



Board of County Commissioners Agenda Request

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Agenda Item #

Requested Meeting Date: April 12, 2022

Title of Item: Public Hearing for Redistricting of Commissioner Districts

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> REGULAR AGENDA <input type="checkbox"/> CONSENT AGENDA <input type="checkbox"/> INFORMATION ONLY | Action Requested: <input type="checkbox"/> Approve/Deny Motion <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopt Resolution (attach draft) <i>*provide copy of hearing notice that was published</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Direction Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Discussion Item <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hold Public Hearing* |
| Submitted by: Kirk Peysar, County Auditor | | Department: Auditor |
| Presenter (Name and Title): Kirk Peysar, County Auditor | | Estimated Time Needed: 20 mins |
| Summary of Issue: 1. Adoption of final plan for redistricting of Aitkin County Commissioner Districts. 2. Adoption of Aitkin County Commissioner Districts and setting election terms | | |
| Alternatives, Options, Effects on Others/Comments: | | |
| Recommended Action/Motion: Adopt redistricting resolution establishing districts and terms | | |
| Financial Impact: Is there a cost associated with this request? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No What is the total cost, with tax and shipping? \$ Is this budgeted? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Please Explain: | | |

Legally binding agreements must have County Attorney approval prior to submission.

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
REDISTRICTING OF
AITKIN COUNTY COMMISSIONER DISTRICTS**

Notice is hereby given that on March 22nd, 2022, the Aitkin County Board of Commissioners will meet at the Aitkin County Government Center, in the City of Aitkin, for the purpose of considering preliminary plans for the redistricting of Aitkin County Commissioner Districts.

Notice is also given that the Aitkin County Board of Commissioners will meet in the Aitkin County Government Center, in the City of Aitkin, on April 12th, 2022, at 10:30a.m. for the purpose of adopting the redistricting plan for Aitkin County Commissioner Districts.

Dated at Aitkin, Minnesota, this 8th day of March, 2022.

**Kirk Peysar
County Auditor**



Kirk Peysar, Aitkin County Auditor

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Aitkin, MN 56431

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Phone: 218-927-7354

March 15, 2022

Census 2020 population for Aitkin County 15,697
Census 2010 population for Aitkin County 16,202
2010 to 2020 Population decrease of 505

Aitkin County has 5 County Commissioner Districts

| <u>Current Districts</u> | <u>2010 Population</u> | <u>change amount</u> | <u>2020 Census data</u> |
|--------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|
| District 1 | 3,539 | 61 | 3,600 |
| District 2 | 3,520 | -146 | 3,374 |
| District 3 | 2,958 | -126 | 2,832 |
| District 4 | 3,250 | -168 | 3,082 |
| District 5 | <u>2,935</u> | <u>-126</u> | <u>2,809</u> |
| Total: | 16,202 | -505 | 15,697 |

The Mean (average) to which the population of each district is compared is calculated by dividing the population by the number of county commissioner districts (15,697/5=3,139) **3,139 is the Mean.**

The population of each district must be within 10 percent plus or minus of the Mean.
3,139 plus 10% = 3453, or 3139 less 10% = 2825.

The population of each district needs to fall within the range of **3,453 to 2,825.**

Two Aitkin County Commissioner Districts, as they currently exist, do not fall within 10 percent plus or minus of the Mean. (**3,453 to 2,825**)

- District 1** **3,600**
- District 2 3,374
- District 3 2,832
- District 4 3,082
- District 5** **2,809**

Calculation of Population Shift Under the Five Percent Rule

- Population divided by number of Districts times five percent (15,697 / 5) * 0.05 = 157
- A change of constituency greater than 157 creates the need for election in the affected commissioner district.
- Districts 1, 3, and 5 are open for election by normal rotation. The 5 percent test does not apply to these districts.

April 12, 2022

ELECTION DISTRICT BOUNDARY NOTICE

TO THE VOTERS OF AITKIN COUNTY, STATE OF MINNESOTA

Notice is hereby given that the Congressional, Legislative, and County Commissioner District boundaries for Aitkin County have been re-established for the 2022 State Primary and State General Election. The following is a description of the cities and towns that comprise those districts as illustrated by the maps included in this notice.

(2022 CONGRESSIONAL MAP)

2022 LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS-AITKIN COUNTY

SENATE DISTRICT 7

Ball Bluff Township, Balsam Township, Clark Township, Cornish Township, Fleming Township, Haugen Township, Hill Lake Township, Jevne Township, Libby Township, Logan Township, Macville Township, McGregor Township, Morrison Township, Shamrock Township, Turner Township, Verdon Township, Waukenabo Township, Workman Township, Unorganized Township 51-22, Unorganized Township 52-22, Unorganized Township 52-24, Unorganized Township 50-25, Unorganized Township 51-25, Unorganized Township 52-25, Unorganized Township 50-26, Unorganized Township 48-27, Unorganized Township 49-27, Unorganized Township 50-27, Unorganized Township 51-27, Unorganized Township 52-27. City of Hill City, City of McGregor, City of Palisade, and City of Tamarack.

SENATE DISTRICT 10

Aitkin Township, Beaver Township, Farm Island Township, Glen Township, Hazelton Township, Idun Township, Kimberly Township, Lakeside Township, Lee Township, Malmo Township, Millward Township, Nordland Township, Pliny Township, Rice River Township, Salo Township, Seavey Township, Spalding Township, Spencer Township, Wagner Township, Wealthwood Township, White Pine Township, Williams Township, Unorganized Township 45-24, Unorganized Township 47-24, City of Aitkin, and City of McGrath.

(2022 SENATE DISTRICT MAP)

REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT 7A

Ball Bluff Township, Balsam Township, Clark Township, Cornish Township, Haugen Township, Hill Lake Township, Jevne Township, Libby Township, Logan Township, Macville Township, McGregor Township, Morrison Township, Shamrock Township, Turner Township, Verdon Township, Waukenabo Township, Workman Township, Unorganized Township 51-22, Unorganized Township 52-22, Unorganized Township 52-24, Unorganized Township 50-25, Unorganized Township 51-25, Unorganized Township 52-25, Unorganized Township 50-26, Unorganized Township 48-27, Unorganized Township 49-27, Unorganized Township 50-27, Unorganized Township 51-27, Unorganized Township 52-27. City of Hill City, City of McGregor, City of Palisade, and City of Tamarack.

REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT 10A

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(2022 LEGISLATIVE MAP)

***2022 COUNTY COMMISSIONER DISTRICTS-AITKIN COUNTY**

COMMISSIONER DISTRICT 1

Aitkin Township, and City of Aitkin.

COMMISSIONER DISTRICT 2

Farm Island Township, Hazelton Township, Malmo Township, Nordland Township, and Wealthwood Township.

COMMISSIONER DISTRICT 3

Beaver Township, Glen Township, Idun Township, Kimberly Township, Lakeside Township, Lee Township, Millward Township, Pliny Township, Rice River Township, Salo Township, Seavey Township, Spalding Township, Spencer Township, Wagner Township, White Pine Township, Williams Township, Unorganized Township 45-24, Unorganized Township 47-24, and City of McGrath.

COMMISSIONER DISTRICT 4

Balsam Township, Clark Township, Cornish Township, Haugen Township, Jevne Township, Libby Township, McGregor Township, Shamrock Township, Turner Township, Verdon Township, Workman Township, Unorganized Township 51-22, Unorganized Township 52-22, City of McGregor, and City of Tamarack.

COMMISSIONER DISTRICT 5

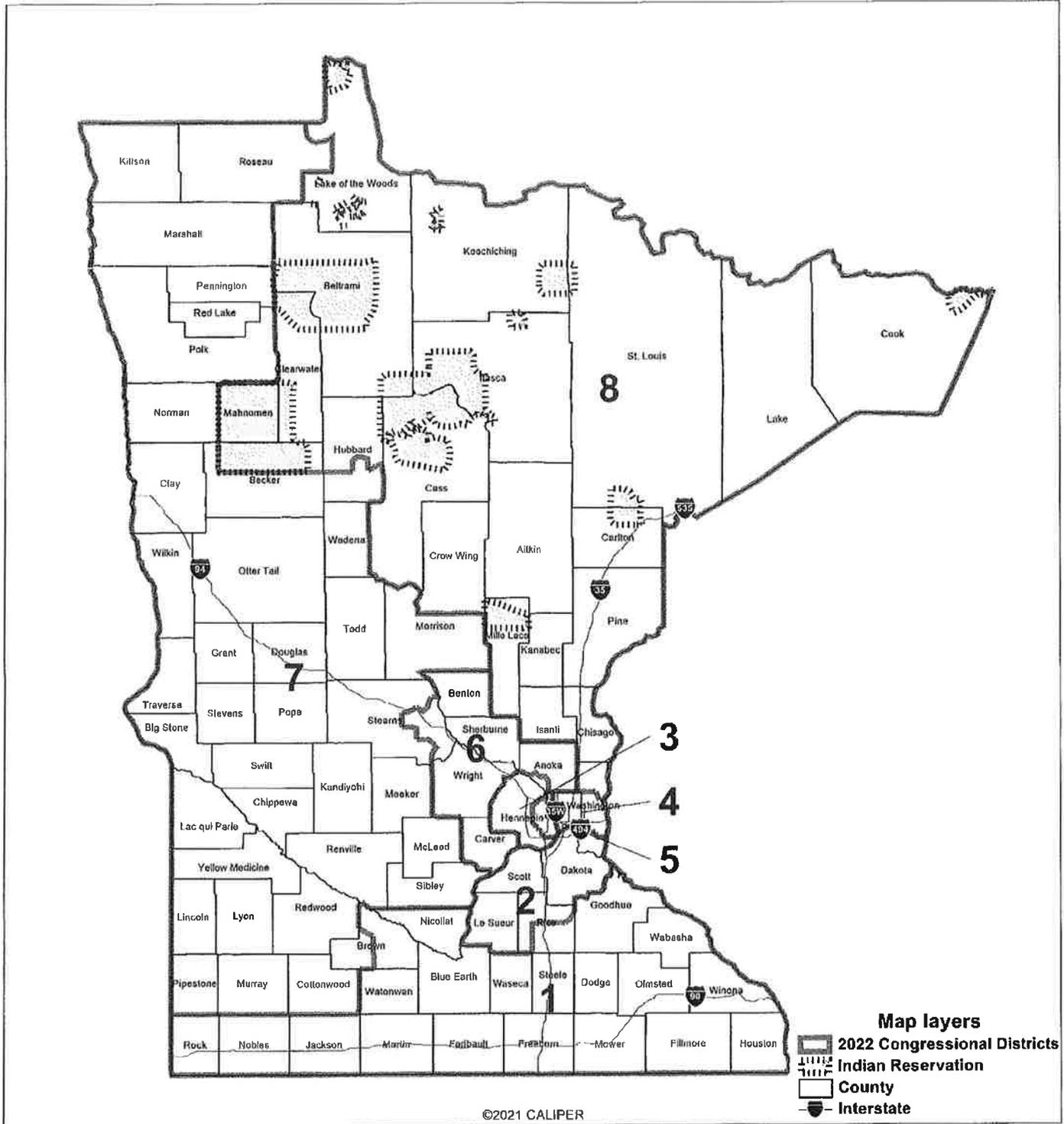
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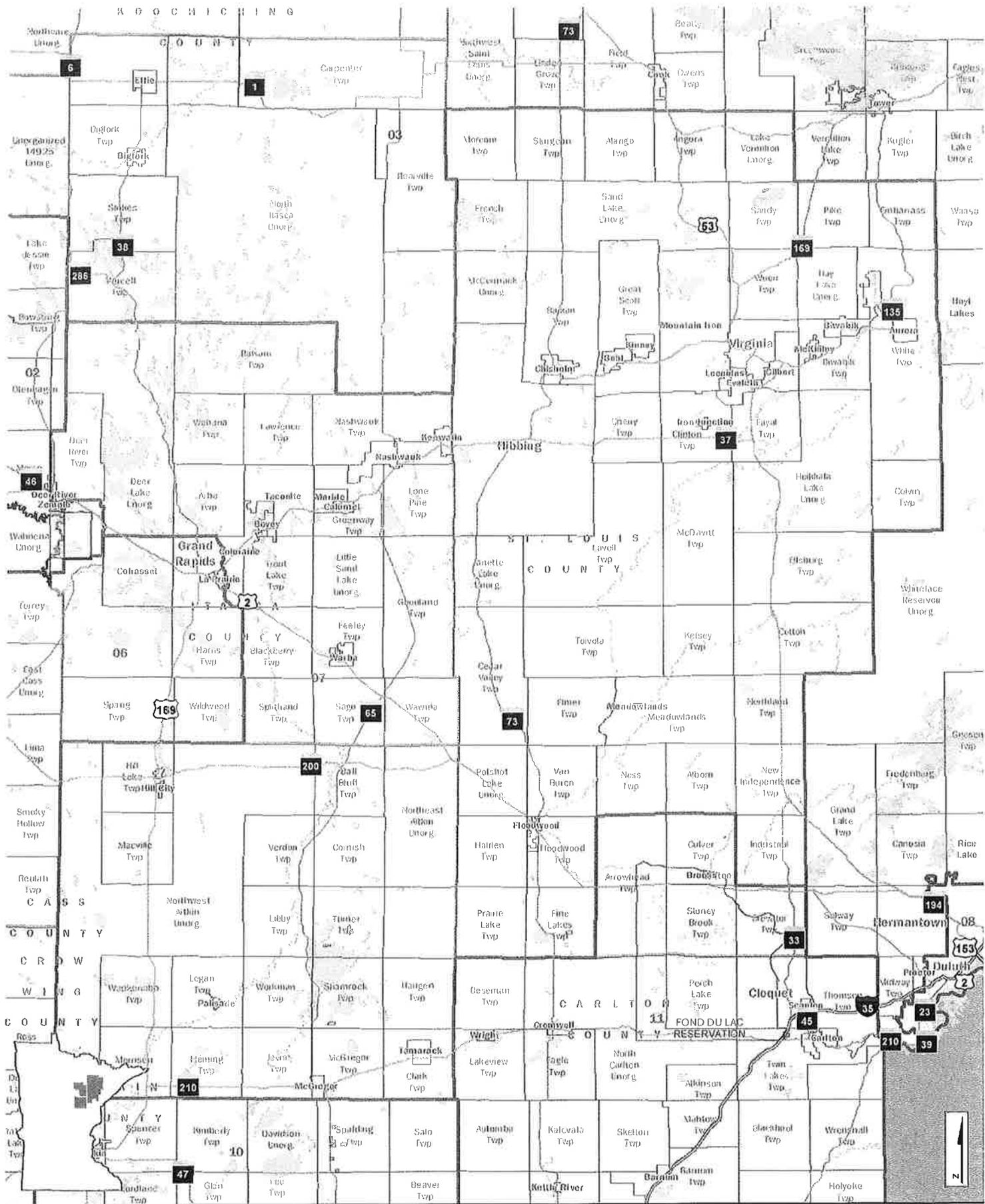
(COUNTY MAP)

