

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
LEWIS COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

IN THE MATTER OF:

RESOLUTION NO. 21-414

NOTICE OF TWO PUBLIC HEARINGS REGARDING
PROPOSED CHANGES TO LEWIS COUNTY
COMMISSIONER DISTRICT AND PRECINCT
BOUNDARIES

WHEREAS, the Lewis County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) plans to hold two hearings regarding proposed changes to commissioner district and precinct boundaries within Lewis County; and

WHEREAS, under the provisions of RCW 29A.76.010 and RCW 36.32.020, the BOCC is required to divide Lewis County into three commissioner districts, with each district comprising -- as nearly as possible -- one-third of the population of the county; and

WHEREAS, the BOCC also must ensure that voting precincts are not divided by commissioner district lines; and

WHEREAS, the BOCC must prepare a redistricting plan for the commissioner district boundaries every 10 years based on new data from the U.S. Census Bureau; and

WHEREAS, due to a new law the state Legislature passed in 2021 (SSB 5013, which amended RCWs 29A.76.010 and 29A.92.050), Lewis County must submit its redistricting plan by December 31, 2021, instead of "no later than eight months after receipt of the federal decennial census data," as previously prescribed; and

WHEREAS, the county also may be required to again update its redistricting plan once the state Supreme Court considers potential changes to congressional districts after the Washington State Redistricting Commission (WSRC) -- a group created under the Constitution of the State of Washington as amended by the addition of Section 43 (Amendment 74, 1983 SSJR 103, November 8, 1983) -- missed its November 15, 2021, submission deadline; and

WHEREAS, staff from Lewis County's Geographic Information Systems (GIS) department, Auditor's Office and BOCC office have worked on options for the BOCC to review; and

WHEREAS, the various redistricting options will be available on the BOCC website at <https://lewiscountywa.gov/offices/commissioners/> beginning Dec. 4, 2021.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the BOCC will hold two hearings on the county's proposed redistricting plans: the first will be at or after 10 a.m. December 14, 2021, and the second will be at or after 10 a.m. December 21, 2021, with both hearings taking place in the Commissioners' Hearing Room on the second floor of the historic courthouse at 351 N.W. North Street in Chehalis; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the BOCC is hereby instructed to proceed with all appropriate and necessary notifications, posting and publication for the hearings as required by law.

DONE IN OPEN SESSION this 30th day of November, 2021.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
Jonathan Meyer, Prosecuting Attorney

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
LEWIS COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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By: Amber Smith,
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ATTEST:



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Rieva Lester,
Clerk of the Lewis County Board of
County Commissioners

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F. Lee Grose, Commissioner

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE THE
LEWIS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
AND INTENT TO ADOPT**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the LEWIS COUNTY, WASHINGTON, BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS will hold two public hearings regarding changes to Lewis County commissioner district and precinct district boundaries. The hearings will take place at or after 10 a.m. Dec. 14 and Dec. 21, 2021, in the Commissioners' Hearing Room on the second floor of the Historic Courthouse in Chehalis, Washington. Interested parties are encouraged to check the Commissioners' Business Meeting agenda for the Zoom log-in details. The agenda will be posted at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting on the [Lewis County Agendas & Calendar webpage](#).

The hearings will consider changes to Lewis County commissioner district and precinct boundaries.

Under the provisions of RCW 29A.76.010 and RCW 36.32.020, the Lewis County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) is required to divide Lewis County into three commissioner districts, with each district comprising -- as nearly as possible -- one-third of the population of the county. The BOCC must prepare a redistricting plan for the commissioner district boundaries every 10 years based on new data from the U.S. Census Bureau.

During the hearings, individuals will be invited to speak and/or provide written statements regarding the proposed changes. All individuals wishing to speak are encouraged to attend. Written comments may be submitted in advance of the hearing by emailing the BOCC at BOCC@lewiscountywa.gov or Clerk of the Board Rieva Lester at rievalester@lewiscountywa.gov. Please include "Redistricting Hearing" in the subject line.

