

Synopsis of Amended Final Congressional Plan, CD01-CD22
Submitted by California Conservative Action Group
Dated July 22, 2011

Introduction:

On July 16, 2011, CCAG presented its latest Congressional Plan for CD01-CD24. Several commissioners stated that they liked the configuration of many of the districts in the plan, and that it addressed many of the conflicting COI that the Commission had been grappling with, but that the plan had to be rejected on the grounds that the Monterey district crossed the Monterey/San Luis Obispo county line.

The reasons why that line were important were that 1) there had been extensive COI testimony from both Monterey and San Luis Obispo to not cross the line, and 2) the Southern California congressional districts were constructed with that line as the starting point, and the removal of 48,000 people from the San Luis Obispo/Santa Barbara County district would have had ripple effects throughout the remaining 30 districts.

So CCAG went back to the drawing board and has created an amended plan which starts at the Monterey/San Luis Obispo county line and goes north. Thus, we have not included CD23 and CD24 in this plan.

The effect of having to add another 48,000 to the Monterey Section 5 VRA district, created ripple effects in 18 of the 22 remaining districts included in CCAG's July 16th plan, but created opportunities to do some positive changes. CD01, 06, 08, and 12 were left intact from the July 16th submission.

Most of the districts were incrementally changed. However, with the exception of CD05 (City of Sacramento and environs), the rest of Sacramento, San Joaquin, Stanislaus, and the Sierra Foothills districts were significantly reconfigured to provide for greater compactness and more balance among the population centers in each district.

Positive Changes:

1) **CD16, San Jose.** Most of San Jose, south of Hwy. 101 and east of Hwy 17, and north of Willow Glen are united in CD16 with East San Jose, Alum Rock, and Evergreen into a compact district which unites all of the COI such as including the Hispanic neighborhoods of East San Jose and Downtown San Jose together, linking Evergreen with Little Saigon, and keeping the LGBT community intact.

2). **CD09, Oakland/Richmond.** The County seat of the City of Martinez is not separated from Contra Costa County, but joined with Crockett, Richmond, Berkeley, and most of Oakland in CD09.

3) **CD07, Vallejo.** Solano County is not split between CD07 and CD03.

4) **CD03, Yuba.** The bulk of Nevada County is now in CD03, including Grass Valley and Nevada City.

5) **CD02, Northeast.** Amador County is intact.

6) **CD20, East Fresno.** The twin cities of Visalia and Tulare are not separated from one another into different Congressional districts, but joined in this district with most of the City of Fresno.

7) **CD22, Bakersfield.** China Lake NWS (which crosses the Kern/San Bernardino County line, and is of two parts in San Bernardino County, Fort Irwin, and Barstow are united in this district. Together, they represent a significant COI of the western Mojave desert.

8) **Section 5 VRA districts.** The Yuba, Monterey, Merced, and Kings Section 5 VRA districts are well above LVAP benchmark and are more compact than in any previous plan or visualization.

Compliance with Criteria 1-5.

1) **Equal Population.** In full compliance. CD05, 07, 13, and 20 have 702,904 people, while the remaining 18 CDs have 702,905 people.

2) **VRA Section 5 Benchmark.** In basic compliance. All four districts are above LVAP benchmark. Yuba is 18.95% vs. 15.48%; Monterey is 48.43% vs. 44.16%, Merced is 53.95% vs. 47.23%, and Kings is 66.81% vs. 65.72% LVAP. Benchmarks for Blacks and Asians were exceeded in the Yuba district, and for Asians in the Monterey district. Combined LVAP, BVAP, and AVAP benchmarks were met in the Yuba, Monterey, and Merced districts, and in the totality of circumstances all four districts are in compliance.

Additionally, CD14 (which includes most of Fremont) is 45.46% AVAP and there is an excellent chance that once the seat becomes open, that a qualified Asian candidate would be elected.

3) **Contiguity.** In full compliance. As before, all districts are contiguous, the Golden Gate and Carquinez straits (at Crockett and Vallejo).

4) **Keeping counties, cities, census places, and COI intact.** In basic compliance. 34 of 50 counties and 1,900 of 1,912 cities and census places are intact.

Santa Clara, Alameda, Sacramento are split into four districts; Contra Costa, Placer, San Joaquin, Fresno, and Tulare are split into three districts; and San Francisco, San Mateo, Sonoma, Tehama, Yolo, Stanislaus, Madera, and Kern are divided into two districts.

San Jose is divided into five districts, and San Francisco Fremont, Oakland, Martinez, Vine Hill, Antioch, Rancho Cordova, Lodi, Oakdale, Fresno, and Bakersfield are divided into two districts each. Lodi and Oakdale have portions of their cities which are not contiguous to one another, San Jose and San Francisco have more population than a congressional district and thus must be split, and Fresno and Bakersfield continue to be split to ensure that Section 5 VRA benchmarks are achieved. The rest of the cities were split to balance for population or to keep districts contiguous.

As in the Congressional plans submitted by CCAG on June 28th and July 16th, none of the 50+ neighborhoods of San Francisco are divided, and similar neighborhoods based on socio-economic class, ethnicity, and current Supervisorial Districts are grouped together between CD08 and CD12. All of

Supervisorial District 11 is included in CD12, while Visitacion Valley and Sunnydale which are in Supervisorial District 10 are kept to CD08.

5) Compactness. In basic compliance. The Kings County Section 5 VRA district is more compact than in previous iterations, but is still not very compact since it bypasses Visalia, Tulare, and the bulk of Bakersfield to include heavily Hispanic neighborhoods in East Bakersfield and Bakersfield.

Concluding Remarks.

No Congressional plan is perfect, including the Commission's first draft and subsequent visualizations and the four Northern/Central California plans we submitted on 24 May, 28 June, 16 July, and today.

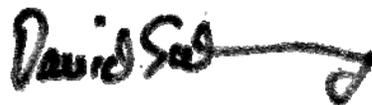
Not all conflicting COI can be accommodated in one plan, but hopefully in at least one or two of the three plans, all of the valid COI can be successfully addressed.

