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Supervisors to Hold Redistricting Workshop

May 19, 2011 —SAN BERNARDINO— San Bernardino County Second District Supervisor Janice Rutherford invites residents to attend the Board of Supervisors initial redistricting workshop on Tuesday, May 24 at 10 a.m. at the County Government Center in San Bernardino.

“Redistricting is an essential part of our County’s political process because it ensures that residents are equally represented on the Board of Supervisors,” Second District Supervisor Janice Rutherford said. “I encourage residents to follow this process and to share their ideas about how the lines should be redrawn.”

During the May 24 meeting, Supervisors will establish criteria and goals for redistricting, which entails redrawing the boundaries of the five supervisorial districts so each has a similar number of residents. The Board will hear public comment on the criteria and goals before they are adopted.

According to 2010 census figures, the First District and Second District grew considerably over the past ten years and must shrink in order to ensure an adequate population distribution amongst the five Supervisorial districts.

Current Supervisorial District Populations:

First District: 465,538
Second District: 429,997
Third District: 384,507
Fourth District: 366,486
Fifth District: 388,682

California Election Code 21500 requires counties to adjust the boundaries of supervisorial districts following the decennial federal census to ensure the districts are nearly equal in population. Following redistricting, San Bernardino County’s Supervisorial districts will each have a total population of about 407,000.

The Board of Supervisors will hold at least one additional workshop to discuss the redistricting plan before it is presented for final adoption. Supervisors must adopt a redistricting plan before November 1, 2011.

Second District Supervisor Rutherford represents the cities of Fontana, Rancho Cucamonga and Upland as well as the unincorporated communities of Crestline, San Antonio Heights, Lytle Creek, Devore, and Mt. Baldy.

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