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Um, you know it's such a large file that maybe it.

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But what actually let me make sure that it actually opens on my screen first. Yeah, you know what, it might have been that I was rushing and maybe didn't have time for it to your by the way if you didn't want me to do these differently you can see the

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By the way, if you didn't want me to do these differently you can see the way that they, they do it with the, this is generated by the computer. Alright, so let me, let me put into chat just to the panelists the link, well actually I guess I can't

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But I'll go through all goes through every, every district I think when we start in a minute. My mind loaded completely but I did have to press a reload question dialog box.

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It's like a 16 meg, or no it's a, you know, what is it yeah but 60 mags, so I can't do it as an attachment to the email.

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And so I had to do it that way and see if, see if. Well, I am I'm going to go over the some of the change some that I gave you

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some options last night at three in the morning.

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That, I think, maybe that we're not going to do but I wanted to at least run them by you.

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So whenever you're ready. All right. I think we're ready now.

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And we 12 o'clock rather and we have one hour, and as other commissioners, come on board that's fine and again sorry to meet, Miss last night's meeting was the final meeting of my board of trustees so well for me.

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So anyway, I had to be there.

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All right, I but I heard that was a great meeting and Walter thank you for that synopsis of what happened last night.

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So, if I read your professor. Thank you. So, can you see my screen, it should say how said it map options for Charles and Howard County, can you see that.

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Yes. All right, it's a commission Abington you weren't here last night I wanted to, particularly talk about Howard County with you. So that's what I sent around last night was the option here that I was, I worked with in the middle of the night, I Charleston

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is as suggested maybe that's not the right way to go. I just wanted to talk it through.

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This is that as we were working with it, we have a district that's basically going from Carroll County all the way down to the Prince George's County border that's, that's the working plan right now that we have the option I sent you last night for Howard

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County should have tried to put, but basically took Columbia and made it go west, and then the pink district here goes from the Prince George's County border all the way to Baltimore County.

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You know, it to some extent Ellicott City, it depends whether you think it should be more with Central, you know the western northern Howard part, or more with, you know, aligned with Kittens Bell and then Eastern our county but I wanted to put that

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up there, and I can zoom in, when we will look at the software in a second but.

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So let me see if I'm reading this correctly you have, in 27, you have Baltimore County, Howard County is Anna Rundle and Prince George's no okay so I did everything that you wanted.

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Minimizing splits right now. No matter what map we go with. There's only two crossings into Howard County and that's. There's no other way around that.

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Okay, girl, one from Baltimore County, I eliminated that today. That's good. I eliminated, you know whether you're talking about this map your time at this map I eliminated the, the incursion into North Laurel from district 32 and Prince Georges.

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OK, so the only question so I you know this, I was attracted to this option because I thought that this Carol count this district that starts in Carroll County and then comes all the way down here, that that was probably less desirable, and something

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like this Yeah, but, but I do like it, I like this option.

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All right. Well, I think.

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Walter, Do you want to jump in as to what you were suggesting. Hey, let me ask with elegant city which is to some extent split either way.

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The second plan. It seems to me is a little more extremes split at all I could say as far as cutting right among the, the core of the community, whereas the previous one was mostly cutting off Western neighborhoods that are awfully suburban anyway.

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In most cases you know off toward to LA and so forth.

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The, so that's why I would think that the.

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The one on the left, might be more satisfactory delicate city people but again it you know you're, you're nervous area better than I do. I'm just thinking.

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The first thing that the professor mentioned where you got Carroll County, going all the way into Laurel looks like North Laurel, yeah, I think that literally might be a stretch for people within that, that.

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People aren't going to think of it as a trial County District they're going to think of it as a West, Howard district which is what it really is that's what most population is.

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And then just like Harlan Fulton. I think do you know I can't vouch for stats bill, but I think highlighting Fulton often do described themselves as what's covered con is so it's just something to think about how I agree north wall.

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You know, it's hard to fit into it, you know, any of these scams but the option is certainly more compact and on compact as far as it's gonna, you know, do better on the, the way I thought of this was, this is basically a central Howard County District

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with elegant said most of all density in there. Then you've got kind of the I 95 district, like, you know, because we keep Columbia whole you, there's only so many options either.

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What is south of Columbia goes, as in this case goes up into this district or, it goes, you know, in a district that goes from Prince George's County all the way to Baltimore County.

