

REVIEWING ELECTION PRECINCTS FOR COMPLIANCE

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COMPLIANCE

- Are the Election Precincts in compliance with the *Texas Election Code*?
- Three sections are relevant:
 - 42.005
 - 42.006
 - 42.007

TEC 42.005: RELATIONSHIP TO DISTRICTS AND JUSTICE AND COMMISSIONERS PRECINCTS

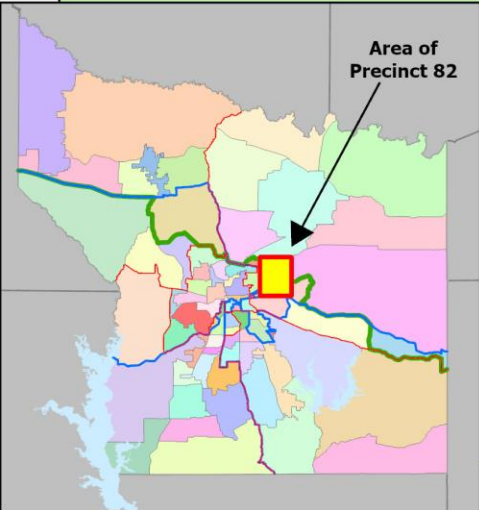
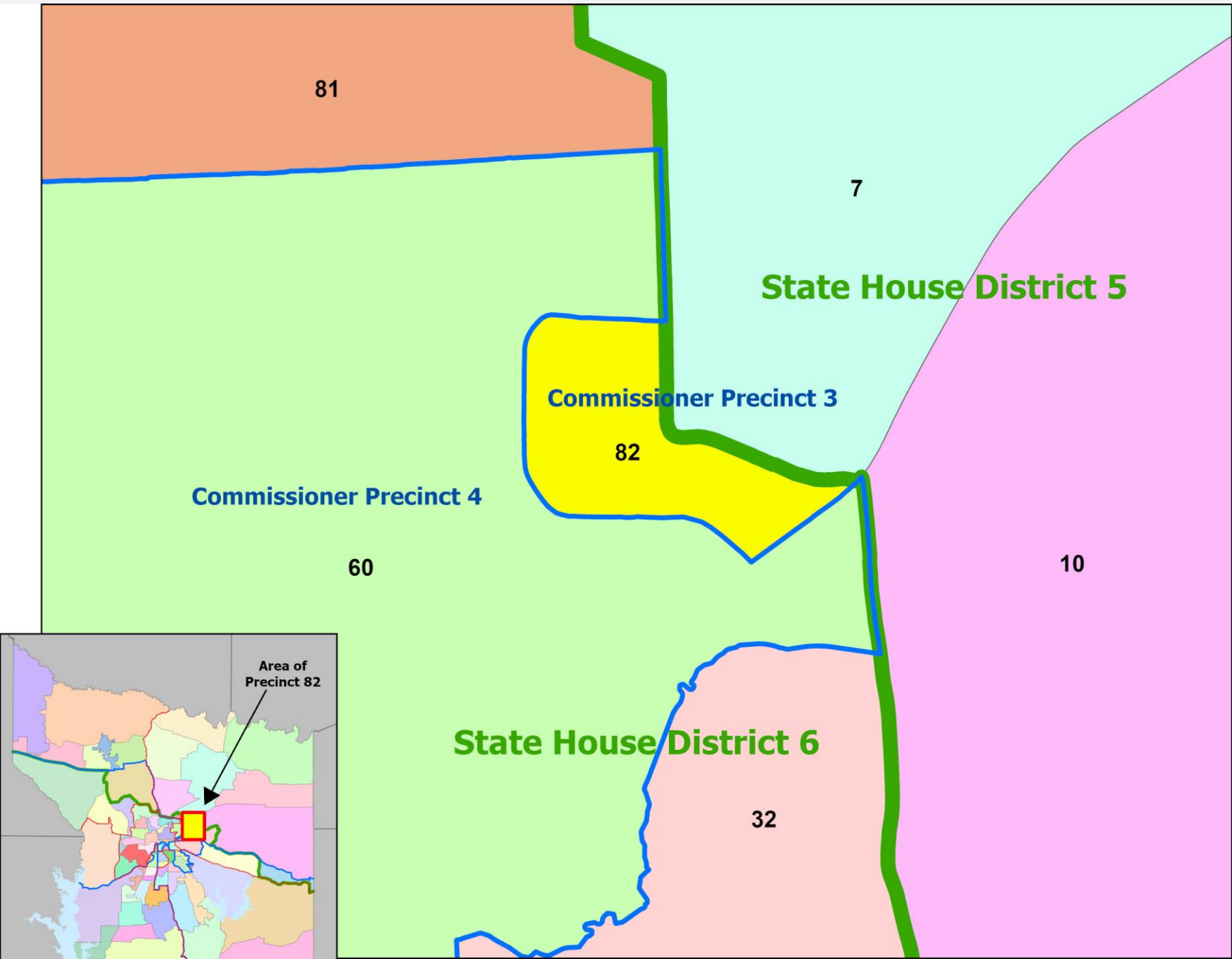
(a) A county election precinct, including a consolidated precinct, may not contain territory from more than one of each of the following types of territorial units:

- (1) a commissioners precinct;
- (2) a justice precinct;
- (3) a congressional district;
- (4) a state representative district;
- (5) a state senatorial district; or
- (6) a State Board of Education district.

(b) If application of this section conflicts with application of Section 42.006, this section prevails.

TEC 42.006: POPULATION REQUIREMENTS

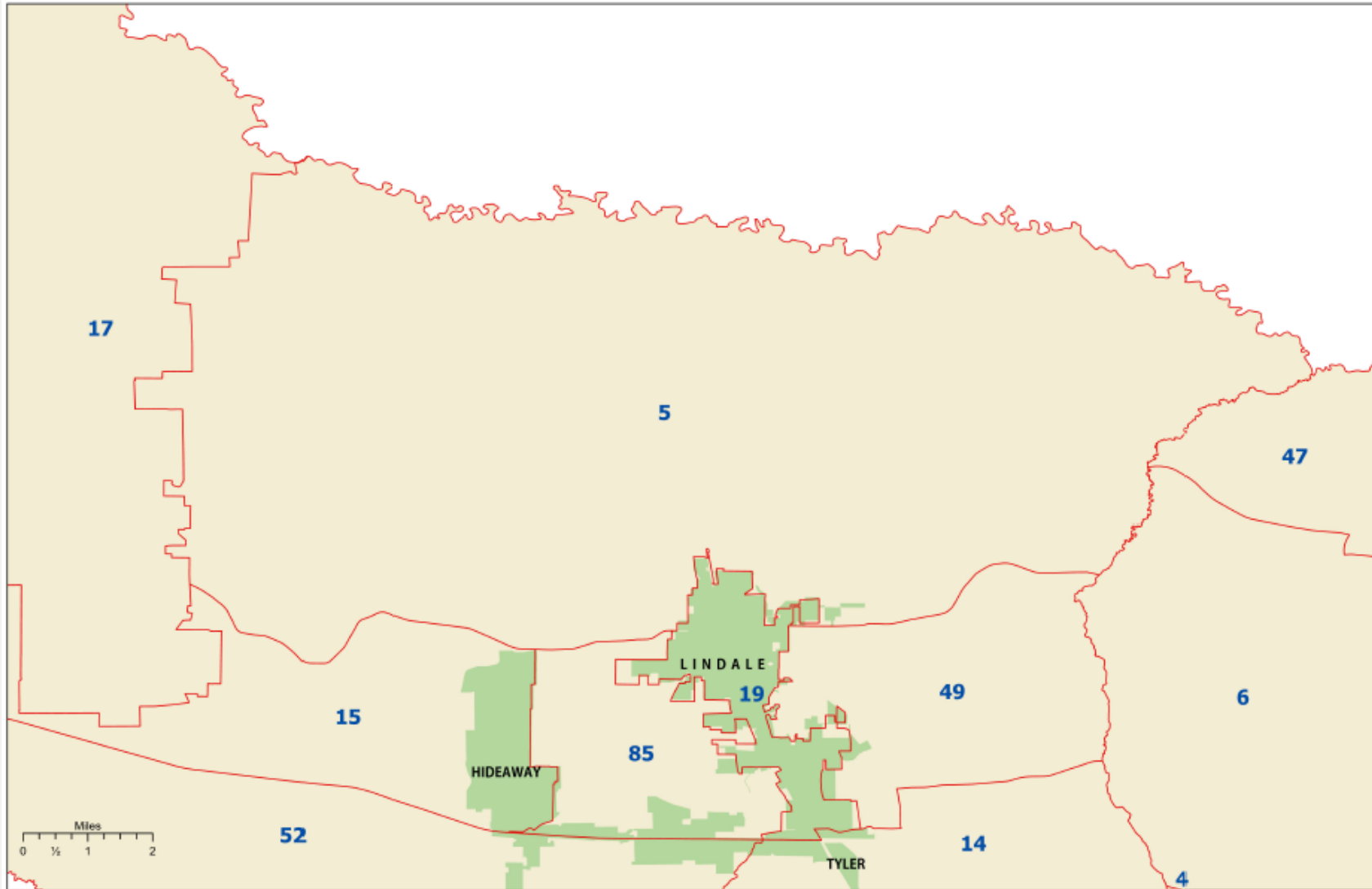
- (a) Except as otherwise provided by this section, a county election precinct must contain **at least 100 but not more than 5,000** registered voters.
- (b) For an election precinct in a county with a population under 100,000, the minimum number of registered voters the precinct may contain is 50, except as provided by Subsection (c).
- (c) In a county with a population under 50,000, a county election precinct may contain fewer than 50 registered voters if the commissioners court receives a written petition, signed by at least 25 registered voters of the county, requesting establishment or continuation of the precinct.
- (d) Repealed by Acts 2007, 80th Leg., R.S., Ch. 921, Sec. 5.001, eff. September 1, 2007.
- (e) **In computing a number of registered voters under this section, voters whose names appear on the list of registered voters with the notation "S", or a similar notation, shall be excluded.**



