

Washington Census and Redistricting

Skagit County Incorporated 1883

Washington Statehood November

1989

LaConner Garden Club Hall was the first Court House

1890 – No County Record	1950 – 43,273
1900 - 14,272	1960 – 51,350
1910 – 29,241	1970 – 52,381
1920 – 33,373	1980 – 64,138
1930 – 35,142	1990 – 79,545
1940 – 37,650	2000 – 102,979
2010 - 116,901	

In 1985 a Census was taken Skagit County Territory of Washington

Skagit Cities	Incorporation	1890	1900	1910
LaConner	1883	398	564	603
Mount Vernon	1890		1,120	2,381
Anacortes	1891		1,476	4,168
Hamilton	1891		392	405
Sedro Woolley	1898		885	2,129
Burlington	1902			1,302
Concrete	1909			945
Lyman	1909			441

Districts to be Redistricted

- Congressional
- Legislative
- Commissioner
- Cities w/wards
- PUD District
- Port Districts
- School Districts w/specific districts



- Washington State Redistricting Commission
Appointed by the Governor



- Meet the 2nd Tuesday at 10 AM at locations around the state

- Public Forums follow those evenings at 6 PM

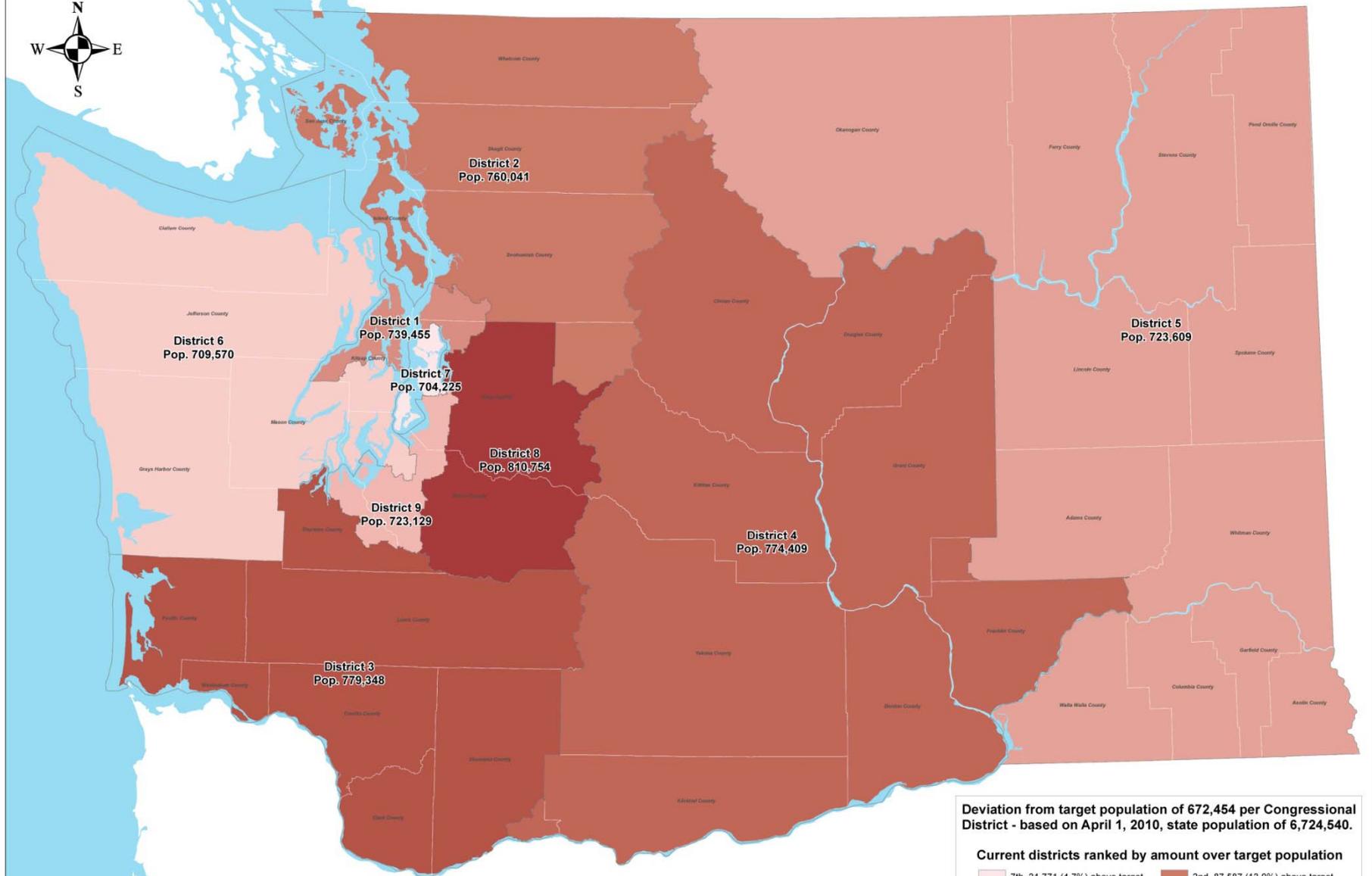
- Seattle June 13th



- Join a Washington State Redistricting Commission forum on TVW via

- <http://www.redistricting.wa.gov>

Washington State Congressional Districts: Census 2010 Deviation from Target Population



Deviation from target population of 672,454 per Congressional District - based on April 1, 2010, state population of 6,724,540.

Current districts ranked by amount over target population

7th 31,771 (4.7%) above target	2nd 87,587 (13.0%) above target
6th 37,116 (5.5%) above target	4th 101,955 (15.2%) above target
9th 50,675 (7.5%) above target	3rd 106,894 (15.9%) above target
5th 51,155 (7.6%) above target	8th 138,300 (20.6%) above target
1st 67,001 (10.0%) above target	

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The target district population is the 2010 state population equally divided among ten Congressional Districts.
 Map data by United States Census Bureau and Washington State Department of Transportation.
 February 2011

Commission September & January Announcements

Based upon 2010 census population of 6,724,540

Districts are redistricted to equal population size

Language Requirements

Congressional Districts