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And it really, you know, this is a community of interest kind of question as to where we think people are granted, you know, certainly, you know the public sees this, because it's a little prettier, looking at that that has some attractiveness

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But I also didn't know how to think about these small towns, just to be clear, none of this is incorporated none of these are incorporated as a pallet ease.

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And, you know, a lot of this is just caused by the fact that Colombia is right in the middle and their population centers around and so it's, you know, it's a kind of anchored in the plan and then everything else, you just decide how to rotate.

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So, so do you think of the working plan that we have here and then it rotates.

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To the right. Okay, let me just ask you because I don't know too much about the Howard County arm and maybe the question to ask is more applicable to the House of Delegates splits, but would there be any pushback at all from minority community.

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With this map.

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I certainly don't know, but I you know I'm looking at that connection with Bolton, and Fulton is like where Maple Dawn is. And if you live in Colombia, you're probably going to be eating dinner at one of the restaurants and maple on that is a huge development

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right there. And it's, you know, it's up and coming there's.

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It's being built like over I think in 2010, I'm just looking online when it was a style established.

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So, I've Fulton is very much connected to Columbia, it's like right down the road so I think this is actually better and that because of that I'm thinking of that, once I saw a Fulton and maple line I just thought, Well, of course you know it's a

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place where people live in Colombia that's really go for Friday, thanks.

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I'm happy to yield to kids to burn our chair and just wanted to Derek, Kate also knows probably 100, people in Ellicott City for every one person I know 30 so I'm going to go by her instant.

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Yeah, it's there's as you, as we've heard many times there's no perfect way, but it's a lot better to be in three, rather than five or four, which were some of the previous options so as we know not everybody will be happy, but I think this captures Howard

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County, better than the other maps that we had looked at previously. Okay, then I will just question, the piece of 28 that used to be encouraged to Howard County is now the population has been added from Baltimore County correct.

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That's right, that's right can go, the book previously out most of upgrades was in 28.

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But in order to eliminate that crossing we've now added another split to Baltimore County, it goes you know our Brutus is not a incorporated municipality but it gets most of our business into district 28.

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Okay. All right, well, km on the phone to your wisdom here and no I will, I will do the opp, then, then, are we read that I'll do the option that Broward County.

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I. That's my choice.

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Yes. Okay. I think the option for Howard County works but I do have concerns about that split in Baltimore County which kind of affects Howard County, and in ways.

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My concern is it's another split in Baltimore County. And I was looking back through 30 plus years of maps and that area of Baltimore County has historically been connected with Howard County.

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So, as they take a piece of it to go into Anne Arundel, I,

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I don't want to be, make a rash decision about it and I think we need to think about that a bit more.

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So, we had that in one of the iterations where I think we had Kate and so on our beautiful, probably more combined it last part of our business is it part of our business is still in 27.

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Tiny bit yeah, I mean that the issue here is this this happened because of the desire to eliminate the that crossing into our account right so you needed to find some more population for Anna run the internal county districts and so either it goes up this

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They had; it was the same as Commissioner plus fields which is that I would we wouldn't add another crossing into.

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into Baltimore County, and instead would add it here. But, but, you know, it's just a choice. I mean I; the problem is this is that that that district 32 is a majority black District, which helps out with Dr a compliance I'm not going to say that.

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Absolutely. I have run this through the, the program on this and I'm confident that the Senate map complies with the era.

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So, so that, You know, this would be too much population to add to all of the Howard County districts.

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I can tell you exactly how much it is just it's just a matter of the, that's where the population is and even things out, that basically take yeah right well but again it's just a choice, which way you want to go I mean you can go to the internal

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Which way do you want to go I mean you can go to the external districts going to Baltimore City and going Baltimore County, they can go into?

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And so yesterday that was that was I thought the one thing where it would where you came out yesterday which was that that this to keep the Howard County boundary here intact.

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And then, to do that, I mean, there are other options. You know, I've always been trying to figure out a way to actually not to get Fort Meade into a district that was with Prince George's but if you could do a incursion into our county from Prince

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Prince George's getting this area and then, then everything would rotate around here.

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So, William wanted to add something William.

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I'm remembering correctly last night, we recorded. Commissioner Brooks and she was okay with that don't do this plan.

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I mean if that the missions okay with it that's fine I just wanted to make sure that we gave it the thought it should because it is another split in Baltimore County and there were there is historical precedents for it to stay with our county.

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but if it makes sense now to split it.

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That's fine. I just want to make sure we are in agreement on it.