Details about the proposed redistricting options will be available on the Commissioners' web page at <https://lewiscountywa.gov/offices/commissioners/> by Dec. 4, 2021. The proposed maps are subject to change before or at the hearing.

The meeting site is barrier free. People needing special assistance or accommodations should contact Rieva Lester at 360-740-1419 at least 72 hours in advance of the meeting.

Rieva Lester, Clerk of the Board / Publish in The Chronicle (Dec. 4 and Dec. 11, 2021) and The East County Journal (Dec. 8, 2021)

AVISO DE AUDIENCIA PÚBLICA ANTES DEL JUNTA DE COMISIONADOS DEL CONDADO DE LEWIS E INTENCIÓN DE ADOPTAR

POR LA PRESENTE SE DA AVISO de que el **CONDADO DE LEWIS, WASHINGTON, LA JUNTA DE COMISIONADOS DEL CONDADO** llevará a cabo dos audiencias públicas con respecto a los cambios en los límites del distrito del comisionado del condado de Lewis y del distrito de precinto. Las audiencias se llevarán a cabo a las 10 a.m. o después del 14 de diciembre y el 21 de diciembre de 2021, en la Sala de Audiencias de los Comisionados en el segundo piso del Palacio de Justicia Histórico en Chehalis, Washington. Se anima a las partes interesadas a consultar la agenda de la reunión de negocios de los comisionados para conocer los detalles de inicio de sesión de Zoom.

La agenda se publicará al menos 24 horas antes de la reunión en la página web [Agendas & Calendar del condado de Lewis](#).

Las audiencias considerarán cambios en los límites de distrito y precinto del comisionado del condado de Lewis.

Según las disposiciones de RCW 29A.76.010 y RCW 36.32.020, la Junta de Comisionados del Condado de Lewis (BOCC) debe dividir el Condado de Lewis en tres distritos de comisionados, y cada distrito comprende, en la medida de lo posible, un tercio de la población del condado. La BOCC debe preparar un plan de redistribución de distritos para los límites del distrito del comisionado cada 10 años con base en los nuevos datos de la Oficina del Censo de EE. UU.

Durante las audiencias, se invitará a las personas a hablar y / o proporcionar declaraciones por escrito sobre los cambios propuestos. Se anima a asistir a todas las personas que deseen hablar. Los comentarios por escrito pueden enviarse antes de la audiencia enviando un correo electrónico al BOCC a BOCC@lewiscountywa.gov oa la Secretaria de la Junta Rieva Lester a rievalester@lewiscountywa.gov. Incluya "Audiencia de redistribución de distritos" en la línea de asunto.

Los detalles sobre las opciones de redistribución de distritos propuestas estarán disponibles en la página web de los Comisionados en <https://lewiscountywa.gov/offices/commissioners/> antes del 4 de diciembre de 2021. Los mapas propuestos están sujetos a cambios antes o durante la audiencia.

El lugar de la reunión no tiene barreras. Las personas que necesiten asistencia especial o adaptaciones deben comunicarse con Rieva Lester al 360-740-1419 al menos 72 horas antes de la reunión.

Rieva Lester, Secretaria de la Junta / Publicar en The Chronicle (4 de diciembre y 11 de diciembre de 2021) y The East County Journal (8 de diciembre de 2021)

BOCC AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

Resolution:**BOCC Meeting Date:** Nov. 30, 2021**Suggested Wording for Agenda Item:****Agenda Type:** Legal Notice

Notice of two public hearings regarding proposed changes to Lewis County commissioner district and precinct boundaries

Contact: Rieva Lester**Phone:** 360-740-1419**Department:** BOCC - Board of County Commissioners**Description:**

Notice of hearings for redistricting

Approvals:

User	Status
PA's Office	Pending

Publication Requirements:**Publications:**

The Chronicle: Dec. 4 and Dec. 11

The East County Journal: Dec. 8

Additional Copies:

Larry Grove, Gary Hurley, Matt Hyatt, Tom Stanton, Terry Jouper

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