- Washington receives one new Congressional district for a total of 10 districts

TARGET RANGE – 672,454

- **District 7 is +33,851**
- **District 8 is +137,570**

Legislative Districts

TARGET RANGE - 137,236

- **- 2,472 / South East Corner**
- **+28,777 / Thurston, Pierce County area**

Go To or View :

David Cunningham, June 14th presentation
on TV21

Visit:

www.census.gov

www.redistricting.wa.gov

<http://factfinder2.census.gov/faces/nav/jsf/pages/index.xhtml>

<http://skagitcounty.net/GIS/Applications/iMap/asp/iMap.asp>

View census blocks superimposed on “iMap” giving #s



***Redistricting
Skagit
County
2010 - 2012***



Introduction

- **Every 10 years there's a census, and in response to the census, there's redistricting.**
- **What does this mean to us?**



Introduction

RCW 29A.76.010(1)

It is the responsibility of each county, municipal corporation, and special purpose district with a governing body comprised of internal director, council, or commissioner districts... to periodically redistrict its governmental unit, based on population information from the most recent federal decennial census.

Therefore...



Introduction

***...Skagit County must
redistrict!***

**What does that mean? How
do we do it?**



Introduction

Before we go further, we must get a few things straight...

(Definitions and Key concepts)

- **“Redistricting”** is the redrawing of a district’s *internal* boundary lines.

Using the example of Skagit County’s cities, redistricting will change the size and shape of the cities internal wards, but will not alter the external boundaries of the cities.

- **“Reprecincting”** is the redrawing of a precinct’s external borders.

Once all other changes are in, Skagit County Elections will adjust the external borders of many of Skagit County’s voting precincts.



Introduction

Definitions and Key concepts, continued

- ***Internal vs. external*** boundaries
- ***Population vs. registered voters***

Redistricting is based on population, ***reprecincting*** is based on registered voters.

Any questions at this point?



Section I – What gets redistricted?

- Political jurisdictions with a governing body comprised of *internal* director, council, or commissioner districts (RCW 29A.76.010(I))
- Examples follow...