Fremont continues to be divided both under our plans and the visualizations by Q2. That is driven entirely by the requirements to meet Section 5 VRA benchmarks in the Monterey district. Having said that, we have mitigated their concerns by extracting Newark and joining it in CD13 to the north, which allows another 20% of Fremont residents united with the bulk of Fremont residents in CD14.. Additionally, by reconfiguring CD14, Fremont's concern of being overshadowed by San Jose has been significantly reduced. It is now joined by the smaller communities of Mountain View, Sunnyvale, and Santa Clara, which as an added benefit have substantial Asian populations. Silicon Valley's Golden Triangle between Hwy 101, Hwy 237, and I-880 is kept intact in that district.

The splitting of Oakland is a concern, but keeping it intact will have adverse effects on keeping numerous COIs intact in other Bay Area districts. The reality is that African Americans have left the communities where they have historically settled between 1941 and 1990 as many African Americans joining the middle class have become suburbanites. CD09 as proposed by CCAG is essentially balanced between Whites, Asians, Hispanics, and Blacks using VAP as an indicator. Using CVAP as a measuring stick, Blacks are the second largest minority in the district. Whoever gets elected in that district will do so on the merits of successful coalition building.

Finally, as long as all of the City of Sacramento is contained in one congressional district (which it should be), the configuration of districts in the Sacramento suburbs, and the spillover effects on San Joaquin and the Sierra counties will be felt. The critical issue is balance. Don't have any population center dominate smaller counties in the same district. To a large extent, our plan addresses that concern successfully.

