Dr. McDonald or Mr. Johnson of
- 10 the report?
- 11 MR. JOHNSON: For the Commission, very late
- 12 last night we put up the map and equivalency and spread
- 13 sheets and sent it to the list of contacts and public, so
- 14 they received those in the middle of the night.
- DR. McDONALD: Mr. Chairman.
- 16 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Dr. McDonald.
- 17 DR. McDONALD: When we looked at the
- 18 ripples on O, Mr. Johnson I sat down to see if we could
- 19 contain the ripple by compacting O some by looking -- it
- 20 looked like something in a previous iteration of O, so we
- 21 abandoned that line of inquiry.
- 22 MR. JOHNSON: Saw we'd end up back at test
- 23 A.
- 24 CHAIRMAN LYNN: If no questions from the
- 25 Commission, what I'd like to do at this time is ask the

- 1 public to comment, understanding that they have just seen
- 2 the maps, as we have, but most of the issues, as
- 3 explained by Mr. Johnson and Dr. McDonald, are
- 4 represented in the maps that have been on the wall. So
- 5 we will go through the process as we have before of
- 6 asking the public to comment. If you'd like to reserve
- 7 comment to a later date, that's fine, let me know that.
- 8 The first speaker I have a slip for State
- 9 Representative Phil Lopes. Mr. Lopes represents District
- 10 27.
- 11 Mr. Lopes, good morning.
- 12 REPRESENTATIVE LOPES: Mr. Chairman,
- 13 Members, if you wouldn't mind putting up the Tucson map,
- 14 please, and if you could lend me your pointer.
- 15 MR. JOHNSON: Certainly. Hit the circle.
- 16 REPRESENTATIVE LOPES: I was called out
- 17 late yesterday afternoon by Mr. Gallardo asking if I
- 18 could get out late last night. I did this morning.
- 19 I'd be happy to comment on the, on this
- 20 most recently proposed map.
- 21 I'm a 35-year resident of the west side of
- 22 Tucson, and I'm an anthropologist by academic training,
- 23 so I know a little bit about communities of interest and
- 24 that sort of thing. There are three, four comments I
- 25 would make.

- 1 One, the obvious one is what is that brown
- 2 there, what letter is there?
- 3 COMMISSIONER ELDER: "Brown."
- 4 MS. HAUSER: Y.
- 5 MR. JOHNSON: Y.
- 6 REPRESENTATIVE LOPES: Y.
- 7 There is no way you could see District Y as
- 8 having a commonalty of interest. What you've got in that
- 9 area right there is essentially the University related
- 10 area, east of the University related area, and fairly
- 11 middle class, if you will, working class population.
- 12 What you have way down at the other end of Y here is an
- 13 extension of the Hispanic lower income population here,
- 14 and then Y extends all the way around, as I see it, over
- 15 into Cochise County down in here. So that -- there is
- 16 just no way that that could be seen as a -- an area with
- 17 a commonalty of interest. So that's the kind of most
- 18 obvious thing that jumps out when you look at the map,
- 19 gives a whole new meaning to gerrymandering is what it
- 20 looks like. Be that as it may, the other thing -- I
- 21 didn't see this until you were making the explanation,
- 22 correct me if I'm wrong, I think the City of Marana
- 23 extends to the east side of the freeway. If that's the
- 24 case, yeah, you're splitting, I don't know if you are
- 25 aware, you are splitting the Town of Marana.

- 1 MR. JOHNSON: Just for the record, we were
- 2 aware. That was at the Coalition's request.
- 3 REPRESENTATIVE LOPES: Now down to the
- 4 area, what is W, essentially my district now, what you
- 5 proposed as W is essentially the same as the district is
- 6 now. I'd make a couple of comments. I know your effort
- 7 at trying to unite barrios in that area there.
- 8 Where you have the point sticking out,
- 9 east, I would quarrel with that. I think unification of
- 10 barrios in that area is more a function of north-south
- 11 than it is east-west. The barrios on the freeway split
- 12 the barrios all the way up and down here, but the split
- 13 is greater north of the I-10, I-19 intersection right
- 14 there. The split is greater because there's much less
- 15 interaction between the east and west sides of the
- 16 freeway north of I-19 than there is south. The reason
- 17 for that is because of what you've got north of I-19
- 18 highly elevated freeway. You don't have a lot of
- 19 commercial activity back and forth, unlike on the
- 20 east-west sides of the freeway south of the I-19
- 21 intersection. On I-19, there is much more interaction
- 22 east and west of the barrios.
- I guess what I'm trying to say, instead of
- 24 uniting the barrios by extending this east, I'd suggest
- 25 extending south this way, which is the way they are now.

- 1 And I think you get a greater unification of the barrios,
- 2 although it's an arguable point because the dividing
- 3 street down here currently is South 12th Avenue and there
- 4 is really no difference between the east side of South
- 5 12th and west side of South 12th. But I think you get a
- 6 bit more unification in that, and we're talking about
- 7 degrees, a bit more unification of the barrios if this is
- 8 extended south instead of east.
- 9 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Representative Lopes, if I
- 10 may, Mr. Johnson, could you put up the test B before the
- 11 unification?
- MR. JOHNSON: Sure.
- 13 CHAIRMAN LYNN: For a second.
- 14 REPRESENTATIVE LOPES: Is that the current
- 15 map?
- 16 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Progressive map in terms of
- 17 process, not current maps used in the 2002 election.
- 18 REPRESENTATIVE LOPES: Looks like it.
- 19 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Very close, in this part of
- 20 the community, roughly identical.
- MR. JOHNSON: They are.
- 22 REPRESENTATIVE LOPES: Excuse me,
- 23 Mr. Chairman. You get more what I was talking about, get
- 24 north-south unification of the barrio in this district,
- 25 and of course there is this split here. This is closer

- 1 to a unification of the barrios, seems to me, than the
- 2 map we were looking at earlier.
- 3 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Thank you. That's
- 4 precisely what I wanted you to take a look at.
- 5 Are there questions for Representative
- 6 Lopes?
- 7 Mr. Elder.
- 8 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Thank you for coming
- 9 this morning.
- 10 One of the questions I had, you mentioned
- 11 Marana. The Coalition requested we keep 25, 6, 7, and 9
- 12 the same as it was in our 2004, or the active map that is
- 13 in place right now. And that split Marana.
- 14 Would you, and I guess maybe the Coalition
- 15 would have to weigh in on it, also, support unifying
- 16 Marana, and then at what cost? If we take the population
- 17 from Marana, we have to pick it up someplace else. That
- 18 may very well be in the southern part of the district.
- 19 What trade? It's, again, sort of the discretionary, what
- 20 trades do you make?
- 21 REPRESENTATIVE LOPES: Mr. Chairman,
- 22 Mr. Elder, I really am not in a position to answer that.
- 23 I really think that's best answered by the folks in
- 24 Marana. So I think I would reserve judgment on that.
- 25 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Okay.

- 1 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Thank you, Mr. Lopes.
- 2 Other questions?
- 3 Mr. Lopes, thank you very much.
- 4 The next speaker is Mike Flannery
- 5 representing the Prescott Valley Council and the
- 6 Tri-Cities area.
- 7 Mr. Flannery, good morning.
- 8 MR. FLANNERY: Mr. Chairman, Members of the
- 9 Commission, thank you for allowing me to speak this
- 10 morning. I've been caring a letter I would like to have
- 11 submitted, if I could, from Mayor Killingsworth. So if
- 12 without objection.
- 13 (Letter is submitted and is included
- 14 Verbatim at the conclusion of
- Mr. Flannery's remarks.)
- 16 MR. FLANNERY: Essentially the letter
- 17 wishes to thank you for acknowledging our communities of
- 18 interest in the Tri-City area and for the CYMPO and
- 19 Yavapai County. To the issue at hand, the test map
- 20 really doesn't affect Yavapai County that much. It
- 21 affects 30 people, I think Doug said, so it has no
- 22 bearing -- relatively no bearing, let me put that way, on
- 23 Yavapai County. I did want to go to the issue Doug and I
- 24 discussed this morning, and that was the swap we
- 25 mentioned yesterday, Ash Fork and Seligman for perhaps,

- 1 maybe, Munds Park. Last night when I did get a closer
- 2 look, I thought when you brought in Yarnell, those
- 3 communities, also talking Bagdad, I realized Bagdad was
- 4 in with BB. So if -- I have some concern about Bagdad
- 5 because it's one of the old mining communities, one road
- 6 in, one road out, owned by a mining community. They have
- 7 a very close association with Yavapai County. Right now
- 8 it's in with R. And Doug has informed me that
- 9 population, you could make those switches with Seligman,
- 10 Ash Fork for Munds Park, or -- but I don't know about the
- 11 rest of it. It's just something that, you know, in --
- 12 when we go to shifting lines, and things like that, if
- 13 that could be done -- I hesitate in asking for anything
- 14 more, because you have been exceptionally kind to me,
- 15 so -- if -- four those communities you could, I would ask
- 16 you to, at least look at those, so if those could be
- 17 addressed.
- 18 MR. JOHNSON: Mr. Johnson.
- 19 What Mr. Flannery is looking at, population
- 20 places, Munds Park is 1,250 people, Bagdad is fairly
- 21 similar, 1,578, and then Ash Fork is about 450, and
- 22 Seligman is about 440.
- 23 CHAIRMAN LYNN: So among those four, it's
- 24 workable.
- 25 MR. JOHNSON: Well, the numbers can work

- 1 out. Munds Park and Ashfork is similar to Bagdad by
- 2 itself or Seligman and Ashfork together. The impact on
- 3 compactness and competitiveness we'd have to look at.
- 4 (Letter submitted dated February 20, 2004,
- 5 To Commissioner Steven W. Lynn,
- 6 Commissioner Andrea Minkoff, Commissioner
- 7 Daniel R. Elder, Commissioner Joshua M.
- 8 Hall, Commissioner James R. Huntwork,
- 9 Independent Redistricting Commission, 1400
- 10 West Washington, Suite B-10, Phoenix,
- 11 Arizona, 85007:
- 12 "Dear Commissioners Lynn, Minkoff,
- 13 Elder, Hall & Huntwork:
- 14 "Many thanks for your continuing
- 15 service to the citizens of Arizona in
- 16 developing a sound and balanced Arizona
- 17 Legislative Redistricting plan. I am aware
- 18 of the particularly difficult legal and
- 19 political climate that you are working in,
- 20 and I sincerely wish each of you God Speed
- 21 in your efforts.
- 22 "Town Council Member Mike Flannery
- 23 has kept me and the other Council Members
- 24 informed of your progress to-date in
- 25 developing definitions, identifying

1	communities of interest, etc. per suage
2	Fields' Order. I appreciate your having
3	voted to formally identify the Tri-Cities
4	area, the Central Yavapai Metropolitan
5	Planning Organization (CYMPO) planning
6	area, and Yavapai County as communities of
7	interest. All of these areas clearly fit
8	your adopted definition of a community of
9	interest: "A community of interest is a
10	group of people in a defined geographic
11	area with concerns about common issues
12	(such as religion, political ties, history,
13	tradition, geography, demography,
14	ethnicity, culture, social economic status,
15	trade or other common interest) that would
16	benefit from common representation." And
17	the record establishes the many common
18	concerns and issues in those areas, and
19	supports the conclusion that they would
20	benefit from common representation.
21	"As you continue your challenging
22	process of balancing communities of
23	interest against the competing interests of
24	competitiveness and compactness, I urge you
25	to carefully respect each of the above

1	communities of interest to the fullest
2	extent practicable. Moreover, I ask you to
3	keep in mind that the Tri-Cities and the
4	Verde Valley communities (including the
5	Intervening County areas) have critical
6	water issues to resolve together in company
7	with their legislative representatives. In
8	any scenario, it will be important that at
9	least the communities located adjacent to
10	the Verde River be recognized as having a
11	Community of interest with the Tri-Cities.
12	Any action that results in splitting the
13	acknowledged community of interest that
14	includes the Tri-Cities area and the Verde
15	Valley will certainly cause significant
16	detriment to the ability of those areas to
17	have effective representation on the
18	critical issues of sustained population
19	growth and long-term water resources, and
20	will violate Proposition 106. You have
21	recently defined significant detriment as
22	follows: "With respect to communities of
23	interest, significant detriment means (a)
24	significant detriment to the ability of
25	that community to have effective

- 1 representation, or (b) deprivation of a
- 2 material or substantial, but not a minimal
- 3 or inconsequential, portion of that
- 4 community of effective representation.
- 5 "Thank you again for your
- 6 consideration of our concerns. I wish you
- 7 the best of luck with the challenges that
- 8 you face.
- 9 "Sincerely, Richard C. Killingsworth,
- Mayor, Town of Prescott Valley.
- 11 "p.c. Town Council members, Mayor
- 12 Rowle Simmons, City of Prescott, Mayor
- 13 Karen Fann, Town of Chino Valley."
- 14 CHAIRMAN LYNN: The next speaker slip is
- 15 from Mr. Neil Wake representing Arizonans For Fair and
- 16 Legal Redistricting.
- 17 MR. WAKE: Good morning, Mr. Chairman,
- 18 Commissioners. I'll make my comments in a fairly general
- 19 way. Later I may have other more focused comments. Part
- 20 of my job as a lawyer is to tell you what I think legally
- 21 is wrong with the maps. Bear with me as I do that job.
- 22 Again, as a general matter, these maps
- 23 obviously are driven in large part by the definitions
- 24 previously adopted. I point out the Commission cannot
- 25 violate 106 by definition. All definitions are under the

- 1 Constitutional Provisions of 106. You cannot amend 106.
- 2 Look at compactness. Compactness should
- 3 measure proximity of people, not the proximity of acres.
- 4 Land without people or without much people should not
- 5 count for much. Passing by nearby people to capture more
- 6 remote people is not a better measure of compactness.
- 7 I'm not suggesting you ignore purely land-based
- 8 geographic measures. A far important measure of
- 9 compactness is people.
- 10 I submit to the Commission it abused its
- 11 discretion in looking only to acres and not to the
- 12 proximity of people. An example I would like to point to
- 13 is test B, districts C and O, and -- perhaps I'm
- 14 misunderstanding, but I thought I heard from the
- 15 consultants that those pass your test of compactness of
- 16 .17 Polsby-Popper. Those are the extremely elongated
- 17 districts drawn solely for the purpose of capturing
- 18 Democrats and shedding Republicans. Those two districts
- 19 may pass the .17 Polsby-Popper test, but they do not pass
- 20 the eyeball test. Remind me, frankly, of the 1992
- 21 Legislative map drawn up in the basement of the
- 22 Legislature by a bunch of incumbent Democrats and
- 23 Republicans who were drawing districts, stretching lines,
- 24 and created a map that had districts which resembled a
- 25 bunch of amebae on LSD, we still have psychedelic amebae

- 1 on the map. They pass the compactness test. I suggest
- 2 compactness cannot comport if those things pass them.
- 3 Let me talk briefly --
- 4 Maybe a way to summarize that is another
- 5 fundamental failing of the exercise is that compactness
- 6 is not a binary concept, they are not either compact or
- 7 uncompact. Compactness is a matter of degree that can
- 8 always be pursued to a greater degree of excellence or
- 9 sacrificed to a greater degree of achievement of other
- 10 goals. This exercise simply determined that something,
- 11 including those two districts, were compact, which cannot
- 12 be what Prop 106 means.
- Now, I don't fault your consultants.
- 14 They've done what you directed them to do. But the
- 15 exercise itself is illegitimate.
- 16 Population, the rough numbers and standards
- 17 you put forward to allow population, by our quick look at
- 18 your recent maps which indulge in population deviation up
- 19 to 5,000 people.
- Now, the significance in population
- 21 deviation has to be understood, as I said before, in
- 22 relation to the purposes of the inquiry. If the purpose
- 23 of drawing maps is politically competitive maps, or
- 24 something else, it has to ultimately be tested by
- 25 elections. And if considering population deviation, that

- 1 is enough to affect the outcome of an election merely by
- 2 underpopulating or overpopulating, it cannot be a
- 3 sufficient achievement of population equality under
- 4 Proposition 106.
- 5 Last election we had at least two primary
- 6 elections decided by fewer than a hundred votes.
- 7 Population, you have to have population deviation
- 8 perfectly equal. Probably it is not possible to have
- 9 perfectly equal population and still respect some of the
- 10 other goals, such as respecting city and county
- 11 boundaries, communities of interest, but it certainly is
- 12 possible to get down to within a few hundred people of
- 13 deviation. And it is not at all proper to accept the
- 14 deviations as clearly has been done by your consultants
- 15 pursuant to the direction the Commission which has given
- 16 deviation of thousands of people for the sake of
- 17 predicting how some people are going to vote so you can
- 18 get politically competitive districts.
- 19 I submit again, your duty under Proposition
- 20 106, is to pursue equality permanently, not to get it
- 21 down within 1,000 or 5,000 and say we're satisfied and
- 22 won't do it any further where the reason you are
- 23 satisfied with the inequality is because you prefer the
- 24 political competitiveness. And, therefore, the
- 25 population deviation that is in all these maps does not

- 1 comport with Proposition 106.
- 2 Let me just mention city splits. City
- 3 splits, if other than something trivial, a few hundred
- 4 people --
- Well, let me back up.
- 6 You have to have city splits, county
- 7 splits. The reason you have to, population equality will
- 8 require that. Political competitiveness does not require
- 9 city splits. Any time you do a city split because you
- 10 want to tear apart a city because you like or don't like
- 11 how some people in a city will vote, you are causing
- 12 detriment to the city split criterion for the sake of
- 13 political competitiveness, that is not permitted under
- 14 Proposition 106.
- Now let me talk about incumbents. I'm
- 16 going to repeat something I've said here a few times
- 17 before. I've previously stated that the essence of the
- 18 legitimacy of the map drawing process by this Commission
- 19 is that this Commission goes through its criteria and
- 20 applies them blindly without knowledge of where the
- 21 incumbents are. I assure you everybody out in this room
- 22 knows where they are, or where some are. The legitimacy
- 23 is you do not know. You follow general criteria,
- 24 exercise judgment. Therefore, as I previously stated to
- 25 you, my clients have objected to the maps or line

- 1 drawing, specific line drawing that comes from partisan
- 2 sources.
- 3 We have never asked you to do that because
- 4 we understand that if we submit specific lines to you,
- 5 you will know that we know the effects on incumbents.
- 6 And we have the same objection to specific lines or maps
- 7 that come from other sources.
- 8 And we had an interesting exercise
- 9 yesterday in which we had incumbent legislators hunched
- 10 over the map asking you to make relatively minor changes
- 11 in districts. Now I throw out a hypothetical question.
- 12 The last thing I want to do is step over the bounds of
- 13 proper presentation here. Is it proper for an incumbent
- 14 Legislator to ask to move a small line without telling
- 15 you that it affects his own residence, whether it does or
- 16 does not? And if he asks you to move a small line and
- 17 doesn't tell you that is it proper for me or anyone else
- 18 to tell you that small line change does affect his own
- 19 residence? I don't know what is proper for me to tell
- 20 you.
- 21 I'm confident it is proper for me to tell
- 22 you you should not be making taking specific maps or
- 23 making minor changes proposed to you from bipartisan
- 24 sources. That's what your judgment and your experts are
- 25 here to do.