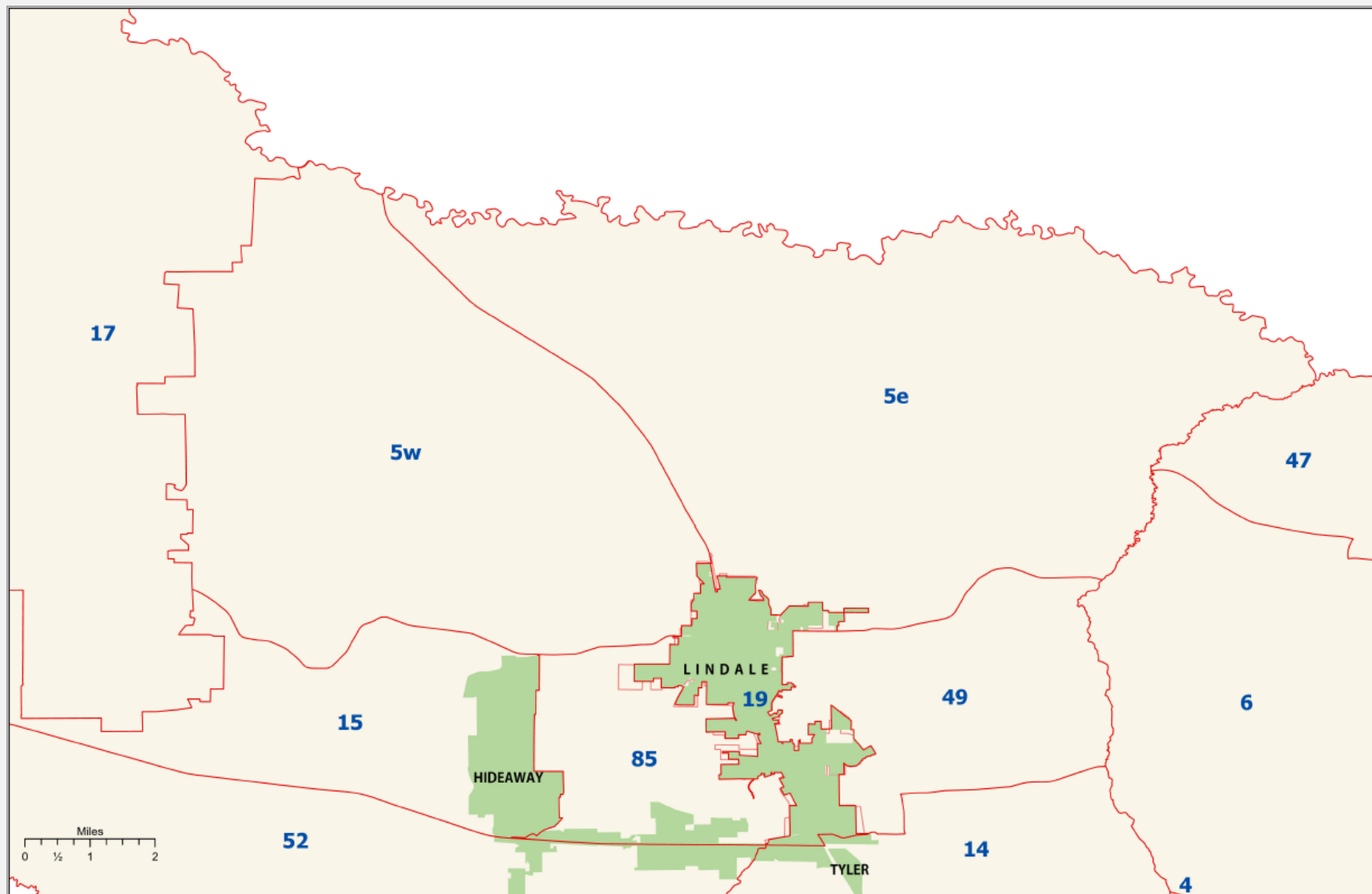
ELECTION PRECINCTS NEAR 5000

- Pct. 5 with 4224
- Pct. 30 with 4293
- Pct. 41 with 4452

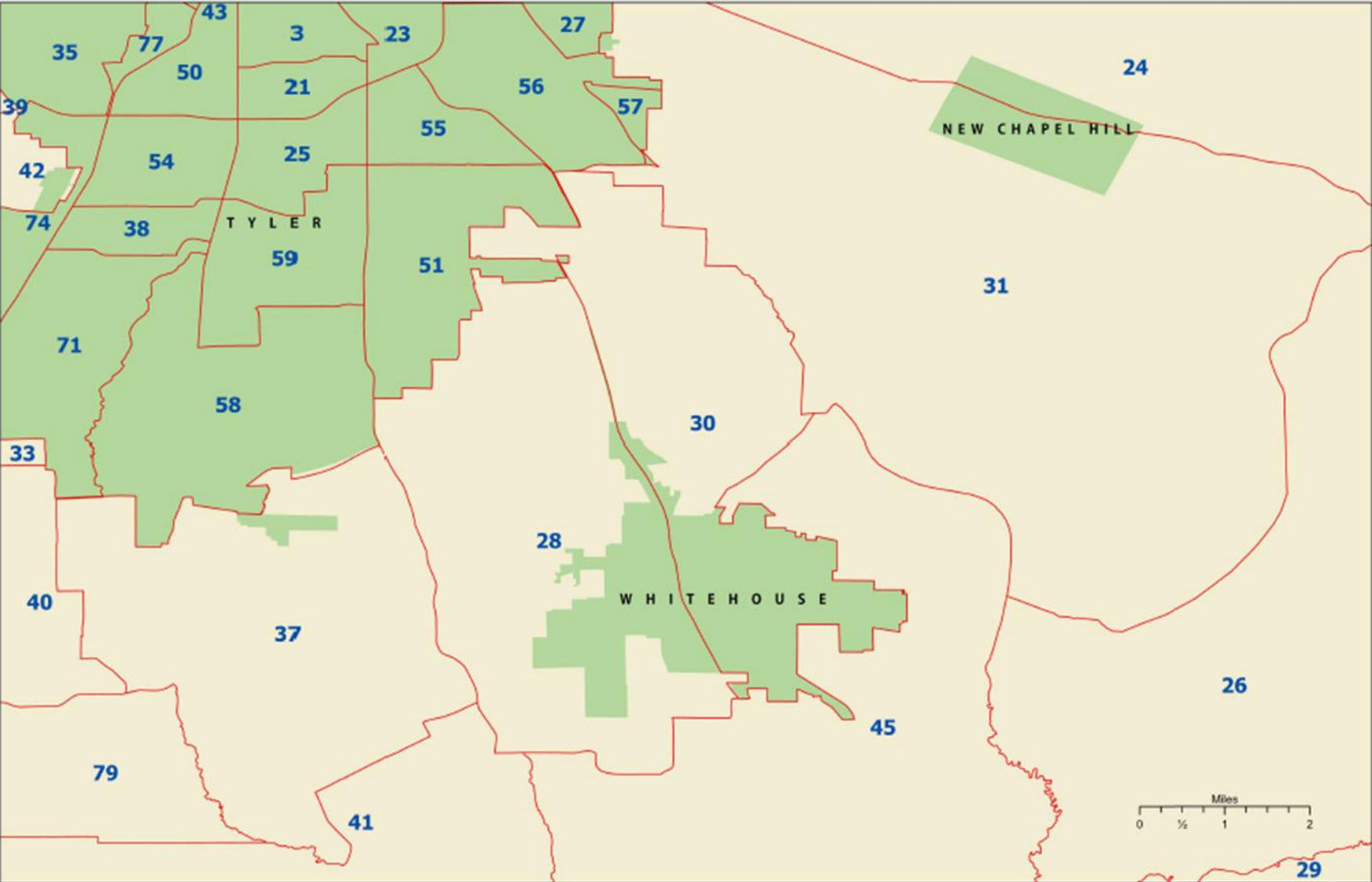
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