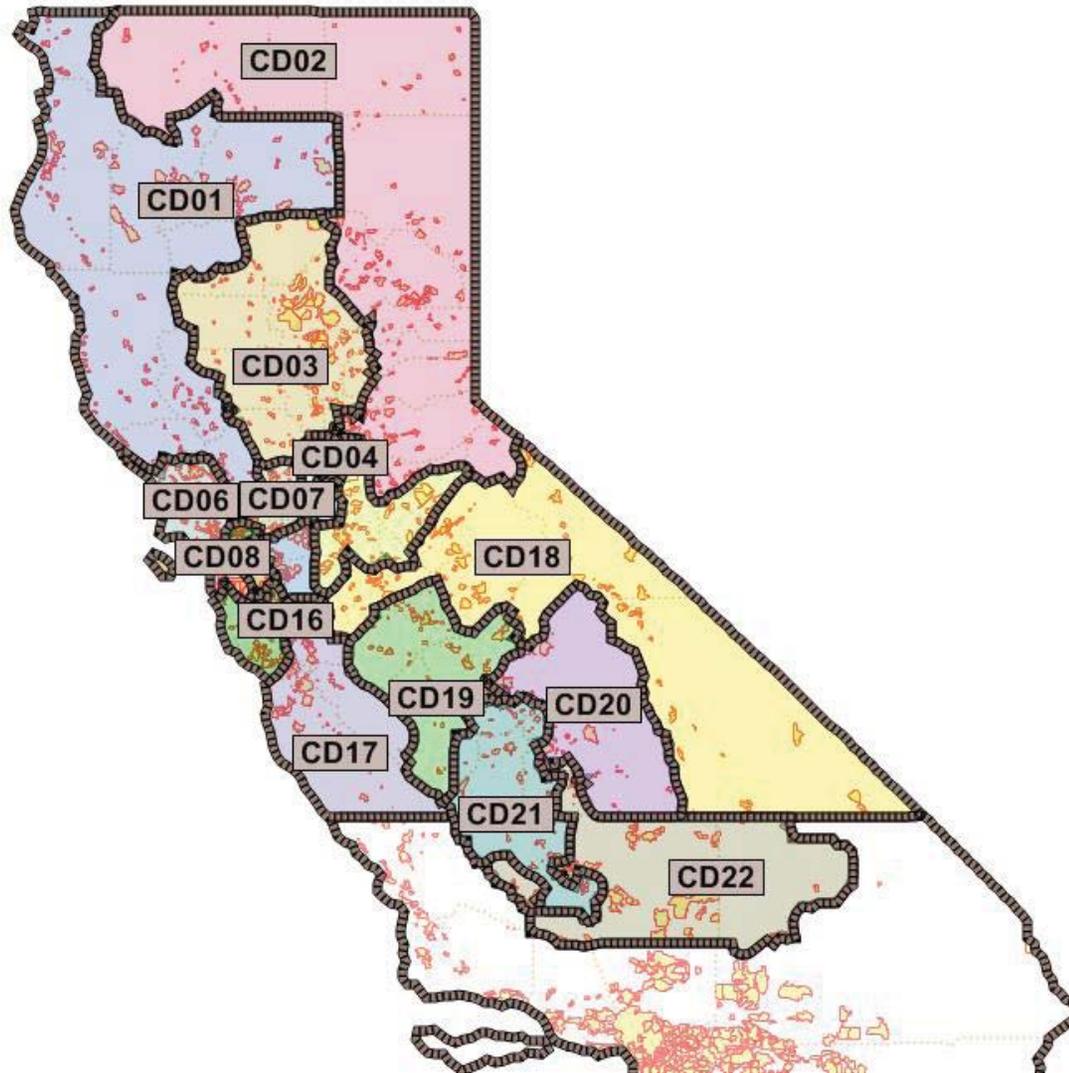
Respectfully Submitted,

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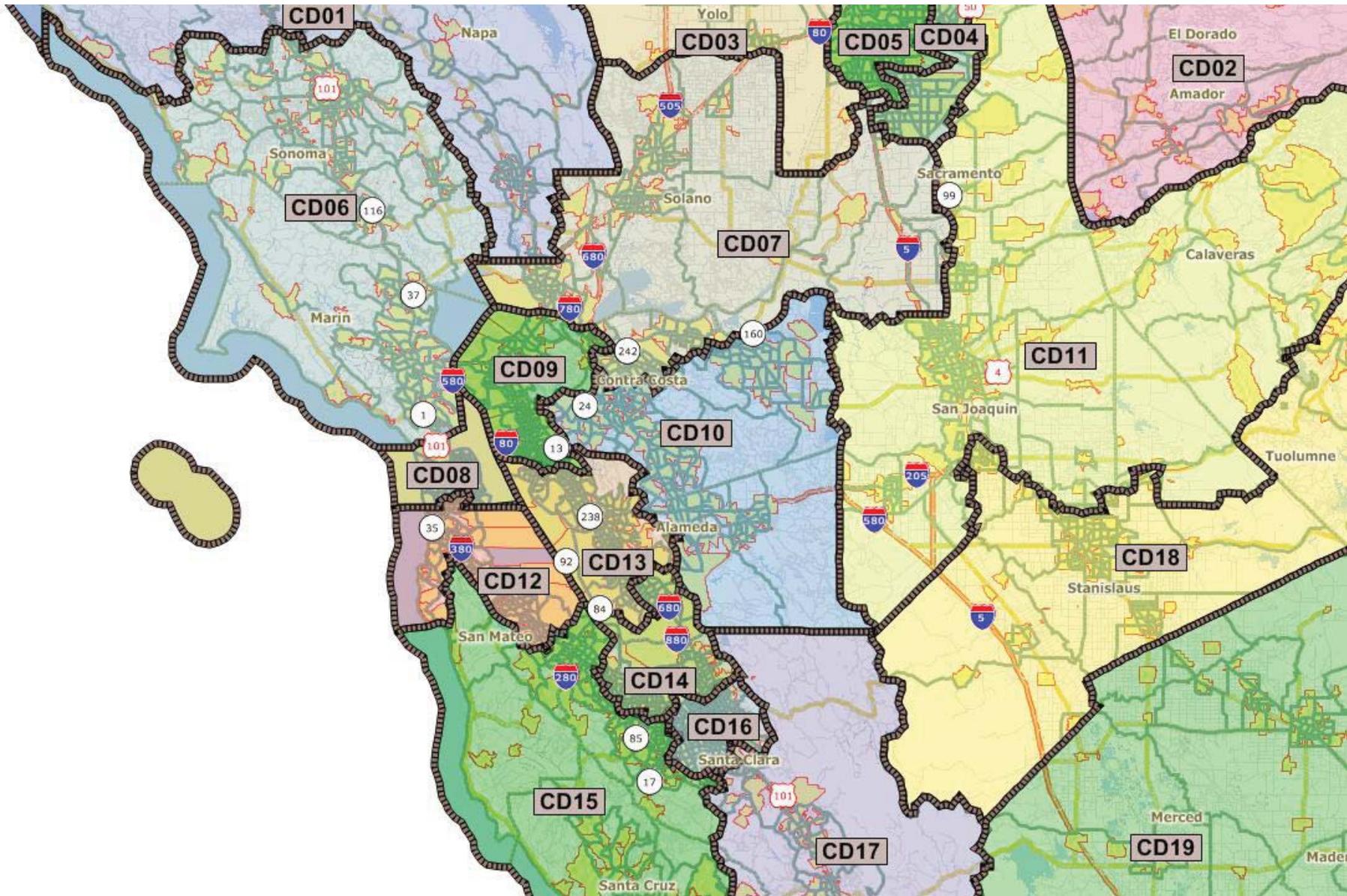
David Salaverry, Chair, CCAG

Attachments: JPG images plus KMZ file,
Population and VAP by Race
Block Equivalency file.

