

MICRC MAPPING SCHEDULE

(Locations in all caps indicate travel meetings)

Draft Maps

Date	District Type	Region of Mapping
Friday, August 20	State Senate	Southeast and South Central
Monday, August 23	State House/ <i>Senate</i>	Southeast
Tuesday, August 24	State House/ <i>Senate</i>	South Central
Thursday, August 26 – TRAVERSE CITY	State Senate	Upper Peninsula, Northeast, & Northwest
Monday, August 30	State House	Upper Peninsula, Northeast, & Northwest
Tuesday, August 31	Congressional	Upper Peninsula, Northeast, & Northwest
Wednesday, September 1	Congressional	Southeast and South Central
Thursday, September 2 – ANN ARBOR *RPV and VRA Presentation*	State Senate	Detroit Metro
Tuesday, September 7	State House	Southwest
Wednesday September 8	State Senate	Southwest
Thursday, September 9 - BIG RAPIDS	State House	West
Monday, September 13	State Senate	West
Tuesday, September 14	State Senate	East, East Central
Wednesday September 15	Congressional	East, East Central
Thursday, September 16 – ALLENDALE *Chair and Vice-Chair reconsideration*	Congressional	Southwest & West
Monday, September 20	State House	East, East Central
Tuesday, September 21	State House	Detroit Metro
Wednesday, September 22 *Final date of Draft Proposed mapping*	Congressional	Detroit Metro

Note: Any districts not drafted on the scheduled day will be continued during a subsequent meeting.

Deliberation

Thursday, September 23 – MT. PLEASANT

Friday, September 24 -

Monday September 27 -

Tuesday September 28 -

Wednesday September 29 -

Thursday, September 30 – ROCHESTER HILLS - **Vote for Draft Proposed maps**

Friday, October 1 – tentative hold

September 30 – October 8 - EDS to develop maps, data, and legal plan for publishing of Draft Proposed Maps.

Draft Proposed Maps Publication

October 8 - Publish Draft Proposed Maps for public viewing, comment, and public hearing

Public Hearings

Monday, October 11 - Northern Michigan University, Marquette

Wednesday, October 13 - Treetop Resorts, Gaylord

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Thursday, October 14 - The Dort Center, Flint

Monday, October 18 - DeVos Place, Grand Rapids

Wednesday - Oct 20, Radisson Plaza Conference and Hotel, Kalamazoo

Thursday, October 21 - Lansing Center, Lansing

Monday, October 25 - MRCC Banquet and Convention Center, Warren

Wednesday, October 27 - Suburban Collection Showplace, Novi

Thursday, October 28 - TCF Center, Detroit

Note: If Public Hearings begin in the afternoon, Commission meetings can be held in the morning of public hearing days to review the previous public hearing. For example, the Commission would hold its debrief for the Marquette Public Hearing on Wednesday morning, October 13 in Gaylord.

Regular Meetings Resume

Deliberations - Friday, October 29—Cadillac Place

Monday-Friday, November 1-5

Friday, November 5 - **Vote on proposed maps**

November 6 -13 - EDS produces maps, data, and legal descriptions

Sunday, November 14 - Maps, legal descriptions, and documentation through census data published; **45-day public comment period begins.**

Special meetings may be scheduled during the 45-day public comment period as needed.

December 29- Final day of public comment period

December 30 - First day Commission may vote on adoption of final maps (46th day after maps published)

- Either by majority vote with votes to adopt from at least 2 commissioners from each affiliation pool, or the alternative procedure if no plan satisfies those requirements, as outlined in the Constitution.

January 3 - January 31, 2022 - Draft Commission Report

February 2, 2022 - Commission report due 30-days after adoption.

March 3, 2022 - Maps become law 60-days after publication of redistricting plan.

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April 19, 2022 - Deadline for candidate filings and the deadline for Bureau of Elections (BOE) update to Qualified Voter File (QVF).