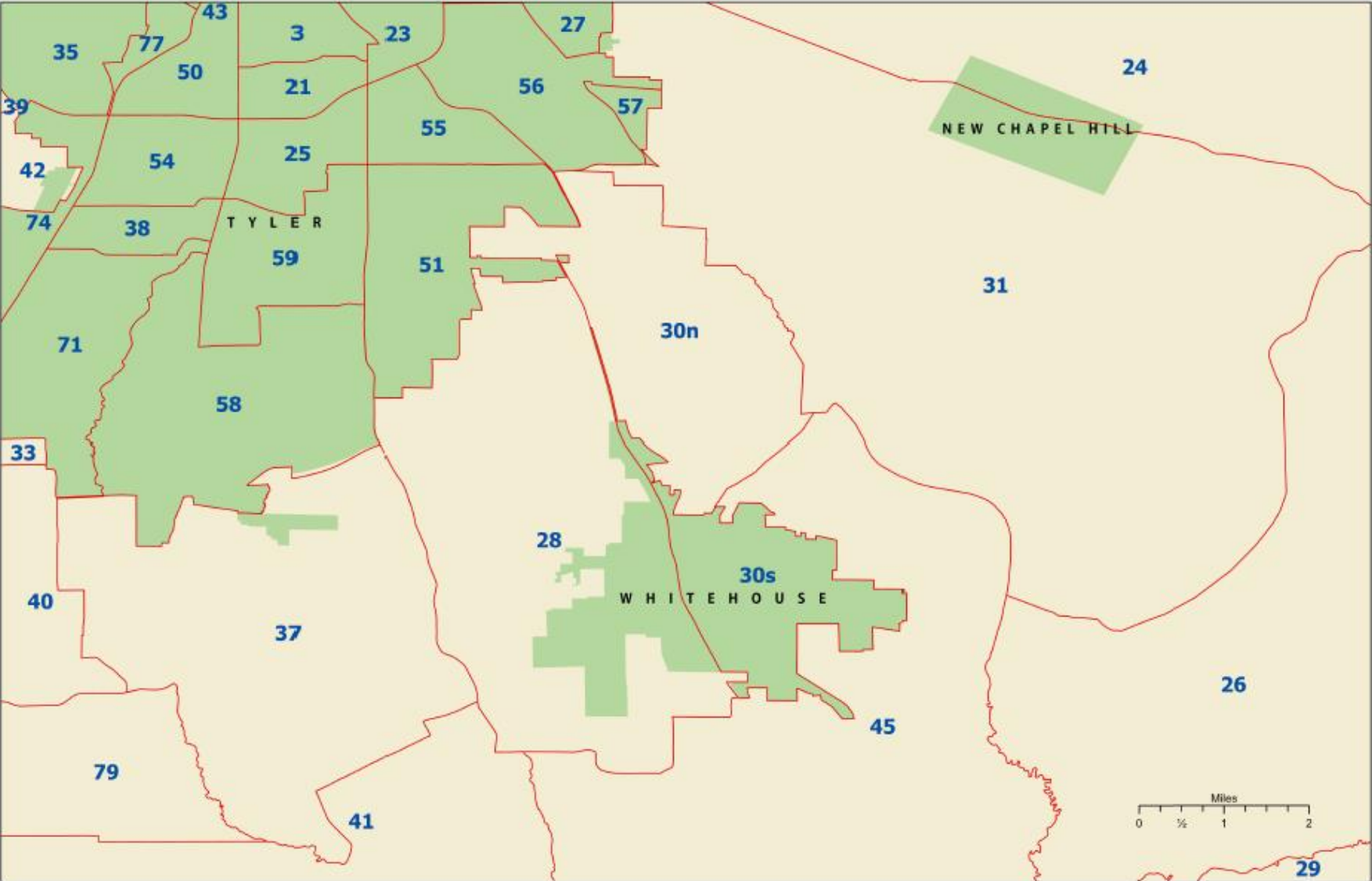
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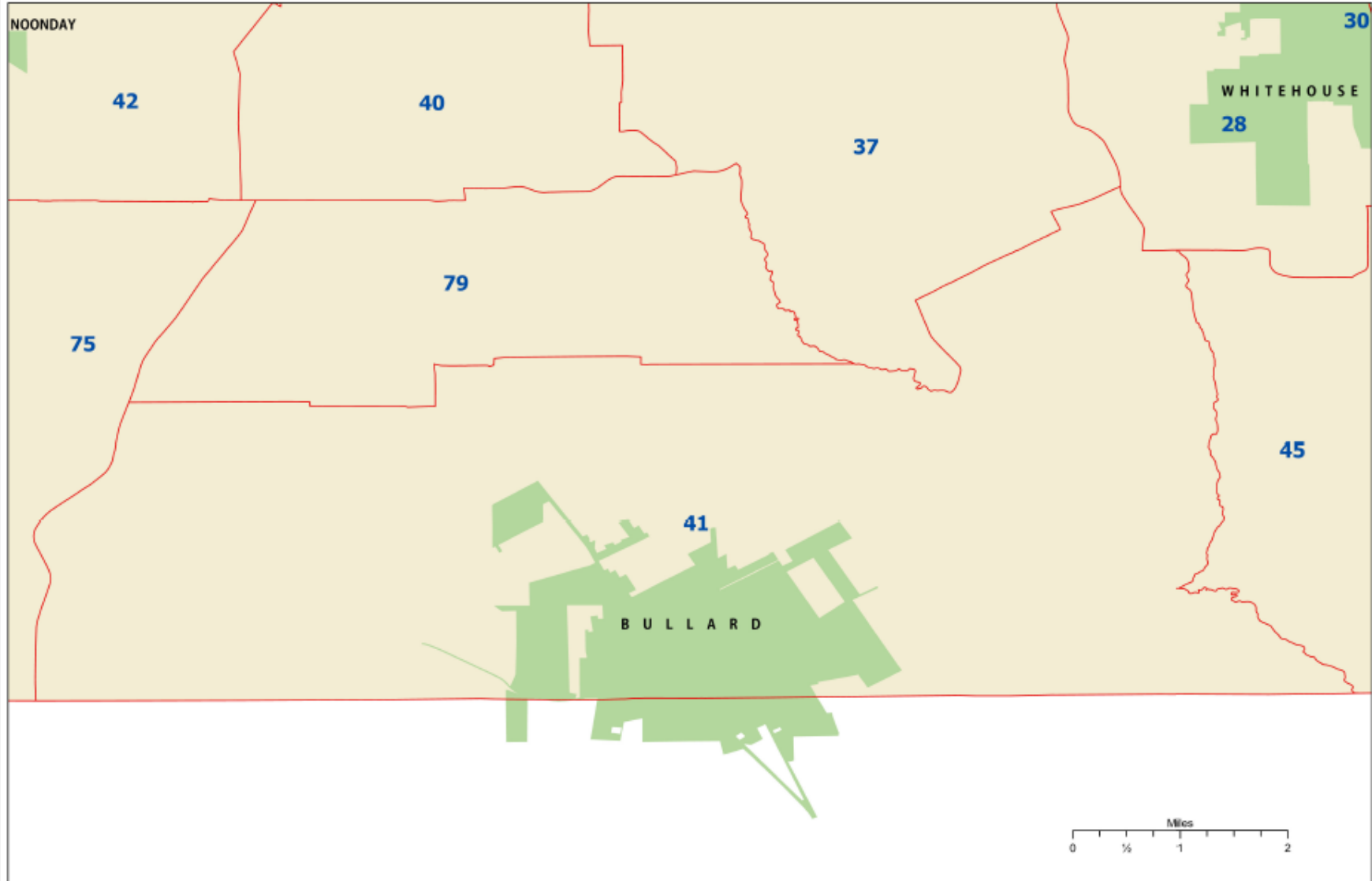
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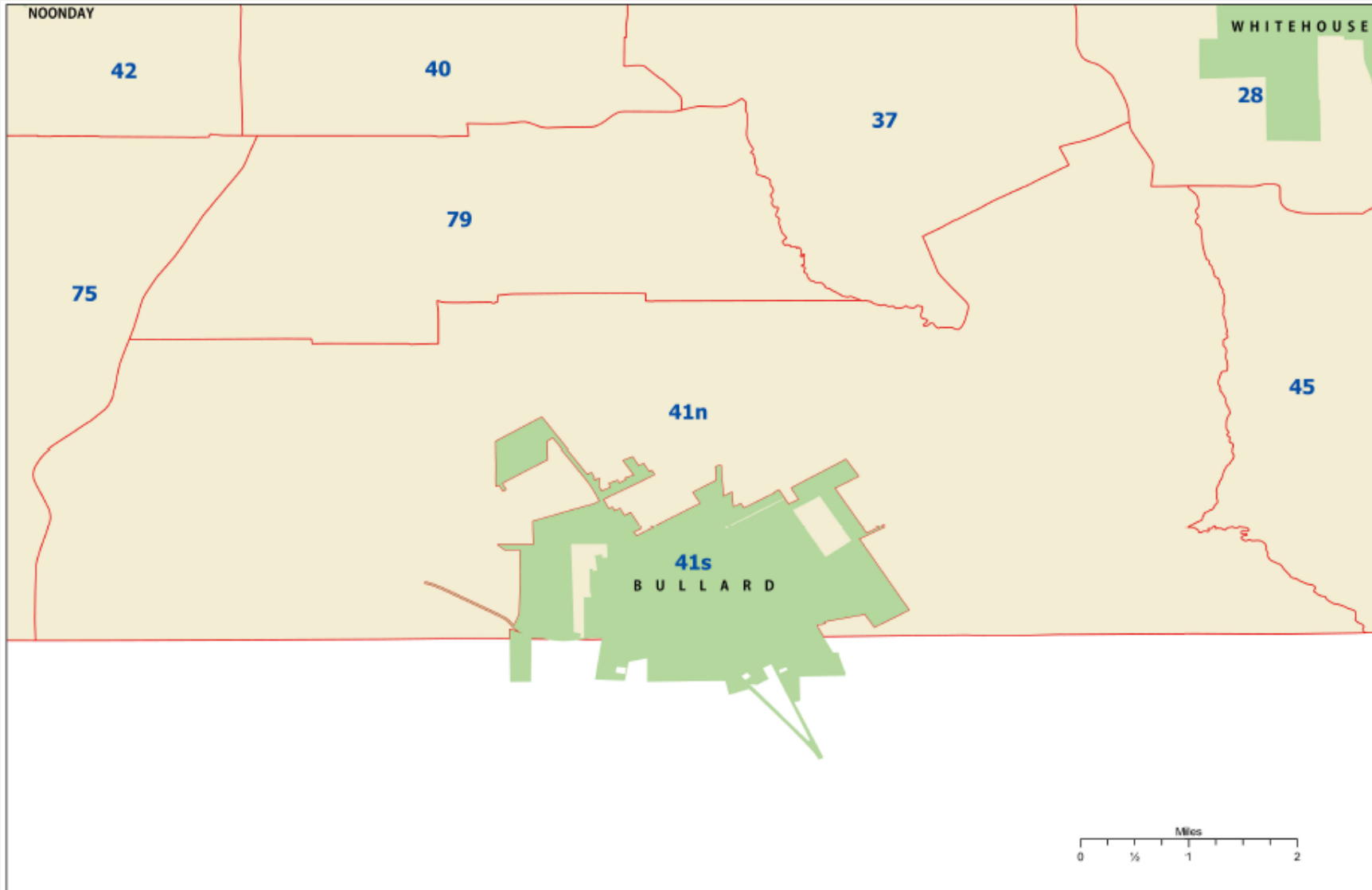