APPORTIONMENT

2010
OFFICIAL RESULTS



GAINED

LOST

Arizona +1

Illinois -1

Florida +2

Iowa -1

Georgia +1

Louisiana -1

Nevada +1

Massachusetts -1

South Carolina +1

Michigan -1

Texas +4

Missouri -1

Utah +1

New Jersey -1

Washington +1

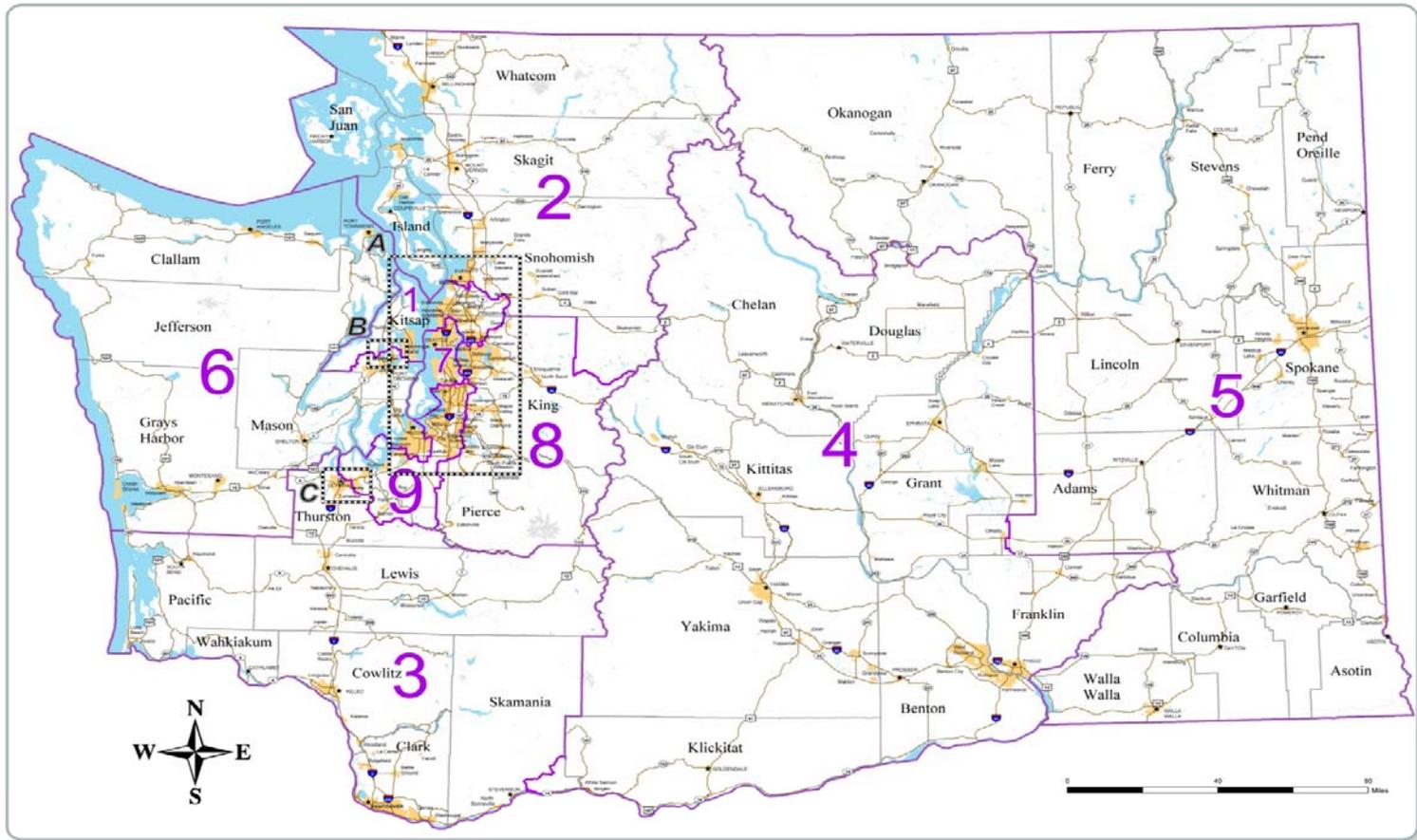
New York -2

Ohio -2

Pennsylvania -1

Section I – What gets redistricted?