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Thank you, Jonathan and William for that feedback.

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Alright, are we ready for this. The second issue I want to talk about Charles county.

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I'm part of what I was trying to, so this is what we agreed on last night.

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This is what I gave you as an option and let me tell you why I did this so that so this this was all a result of the St Mary's County effects.

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part of the problem is, is that a lot of the districts up in in Prince George's County are pretty underpopulated and doing it this way.

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I thought would add some population to into the districts in Prince George's County.

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But it's not a huge deal either way of one thing that chair Olson mentioned to me was that if we do the opposite Western Charles county does not orient with St Mary's County and so it's better to do this kind of District, this district has a slightly

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lower black voting age population by about two points then, then, then this district, but it's not.

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I don't think there's any, it's still majority minority and I don't think it.

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I don't think there's any VR a problem.

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All the access from Charles County will go with.

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you made this here the blue, this area right here this. Yeah, yeah, it goes up into Prince George's County. Okay, blue area. Yeah, yeah, and it goes all the way up, right so basically what happened was that I thought okay let's rotate the district's

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a little bit here and push this deviation down pretty low because all of the Prince George's County districts are underpopulated, I. One thing that I want to just highlight for you as we get into the delicate districts, is that if we have districts

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that are, you know, very close to negative 2% deviation.

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We cannot, it's almost impossible to keep to that 2%

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guideline, you can't break up a negative 2% Senate District into three negative 2% assembly definitely districts, right, because it's just, unless you break up you know you just do it.

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Break up all the precincts because it just the map doesn't work. And so I think we will need to push up the deviations for the assembly map I don't know how high I will try to draw a draft assembly map this weekend just to see if it's how difficult it

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is. But but this is something to keep in mind which is that you know we have many districts in this senate plan that are approaching negative or positive 2%.

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And that means those districts are going to have to be, you know, plus or minus 3% or something when we do the senate under the assembly districts. And so that was part of what I was doing is pushing some more population up in Prince George's.

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And it did affect the districts in north in Prince George's the one that buoy the one going.

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Also, the one that that crosses into Anne Arundel County and gets Fort Meade, but I've redone it back to this way and I think if you know they're good arguments about Western Charles county being more oriented with northern Charles county than it is with St

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Mary's.

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Okay so, so what portion of battle Charles county is going to 41 that saw as to what the east part of Oh, yeah, this will big so this is St Mary's and that's all that's whole and basically St Mary's will add Eastern Charles county east and tone,

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nothing for Calvert yeah nothing for calendar there's no, there's no crossing.

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This is just what's necessary and you'll see this district is you know still very low 1.73 below deviation and tablet.

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They have a full district senatorial district. Yes, plus a little bit of banter and all. Okay. All right. Okay, great. All right, thank you. Let me, let me just so everyone is aware of things that I was doing last night as I was trying to like equalize

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population and respect political subject lines I just want to make sure, in the interest of transparency that everyone sees the working districts.

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So, so, in Kings villain are Buddhists, so what you what you saw last night where the red lines, and then I moved it just a little bit. You'll see here, in order to make this district a little bit compact more compact it was going down into here and it

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had the these changes so I love that I don't think this is worth discussing I just wanted to make it transparent this also district 17 we'll go. we'll go up here this is just one precinct.

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And so, the Catonsville split as we are going to do it is where the colors are not where the red line is ok.

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Then, enter Rundle as I was going through this this also judge Williams as you're talking about the council, this, this district 31 includes all of Calvert county and now goes all the way up.

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Well, and then goes up here before the end of the before the Annapolis district begins, you'll see in order to create this sort of Central Arundel district, I did break a few precincts in order to unite some of these communities.

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They're not municipalities, but so that central Arundel district is here that I shifted some of the population, out of here into here you can see that the red districts again were what we saw last night, and I moved it into the colors

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just, again, transparency, up Baltimore, I just want to be clear what we did at all. I will go into the program and a second just to make sure we're on the same page.

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And it took a while there are there are several split precincts inside Baltimore, that I did in order for that to get it.

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Yeah, you see all of these districts are overpopulated right everything coming in and so just to maintain population quality and also to preserve options for voting rights act compliance.

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These are very tight districts, this district. I also wanted to make sure the Latino population which is on the eastern border here was united in one district and so that is united in the in District 23.

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And that was something that Gloria mentioned, the other day as to where it was, and it was a little bit splitting the previous plan.