PUBLICATION OF THE CONGRESSIONAL, LEGISLATIVE, AND COUNTY COMMISSIONER DISTRICT BOUNDARIES FOR AITKIN COUNTY IS DONE IN ACCORDANCE WITH MINNESOTA STATUTE 204B.14, SUBD. 4.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS CONCERNING EITHER THE DISTRICT BOUNDARIES OR YOUR RESIDENCE IN THESE DISTRICTS CONTACT KIRK PEYSAR, AITKIN COUNTY AUDITOR, 218.927.7354.

**2022 Minnesota Special Redistricting Panel
Minnesota Congressional Districts - Statewide
February 15, 2022**

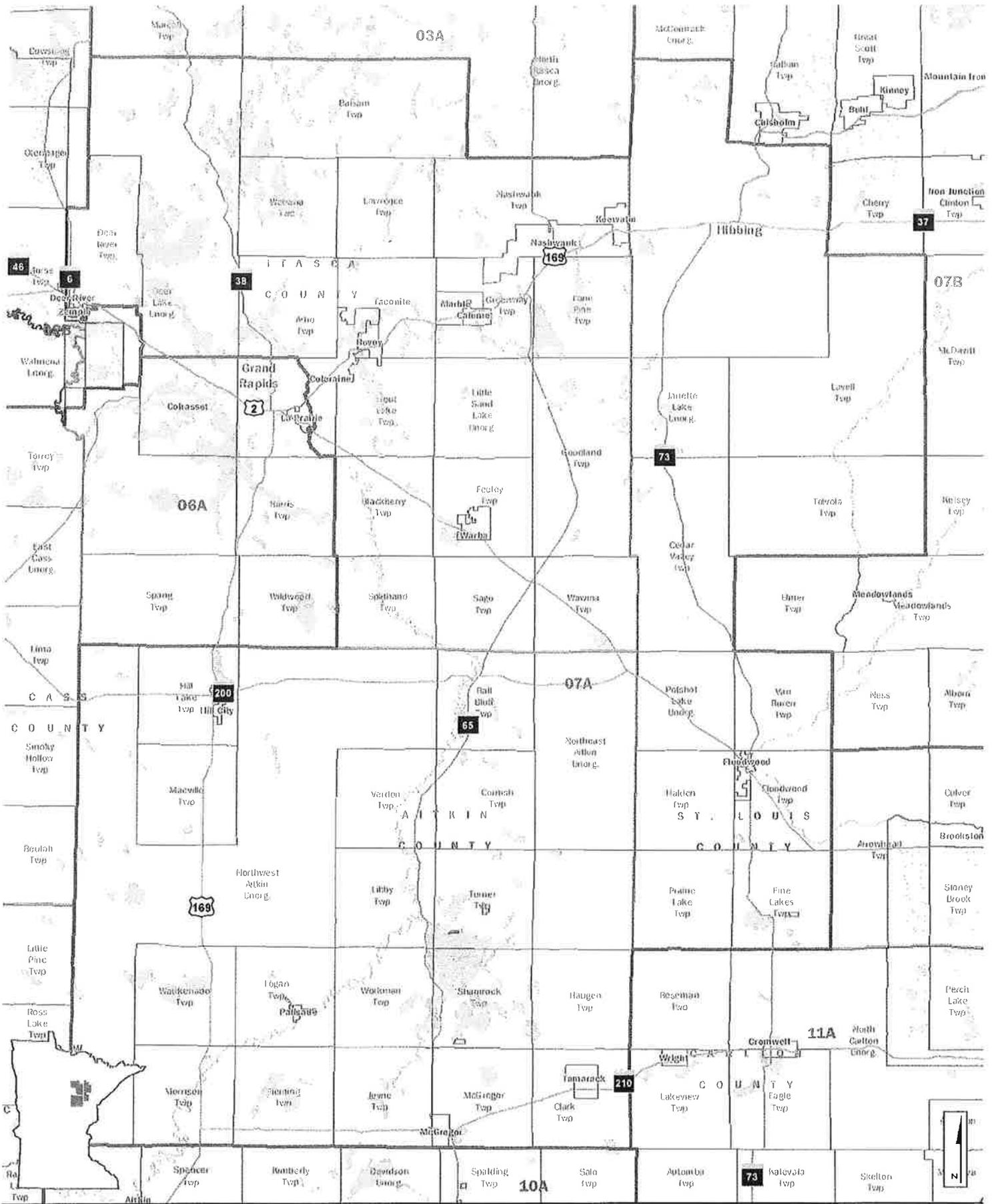




- Interstate Hwy
 - US Hwy
 - State Hwy
 - Ramps
 - County Road
 - Local Road