- 1 Thank you very much for hearing me out.
- 2 Again, the nature of this process at this speed and not
- 3 being able to allow detailed comment, s we'd like to do,
- 4 we may be presenting that later. Therefore I've tried to
- 5 offer general comments at this time.
- 6 In conclusion, my general comment is not an
- 7 encouraging one for you. I'm suggesting to you these
- 8 maps, the process is fundamentally flawed. The only
- 9 sensible thing for you to do is take a deep breath, go
- 10 back, redo those criteria and the way you got here. The
- 11 last thing I'd like to urge you uncompensated volunteers
- 12 is the result where we're headed. We're headed now for
- 13 multiple clear violations of 106.
- 14 Mr. Chairman, I'd be pleased to answer
- 15 questions with the limitations I don't have a lot of
- 16 specifics to answer you with at this time.
- 17 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Thank you, Mr. Wake.
- 18 Questions for Mr. Wake?
- 19 Thank you.
- 20 Next speaker, Matt Ryan, Chairman of the
- 21 Coconino Board of Supervisors.
- 22 Mr. Ryan.
- 23 MR. RYAN: Mr. Chairman, Commissioners,
- 24 just a few comments in relation to Mr. Flannery's
- 25 comments. In terms of the community of Munds Park,

- 1 Pinewood is located south of Flagstaff, near I-17, if
- 2 that were to be included in BB, it would be in
- 3 consistency with the community's interactions with
- 4 Flagstaff. Their shopping occurs in Flagstaff, youth
- 5 programs, schools, it's all related to Flagstaff, second
- 6 home ownership. Actually demographics shifting,
- 7 predominantly second homes, has gone from a one-to-nine
- 8 proportion to a three-seven ratio, and it's kind of
- 9 typical of demographics in the Flagstaff area.
- 10 Communities used to be second-home ownership. There's a
- 11 shift of population moving into the communities, a work
- 12 force associated with the area.
- 13 If there were to be a way of having minor
- 14 boundary modifications, that definitely makes sense.
- 15 Also, in terms of capturing, going up along
- 16 the rim area, by the Grand Canyon, Tusayan, Grand Canyon
- 17 Village, the economic base is closely aligned with Grand
- 18 Canyon visitorship which is centered along Highway 180,
- 19 Highway 64 interaction. Flagstaff usually is derived
- 20 from I-17, going up in that direction. If it's well
- 21 within those communities, communities of like interest,
- 22 again, and just if there are any other additional
- 23 questions or comments in terms of community interactions
- 24 in those type of ways I welcome the questions.
- 25 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Thank you, Mr. Ryan.

- 1 Next speaker, Delwin Weingert.
- 2 Mr. Weingert is manager of Apache County.
- 3 MR. WEINGERT: Mr. Chairman, Commissioners,
- 4 I appreciate the opportunity stand before you. I know
- 5 it's not easy. Chairman David Brown was here Saturday
- 6 and spoke to you, did so most eloquently.
- 7 I appreciate B 2, the map you are currently
- 8 working on. We support that.
- 9 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Thank you, Mr. Weingert.
- 10 It's a long drive for those words. We appreciate them.
- 11 Appreciate you making it.
- 12 Next speaker is Patrice Kraus representing
- 13 the City of Chandler.
- 14 MS. KRAUS: Thank you again for trying to
- 15 resolve some of the concerns I raised. I haven't had
- 16 much of an opportunity to study the map that is up right
- 17 now.
- 18 My first impression is that it's -- I don't
- 19 like it much. I think that it -- it's there in an effort
- 20 to achieve competitiveness, and that competitiveness may
- 21 be in name only. So it -- it makes considerable change
- 22 to our districts. And again, I'm not sure I know for
- 23 what real end result. I know that there was an interim
- 24 step that I've looked at but not carefully. I think that
- 25 might be a better alternative to this particular map. If

- 1 it's necessary to achieve some other goal, because it
- 2 doesn't achieve competitiveness in another competitive
- 3 district in the East Valley, I'd certainly consider that.
- 4 If it isn't necessary to achieve some other goal in some
- 5 other part of Maricopa County, I think we'd prefer to go
- 6 back to the maps as they exist today. I'll take some
- 7 time over the break over the next couple hours and look
- 8 at different options presented and hopefully have better
- 9 comments later today, then I will be having certain
- 10 questions.
- 11 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Thank you.
- 12 Questions for Ms. Kraus?
- 13 Ms. Kraus, one quick question. Of the
- 14 tests run, one of the tests that was run was an attempt
- 15 to return Chandler to a district split instead of in
- 16 three districts split to two. I understand your
- 17 testimony to state that that test, the result of that
- 18 test, in your opinion, is no better than the previous
- 19 map.
- 20 MS. KRAUS: Mr. Chairman, I believe the
- 21 test is up on the screen right now that you are talking
- 22 about. Well, it is better than the three splits, yes.
- 23 Yes, it is better than the three splits. It still has --
- 24 it's an awfully big district, takes in parts of the East
- 25 Valley but not particularly similar to the City of

- 1 Chandler. I do want to look at the map closely. It's
- 2 hard to say where all the populated areas are, just what
- 3 those communities are like. I'd like to take a look at
- 4 this. This is better than three splits. I think as you
- 5 move backwards from this particular test, there was that
- 6 interim stage that I think we prefer over this. And if
- 7 that test, or that interim stage wasn't necessary to get
- 8 you to some other goal somewhere, because it didn't
- 9 achieve competitiveness, another competitive district in
- 10 the East Valley, we'd prefer to go back to the maps as
- 11 they exist.
- 12 CHAIRMAN LYNN: I understand your position.
- 13 Speaker Mr. Gorman, Legislative Chief of
- 14 Staff for the Navajo Nation.
- 15 Good morning, Mr. Gorman.
- 16 MR. GORMAN: Good morning, Members of the
- 17 Commission.
- 18 As stated, Leonard Gorman, for the record,
- 19 from the Navajo Nation.
- 20 I'd like to provide a copy of the Navajo
- 21 Nation position on the issues before you.
- 22 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Without objection,
- 23 Mr. Echeveste will that take from you.
- 24 MR. GORMAN: The Navajo Nation wants to
- 25 thank the Commission for the movement to run some tests

- 1 on the request submitted earlier in these series of
- 2 meetings. And based on that information, there's a
- 3 position of the Navajo Nation, resolution number
- 4 SCRF-01-04 which is a Resolution of the Redistricting
- 5 Subcommittee Intergovernmental Relations Committee of the
- 6 Navajo Nation Council. Exhibit A is the position of the
- 7 Navajo Nation, excuse me, to the Arizona Independent
- 8 Redistricting Commission on the 2004 redistricting of the
- 9 Legislative Districts. The date is February 22, 2004.
- 10 And it reads as follows, for the record:
- 11 The Navajo Nation continues its active
- 12 involvement with the redistricting process for the
- 13 legislative districts of the State of Arizona. Efforts
- 14 by the Arizona Independent Commission, AIRC, to remedy
- 15 its failure to give sufficient attention to
- 16 competitiveness must not jeopardize full compliance with
- 17 the US constitutional requirements and the federal Voting
- 18 Rights Act or cause substantial detriment to the other
- 19 criteria of Proposition 106.
- 20 In addition to full compliance with the
- 21 federal requirements, a Legislative plan adopted by the
- 22 AIRC must satisfy the nonquantitative criteria to the
- 23 extent practicable. Districts shall be geographically
- 24 compact and contiguous to the extent practicable.
- 25 District boundaries shall respect communities of interest

- 1 to the extent practicable. District lines shall follow
- 2 visible geographic features, city, town, and county
- 3 boundaries, and undivided census tracts to the extent
- 4 practicable.
- 5 The Navajo Nation takes the position in
- 6 order to comply with the requirements of Proposition 106,
- 7 AIRC must maintain the Navajo Nation in a Legislative
- 8 District with a robust Navajo and other Native American
- 9 voting age population. The Navajo Nation will object to
- 10 any efforts to dilute the Navajo and other Native
- 11 American voting age population, or otherwise cause
- 12 retrogression. The Navajo Nation takes the position that
- 13 the AIRC must maintain the entire Navajo Nation within a
- 14 Native American majority-minority district.
- 15 The Navajo Nation will continue to be
- 16 involved in the AIRC redistricting process in order to
- 17 ensure that the voting rights of Navajo people and other
- 18 Native American people are protected.
- 19 That resolution was submitted on behalf of
- 20 the Navajo Nation to the Redistricting Commission. And
- 21 in addition, the Navajo Nation continues to request that,
- 22 I believe, based on the test runs submitted this morning,
- 23 that there is an opportunity in which the percentage from
- 24 59 percent to 60 percent could also be raised to 62
- 25 precent and the Navajo Nation respectfully requests

- 1 continued testing be instructed to your consultant to
- 2 raise those numbers to the 60 percent -- 62 percent be
- 3 raised. The Navajo Nation only wishes the City of
- 4 Kingman would have been here to present testimony,
- 5 continue to urge the villages in the areas raised at the
- 6 hearing in Kingman, that their concerns are related to
- 7 the fact they prefer to be in a separate district from
- 8 the Navajo Nation.
- 9 I hope that they would be able to be here
- 10 sometime in the near future to express concerns and their
- 11 position relative to that matter. We continue to express
- 12 the concerns of the Navajo Nation on that.
- 13 THE REPORTER: It's way over.
- 14 CHAIRMAN LYNN: One more speaker then we'll
- 15 take a break.
- 16 Last speaker, Steve Gallardo, State
- 17 Representative, who is also representing the Minority
- 18 Coalition.
- 19 REPRESENTATIVE GALLARDO: Good morning,
- 20 Mr. Chairman, Members.
- 21 For purposes of cleaning up the record and
- 22 commenting on some remarks made earlier, the Minority
- 23 Coalition came before the Commission to ask for some
- 24 proposed or recommendations on possible changes to
- 25 District N, J, and, I believe, K. These changes were

- 1 made simply to comply with the Voting Rights Act
- 2 irrespective to where anyone may live. Our knowledge and
- 3 detailed proposed changes were made simply because of our
- 4 knowledge of the area and having lived in those, or at
- 5 least that particular area all my life. And other
- 6 members also commented yesterday they also lived there
- 7 all their life. I don't know the description in that
- 8 great detail. The changes made or are asked to be made
- 9 are made simply to increase minority population, and
- 10 that -- that was all the purpose of our changes. We --
- 11 the Coalition will continue to be with the Commission as
- 12 long as the Commission is creating the new Legislative
- 13 lines, and we wish to continue to work with you all. And
- 14 I thank you.
- 15 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Thank you, Mr. Gallardo.
- 16 We do need to take a break for our court
- 17 reporter.
- 18 Without objection, we'll take a 15-minute
- 19 break and resume call to the public.
- 20 (Recess taken.)
- 21 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Back on the record.
- 22 All four Commissioners are present along
- 23 with staff, counsel, and consultants.
- 24 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Mr. Chairman.
- 25 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Mr. Huntwork.

- 1 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: As a point of
- 2 order, are we still in yesterday's session? Have we
- 3 convened today's session?
- 4 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Actually yesterday's
- 5 session expired being in session. Today's session
- 6 started today's session. If you want to adjust your
- 7 watch or sundial, it is Monday. A sundial won't be a lot
- 8 of help today.
- 9 We are still in public comment. I now have
- 10 three speaker slips and may be getting more. That's
- 11 perfectly fine. We want to take as much public comment
- 12 as you would like to give us this morning.
- The next speaker is Jorge Luis Garcia,
- 14 State Senator from District 27. Senator Luis Garcia,
- 15 welcome.
- 16 SENATOR GARCIA: Good morning, Mr. Chairman
- 17 and Commissioners. I come here this morning to support
- 18 the February 12th letter, the most recent letter from the
- 19 Minority Coalition requesting districts in Pima County be
- 20 retained as nearly as they currently exist. Seeing the
- 21 current map here, I have concerns in it in that it does
- 22 change the new addition that map has, the little jettison
- 23 that is east of the interstate is brand-new to the
- 24 district and in the original discussions, how it was
- 25 going to be set, the lines for 2002, there was quite a

- 1 number of concerns and testimony about the differences
- 2 between South Tucson and in the area that comprises South
- 3 Tucson and the area around it and how it differs from the
- 4 area west of the interstate. Okay. And I just ask you
- 5 to retain the current boundaries for those districts out
- 6 there in Gila as much as possible as they are right now.
- 7 Take, if you want to look back at the minutes for the
- 8 original redistricting, those are comments made by folks
- 9 in the City of South Tucson. That's exactly what this
- 10 map does.
- 11 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Thank you, Senator.
- 12 Mr. Elder.
- 13 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Thank you,
- 14 Mr. Chairman.
- 15 Senator or Representative Garcia --
- 16 Senator, we did hear testimony about the functional area
- 17 to the east over to the railroad tracks. They also said
- 18 that they had the barrios to the north. We then had
- 19 testimony that said that we want to maintain the barrios
- 20 as best we can as a whole. Are you comfortable talking
- 21 to the Barrio Anita technically on the east side of the
- 22 railroad tracks, I-10, around town, through the barrios
- 23 and South Tucson influenced area, and then separating the
- 24 Manza, El Rio, everything on the west side of the
- 25 railroad and the freeway, at that line?

- 1 SENATOR GARCIA: That's fine. No problem
- 2 with that.
- 3 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Hispanic, VAP, both
- 4 districts, you'd rather have it left the way it is?
- 5 SENATOR GARCIA: Yes. I'd point out,
- 6 Mr. Elder, Barrio Anita is right now, even though it's
- 7 west of -- east of the interstate --
- 8 COMMISSIONER ELDER: East of the
- 9 interstate, west of the railroad tracks, west of Grant
- 10 Road.
- 11 SENATOR GARCIA: It's not in one district
- 12 cohesive to South Tucson. Right now where we have that
- 13 right now, South Tucson is packed in the University area,
- 14 right, it currently doesn't exist right now. The area
- 15 Barrio Anita becomes part of is the district west of the
- 16 interstate.
- 17 COMMISSIONER ELDER: That's all I needed to
- 18 know. Thank you very much.
- 19 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Thank you, Senator. Thank
- 20 you for being here.
- 21 Next speaker, Ted Downing. Mr. Downing is
- 22 in the Legislature representing himself.
- 23 Representative Downing, thank you.
- 24 REPRESENTATIVE DOWNING: Thank you for your
- 25 work which included the weekend. I apologize to your

- 1 families. Perhaps you'll get a weekend another time.
- 2 I wish to speak in favor of increased
- 3 competitiveness and specifically addressing increased
- 4 competitiveness of Y through some possible modifications.
- If we look at U for a moment, in the
- 6 northeastern corner of U, there's some suggestions you
- 7 may look at. You can't see it, about where the shield,
- 8 interstate shield is, right there, down, that's it, those
- 9 areas in there, that right now I'm looking at
- 10 competitiveness of U, actually very competitive, 51.4,
- 11 48.6, but I think it, given the Tucson that I know loves
- 12 competition, we could see that picking up a piece of that
- 13 area where it says Flowing Wells District. In fact, you
- 14 have Flowing Wells kind of broken and it kind of hangs
- 15 together. Where the shield in some areas identifies part
- 16 of Flowing Wells as more heavily Republican, the other
- 17 options, there's a strange thing, I don't know I should
- 18 comment on this, it's unusual, in terms of the community
- 19 of Tucson, U is now, has its dividing line along, if I'm
- 20 correct, Speedway, if that's correct, looking at it, is
- 21 that the southern boundary of U? That's correct? Yeah.
- 22 Is that Speedway? And normally, in terms of how people
- 23 interact, looking at things, interactions, shopping
- 24 centers, how people deal with the parks, things like
- 25 that, 22nd has been known as the traditional dividing

- 1 line of Tucson, its politics, as has been for years, in
- 2 fact, a lot of comments on the radio about north and
- 3 south of 22nd Street. So that does break up the
- 4 community.
- 5 I understand the need four more
- 6 competitiveness. Maybe there are some options moving
- 7 further in terms of the district that is in yellow, which
- 8 is highly, that's District T, and T is a 58/42 split.
- 9 And if we wanted to create more competitiveness, my idea
- 10 would be to at least lob off some of T, those areas,
- 11 probably, not Hispanic, bring those over into what is now
- 12 Y, which is that brown area on it, and that would create
- 13 increased competitive districts. I am still disturbed at
- 14 the highly noncompetitive nature of several districts in
- 15 Tucson. 61/38 splits, the other one, which is in W, and,
- 16 what was the other one, very high, T, yeah, T is 58/42.
- 17 I think we're capable in Tucson of having a good contest.
- 18 We like good football games, good competition. So as
- 19 long as the Wildcats beat, you know, the Sun Devils, we
- 20 feel happy.
- 21 MR. RIVERA: You haven't been happy for a
- 22 long time.
- 23 REPRESENTATIVE DOWNING: Actually, let's --
- 24 (Laughter.)
- 25 REPRESENTATIVE DOWNING: So my preference

- 1 would be more competitiveness to certainly to make the
- 2 district, which is -- the brown one is Y, Y more
- 3 competitive, T more competitive, and even W, I think that
- 4 would be, I think those could be done without breaking
- 5 communities of interest.
- 6 Thank you.
- 7 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Thank you, Mr. Downing.
- 8 The next speaker is Chris Quiggley.
- 9 Chris Quiggley?
- 10 (No response.)
- 11 COMMISSIONER HALL: Down under?
- 12 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Okay.
- 13 Representative David Bradley.
- 14 Representative Bradley?
- 15 REPRESENTATIVE BRADLEY: Thanks. I don't
- 16 know if that's a promotion from the House to the
- 17 Senate --
- 18 CHAIRMAN LYNN: I said "Representative."
- 19 REPRESENTATIVE BRADLEY: Thank you for
- 20 hearing me out.
- 21 Just briefly, all the work you guys are
- 22 doing, I realize this is not an easy task with all the
- 23 interests involved.
- 24 Mine would be a simple, fairly simple
- 25 modification from Y to T, which would be the Rita Ranch

- 1 area. That loop -- yeah, right there, that just, which
- 2 would make T a tad more competitive to -- in regards to
- 3 increasing the number of Republicans and makes Y about
- 4 even in terms of its competitiveness. Yeah. That's the
- 5 only modification I'm talking about.
- 6 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Thank you, Mr. Bradley.
- 7 Thank you.
- 8 Let me ask one more time if Mr. Quiggley is
- 9 with us?
- 10 Okay. The last speaker slip I have is for
- 11 Representative Gallardo.
- 12 REPRESENTATIVE GALLARDO: Thank you,
- 13 Mr. Chairman, Members of the Commission. I'll make this
- 14 real quick and brief.
- 15 Just to reclarify: That the Coalition
- 16 stands with the February 11th letter to the Commission
- 17 indicating that the Districts 24, 25, 27, and 29 on the
- 18 previous adopted map remain the same in terms of the
- 19 configuration and the Hispanic voting age percentage.
- 20 We'd also like to comment on testimony earlier from Phil
- 21 Lopes in regards to the old barrio there in Tucson, and
- 22 talking to folks, part of our Coalition does agree that
- 23 that particular portion of the barrio does have more in
- 24 common with the north and south configuration and would
- 25 support changing that to the north and south

- 1 configuration.
- 2 COMMISSIONER ELDER: In other
- 3 words, Senator -- Representative Gallardo, you are saying
- 4 put it with T.
- 5 REPRESENTATIVE GALLARDO: Yes, sir.
- 6 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Rotate Hispanics in
- 7 from W to keep the HVAP in the same percentages as we had
- 8 before.
- 9 REPRESENTATIVE GALLARDO: Mr. Chairman,
- 10 Commissioner Elder, yes, you are correct.
- 11 Thank you.
- 12 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Thank you, Mr. Gallardo.
- 13 Mr. Hall, Representative Gallardo.
- 14 COMMISSIONER HALL: I'm just confused.
- 15 Isn't T like it was originally?
- 16 REPRESENTATIVE GALLARDO: No.
- 17 COMMISSIONER HALL: That was a product of
- 18 the change of the test.
- 19 MS. LEONI: Yes.
- 20 MR. JOHNSON: We modified just in that --
- 21 to unify the barrio area.
- 22 COMMISSIONER HALL: Okay.
- 23 MR. JOHNSON: Previously crossed, took T up
- 24 a bit to W, west W as well.
- 25 CHAIRMAN LYNN: We haven't accepted the

- 1 tests. We're considering them.
- 2 MR. JOHNSON: If I may.
- 3 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Mr. Johnson.
- 4 MR. JOHNSON: To clarify, I'm not sure
- 5 about the last exchange with Mr. Elder. You're
- 6 interested in unifying everything, talked about as the
- 7 barrio in T or going back to the border in the 2004 plan?
- 8 REPRESENTATIVE GALLARDO: Mr. Chairman,
- 9 going back to the original plan, I think --
- 10 MR. JOHNSON: Okay.
- 11 REPRESENTATIVE GALLARDO: -- is what the
- 12 Coalition is interested in looking at.
- MR. JOHNSON: Thank you.
- 14 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Thank you, Mr. Gallardo.
- 15 Are there other members of the public
- 16 wishing to be heard at this time?
- 17 If not, we'll close this portion of public
- 18 comment, and it would be my desire to have the
- 19 opportunity before we consider these tests that have been
- 20 run to have an executive session to ask our attorneys a
- 21 couple of important questions.
- 22 So under A.R.S. 38-431.03(A)(3) and A.R.S.
- 23 38-431.03(A)(4), is there a motion?
- 24 COMMISSIONER ELDER: So moved.
- 25 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Second?