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There's a small split precinct that I did here.

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But one thing I do like about this that you all voted on yesterday is that this puts the entire what we called CDP of Dundalk an engineer, right in, in this district going in and it creates a nice sort of the water boundary here is not crossed at

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all. And so, and that's that basically is the constraint that then forces all of these districts to be overpopulated is the water here and then respecting this kind of Dundalk Rosedale border.

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And I can go into the program, and we can, I can show you, you know where the actual boundaries are and these are all majority black districts.

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Inside Baltimore City, except obviously the one that goes in and gets the port area.

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So this is what we were just, we were just looking at.

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I will, I will turn back the, the districts that in in Howard County as we as we had it so that they are the red areas, you see the red areas. I'm

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trying to think if there's anything else. Is there anything else you all would like to see?

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what it was nice night before you made some changes.

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That's, that's actually the colors, the color it's Wednesday last night in the thing I circulated are in what we, what we discussed will be discussing tonight, before you sit down.

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Well, no. Well, yeah, yeah right, the right areas right like this. Yeah.

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And so I will make the changes to Howard County which will then rotate all of this around.

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And so the Columbia district we'll go. We'll go west, but Baltimore as we know with, you know, with that I was,

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you know, taking the red originally was the where the crossing was coming in from the north.

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did anyone want to comment on the Baltimore City or Dundalk engineer districts them as way I want to paint your mind, let me ask, William are we satisfied with the number 20.

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Having again edge mirror in Dundalk with Baltimore. Or, do we have any more discussion about going north and 21.

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I mean, you ensure you're comfortable with that. You can do this. Okay, All right.

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Anybody else have any comments.

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I'm pretty I'm pretty sure it's Baltimore city but well actually let me let me It might be Baltimore County I'll tell you exactly

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terms of population. Yeah, right. I know it's predominantly minority, African American, it's not it's not this is a white district. Okay, so is it because the area and the port areas is not minority?

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Oh, I see, okay. All right, so this is 60% of the district is out here and 40% of the district has a year. So it's about half an hour, but it's not predominantly white district, regardless.

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And only 12 and a half percent African American so it's a.

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And basically, I mean if you want to see the. Let me see if I can call up just so we're on the same page.

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Right, that dark red areas African American community, right, this goes in, right to the port area, all up. I'll let me just, I'll click off the district so you can see right so this is the demographics of Baltimore City on these all end up being majority

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Some heavily so like district 24 is

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Non-Hispanic black district 21 is 61% District 22 is 58.35%.

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And as we said, This at 23 is 60%, but it also has, you know not insignificant Latino population, about 12%.

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So, as we think about the delegate districts, you can see,

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Because of you know racial segregation, you can draw.

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If we don't do majority if we don't do multi member districts that the way to comply with the era, right into create majority minority districts within majority minority districts right is to, you would probably do these districts laterally, east, west,

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right, and this one would be more north south.

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But, you know, we'll cross that bridge I'll give you a box of options I will work on it this weekend to see what a delegate district map might look like just using single member districts and we can see what the implications are.

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That would be very helpful Professor thank you for doing that. Yeah, I mean I don't want to over promise here because that's you know it's 100 some odd districts but

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hundred and 40 or so.

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But I'll give it the old college try. So, now, you've been doing an amazing it's actually 141. Right.

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You've been doing an amazing job of producing these maps and giving us the information. When we asked for it so I know I speak on behalf of the rest of Commissioners that you've done an excellent job, so we appreciate the work.

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So I guess this is the border, as I was saying with, you know, cadence but what will rotate these districts around but I tried to this breaks a precinct here.

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Again this, the assembly districts in this area will probably go down one will go down that way, one will go this way and then we'll go there. And this district 17 is about 55% or so.

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57.29%, African American, but that's on the unadjusted non Hispanic black population,

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or anything else so I will I will make these changes on.

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I mean I could do this live right now if we wanted to.

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Just so everyone we actually have a senate map you can vote on.

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If you want.

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Are we ready to do that.

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Quick to hold a vote if we've got the consensus Yeah.

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Let me, I want to make sure I don't make any errors when I do this, um, let me just add I'm going to what I'm going to do is I'm going to add a layer

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from yesterday from right we need seven to take a boat correct.

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We have exactly seven so would have to be all of us agreement.

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Yeah, five for them to have a meeting. Seven for a bit.

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Oh here comes Cheryl.

