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Spokane County draft redistricting plan available for public review and comment until September 24
Final plan due to County Auditor’s Office by October 23

SPOKANE, Washington – The Spokane County Independent Redistricting Committee published the draft plan for creating five new county commissioner districts on Aug. 24, 2021. The draft plan includes proposed scenarios for redistricting Spokane County from three to five commissioner districts, as required by the 2018 Responsible Representation Act.

The draft plan is available for public comment until Sept. 24. Community members can access the plan at www.RedistrictSpokaneCo.com. Paper copies are also available at committee meetings, held every Tuesday at 4:30 p.m. at the Spokane Veterans Memorial Arena, 720 West Mallon Ave., Spokane.

This summer the committee has been engaging communities across Spokane County and developing draft scenarios for five new county commissioner districts. With publication of the draft plan on Aug. 24, the committee will continue considering public input and continue to work on scenarios to arrive at a final plan for discussion and public comment. The final plan is due to the Spokane County Auditor’s Office by Oct. 23, 2021.

Spokane County residents are encouraged to get involved in this process and provide input on the draft scenarios through an array of tools and feedback mechanisms, including:

- **Public events** – The committee will hold two public information sessions and two public hearings leading up the finalization of the plan to share information, receive input and answer questions. Locations and information on how to join virtually or in-person is posted at www.RedistrictSpokaneCo.com prior to each event.
  - **Sept. 9, 5:30-7:30 p.m.**: Public information session #3, Deer Park Public Library, 208 South Forest Ave., Deer Park, WA 99006
  - **Sept. 16, 5:30-7:30 p.m.**: Public hearing #3, Moran Prairie Public Library, 6004 South Regal St., Spokane, WA 99223
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- **Sept. 30, 5:30-7:30 p.m.**: Public information session #4, Cheney Public Library, 610 First St., Cheney, WA 99004
- **Oct. 7, 5:30-7:30 p.m.**: Public hearing #4, Northern Quest Resort & Casino, 100 North Hayford Rd., Airway Heights, WA 99001 (Kalispel Ballroom)

- **Comment form** – Comments can be submitted through our online comment form at [www.RedistrictSpokaneCo.com](http://www.RedistrictSpokaneCo.com)

- **Email** – Comments and materials can be sent via email to [info@RedistrictSpokaneCo.com](mailto:info@RedistrictSpokaneCo.com)

- **Mail** – Comments can be submitted by mail to PO Box 31508, Spokane, WA 99223

- **Project web page** – Visit [www.RedistrictSpokaneCo.com](http://www.RedistrictSpokaneCo.com) to view the draft redistricting plan, find meeting links for upcoming hearings and information sessions, and learn more about the process

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The Spokane County Independent Redistricting Committee consists of four voting members and a non-voting chair. The voting members were appointed by local Republican and Democrat legislators. The Republican members of the redistricting committee are Robin Ball and Jim McDevitt. The Democrat members of the redistricting committee are Natasha Hill and Brian McClatchey. The Spokane County Board of Commissioners selected retired Providence Health Care executive Elaine Couture as non-voting chair to lead the IRC. For more information, visit [www.RedistrictSpokaneCo.com](http://www.RedistrictSpokaneCo.com).