- 07-10/11/12/13/14/15/16/17/18/19/20/21/22/23/24/25/26/27/28/29/30/31/32/33/34/35/36/37/38/39/40/41/42/43/44/45/46/47/48/49/50/51/52/53/54/55/56/57/58/59/60/61/62/63/64/65/66/67/68/69/70/71/72/73/74/75/76/77/78/79/80/81/82/83/84/85/86/87/88/89/90/91/92/93/94/95/96/97/98/99/100
 - 07
- Cities and Towns
 - House Districts
 - Counties
 - Lakes & Streams

Senate District 07

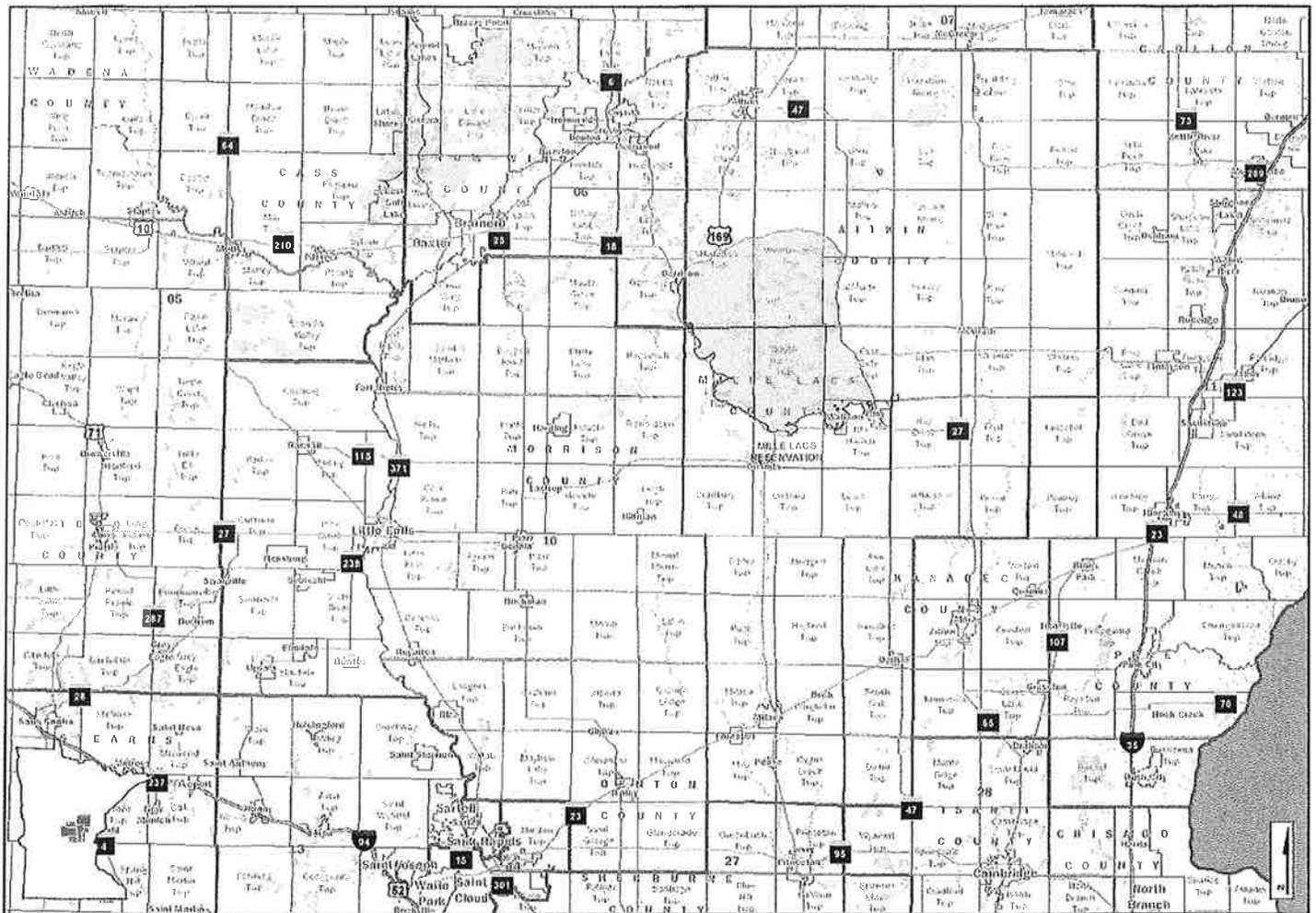




- Interstate Hwy
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- Ramp
- County Road
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House District 07A





