



AGENDA NO. 10.
MEETING DATE February 8, 2022

TITLE CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING ON EBMUD REDISTRICTING PROPOSAL 1

TYPE	<input type="checkbox"/> Construction	<input type="checkbox"/> General Services	<input type="checkbox"/> Materials & Supplies	<input type="checkbox"/> Professional Services
	<input type="checkbox"/> CEQA	<input type="checkbox"/> Grants	<input type="checkbox"/> Water Supply Assessment	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER
ACTION	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MOTION	<input type="checkbox"/> RESOLUTION	<input type="checkbox"/> ORDINANCE	

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Conduct a public hearing, in accordance with California Elections Code section 22001, to receive public comment on Redistricting Proposal 1 (Proposal 1), as recommended by the Redistricting Ad Hoc Committee (Committee) and accepted by the Board of Directors on January 11, 2022.

DISCUSSION

The East Bay Municipal Utility District (EBMUD) is legally required to adjust its ward boundaries to accommodate population shifts reflected in the federal decennial census, and to keep its wards as equal as possible in population. The 2020 census data indicates the total population of EBMUD’s service area is 1,477,418, and the target population for each ward is 211,060. The Committee agreed to use a target population deviation percentage of 3 percent to develop redistricting plans. The final census data indicated Ward 5 (cities of Alameda and San Lorenzo; West Oakland and Oakland Airport Area, and a portion of San Leandro) with a ward population of 217,878 is above the adopted deviation at 3.23 percent and that Ward 7 (Castro Valley; portions of San Leandro and Hayward; communities of Cherryland and Fairview; and a portion of San Ramon) with a ward population of 207,016 has the second highest deviation at -1.92 percent. All other District wards remain within the target ward population deviation of 3 percent (+/- 6332 or between 204,728 and 217,392). The Committee met on October 26, 2021 and November 23, 2021, to review three redistricting proposals to adjust the ward boundaries between Wards 5 and 7 so that each ward is reasonably within the target population. The Committee agreed that the following is the ideal proposal to adjust EBMUD’s ward boundaries:

Proposal 1: move an area of San Lorenzo that is east of Highway 880 from Ward 5 to Ward 7. This area is south of San Lorenzo Creek between 880 and the Southern Pacific Railroad and has a population of 4,637. This proposal would decrease the Ward 5 population from 217,878 to 213,241 and increase the Ward 7 population from 207,016 to 211,653.

Funds Available: NA	Budget Coding: NA	Contract Equity Forms? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Originating Department	Department Director or Manager	Approved <i>Clifford Cole</i>
Office of the Secretary	Rischa S. Cole	General Manager
Attachment(s): Redistricting Proposal 1 Map		

On January 11, 2022 the Board accepted the Committee's recommendation to present Proposal 1 at a public hearing on February 8, 2022 to receive comment, and a public hearing on March 8, 2022, where the Board will consider adopting Proposal 1 to establish EBMUD ward boundaries. No Board action is required at the February 8, 2022 public hearing.