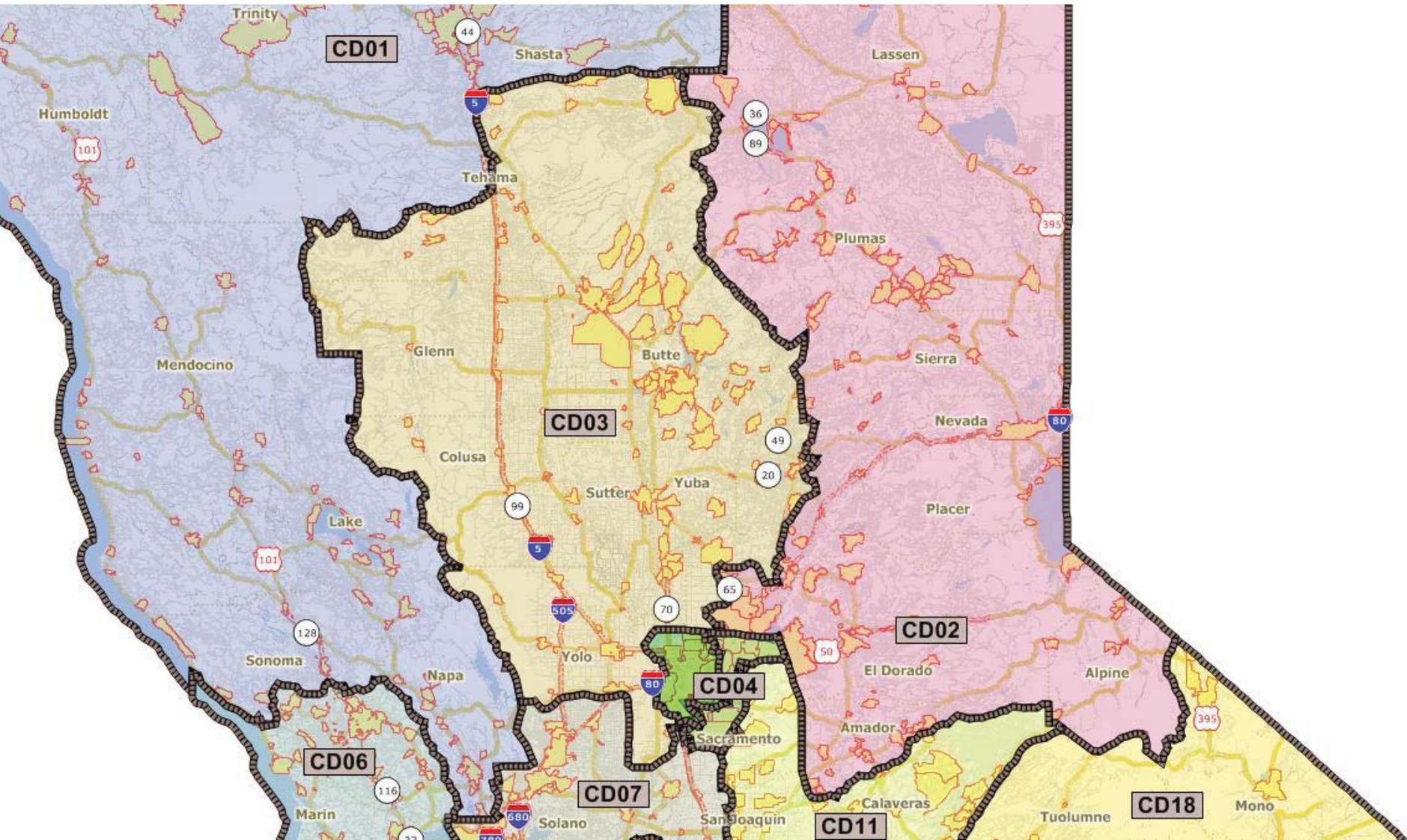
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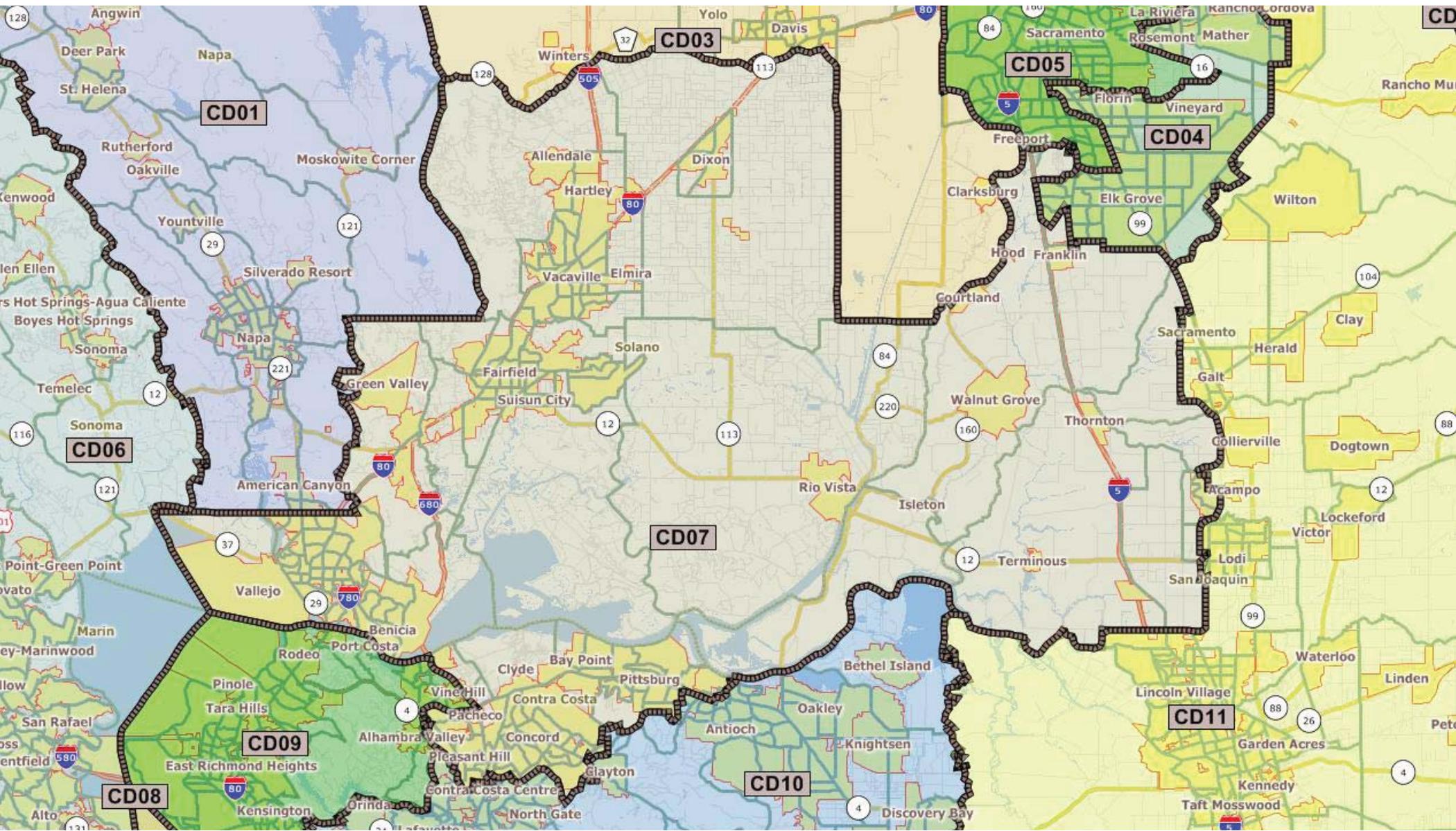
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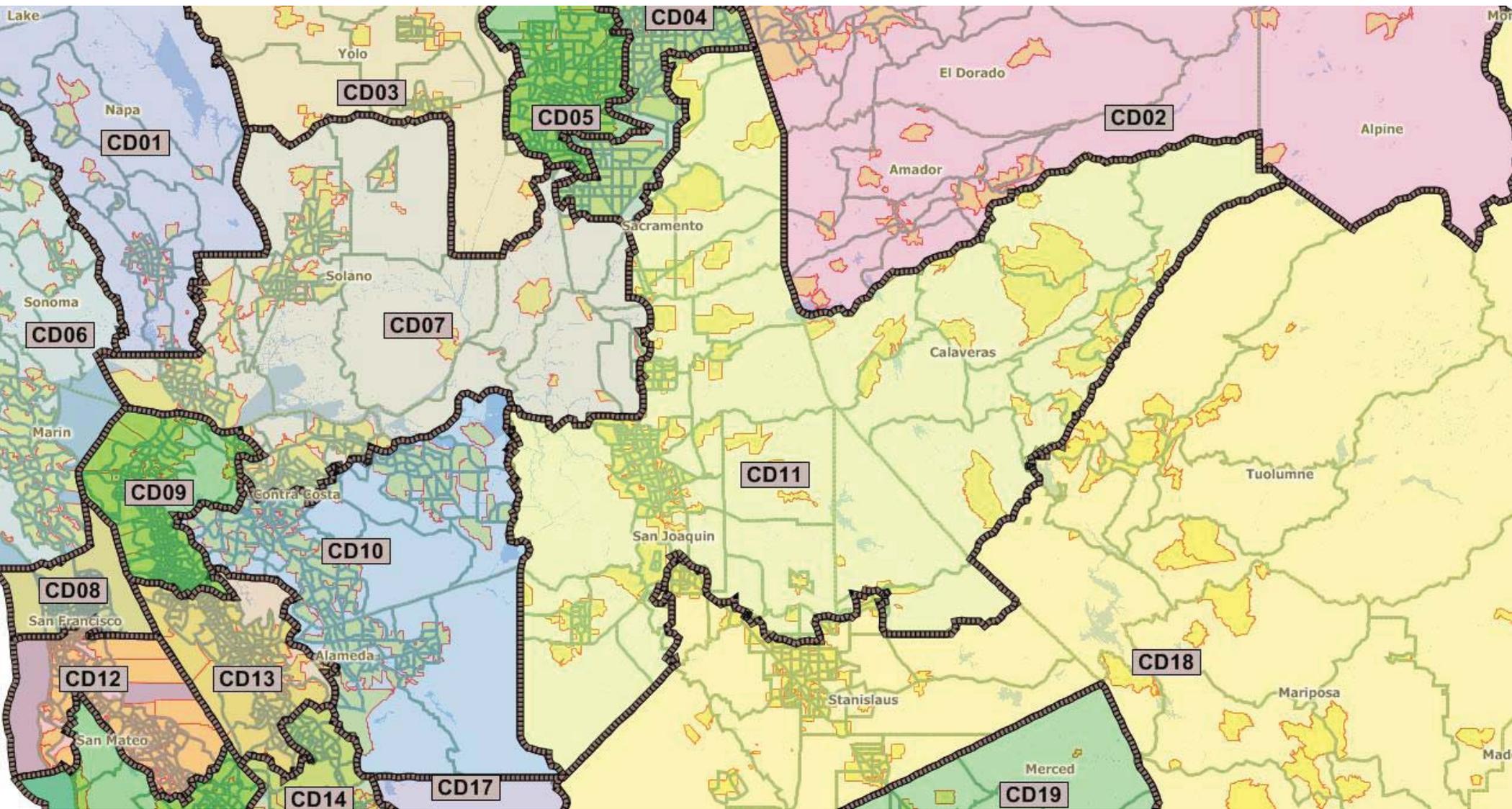
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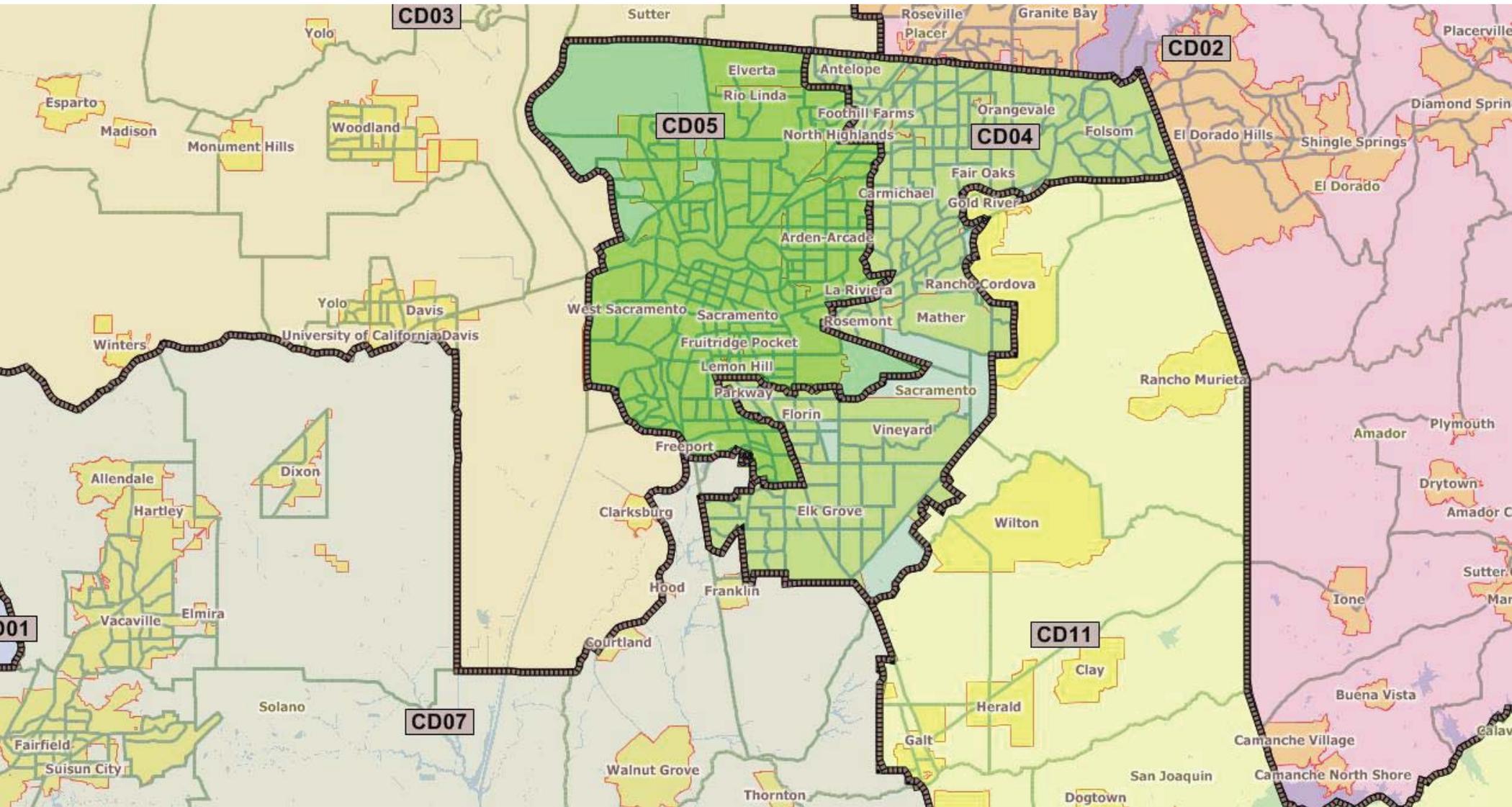
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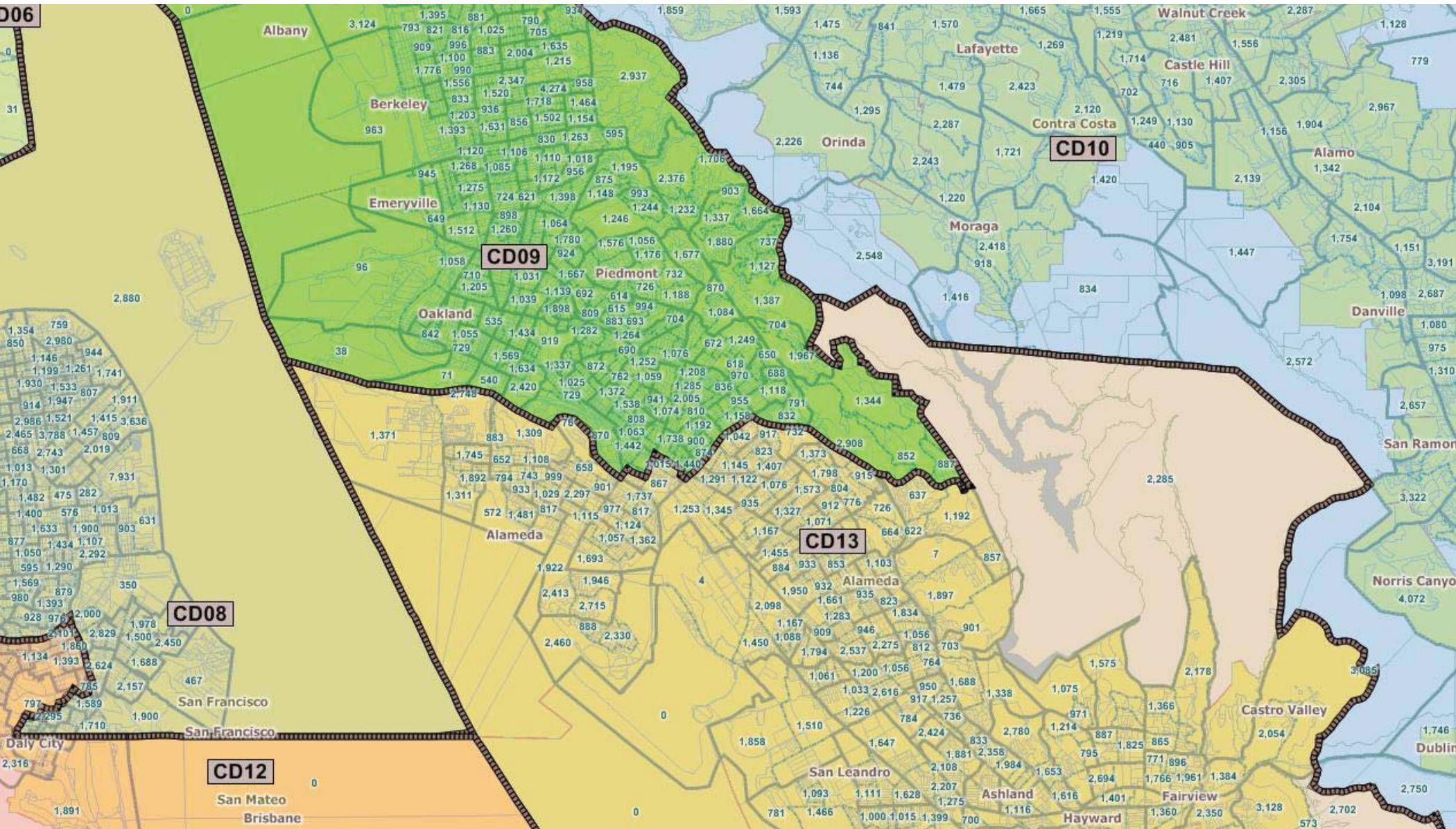
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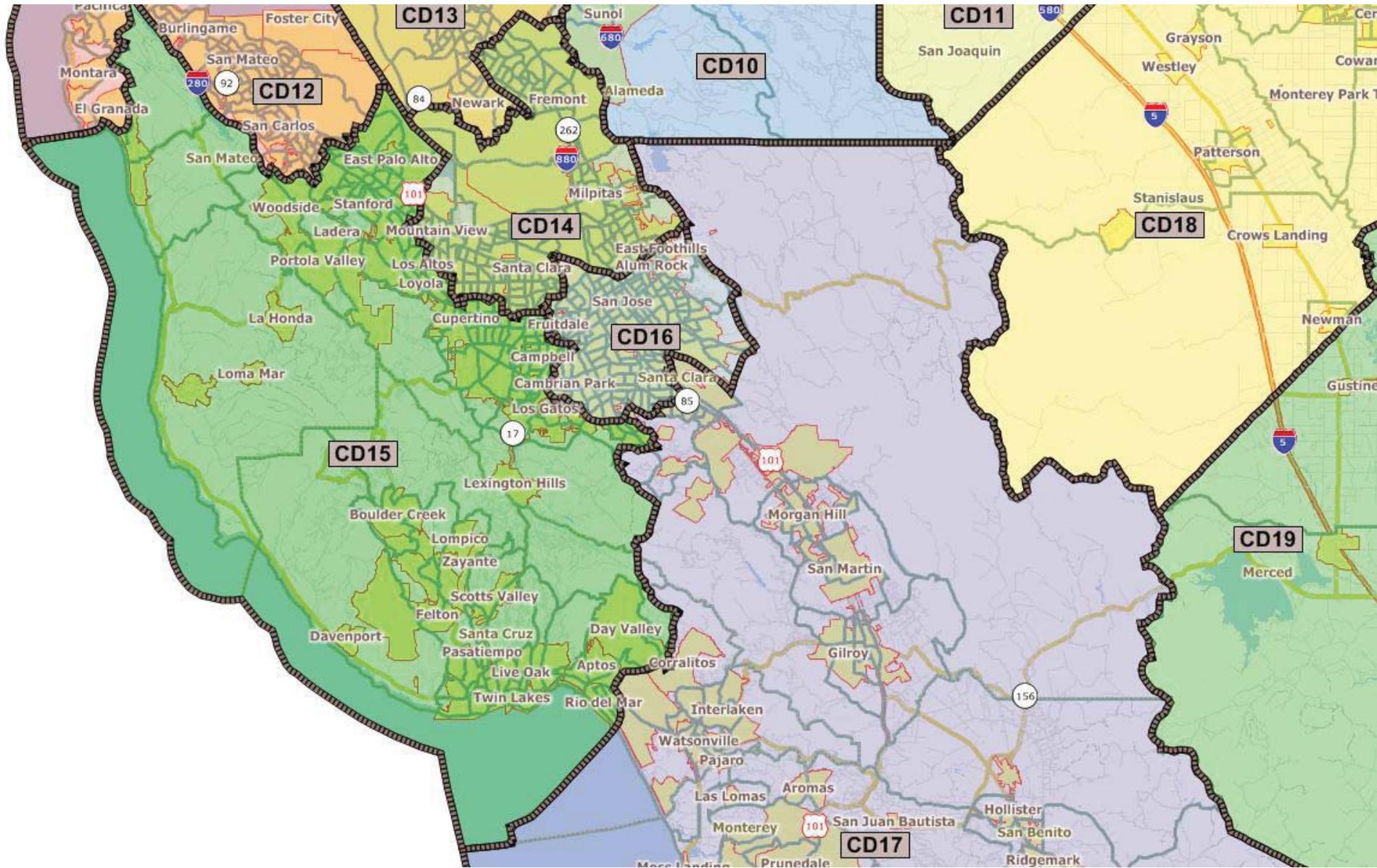
