

**ORDER ADOPTING NEW COMMISSIONERS COURT PRECINCT BOUNDARIES**

**WHEREAS**, Article V, Section 18 of the Texas Constitution requires each county in the State with a population of 50,000 or more to be divided into not less than four and not more than eight commissioners precincts; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2020 United States Census reported population changes in Fort Bend County that required review of commissioner precinct boundaries to ensure compliance with the “one-person, one-vote” principle and other applicable law; and

**WHEREAS**, in follow-up to the census, the Commissioners Court of Fort Bend County (the “Court”) commissioned and received an assessment for the purpose of making a preliminary determination of population distribution between the four commissioners court precincts, and the obligation to comply with "one-person, one-vote" balance as required by applicable state and federal law. Based upon this assessment, the Court recognized its legal duty to redraw political boundaries to comply with applicable law; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2021 the Court used race as the predominant factor to redraw the precinct boundaries for the four commissioner precincts, including redrawing Commissioner Precinct 4 as a coalition precinct; and

**WHEREAS**, the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit, sitting en banc, in *Petteway v. Galveston County*, (5<sup>th</sup> Cir. 2024) held that Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965 does not permit coalition precincts; and

**WHEREAS**, concerns remain that perpetuation of a coalition precinct created on the basis of race violates the Fourteenth Amendment’s Equal Protection Clause and the Court finds it necessary and appropriate to adopt new commissioner precinct boundaries using 2020 census data to ensure compliance with state and federal law, including the Equal Protection Clause and the Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended; and

**WHEREAS**, on July 8, 2025, the Court created the Fort Bend County Citizens Redistricting Advisory Committee (the “Committee”) to research and present redistricting map recommendations, complete with community input, subject to Court-imposed directives; and

**WHEREAS**, the Court adopted redistricting criteria and guidelines by resolution dated August 12, 2025 (Exhibit 1); and

**WHEREAS**, the Committee presented recommendations to the Court at a duly noticed, publicly held meeting on October 9, 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, after convening in a duly noticed public meeting for the purpose of considering alternatives available to the County for modification of existing political boundaries in a manner designed to achieve both acceptable levels of numerical balance between the four commissioners court precincts, and to protect the voting rights of all residents of Fort Bend County, the Court has determined to adopt the map in Exhibit 2.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED:**

1. That the Court hereby adopts the redistricting map attached hereto as Exhibit 2, establishing new commissioner precinct boundaries.

2. That the new commissioner precinct boundaries shall take effect January 1, 2026, for all purposes of county governance and administration, subject to applicable provisions of the Texas Election Code.

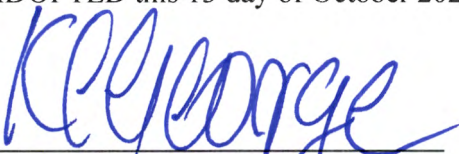
3. That the County Clerk is directed to file this Order with all attachments in the official records of the Court and provide a certified copy to the Elections Administrator and Voter Registrar within seven (7) days of adoption.

4. That the Fort Bend County Elections Administrator and Voter Registrar is directed to implement the new commissioner precinct boundaries, update voter registration records accordingly, provide all required notices to affected voters and notify the Secretary of State of changes to voting precincts in compliance with the Texas Election Code.

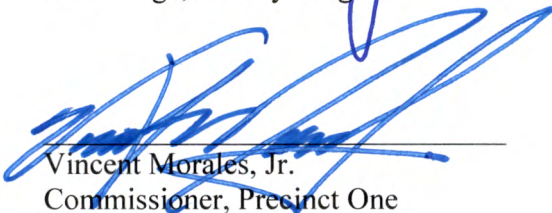
5. That notice of this Order and the new commissioner precinct boundaries shall be published once a week for three consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in Fort Bend County and posted on the County's official website, as required by law.

6. That nothing in this Order shall affect the term of office of any County Commissioner presently serving, who shall continue to serve in the precinct from which he or she was elected, in accordance with Tex. Const. art. V, § 18(d).

ADOPTED this 13 day of October 2025, by the Commissioners Court of Fort Bend County, Texas.

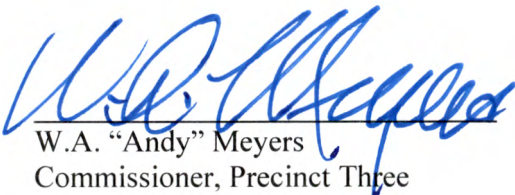


KP George, County Judge



Vincent Morales, Jr.  
Commissioner, Precinct One

Grady, Prestage  
Commissioner, Precinct Two



W.A. "Andy" Meyers  
Commissioner, Precinct Three

Dexter L. McCoy  
Commissioner, Precinct Four

Signed this 13<sup>th</sup> day of October 2025.