Washington Congressional Districts

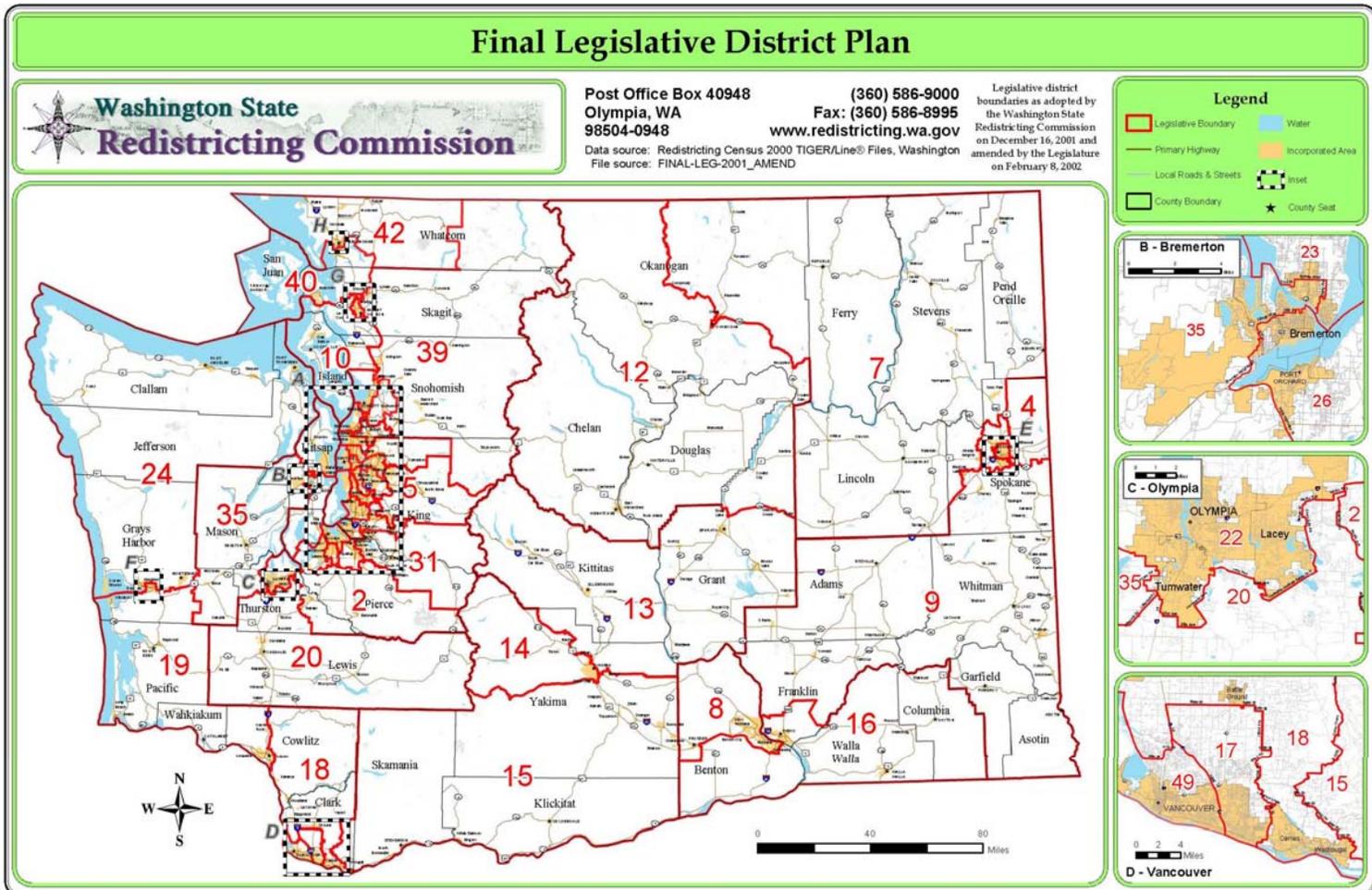


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