- 1 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Second.
- 2 CHAIRMAN LYNN: All in favor?
- 3 COMMISSIONER ELDER: "Aye."
- 4 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: "Aye."
- 5 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Chair votes "Aye."
- 6 (Motion carries.)
- 7 I'm notoriously bad at judging these.
- 8 We'll let you know when we're finished.
- 9 (Whereupon, the Commission recessed Open
- 10 Public Session at 11:06 a.m. and convened
- in Executive Session until 12:08 p.m. at
- 12 which time Open Public Session resumed.)
- 13 (Brief recess taken to open doors.)
- 14 CHAIRMAN LYNN: On the record, with
- 15 Mr. Hall excused, other Commissioners present as well as
- 16 staff, legal counsel, and consultant, part of legal
- 17 counsel.
- 18 Without objection, the Commission will
- 19 recess for one hour, reconvene at 1:00 p.m. today.
- 20 (Lunch recess taken.)
- 21 CHAIRMAN LYNN: The Commission will come to
- 22 order.
- For the record, all four Commissioners are
- 24 present with legal counsel, staff, and consultants.
- 25 Having heard the report from consultants and comments

- 1 from the public, I think it would be appropriate at this
- 2 point to move through the map in terms of the tests,
- 3 either that we have or would wish to further order, and
- 4 I'll be happy to take whoever wants to go first in
- 5 whichever area of the state they'd like to deal with.
- 6 Mr. Hall, are you --
- 7 COMMISSIONER HALL: I wasn't, but I can.
- 8 CHAIRMAN LYNN: I'll take whoever is ready.
- 9 Mr. Elder?
- 10 COMMISSIONER HALL: Dan is ready.
- 11 COMMISSIONER ELDER: I don't know I can
- 12 read, but I'll ramble.
- 13 Go to Tucson, please. I think the first
- 14 one that you brought up was the barrios district.
- 15 Can you either also bring up or show the
- 16 overlay of the previous T and W that matches the 2004
- 17 boundaries?
- 18 MR. JOHNSON: Sure, I'll show this. The
- 19 red line on the map you're looking at, the barrio border
- 20 as defined by the Commission, the test, T wrapping
- 21 around, and the barrio united in W, and the black line is
- 22 the border before the test which matches the 2004 border.
- 23 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Mr. Chairman, I'd like
- 24 to make a motion we reject the Barrios District as
- 25 conformed and go back to the previous district based on

- 1 testimony we had this morning. We did have testimony
- 2 from --
- 3 Do I need to wait for a second?
- 4 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Yes. That would be nice.
- Is there a second to the motion.
- 6 COMMISSIONER HALL: Second.
- 7 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Thank you.
- 8 Mr. Elder.
- 9 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Based on testimony we
- 10 had this morning, there was concern that the dividing
- 11 line really ran down the I-19 corridor, which is -- well,
- 12 it's shown there as designated by the freeway logo or
- 13 symbol and ran north and south. There is not much doubt
- 14 that there is Hispanic communities on both sides, that
- 15 there are barrios on both sides. From personal
- 16 experience, I've seen the division between the east and
- 17 the west and don't have any objection to running the
- 18 thing north and south. It's just that we had testimony
- 19 earlier that requested that we combine the barrios as a
- 20 whole entity. Since both of the barrios are in the
- 21 Hispanic VAP districts of T and W, I would propose that
- 22 we -- not propose, I suggest that their representation as
- 23 Hispanic communities of interest will be maintained even
- 24 though they are split. Therefore, I would like to
- 25 suggest to the counselors, Commissioners, that we go

- 1 ahead and reject the test that combine the barrios in W.
- 2 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Further discussion on the
- 3 motion?
- 4 Mr. Huntwork?
- 5 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Well, also we have
- 6 precleared districts in this area. Without a compelling
- 7 case for making the changes, I would be very reluctant to
- 8 do so. We certainly have considered, and we, I think,
- 9 are obligated to consider whether we can get any benefit
- 10 from allowing the Georgia vs. Ashcroft approach in this
- 11 area. But one of the elements of that is, I think,
- 12 unequivocal support from the groups that are affected.
- 13 And we certainly don't have unequivocal support for -- in
- 14 that area, for making changes in the preapproved plans.
- 15 And so I just think it would be somewhat foolhardy to
- 16 attempt to do so.
- 17 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Mr. Hall?
- 18 Mr. Elder?
- 19 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Mr. Chairman, I'd like
- 20 to respond to Mr. Huntwork's last comments.
- 21 One of the things that I find that has been
- 22 bothering me all the way through the process is that
- 23 we've been holding on very clearly to preapproved
- 24 districts. I don't find that that was in the judge's
- 25 order. If I'm wrong, counsel, please correct me. I'd

- 1 much rather see that we respond to the standards, rules,
- 2 regulations of the Voting Rights Act, maintaining the
- 3 Historic Districts, maintaining the Hispanic voting
- 4 influence in both districts unchanged, but just not move
- 5 the line because it was a preapproved line. I don't
- 6 think it would affect timing on preclearance or anything
- 7 else. I want to make sure that got on the record. I,
- 8 for one, object maintaining specific districts just
- 9 because they were sensitive before and had been
- 10 preapproved. Maybe that's all I need to say.
- 11 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Thank you, Mr. Elder.
- 12 I, too, concur with the analysis. That is
- 13 the basis of your motion. I think the testimony was
- 14 pretty compelling that the preference is to have the
- 15 barrios in the configuration that had been used prior.
- 16 And I think this motion restores that. I'm supportive of
- 17 that.
- 18 Further discussion on the motion?
- 19 All in favor of the motion, signify "Aye."
- 20 COMMISSIONER ELDER: "Aye."
- 21 COMMISSIONER HALL: "Aye."
- 22 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Chair votes "Aye."
- 23 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: "Aye."
- 24 Motion carries and is so ordered.
- 25 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Tossup or stay in

- 1 Tucson?
- 2 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Stay in Tucson? It's
- 3 easier to get around the state that way.
- 4 Mr. Elder.
- 5 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Yeah, that's probably
- 6 the area we need to look at next.
- 7 I made a motion to run a test in the area
- 8 trying to honor and respect communities of interest that
- 9 had been established and were a part of the communities
- 10 of interest that we voted on and maintained in the last
- 11 week or two as far as distinct communities of interest.
- 12 In looking at this plan with plan U, or District U, we're
- 13 probably now doing actually now more damage to three
- 14 communities of interest simultaneously than the previous
- 15 plan did, more encroachment across the city, county line.
- 16 There is more encroachment or division of the Foothills
- 17 community of interest. I'm not so sure that we really
- 18 gain much. We are also combining disparate communities
- 19 where we take a look at already the split Marana, then
- 20 bringing them all the way into the Flowing Wells district
- 21 of Tucson, neither of which really have any kind of
- 22 linkage. They are two different cities, two different
- 23 locations. And I don't feel that this test really
- 24 resolved any issues. If anything, it was detrimental to
- 25 the communities of interest that at least had some

- 1 ability to function. Now we probably don't. So for that
- 2 reason, I would suggest that this test should be
- 3 rejected. I would so move.
- 4 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Is there a second?
- 5 COMMISSIONER HALL: Second.
- 6 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Discussion on the motion.
- 7 Mr. Johnson, if you would, for just a
- 8 second, go back to the map without this test. I know the
- 9 lines are there, but I'd like to remove the test and look
- 10 at the previous districts.
- 11 I don't think all the red is a single
- 12 district.
- 13 Your pointing -- in trying to help
- 14 Mr. Johnson -- trying to help Mr. Johnson, that may not
- 15 have worked.
- MS. HAUSER: Which test?
- 17 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Foothills -- B2
- 18 without any of the ordered test lines in it.
- 19 The paragraph of the court order that we
- 20 are attempting to follow dictates that we need to favor
- 21 competitiveness where to do so does not create
- 22 significant detriment and here you have, in my judgment,
- 23 one of those dilemmas this court order creates. There's
- 24 no question that the district configuration in Tucson
- 25 represented by this map would only be put together to

- 1 achieve competitive districts. There is no other reason
- 2 for this configuration to exist. The difficulty here is
- 3 that despite some minor testimony this morning, the
- 4 record is not as complete as other parts of the state
- 5 about the communities that exist within the Tucson
- 6 general area and what might be considered a complete
- 7 understanding of what is being caused by this particular
- 8 configuration. However, having said that, our mission
- 9 under the court order favor competitiveness. This map
- 10 certainly does that. Tucson did not have competitive
- 11 districts when we began the process. This creates, I
- 12 believe, two.
- 13 Dr. McDonald.
- 14 DR. McDONALD: This, this map has three
- 15 competitive districts.
- 16 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Three.
- DR. McDONALD: V, U, Y.
- 18 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Three in the Tucson area.
- 19 It is for that reason and that reason alone I'll support
- 20 the motion.
- 21 Further discussion.
- 22 Mr. Huntwork.
- 23 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Mr. Chairman,
- 24 remind me, what is the motion? It's to?
- 25 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Reject the test, bring us

- 1 back to, for the moment, this configuration.
- 2 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Yes, thank you.
- 3 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Mr. Elder.
- 4 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Mr. Chairman,
- 5 Dr. McDonald, can you take me through your process,
- 6 getting from this to the test? I guess what I'm looking
- 7 for is, right now, as I stated when I asked for the test
- 8 was we had three, maybe four communities ask, cities,
- 9 towns, the Town of Oro Valley there, also. We didn't
- 10 have that in our pile of tricks. I was looking at just
- 11 the retirement communities up in the north section, the
- 12 Foothills, and the area South of the Foothills wholly
- 13 within the City of Tucson. My intent in ordering the
- 14 test, I wanted to see what the potential damage was done
- 15 to competitiveness if we tried to honor communities of
- 16 interest.
- 17 Was there no way to maybe honor two of the
- 18 three or at least one, all of it by itself and still
- 19 maintain competitiveness because the test came back
- 20 probably injuring more communities of interest when we
- 21 include cities and towns than we had before? I'm just
- 22 asking because I don't want to order a test with no hope
- 23 of having any resolution or benefit for or from, not for.
- 24 Excuse me. So I guess that's my question. Was anything
- 25 in the way of started, any premises you used which didn't

- 1 give you flexibility if we opened up the balance of
- 2 Marana in G, would that have benefited in the flexibility
- 3 to -- I'm just throwing things out, have no idea what the
- 4 effects of options and alternatives are.
- 5 MR. JOHNSON: Mr. Chairman, Mr. Elder, from
- 6 the communities' perspective, what we're looking at is
- 7 discussion of the urban incorporated Tucson area being
- 8 mixed in with other sections of U. As we did that,
- 9 trying to maintain competitiveness, since Y wasn't in any
- 10 of the areas we're looking at in the retirement areas,
- 11 the Foothills and that, we'd not mess with Y because it
- 12 is competitive. So we're looking at trades between U and
- 13 V. Had we, if we're going to the other approach, A, in
- 14 the series, which did not follow the 2004 series, those
- 15 plans all united Marana, had a somewhat more compact V,
- 16 but they had other issues the Commission has discussed.
- 17 So that is kind of a whole other track we
- 18 didn't go down in the test because of other decisions of
- 19 the Commission. We took U out of the, of incorporated
- 20 Tucson. Of course that has to go into somewhere, given
- 21 what just talked about. We that into V, then V was
- 22 coming down and had compactness problems, and all that.
- 23 Because then you had V starting up here north of Marana,
- 24 coming around the retirement communities, it's going into
- 25 the Foothills down along the neck here.

- 1 As we look to improve compactness and
- 2 respect as much as we could the communities as defined by
- 3 the Commission, that's where we ended up uniting the
- 4 eastern portion of Marana, in that area up there, to
- 5 balance out populations, improve compactness.
- 6 The communities, the Foothills would not
- 7 unite the two of them crossing and incorporating Tucson
- 8 per instruction, one of them crossing incorporated
- 9 Tucson. I don't know if there are other specifics in
- 10 terms of the number of competitive districts.
- 11 Dr. McDonald can comment.
- 12 DR. McDONALD: Other than what I already
- 13 stated, which is we, in the process of reducing the
- 14 number of competitive districts by not appear on this
- 15 maps, the new District B was not competitive.
- 16 MR. JOHNSON: So we did keep U as a
- 17 competitive district.
- 18 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Zoom out a little more
- 19 so we get to the bottom of T, even a little further out.
- 20 Let's get Sierra Vista and -- there we go.
- 21 This district, Y, Y is probably as nasty as
- 22 any district we have on the map from the standpoint of
- 23 little necks going in to pick up population. I'm
- 24 referring to the area of 22nd Street south leaving T
- 25 whole as we directed you. And that was to balance and

- 1 maintain competitiveness, I'm sure. We have an area that
- 2 had been a part of the Tucson proper area. It's highly
- 3 urbanized with the balance of the district. It's
- 4 substantially different from the standpoint that a rural
- 5 community in Sierra Vista, although probably one of the
- 6 fastest growing districts, Green Valley, Hispanic
- 7 districts south of T, rotate around, the fastest growing
- 8 area in the valley is Rita Ranch, then go into probably
- 9 what was described in this morning's testimony as the
- 10 blue collar working class area north of the air base.
- 11 And it's connected by a very small neck, which is the
- 12 same sort of condition we had when discussing or will
- 13 discuss in Mesa where we've got, it may fit the
- 14 Polsby-Popper compactness test. The functional
- 15 compactness way communities work it does do detriment to
- 16 the ability of these people to gain representation. If Y
- 17 was put into the mix, then we've got Y, U, V, leaving G,
- 18 W, T, as fixed in place.
- 19 Would that have changed your test
- 20 configuration? Would we have substantially lost
- 21 competitiveness, lost two districts, lost one, gained
- 22 three, four communities of interest?
- 23 MR. JOHNSON: I guess the communities of
- 24 interest we're looking at here are Broadway-Broadmoor
- 25 which really isn't impacted by any of this, the

- 1 Foothills, the retirement community, and rural urban
- 2 division. I mean, if Y was in the mix we could, you
- 3 know, make it more compact, take U out of the rural area,
- 4 perhaps, and focus U and V in the urban areas, but we've
- 5 had earlier versions that did that. These districts did
- 6 not come out as competitive in those tests. I guess in
- 7 terms of communities in Tucson, such as discussed this
- 8 morning, 22nd to Speedway, in those questions, those are
- 9 not part of defined communities, so we're not looking at
- 10 them in those tests.
- 11 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Other than they were
- 12 wholly within the City of Tucson.
- 13 MR. JOHNSON: Right, they do fall in the
- 14 rural urban issue and city issue.
- 15 MR. JOHNSON: I guess if there's a specific
- 16 interest you had, I could address that more clearly. In
- 17 general that would be, moved back toward earlier maps
- 18 that did not have three competitive districts in them.
- 19 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Mr. Chairman.
- 20 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Mr. Huntwork.
- 21 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: We were talking
- 22 about this as though trying to do the right thing is
- 23 actually the issue. We have a couple identified
- 24 communities of interest. The question is how many
- 25 competitive districts can we string together, however we

- 1 have to do it, without doing substantial detriment to
- 2 those, or our compactness test, or whatever. So I think
- 3 the argument, Dan, is it really, or the motion on the
- 4 floor is a simple one which you made in the first place:
- 5 The test did more damage than the map on the screen right
- 6 now. So, therefore, we ought to reject it.
- 7 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Further discussion of the
- 8 motion?
- 9 All those in favor, vote "Aye."
- 10 COMMISSIONER ELDER: "Aye."
- 11 COMMISSIONER HALL: "Aye."
- 12 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: "Aye."
- 13 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Chair votes "Aye."
- 14 Motion carries unanimously.
- Mr. Huntwork.
- 16 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Mr. Chairman, I am,
- 17 looking at the information I have in front of me, I lost
- 18 a page or two, I'm not sure how many competitive
- 19 districts are on that map right now.
- 20 COMMISSIONER HALL: Three.
- 21 DR. McDONALD: V, U, W are all competitive.
- 22 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Look at that. That
- 23 configuration cuts the Foothills community of interest in
- 24 half. Am I seeing things or is that not exactly what it
- 25 does?

- 1 COMMISSIONER HALL: That's correct.
- 2 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Now, I'm not sure
- 3 exactly how we're going to define substantial detriment
- 4 in all cases or apply all cases, but one thing seems
- 5 obvious to me. Cutting a community of interest almost
- 6 exactly in half is substantial detriment --
- 7 MS. HAUSER: Significant.
- 8 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: -- significant
- 9 detriment. Thank you.
- 10 I guess my question would be, if you were
- 11 to create two competition districts in the Tucson area,
- 12 or one competitive district the Tucson area, what would
- 13 it take to avoid cutting or at least substantially
- 14 cutting that Foothills area? What would be the impact?
- 15 Can you do it to one competitive district, uniting that,
- 16 eliminate uniting all competitive districts?
- 17 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Might I take the
- 18 opportunity to look and point at the map and see if it
- 19 brings any ideas?
- 20 CHAIRMAN LYNN: I think that would be
- 21 helpful. I know Dr. McDonald and Mr. Johnson in working
- 22 on the map and in trying to do the test may have some
- 23 opinions of their own. And then if Mr. Elder wants to
- 24 suggest another one, it might be able to react to that.
- 25 We don't necessarily want to mix the two, if we can.