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- US Hwy
- State Hwy
- Ramp
- County Road
- Local Road
- City and Town
- House District
- County
- Lakes & Streams

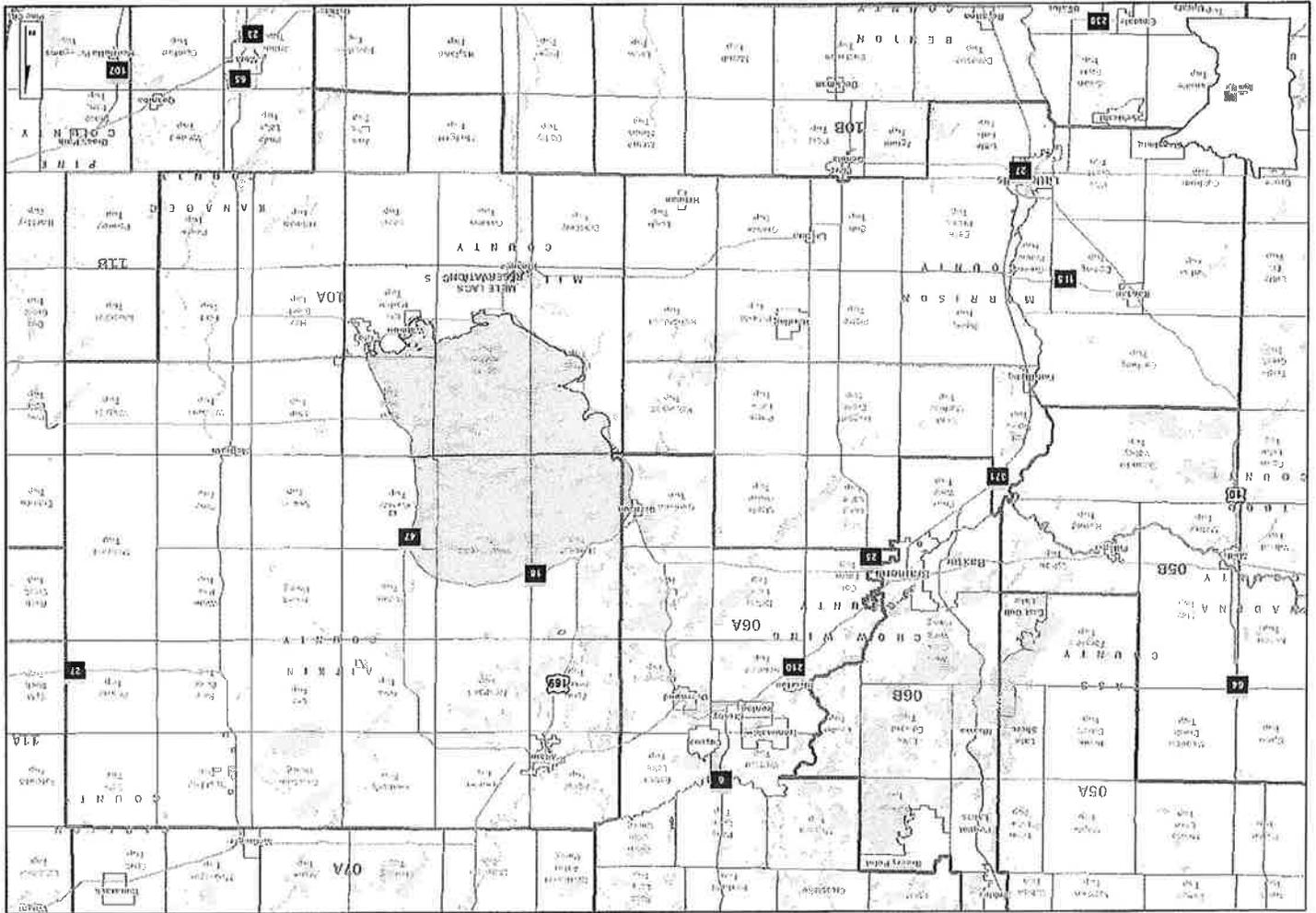
Senate District 10

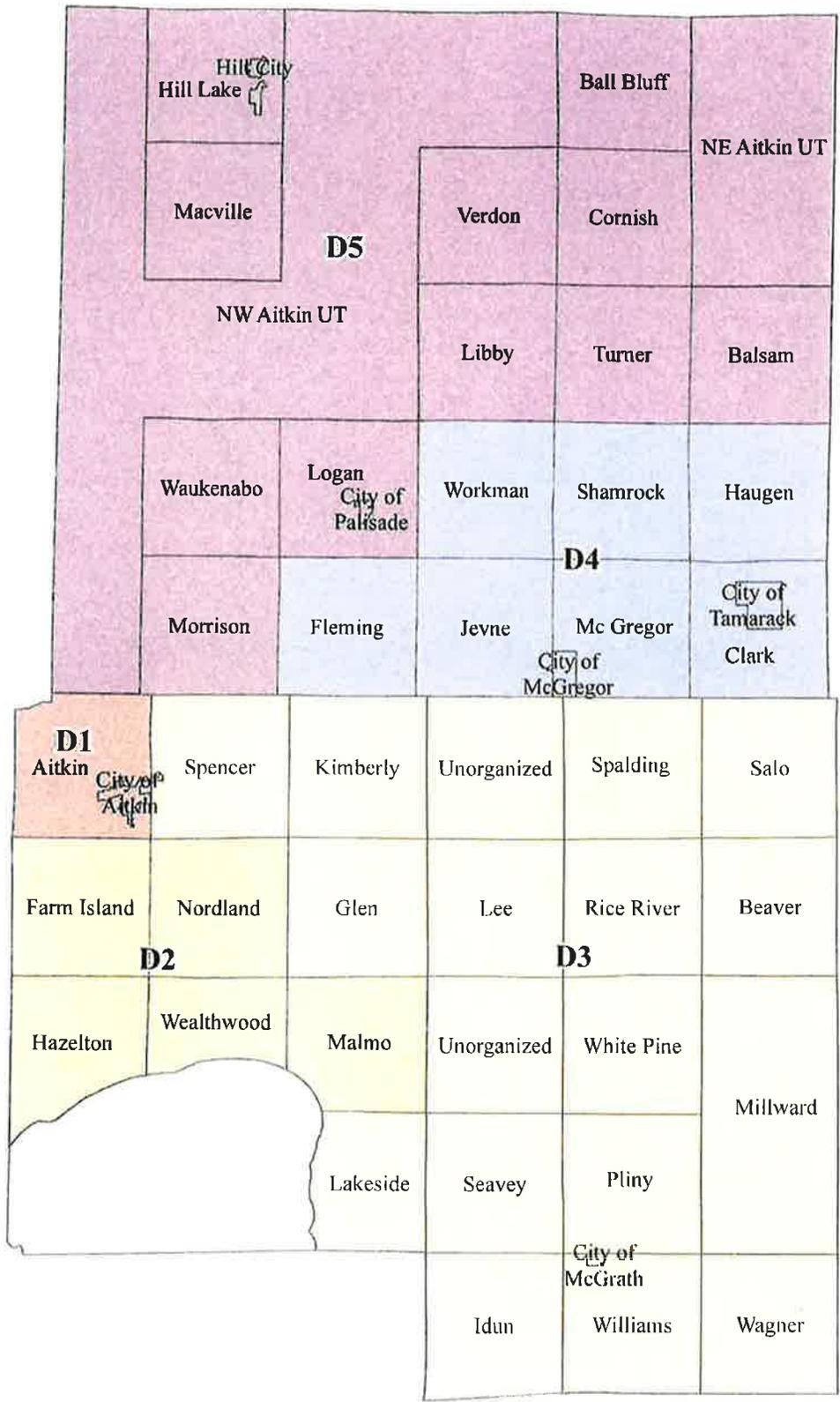




House District 10A