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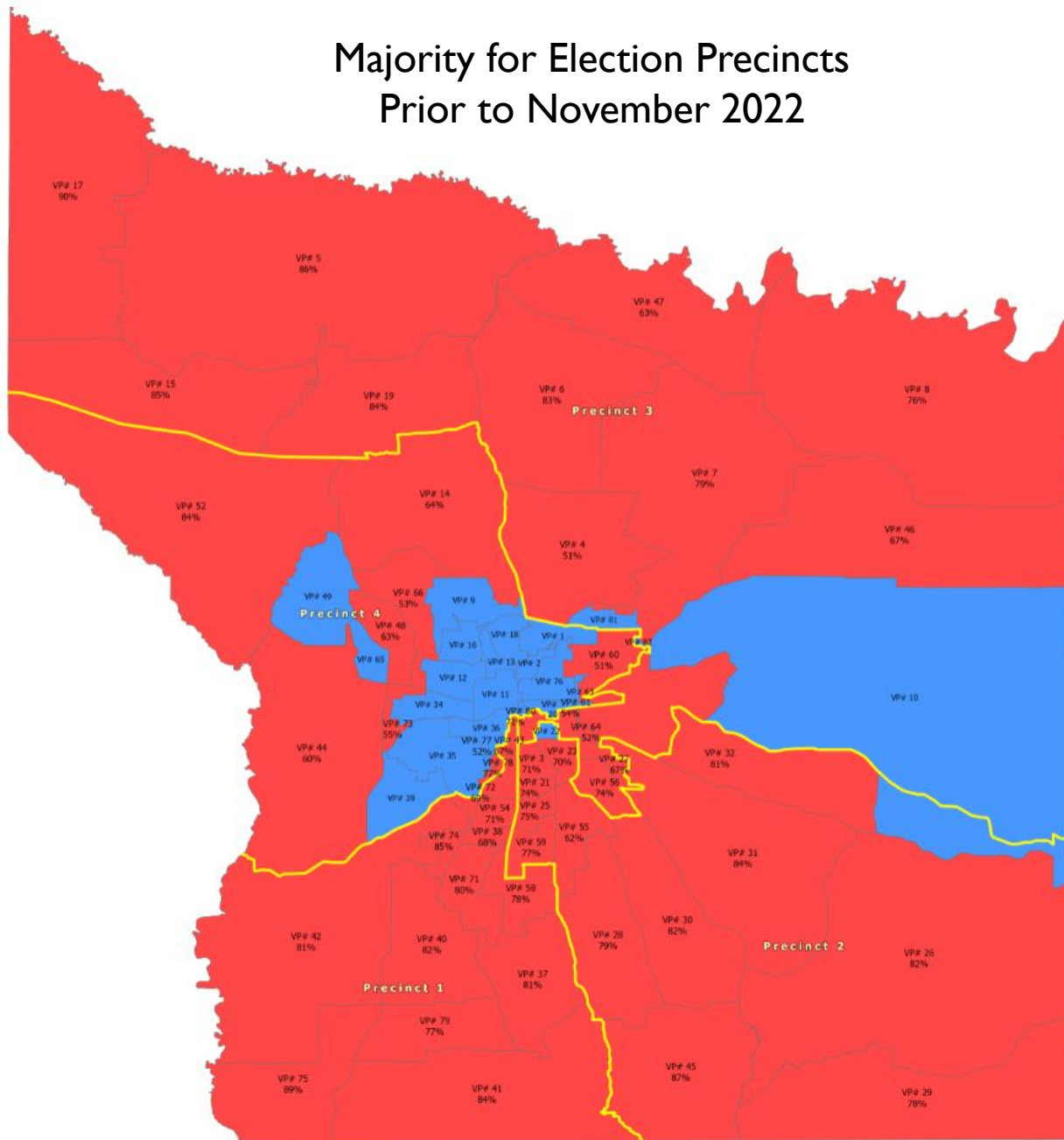
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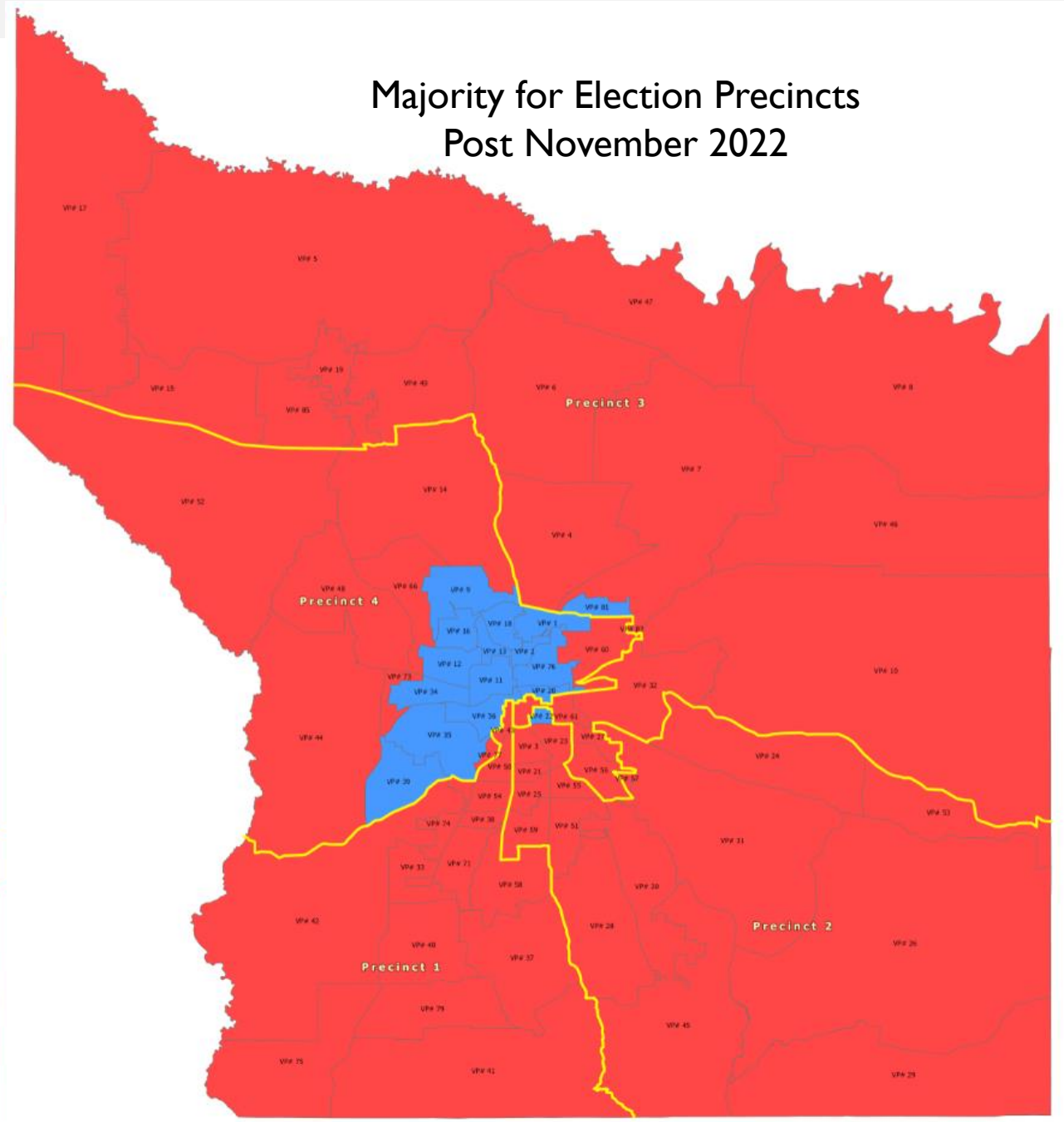
RESULTS OF SPLITTING PRECINCTS