- 1 I'll defer to you gentlemen, if
- 2 Dr. McDonald or Mr. Johnson have something they want to
- 3 offer or want to have the help of Mr. Elder.
- 4 DR. McDONALD: The reason the districts can
- 5 be competitive in the configuration with the Democrats
- 6 here is by splitting among the three districts. So
- 7 anything that is done to, in the way of consolidating the
- 8 Foothills here, is also going to consolidate the urban
- 9 area. And in doing so, you are likely to lose all three
- 10 competitive districts. If we try, there may be other
- 11 options of just splitting this area between Y and a
- 12 noncompact V. That may arrive at the solution. That is
- 13 one of the driving reasons why we had to consolidate this
- 14 area to the north, because otherwise it wraps around very
- 15 noncompact --
- 16 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Dr. McDonald, you
- 17 say "very noncompact."
- DR. McDONALD: Failed the 1.17
- 19 Polsby-Popper, yes.
- 20 MR. JOHNSON: Population numbers in terms
- 21 of the Foothills, there are three census places that make
- 22 up the Foothills which total roughly 123,000 people. And
- 23 then the community -- well, the places and city that make
- 24 up the retirement area are another 40. We haven't looked
- 25 up the Saddlebrooke number. I'm not sure how many are up

- 1 there. Between -- if you put the Foothills retirement
- 2 community together, you end up essentially with a whole
- 3 district. Given G, W, and T are unchanged, you end up
- 4 with another district. As Dr. McDonald was saying,
- 5 Marana is down here snaking around the Foothills and
- 6 picking up the Tucson area, a very unusual compactness
- 7 situation there. And given the population trades, the
- 8 only people that pick up from Y in that trade are people
- 9 Y get from picking up the U area. That's the mountain,
- 10 and there are only a couple hundred people at most there.
- 11 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Mr. Chairman, if I
- 12 may, one follow-up question.
- 13 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Mr. Huntwork.
- 14 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: If you were to,
- 15 talking about significant detriment, not necessarily
- 16 talking about keeping the community of interest entirely
- 17 whole.
- 18 I just looked at one you cut in half. It's
- 19 hard to find significant detriment if that's not it. The
- 20 question I'd ask: If you kind of round off the corner of
- 21 the retirement community of interest, maybe to some
- 22 extent just kind of taking the edges off, could you
- 23 possibly create a competitive district that passes the
- 24 Polsby-Popper test?
- 25 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Since ugly is not a

- 1 term used by the Judge or by any of the definitions of --
- 2 that the Commission informed us of this morning that the
- 3 demographics are being slided of in favor of real areas,
- 4 is there anything to taking this district and putting a
- 5 real ugly connection in and grabbing U? Where does
- 6 Polsby-Popper becomes compact if you could really stretch
- 7 that in any sort of way? I mean that's ugly, but yet you
- 8 pass the compactness.
- 9 MR. JOHNSON: We'd have to test it. I
- 10 don't know that there are the blocks to do the circle as
- 11 well. I think these are fairly large blocks that end up
- 12 taking --
- 13 MR. JOHNSON: Right now the City of Tucson,
- 14 the city limits, you incorporate the limits. As a matter
- 15 of fact, coming down past this area down here, I-10 south
- 16 of Vail and Rita Roads, you include Rita Ranch, it then
- 17 continues on up through T. But T was off the boards
- 18 because of the Hispanic District into the preapproved
- 19 aspect of it. But then we have one, two, three, four,
- 20 five, I think probably six splits in the City of Tucson
- 21 that previously should have two splits based on
- 22 population. We come down into different locations, split
- 23 the community of interest in the Foothills twice. We
- 24 completely combine one community here. That's the only
- 25 one in the whole thing that stayed together.

- 1 It seems like even this map does
- 2 substantial harm to the communities of interest,
- 3 substantial enough that losing the districts for
- 4 competitiveness seems to be appropriate. I don't know
- 5 how to make it better. Therefore I don't know that it's
- 6 even worth arguing the point anymore. I'd just protest
- 7 exactly what is happening here is in direct relation to
- 8 what the orders of the court were to be able to comply.
- 9 And it makes it ugly, does harm to our communities and to
- 10 the citizens of the state, but that is what is happening.
- 11 I don't know a way around it unless somebody can give me
- 12 some help.
- 13 MR. JOHNSON: Mr. Chairman.
- 14 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Mr. Johnson.
- 15 MR. JOHNSON: Not to disagree with anything
- 16 you said, but to set the record straight on numbers,
- 17 Tucson needs three splits. There are five in here, just
- 18 to set the record.
- 19 COMMISSIONER ELDER: T and W counts four of
- 20 them.
- 21 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Mr. Huntwork.
- 22 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Two different
- 23 things. Dan, you made a number of good points. I want
- 24 to make sure I understood what you were saying. On the
- 25 one hand we see significant detriment here. On the other

- 1 hand, you don't have to allow significant detriment. You
- 2 have to find seven competitive districts in total. Even
- 3 if it does significant detriment, that's what the court
- 4 ordered us to do. We have to be reasonable about this,
- 5 practical about it, but -- I think that is -- I think
- 6 that's what you were saying. Even if we violated -- for
- 7 example, if we did a district noncompact, so we did
- 8 significant detriment to compactness, the criteria
- 9 allowed us to respect communities of interest and create
- 10 two competitive districts in the Tucson area. That might
- 11 be something we need to do in order to comply with the
- 12 court's order.
- So I just raise -- I gathered that from
- 14 what you were saying. If it is, I agree with it, that's
- 15 what we have to do.
- 16 CHAIRMAN LYNN: We have both an absolute
- 17 and a relative standard to meet. Let me explain my
- 18 understanding. Absolute and relative standards cannot
- 19 both be simultaneously met. With an absolute standard
- 20 you cannot make a finding of significant detriment. When
- 21 we can make a finding of significant detriment is
- 22 relative to the bench mark of competitive districts which
- 23 the court is going to be looking for.
- 24 Ms. Hauser, is that inaccurate in any way?
- MS. HAUSER: No.

- 1 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Thank you.
- 2 And given those two criteria, my suggestion
- 3 would be, and it's procedural more than anything else,
- 4 that we go ahead and look at the other areas of the state
- 5 where tests have been ordered that may or may not have an
- 6 impact on competitiveness of the map. And let's deal
- 7 with those as we've dealt with the ones in Tucson to this
- 8 point. And then let's see what the map looks like and
- 9 see where we might be able to make findings that would
- 10 not only allow us to meet the relative standard but the
- 11 absolute standard.
- 12 CHAIRMAN LYNN: If there's no objection to
- 13 that, let's move to the other areas of the state where
- 14 tests were run and consider those.
- Mr. Huntwork.
- 16 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: I agree. Let's do
- 17 that.
- 18 CHAIRMAN LYNN: I'm sorry. I'm looking
- 19 over the shoulder only because I'm trying to look at
- 20 maps.
- 21 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Let's -- let's go to
- 22 Phoenix.
- 23 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Right to the big jaws,
- 24 the dilemma.
- MR. JOHNSON: Mr. Chairman, Chandler or

- 1 City of Phoenix, any preference where you start?
- 2 CHAIRMAN LYNN: We have to hit them all, so
- 3 pick one.
- 4 MR. JOHNSON: Districts test A are
- 5 virtually identical to test B. If you like, I'll bring
- 6 up the map you looked at before or whatever you would
- 7 like to see.
- 8 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: I'd like to see
- 9 something other than that.
- 10 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Mr. Hall.
- 11 COMMISSIONER HALL: Did you say "Mr. Hill"?
- 12 CHAIRMAN LYNN: But sometimes it feels
- 13 like --
- 14 Mr. Hall.
- 15 COMMISSIONER HALL: I was of the opinion
- 16 and stated a week ago I felt that the previous
- 17 configuration of District H caused significant detriment
- 18 to the City of Chandler wherein their representation was
- 19 basically dissected into three different districts. Now,
- 20 Mr. Chairman, by reason of this test, I'm of the opinion
- 21 we simply shifted the problem to Mesa, which I think
- 22 Mr. Jernigan said he couldn't drive down his district
- 23 with both doors open without killing his constituency.
- 24 MR. JERNIGAN: Half of it.
- 25 COMMISSIONER HALL: I think that's apropos

- 1 to this district. I know Mesa pretty well. The eastern
- 2 part of that district and the western part of that
- 3 district are not miles apart. This test does harm to the
- 4 City of Mesa and does not provide for adequate
- 5 representation to the citizens within that, and I move
- 6 that we reject this test.
- 7 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Second.
- 8 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Moved and seconded.
- 9 Discussion on the motion?
- 10 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Mr. Chairman.
- 11 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Mr. Huntwork.
- 12 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: I agree completely
- 13 with the sentiments that Mr. Hall expressed. I don't
- 14 know that we can, if we can reject the district when we
- 15 haven't found communities of interest inside Mesa, this
- 16 being a Mesa District. What I do find, however, that
- 17 this map created additional splits of the City of Mesa,
- 18 one of which is, I think, insignificant because it has
- 19 zero population, although, you know, we all know in
- 20 reality it probably does not have zero population
- 21 anymore. Nevertheless, the other is a significant number
- 22 of people and I think that that, certainly, is an
- 23 additional reason why this does significant detriment.
- 24 Also, it looks like one of those oil rigs with heavy
- 25 weights on both ends, a dumbbell district, exactly what

- 1 Prop 106 promised the people of Arizona we'd not be doing
- 2 anymore.
- 3 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Mr. Elder.
- 4 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Mr. Chairman, we're
- 5 looking at the effects of trying to find competitive
- 6 areas within a district. And we're going to have that
- 7 occur and have already seen it in the Tucson area, that
- 8 you've got to go great distances to find enough of one
- 9 party here, run and make a neck down until you find
- 10 another party there. That's happening in three of these
- 11 districts here to where you had to take one voter group
- 12 on the west side and find a way to connect to the east
- 13 side to get a competitive district. You had to do the
- 14 same thing. I don't see the letter, the green, wraps all
- 15 the way around H now.
- MR. JOHNSON: Yes.
- 17 COMMISSIONER ELDER: H, all the way around
- 18 X, to again pick up enough people to make a competitive
- 19 district, or at least attempt to make a competitive
- 20 district. Neither one of those, under my definition of
- 21 compactness, not the definition that we voted on and
- 22 agreed to, for the purposes of the court, allow people to
- 23 really participate in their government. It's a travesty
- 24 from that standpoint. Again, I'm looking for a way of
- 25 finding significant detriment where the only community of

- 1 interest is a town or a city because there was no
- 2 internalized communities of interest. And is that
- 3 enough? That's something we may need to debate. We'll
- 4 end up as we move on into Phoenix. This one is only 15
- 5 to 18 miles long. Take the corridor through some of the
- 6 ones in Phoenix that are upwards of 20, 25 miles long,
- 7 the one-mile width we have here, one-mile choke point,
- 8 it's not compact. It doesn't function as an area. They
- 9 don't have any kind of community ties. There is no glue
- 10 that holds them together. All the things asked for, the
- 11 people in the public as we went out on about the 52, 54
- 12 hearings or meetings we had falls apart in this area. I
- 13 can't believe that the judge would have required that we
- 14 do that, but it appears as though he has.
- 15 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Mr. Huntwork.
- 16 Well, actually, Dan, that's what I was
- 17 going to say. All that is true. But the judge, we're
- 18 following the order of the court. The thing that,
- 19 however, just applying the rules mechanically, we have
- 20 this district which created additional city splits in
- 21 Mesa, one of which I think is insignificant and
- 22 insubstantial, in other words, I believe one is
- 23 significant and substantial.
- 24 I'd like to ask Mr. Johnson, if he would,
- 25 to put up the -- this portion of the map in the

- 1 Competitive B2 without any tests. What I need him to do
- 2 is ask Dr. McDonald the net difference in competitive
- 3 districts between the test and the original map. I know
- 4 they won't be the same districts, but, in other words, in
- 5 looking at this portion of the map, does this portion of
- 6 the map contain the same number of competitive districts?
- 7 MR. JOHNSON: As?
- 8 DR. McDONALD: As the test?
- 9 CHAIRMAN LYNN: As the test.
- 10 DR. McDONALD: Mr. Chairman, Commissioners,
- 11 yes, it does.
- 12 CHAIRMAN LYNN: On the motion, further
- 13 discussion?
- 14 COMMISSIONER ELDER: And the motion is to
- 15 reject this test?
- 16 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Reject this test. All
- 17 those in favor of the motion, signify by saying "Aye."
- 18 COMMISSIONER ELDER: "Aye."
- 19 COMMISSIONER HALL: "Aye."
- 20 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: "Aye."
- 21 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Chair votes "Aye."
- 22 Motion carries unanimously.
- Mr. Huntwork.
- 24 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Mr. Chairman, on
- 25 the original map, that is the map we were looking at

- 1 yesterday prior to this test, I would like to make the
- 2 motion that the Chandler competitive, well, competitive
- 3 tests shown on this map does significant detriment to the
- 4 City of Chandler by increasing the number of city splits
- 5 from two to three.
- 6 CHAIRMAN LYNN: I'm with you. But if you
- 7 could just bear with me, I'd like to finish the testing
- 8 portion first.
- 9 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: I apologize,
- 10 Mr. Chairman. I'll withdraw the motion.
- 11 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Let's see where we are,
- 12 work through the map, if we may.
- 13 Let's go to Central Phoenix, or actually
- 14 west -- well, Central and West Phoenix.
- 15 MR. JOHNSON: Mr. Chairman, one area, two
- 16 tests, we can look at either one. Essentially B just
- 17 changes AA, J, K, and N, and A is the additional changes
- 18 to the north of it. I can bring up whichever one you
- 19 would like to see.
- 20 COMMISSIONER HALL: Mr. Chairman.
- 21 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Mr. Hall.
- 22 COMMISSIONER HALL: Doug, which map is
- 23 this?
- MR. JOHNSON: Test A.
- 25 COMMISSIONER HALL: I make a motion we

- 1 accept this test right here, Test A.
- 2 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Is there a second?
- 3 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Second.
- 4 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Discussion on the motion?
- 5 Mr. Huntwork.
- 6 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Mr. Chairman, Doug,
- 7 can you put up the city limits of Glendale?
- 8 MR. JOHNSON: Yes.
- 9 The test is the shading over the black
- 10 corridors. The city limits, the city limits are over the
- 11 red area.
- 12 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: This does for
- 13 Glendale what we did for Flagstaff earlier, if I can say
- 14 so. This accomplishes the almost impossible task, what
- 15 we thought was the impossible task of virtually uniting
- 16 the City of Glendale in a single district. There is,
- 17 there are minor splits, but the -- well, in two
- 18 districts, but the heart of the city has been brought
- 19 into a single district. Not only is the City of
- 20 Glendale, of course, a community of district, but the
- 21 record is replete with testimony about the importance of
- 22 that area and the connection of that area and the area to
- 23 the west, and so on. I think that is a great
- 24 accomplishment of this test.
- 25 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Further discussion on the

- 1 motion?
- 2 Mr. Elder.
- 3 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Mr. Chairman, can we
- 4 scroll down to where it includes the A and K -- J, there
- 5 we go. More a question or verification that A, N, and J
- 6 remain at the 53 or, you know, whatever percent -- it was
- 7 the percentage we were trying to get to and maintain for
- 8 the Hispanic VAP in those three districts and we still
- 9 have the majority in the districts we were looking for
- 10 there?
- 11 MR. JOHNSON: Mr. Chairman, Commissioner
- 12 Elder, yes, all three of those become majority Hispanic
- 13 voting age and they are at 52, 53, 55 percent Hispanic
- 14 voting age. In each case there is some change. As was
- 15 discussed in the request and instruction, these include
- 16 those communities and figures.
- 17 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Then for just the
- 18 benefit of the record, to the best of your knowledge, or
- 19 ability, we responded to what the Coalition requested as
- 20 far as the moves to be able to generate these percentages
- 21 in this area?
- 22 MR. JOHNSON: Yes, other than like the
- 23 north side of A and the K-N switch that had not been
- 24 discussed, everything that was discussed was done.
- 25 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Thank you.

- 1 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Mr. Huntwork.
- 2 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Doug, can you put
- 3 the other test superimposed on this?
- 4 MR. JOHNSON: Sure.
- 5 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: I really want to
- 6 see what the differences are in Glendale, basically. So
- 7 leave Glendale up. Maybe you can impose the lines or --
- 8 MR. JOHNSON: Let me change colors.
- 9 COMMISSIONER HALL: It's all one color to
- 10 Jim, anyway.
- 11 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Great.
- 12 MR. JOHNSON: The white lines are the other
- 13 test, test B. The colors are test A, so you see the
- 14 differences.
- 15 Let me take the double letters off.
- 16 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Okay. Now, if my
- 17 colors, if my eyes don't deceive me, and they might,
- 18 Glendale was split -- it's split three ways in both tests
- 19 or split four ways in the other --
- 20 MR. JOHNSON: Three ways in both tests.
- 21 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Three ways in both
- 22 tests. In one test, kind of the heart of Glendale is
- 23 together, and the third split is up at the northern tip,
- 24 is that right, in the test that we are looking at now,
- 25 the first test we're looking at? I'm trying to make sure

- 1 I see correctly.
- 2 MR. JOHNSON: Mr. Chairman, Commissioner
- 3 Huntwork, the test referred to the west Glendale heart,
- 4 central section corner, North Glendale. Test A unites
- 5 the west and southeastern corner in one district
- 6 together, and then the north is largely intact. It does
- 7 lose the very north piece of it.
- 8 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Right. But most of
- 9 the north is, in fact, intact in one district.
- 10 Do you have population densities in there?
- 11 Never mind. If it's easy, though, I'd like to know, but
- 12 not -- I remember from the other day it's not that easy.
- Okay, that's fine. Thank you.
- 14 MR. JOHNSON: I should note just from work
- 15 done with Glendale, that whole, the heart of Glendale up
- 16 north is fairly of similar density. The differences the
- 17 city talks about, when they developed very different
- 18 characteristics, very dense, recently developed, that's
- 19 why they distinguish from the southeast corner.
- 20 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Again, the question with
- 21 respect to competitiveness, Dr. McDonald?
- 22 DR. McDONALD: I'm having Ms. Leoni tell
- 23 Ms. Hauser to tell me.
- 24 CHAIRMAN LYNN: A bird told me.
- 25 Between the two tests, comment on the

- 1 relative competitiveness on this area of the map.
- 2 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Original, this test to
- 3 the second.
- 4 DR. McDONALD: In the original test we had
- 5 an uncompetitive K, just ones affected in terms of
- 6 competitiveness, rather than go through them all, an
- 7 uncompetitive K and competitive O. In -- well, M was
- 8 competitive and L was competitive. In the test, the
- 9 line -- lines rather than the colored-in shaded, that has
- 10 a competitive K and a competitive O in addition to
- 11 competitive M and competitive L. The test which is the
- 12 shaded test has a competitive K, M, and L but not a
- 13 competitive O.
- 14 COMMISSIONER HALL: So, just to confirm, if
- 15 we accepted this test, pursuant to the motion, the whole
- 16 state currently has 10 competitive districts; is that
- 17 right? I'm not saying we're finished, just trying to
- 18 keep score, here, where are we at, three in Tucson --
- 19 DR. McDONALD: Three in Tucson.
- 20 COMMISSIONER HALL: Three.
- DR. McDONALD: M, K, L, H -- H and D and B,
- 22 and BB, so we'll have 10, correct.
- 23 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Further discussion on the
- 24 motion?
- 25 Mr. Huntwork?

