



WEST CONTRA COSTA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT THE REDISTRICTING COMMISSION

1. *What is the deadline to apply for the Commission?*

Applications to serve on the Commission are due 30, 2020.

2. *What is a by-trustee area election?*

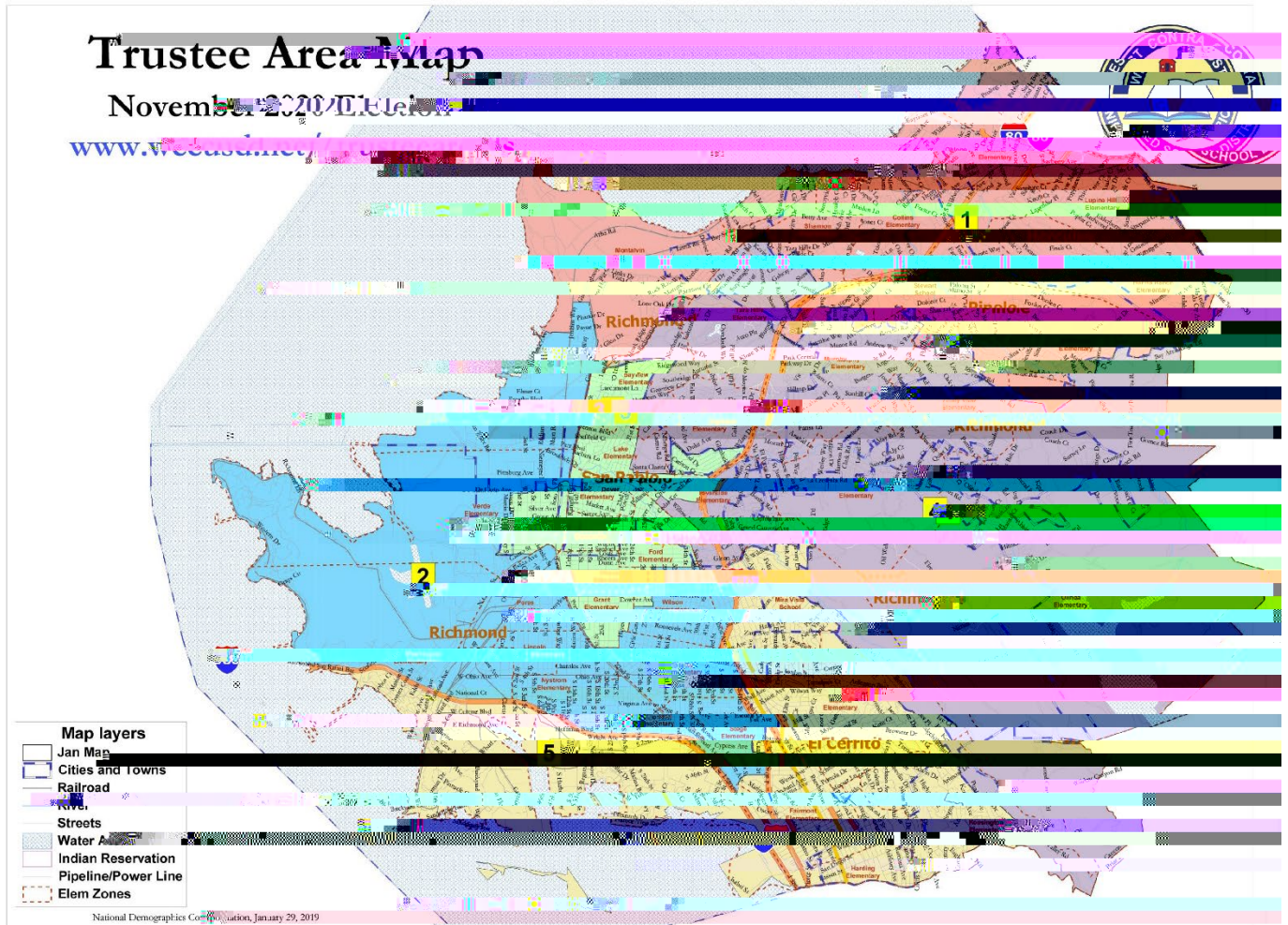
In a by-trustee area election, the District is divided into five trustee areas; voters in each trustee area will elect one trustee, who must live within that trustee area.

3. *What is an Independent Redistricting Commission?*

School boards and other local agencies are legally authorized to appoint a “redistricting commission” to assist in the preparation and adoption of by-trustee area maps. There are several types of redistricting commissions: purely advisory commissions, who prepare a by-trustee area map for the board’s consideration and possible approval; [here](#) 19.Td2(CB33 (n)7 m)10.167 5(c)4.9

6. How can I tell which trustee area I live in?

Below is the current trustee area map:



An interactive version of the map can be found here:

<https://ndcresearch.maps.arcgis.com/apps/View/index.html?appid=fd53001ddd3741f996e3542e28b845d0>. If you are not certain where your residence falls within this map, please contact

Robert Jordan, Communications, (510) 231-1129 or redistrictingcommission@wccusd.net.

7. *Where can I find the eligibility criteria for serving on the Independent Redistrict Commission?*

The eligibility criteria is included generally in the Commission application form, and can also be found in the relevant portion of the Stipulation and Judgment from the CVRA litigation:

<https://www.wccusd.net/cms/lib/CA01001466/Centricity/Domain/16/Joint%20Ex%20Parte%20Application%20for%20Entry%20of%20Judgment.pdf>. Additional requirements can be

found in Elections Code sections 23000- 23003

(http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/codes_displayText.xhtml?division=21.&chapter=9.&lawCode=ELEC).

8. *How will Commission members be selected?*

Commission applicants will be screened under the applicable criteria by District staff. All applicants who meet the applicable criteria will have their applications forwarded to a Selection Judge. The Selection Judge is responsible for choosing the 7 Commission members. Judge Thelton Henderson, the former Chief Judge of the United States District Court for the Northern District of California, has graciously offered to volunteer his time to make the selections based on the applications.

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map early on. During the period of approximately July 2021 through February 2022, the Commission will likely meet, at minimum, eight times, and as many as eleven times or more, to develop and adopt the by-trustee area map.

12. Where will Commission meetings be held?

The Commission will meet at various locations throughout the District. At least one public hearing must be held in each current trustee area in the District.

13. When will Commission meetings be held?

With the exception of the first Commission meeting, the Commission will have the authority to determine the date and time that each meeting will occur.

14. What professional support will be available to the Commission?

The District will provide a qualified demographer to help guide the Commission's process and to prepare maps. Additionally, District staff will provide clerical support to the Commission, and will be prepared to have any questions answered for the Commission, including any legal questions.

15. Do members of the Commission receive compensation?

Service on the Commission will be voluntary, and not compensated.