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Draft Proposed Map Session Process (August 20th – October 8th)

PRIOR TO SCHEDULED MAPPING SESSION

1. **Research and Review:** Commissioners to review, research and take notes on public comment regarding the scheduled mapping region.
 - a. **Considerations for preparation:**
 - i. Review the constitutional ranked criteria for redistricting.
 - ii. COIs from public comment (see COI considerations document on page 21 for types of public comment, where to locate and additional considerations).
 - iii. Review any ACS data, ESRI data, etc.
 1. Are there any additional COIs that should be considered not mentioned in public comment?
 - iv. Familiarize yourself w/ landmarks, regional boundaries, geographic or topographic details (some may be overlap with COI commentary).
 1. County, city, town, township boundaries, school district boundaries etc.
 2. Rivers, water-basins, parks, or conservation areas.
 3. Economic zones (airports, power plants, manufacturing, hospitality etc.)
2. **(OPTIONAL) Draft Maps:** Commissioners may, but are not required to draft maps individually for sharing during the public mapping meeting. Individual maps are not required from Commissioners. Collaborative mapping among the entire Commission during a public meeting is required.
 - a. To maintain public transparency and trust, Commissioners **should not** share individually drafted district maps with other Commissioners, or collaboratively draft district maps prior to the public meeting. The Commission is constitutionally required to draw district maps during public meetings.
 - b. Commissioners who have produced individual maps they intend to share with the Commission should notify Commission staff, EDS and the Secretary at least one day prior to the scheduled mapping session for that region or area so that it may be incorporated into data layer and publicly posted.

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DRAFT MAPPING SESSION

The below work process outlines draft mapping session procedure for the time-period of August 20th through October 8th. During this time-period, Commissioners are working to create multiple draft map options and will review the options to decide by majority vote which draft maps to publish prior to the second round of public hearings.

Due to the delayed receipt of Census data, Racially Polarized Voting (RPV) analysis and corresponding Voting Rights Act (VRA) analysis is expected after the Commission has begun mapping. The Mapping Schedule reflected on page 4 has been structured in recognition of this delay. All draft districts shall be reviewed and re-visited when this information becomes available for assessment and adjustment of district lines in compliance with federal law, as needed.

1. **Announce Region(s):** Commission Chairperson to announce the region(s) and district type(s) being discussed at the mapping session for the public record.
 - a. EDS to open and display mapping software and show the region(s) being discussed, with COI overlay.
 - b. Chairperson to repeat the announcement after resuming from breaks.

Note: Regional lines serve as guidelines and the Commission is not required to map strictly within regional lines. A draft district may extend across regional lines.

2. **Collaborative Line Drawing Session:** The Commission will choose an area of the region to begin collectively drawing district lines.
 - a. **Considerations of where to begin and proceed drawing within the region:**
 - i. Densely populated areas vs less densely populated areas
 - ~~ii. Communities of interest locations~~
 - ~~iii. ii. Barriers (shoreline, Stateline)~~
 - b. **Collaborative Mapping:**
 - ~~i. A Commissioner, selected in alphabetical order (following roll-call vote procedure) will begin the drawing of a district in the scheduled region.~~
 - ~~i.1. The selected commissioner may not pass.~~
 - ~~i.2. That The selected Commissioner may elect to choose one of the pre-created alternative district maps presented by individual commissioners as a starting point.~~
 - ~~iii. ii. Chairperson/Vice-Chairperson facilitates the discussion between Commissioners regarding placement or adjustment of proposed lines. Chairperson/ Vice-Chairperson instructs EDS to make proposed adjustments based on the discussion of the full Commission.~~
 1. **Considerations when drawing or adjusting lines:**
 - a. Rank criteria from the constitution
 - b. Input from RPV, VRA and Line Drawing Consultants
 - ~~c. Proposed line's interaction with COIs (does it split any COI boundaries?)~~
 - d. c. After the initial district line is drawn, subsequent district line drawing may require the Commission to adjust or reconsider lines in previously completed districts.
 - ~~iii. Review of Proposed COIs: Commissioners to discuss Proposed Communities of Interest and review diverse populations within the region or overlapping the~~

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region to arrive at Final COIs for inclusion (see COI considerations document on page 21 for steps).

2.1. Commission may vote by majority if consensus cannot be reached to arrive at each designated Final COI, including each COI boundary.

a. Each Final COI will follow the naming convention of "F##### - [region] [brief description]".