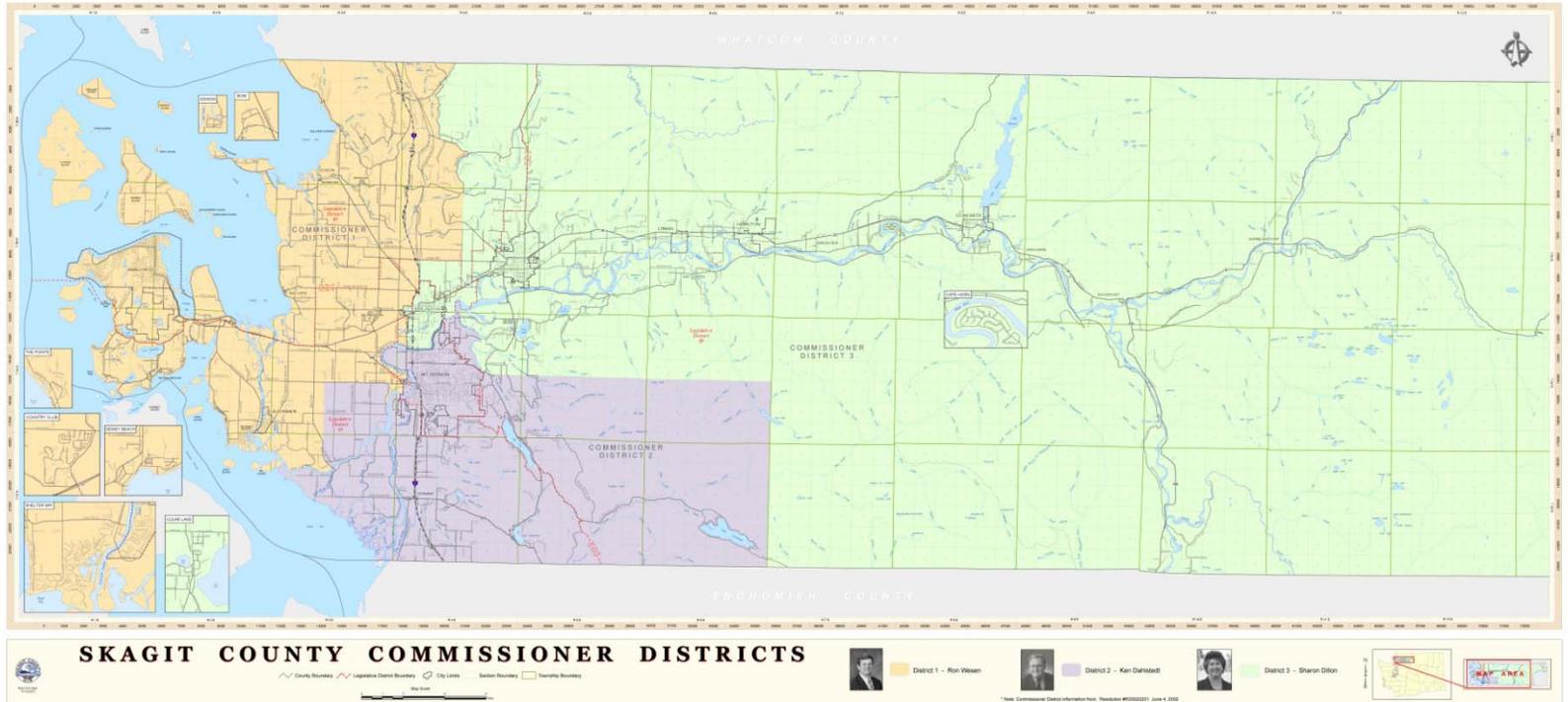
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Washington Legislative Districts