SUSTAINABILITY

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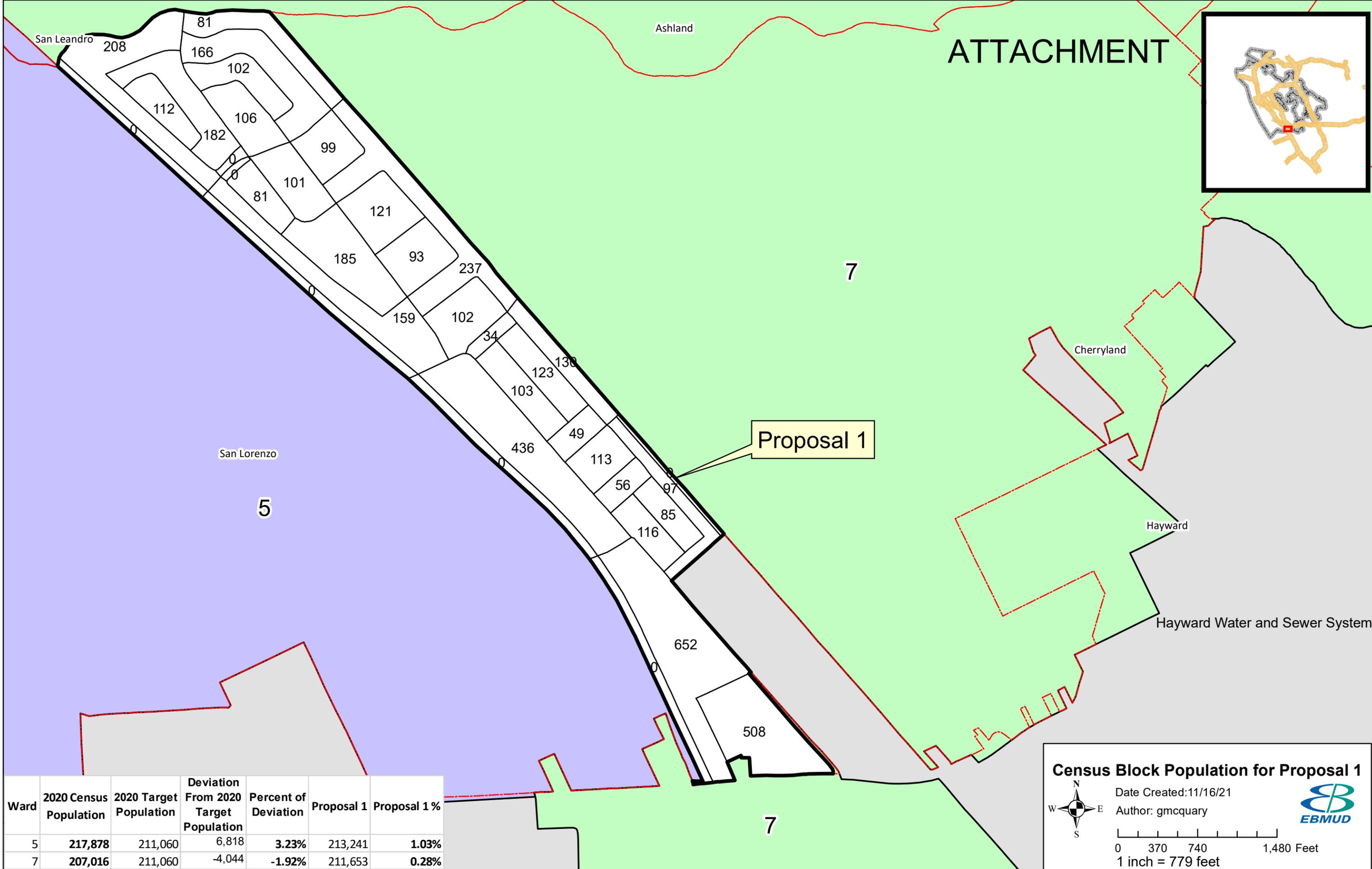
Elections Code section 22000 requires districts to adjust boundaries based on the federal decennial census so divisions, as far as practical, are equal in population. Adjusting the boundaries in Wards 5 and 7 will bring both ward populations within 3 percent of the target ward population of 211,060 and make the populations of the District's wards nearly equal.

Notices regarding the February 8, 2022 public hearing were published in the *East Bay Times (Oakland Tribune and Contra Costa Times)* on January 28 and February 4. Additional notices regarding the March 8, 2022 public hearing will be published in advance of the hearing. A notice about the public hearings was emailed to elected and appointed officials and organizations. Outreach to encourage public participation in EBMUD's redistricting efforts have included information in the *Customer Pipeline* newsletter and on the redistricting page on ebmud.com; ads in *El Mundo, Sing Tao, The Oakland Post,* and *Mo Magazine*; and social media posts on Nextdoor and Twitter.

ALTERNATIVE

Do not conduct a public hearing to receive comments on Redistricting Proposal 1. This alternative is not recommended because the public hearing is required pursuant to California Elections Code section 22001.

ATTACHMENT



Ward	2020 Census Population	2020 Target Population	Deviation From 2020 Target Population	Percent of Deviation	Proposal 1	Proposal 1 %
5	217,878	211,060	6,818	3.23%	213,241	1.03%
7	207,016	211,060	-4,044	-1.92%	211,653	0.28%

Census Block Population for Proposal 1

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