

Commissioners,

After conducting the requested evaluation of the current Commissioner Districts, and in line with the requirements of Idaho Code 31-704, we have two options to present you with regarding the current district boundaries.

Option #1: No Change

Attached to this email is a document labeled "CommStats2025", which includes a breakdown of the estimated population per Commissioner District. As listed in the breakdown, the estimated target population per District is 63,700. Commissioner District 1 is very close to the target number, while Districts 2 and 3 are approximately 2% above the target, and 2% below the target, respectively. Should the Commissioners view each District's current population count as within an appropriate deviation from the estimated target, then no change to the District's boundaries would be necessary.

Option #2: Potential District Change

Also included on the document are statistics for a potential district change. Should the Commissioners desire a balancing of the estimated population, this is the way we would recommend creating that balance. This change leaves Commissioner District 1 untouched, except for corrections of map boundaries that move one residential parcel from District 1 into District 2, corrects a waterways line error where a portion of District 2 was separated from the rest of District 2 by a District 1 waterway (See Exhibit 2), and then also moves one non-residential parcel from District 1 into District 3 (See Exhibit 1, Change A). This change then balances the population of Districts 2 and 3 through the shifts listed in Change B and Change C. (Please see Exhibit 1 attached which shows the areas affected by the changes).

We respectfully request that each Commissioner review the two proposed options and individually let us know which option you prefer. We will then bring forward whatever option is requested by the majority of the Board. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Dave Christianson, GIS Manager

Asa Gray, Elections Director

2026 Commissioner District Population Review Statistics

Estimated 2025 Kootenai County Population = 191,101

Target 1/3 of Population in each district = 63,700

Currently Adopted Commissioner District Map

Commissioner District	Residential Units	Population Estimate	% Of Total Population	Population Deviation	Incorporated		Population Deviation	Urban Pop	Population Deviation
					Rural Pop	Urban Pop			
1	28,301	63,897	33.4%	0.3%	15,773	-2.3%	48,123	1.2%	
2	32,453	64,890	34.0%	1.9%	15,565	-3.6%	49,325	3.7%	
3	27,890	62,314	32.6%	-2.2%	17,111	6.0%	45,202	-4.9%	
Total		191,101			48,449		142,650		
Target Number of 1/3		63,700			16,150		47,550		

Potential District Change Statistics (See Exhibit 1)

Commissioner District	Residential Units	Population Estimate	% Of Total Population	Population Deviation	Incorporated		Population Deviation	Urban Pop	Population Deviation
					Rural Pop	Urban Pop			
1	28,300	63,895	33.4%	0.3%	15,771	-2.3%	48,123	1.2%	
2	31,859	63,600	33.3%	-0.2%	15,484	-4.1%	48,116	1.2%	
3	28,484	63,606	33.3%	-0.1%	17,194	6.5%	46,412	-2.4%	
Total		191,101			48,449		142,651		
Target Number of 1/3		63,700			16,150		47,550		

Change A

This change affect no habitable structures.

Change B

This change moves 566 Residential Units containing an estimated 1,227 people from District 2 into District 3. This population group contains 1,209 residents residing inside an incorporation and 18 outside.

Change C

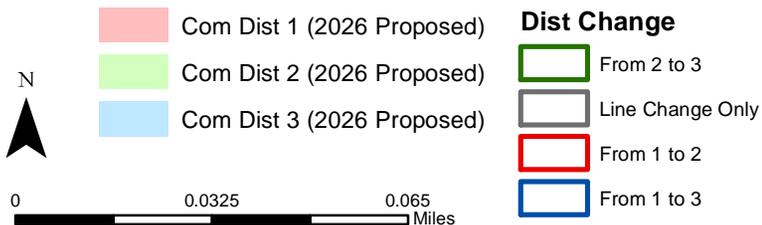
This change moves 29 Residential Units containing an estimated 65 people from District 2 into District 3. All these citizen live outside city limits.

Commissioner District
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Commissioner District
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Commissioner District Rebalance Proposal, 2026

Exhibit 2



Commissioner District
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Commissioner District
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