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2001 REDISTRICTING IN UTAH OFFICIAL MAPS OF DISTRICT BOUNDARIES

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INTRODUCTION

REPORT CONTENTS

This report contains the results of Utah's redistricting. The report is divided into four sections: Congressional, Senate, House of Representatives, and State Board of Education. Each section contains a table of contents, detailed maps of each district's boundaries, a summary showing the population of each new district, including deviation from the ideal district size, and a list of the counties or portions of counties within each district boundary.

REDISTRICTING PROCESS

The United States Constitution requires states to redistrict congressional and legislative boundaries every 10 years. The Utah Constitution requires each redistricting process to be completed by the general session following the receipt of the census data. The Utah Constitution also provides the Utah Legislature exclusive authority to redistrict congressional, legislative, and other state district boundaries. The redistricting process is subject to the legal parameters established by the United States and Utah Constitutions, state and federal laws, and case law.

The Legislative Redistricting Committee met regularly between April and September 2001 to make recommendations to the Legislature. For more detailed information and an account of the redistricting committee's work, see the <u>Redistricting Committee Report</u>, September 2001, available on the Legislature's homepage, <u>http://www.le.state.ut.us</u> or printed copies available in the Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel. The committee's report includes a detailed summary of legal requirements, the committee's procedural guidelines, redistricting principles, and committee recommendations.

When the Legislature met in September/October 2001 in its Second Special Session, it modified many of the districts recommended by the Redistricting Committee. The district maps included in this report represent the official district boundaries adopted by the Legislature.

OFFICIAL RECORD

Unless modified, district boundaries established by the Utah Legislature and represented in this report will be in effect for the 2002 elections and will remain in effect until the next redistricting process is completed.

The following bills from the 2001 Second Special Session contain the plans of district boundaries adopted by the Legislature. These new district boundaries and copies of the bills are available on the Utah Legislature's home page, <u>http://www.le.state.ut.us</u>, or printed black and white copies of the bills are available from Legislative Printing in room 419 State Capitol.

BILLS CONTAINING 2001 REDISTRICTING BOUNDARIES

| Enrolled Bill Number | Title | Sponsor | Date Passed |
|-------------------------|---------------------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------|
| H.B. 2001 | House of Representatives Redistricting Plan | Rep. Gerry A. Adair | 10/01/01 |
| H.B. 2002 | State Board of Education Redistricting Plan | Rep. Gerry A. Adair | 09/25/01 |
| S.B. 2001 | Senate Redistricting Plan | Sen. Michael G. Waddoups | 10/01/01 |
| S.B. 2002 | Congressional Three Member Plan | Sen. Michael G. Waddoups | 09/26/01 |
| S.B. 2003 | Congressional Four Member Plan | Sen. Michael G. Waddoups | 10/01/01 |

Official maps are located in the Office of the Lieutenant Governor, Room 203 State Capitol, Salt Lake City, Utah 84114. Copies of the official maps are also available on the Legislature's homepage, http://www.le.state.ut.us. Additional copies of this report are available for purchase in hard copy, \$25.00, or CD Rom version, \$5.00, at the Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel, Room 436 State Capitol.

STATISTICAL TERMINOLOGY

"Ideal district population" is the total state population divided by the number of districts.

"Deviation" is the degree by which a district population varies from the ideal district population. It is attained by subtracting the ideal district population from the district population.

"Percent deviation" is the deviation divided by the ideal district population.

IDENTIFICATION OF BOUNDARY LINES

Identification of district boundaries in this report is based on data provided by the U.S. Bureau of the Census. Wherever possible, boundaries are identified by geographic features, including roads, shorelines, and railroads. The term "Census Boundary" is used to describe a boundary that does not coincide with a municipal or county boundary or geographic feature. "Census Boundary" includes Forest Service boundaries, lines between geographic features, and other boundaries identified by the U.S. Bureau of the Census.

The maps in this report identify every boundary of each district. Where space does not permit the labeling of every boundary on a single map, insets are used to provide additional detail. A district boundary that coincides with a municipal boundary is labeled "City Bndry" only where there is no other corresponding geographic feature. The labels for this type of boundary often alternate between "City Bndry" and the names of roads or other geographic features.

A sample map is shown on the next page.

