



Tonto Apache Tribe

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We, the Tonto Apache Tribe, appreciate the opportunity to become involved in redistricting in Gila County, Arizona. Our proposal is based upon the following premises and existing situations:

1. Because our Tribe is currently placed into District #2, we do feel disenfranchised from the other two Apache Tribes within Gila County, the San Carlos and White Mountain, which are located in District #3.
2. During this redistricting process, the Gila County Elections Department has offered to take us out of Payson Precinct #2 and give us our own Precinct. After carefully considering this offer, we respectfully decline, believing that to do so at this time would further isolate and segregate us from our Payson community of interest.
3. Although the federal government may not distinguish between minorities in its over-all 'total minority' calculations, we Apaches respectfully disagree with this practice, especially as it relates to voting. We have our own customs and culture separate from Hispanics and additional minorities. We may or may not share similar values and ideologies and we may or may not vote in concert with them.
4. We believe the intent of the Voting Rights Act is to strengthen the ability of individual minorities to elect candidates of their choice, rather than risking reverse discrimination by combining different minorities and masking actual voting ability with artificial, inflated co-mingled numbers.
5. The proposal we are submitting:

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- a. unites the representative Apache Tribes in Gila County – the Tonto, San Carlos and White Mountain Apache within District #3 to give us a true Apache Tribal vote and strengthen our actual ability to elect
 - b. keeps the Tonto Apaches united within our Payson community of interest by leaving us in Payson Precinct #2 and moving the entire Precinct into District #3
 - c. brings the Gisela Precinct with us from District #2 to District #3; Gisela being a major portion of our native homelands and our other primary community of interest
 - d. moves the predominantly Hispanic mining communities of Hayden, Winkleman and Christmas in the southern tip of Gila County, which are currently in District #3, and unites them with the Hispanic minority within the mining towns of Miami, Claypool and Globe in Precinct #2 – thereby truly strengthening their actual ability to elect
 - e. moves various Globe area Precincts from District #3 to District #2 to balance out total population without diluting either of the two predominate Gila County minorities – Apache (Native American) and Hispanic – and our actual ability to elect
6. We realize District #3 may no longer be considered a Majority-Minority District/Minority-Coalition District as explained by Gila County’s consultants in this process, however, by increasing the total Native American percentage in Precinct #3 from 32.8% to 33.2% we believe we still can - and will - elect the candidate of our choice. We also believe that by increasing the Hispanic vote in Precinct #2 from 24.9% to 31.7%, they, too, still can – and will – elect the candidate of their choice. And, although the lumped-together category called ‘total minority percentages’ in District #3 drops 6.6% and increases the same 6.6% in District #2, the individual minorities have been strengthened in both Districts.

7. Our overall plan has a one person, one vote discrepancy of 479, or less than 1%. If this is unacceptable, we have no objections to minor Precinct adjustments so long as they do not weaken the intent and the integrity of our submission.

