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Sutter County Redistricting Process Underway

Sutter County residents interested in the future boundaries of supervisorial districts will have an opportunity Tuesday, July 26, to address the Board of Supervisors during a public hearing.

Following a public hearing on July 12, the Board of Supervisors reviewed three draft maps. After listening to public testimony, the Board directed that the County Planning Division revise one of the draft maps, and create a fourth draft map. The maps will be reviewed and additional testimony taken during the July 26 public hearing, which will be conducted at 7 p.m. at the Hall of Records, 466 Second Street, Yuba City.

In Sutter County, as in most California counties, supervisors are elected by district. There are five supervisorial districts that are required, by law, to be roughly the same size in population.

Following the 2010 Census, Sutter County embarked on a process to update the districts, in advance of the 2012 elections. Where the boundaries of the various districts are established has an impact on who is eligible to run for what district, and who can vote for which supervisorial candidate.

During a June 23 Town Hall meeting at the Sutter County Veteran's Hall, County Clerk-Recorder Donna Johnston explained the concept of "community of interest," and why this concept is important to developing supervisorial districts. After receiving public testimony, County planning staff developed the three draft maps which were presented at the July 12 meeting.