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Okay, so just so we're clear what I'm going to do I'm going to move. I'm now going to move these districts to where the, the red area and so, so I'm going to actually start this just one pressing in Carroll County.

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That for population reasons, I'm going to Cheryl.

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To say we're in the process of not way, professor.

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The process of putting together the, what we have come to in terms of, we think is concurrence based on last night's discussion discussions we've had this morning and then we like to vote on this so we can proceed.

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We only have, you know, we had a congressional maps 47 senate and now, soon to be working on 141 house.

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Yeah, that'll break us but yes let's let them.

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Thank you. Sorry I was late with students, I'm so sorry. No worries.

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Students thing you know, I understand completely, we all do, are those of us who teach our well aware of that so just what we're just to be clear what we're doing removed so elegant city now is in, in, in more of it is, again, it's going to be

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split a little bit. So this area, Eastern all con. Now I'm going to move the Columbia district down.

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Now moving district 27 around.

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Since Commissioner directions here after we do this, it might be worth it just for me to spend a second.

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Just putting back the Baltimore map out there. That's great.

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All right, let's make sure that this all works out.

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So, no 27 has too many years.

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There we go. 33 I'm just looking at the deviations to make sure we're okay.

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And it looks like we're okay. All right, so,

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with every ready to then vote on this. I think let me let me just show, zoom into Baltimore Sun Commissioner Brooks can see it.

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So, this is what we talked about last night. The Dundalk crossing into get bought the harbor area.

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And these are the interior Baltimore City districts, you know once since we took out the crossing from the north, that means that this district 16 goes out, you know farther as does you know all of these other districts district 18 goes all the

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Any, I don't know, commission Rex has any, any anything to say about that.

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Cheryl you're, You're muted.

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Okay, so.

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I agree with, I'm

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was part of Pikeville, and what's this about Pikeville is all is that pack still to this is just, that's not in.

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This is a district This is doesn't go into Baltimore City district that crosses into Baltimore City is the Dundalk. It's fine. Yeah, that's good. Yes, this and this, I'm like tempted to cut this little thing off here but it's the way the precinct

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is drawn. Okay.

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I'm like, I you know these things always irritate me but it but I don't know for now I'm, I figured, it's not worth it. I think my guess is this is a consequence of either an earlier congressional plan or, or some kind of city council or county council

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kind of plan that it just did that and maybe there was an incumbent over here or something and that's where maybe it was just for population. But anyway, that's I would, if, if the commission wants to I'd be happy to perform the amputation here as necessary.

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So, no with, with the benefit or not if it's supposed to be part of it and I don't I mean it's like one of these things where I'm, I want to do no harm.

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Anyway, I did, I did break some precincts like here. There was, um, let me see if I can.

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So, this this preset was

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in Baltimore County and I put it that the new district goes right along the road here which I suspect the elected officials will be happy about.

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So I would say, appreciate his living room.

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It's what it said Sir everybody read Liberty Right, yeah. Yeah, there could be already reasons also just to do this, this again district 17 that goes now, up, up into the western area here.

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All right. So, so yes I think

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When we get towards Ks Ville Columbia like what's happening right there that we change on the same time.

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and I did make some changes for the red lines or what we had last night I made a few changes just to.

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So I, you know, we have these two districts one from Anna Rundle, and one from Howard going into Baltimore County, I was trying to, no matter what we this is just way too many people, so this is, you know, not an insignificant crossing here.

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34,000 people are in this area here. So, what happens lands down a beat is that the whole thing is that justice ready yeah, Baltimore Highlands lands that are viewed as the this part of our view this.

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Our. That's 34,000 people, which, you know, that that that provides the necessary population for this district.

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So you moved it is no longer in our county, though, so then this area the pic area here going into Catonsville is joined with Howard County. So this was in order to eliminate.

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You know previously this district 20 way, when we went up into elk range.

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In order to get the necessary population and a Howard County.

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So, so that's where we are really trying to avoid having Howard County split into four and five different districts. And so the there is a at this point it's in three.

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There, there are trade offs as there are and everything else but this was the version that seemed to make the most sense and Columbia is, which is the largest of any area inherit Kenny's intact.

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And it's joined with Fulton which is natural if you live in Colombia, Bolton is right down the road. So, you know, in a perfect world, we would keep our busyness intact.

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But if we do that, then we have some, something we have to move something else.

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So I could Yeah, it's gonna be hard to.

