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## Redistricting workshop slated for Tuesday

The Board of Supervisors will conduct its first redistricting workshop on Tuesday, May 24, at 10 a.m., in the Covington Chambers of the County Government Center, 385 N. Arrowhead Ave., San Bernardino.

Every 10 years following the U.S. Census, the board reviews, and if necessary, redraws the boundaries of the five supervisorial districts to ensure that each has approximately the same number of residents.

The 2010 Census shows the county has 2,035,210 residents, therefore each district should ideally contain 407,042 residents. The current First District exceeds that ideal by 58,496 and the Second District exceeds it by 22,955. The current Fourth District is 40,556 below the ideal, while the Third and Fifth districts are respectively 22,535 and 18,360 below.

On Tuesday, the board will receive a presentation on the current population situation, consider a proposed set of redistricting criteria, discuss next steps, and hear comments from the public. A website and e-mail address for public participation will also be introduced. The process will include additional public meetings and is expected to conclude with the adoption of new boundaries in late June or early July.