- In compliance with the *Texas Election Code*
- Adds 3 new election precincts
 - From 72 precincts to 75 precincts
- All 3 election precincts being split are Republican
- Precinct by Precinct results from Gubernatorial Election
 - 4 precincts flipped from Democratic majority to Republican majority
- 79% Republican and 21% Democratic
 - 2018 Gubernatorial: 75% Republican and 25% Democratic

Majority for Election Precincts
Prior to November 2022



Majority for Election Precincts
Post November 2022

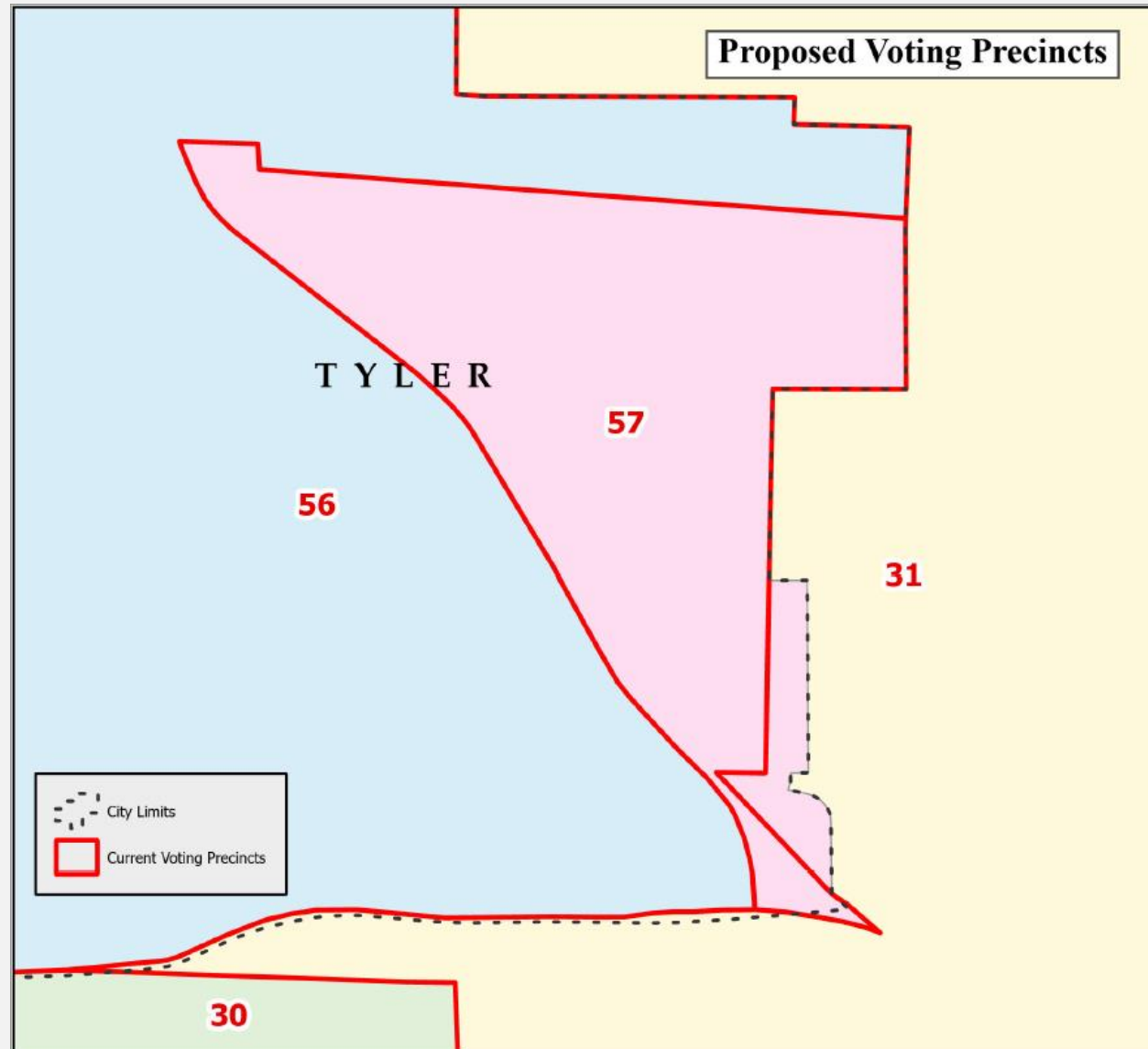


TEC 42.007: COMBINING INCORPORATED AND UNINCORPORATED TERRITORY

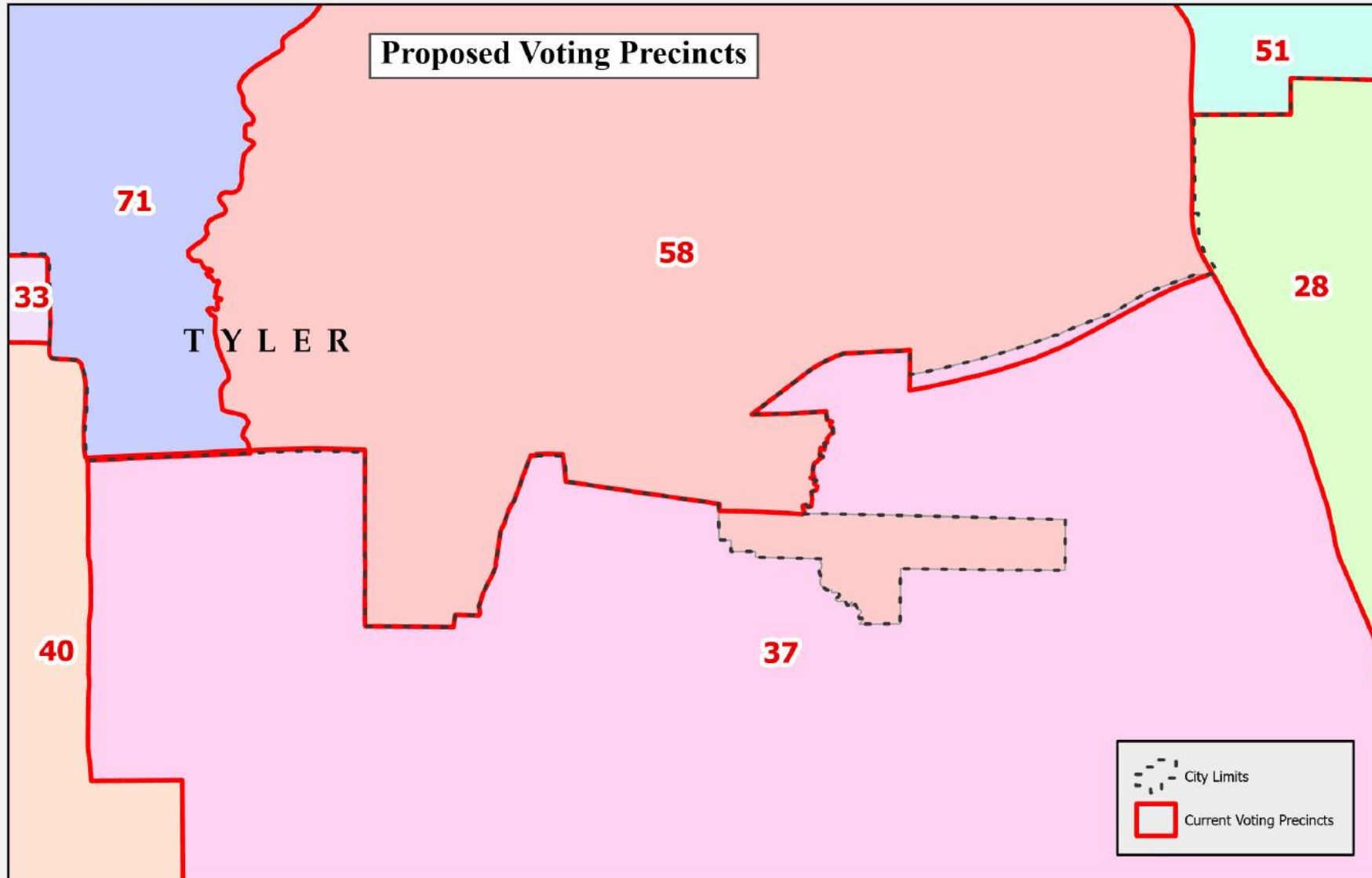
A commissioners court may not establish a county election precinct containing territory inside a city with a population of 10,000 or more and unincorporated territory outside that city unless the commissioners court determines that either of the two areas:

- (1) cannot constitute a separate election precinct of suitable size or shape that contains the permissible number of voters; or
- (2) cannot be combined with other territory on the same side of the city boundary to form an election precinct of a suitable size or shape that contains the permissible number of voters without causing another election precinct to fail to meet those requirements.