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I mean our viewers I don't know I mean it's a, it's not a corporate municipality so it's a little hard to figure out what the right answer is here are beauties in Canaan so they kind of like go hand in hand.

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Right, right.

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Um, let me just see what, How many people are in this little area here.

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So that's 4000 people.

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And how many in the other part of our views, or is that the whole what our business is oh this here, this part here. Yeah, that's

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see in a perfect world are Buddhists would be contained in that seven, the whole thing would be, but from what I had 27.

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It has so many companies, 17,000 people are here 4000 people are there.

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Um, so I mean let me just see if we were to.

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So Jessup at the bottom of that district it's what I thought, oh wow No wonder if we can show this look quite district, it's we add this.

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And then here's the challenge which is that then maybe we could do it, this district.

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I'll just show you what happened so then district 28 is overpopulated by 3% District 20 District 27 ends up being under populated by near 3%, but we could try to that then then if we did that then this would have to go up into Ellicott City we could

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get another 1%.

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From here, And then there and then 28. Let's just see.

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So it's not an advocacy now at all I could probably do it let me let me.

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Because, let's just let me do a snapshot where we are right now. It's not notice.

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Just have more of it. Okay. Yeah, it's not split half and half, but it's split or beautiful. Okay, I get it really just, I don't know enough about the boundaries of our beautiful.

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So here's what I'm going to do.

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Alright mate, I'm going to make that change that will then

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make sure I didn't lose.

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Okay, so now I'm gonna I'm gonna find population for district 27 this is gotta go, gotta go affect her Carroll County just a little bit. Well can you take a little bit more of elegant city and put that as well.

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Yeah, yeah.

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I don't know whether you do it up. Let's see if we do it.

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backdrops that that's a little bit too much. And so what we'll probably end up breaking a precinct here well if we do that.

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I'm just looking at the deviations here. Right.

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But does it right there.

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That would do that. Okay.

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That was actually not that was relatively painless, let's, let's see.

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Now, now, now we're gonna This is going to cascade downward here so, so I will take.

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If we can get basically 1%, and that shouldn't be so hard and we might even increase the compactness here.

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You may 29 the destination for that access.

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Yes. Yeah, just right here, but almost I tonight.

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So then 29th a little bit over if we do that, let me just give him that well let's do this let's do that when you see.

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And then now pushing down.

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I'm going to add to district 30 here.

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That would do it, it goes a little bit into Crownsville I don't know enough about Crownsville.

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I could split the precinct, if you want, are you adding that piece to adding it to 30 right.

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Yeah, that's the total waterfront community.

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I'm good with that Mary. Yeah.

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Just like this little area Crownsville Okay, all right. I mean this this this actually I think looks good. I'm from the standpoint of, you know, these, these areas.

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I did like I said I split some precincts down here, let me make sure we didn't have any continuity problems.

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Alright so we did have one

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of this is just water done Charles county, make sure to do that.

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This way you can you can see what I'm what I'm doing in the middle of the night here when I do these things.

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Professor I have a question. Did the whole commission take a look at the eastern shore and I know there are some county splits and some possible the era.

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For house districts is, did we all pretty much good with that. I know I am I was just asking whether everybody else had was really touched the eastern shore districts in the last you know few, maybe the last week.

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Even so, this is right this is the way it currently, then it is what we're working with it splits with comical because of the era, it right we're going to end up drawing a district that probably goes in a line from the Comic Con to the Dorchester.

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Yeah, the assembly districts down here and not gonna look pretty, but they don't look pretty now either. Let me just show you what they look like.

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Right. This is the red districts are what we currently have you'll see this.

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You know district goes like that uh just so we're clear about the existing yeah that connects part of Solsbury in Cambridge, I think. Yeah, and it goes all the way up.

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So, so it's about I think we can do better actually than the current district.

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Right, so this is the current, the current district.

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And I don't think you need to go all the way up. In fact, if you were to do that. I think it would be over populated and so I think we can just do a district that goes straight like this, and then they'll be another assembly district underneath that.

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And then one of them it, although I'm not sure about I gotta be careful we, you know, we've got really difficult water issues here and so it may be that one of the non minority districts ends up being contiguous only by water like around here but I have

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to look at the population numbers.

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And the Carroll County, Caroline county split is just because of population.

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crowning County. Yes, right. And then I tried to obey the municipal boundary of Denton here. This is one actually that I was considering yesterday but did not mess around with where you could, if we wanted to sort of push up the,

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the deviations of.