Approved as submitted by Tonto Apache Tribal Council, July 12, 2011

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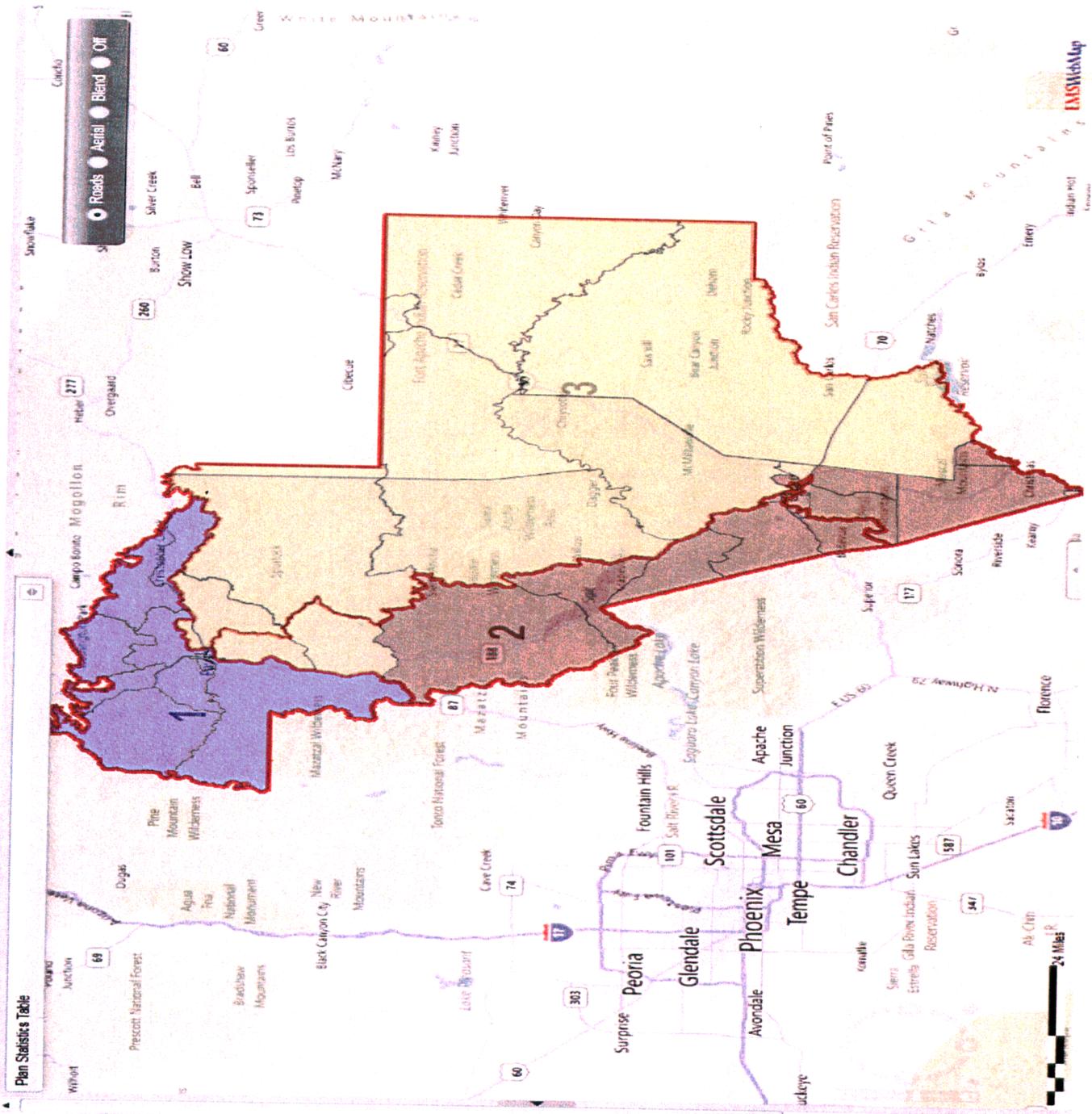
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Demographics of selected areas

Voting-Age Population (VA)	0
VA Hispanic %	0%
VA Non-Hispanic White %	0%
VA Non-Hispanic Black %	0%
VA Non-Hispanic Native-Am %	0%
VA Non-Hispanic Other Races %	0%



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Demographics of selected areas

Age Group	Hispanic %	Non-Hispanic White %	Non-Hispanic Black %	Non-Hispanic Native-Am %	Non-Hispanic Other Races %	Total Voter Registration	Democrat %	Republican %	Indep. and Other %
0	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0	0%	0%	0%
1	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0	0%	0%	0%
2	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0	0%	0%	0%
3	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0	0%	0%	0%
4	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0	0%	0%	0%
5	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0	0%	0%	0%
6	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0	0%	0%	0%
7	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0	0%	0%	0%
8	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0	0%	0%	0%
9	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0	0%	0%	0%

5. While holding down the Ctrl key and left mouse click, select potential areas to move into that district. As these are selected, the color below accumulates the appropriate demographics for all selected areas.
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