

People's Maps Commission Seeks Public Comment

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4th Congressional District public hearing rescheduled to January 14.

MADISON — The People's Maps Commission (PMC) continues to seek public comment from individuals throughout Wisconsin on how the redistricting of legislative maps affects their communities, families and/or businesses.

The virtual public hearing for the 4th Congressional District previously scheduled for December 9, 2020 has been rescheduled to January 14, 2021. The hearing is the Commission's fourth in a series of at least eight meetings, one for each one of Wisconsin's eight congressional districts. Although the January 14th hearing will focus on the 4th Congressional District, all Wisconsin residents are encouraged to watch and participate. Anyone wishing to testify at the hearing must register in advance by visiting the People's Maps Commission website

[HERE](#)

The virtual public hearing will include testimony from subject matter experts and also provide Wisconsinites the opportunity to express how they have been affected by legislative redistricting and share their ideas for how Wisconsin can work together to achieve fair maps. Each speaker will have three minutes to speak. Registration is on a first-come, first-serve basis, with priority to residents of Wisconsin's 4th Congressional District.

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For anyone unable to join the virtual hearing, written comments are strongly encouraged. Written comments can be submitted at any time using the feedback form available on the People's Maps Commission website [HERE](#). Written comments will be reviewed by the commissioners and are public record.

Selected by a three-judge panel, the Commission is a nine-member nonpartisan redistricting commission charged with drawing fair, impartial maps for the state of Wisconsin. More information about the Commission, its members and its activities is available [HERE](#).

Every 10 years, each state redraws their legislative and congressional districts using data from the decennial census. In addition to the data from the 2020 U.S. Census, the Commission will use information gathered during the public hearing process to prepare new maps. It will then be up to the Legislature to take up and approve the maps created by the Commission.

Due to the COVID-19 public health emergency, the People's Maps Commission will host virtual public hearings for each of Wisconsin's eight congressional districts. Agendas and additional details will be announced in advance of future meeting dates. The hearing dates are as follows:

- Thursday, January 14th - 4th Congressional District
- Thursday, January 28th - 1st Congressional District
- Thursday, February 11 - 7th Congressional District
- Thursday, February 25th - 6th Congressional District
- Thursday, March 11 - 2nd Congressional District

Individuals interested in watching previous hearings can find the recordings here:

- 1st - 8th Congressional District [HERE](#)
- 29th - 5th Congressional District [HERE](#)
- 19th- 3rd Congressional District [HERE](#)