- 1 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Okay. I'm going to
- 2 vote for this motion because the, as compared with the
- 3 other test, this -- the other test does, in my opinion,
- 4 have significant detriment on Glendale, in comparison
- 5 with this one. That's the key. This one does the best
- 6 job of any map we have seen of uniting Glendale. And the
- 7 other, then, would disrupt that in a way that I believe
- 8 does have significant detriment.
- 9 CHAIRMAN LYNN: I agree with that,
- 10 Mr. Huntwork. I believe in terms of our definition, we
- 11 are talking about significant detriment where it relates
- 12 to representation. And the way Glendale is laid out, the
- 13 way testimony about Glendale has come into the Commission
- 14 over and over again, is the Old Town area of Glendale,
- 15 with it's characteristics, you very much need to have
- 16 common representation, and, therefore, would suffer
- 17 significant detriment were they to be split in a manner
- 18 that the other test accomplishes. And it is for that
- 19 reason that I, too, am supportive of this test as opposed
- 20 to it. I feel your point is extremely well-taken with
- 21 respect to this particular community of interest.
- 22 Further discussion on the motion?
- 23 Mr. Elder.
- 24 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Mr. Johnson, turn off
- 25 all others. Let's see the one we're going to vote on

- 1 here.
- Okay. Thank you.
- 3 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Back it out?
- 4 Make sure which line I was looking at.
- 5 All those in favor of the motion to accept
- 6 this test, this is the February 22nd Test B, signify by
- 7 saying "Aye."
- 8 COMMISSIONER HALL: "Aye."
- 9 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: "Aye."
- 10 COMMISSIONER ELDER: "Aye."
- 11 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Chair votes "Aye."
- 12 Opposed, "no"?
- 13 Motion carries unanimously.
- To Mr. Hall's point earlier, if you'd be so
- 15 kind as to go through the test, give a running tally in
- 16 the map as we address these, I mean it would be helpful.
- 17 DR. McDONALD: Currently, as of this
- 18 adoption, there are 10 competitive districts.
- 19 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Thank you, Dr. McDonald.
- Okay. Are we finished in Phoenix?
- MR. JOHNSON: Yes.
- 22 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Let's move north?
- 23 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Sure.
- 24 CHAIRMAN LYNN: We had a test on AA, I
- 25 believe.

- 1 MR. JOHNSON: Yes.
- Mr. Chairman, this is the test where BB
- 3 picked up some population from AA, and then R picked up a
- 4 little more population from BB to shift population down,
- 5 primarily from the Grand Canyon and Tusayan areas which
- 6 were picked up into BB.
- 7 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Again, would, would you
- 8 help me with -- I know I can look it up, but the Native
- 9 American VAP before and after the test.
- 10 MR. JOHNSON: Mr. Chairman, before we did
- 11 this test, back on the Competitive B2 plan, the Native
- 12 American voting age percentage in AA was 59.77 percent.
- 13 The district was actually overpopulated by 1.2 percent.
- 14 The version shown, the screen has a -- passes the
- 15 compactness test and AA is underpopulated by 55/100ths of
- 16 a percent and the Native American voting age population
- 17 is 60.83 percent.
- 18 The other two things we looked at in the
- 19 test which had compactness scores, BB is below the
- 20 compactness score you are using giving 1.75 deviation in
- 21 AA which gets us up to 61.83 for a 2.6 percent deviation
- 22 in AA which gets us to 62.1.
- 23 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Mr. Elder?
- 24 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Mr. Chairman,
- 25 Mr. Johnson, what was the total minority percentage in

- 1 the before and after?
- 2 MR. JOHNSON: Before, in the Competitive B2
- 3 plan, the total voting age minority was 64.21. And it
- 4 is, in the test on the screen, test A and test B, it is
- 5 65.05.
- 6 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Changes made to AA in order
- 7 to accomplish this, highlight once again, along A and the
- 8 long series of tests, the areas of -- in exchange with
- 9 BB?
- 10 MR. JOHNSON: Yes.
- 11 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Would you highlight those.
- 12 MR. JOHNSON: Sure.
- We did the black outline here which is BB,
- 14 so the change was the Grand Canyon Village area was in
- 15 AA. Plan B2 has now moved south. There was a small fix
- 16 to the leg on the reservation there which moved into AA
- 17 because of zero population, then over south of the
- 18 reservation in Mohave County, essentially between the
- 19 freeway and reservation border east of Kingman. And New
- 20 Kingman, we moved that area into District BB. And then
- 21 right along the river we moved unincorporated areas also
- 22 south from A into BB. And an additional test, I
- 23 mentioned going into higher deviations, just take that
- 24 river arm further north.
- 25 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Thank you.

- 1 Is there a motion with respect to this
- 2 test?
- 3 Mr. Huntwork.
- 4 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: I want to make sure
- 5 I understand what happened with BB and the result of
- 6 this. You just can't look at these as one district in
- 7 isolation. BB was a competitive district, I want to make
- 8 sure it still is and still will be. When you move
- 9 population in, you have to move population out, maintain
- 10 competition.
- 11 DR. McDONALD: BB maintains its competitive
- 12 status.
- 13 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: After equalizing
- 14 population.
- 15 DR. McDONALD: In the tests, both test A
- 16 and B they remain a competitive district.
- 17 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Okay.
- 18 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Move people out of
- 19 BB where?
- 20 MR. JOHNSON: Lake Havasu there's a split.
- 21 We just increased the split, split population in R from
- 22 Lake Havasu.
- 23 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Bear with me. Lake
- 24 Havasu City is a community of interest. You just said we
- 25 split a community of interest. We're doing this in order

- 1 to create a competitive district? Tell me more about it.
- 2 I need to know whether that is significant detriment to
- 3 that community of interest.
- 4 MR. JOHNSON: Sure.
- 5 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: You said we split
- 6 it further doing more damage to it.
- 7 MR. JOHNSON: I don't know if you are
- 8 familiar with the streets in Lake Havasu City or not, but
- 9 we are -- it is not a city that is laid out in a grid
- 10 fashion by any means. The first split was around Rolling
- 11 Hills Drive, Totum Drive, and Demaret, D E M A R E T,
- 12 Drive. Now with this change it's along Saddlebrooke
- 13 Drive, Blue Grass Drive, and -- looks like Chip Drive.
- 14 In terms -- oops, in terms of people, it will just take
- 15 me a minute here.
- 16 CHAIRMAN LYNN: As you are doing that,
- 17 Mr. Johnson, it occurs to me when you are dealing with
- 18 urban areas, I know this is on a relative scale, when you
- 19 are dealing with urban areas, urbanized Phoenix, with
- 20 it's 18, 21 incorporated areas in the metropolitan area,
- 21 it's often very difficult to really realize when you move
- 22 from Phoenix to Chandler, Phoenix to Tempe. I mean we
- 23 know where boundaries are, as you are driving through
- 24 them, not necessarily as evident as it is in other
- 25 places. When you get into the rural areas it's really

- 1 easy to figure out when you come to town. It has a
- 2 different feel to it, a different concept, a different
- 3 ambience.
- 4 I guess the point is that when we go out
- 5 of our way to split a city we identified as a community
- 6 of interest, and particularly a city like Lake Havasu
- 7 which is a rapidly growing city and one that has probably
- 8 expanded much beyond the 2000 map you have there, it
- 9 becomes difficult because you've now linked it with two
- 10 districts where an enormous amount of population is
- 11 elsewhere. And wherever those wind, in whichever
- 12 districts, they're sure to be different in character from
- 13 this particular district, this particular portion of the
- 14 district. And that is really troublesome to me.
- 15 Mr. Huntwork.
- 16 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Particularly here
- 17 we have a District with two cities at opposite ends, two
- 18 cities that have no community of interest between them,
- 19 between each other, but strong communities of interest in
- 20 themselves. And one of them is being kept whole and the
- 21 other is being split. And that may be, you know, that
- 22 may be the control of this district, which pole actually,
- 23 which end is actually on the heavier side of the balance
- 24 here because of the long, empty space in between, which
- 25 way will the scales tilt. We're changing the balance,

- 1 the further we tip this, the more we change the balance.
- 2 Splitting it at all is a concern.
- 3 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Mr. Chairman,
- 4 Commissioners, the initial test before B2, there are
- 5 roughly 5,900 people from Lake Havasu put into District R
- 6 out of total population of 42,000, so almost 10 percent,
- 7 nine percent. The additional split put, I think, 6,000
- 8 more people in, so around 11, 12 thousand people, a
- 9 quarter of the city.
- 10 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Mr. Hall.
- 11 COMMISSIONER HALL: I've been in Lake
- 12 Havasu a couple times in the last couple months. It's my
- 13 recollection, that portion we're referring to, the very
- 14 highly residential areas, and -- it's not like we're
- 15 dealing with, you know, a downtown shopping center or
- 16 something. I think, really, the number of people
- 17 probably is -- it is certainly significant, much more
- 18 significant now. Havasu has over 50,000 now and is very
- 19 rapidly growing.
- 20 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Well, it is getting to be a
- 21 long day and long week, but I don't know we have a
- 22 motion, just looking at the district. Is there a motion
- 23 with respect to the test run on AA?
- 24 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Mr. Chairman.
- 25 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Mr. Huntwork.

- 1 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Just so we focus on
- 2 this, I move we reject the test.
- 3 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Is there a second?
- 4 COMMISSIONER HALL: Second.
- 5 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Discussion?
- 6 Mr. Huntwork.
- 7 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Well, this is a
- 8 complex analysis, because we're not just dealing with
- 9 competitiveness here, although it's one of the things
- 10 we're dealing with. We're also dealing with a voting
- 11 rights district and a very important one and very
- 12 complicated one in AA as well as a competitive one in BB.
- 13 The Navajo position is that they are going to oppose any
- 14 retrogression in their district.
- 15 Based on the information that I understand
- 16 about the effectiveness of the voting on the Navajo
- 17 reservation, I believe that they had an effective
- 18 district before this test occurred and that the damage
- 19 that we do to this community of interest is significant.
- 20 And it's not that I have a problem with the results of
- 21 the test in AA, but I have a problem with the ripple
- 22 effect that it causes in other districts. And so I want
- 23 to reject this test not because of what it does to AA but
- 24 because of what it does to BB and, in particular, to what
- 25 it does to Lake Havasu City. If there were another way

- 1 to circulate population out of BB that doesn't have that
- 2 effect, then I would certainly reconsider. I just -- you
- 3 know, I just don't want to see it happen that way.
- 4 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Mr. Hall?
- 5 COMMISSIONER HALL: Well, what it does do,
- 6 though, too, in addition, in the change between AA and
- 7 BB, is it moves Grand Canyon Village back into BB, right?
- 8 MR. JOHNSON: Mr. Chairman, yes, moves them
- 9 into BB, yes.
- 10 COMMISSIONER HALL: From AA to BB.
- 11 MR. JOHNSON: Correct.
- 12 COMMISSIONER HALL: From a community of
- 13 interest standpoint, while I agree, Mr. Huntwork said
- 14 Lake Havasu, I think, that is a good move. Certainly
- 15 they fit more appropriately with Flagstaff simply because
- 16 they can't go north there because there's a little
- 17 canyon. So I --
- 18 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Small gully.
- 19 COMMISSIONER HALL: Just a little one. So
- 20 that is a redeeming factor of the test. However, I
- 21 concur with concerns relative to Lake Havasu.
- 22 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Mr. Chairman, just
- 23 a quickie, Joshua. You will never here me criticize you
- 24 talking judgment, common sense, wisdom, and so on. We
- 25 didn't find the Grand Canyon Village, and so on, as a

- 1 community of interest, so we can't find that as a reason.
- 2 We can use the natural boundary geography as a reason.
- 3 Your point there is apropos.
- 4 CHAIRMAN LYNN: I don't think there is
- 5 another natural boundary that can match it in the state.
- 6 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Or anywhere in the
- 7 world.
- 8 CHAIRMAN LYNN: As being a divider.
- 9 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Mr. Chairman,
- 10 Mr. Johnson, all the way around the Colorado there are a
- 11 series of Indian tribes and reservations there. Are they
- 12 all kept whole in all of these options or are any of them
- 13 divided?
- 14 MR. JOHNSON: They are kept whole except
- 15 for a couple of them have noncontiguous square miles far
- 16 to the south, that kind of thing, but the main body of
- 17 each reservation is, indeed, intact.
- 18 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Mr. Huntwork.
- 19 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: How many people are
- 20 in Bagdad? You were talking about moving that into
- 21 Yavapai earlier, another way to shed population.
- 22 MR. JOHNSON: Mr. Chairman, Commissioner
- 23 Huntwork, there are 1,578 people in Bagdad. Those could
- 24 be moved into CC rather than the additional population of
- 25 Lake Havasu. Of course, we'd need to test the impact on

- 1 competitiveness and compactness from doing that shift.
- 2 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: What other
- 3 population areas are there along the southern boundary of
- 4 BB?
- 5 MR. JOHNSON: There is Ash Fork which was
- 6 also mentioned earlier, kind of over in the middle, not a
- 7 lot of population in it, Seligman, another 456, between
- 8 the 3,000, a little over 3,000 people, reducing the neck
- 9 of BB there. That's the impact of that.
- 10 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Right. And
- 11 continuing on around the horn, any others before you get
- 12 to Flagstaff?
- 13 MR. JOHNSON: Small numbers of population
- 14 in unincorporated noncensus places, no incorporated areas
- 15 or census places until you get to Flagstaff.
- 16 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Okay.
- 17 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Further discussion on the
- 18 motion?
- 19 If not, all those in favor of the motion
- 20 signify by saying "Aye."
- 21 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: "Aye."
- 22 COMMISSIONER HALL: "Aye."
- 23 COMMISSIONER ELDER: "Aye."
- 24 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Chair votes "Aye."
- 25 Motion carries unanimously.

- 1 Dr. McDonald, still at 10?
- DR. McDONALD: Still at 10.
- 3 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Thank you very much.
- 4 District R, as we move along here. The
- 5 issue was the fairly narrow connector. Even though it
- 6 met the definition, it was narrow. We asked you to see
- 7 if it could be widened out some. Just review what
- 8 transpired with the widening.
- 9 MR. JOHNSON: The neck, you can see here
- 10 the white line was the previous neck where R was
- 11 connected between what happened in District 24 and the
- 12 Yavapai County line. We've widened that out by going
- 13 into Yavapai County. You get 20, 30 people, get a
- 14 smaller number of people in La Paz County. What was
- 15 District 24 is now District DD, east of Wendon and
- 16 Salome, and that brings the compactness score of District
- 17 R up.
- 18 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Are those by large
- 19 individual census tracts that were added?
- 20 MR. JOHNSON: We were looking to get a
- 21 relatively compact, smooth border rather than individual
- 22 jogs, so we were looking more at compactness than where
- 23 the exact tract was.
- 24 CHAIRMAN LYNN: I'm wondering if you could

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- 1 other words, if you rejected the top portion but accepted
- 2 the bottom portion, which improves it some but doesn't
- 3 split the county.
- 4 MR. JOHNSON: Correct. I don't know where
- 5 that would end up on the score, though.
- 6 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Do we have a county
- 7 as a community of interest in that area?
- 8 COMMISSIONER HALL: It's split.
- 9 CHAIRMAN LYNN: This is an additional
- 10 split.
- 11 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Mr. Chairman, no
- 12 motion here. I don't find that small number of people to
- 13 be significant detriment without something, a natural
- 14 resource that isn't related to the number of people that
- 15 live there.
- 16 MR. JOHNSON: Mr. Chairman, Commissioner
- 17 Huntwork, testimony this morning was along that line that
- 18 was not a significant split.
- 19 COMMISSIONER HALL: Mr. Chairman, I move we
- 20 accept this test.
- 21 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Second?
- 22 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Second.
- 23 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Further discussion on the
- 24 motion?
- 25 All those in favor of the motion, signify

- 1 by saying "Aye."
- COMMISSIONER ELDER: "Aye."
- 3 COMMISSIONER HALL: "Aye."
- 4 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Chair votes "Aye."
- 5 Motion carries.
- We need to take a 15-minute break.
- We'll reconvene in 15 minutes.
- 8 (Recess taken.)
- 9 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Back on the record.
- 10 All four Commissioners are present, legal
- 11 counsel, consultants, and staff.
- 12 Mr. Johnson, does that, does that complete
- 13 the first round of test review? Have we missed anything?
- 14 MR. JOHNSON: No, that's the fullest.
- 15 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Okay. Mr. Elder.
- 16 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Mr. Chairman,
- 17 Mr. Johnson, I would like to take a look back at Tucson.
- 18 And while you are doing that, Doctor, that's a glassy
- 19 stare, McDonald, we're standing at nine competitive, or
- 20 standing at 10 competitive districts by your running
- 21 total?
- DR. McDONALD: At the moment we're standing
- 23 at 10 competitive districts.
- 24 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Okay.
- 25 Mr. Chairman, I want to revisit Tucson

- 1 because I don't believe in the spirit and intent of
- 2 Judge Fields' order that we can go through there and lose
- 3 three competitive districts to hold the communities of
- 4 interest whole.
- 5 What I'd like to do is I'd like to describe
- 6 another test to see if we can generate a minimum of two.
- 7 I would hope for two. I don't want to say "minimum" in
- 8 the direction. We need to at least maintain one and
- 9 hopefully two districts in the core of Tucson. And that
- 10 would leave us with the, I want to say, good humor of the
- 11 court as well as doing the best job we can in the intent
- 12 that the order was placed to us.
- 13 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Is that in the form of a
- 14 motion?
- 15 COMMISSIONER ELDER: To run a test, yes.
- 16 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Is there a second?
- 17 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Well, second.
- 18 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Thank you.
- 19 Would you like to be heard, Mr. Huntwork.
- 20 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: What test?
- 21 COMMISSIONER ELDER: I'm getting ready to
- 22 describe that as soon as they got the screen up and
- 23 going.
- 24 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Fill in a blank here and
- 25 describe --

- 1 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Since I verbally
- 2 didn't communicate last night when trying to describe a
- 3 possibility, there were some assumptions. And just
- 4 looking at the densities and the way things were put
- 5 together, I would like to try to describe some parameters
- 6 or some focus that might preclude the same thing from
- 7 happening that occurred on the original test, on the
- 8 second test on Tucson.
- 9 If I could go to the screen and describe as
- 10 much as possible, see if that gives Doug and Dr. McDonald
- 11 and the rest of my Commissioners a sense of where I'm
- 12 going, I'd like to do that.
- 13 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Mr. Elder, what I prefer,
- 14 you may like to do it exactly that way, let me suggest if
- 15 you could share with the consultants the outcome you are
- 16 looking for in terms of either communities of interest or
- 17 other features other than getting into the specific
- 18 manipulation. There may be two, three ways to do
- 19 something to achieve the outcome you are looking for. I
- 20 understand --
- 21 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Okay. I'm going to do
- 22 it my way. I'll also try to give you a conceptual
- 23 approach to it.
- 24 The conceptual approach is to maintain the
- 25 communities of interest described in the City of Tucson,

- 1 the Foothills, the retirement communities; we also have
- 2 the town of Oro Valley; and there's an edge on Marana in
- 3 the area in play. Because the other district is one of
- 4 the -- that is to west of Marana, that is in the Voting
- 5 Rights Act area. So that district, W and T, are not to
- 6 be modified or touched, as I would view it. With that
- 7 said, then what happened the last time is we ended up
- 8 with four vertical breaks going down through the City of
- 9 Tucson that were connected to some horizontal breaks in
- 10 the Foothills that didn't follow any kind of land form,
- 11 geography, roadway system, just horizontal lines that
- 12 divided something. I'm not quite sure what it divided,
- 13 but it reeked -- "reeked" -- yeah, probably a good word,
- 14 reeked havoc on the communities of interest there.
- 15 I'd like to give some edges of where you
- 16 can keep moving across this way to achieve, probably move
- 17 this way to achieve, move where, I don't have enough
- 18 without a computer, again, to do what Jim was saying,
- 19 clicking on what Jim was saying, how many Republicans,
- 20 Democrats. I have to depend on the doctor and Doug to do
- 21 it. I'll try to speak loudly so everybody can hear.
- 22 These were the areas where we have the two
- 23 retirement communities. Keep the Town of Oro in whole
- 24 here and the eastern part of Marana. You may very well
- 25 be we tie those together. There should probably more

