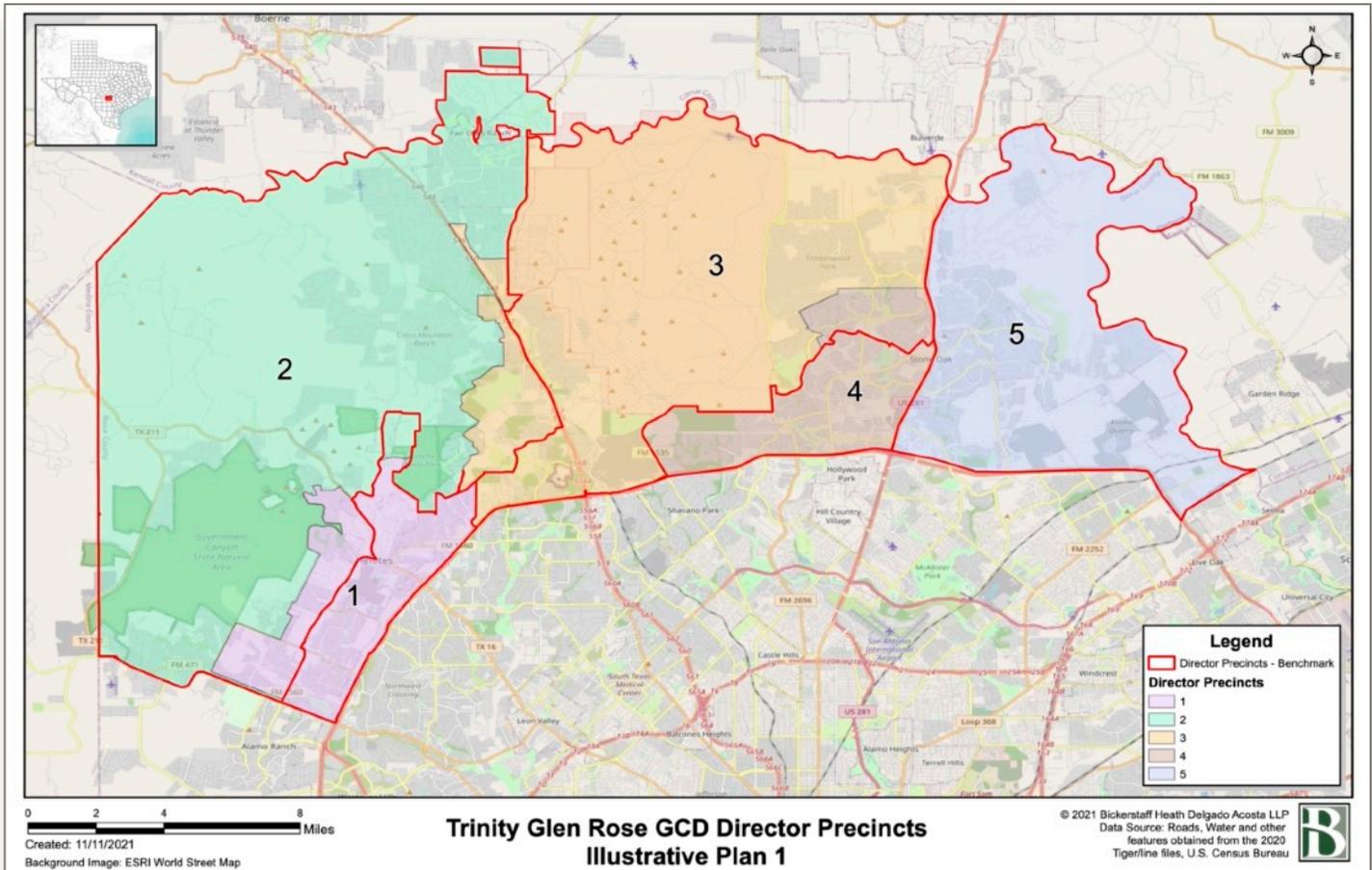


TGR Redistricting Moves Forward



The map depicts the proposed changes to the TGR precinct boundaries. The red line shows existing boundaries.

In its first meeting with a redistricting consultant, the Trinity Glen Rose Groundwater Conservation District (TGR) board found out very quickly that it needed to go through the redrawing of precinct boundaries due to out of balance precinct populations. According to the U.S. Constitution, single-member districts must have approximately equal populations. It is recommended that the calculated deviation between precincts' populations should be 10 percent or less. However, when the consultant reviewed the current TGR precinct populations, there was 73 percent overall deviation.