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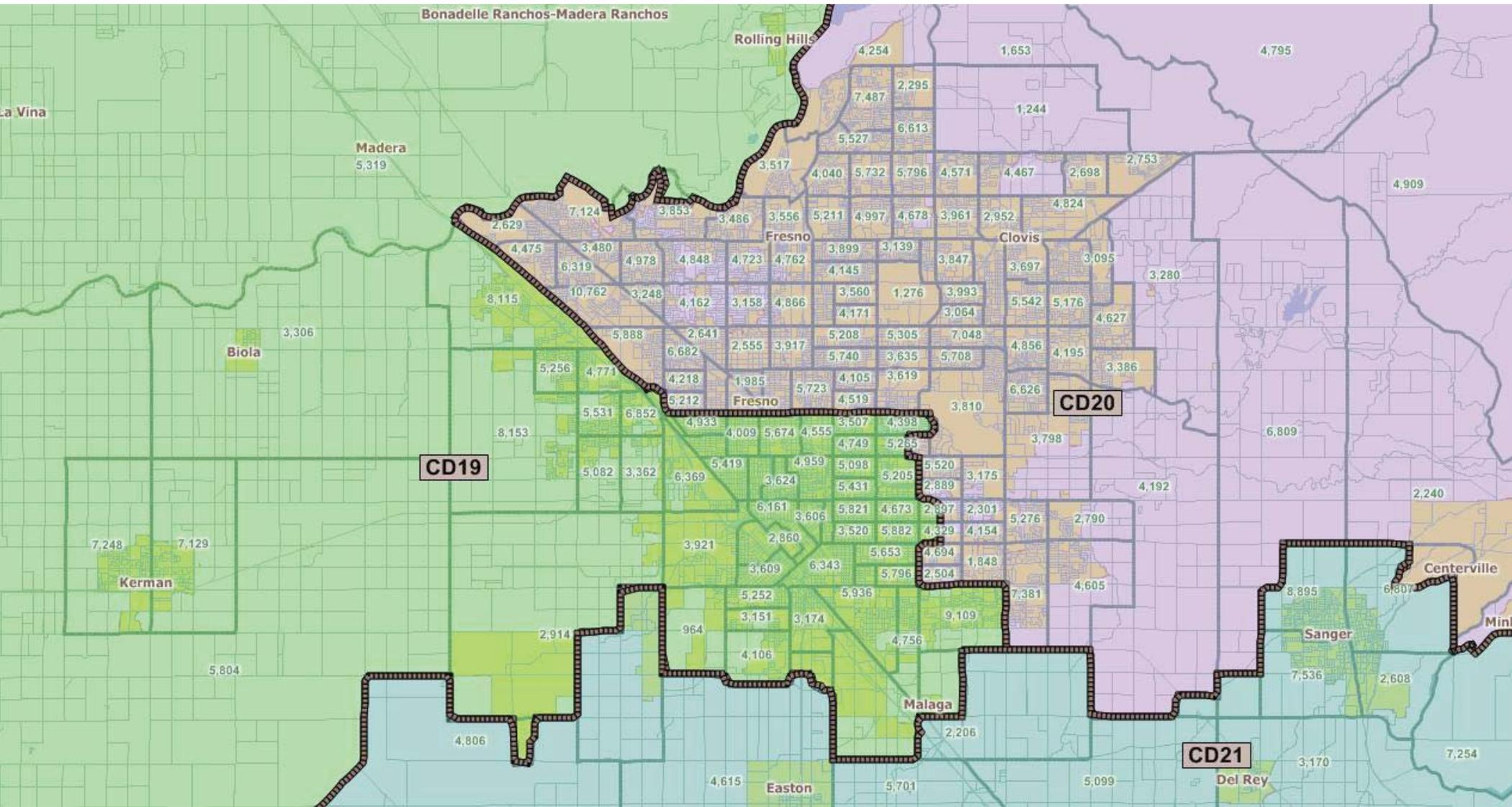
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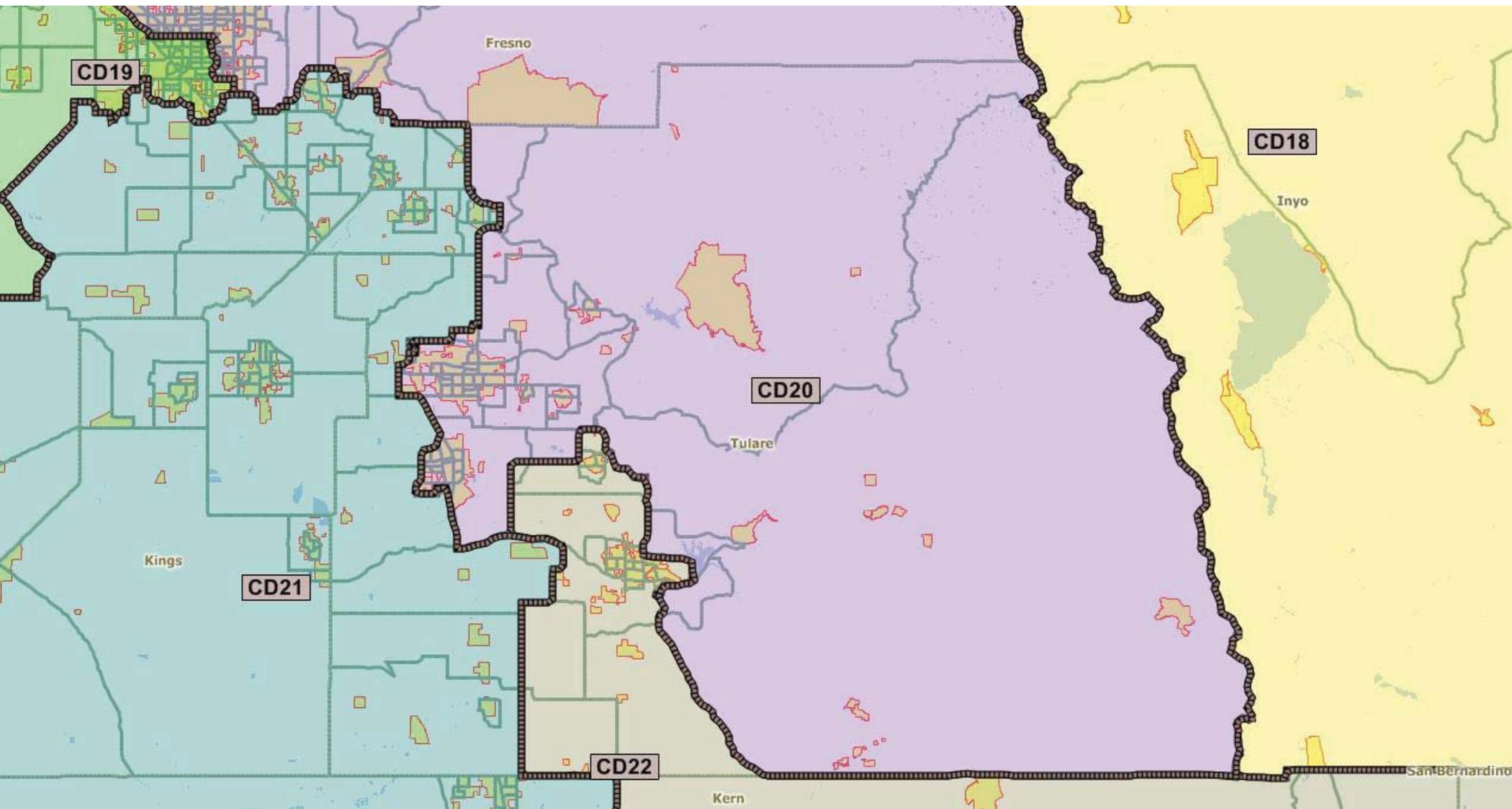
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District	Population	Deviation	% Deviation	18+_Pop	H18+_Pop	% H18+_Pop	NH18+_Blk	% NH18+_Blk	NH18+_Asn	% NH18+_Asn
	21790050	21087145	29.99999289	16315019	6253999	0.383327718	1011967	0.062026713	2044216	0.125296575