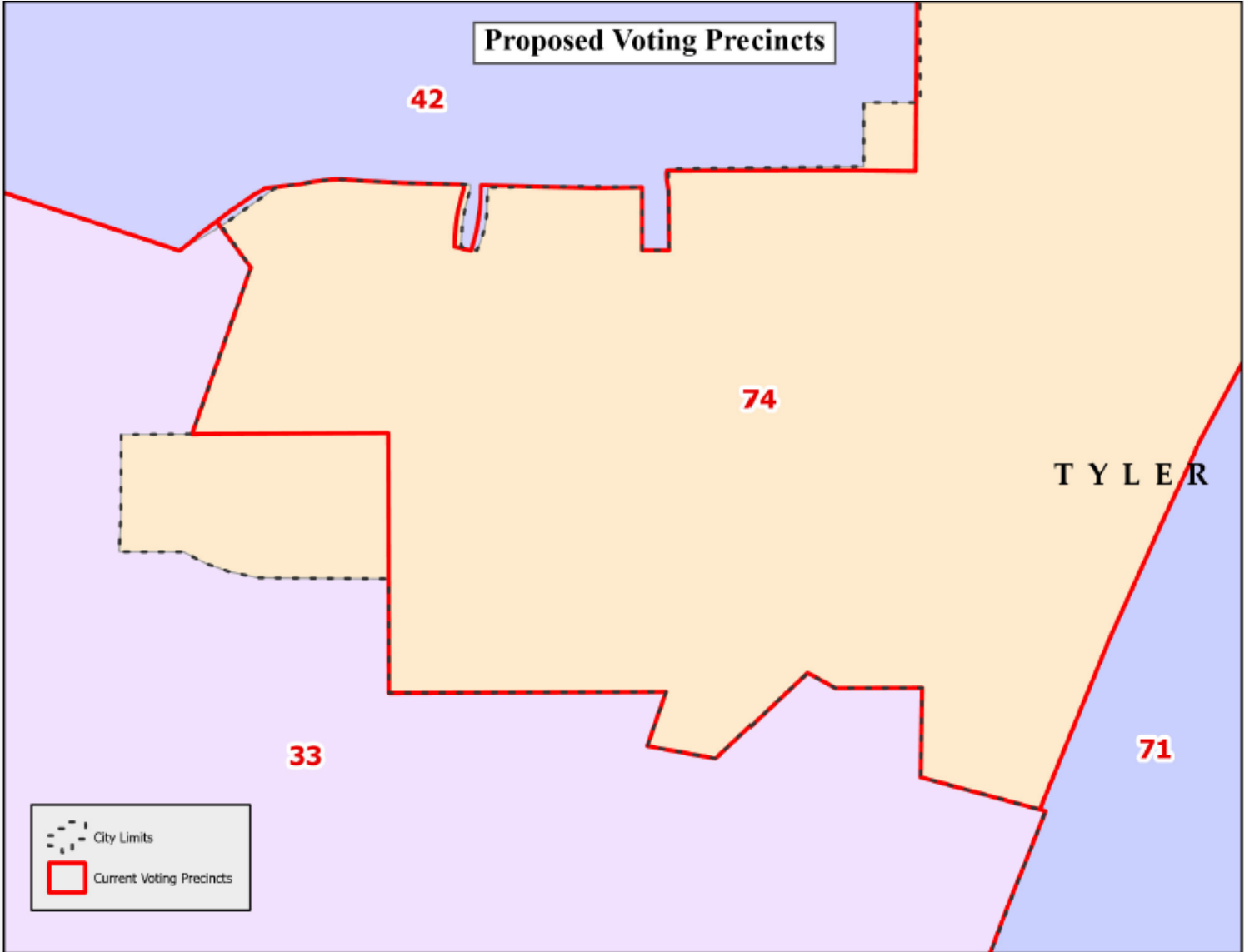
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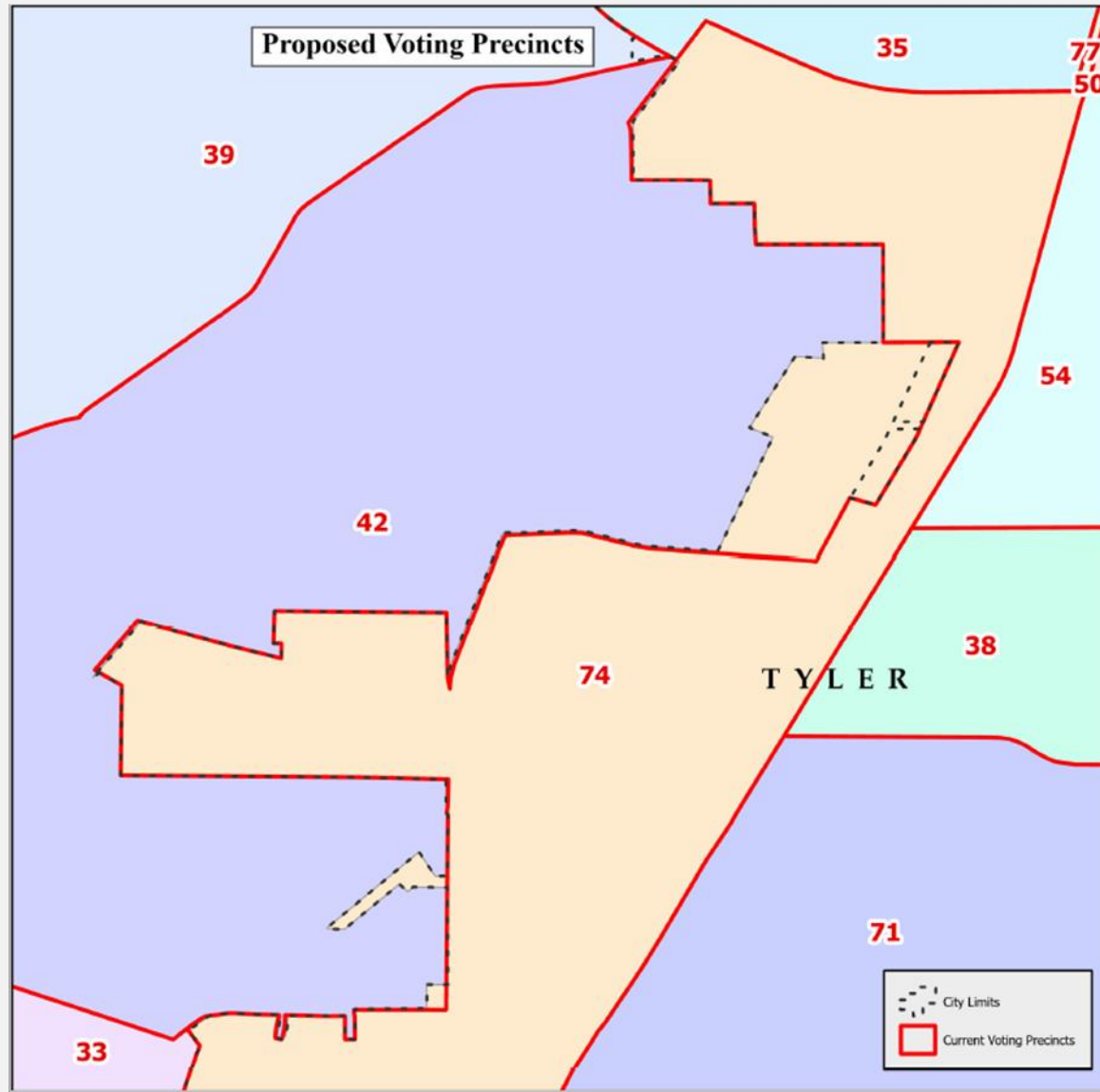
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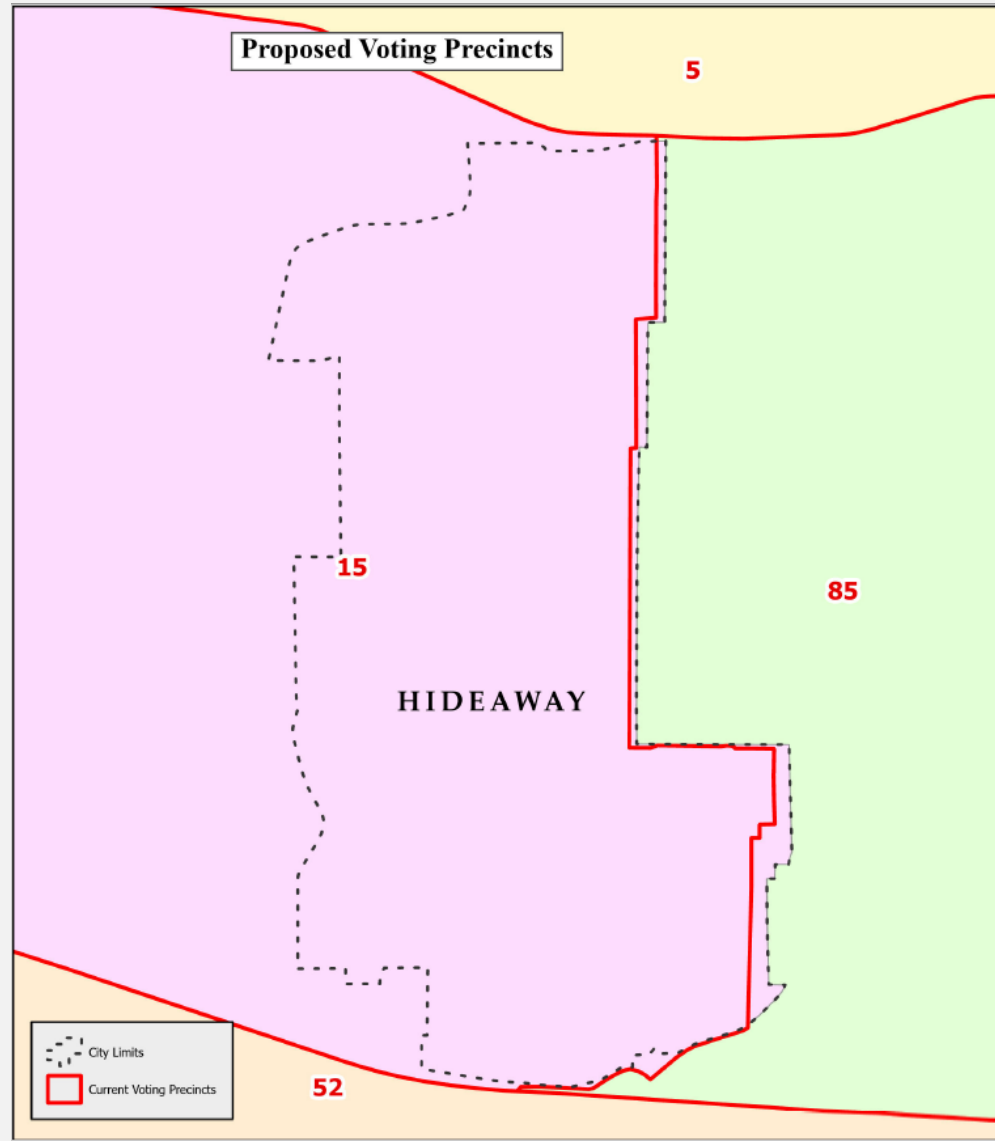