- 1 Democrats here, far more Republicans in this area, and
- 2 coming on down until you start picking up population for
- 3 a district. We have a river that was dividing the
- 4 Foothills District from the city. There are roads
- 5 through the Foothills that the primary flow is north to
- 6 south. We have very few roads, I'm looking at this, I'd
- 7 say we have very few roads in this area of the Foothills
- 8 that run east to west. It seems like most people feed on
- 9 the outcome of communities and go onto these roads having
- 10 flexibility to move across the Foothills using Oracle,
- 11 First Avenue, Campbell, I mean a whole series that tie,
- 12 people recognize as edges of communities even within the
- 13 Foothills from Catalina Foothills, Cat 1, Cat 2, Cat 9,
- 14 and they pretty much follow these roads.
- 15 When you get into the City of Tucson, get
- 16 into that area, the University of Arizona, I believe
- 17 about right in here, this district in one of -- I want to
- 18 say previous plans of a year ago came over probably to
- 19 Campbell, but we have the same demographics there. Maybe
- 20 to the north of University make maybe -- going through in
- 21 a vertical direction, end up with something, enough
- 22 Democrats in this area, enough Republicans in this area,
- 23 and Democrats spill over. The assumption, I don't know
- 24 if it will fly, but it may, with the City of Tucson in
- 25 the configuration primarily south of the river, we're

- 1 going to have far more Democrats at that point than we do
- 2 Republicans. But we are also holding, this says W, W or
- 3 T, right south of the City of Tucson, here we go, Y, T,
- 4 this core in the City of Tucson, we also have the
- 5 Democrats here to the east of University, also have
- 6 within the city limits, we have Republicans down in Rita
- 7 Ranch, the Hispanic community of Rita Ranch you don't
- 8 want in that area, which is how the notch got here in the
- 9 first place. Balance these Republicans with Democrats we
- 10 pick up there. It gives up Y. I don't see any way there
- 11 are enough Democrats left to get. You can't go across
- 12 the Foothills, couldn't get any before. You can't come
- 13 across there in my mind. I don't know where there were
- 14 any Democrats before. Third, competitive, to keep Y,
- 15 just in my heart of hearts I don't know how you can do
- 16 that. You might get us two competitive districts in the
- 17 City of Tucson, this being one competitive district and
- 18 the part here being competitive, and then this Y picking
- 19 up the Foothills more rural, more density, Green Valley
- 20 at the bottom, Sierra Vista, both Rs. The whole rural is
- 21 R, the Foothill is R. Mesa, as far as density goes, does
- 22 get us the potential, I hope, of two competitive
- 23 districts, and it for the most part keeps the Foothills
- 24 as a community of interest we were looking for as a whole
- 25 which honors, really, to a greater extent the city limits

- 1 of Tucson, combines retirement, resort communities, the
- 2 growing new subdivisions of Marana, not agriculture, and
- 3 seems to make sense communities of interest all the way
- 4 through. That was my guess. That's what I would like to
- 5 test.
- 6 Any other questions, Doug, for the
- 7 Commission to see where we go from there?
- 8 Mr. Huntwork?
- 9 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: I'd like to add so
- 10 we don't have to do multiple tests if we find we can't do
- 11 two, do one that preserves communities of interest. We
- 12 don't want to, you know, by misdefining this miss at
- 13 least the opportunity to do one if that's the only
- 14 opportunity we have.
- 15 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Does everyone understand
- 16 the motion that, in fact, was a motion, may have been the
- 17 world's longest motion, a motion with explanation, to run
- 18 a test?
- 19 I should ask Mr. Johnson, Dr. McDonald,
- 20 based on their knowledge, how much work is involved in
- 21 running this particular test.
- 22 Let me ask it. Let me ask the question
- 23 later of other tests we're also ordering. There may be
- 24 an accumulation of testing.
- 25 Ms. Hauser.

- 1 MS. HAUSER: The only request I have at
- 2 this point is an attempt -- it's helpful to have the
- 3 description there, to attempt in some fashion to frame
- 4 the motion in a way someone reading it from the record
- 5 would know. Dan has explained what he intends to have
- 6 accomplished graphically, visually. But if we could have
- 7 it concisely put into some kind of words that somebody
- 8 reading this --
- 9 CHAIRMAN LYNN: I'll try.
- 10 MS. HAUSER: You know it's impossible to
- 11 read the record and know what that was.
- 12 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Ms. Hauser, if I knew what
- 13 you were saying, life would be a lot better.
- 14 Let me attempt to do that.
- 15 I believe the intent of Mr. Elder's motion
- 16 is as follows: The current map does clear, significant
- 17 detriment to the communities identified in the Tucson
- 18 area, those being the City of Tucson, the Foothills, the
- 19 retirement areas, the Town of Marana, Town of Oro Valley,
- 20 that there may be a way to restore the damage that has
- 21 been done to those areas in terms of combining voting
- 22 blocks from what currently appears as District V,
- 23 District U, and District Y in such a way as to better
- 24 provide the opportunity for representation of those areas
- 25 and in doing so still maintain a, hopefully two,

- 1 competitive districts in the area, but to Mr. Huntwork's
- 2 point, it may require that that area only contain one
- 3 competitive district. Our hope would be that we could
- 4 restore the opportunity for appropriate representation in
- 5 those areas and still maintain two competitive districts.
- 6 MS. HAUSER: Effective representation.
- 7 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Effective representation
- 8 and maintain those districts.
- 9 Is that closer to what you had in mind?
- 10 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Close.
- 11 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Made it up. Make them all
- 12 up.
- 13 COMMISSIONER HALL: Crystal clear.
- 14 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Discussion on that motion?
- 15 All those in favor of the motion signify by
- 16 saying "Aye."
- 17 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: "Aye."
- 18 COMMISSIONER HALL: "Aye."
- 19 COMMISSIONER ELDER: "Aye."
- 20 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Chair votes "Aye."
- 21 Motion carries and is so ordered.
- Other tests we might want to run?
- 23 What I'm envisioning, just for the sake of
- 24 the Commission, the point which I'll ask Mr. Johnson,
- 25 Dr. McDonald, how much time is necessary to complete the

- 1 testing phase we're currently ordering? I'd intend at
- 2 that point to take a break, allow them complete testing,
- 3 reconvene at whatever hour they suggest, and continue
- 4 with our questions toward the selection of a map that we
- 5 might further consider in this process.
- 6 Mr. Huntwork.
- 7 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: One other test I
- 8 might talk about a little bit. I also want to talk about
- 9 Chandler. I attempted earlier to make a motion we find
- 10 significant detriment to Chandler. I'd like to deal with
- 11 that sooner rather than later. That one is burning a
- 12 hole in my pocket. I don't know if anyone else agrees.
- 13 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Fine.
- 14 COMMISSIONER HALL: Based on this map.
- 15 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Based on this map,
- 16 I make a motion the Commission finds this map does
- 17 substantial detriment to the City of Chandler by dividing
- 18 it into three districts instead of two and by failing to
- 19 give it a clear, substantial majority in any of those
- 20 districts.
- 21 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Is there a second?
- 22 COMMISSIONER HALL: I second that.
- 23 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Discussion on the motion?
- 24 I think, for the record, you know, I ask
- 25 the Commission to be as specific as possible. We have a

- 1 set of specific criteria we're applying, and that
- 2 criteria needs to be applied evenly, consistently, across
- 3 our map. With that in mind.
- 4 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Well, Mr. Chairman,
- 5 significant detriment has to do with the ability of
- 6 Chandler as a city to substantially control at least one
- 7 district in the Legislature. It currently has that
- 8 ability. And I think the testimony was, and I think the
- 9 numbers are that, as configured, there will be serious
- 10 question whether Chandler would be able to control even a
- 11 single district.
- 12 CHAIRMAN LYNN: And I think that goes to,
- 13 certainly, a function of size of districts versus size of
- 14 cities or communities of interest that are within a
- 15 district.
- 16 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Yes.
- 17 CHAIRMAN LYNN: In terms of there ability
- 18 to influence, in terms of their ability to generate the
- 19 influence necessary for effective representation, I agree
- 20 with you, there are communities of certain sizes by
- 21 virtue of not just the fact they are divided but how they
- 22 are divided, which render them essentially powerless
- 23 within the districts that they would be a part of,
- 24 insofar as unsubstantial numbers to ultimately get the
- 25 representation that they deserve in an effective manner.

- 1 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Yes. In this case
- 2 you have, essentially, a trifurcation, I just made that
- 3 up. Sounds about right.
- 4 DR. McDONALD: Like a crossword puzzle.
- 5 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Further discussion on the
- 6 motion.
- 7 COMMISSIONER HALL: For my benefit,
- 8 Dr. McDonald, in the event that the test in Tucson is
- 9 successful and the intent of that motion is to unite
- 10 communities of interest, to restore, I should say,
- 11 communities of interest loses one competitive district in
- 12 Tucson, and in the event that this motion presently
- 13 pending were to make District H noncompetitive, what
- 14 would be our tally?
- DR. McDONALD: Without bringing Tucson into
- 16 the mix, it would reduce from 10 to nine the number of
- 17 competitive districts.
- 18 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Mr. Hall's point, if you
- 19 were able configure Tucson in such a way we lose one
- 20 competitive district, we'd be at eight; if we had to lose
- 21 two, we'd be at seven?
- DR. McDONALD: Correct.
- 23 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Mr. Hall --
- 24 COMMISSIONER HALL: Mr. Huntwork.
- 25 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: I feel

- 1 complimented.
- MR. RIVERA: How low we have fallen.
- 3 CHAIRMAN LYNN: No, but I've offended
- 4 Mr. Hall.
- 5 COMMISSIONER HALL: I moved to this side of
- 6 table and we're buddies.
- 7 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Right.
- Now I've forgotten what I was going to say.
- 9 COMMISSIONER HALL: My question is --
- 10 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Mr. Hall, I was right.
- 11 COMMISSIONER HALL: Yeah, you are right.
- 12 Obviously when you guys did the last test,
- 13 the key test, you created a long, skinny district in
- 14 Mesa. It was the product of an effort to unite Glendale
- 15 and still maintain a competitive district. That leads to
- 16 my question: Is it your opinion --
- 17 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Not Glendale, Chandler.
- 18 COMMISSIONER HALL: Sorry, Chandler. Is it
- 19 your opinion it's extremely difficult to maintain a
- 20 competitive district and still respect the surrounding
- 21 cities and communities of interest so they have the
- 22 opportunity for effective representation?
- DR. McDONALD: Correct. What we started
- 24 with in doing that test is first unite, divide the City
- 25 of Chandler into two districts, draw a competitive

- 1 district, then begin filling in around that as best as
- 2 made sense. That would be the only competitive district
- 3 that would be available, yes.
- 4 COMMISSIONER HALL: I guess my question is,
- 5 I mean we're not doing this just to make changes for the
- 6 sake of making changes. Obviously we want to create
- 7 competitive districts that don't cause significant
- 8 detriment to the other goals. What I'm hearing from my
- 9 fellow Commissioners, I tend to agree, that the effort to
- 10 create a competitive district in the East Valley is
- 11 causing significant detriment. My question is in light
- 12 of the fact it seems to me that that isn't an option, can
- 13 we take the existing districts from our adopted plan, and
- 14 will they -- in other words, if we don't, if unable to
- 15 accomplish the goal of competitiveness, why make
- 16 unnecessary changes for the benefit of the
- 17 municipalities, for the benefit of the current
- 18 Legislature, the current members of the Legislature?
- 19 I'm --
- 20 Doug?
- 21 MR. JOHNSON: Mr. Chairman, Commissioner
- 22 Hall, were you to vote against this plan, for the current
- 23 motion, we'd obviously need something in this area. The
- 24 two options that you've seen recently, the 2004 plan
- 25 districts in this area or the, what we call the

- 1 Communities 2B plan, this is what we were looking at the
- 2 other day which are fairly similar, the main change being
- 3 how in the 2004 plan, let me show them to you -- get the
- 4 coloring right --
- 5 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Mr. Chairman, while
- 6 he's doing that, I'd like to make a brief comment to shed
- 7 light. The motion had to do with finding significant
- 8 detriment in this case. I wasn't picking a map,
- 9 rejecting a map, until we know what is happening in
- 10 Tucson. We don't know, have to have seven competitive
- 11 districts regardless of whether they do significant
- 12 detriment or not. Have that in mind.
- 13 CHAIRMAN LYNN: I understand the motion
- 14 only with respect to the declaration of significant
- 15 detriment of a tri-lateral split of Chandler.
- 16 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Right.
- 17 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Mr. Hall was asking a
- 18 question in advance of some other question, I think.
- 19 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Yes.
- 20 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Mr. Hall, do you need an
- 21 answer to your question before we vote on the motion?
- 22 COMMISSIONER HALL: No.
- 23 CHAIRMAN LYNN: If not, all those in favor
- 24 of the motion, signify "Aye."
- 25 COMMISSIONER ELDER: "Aye."

- 1 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: "Aye."
- 2 COMMISSIONER HALL: "Aye."
- 3 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Chair votes "Aye."
- 4 Motion carries and is so ordered.
- 5 Mr. Johnson.
- 6 MR. JOHNSON: The map on the screen, the
- 7 Communities AA plan, the current process we're walking
- 8 through is in colors. And we take -- what you see is
- 9 a -- and then the 2004 plan is again in the white lines.
- 10 So the map under current process in the Chandler area
- 11 there, H, goes up a little more to Mesa, north and east,
- 12 than it did in the 2004 plan; and I comes over a little
- 13 more into Chandler over to Alma School Road. Chandler
- 14 stops, or District H stops at the Chandler city line.
- 15 The 2004 district continued east and picked up Maricopa
- 16 County portions of Queen Creek. That difference is to
- 17 offset District X with a slightly larger incursion into
- 18 Mesa in District X -- I'm sorry, no, a smaller incursion
- 19 into District X rather than larger incursion.
- The white lines are from the 2004 plan, C,
- 21 F in Mesa just moves to accommodate other differences.
- 22 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Mr. Chairman.
- 23 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Huntwork.
- 24 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Any population
- 25 moved in or out of that area, boundaries, outer

- 1 boundaries, what I call the East Valley Districts, appear
- 2 to be identical or is there some slight change?
- 3 MR. JOHNSON: There is actually change.
- 4 It's a little hard to see.
- 5 Yeah. Let me make this go through yet.
- 6 Let me make this go through.
- 7 Yes. Under our current plan, District B
- 8 comes further in and district -- there's a large area
- 9 here in question.
- 10 In our current plan, the actual South
- 11 Mountain is in J. Under the older plan it was in I.
- 12 That's only two people, not a big shift. B is coming
- 13 further in under our current work which then pushes I
- 14 further over to H and it comes through. I think --
- 15 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Does that result in
- 16 overpopulation?
- 17 MR. JOHNSON: My best recollection is
- 18 that's the result, reducing overpopulation in the East
- 19 Valley 2004 plan. DOJ had an objection, high populations
- 20 in the East Valley reduce somewhat in 2004 the current
- 21 process since they didn't go through the same process
- 22 which has lower deviations in the East Valley.
- 23 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Any other tests that the
- 24 Commission wishes to order?
- 25 Mr. Huntwork.

- 1 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Mr. Chairman, at
- 2 least in my judgment the action we took with regard to
- 3 adjustments AA, in my mind at least, was based on the
- 4 unacceptable way in which population was being circulated
- 5 around and the believe that the changes were not
- 6 necessary to comply with the Voting Right Act. However,
- 7 I would, nevertheless, like to know if there is any other
- 8 way to redistribute the population. One thing that
- 9 occurs to me, you know, is maybe a couple thousand people
- 10 or a little over a thousand people might be able to do
- 11 another way, you might take away compactness of that
- 12 district and it has to be tested. Another possible way
- 13 to do it would be to do some detriment to the Flagstaff
- 14 area, in other words, take some population out of BB in
- 15 Flagstaff instead of taking additional people out in Lake
- 16 Havasu City, add obviously then to the district, to
- 17 District CC, and then you'd have to adjust something out
- 18 the bottom of CC. At that point you get into R which is
- 19 underpopulated, and into, however you're going to
- 20 distribute out of R in the first place, if R, you took
- 21 into R and it stayed there. The question simply is: Is
- 22 there another way to do it so you may do detriment to
- 23 another community of interest but we might possibly be
- 24 able to find that it's not significant detriment as
- 25 opposed to this ever-increasing detriment that we would

- 1 be doing to Lake Havasu City?
- 2 CHAIRMAN LYNN: And let me ask a related
- 3 question. I think it's related. It may not be. We have
- 4 a situation before the test was run. I believe AA was
- 5 overpopulated 1.2 percent. We do have the option
- 6 bringing that over population down, simply removing.
- 7 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: I think BB is also
- 8 overpopulated.
- 9 CHAIRMAN LYNN: I understand, there may be
- 10 a ripple.
- 11 A related question: You might be able to
- 12 run a test that first adjusts that population, and then,
- 13 and then has -- a two-stage test. I know we're trying to
- 14 achieve multiple goals here. One is to address the
- 15 concerns in AA in terms of Native American voting age
- 16 population. Second would be to address -- certainly I
- 17 share the concerns of the split at Lake Havasu. I'm
- 18 wondering if there is a way try to do both, going through
- 19 those three districts, AA, BB, and I guess CC and maybe
- 20 into R.
- 21 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Maybe,
- 22 Mr. Chairman, maybe up in the population east of
- 23 Flagstaff, put that back into AA to allow more to be
- 24 taken out on the west end and put it in BB without
- 25 necessarily going into the Flagstaff planning area.

