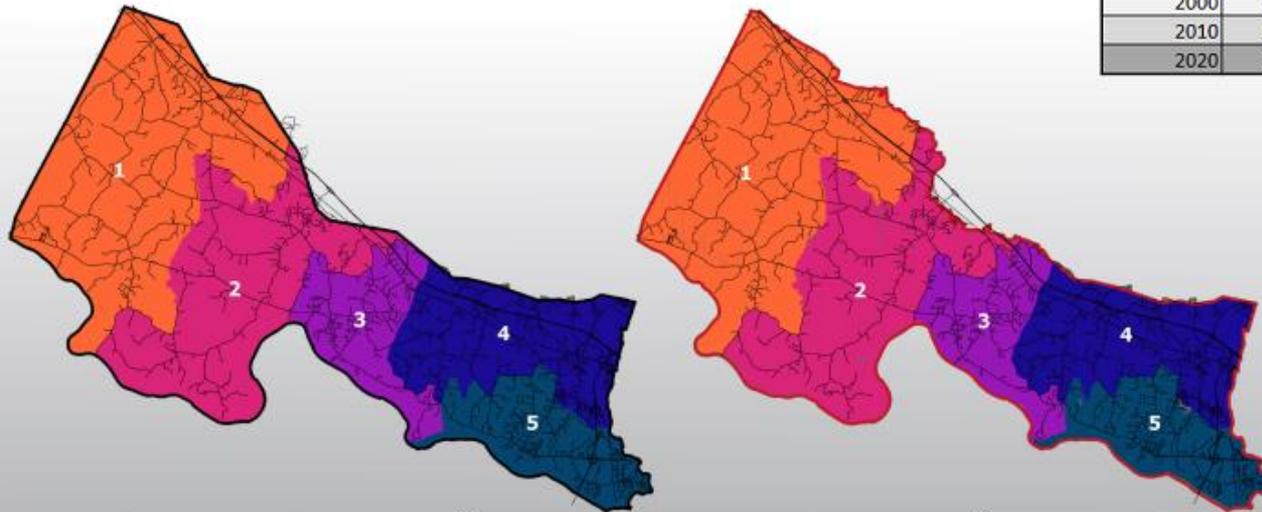# 2021 Election District Redistricting Process

November 3, 2021
Board of Supervisors Meeting

Census Data

Goochland County - Census changes from 2010 to 2020
- Census Population

Census Year	Population	Dif in Pop	% Dif of Pop
2000	16,980		
2010	21,717	4,737	21.81%
2020	24,727	3,010	12.17%

	2010			2020			Dif '10 to '20		
District	Blocks	Total Pop	% of Pop	Blocks	Total Pop	% of Pop	Dif Blocks	Dif in Pop	% of growth
	1,075	21,717		730	24,727				
1	285	4,347	20.02%	202	4,681	18.93%	83	334	7.14%
2	198	4,199	19.34%	122	4,395	17.77%	76	196	4.46%
3	161	4,296	19.78%	87	4,229	17.10%	74	-67	-1.58%
4	208	4,362	20.09%	169	5,826	23.56%	39	1,464	25.13%
5	223	4,513	20.78%	150	5,596	22.63%	73	1,083	19.35%
	1,075	21,717	100.00%	730	24,727	100.00%	345	3,010	12.17%

https://mtgis-portal.geo.census.gov/arcgis/apps/MapSeries/index.html?appid=2566121a73de463995ed2b2fd7ff6eb7

Redistricting

➢ Staff's plan was to wait on the adopted state lines before redistricting, in order to avoid split precincts

➢ The Virginia Redistricting Commission, under the state law timing, would have had maps ready by mid-November

➢ Given the lack of progress at the state level, staff recommends starting local redistricting process now