3.2. The "F#####" in the naming convention will reflect the ID number of the COI submission designated as a Final COI, or if the Final COI is a combination of multiple COI submissions, a new number will be generated beginning with "F" and a five digit number reflecting the sequential order of creation. For example, the first Final COI created may be named F00001.

iv. **COI Consultation with RPV and VRA Consultants:** Request input from RPV consultant and VRA legal counsel on COI boundaries, things of note and items to consider when line drawing. Commission may make modifications as needed based on consultant feedback.

c. **Record Keeping:** All major decisions and rationale catalogued by MICRC staff and MDOS and entered into the repository.

d. **Alternate Drafts:** An Alternate Draft of a single district, grouping of districts or region that may be produced at the request of any Commissioner for consideration by the full body during deliberations on Draft Proposed Maps (taking place on October 8th). [These alternate drafts may be considered for integration into the collaborative map as a starting point for mapping or an alternative to it.](#)

i. During the collaborative mapping process, any Commissioner may indicate they would like to create an Alternate Draft. Commissioners may create an Alternate Draft in one of two ways.

1. Request EDS to draw the Alternate Draft during the public meeting.

a. After the Commission finalizes that single district, upon recognition by the Chairperson or Vice-Chairperson, the individual who requested an Alternate Map may direct EDS on how to draw their Alternative Draft of the district. Drawing of the Alternate Draft maps will not occur simultaneously with the collaborative mapping but will take place after the previous map's draft district is completed.

b. If more than one Commissioner requests to create an Alternate Draft for that district, a que will form in the order of request.

2. Individual Commissioners may choose to draw their Alternative Draft map independently [prior to or after](#) the public meeting using the mapping software, and submit the Alternate Draft to EDS, MICRC Staff and the Secretary for public posting.

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- a. Commissioners creating a map prior to the collaborative mapping session for consideration should notify Commission staff, EDS and the Secretary at least one day prior to the scheduled deliberation session so the map may be posted online for public viewing.
- a.b. Commissioners submitting a map after the collaborative mapping session in this fashion may present their map to the Commission at the subsequent meeting as an Unfinished Business agenda item. Commissioners creating alternative maps after the collaborative mapping session should notify Commission staff, EDS and the Secretary at least one day prior to the scheduled deliberation session.
- c. Commissioners submitting a plan should utilize the following naming conventions (note underlines between each section):

1. Name your file by filling in the blanks -- Region Name (Use 2 letter codes: Upper Peninsula=UP; Northeast=NE; Northwest=NW; West=WE; East Central=EC; East=EA; South Central=SC; Southwest=SW; Southeast=SE; Detroit Metro=DM) _____ Plan Type-St Senate=SS, St House=SH, or Congressional=CD _____ Commissioner Initials _____ Date Month & Day _____

Example: UP SS ABC 0822

2. If you wish to clone an existing map from a Commissioner please utilize the existing name (for tracking purposes) and add your initials at the end and the date.

Example: UP SS ABC 0822 XYZ 0823 (Remember not to create a constructive quorum)

3. If you wish to edit an existing map from the public comment portal, utilize the name that has been provided, add the type of district if needed, and add your initials and the date.

Example: AFL-CIO SS ABC 0822

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e.d. Follow the process as outlined in 2a5b through 2e5e until all districts in the scheduled region are completed to the Commission's satisfaction. The Commission will have compiled Draft Maps and Alternate Draft Maps for formal consideration during its deliberations.

f.e. Record Keeping: Explanation and rationale will be catalogued by MICRC staff and MDOS and entered into the repository.