CD01	702905	0	0%	549452	78469	14.28%	6668	1.21%	15144	2.76%
CD02	702905	0	0%	543795	57653	10.60%	8530	1.57%	20646	3.80%
CD03	702905	0	0%	538446	102043	18.95%	7998	1.49%	39581	7.35%
CD04	702905	0	0%	516900	75956	14.69%	40606	7.86%	72956	14.11%
CD05	702904	-1	0%	528252	118117	22.36%	59920	11.34%	76715	14.52%
CD06	702905	0	0%	551087	98821	17.93%	10653	1.93%	25147	4.56%
CD07	702904	-1	0%	531518	125626	23.64%	60102	11.31%	73646	13.86%
CD08	702905	0	0%	614216	76762	12.50%	34443	5.61%	185204	30.15%
CD09	702905	0	0%	565220	105196	18.61%	95890	16.97%	117977	20.87%
CD10	702905	0	0%	521748	73709	14.13%	23665	4.54%	76137	14.59%
CD11	702905	0	0%	503235	158112	31.42%	32996	6.56%	67579	13.43%
CD12	702905	0	0%	555163	120790	21.76%	15064	2.71%	179706	32.37%
CD13	702904	-1	0%	530306	143090	26.98%	73822	13.92%	139985	26.40%
CD14	702905	0	0%	544024	89567	16.46%	13725	2.52%	247317	45.46%
CD15	702905	0	0%	544229	74467	13.68%	12031	2.21%	109983	20.21%
CD16	702905	0	0%	527688	184370	34.94%	16476	3.12%	140654	26.65%
CD17	702905	0	0%	509015	246507	48.43%	12458	2.45%	37342	7.34%
CD18	702905	0	0%	512495	161182	31.45%	12688	2.48%	23273	4.54%
CD19	702905	0	0%	480520	259249	53.95%	25822	5.37%	35006	7.29%
CD20	702904	-1	0%	504588	169783	33.65%	18716	3.71%	41100	8.15%
CD21	702905	0	0%	473166	316134	66.81%	21510	4.55%	17185	3.63%
CD22	702905	0	0%	498834	167897	33.66%	24529	4.92%	22583	4.53%