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- City and Town
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- County Road
- Local Road





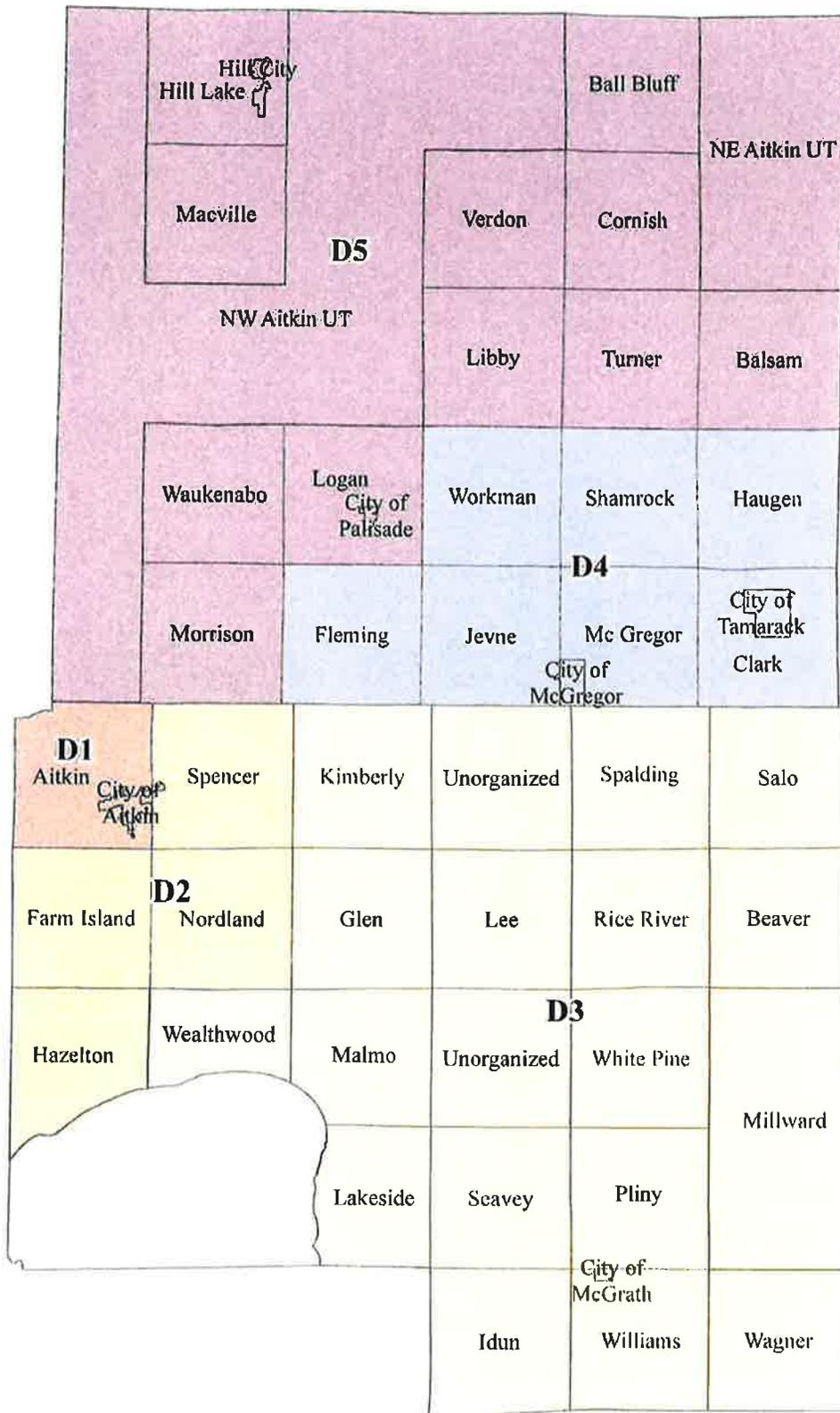
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- Dist. 1
- Dist. 4
- Dist. 2
- Dist. 5
- Dist. 3