# **Exhibit 1**

## **Resolution Adopting Criteria**

**RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

**RESOLUTION ADOPTING CRITERIA FOR USE IN  
2025 REDISTRICTING PROCESS AND  
ESTABLISHING GUIDELINES FOR PERSONS  
SUBMITTING SPECIFIC REDISTRICTING  
PROPOSALS AND PROVIDING COMMENTS.**

**WHEREAS**, Fort Bend County has certain responsibilities for redistricting under federal and state law including but not limited to Amendments 14 and 15 to the United States Constitution, U.S.C.A.; section 2 of the Voting Rights Act, 52 U.S.C.A. §10301; Tex. Const. art. V, §18(b); and Tex. Gov't Code Ann. §§ 2058.001 and 2058.002; and,

**WHEREAS**, it is the intent of the Commissioners Court to comply with the Voting Rights Act and with all other relevant law, including Tex. Elec. Code §§ 42.001, *et seq.*, and,

**WHEREAS**, the Commissioner's Court has created a Citizens Advisory Committee ("the Advisory Committee") to make redistricting recommendation(s) to the Commissioners Court; and

**WHEREAS**, a set of established redistricting criteria will serve as a framework to guide the Advisory Committee and the County in the formulation and consideration of redistricting plans; and,

**WHEREAS**, redistricting criteria will provide the Advisory Committee and the Commissioner's Court a means by which to evaluate proposed plans; and,

**WHEREAS**, redistricting criteria will assist the County in its efforts to comply with all applicable federal and state laws; and,

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary to provide for the orderly consideration and evaluation of redistricting plans which may come before the County; and,

**WHEREAS**, these guidelines relate to persons who have specific redistricting plans they wish the Advisory Committee and the Commissioners Court to consider.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSONERS COURT  
OF THE COUNTY OF FORT BEND, TEXAS:**

**Section 1.** That the County, in its adoption of a redistricting plan for commissioner precincts, will adhere to the following criteria when establishing new commissioner precinct boundaries:

**Section 2.** To the extent practicable:

1. Easily identifiable geographic boundaries should be followed.
2. Communities of interest should be maintained in a single precinct to avoid splitting neighborhoods.
3. Commissioner precincts should be composed of whole voting precincts. Avoid splitting census blocks unless necessary.
4. Commissioner precincts must be configured so that they are relatively equal in total population according to the 2020 federal census data. In no event should the total population deviation between the largest and the smallest precinct exceed ten percent as compared to the ideal precinct size.
5. Commissioner precincts should be compact and composed of contiguous territory. Compactness may contain a functional, as well as a geographical, dimension.
6. Consideration may be given to the preservation of incumbent-constituency relations by recognition of the residence of incumbents and their history in representing certain areas.
7. The plan should be narrowly tailored to avoid racial gerrymandering in violation of *Shaw v. Reno*.
8. The plan should not fragment a geographically compact minority community or pack minority voters in the presence of polarized voting or otherwise discriminate against protected groups so as to create potential liability under the Voting Rights Act.

**Section 3.** The Commissioners Court will review all plans considering these criteria and will evaluate how well each plan conforms to the criteria.

**Section 4.** Citizens may submit proposed plans to the Advisory Committee. Any plan submitted to the Advisory Committee by a citizen for the Advisory Committee's consideration should be a complete plan—*i.e.*, it should include all four (4) commissioner precincts, should redistrict the entire County, and otherwise comply with this resolution. The Advisory Committee may decline to consider any plan that is not a complete plan.

**Section 5.** All plans submitted by citizens, as well as plans submitted by staff, consultants, and members of the Commissioners Court shall also conform to the Criteria adopted in this Resolution.

**Section 6.** In order to make sure that any comments regarding the redistricting process and any redistricting plan that might be submitted are of maximum assistance to the Advisory

Committee in its decision-making process, the Commissioners Court hereby sets the following guidelines to be followed by each person submitting a comment or a redistricting plan for consideration:

1. The Commissioners Court wants to be sure that all proposals are fully and accurately considered. Therefore, citizen-proposed plans must be submitted in writing and be legible. If a plan is submitted orally, there is significant opportunity for misunderstanding, and it is possible that errors may be made in analyzing it.
2. The Advisory Committee may wish to obtain additional information about submitted plans. Therefore, persons submitting proposed plans must identify themselves by full name and home address and provide a phone number and, if available, an email address.
3. Plans for each proposed commissioner precinct should be based on the 2020 Census Data and conform to the redistricting criteria in this resolution.