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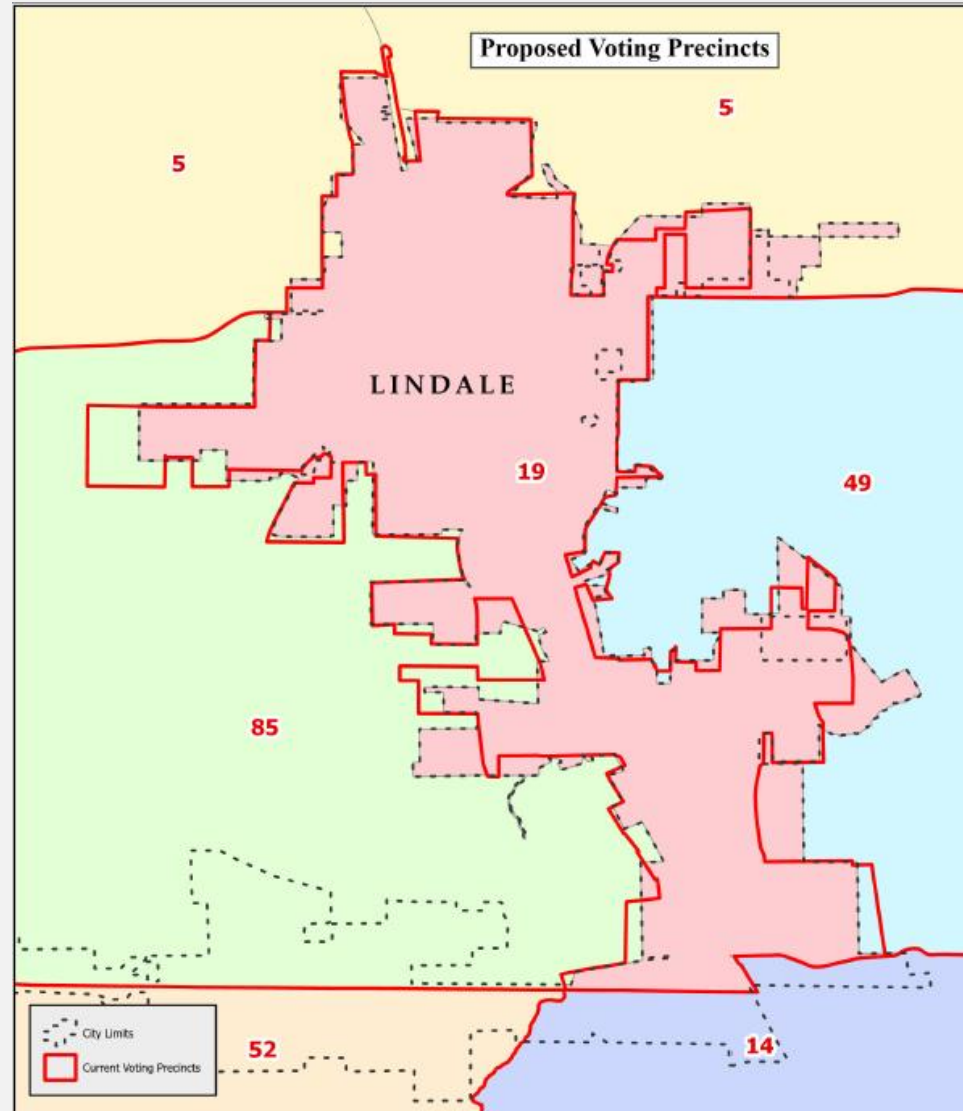
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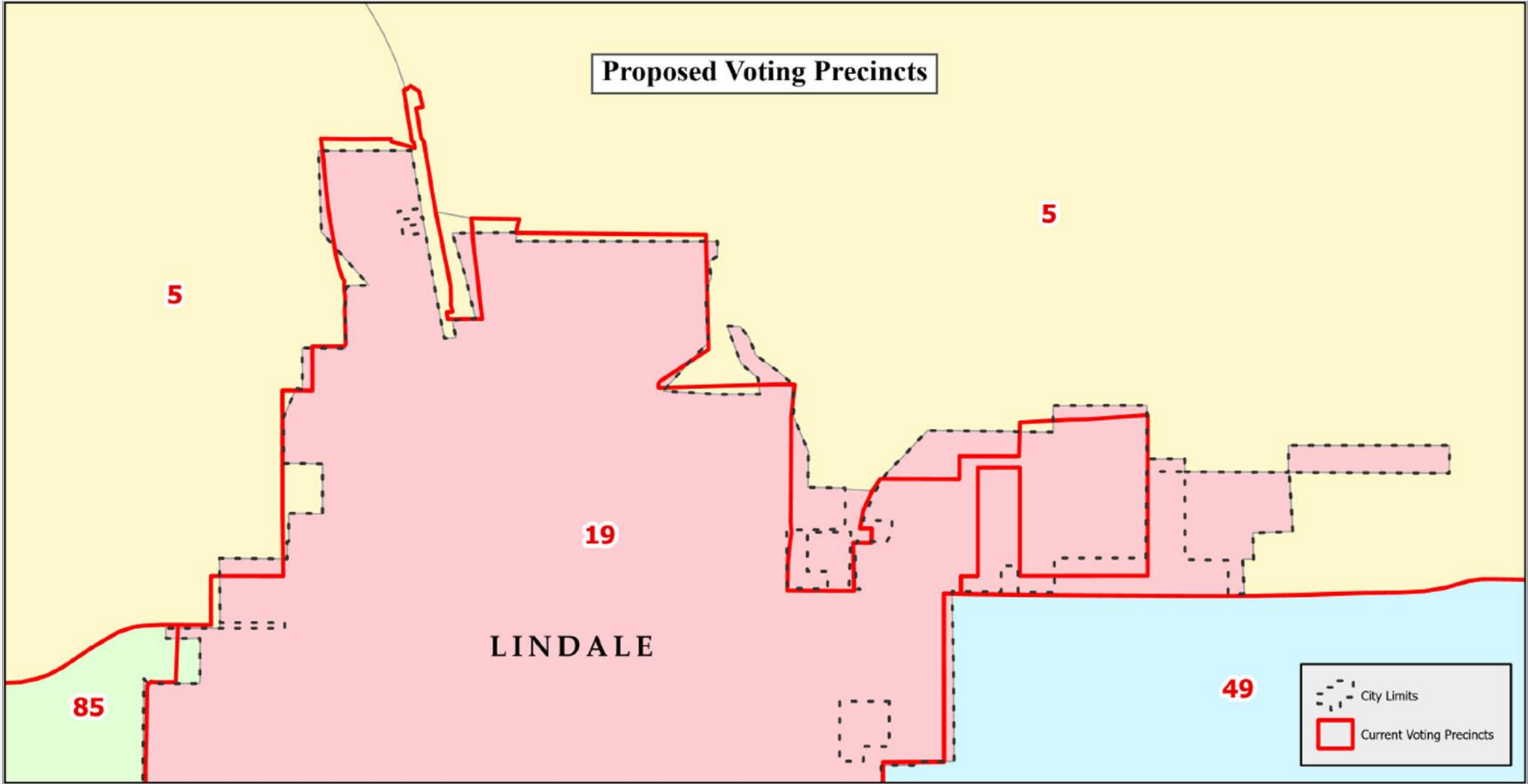
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PRECINCT 19 - LINDALE