- 1 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Recognizing that BB is
- 2 competitive and we want to try to maintain that.
- 3 Is that --
- 4 Is that way too complex a group of
- 5 suggestions to form into a motion?
- 6 Understand what we're getting at here,
- 7 Mr. Johnson?
- 8 COMMISSIONER HALL: Before you answer,
- 9 Doug, there's only like, what, four, five towns you can
- 10 work with. My fear is we may be asking for the
- 11 impossible.
- 12 CHAIRMAN LYNN: I'm open to that.
- 13 COMMISSIONER HALL: Feel free to say that.
- 14 Don't blink.
- MR. JOHNSON: Let me look at -- actually,
- 16 in addition to the population issue, we have a
- 17 compactness issue as well. So then -- let me check where
- 18 we're at on that number.
- 19 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Right on the edge
- 20 is what you said before.
- 21 MR. JOHNSON: Yes. The district under the
- 22 B2 configuration you're talking about is at 1.18
- 23 Polsby-Popper score. It is one-tenth of -- one-tenth of
- 24 100th point to spare here.
- 25 COMMISSIONER HALL: Well, I guess what

- 1 we're saying, Doug, run the test, consider people first,
- 2 and look at whatever the implications are with respect to
- 3 compactness, but --
- 4 CHAIRMAN LYNN: The intent is to try to
- 5 maintain BB competitive and to make adjustment, see if
- 6 there is a methodology to make adjustments among those
- 7 districts that would reduce the damage that we've
- 8 identified.
- 9 Mr. Huntwork, is that a motion?
- 10 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: So moved.
- 11 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Second?
- 12 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Second.
- 13 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Discussion?
- 14 MR. JOHNSON: Mr. Chairman, if I could just
- 15 ask for a repeat or clarification of exactly what areas?
- 16 COMMISSIONER HALL: Fix it, Doug.
- 17 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Mr. Huntwork.
- 18 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: The idea would be,
- 19 obviously, as you move population out of AA, any suitable
- 20 population you move back in somewhere else without
- 21 changing the competitiveness, although I kind of doubt
- 22 that that would be the case, but that wouldn't impact the
- 23 Native American ratios as much as the area you are taking
- 24 out, that's one possibility. The only thing I think is
- 25 the area is just northeast of Flagstaff you might have at

- 1 least a small number of voters that would fall in that
- 2 category. The other thing is, look at the area south of
- 3 Flagstaff or even going into the south side of Flagstaff,
- 4 take anybody out of there, of course Forest Highlands,
- 5 the Kachina Village areas there. Kachina Village has a
- 6 significant number of actual residents as opposed to
- 7 Forest Highlands which have very few permanent residents.
- 8 There may be Democrats versus Republicans, I don't know
- 9 how the effect of competitiveness would be of it. Check
- 10 everything you can think of. Then, of course, earlier
- 11 you identified Bagdad and Seligman.
- 12 MR. JOHNSON: Ash Fork.
- I guess is the goal to bring AA to
- 14 population balance?
- 15 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: No. Increase
- 16 Native American percentages while still complying with
- 17 the population deviation requirements throughout. BB is
- 18 already over.
- 19 COMMISSIONER HALL: And protecting Havasu.
- 20 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: It is protecting
- 21 Havasu from any further detriment.
- 22 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Mr. Elder.
- 23 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Mr. Chairman, direct
- 24 Mr. Johnson to not split the FMPO there at Flagstaff.
- 25 And I'm not positive, and Mayor Donaldson or Vice Mayor,

- 1 am I correct in thinking that this area to the right of
- 2 the vertical area of the FMPO is outside the FMPO.
- 3 MAYOR DONALDSON: Yes.
- 4 COMMISSIONER ELDER: I, we want to keep
- 5 that is what my addition to the motion is. Make sure
- 6 that stays whole. If population to the north and east is
- 7 eating into AA, so pull some out or rotates through to
- 8 where Havasu City remains whole in R and pick up
- 9 population in Kingman and population rotates through to
- 10 the east side of Flagstaff.
- 11 MR. JOHNSON: Just -- this may simplify the
- 12 instructions a little bit.
- Doing that, you are right, this area is
- 14 definitely more Native American than the area over here.
- 15 But that is -- doing that type of change is going to --
- 16 COMMISSIONER HALL: Competitiveness.
- 17 MR. JOHNSON: Compactness will fail.
- 18 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Mr. Chairman, my
- 19 motion specifically was to go into the Flagstaff Planning
- 20 area, if necessary, without doing significant detriment.
- 21 We have to -- I'd say an impact, small
- 22 percentage of that area, wouldn't -- it would be
- 23 detriment. Our goal is not to do significant detriment.
- 24 We're at that line. I feel we're right at that line,
- 25 maybe already crossed it in Lake Havasu City. 10

- 1 percent -- five-40ths, or something, 12 and a half
- 2 percent. I certainly wouldn't want to exceed that ratio
- 3 anywhere, including in Flagstaff, but I just --
- 4 CHAIRMAN LYNN: With that clarification,
- 5 Mr. Elder, your concern with respect to the planning area
- 6 is not a part of the motion. If you want to offer an
- 7 amendment, I'd be happy to accept that, see if that can
- 8 be added.
- 9 I take it Mr. Huntwork doesn't want to add
- 10 it himself, in fact, his specific instruction was
- 11 contrary to it.
- 12 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Mr. Chairman,
- 13 Mr. Huntwork, it can't be modified through compromise
- 14 saying an absolute minimum impact to the FMPO? We can
- 15 take a look at it. If it's too far for me, I can vote
- 16 against the test.
- 17 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Absolutely.
- 18 COMMISSIONER ELDER: I can do that.
- 19 I'd like to give Mr. Johnson before he
- 20 starts off possibly a limit, the FMPO, if it crowds in
- 21 500 people -- at what point then do I start looking at
- 22 it, no, that's gone too far, we don't gain that much over
- 23 Havasu, don't gain that much in AA Native American
- 24 percentages to justify damage to the community of
- 25 interest.

- 1 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: My thinking, in
- 2 Lake Havasu we have 5,000 out of 40,000; roughly
- 3 speaking, 12 and a half percent. Flagstaff Metropolitan
- 4 Planning area may be 70,000. That would be, you know, 12
- 5 percent of that would be a higher number. I'm not to
- 6 suggest we don't have to go that far. Maybe only work
- 7 the same number people through. Do a smaller impact on
- 8 that area. That's why I think that it's worth
- 9 considering. I may also feel, Mr. Elder, it doesn't do
- 10 enough good and does too much harm. I just want to see
- 11 what it does. Do basically the same test we just did and
- 12 redistribute population a different way, see how much
- 13 harm that does. It may not be possible. Anything we do
- 14 there may destroy compactness of this district.
- 15 COMMISSIONER ELDER: I already have made
- 16 comments on the district. I biased Mr. Johnson in the
- 17 way he approaches it. Let's leave it this way.
- 18 MR. JOHNSON: It may help clarify the
- 19 motion, I hope. It's one thing taking the Flagstaff area
- 20 into CC.
- 21 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Yes.
- 22 MR. JOHNSON: Per the instruction, this
- 23 would be using, taking out of Flagstaff to bleed off
- 24 population from BB pursuant to the instruction, as I
- 25 understand it; however, unlike R, CC doesn't go down into

- 1 Maricopa County, you do have R coming in a little bit
- 2 here. Unless we start taking Congress and Peeples
- 3 Valley, and stuff, into R, we're really, there is no
- 4 pass-through from CC. We're looking to increase CC a
- 5 little bit.
- 6 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: No. I think you
- 7 have to pass through. CC becomes overpopulated.
- 8 MR. JOHNSON: Yes.
- 9 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: I don't think it
- 10 can happen unless you pass through. Part of what we look
- 11 at as well, now we've done harm to something else.
- 12 MR. JOHNSON: Okay.
- 13 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: We have to see.
- 14 We're attempting to go the second mile and
- 15 see if there is a way to implement an important test. We
- 16 didn't turn down what it did to AA, like it did to AA.
- 17 The problem is what it did to everything else. See if
- 18 there is another way to accomplish it.
- 19 CHAIRMAN LYNN: On the motion, further
- 20 discussion?
- 21 All those in favor of the motion, signify
- 22 by saying "Aye."
- 23 COMMISSIONER HALL: "Aye."
- 24 COMMISSIONER ELDER: "Aye."
- 25 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: "Aye."

- 1 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Chair votes "Aye."
- 2 Opposed, "No"?
- Motion is carried.
- 4 Other tests you wish to order?
- 5 Mr. Johnson, given those two tests, and
- 6 understanding Mr. Hall's comment, don't want you to lose
- 7 sight of that, "no" is an okay answer if you've given it
- 8 a good Claremont-McKenna try, if you know what I'm
- 9 saying, it's a -- it's a --
- 10 MR. JOHNSON: I hate to say this. We also
- 11 need to -- there was no instruction yet on what to do in
- 12 Chandler in terms of going to -- trying the 2004 lines in
- 13 AA.
- 14 CHAIRMAN LYNN: The idea in Chandler was to
- 15 only effectuate a single split, I believe.
- 16 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Yeah. But in terms
- 17 of which approach should you start with, the
- 18 original 2004 approved map or draft map you had up there
- 19 as an alternative.
- 20 CHAIRMAN LYNN: We didn't -- the draft map
- 21 is what is on the table at the moment, the map we're
- 22 working with, unless you order something else.
- 23 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Okay.
- 24 COMMISSIONER HALL: I think the map we're
- 25 working with is the First Competitive Map.

- 1 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Me, too.
- 2 COMMISSIONER HALL: The map he flashed up
- 3 is a step back from that, our Community of Interest Map.
- 4 My recommendation would be in light of the fact creating
- 5 the competitive district does cause significant detriment
- 6 to the community of interest, that we would step back in
- 7 the East Valley to the Community of Interest Map. That
- 8 is a motion.
- 9 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Second.
- 10 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Discussion on that motion?
- 11 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Mr. Huntwork.
- 12 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Mr. Chairman,
- 13 I'm -- the differences from the approved maps are very
- 14 small, 2004 approved maps are very small. And I just
- 15 don't know what the -- how the court would feel if we
- 16 substituted the approved districts in this area. It
- 17 doesn't affect competitiveness anywhere. One thing it
- 18 does --
- 19 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Not substituting them. As
- 20 I understand the motion, we're dealing with iterations of
- 21 the same process. Forget 2004 a second. Up there, as a
- 22 reference point, going back to, as you remember, we had
- 23 the Communities of Interest Map.
- 24 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Right.
- 25 CHAIRMAN LYNN: We moved to a

- 1 Competitiveness With Communities Map.
- 2 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Right.
- 3 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Mr. Hall's suggestion is go
- 4 back one iteration to look at that.
- 5 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: I understand.
- 6 Speaking to that point.
- 7 COMMISSIONER HALL: Let me answer your
- 8 question. I think we're better off with the Community of
- 9 Interest Map, Jim, because, one, the population
- 10 adjustments that have been made, I think, are more
- 11 appropriate and, two, I think, as I understand what you
- 12 said, Mr. Johnson, there are other minor ripple effects
- 13 from other outlying districts we've created and it's just
- 14 an automatic fit versus stepping back another level and
- 15 trying to fit those, already trying to ripple population
- 16 into Southern Arizona and ripple population in Northern
- 17 Arizona.
- 18 I guess what -- I guess in -- it's -- that
- 19 map is the product of this particular process we're
- 20 involved in and I think in this particular situation is
- 21 appropriate. So I guess --
- 22 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: I understand. One
- 23 question. What did we do to Tempe? Tempe was a
- 24 community of interest.
- 25 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Nothing.

- 1 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Split Tempe
- 2 differently than it was or more than it was?
- 3 MR. JOHNSON: Let me show it here. The
- 4 dark shading here is the City of Tempe. White lines are
- 5 South Scottsdale, Tempe, then you have a split. We
- 6 have --
- 7 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Tempe is more
- 8 united than it was.
- 9 MR. JOHNSON: Yes, now more united than it
- 10 was. The southwest corner is split off into -- less
- 11 split than it was before.
- 12 COMMISSIONER HALL: In many respects, one
- 13 good advantage, it treats the southeast valley better,
- 14 also. I think that's a very -- not only very compact
- 15 district, very representative of the folks that are in
- 16 that area.
- 17 CHAIRMAN LYNN: On the motion.
- 18 Mr. Huntwork?
- 19 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: I deny this map
- 20 treats anywhere in the map better than originally.
- 21 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Relatively speaking.
- 22 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: But it does less
- 23 damage here than in many other parts of the state.
- 24 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Call the question.
- 25 CHAIRMAN LYNN: All favor of the question,

- 1 signify by saying "Aye."
- 2 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: "Aye."
- 3 COMMISSIONER HALL: "Aye."
- 4 COMMISSIONER ELDER: "Aye."
- 5 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Chair votes "Aye."
- 6 Motion carries and is so ordered.
- 7 As I understand the three tests, the three
- 8 tests specifically that are ordered, the Tucson test.
- 9 DR. McDONALD: Mr. Chairman.
- 10 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Dr. McDonald.
- 11 DR. McDONALD: I wanted to note we lost one
- 12 competitive district. We're are now at nine competitive
- 13 districts.
- 14 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Beginning testing with
- 15 nine.
- DR. McDONALD: Correct.
- 17 COMMISSIONER HALL: Because of H.
- 18 DR. McDONALD: Yes, lost competitive
- 19 District H.
- 20 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Thank you. Appreciate it.
- 21 Starting with nine competitive, three tests
- 22 to run: The Tucson test; Chandler test; and the AA, BB,
- 23 CC, R test, for lack of a better term.
- I need a time estimate, Mr. Johnson, for
- 25 those tests to be completed.

- 1 COMMISSIONER HALL: We need a time estimate
- 2 for how long it will take to give a time estimate.
- 3 MR. JOHNSON: The difficulty is in the
- 4 north, we could stumble across a solution in 10 minutes
- 5 or search for it a considerable length of time.
- 6 I think talking earlier about the Tucson
- 7 test, you're probably looking about an hour and a half
- 8 for that. Up north, it's difficult to say. I mean --
- 9 report back to you?
- 10 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Do the Tucson one, finish
- 11 it.
- 12 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Mr. Chairman, is we
- 13 reconvene based on the Tucson test, giving Doug an hour,
- 14 hour and a half, or something, to work on the Northern
- 15 Arizona test.
- 16 MR. RIVERA: Doug is the only one here, has
- 17 no one else to back him up.
- 18 MR. JOHNSON: That makes sense. It's 4:00
- 19 now, 5:30, look at the Tucson test, take a dinner break,
- 20 do the Tucson test.
- 21 COMMISSIONER HALL: 6:00, 6:30, have dinner
- 22 in the interim, then all the tests.
- 23 CHAIRMAN LYNN: I don't know what "all
- 24 tests" look like.
- 25 I understand the problem. What we need to

- 1 do is put the tests in order of effectiveness in terms of
- 2 your pursuit. If you believe Tucson is an hour and a
- 3 half, believe Chandler might be an easier test to run,
- 4 please do those in order, then as much time as we can
- 5 give you to try to deal with that other test. We'll stop
- 6 at a point certain, 6:30, or some number, come back,
- 7 report on everything you've done to that point. If more
- 8 time is needed, we'll either grant it or defer it at that
- 9 time. Make sense?
- 10 COMMISSIONER HALL: Just as a point of
- 11 clarification, we're not running a test in Chandler.
- 12 MR. JOHNSON: Just substitution.
- 13 CHAIRMAN LYNN: You knew what I meant.
- 14 Ordered a correction there.
- MR. JOHNSON: Yes.
- 16 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Do we think 6:30? You tell
- 17 me.
- We want to be sure of Dr. McDonald's
- 19 ability to run the appropriate JudgeIt as you go.
- 20 MR. JOHNSON: That should work. Hopefully
- 21 we'll be done with everything, done at 6:30, if not,
- 22 report back to you on everything we've done at that
- 23 point.
- 24 CHAIRMAN LYNN: I'd suggest, are there
- 25 members of the public that wish to address the Commission

- 1 at this time? You might --
- 2 Sure, Patrice.
- 3 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Let Mr. Johnson go.
- 4 CHAIRMAN LYNN: I will in either case.
- 5 Only one.
- 6 Mr. Johnson, you and Dr. McDonald are
- 7 excused.
- 8 Ms. Leoni, stay with us.
- 9 Anyone other than Ms. Kraus at this moment?
- 10 Ms. Kraus, if you would, please.
- 11 MS. KRAUS: Mr. Chairman, Members of the
- 12 Commission, the map selected Chandler had a couple small
- 13 changes. I think switching population back and forth
- 14 between I and H, that would make more sense to our
- 15 community based on, you know, different subdivisions. If
- 16 I could work with the consultants to work that out.
- 17 CHAIRMAN LYNN: I'm fearful to put a fine
- 18 line on it, a fine line on every one of these. I'm not
- 19 expecting you to accept half a loaf. We're trying to
- 20 help you out.
- 21 MS. KRAUS: I understand.
- 22 CHAIRMAN LYNN: We cannot draw around
- 23 individual trailer sites and homes. We're simply trying
- 24 to fix a problem we all recognize in Chandler. My sense
- 25 would be if there is a -- if it's a simple suggestion you

- 1 might convey to Ms. Leoni on her way out of the room, do
- 2 the best we can.
- 3 MS. KRAUS: Swapping one square mile.
- 4 MR. RIVERA: Mr. Chairman, I prefer the
- 5 public not --
- 6 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Are you prepared to tell me
- 7 what the changes look like?
- 8 MS. KRAUS: I don't know exactly what
- 9 populations are --
- 10 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Not a problem.
- 11 MS. KRAUS: One section in District I and
- 12 one section in District H that -- two sections in
- 13 District I, one at the northern part of I and one in the
- 14 southern part of I. I suggest the southern part go into
- 15 H and then adding more from I, or from H into I, the
- 16 northern part, all the northern part go into I and all
- 17 the southern part into H.
- 18 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Do you have a configuration
- 19 of that?
- 20 MS. KRAUS: I can point at the map.
- 21 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: It's just
- 22 population shifting.
- 23 MS. KRAUS: It is. There's a subdivision
- 24 divided in the southern section and like communities
- 25 divided in the northern section. You can remedy that by

- 1 splitting that.
- 2 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Well, let me defer to --
- 3 Hang on one second.
- 4 MS. HAUSER: Both are Republican districts,
- 5 so it's not likely to make a difference.
- 6 CHAIRMAN LYNN: So -- okay.
- 7 CHAIRMAN LYNN: To the extent you can
- 8 identify blocks, street names, or --
- 9 MS. KRAUS: I think I have it in my --
- 10 MS. LEONI: Get the street names.
- 11 COMMISSIONER HALL: To Mr. Rivera's
- 12 comment, come back put on the public record when you
- 13 review what occurred.
- 14 MR. RIVERA: I don't mind if you order the
- 15 test. I don't want anybody talking to the consultants.
- 16 COMMISSIONER HALL: I move we order it.
- 17 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Second.
- 18 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Discussion?
- 19 All in favor of --
- 20 MS. LEONI: If I have street names, if I
- 21 hear them.
- 22 CHAIRMAN LYNN: We'll order the test as she
- 23 gives us names.
- MS. LEONI: Good.
- 25 CHAIRMAN LYNN: We'll order the test

- 1 pursuant to Ms. Kraus identifying blocks so we see what
- 2 they look like.
- 3 All in favor of ordering that test, signify
- 4 by saying "Aye."
- 5 COMMISSIONER HALL: "Aye."
- 6 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: "Aye."
- 7 COMMISSIONER ELDER: "Aye."
- 8 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Motion carries.
- 9 Ladies and gentlemen, at 6:30 we'll
- 10 reconvene. We're in recess until then.
- 11 (Whereupon, the Commission recessed at 4:10
- to resume at 6:30 p.m.)
- 13 CHAIRMAN LYNN: The Commission will come to
- 14 order.
- 15 All four Commissioners are present, all
- 16 legal counsel, staff, and consultants.
- 17 Mr. Johnson, Dr. McDonald, would you walk
- 18 us through the changes infused in what you are now
- 19 calling the February 23rd Test Map.
- 20 COMMISSIONER HALL: Is this BB-6-4 or
- 21 something (laughing)?
- 22 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Stroke nine.
- 23 MR. JOHNSON: Starting up in the north,
- 24 north to south here, let me show you where we started.
- 25 So we have the same areas and more taken out of AA that

- 1 we looked at earlier, the Grand Canyon, Canyon village
- 2 area out of AA and into B, over in the Mohave County
- 3 areas east of Kingman east of the reservation also out of
- 4 AA, and again the area in the west along the river, the
- 5 same area out of AA. Changes, though, to make the
- 6 southern portion of BB work on the compactness front, AA
- 7 picked up the area from the reservation going west and it
- 8 goes to the, let me put the MPO line, it goes to the MPO
- 9 border but not into it, so it was about 530 people picked
- 10 up there. On the south, per the instruction, district --
- 11 let me start with CC, CC picked up population to the
- 12 east, that includes Ash Fork.
- 13 COMMISSIONER HALL: Ash Fork.
- 14 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Not Ash Fork.
- 15 COMMISSIONER HALL: It's Ash Fork.
- 16 MR. JOHNSON: I forgot the second word, Ash
- 17 Fork.
- 18 COMMISSIONER HALL: It's Ash Fork.
- 19 MR. JOHNSON: Coming down to the north
- 20 edge, the same area on the north here along the top or
- 21 close to the top of the Census places around the
- 22 Tri-Cities comes across and down, really just looking for
- 23 population that we can feed down to reduce the overall
- 24 deviation of BB. The other area in question, Bagdad had
- 25 been discussed. That actually moves from BB into R, and

- 1 then to bleed the population through CC into R that we
- 2 discussed, R also picks up Congress and what are the
- 3 other places here, and Yarnell and Peeples Valley. So,
- 4 so those three towns in Bagdad that go into R, and we end
- 5 up, from a numbers perspective -- oh, then no changes in
- 6 Lake Havasu City. So the split we looked at the other
- 7 day, not the split we looked at the other day.
- 8 CHAIRMAN LYNN: First split.
- 9 MR. JOHNSON: Yes, first split.
- 10 COMMISSIONER HALL: 2,500.
- 11 MR. JOHNSON: I don't remember --
- 12 CHAIRMAN LYNN: 7,000.
- 13 MR. JOHNSON: The first one I mentioned
- 14 today.
- 15 In terms of deviation, AA is now
- 16 underpopulated by 1.06, BB is overpopulated by 1.56, CC
- 17 is almost balanced, actually, 9/100s of a percent under,
- 18 and R is actually underpopulated by 0.28 percent, and
- 19 this passes a compactness score at .1 point compactness
- 20 and others are higher. Finally, this, I'll have
- 21 Dr. McDonald talk about competitiveness, the Native
- 22 American voting percentage is 61.3 percent.
- DR. McDONALD: Mr. Chairman, that,
- 24 Commissioners, as far as competitiveness of BB, it
- 25 retains its competitiveness status score of 47.1.

