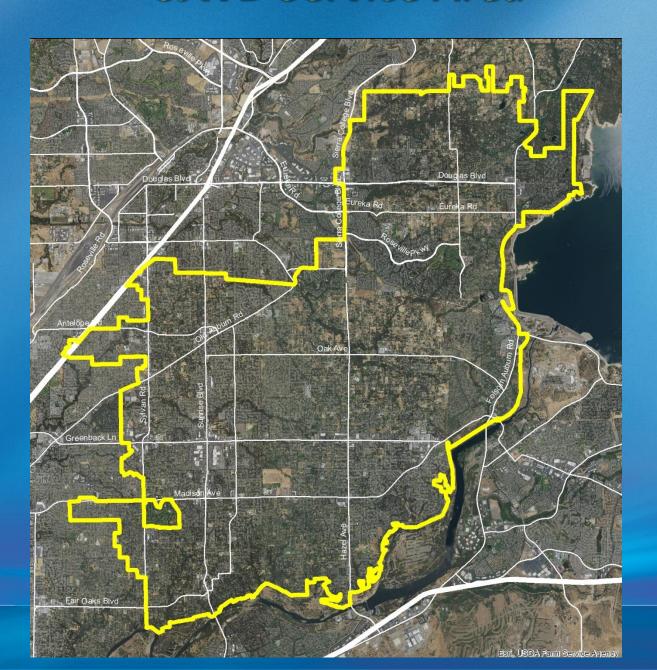


# San Juan Water District Transition to Division-Based Elections Public Hearing #2 July 8, 2020

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# **SJWD Service Area**



#### **Process to Date**

- March 30 CVRA legal challenge
- May 13 SJWD Board decision use safe harbor process (180 days)
- Tonight's Hearing
  - Outline process
  - Take Input from Public on Factors

### **Electoral Processes**

- Existing (1954-2020) "At-large" voters throughout SJWD elect 5 Board members, on staggered terms
- New (2022 and beyond) "By-division"
  - The SJWD service area will be divided into 5 voting divisions
  - Each division will elect one director
  - Only the voters in that division will be able to vote for the director that will represent the division

## **Mapping the Divisions**

- To transition to division-based elections, SJWD will need to define the 5 voting divisions
- A map will be drawn showing the location of each division
- This is a public process and the SJWD will be taking the input of the community as it develops and refines the maps, consistent with applicable the legal standards



# Rules and Other Factors for Divisions

#### **Legal Considerations in Drawing Electoral Divisions:**

- Reasonably Equal Populations (average +/- 10%)
- Contiguous Divisions
- No Racial Gerrymandering
- Communities of Interest
- Compact Divisions
- Members Can Complete Terms



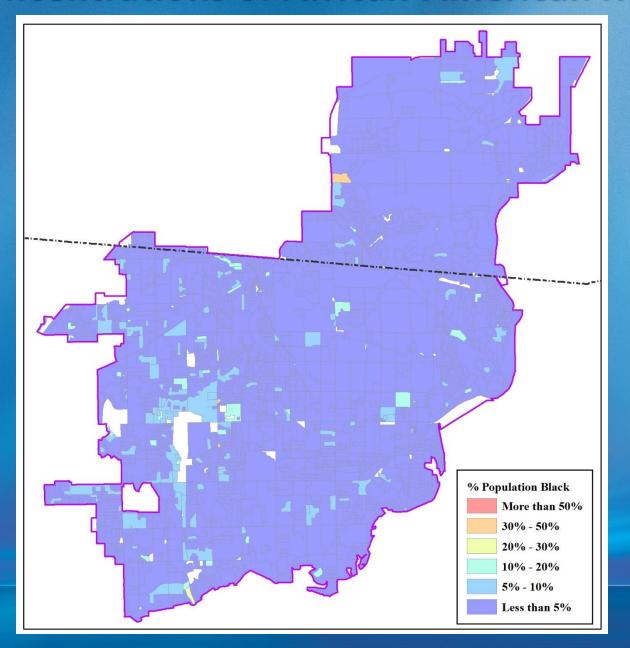
# Demographic Summary 2010 Census Figures

Each Board
Member
District Would
Contain
Approximately
30,100
Residents,
+/- 10%

Category	Total Population
African-American	3,021
Asian-American	5,801
Latino	17,770
White	117,316
Other	6,587
Total	150,499