"It's no secret that the northern sectors of Bexar County where the TGR District resides has seen tremendous population growth along the I-10 corridor," said TGR Board Chairman Joe duMenil. "And as expected, the 2020 census numbers revealed that scenario and essentially threw our precinct population representation numbers out of balance. For example, the ideal population size for each precinct came in around 60,000 people. Precinct 2, which includes the I-10 corridor, came in at nearly 90,000 people. So we set up a special board work session to go through several scenarios in redrawing precinct boundaries to even out population representation for each precinct. The board selected a draft model and now it is the public's turn to weigh in on the proposed boundary changes."

Redistricting is part of the election process in the United States. And because the Trinity Glen Rose Groundwater Conservation District's (TGR) board members are elected, the district must review its population changes over each 10-year period and adjust its boundaries as necessary. The objective is to balance the per capita representation for each precinct in order to give all district constituents an equal say via their elected representatives regarding district policies and future directions. The criteria which guided the TGR boundary adjustments stated the board should:

- begin and end with identifiable boundaries
- maintain communities of interest & neighborhoods
- use whole voting precincts if possible
- base plan on existing districts
- adopt districts of relatively equal size
- draw districts that are compact and contiguous
- keep existing incumbents in their districts to preserve previous voter wishes
- narrow tailor plan to comply with the Voting Rights Act

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Demographics Report - Detailed 2020 Census Total Population

| District | Persons | Ideal Size | Deviation | Hispanic | Hispanic % of Total Population | ANGLO | Non-Hispanic Anglo % of Total Population | Black | Black % of Total Population | Asian | Asian % of Total Population | AM Indian Native | IND / NAT % TOT Pop. | Haw Pac. Isl. | HAW/ PAC % of Total Pop. | Other | Other % of Total Pop. | Two or More Races | Two or More Races % Tot Pop |
|---------------|---------|------------|-----------|----------|--------------------------------|---------|--|--------|-----------------------------|--------|-----------------------------|------------------|----------------------|---------------|--------------------------|-------|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1 | 64,052 | 60,455 | 5.95% | 33,298 | 51.99% | 20,795 | 32.47% | 3,656 | 5.71% | 3,598 | 5.62% | 122 | 0.19% | 96 | 0.15% | 287 | 0.45% | 2,199 | 3.43% |
| 2 | 58,867 | 60,455 | -2.63% | 21,203 | 36.02% | 29,480 | 50.08% | 2,770 | 4.71% | 2,684 | 4.56% | 120 | 0.20% | 90 | 0.15% | 250 | 0.42% | 2,271 | 3.86% |
| 3 | 59,039 | 60,455 | -2.34% | 22,415 | 37.97% | 27,408 | 46.42% | 2,989 | 5.06% | 3,507 | 5.94% | 138 | 0.23% | 67 | 0.11% | 253 | 0.43% | 2,263 | 3.83% |
| 4 | 60,674 | 60,455 | 0.36% | 22,151 | 36.51% | 27,106 | 44.67% | 3,035 | 5.00% | 5,651 | 9.31% | 111 | 0.18% | 66 | 0.11% | 252 | 0.42% | 2,302 | 3.79% |
| 5 | 59,642 | 60,455 | -1.34% | 21,343 | 35.79% | 26,771 | 44.89% | 3,807 | 6.38% | 4,696 | 7.87% | 142 | 0.24% | 119 | 0.20% | 288 | 0.48% | 2,480 | 4.16% |
| TOTAL: | 302,274 | | | 120,410 | 39.83% | 131,560 | 43.52% | 16,257 | 5.38% | 20,136 | 6.66% | 633 | 0.21% | 438 | 0.14% | 1,330 | 0.44% | 11,515 | 3.81% |

Ideal Size: 302274 / 5 = 60455

Total Population: 302,274

Overall Deviation: 8.58%

Some percentages may be subject to rounding errors.

The chart above shows that after the boundaries are redrawn based on the criteria, the precinct populations return to relative balance with only a 8.58 percent deviation.

“The next step in this process is for the public and any other type of stakeholders to have access to this information and to send us any comments on how they think we can improve on these new boundaries,” duMenil explained. “People can go to our website to find side by side comparisons of these maps and demographic breakouts to get an idea of how we are proposing to move forward. They can either submit a comment online or they may choose to attend our December 9th board meeting where we will have a public hearing on this process. The board will take all comments into consideration and look to improve on our final boundaries before taking an official vote early next year.” 