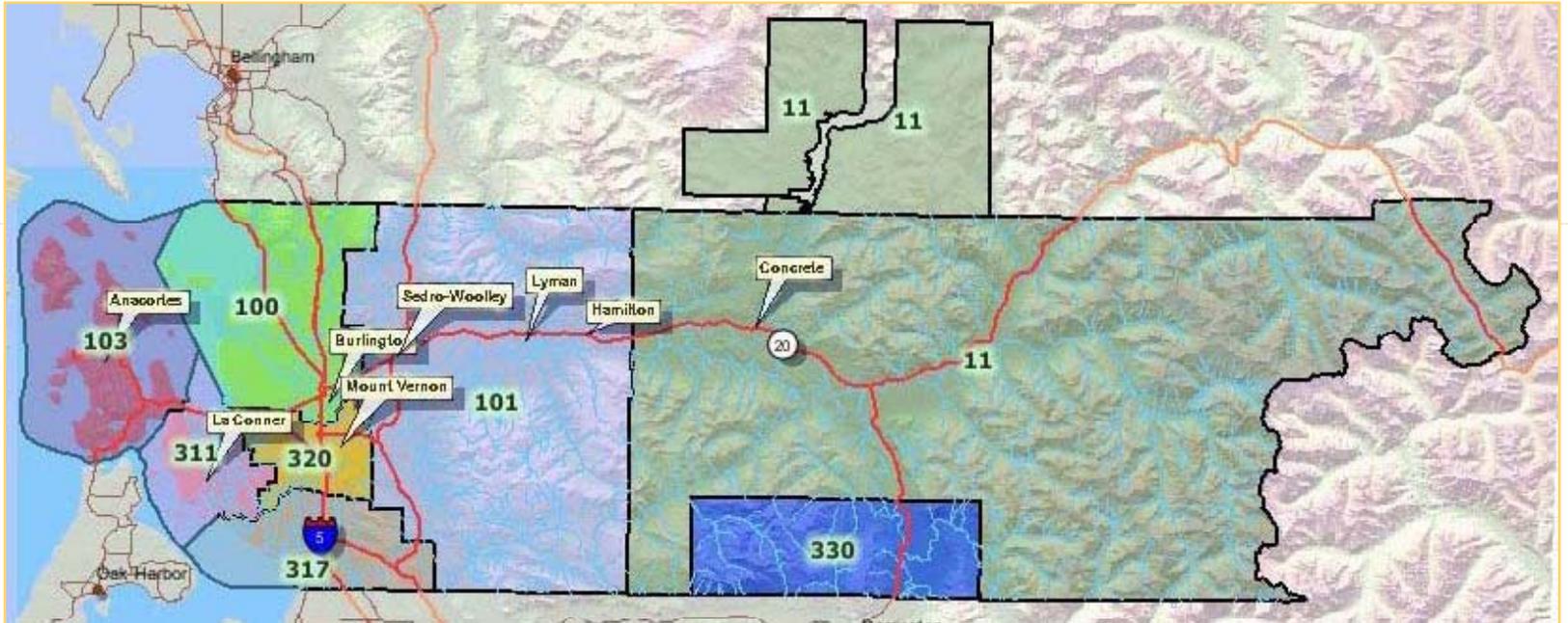
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Skagit County Commissioner Districts



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Skagit County School Districts



Section I – What gets redistricted?

Following are Skagit County district types that are subject to redistricting:

“...Each county, municipal corporation, and special purpose district with a governing body comprised of *internal* director, council, or commissioner districts...” RCW 29A.76.010(I)

- County commissioner districts
- Ports
- Cities (wards)
- Precincts
- School districts
- PUD



Section 2 – Who does what?

- Who is responsible for conducting redistricting?
- The State is responsible for creating and redrawing new and existing...
 - Congressional district lines
 - Legislative district lines



Section 2 – Who does what?

Roles – who does what?

- The county is responsible for Commissioner District lines and precinct boundaries

- Individual districts are responsible for their internal district lines (city wards, school district Director District lines, etc)
- No ***district*** changes its outer boundaries in response to the census



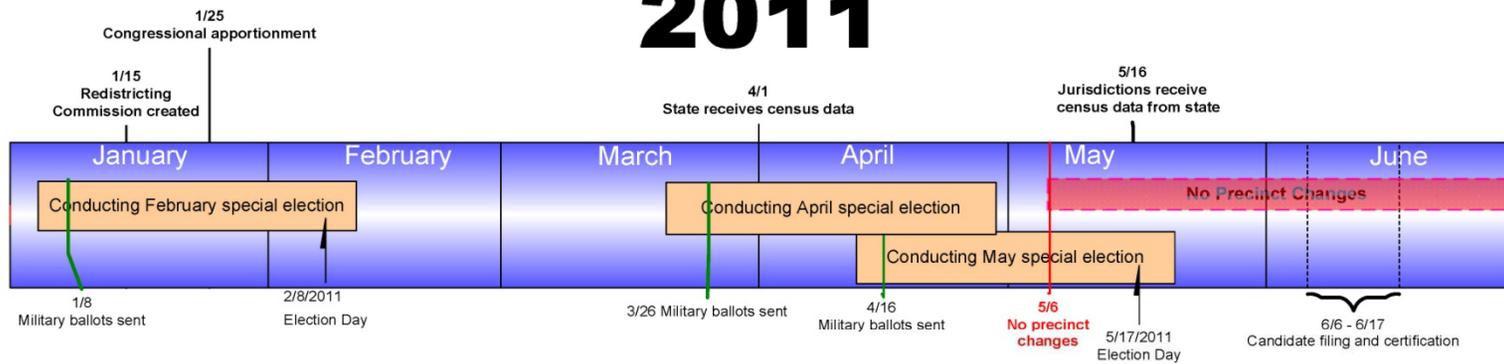
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Skagit County is responsible for...