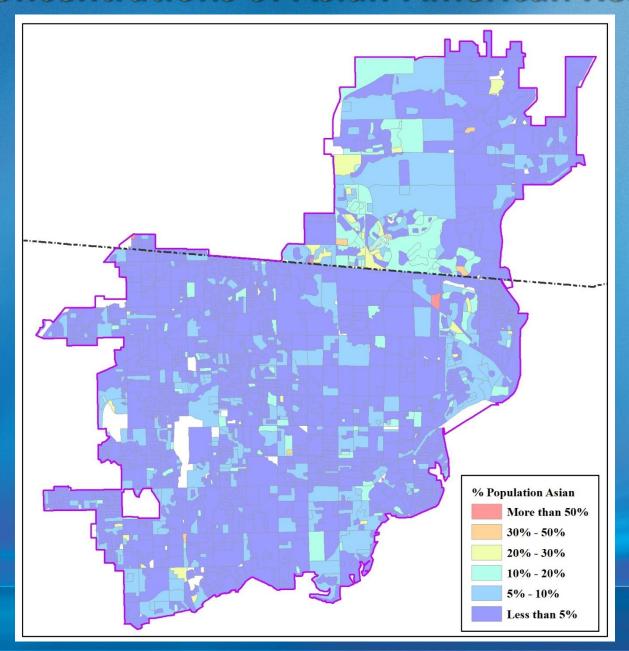


# **Concentrations of African-American Residents**



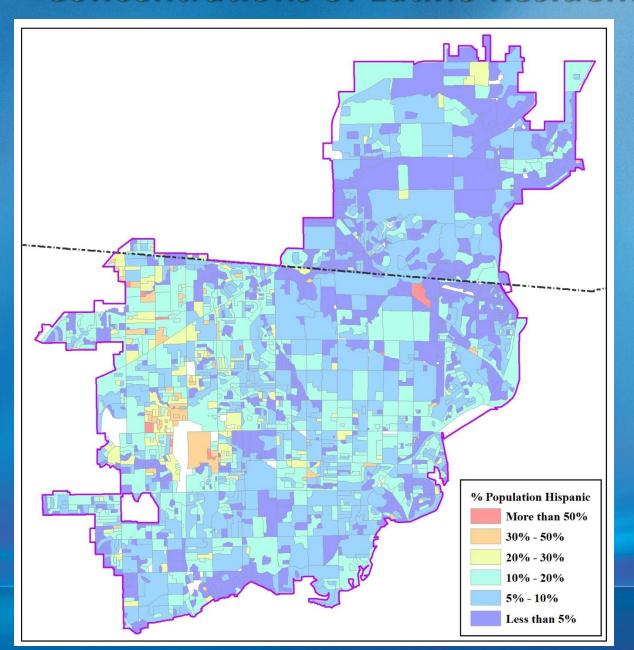


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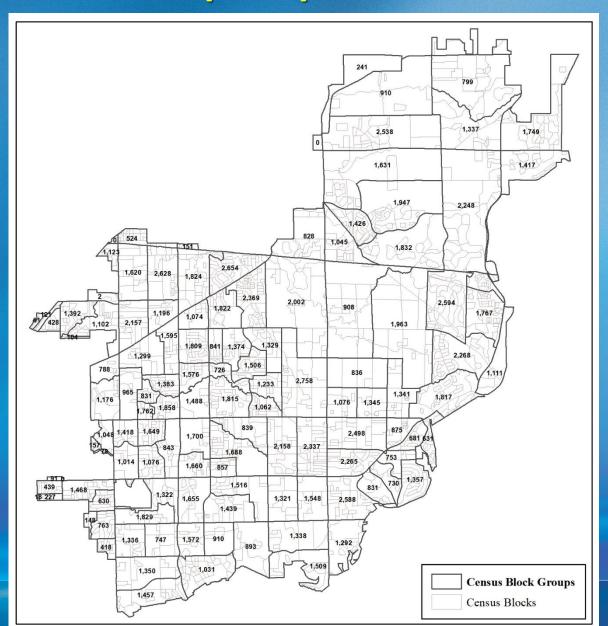
## **Concentrations of Latino Residents**





#### **Census Block Groups Population Numbers**

Image is available on sjwd.org





# **Next Steps**

Step	Description
Two Initial Hearings June 10 & July 8	Held prior to release of draft maps.  Opportunity for public to learn and provide input.
Release Draft Maps	Maps must be released by September 2.
Two Hearings on Draft Maps Sept. 9 & Oct. 14	Two meetings to discuss and revise draft maps.
<b>Final Adoption of Map</b> November 9	Second reading of ordinance and approval of map.
Update Map Based on 2020 Census Data	Make any revisions that might be necessary, based on new census data.
November, 2022	Election for first three new division seats.
November, 2024	Election of remaining two division seats.



#### **More Information**

#### **Transitioning to Division-Based Elections Website:**

https://www.sjwd.org/transitioning-to-division-based-elections

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