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Deliberations of Draft Proposed Maps for Public Hearings (September 23rd – September 30th)

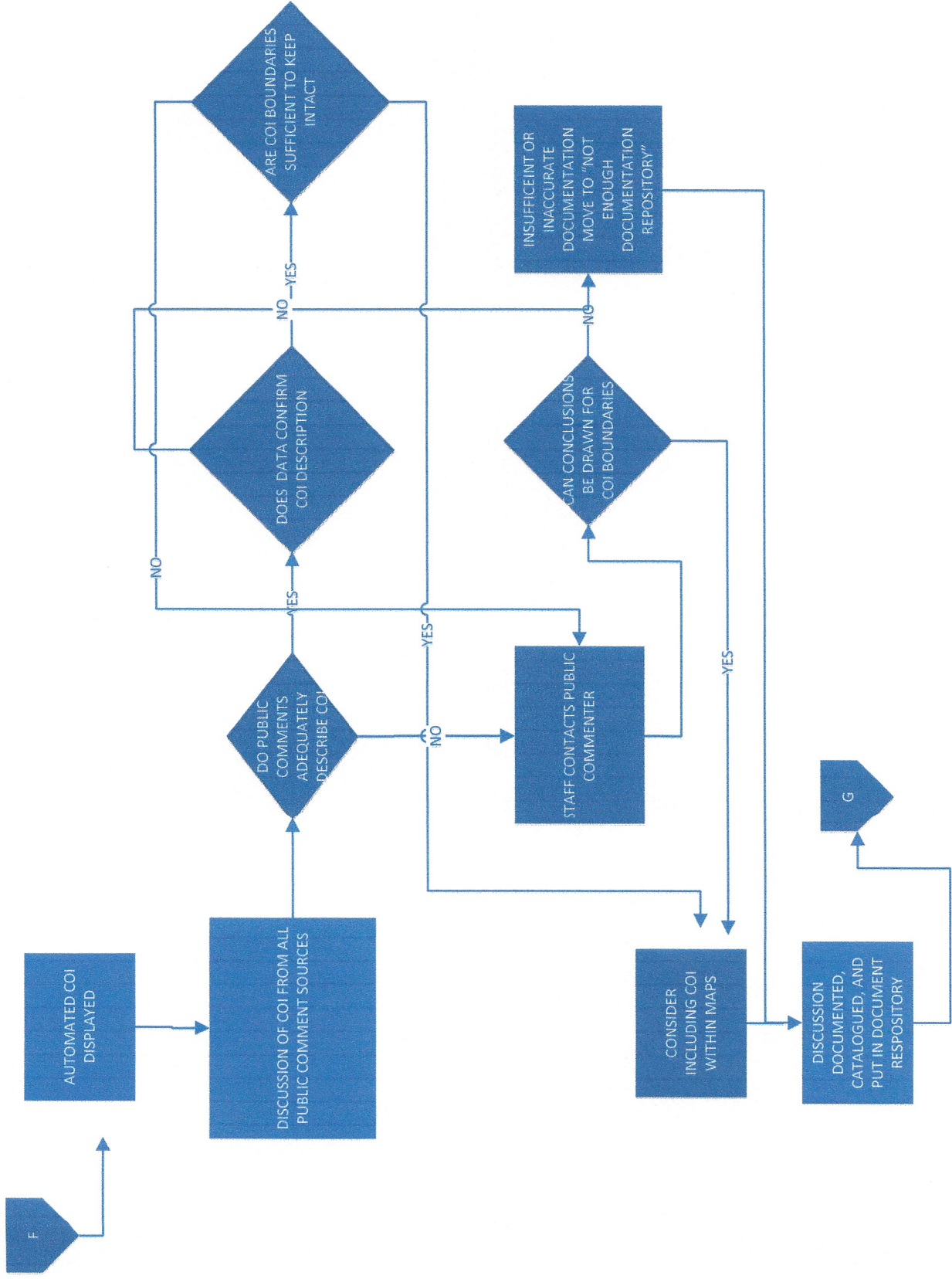
PRIOR TO DELIBERATION SESSIONS

1. **Research and Review:** Commissioners to independently review, research and take notes on:
 - a. Collaborative maps produced by the Commission and Alternative Maps submitted by individual Commissioners for consideration.
 - b. Additional public comment received during the Draft Map drawing sessions.
2. **Additional Alternative Maps:** Commissioners who produce additional Alternative Maps for consideration should notify Commission staff, EDS and the Secretary at least one day prior to the scheduled deliberation session.
 - a. Any Commissioner wishing to withdraw their Alternative Maps from consideration may also do so at this time by notifying Commission Staff, EDS and the Secretary.