Aitkin Co. 2022 Comm. Districts-Plan A

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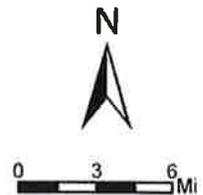


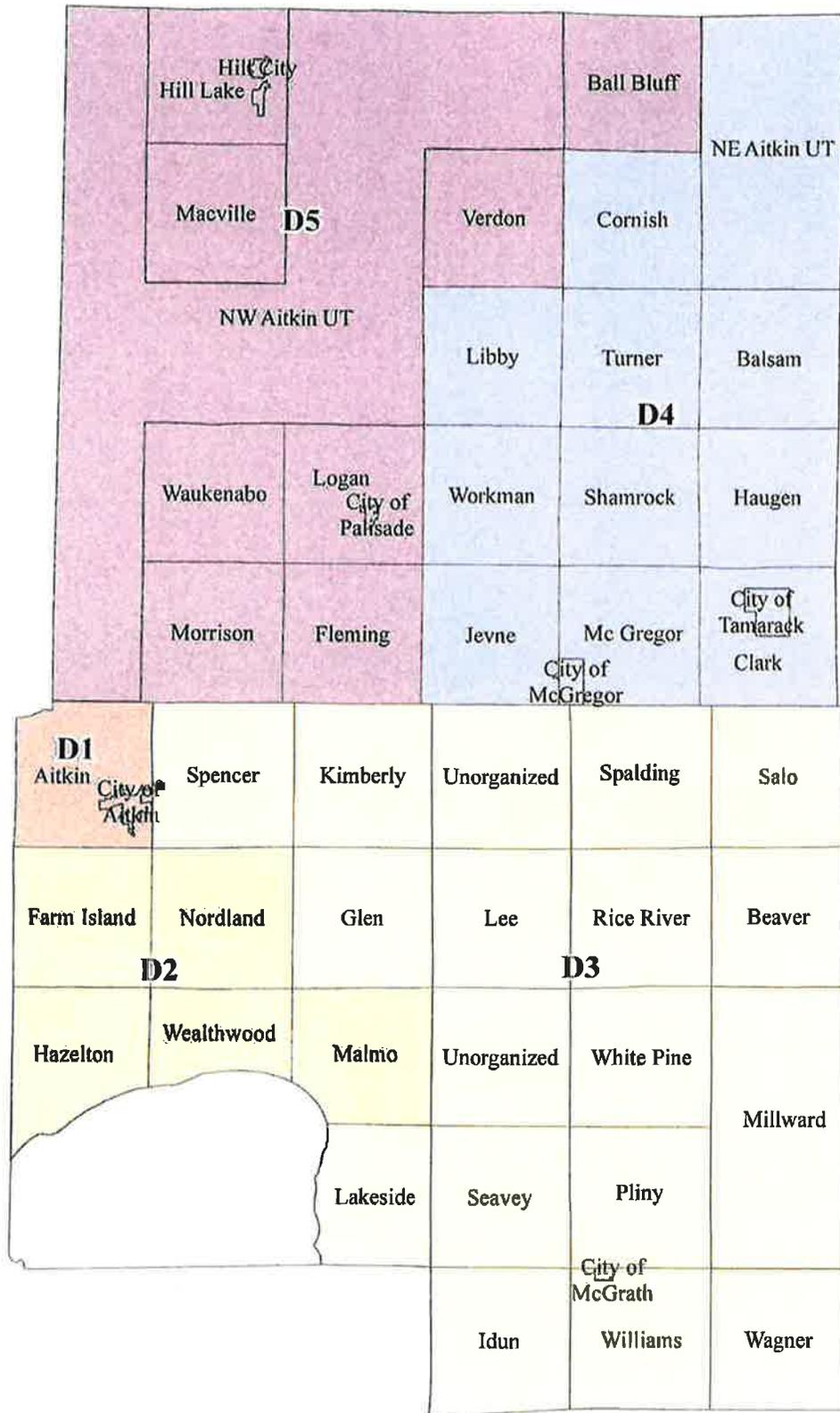
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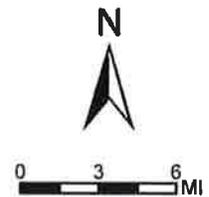