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You could add population. Well that would do it too much.

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You could add little pieces but this this would split the municipality a little bit.

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But the idea is you know you could you could push some of this up.

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If you wanted, but I don't see the reason to because it's going to be split either way it's just a question and so the way I did it was just with the precinct that respects Denton, I don't know anything about Denton,

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and then this goes all the way up to help then, and then that's sort of the boundary there.

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The one thing and it may be controversial I don't know.

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Because it's a departure from the current map is that Aberdeen and have the grace and I think I did split some precincts here are now taken out of the district that went all the way into Baltimore County and is instead in a district that

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is sort of Hartford, and Cecil based these two towns here that have not been substantial minority populations.

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Um, but not.

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It's not like you can draw majority black district majority Hispanic test statistic district 43.

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As we have it

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is 56% white non Hispanic white.

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But, you know, the minority population got, it's 30% black, and then

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just 6% Hispanic.

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So that one, that one might be a delegate district. I will try this. Well,

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There may I won't say they're going to be voting rights implications I feel very comfortable with our current map in terms of the number of majority minority districts, but in terms of, there is a kind of community here that probably oriented toward the

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coast. That is now because of population reasons up in here.

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breakdown you said like 56% right 30% it's back and what percent black and 4343 is only about 30% I think 31% should be 43 56% white. I'm 30% Black 6% Hispanic.

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And I can show you that I'm

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where the communities live just

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like that this is all going to be in the district but the Aberdeen area gets cut out.

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Yeah, these are not majority black areas but you'll see, right, basically follows this line going into Baltimore County and take off the statehouse districts.

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So you can see that the former senate district had have to grace Aberdeen, it went up to bel air, which is something I had before I realized was probably because the previous senate district had it.

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But now we've cut that off.

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And, and, Right.

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Instead of going up until here it goes more into Baltimore County.

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Well glad we were able to do the interview this change there that that seemed to help out, um, is there anything else I can show you. Are we pretty much there.

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Is everyone else says, with the eight senatorial district him a gummy county and any other feedback on that.

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You're all inside McCormick County, I believe. That's right. It's great. Yeah, I'm good with us. Okay, All right, that's fine.

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There, there were some small changes from last night in Prince George's.

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I was able to, I did split a precinct up here This increases the Latino population of District 33 five and not another percentage point.

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Otherwise I think everything is now that we made that change in Charles county it's pre, I think it's.

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There may be small, small border changes but I think that's basically the way it is. Professor you mentioned toward me Could you just talk about that a little bit I didn't quite so here's the thing that

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district 32 is a majority black voting age population district but it's pretty compact, you see as, as it is, um, it's, I think, roughly, even between enter Rondo and

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Prince George's though I'd have to check them nice, I think it was more than 60% PG County.

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Let me just start so yeah, well let me just make sure that I'm not

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misrepresenting here.

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Yeah, I thought so too.

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As we talked about yesterday. Yeah, so I might have to reapply it so it's. This is 60 58% 58% in northern Prince George's and then 42% in, in, in, in, in Toronto.

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So, um, and so, but just to show you the racial makeup, right. So,

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it would be quite easy by the way to draw this district, and so that it, it swings up and just go goes in this area I mean if you were someone if you're trying to maximize the minority population in here if that's what you would do is go up and then take

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but that would make it very non compact.

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But then you would put for me basically into internal Captain the internal County District, but you see what this district would end up looking like right it would go all the way from Western Prince George's up West read on the Howard County border up

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And these are very large precincts, So for example, you could put in.

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You can just take out like these three precincts.

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That's only 3000 people but they're physically large and so you can see, we could, we can do something like that and then spread the population around but then the district looks like this up and around its young compact it's not really making some adjustments

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on pra issues anyway yeah because I can see that.

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Post shop versus Reno problems right these are compact minority districts the basic, the main challenge in you know in Maryland is the unpacking not the, you know, reaching out to cobble together, a minority district and so these are you know this is

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It's actually on the adjusted non Hispanic voting age population, it's about 48% black but on the unadjusted black voting age population, it's about 51%.

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And it wouldn't be shifting it to a different county anyway, it's still Anne Arundel County.

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That's right. That's right, that's right. Yeah, that's good, we could, we could move we could do some stuff with the population, you know the deviations.

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But, yeah, yeah I would leave it the way it is right now.