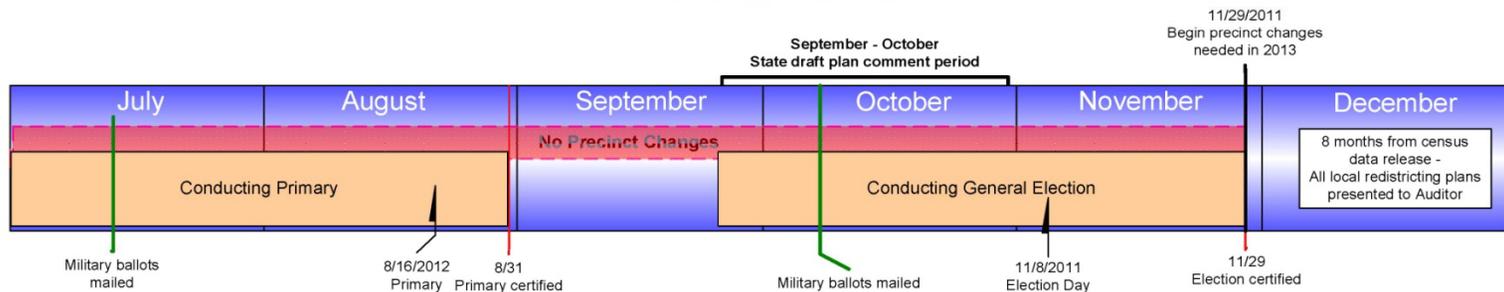
- Redrawing county commissioner district boundary lines (by **population**);
- Redrawing precinct boundary lines (by **registered voters** and geography);
- Incorporating into Skagit County’s “election system” all other district changes, everything from U.S. Congressional district changes to the changes of local districts such as cities, ports, school districts, etc.

Section 3 – Timelines

2011



2011

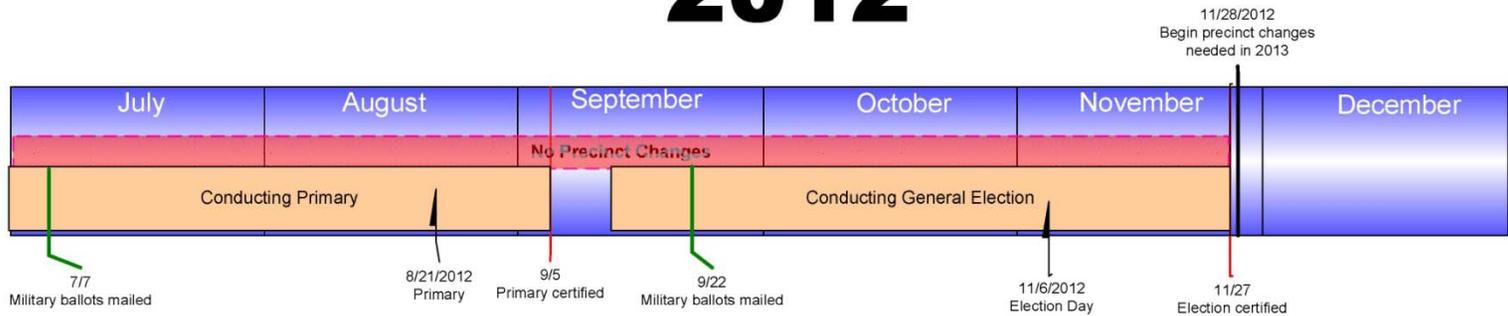


Section 3 – Timelines

2012



2012



Links, etc.

If you need or want more information about any of the preceding, these resources will help get you started:

- Skagit County elections:

www.skagitcounty\elections

- Washington State Redistricting Commission:

<http://www.redistricting.wa.gov/>