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Current Election Districts
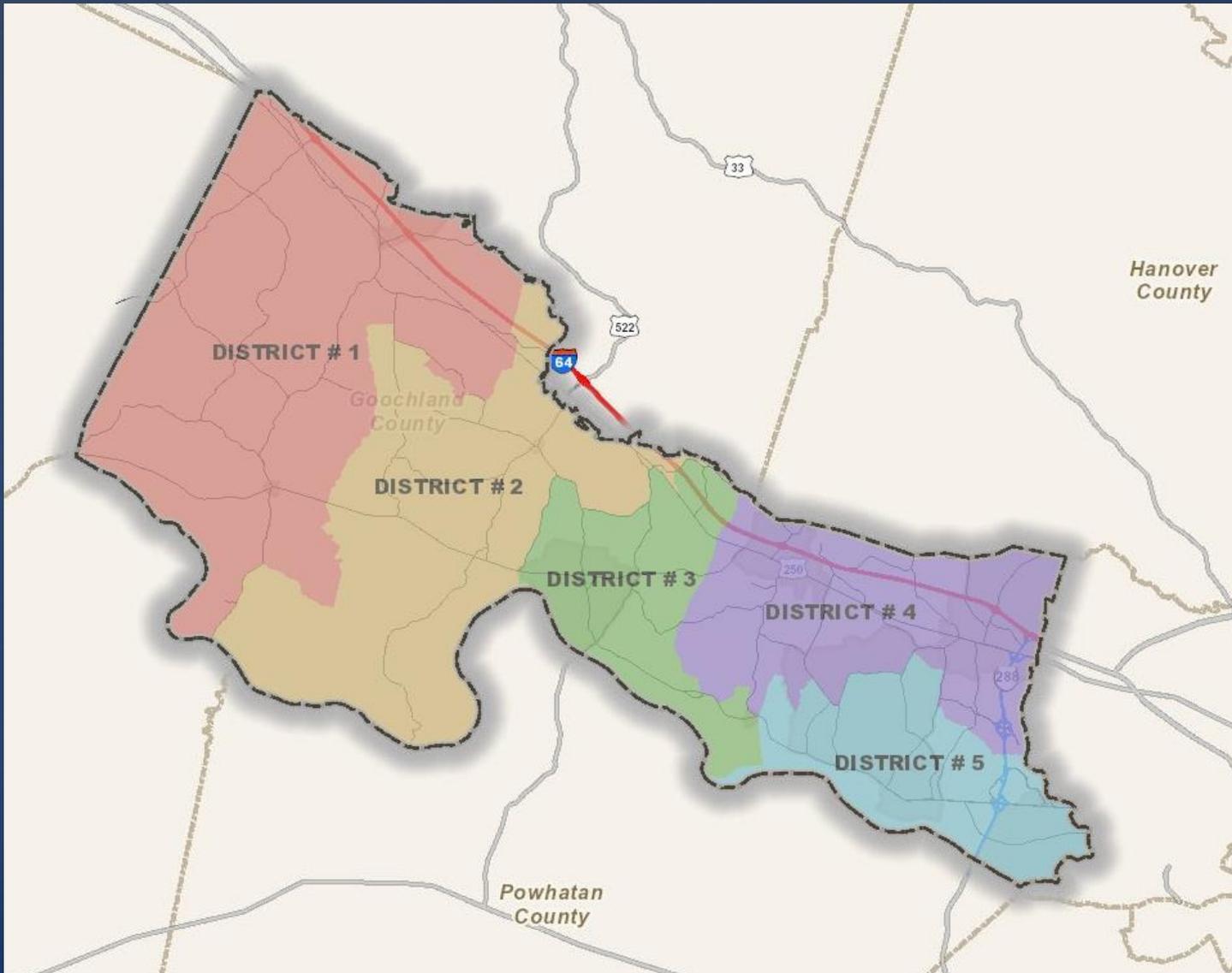
Election District Redistricting Requirements & Criteria

Election District
Legal Requirements

1. Substantially equal in population

2. Contiguous and compact

3. Race not predominate factor

4. Clearly observable boundaries

5. Consider state election districts

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Additional Permissible Criteria for Election Districts

1. Move the fewest number of voters to minimize voter disruption

2. Retain the same basic shape of current districts.

3. Keep residents who live in the same subdivision in the same district

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Precincts & Polling Places Legal Requirements

1. Precincts must have between 100-5,000 registered voters

2. Each precinct must have an available polling place

3. No split precincts – must be consistent with state election districts

4. Precinct lines must follow clearly observable boundaries

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Redistricting Process

Redistricting Process
Step 1: Create Proposed Map

- Base Map from Legal Requirements
- Staff revise based on Additional Criteria & create Proposed Map
- Proposed Map to BoS publicly
- Proposed Map on website for public in December

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Redistricting Process Step 2: Community Input

➢ Public comments posted on Redistricting Website for at least 30 days

➢ 3 community meeting dates in January advertised through

  ➢ Postcards to all residents

  ➢ *Gazette* ads

  ➢ Social media posts

➢ Transcripts of public comments from community meetings posted to website

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Redistricting Process
Step 3: Adopt Map

➢ At end of public comments, staff will review & make any changes needed

➢ If new state lines are available, will make any changes needed for those

➢ All changes incorporated into a proposed Final Map

➢ Proposed Final Map on website for public comment for 15 days

➢ Board of Supervisors public hearing & adoption of proposed Final Map

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Redistricting

Seeking Board approval
- ➢ Additional Criteria
- ➢ Redistricting Process

Criteria

1. Move fewest voters

2. Retain basic shape of districts

3. Same subdivision in same district

Process

1. Proposed map to BoS publicly. Post for public.

2. All comments posted on website. 3 community meetings.

3. Revise map, if needed, and post for 15 days. Board public hearing & adoption