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Right. Other folks feel it leaving it the way it is, is the way to go. Yeah, I think so. Jay, and we'll see what comments we get, we'll see what comments we get in round three.

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I mean one thing that I did in the when I did the when I did the changes for with Charles County is that you can see even this little bite here, I had, I had put into district 32 But now, if we

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right if I, if I do that that's 2500 people, which is, it's fine for district 32.

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But then district 25 is needs to pick up 2% more population than this cascades down. Yeah.

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Alright, well, I think we'd go with the judges advice and I heard Jay concur Mary's nodding her head to so.

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All right, I guess.

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So, from all this today, if everybody's in agreement, then that allows Professor facility to start moving away from the Senate moving into the house seats right.

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Everyone is anything or do we need a formal vote on it though.

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All right, I can get one I can ask for a motion to approve the senate districts as reviewed.

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And I get a second.

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Second. All in favor say aye.

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Aye. Nay, like motion carries.

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Looks like motion carries. probably need to plug in discussion there but I think we've discussed it so just. All right, roles, sorry. So, since we just proved this when maybe the last set of JSON or whatever the state wouldn't have to do and they can

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just take the final one.

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Under the map attitude for us. I agree with that so I will, I will now, I will do another map book, another, just to make sure we, everything is down to the block, understood by everybody.

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Um, there was some email we got from, I can't remember right state legislator asking about, you know, we can use zoom in to see like where each street is and I think once the staff puts this up on map that the public magnitude than anyone can zoom in

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do that, I will.

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One thing I just stylistically, I just tell me a little bit when you do the math books, would you prefer that I have the adjacent districts or do you want that just the district itself.

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Did you see it there's sort of different ways that you can produce that I like to address some districts. Okay, look the context.

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Okay, this is right Just so we're clear right, the idea, the reason that Matthew does this and it produces said that you can see, not just the district, by itself, but then what these other ones aren't but it highlights the actual district right that's

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helpful. That's very helpful. Okay. All right, good. All right, that's what I'll do I'll do that again. And, and then we'll start working on it so do we have a main meeting Monday or Tuesday.

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Now our next meeting is scheduled for into this calendar.

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Wednesday September 29 Is that right, Maria.

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I will try to get you a delegate map. Before then, so that we can at least have some email traffic back and forth as to whether it's effective is.

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If I could raise one point I don't know whether we can resolve it today but Nate raised the issue which is a very real issue of whether we need a higher tolerance, based on the top, there are some districts that are so close to 2% like the Woodlawn one

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at 1.97 and the Frederick city one at 1.9 to 30.

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It's extremely difficult to engineer three senate district or three delegate districts without having one of them go over at the two.

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He suggested 3% of.

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is this something to resolve now or just to give him our best wishes and ask, you know what he comes up with or talk about three vs 2.5, or I mean is one conversation about what the implications of that are.

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What I would like to do in this first draft is to sort of what we did originally with the senate draft, which is that I will not abide by a 2% deviation in this first draft but I will just drive with whole precincts to the extent possible, and then

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once we look at it.

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Because to keep it at 2% or something close will require breaking up a lot of precinct so let me, let me try to do with the precincts

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as they are now with a higher deviation, and then once we have some agreement on the basic structure of the delegate map then I'll go in and we can decide whether to shape them back.

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Again, you know, the part of the question also is whether you're going to do multi member districts or not because that will implicate, you know whether you'll what the deviations with big.

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And so I will I'll go through in and try to do as best I can with the presets right now to keep the deviations as low as possible. And then if it's if it's unacceptable to you all, then we'll, I'll just break up the precincts and we'll, we'll push down

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the deviations. Alright, everybody.

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What would you say, I just what was the target population for a House District Is it 43 810 or something like that.

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I'm here I can, I have it somewhere but let me see if I can quickly. I'm 43 707 I think

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there's 141 districts. Is that right, yes.

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43 797. Thank you.

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Alright folks, we are at the end of our hour Thank you Professor facility for responding to the request that they've made, we've made for making the adjustments, and we are scheduled I believe Maria and I think she was trying to say something or maybe

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Kristen or your host and it's Wednesday. Our next two meetings are next week Wednesday, and the 27th and the 28th, Wednesday, and I'm sorry hold on I apologize I popped up, October, I apologize.

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The 29th and 30th, both at 6pm so Wednesday and Thursday evenings at 6pm. Yeah, so we have the luxury then and maybe going a little bit more than an hour which we have in the daytime really limited so.