Proposed Voting Precincts



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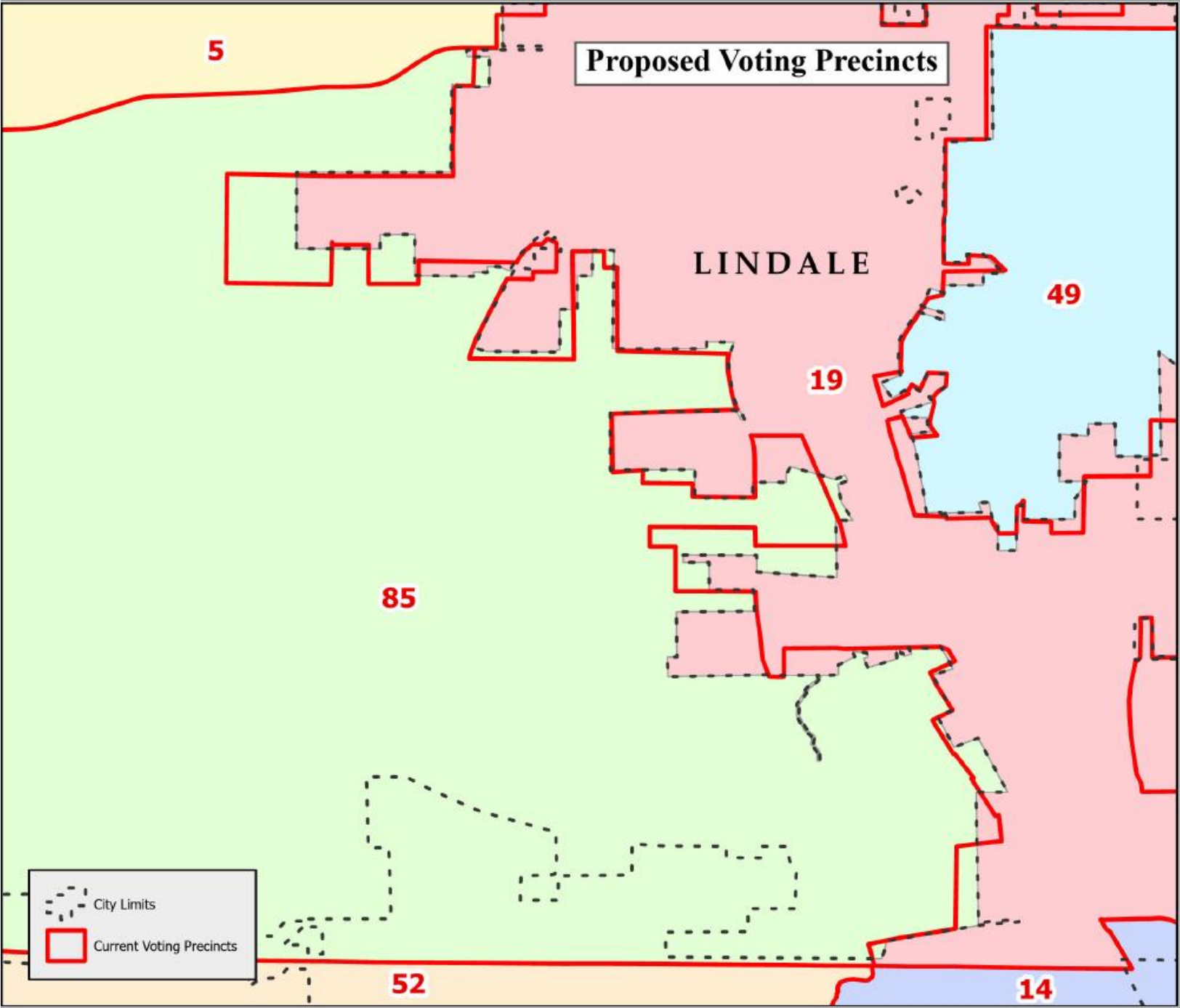
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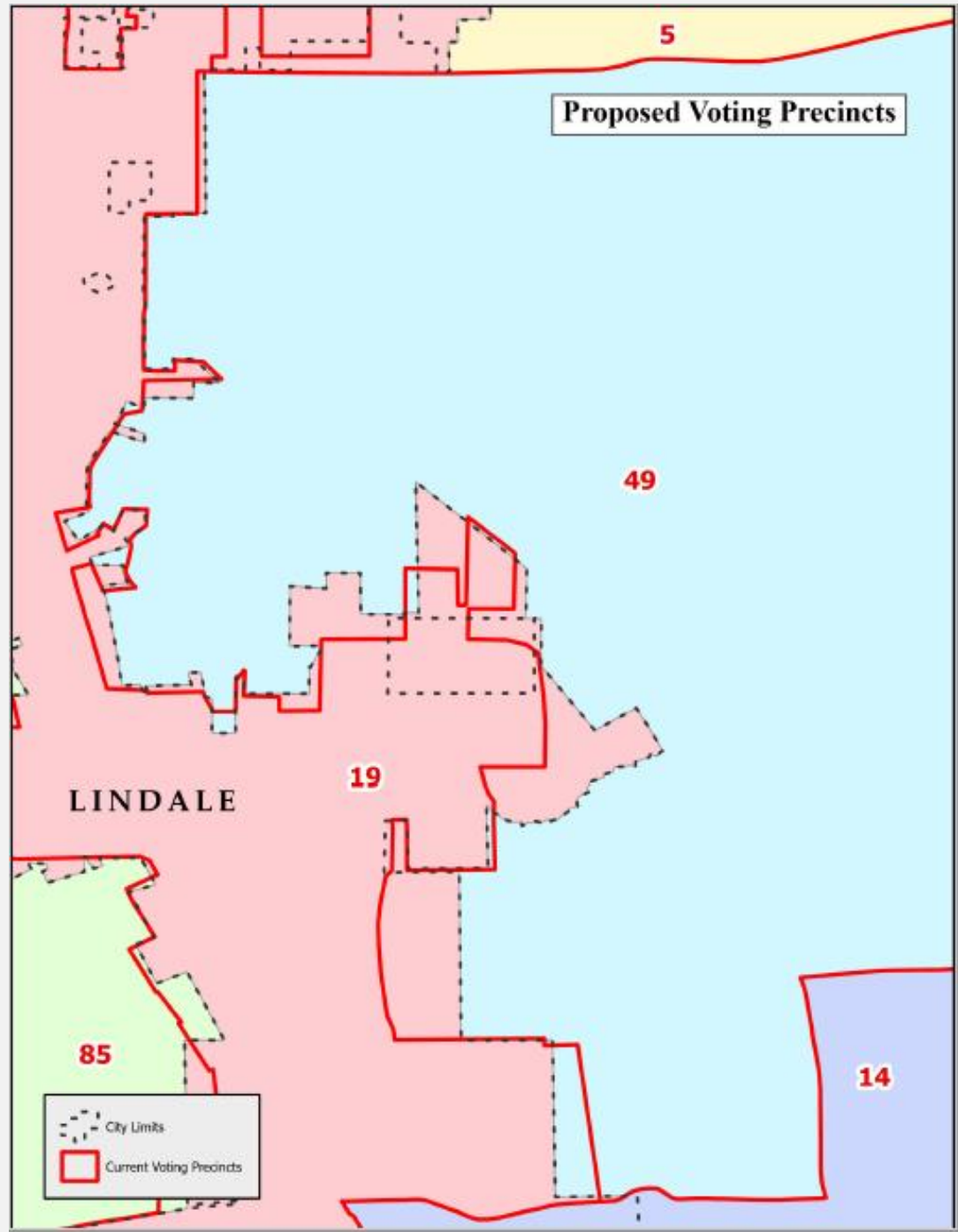
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City Limits

Current Voting Precincts





TEC 42.033: EFFECTIVE DATE OF BOUNDARY CHANGE

(a) A change in a county election precinct boundary takes effect on the first day of the first even-numbered voting year following the voting year in which the change is ordered.

QUESTIONS?