DELIBERATION SESSIONS

1. **Map Adjustments:** Using the collaborative mapping format, the Commission may adjust draft maps based on updated public comment and additional analysis from consultants. Alternative maps may also be adjusted and submitted as described in section 2 above.
 - a. **Record Keeping:** All major decisions, including explanation and rationale, will be catalogued by MICRC staff and MDOS and entered into [the](#) repository.
2. **Determine Number of Draft Proposed Maps:** Commission to deliberate and determine the number of complete redistricting maps, for State House, State Senate and Congressional, that should be displayed for public comment during the second round of public hearings.
(Recommendation: No more than three draft proposed per each type of district)
3. **Review Draft Maps:** Commissioners to review all collaborative maps produced by the Commission and Alternative Maps submitted by individual Commissioners for consideration.
 - a. The Commission may discuss maps as they are presented. Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson will facilitate discussion and present collaborative maps.
 - i. Discussion order of maps by type of district will be by order of mapping schedule (first State Senate maps, proceeding to State House maps, and finally Congressional maps)
 - ii. Discussion order within each district type is outlined as follows:
 1. Collaborative Maps, presented by Chairperson or Vice-Chairperson.
 2. Alternative Maps, based on order of submission. The creator of the alternative map may present their map to the Commission.
 - a. Any Commissioner wishing to withdraw their Alternative Map(s) from consideration may also do so at this time.

MICRC Redistricting Process



COI and Public Comment Process and Considerations

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Public Comment Formats

1. Public Comment Portal

- COI Maps, State House, State Senate and Congressional Maps, Written Public Comment
- Searchable by keyword or tag using the Advanced Search Feature in the [Comment Gallery](#)
- Downloadable shape files for each type of map
- MGGG Public Comment Reports are available on the [Outreach](#) section of [Michigan.gov/MICRC](#)

2. Emailed, Mailed and PDF Upload Public Comment

- Available in the [Meeting Notices and Materials](#) section of [Michigan.gov/MICRC](#)

3. Live Public Comment (from public hearings and meetings)

- Available to watch recorded livestreams on the [YouTube Playlist](#) or in meeting/hearing transcripts, available in the [Meeting Notices and Materials](#) section of [Michigan.gov/MICRC](#)

Key COI Terms and Definitions

Community of Interest (COI): "Communities of interest may include, but shall not be limited to, populations that share cultural or historical characteristics or economic interests. Communities of interest do not include relationships with political parties, incumbents, or political candidates."

Final COI: COI submissions reviewed and incorporated by the Commission into district maps.

Proposed COI: All COI submissions presented from the public to the Commission for consideration.

COI Process & Considerations

The following process may assist the Commission with individual and collective assessment of all proposed Communities of Interest (COIs), available data supporting Communities of Interest and the inclusion of COIs in district maps.

STEP 1

Does the explanation or rationale for that Community of Interest fit the proposed COI boundary? Is there sufficient data available to determine a geographical boundary of this proposed community of interest or to ensure its inclusion, in entirety, within the same district (if possible or preferred)?

Note: Some larger COIs may not fit in entirety within one district.

IF YES: Go to step 3 Proceed to step 2

IF NO: Go to step 2 The COI should not be incorporated

Considerations-Recommendations and Potential Analysis to get to Yes or No may include:

- Examine your notes from public hearings, written comments, verbal comments

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- ~~a. Assess available public comment submissions describing this community via drawn maps or written/verbal descriptions.~~
- ~~o Do public comment submissions describing this community of interest agree or conflict?
 - ~~i. If they conflict, does additional data (see the below bullet point) help clarify which COI is more correct?~~~~
- ~~b. Request mapping vendor to display Examine ACS, ESRI or Census data over the COIs or other reliable population data
 - ~~i. Does the supplemental data agree or conflict with the public comment's COI description?
 - ~~— **Note:** Some larger COIs may not fit in entirety within one district.~~~~~~
- ~~• Is the area contiguous and in-line with the other constitutional criteria?~~

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STEP 23

Based on all available information, the Commission may deliberate whether to include the Proposed COIs as a Final COI.