- 1 MR. JOHNSON: Any questions about what
- 2 happened up here?
- 3 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Questions or comments for
- 4 Mr. Johnson or Dr. McDonald?
- 5 Okay, let's move to the Phoenix area.
- 6 MR. JOHNSON: Okay.
- 7 MR. JOHNSON: The black lines for the B2
- 8 plan that the Commission voted on, and then we went back,
- 9 let me see if I can put the 2A plan over, so we, we were
- 10 successful in being able to substitute in 2A, and then --
- 11 oh, here it is, and then pursuant to the final
- 12 discussion, the shift in border H and I, I now, it
- 13 previously came up to the Mesa border along Dobson Road,
- 14 kind of stepped over to Alma School, now goes all the way
- 15 up to the Mesa City line, but not into Mesa, so no
- 16 additional split of Mesa along Dobson, Alma School Road.
- 17 What that allowed is unification of the housing
- 18 development split in the 2004 plan and moving of that
- 19 area into H. It's not entirely up to Polk to keep
- 20 deviation down, but the development is all in H.
- 21 Otherwise, the rest of the East Valley is all the
- 22 communities AA plan with the little correction of those
- 23 two census blocks in Apache Junction we talked about
- 24 before.
- 25 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Deviation?

- 1 MR. JOHNSON: Deviation here, H is over by
- 2 .47 percent, I is under by .69 percent, CC is over by
- 3 .11, and F is over by .78, and X is over by .73 percent.
- 4 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Thank you.
- 5 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Questions or comments?
- 6 DR. McDONALD: Well, Mr. Chairman.
- 7 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Dr. McDonald.
- 8 DR. McDONALD: In terms of competitiveness,
- 9 Doug and I discussed this, District H, a competitive
- 10 district, previously, is now uncompetitive Republican
- 11 with a score of 42.2 percent. All others were not
- 12 competitive to start with.
- 13 MR. JOHNSON: Chandler, the two Districts,
- 14 H and I in Mesa, four Districts, H, C, F and X.
- 15 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Mr. Elder.
- 16 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Mr. Chairman, on Mesa,
- 17 by virtue of population, it would have two or three
- 18 districts required, or -- two or three splits required
- 19 anyway; is that correct?
- 20 MR. JOHNSON: Mesa requires three, so just
- 21 one more than required.
- 22 COMMISSIONER ELDER: We've gotten Chandler
- 23 down to a two split by this.
- 24 MR. JOHNSON: Yeah.
- 25 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Mr. Huntwork.

- 1 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: What we appear to
- 2 have done, there are two very solid Mesa districts, a
- 3 solid Chandler district, we have a Gilbert all in one
- 4 district, we still have Tempe, of course. We even have
- 5 more of Tempe in one than our original plan, and it's
- 6 still very competitive, I'm sure one of the most
- 7 competitive districts on the map. So --
- 8 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Yep.
- 9 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: I feel that very
- 10 strongly reflects the communities of interest we've
- 11 identified in that area.
- 12 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Thank you.
- Moving south.
- MR. JOHNSON: Okay.
- 15 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: What about the
- 16 Central Phoenix, does that change or was that in the
- 17 previous map?
- 18 MR. JOHNSON: The Phoenix area is just as
- 19 it was in the Test A configuration.
- 20 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Test A, right.
- 21 MR. JOHNSON: Now going down to Tucson, the
- 22 instruction I talked about, looking at the Rita Ranch
- 23 option, if not, talked about options to go into Tucson
- 24 Foothills, Tucson worked to achieve the goals. So first
- 25 let me do a picture. So what we have is, first of all,

- 1 as mentioned, W and T are unchanged from what we looked
- 2 at before. So then the Foothills area, the very end of
- 3 it is in V. The rest of it is all in Y. And other than
- 4 that very end in V and V comes down, there is no crossing
- 5 of the community border into Tucson, so we achieved that
- 6 goal. U is all those areas from 22nd up to our Foothills
- 7 community border, and then it wraps around. The first
- 8 step is just take the Tucson City area, take, trying to
- 9 follow the urban-rural division there, come around, pick
- 10 up Rita Ranch, actually tried to pick up the rest of the
- 11 City of Tucson and census place of Vail as well. That
- 12 just barely failed the compactness test, so we also
- 13 picked up a census block that I think had one person
- 14 here, maybe about 20 people in the census blocks just on
- 15 the edge, might have been a few more than that, census
- 16 blocks right on the edge of Tucson to make it fit the
- 17 compactness test.
- 18 Let me zoom in to where V, U, and Y come
- 19 together.
- Now we have Y in the Foothills, V is the
- 21 East Marana retirement communities coming down in, in the
- 22 City of Tucson, and it actually comes down to Speedway in
- 23 the south, although the University stays in Y, because we
- 24 didn't make any changes in Y, V comes down to University
- 25 not picking it up, down to Speedway. Let me check the

- 1 streets there for you. Comes over to Palo Verde
- 2 Boulevard and Howard Boulevard. And then instead of the
- 3 rest of Tucson being divided as it was before in Y and
- 4 the Foothills District, the city area, incorporated area
- 5 in U wrapping around the rest of the incorporated area
- 6 around T.
- 7 Let me have Dr. McDonald talk about the
- 8 competitiveness results here.
- 9 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Population deviation first.
- 10 MR. JOHNSON: Oh. These three, U is
- 11 underpopulated by .69, V is underpopulated by .69, and Y
- 12 is underpopulated by .43.
- 13 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Okay. Dr. McDonald.
- 14 DR. McDONALD: In terms of competitiveness,
- 15 most the interested districts, U, V, Y, two of the
- 16 previously -- all three were competitive districts. In
- 17 this configuration, two of the three are competitive
- 18 districts: Those are Districts U, Democratic competitive
- 19 district, 50.6; V, competitive Republican district, 47.2;
- 20 and then Y, now Republican, 40.1 percent.
- 21 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Overall total,
- 22 Dr. McDonald?
- DR. McDONALD: Eight competitive districts,
- 24 13 Republican, four competitive leaning Republican, four
- 25 competitive leaning Democratic, and nine Democratic

- 1 districts.
- 2 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Comments or questions by
- 3 the Commission?
- 4 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Well, my only
- 5 comment would be that I think that we have taken this
- 6 process about as far as we can, for now. These tests
- 7 produced results which I'm very happy with. I'm very
- 8 pleased we were able to find two competitive districts in
- 9 Tucson. I was afraid, just looking at it, that it almost
- 10 seemed as if you automatically lost two if you lost one.
- 11 I think it was very good work to figure out a way.
- 12 That little tip at the end of the Foothills
- 13 District, you describe as a small tip, can you give me
- 14 just kind of estimate what percentage of the population
- 15 of that district is involved there? Is that 10 percent
- 16 or less? Is it -- is it 25 percent? What -- and I'm not
- 17 asking for a decimal point or anything, I just want to
- 18 know --
- 19 MR. JOHNSON: Casas Adobas, 54,000. Going
- 20 off geography, half of Casas Adobas, 25,000, if that's
- 21 evenly distributed people. It will take a minute to dig
- 22 that up if we need to. Probably looking at 25, 27
- 23 thousand out of 123,000, about a fifth.
- 24 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Okay.
- 25 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Mr. Elder.

- 1 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Mr. Chairman, as far
- 2 as this test, I'd like to move we accept this test in the
- 3 Tucson area.
- 4 CHAIRMAN LYNN: What about the whole map?
- 5 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Well, I'd move the
- 6 whole map.
- 7 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Move the whole map.
- 8 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Just a point of
- 9 reference. Is this map included in the whole map?
- 10 MS. HAUSER: That is the map.
- 11 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Just refer to it as the
- 12 February 23rd Test.
- 13 COMMISSIONER ELDER: I move we accept the
- 14 February 23rd Test as the map we move forward with for
- 15 consideration by the court.
- 16 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Is there a second?
- 17 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: I, Mr. Chairman, I
- 18 simply move -- I would not second that motion. I only
- 19 want to move forward to next week. I believe our plan
- 20 had been to have public comment on it for a week --
- 21 COMMISSIONER ELDER: I agree to modify my
- 22 motion.
- 23 CHAIRMAN LYNN: It's Mr. Elder's intent to
- 24 replace -- to test the February 23 with other maps we've
- 25 been progressing through.

- 1 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Right.
- 2 CHAIRMAN LYNN: The next iteration of our
- 3 progress.
- 4 COMMISSIONER ELDER: I move we accept the
- 5 February 23rd Test as the map we move forward with.
- 6 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Second.
- 7 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Discussion on the motion?
- 8 I need to say publicly and on the record
- 9 that this is, as all of you know, this has been and
- 10 continues to be extremely an difficult process, a process
- 11 undertaken under protest. And our appeal of the order
- 12 continues and will continue. The constraints of the
- 13 order have made it very difficult to do the kind of work
- 14 we have signed on to do. And it's been most frustrating
- 15 for all Members of the Commission, save Ms. Minkoff who
- 16 might be having a good time in Southeast Asia. Hopefully
- 17 she's having a good time. She'll actually be back to
- 18 join us on the 1st of March. And that will, will be good
- 19 to have her back.
- 20 I want to publicly thank the counsel and
- 21 consultants, because without them we could not have
- 22 gotten to where we are. And as has been the case, NDC
- 23 has certainly done their usual good job of hearing what
- 24 we're saying, paying attention to the instructions that
- 25 they've been given, and giving us options that we can

- 1 certainly, we can certainly move forward with, albeit in
- 2 the context of the court order and under protest.
- 3 I'd also like to thank Dr. McDonald for his
- 4 oversight in terms of the competitiveness of the process.
- 5 And we very much appreciate having him here. It's been
- 6 very helpful.
- 7 Further discussion on the motion?
- 8 If not, all those in favor of the motion
- 9 signify by saying "Aye."
- 10 COMMISSIONER ELDER: "Aye."
- 11 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: "Aye."
- 12 COMMISSIONER HALL: "Aye."
- 13 CHAIRMAN LYNN: "Aye."
- 14 Opposed say "no"?
- 15 Motion carries unanimously.
- 16 Then the motion, without objection, is to
- 17 take the February 23rd test, post it to the website,
- 18 along with all relevant information, and begin taking
- 19 public comment as soon as practicable. And what we must
- 20 also do is subsequently order the consultants,
- 21 Mr. Johnson, to move forward with this map in terms of
- 22 additional population balancing and also any zero
- 23 population traps that may result in the congruence
- 24 between this map and the Congressional Districts.
- 25 Ms. Hauser.

- 1 MS. HAUSER: For population balancing
- 2 purposes, you might want to have a motion to include Doug
- 3 work with Dr. McDonald to make sure --
- 4 CHAIRMAN LYNN: I'll ask for a motion,
- 5 anything you'd like.
- 6 MS. HAUSER: It doesn't matter for traps --
- 7 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Right.
- 8 Mr. Hall.
- 9 COMMISSIONER HALL: Mr. Chairman, I think
- 10 it's important to apologize to the public. As we all
- 11 know, and some may remember, the provision and
- 12 requirement under Proposition 106 is that a 30-day
- 13 comment period be provided to provide feedback on any map
- 14 the Commission puts forth. Unfortunately, the judge
- 15 ignored that important provision. And so we, while the
- 16 time frame is short to receive input, we are under the
- 17 time constraint of a court order.
- 18 CHAIRMAN LYNN: I'd also say, Mr. Hall,
- 19 when we next convene on March 1st I certainly intend to
- 20 ask my fellow Commissioners to ask the court with
- 21 submission of the map we, in fact, get a 30-day period to
- 22 provide input from the public. I think that's only fair
- 23 and only appropriate. So, hopefully, that will occur.
- 24 Mr. Huntwork.
- 25 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Well, I -- well, as

- long as we're apologizing to the public, I want to
- 2 apologize for basically the whole map. I think we've
- 3 taken a meat cleaver to a process that we had used a
- 4 scalpel on before. I think that the original maps are
- 5 infinitely superior to this. I think this is the, you
- 6 know, the offspring of a forced process that we all find
- 7 abhorrent and unnatural, but we have certainly done our
- 8 best, in all honesty, to comply with the order of the
- 9 court, up to this point. And we will continue to the do
- 10 our best to comply with the order of the court.
- 11 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Mr. Elder?
- 12 COMMISSIONER ELDER: No.
- 13 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Then if I could have a
- 14 motion directing Mr. Johnson to move forward with the
- 15 population balancing and the trap procedures.
- 16 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: So moved.
- 17 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Is there a second?
- 18 COMMISSIONER HALL: Second.
- 19 CHAIRMAN LYNN: All those favor of the
- 20 motion, signify by saying "Aye."
- 21 COMMISSIONER ELDER: "Aye."
- 22 COMMISSIONER HALL: "Aye."
- 23 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Mr. Johnson?
- 24 MR. JOHNSON: Modified that I work with
- 25 Dr. McDonald?

- 1 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: Yes.
- 2 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Thank you.
- 3 All those in favor, signify "Aye."
- 4 COMMISSIONER ELDER: "Aye."
- 5 COMMISSIONER HALL: "Aye."
- 6 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: "Aye."
- 7 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Motion carries.
- 8 I'd ask this evening if members of the
- 9 public wish to address us, this is the last call to the
- 10 public before our March 1st meeting; but I'd also tell
- 11 you that you will have ample opportunity to address us
- 12 through e-mail, through snail mail, through any of the
- 13 normal methodologies available to you with respect to
- 14 addressing the Commission. But I would ask if anyone
- 15 wishes to address us this evening, I'll be happy to
- 16 afford you that opportunity. If you do us the courtesy
- 17 of making it brief, because it's been a long day and long
- 18 weekend.
- 19 Mr. Mayor, and please state your name for
- 20 the record since we don't have the slips.
- 21 MAYOR DONALDSON: Thank you, Mr. Chairman,
- 22 Members of the Commission, for acknowledging Flagstaff's
- 23 desire, wish, drive, focus, whatever else you want to
- 24 call it. It was our intention to come here to make sure
- 25 Flagstaff's community MPO area be kept whole in one

- 1 district. We thank you for your hard work and appreciate
- 2 you for acknowledging our community of interest. And
- 3 thank you, and get home to your families and enjoy.
- 4 Thank you very much.
- 5 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Thank you, Mr. Mayor.
- 6 Mr. Flannery.
- 7 MR. FLANNERY: If I don't kill myself first
- 8 (comment made as speaker negotiates the walkway and
- 9 chairs to the podium).
- 10 MR. FLANNERY: Mr. Chairman, Members of the
- 11 Commission, first of all, I want to express my
- 12 appreciation for what you've done to CC. I assume
- 13 somewhere between now and the first there will be numbers
- 14 assigned to that to finalize this process. And in that
- 15 process, I hope that you will recognize, as you did in
- 16 the past, that CC will turn into a "1." I have to get
- 17 that in now.
- 18 First of all, I want to thank you for
- 19 everything that you have done, not just for one
- 20 geographic area, but for the State of Arizona, because I
- 21 know that the sacrifices have been great. I know
- 22 sometimes there has been a very testy process that you've
- 23 gone through, and I know that it's been a challenge. And
- 24 I know that the intention was honorable. And I know that
- 25 you may not be satisfied with the product in the end, but

- 1 I know that hopefully you have set in motion some fairly
- 2 good processes for the upcoming challenge for the next
- 3 Commission. And for everything that you have done, I
- 4 want to thank you for doing what you've done. So thank
- 5 you.
- 6 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Thank you, Mr. Flannery.
- 7 We thank you for your assistance, those of you who have
- 8 been with us along the way. It's always helpful.
- 9 Other members of the public?
- 10 Mr. Ryan. Obviously if I know you by name,
- 11 clearly --
- 12 MR. RYAN: Mr. Chairman, Commissioners, I
- 13 regret I couldn't great you in the morning every morning
- 14 as we started out, but short and simple: Thank you very
- 15 much. I look forward to future meetings. I appreciate
- 16 your hard work you are putting in on this.
- 17 Thank you.
- 18 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Thank you, Mr. Ryan.
- 19 Mr. Mandell, would you like to say
- 20 anything?
- 21 Oh, I guess not.
- 22 Mr. Gorman.
- 23 MR. GORMAN: Good evening, Mr. Chairman.
- 24 Also on behalf of the Navajo Nation, we express our
- 25 appreciation for your hard work done so far. We reserve

- 1 time to review the map as you move forward. If need be,
- 2 we'll be submitting comments.
- 3 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Thank you, Mr. Gorman.
- 4 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Ms. Kraus.
- 5 MS. KRAUS: Mr. Chairman, Members of the
- 6 Committee, thank you.
- 7 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Thank you, Ms. Kraus.
- 8 COMMISSIONER HUNTWORK: You are welcome.
- 9 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Any other members of the
- 10 public wishing to be heard at this time?
- 11 If not, Mr. Echeveste has provided the
- 12 Commission with a written report. It's in your packets
- 13 on the status of the office and our budget, and we
- 14 appreciate that.
- MR. ECHEVESTE: One clarification,
- 16 Mr. Chairman. I also phoned to you by fax from the
- 17 January meeting, the January financial report. That is
- 18 so you all can keep your copy and be able to see the
- 19 progress of expenditures. However, you also received in
- 20 this packet the, I think, also, an update as of last
- 21 Thursday which shows the amount, or the balance that we
- 22 have as of that date.
- 23 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Thank you, sir.
- I want to thank the NDC staff, and most
- 25 especially I want to thank the consultants, legal

- 1 counsel. More than anything else I do really want to
- 2 thank my fellow Commissioners. This has not been an easy
- 3 process for anyone.
- 4 If at times it appeared as though we were
- 5 frustrated with what we were doing, it didn't just appear
- 6 that way. It's a most frustrating experience. Everyone
- 7 hung in and we have, we have done our work as directed by
- 8 the court to this point.
- 9 We will have a few more things to do at the
- 10 next meeting of the Commission which is tentatively, I
- 11 say this, tentatively scheduled for March 1st at a time
- 12 and place to be determined. And that is the next
- 13 scheduled meeting or tentatively scheduled meeting.
- 14 Any other comments from the Commissioners?
- 15 If not, legal counsel? Anything?
- MS. HAUSER: Not today.
- 17 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Good to go.
- 18 The Commission will stand adjourned until
- 19 our proper notice of the next meeting.
- Thank you all very much.
- 21 (Whereupon, the Independent Redistricting
- 22 Commission adjourned at 7:15 p.m. on
- 23 February 23, 2004.)
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