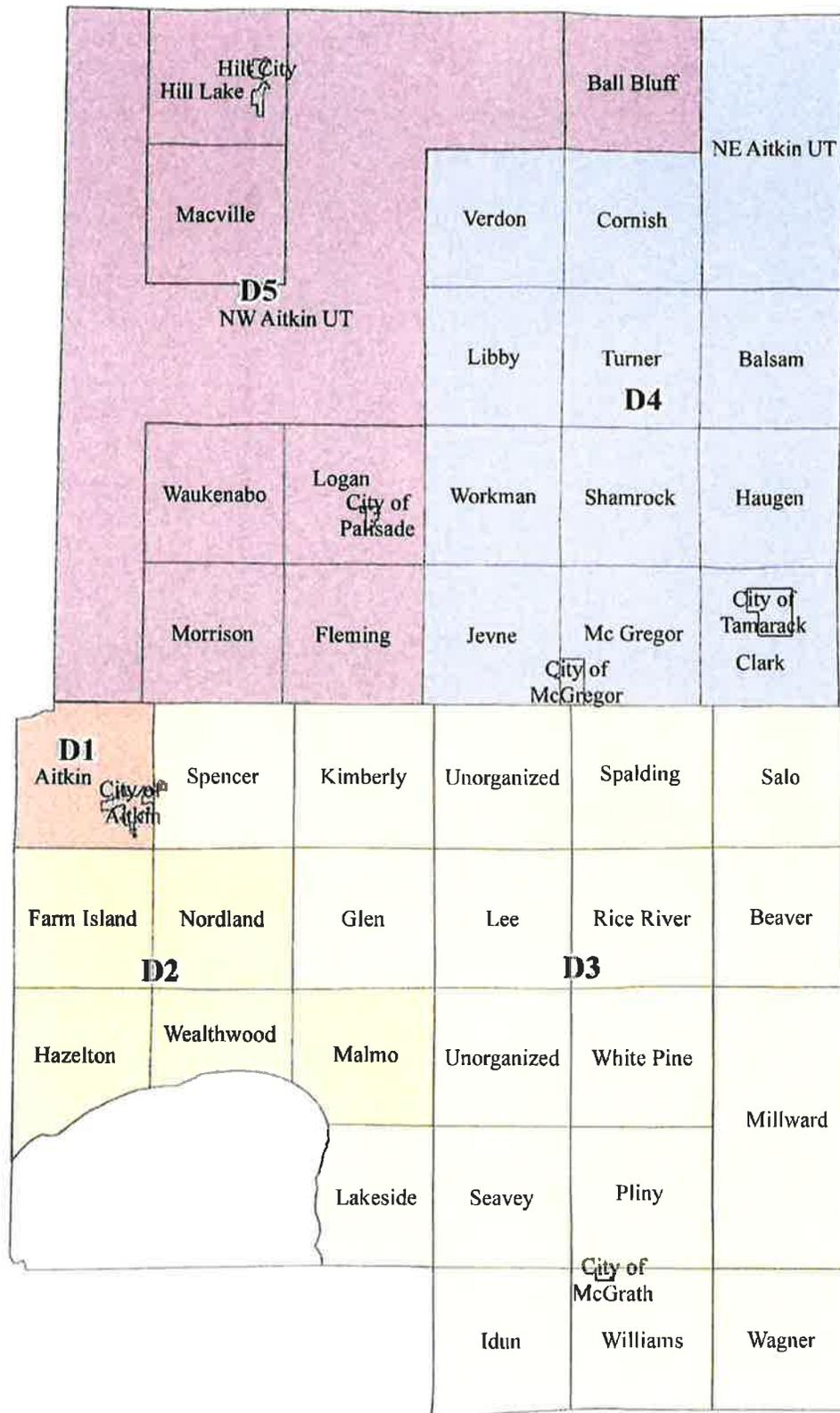
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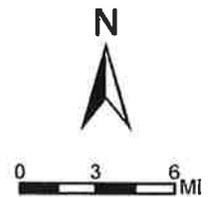


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Aitkin Co. 2022 Comm. Districts-Plan D

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**CERTIFIED COPY OF RESOLUTION OF COUNTY BOARD OF AITKIN COUNTY, MINNESOTA
ADOPTED**

WHERE AS, upon the filing of the certified results of the 2020 Federal Census, it was found that Aitkin County Commissioner Districts 1 and 5 varied by more than 10 percent of the average population of all Commissioner Districts, and

WHERE AS, Minnesota Statutes provide that the County shall be redistricted when such a variance occurs, and

WHERE AS, Aitkin County published a notice of a public hearing on redistricting; and

WHERE AS, Aitkin County conducted a public meeting on redistricting on April 12th, 2022:

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the current plan of Aitkin County Commissioner Districts be hereby adopted and ordered filed in the Office of the County Auditor, and

| <u>District 1</u> | <u>District 3</u> | <u>District 4</u> | <u>District 5</u> |
|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Town of Aitkin | Town of Beaver | Town of Balsam | Town of Ball Bluff |
| City of Aitkin | Town of Glen | Town of Clark | Town of Fleming |
| | Town of Idun | Town of Cornish | Town of Hill Lake |
| | Town of Kimberly | Town of Haugen | Town of Logan |
| <u>District 2</u> | Town of Lakeside | Town of Jevne | Town of Macville |
| Town of Farm Island | Town of Lee | Town of Libby | Town of Morrison |
| Town of Hazelton | Town of Millward | Town of McGregor | Town of Waukenabo |
| Town of Malmo | Town of Pliny | Town of Shamrock | Town of Unorg 52-24 |
| Town of Nordland | Town of Rice River | Town of Turner | Town of Unorg 50-25 |
| Town of Wealthwood | Town of Salo | Town of Verdon | Town of Unorg 51-25 |
| | Town of Seavey | Town of Workman | Town of Unorg 52-25 |
| | Town of Spalding | Town of Unorg 51-22 | Town of Unorg 50-26 |
| | Town of Spencer | Town of Unorg 52-22 | Town of Unorg 48-27 |
| | Town of Wagner | City of McGregor | Town of Unorg 49-27 |
| | Town of White Pine | City of Tamarack | Town of Unorg 50-27 |
| | Town of Williams | | Town of Unorg 51-27 |
| | Town of Unorg 45-24 | | Town of Unorg 52-27 |
| | Town of Unorg 47-24 | | City of Hill City |
| | City of McGrath | | City of Palisade |

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Aitkin County Board of Commissioners reestablishes the length of terms as follows: District 1 (2022 Election 4 year term); District 2 (continuation of current term, 2024 election); District 3 (2022 Election 4 year term); District 4 (2 year term, 2022 Election), and District 5 (2022 Election 4 year term);

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that said redistricting plan shall become effective on the 31st day following the filing of this plan for the 2022 primary and general election and be published in the Aitkin Independent Age, as provided by law.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the districts are, for illustrative purposes, identified in a map of the county attached hereto and marked Exhibit A which by reference is hereby made a part hereof.

Commissioner moved the adoption of the resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote

ALL MEMBERS PRESENT

All Members Voting

STATE OF MINNESOTA)
County of Aitkin) ss.
Office of County Auditor,)

I, Kirk Peysar, Auditor, of the County of Aitkin, do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing with the original resolution filed in my office on the 12th day of April A.D., 2022, and that the same is a true and correct copy of the whole thereof.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL OF OFFICE at Aitkin, Minnesota, this 12th day of April A.D. 2022

KIRK PEYSAR, County Auditor

BY _____, Deputy