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## **Inland Empire Utilities Agency Adopts New Division Boundaries**

**INLAND EMPIRE, CA** – As part of the California Water Code, municipal water districts are required to adjust division boundaries after each decennial U.S. census. The Inland Empire Utilities Agency (IEUA/Agency) began the redistricting process in November 2021 by holding several community workshops and public meetings. On April 6, 2022, the IEUA Board of Directors held a public hearing and adopted a resolution re-setting election division boundaries.

The new map, which went into effect immediately following adoption, distributes the population within IEUA's service area as equally as possible. This will be the Board division map for the next 10 years, until the next Census. One key criterion when selecting a new map was the requirement to keep IEUA's two majority-minority districts intact (Divisions 2 and 4). A majority-minority district exists when the majority of the residents are comprised of racial or ethnic minorities. In addition to meeting the required criteria, the adopted map accomplished the creation of a third majority-minority district (Division 1). In addition to majority-minority status, other key criteria included topography, cohesiveness, and previously set boundaries.

"The Board adopted a map which aligns with IEUA's goals of advocating for the development of policies, legislation, and regulations that benefit the entire region and reflects the unique and diverse nature of our constituencies," stated IEUA Board President Steve Elie.

IEUA's service area is divided into five divisions, with each division represented by one member of IEUA's fiveperson Board of Directors. Descriptions of the new division boundaries are as follows:

**Division 1** - Marco Tule, Secretary/Treasurer: City of Upland, city of Montclair, San Antonio Heights (unincorporated territories in the city of Upland's sphere of influence), unincorporated territories in the city of Montclair's sphere of influence, a portion of unincorporated territories in the city of Chino's sphere of influence, and a portion of the city of Ontario.

**Division 2** - Paul Hofer, Director: A large portion of the city of Ontario, a portion of the city of Fontana, and a large portion of unincorporated territories in the city of Fontana's sphere of influence.

**Division 3** - Steve Elie, President: City of Chino, city of Chino Hills, and a portion of unincorporated territories in the city of Chino's sphere of influence.

**Division 4** - Jasmin A. Hall, Director: A large portion of the city of Fontana, a portion of Rialto, a portion of Bloomington, and unincorporated territories in the city of Rialto's and city of Fontana's sphere of influence.

**Division 5** - Michael Camacho, Vice President: City of Rancho Cucamonga and unincorporated territories in the city of Rancho Cucamonga's sphere of influence.

"I am eager to continue advancing IEUA's key initiatives throughout the region with my fellow Board members and extend my sincerest thanks to the community, Redistricting Partners, and IEUA staff who played a crucial role in this process," continued Elie.

The adopted map, a recording of the Public Hearing, and other corresponding links can be found at <a href="https://www.ieua.org/redistricting/">www.ieua.org/redistricting/</a>.

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The Inland Empire Utilities Agency covers 242-square miles, distributes imported water, provides industrial/municipal wastewater collection and treatment services, and other related utility services to more than 875,000 people through its customer agencies which include Chino, Chino Hills, Cucamonga Valley Water District, Fontana, Fontana Water Company, Montclair, Monte Vista Water District, Ontario, and Upland.