The Advisory Committee shall establish procedures governing submission of proposals consistent with this resolution.

**Section 7.** The plan should afford incumbent office holders with the assurance that they will continue to represent the majority of individuals who elected these incumbents, and all incumbents' residential locations should be retained in their reformed precincts to ensure continuity in leadership during the remaining term of incumbents.

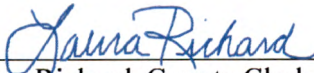
**Section 8.** This Resolution shall become effective and be in full force and effect on its execution by the County Judge.

**PASSED AND APPROVED on this 12 day of August 2025.**

**FORT BEND COUNTY, TEXAS**

  
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KP George, County Judge

ATTEST:

  
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Laura Richard, County Clerk



# Exhibit 2

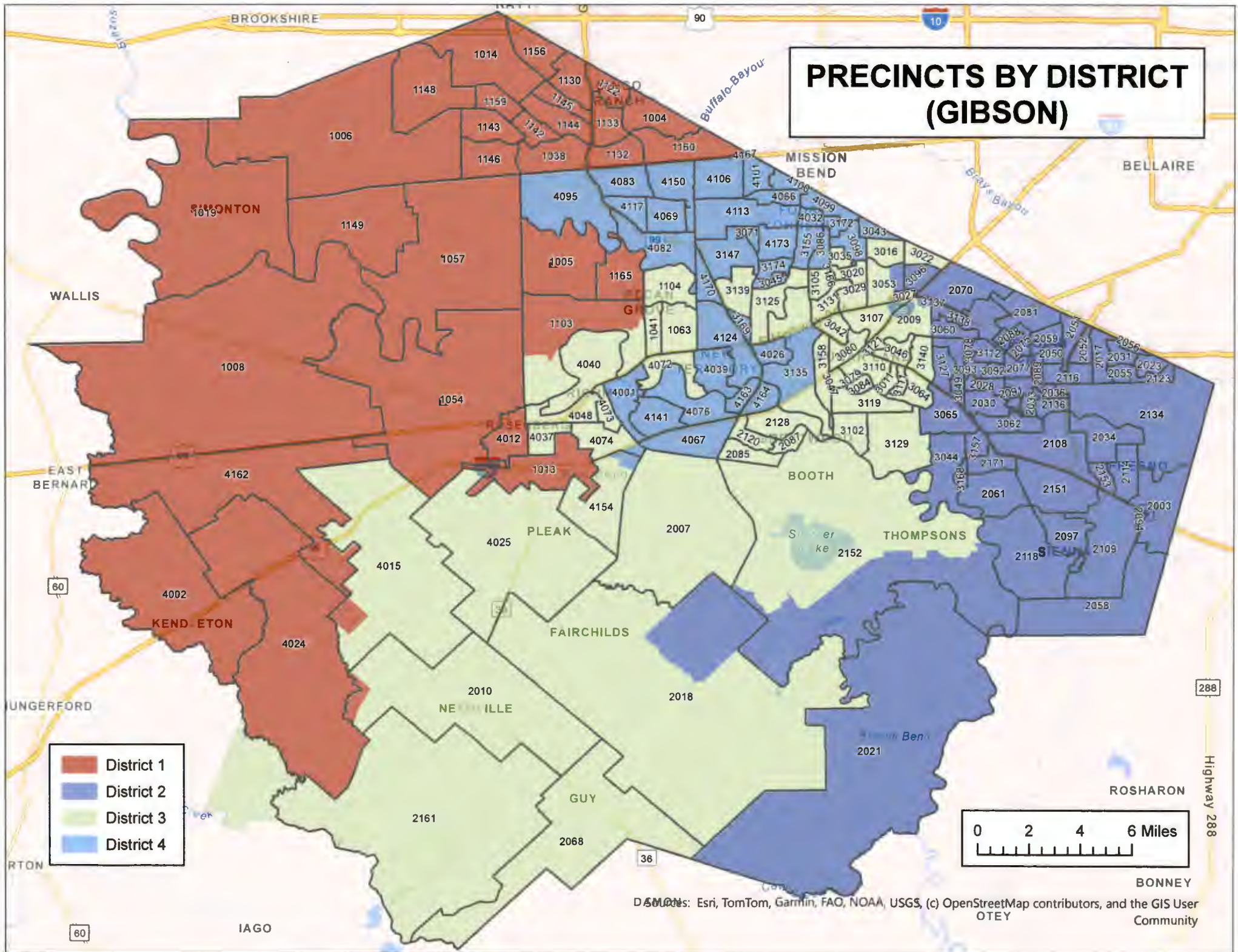
## Redistricting Map

**Mike\_Gibson\_Response\_to\_Comments\_JL\_Amendment 1**

**LINK TO CENSUS BLOCK FILE:**

**<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1KxY7yhKogOt6blySkD3OLeVQ2siDqe-8/view?usp=sharing>**

# PRECINCTS BY DISTRICT (GIBSON)



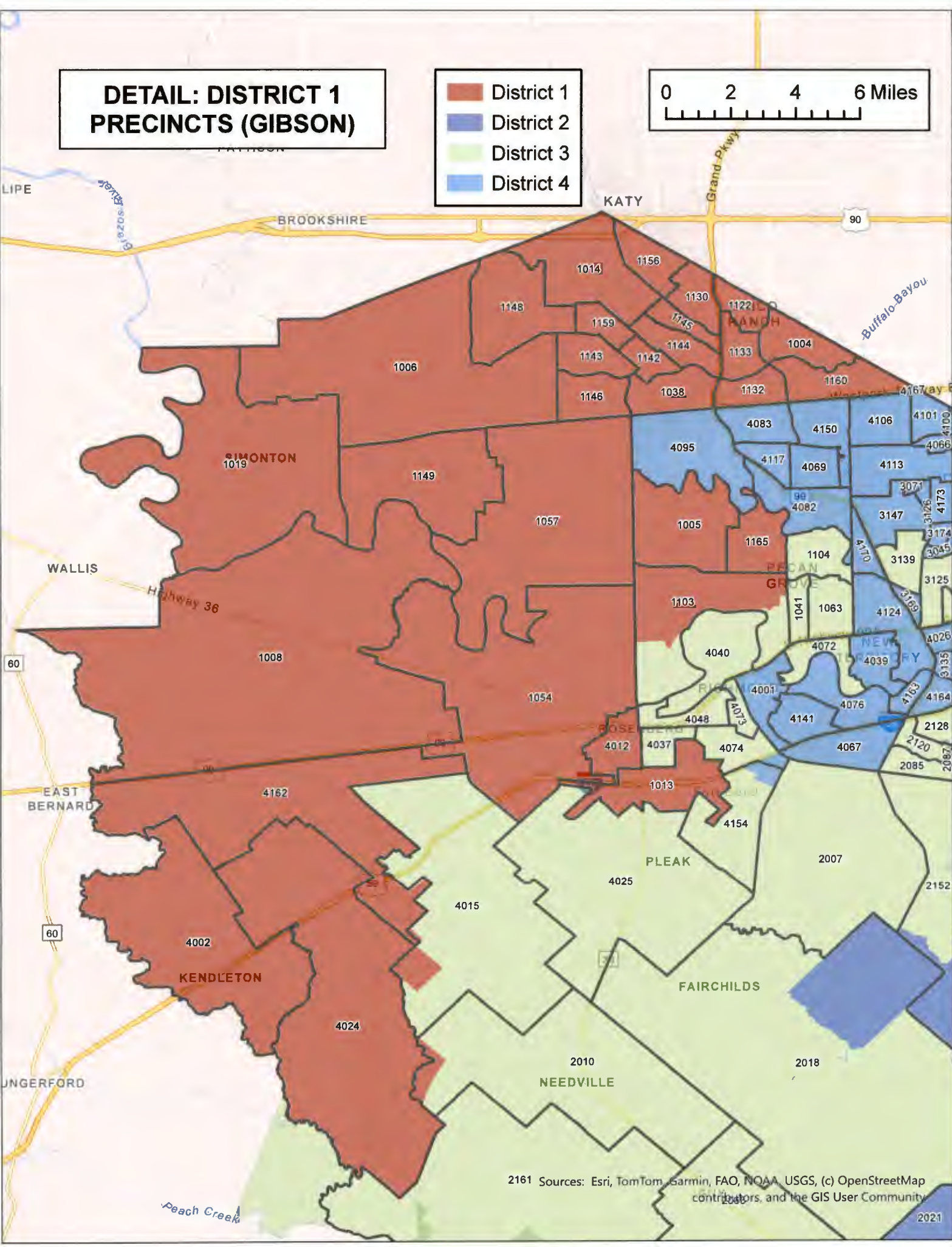
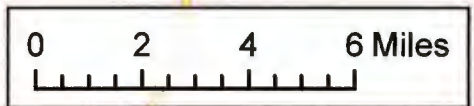
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# DETAIL: DISTRICT 1 PRECINCTS (GIBSON)

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