River District Version 8A

**Step 1:**

Instruction:

Move the Fort McDowell and Salt River Indian Communities along with all of Carefree and all of the city of Scottsdale north of Chapparal Rd. (this excludes South Scottsdale which remains in District 6) into District 4. Use whole census tracts for all of the selections.

Criteria:

This will move will make Scottsdale only split into one district and it will be divided North and South at Chapparal Rd. It will also ensure that the Ft McDowell and Salt River Indian Communities are with the majority of Scottsdale and Fountain Hills, which was their desire.

 **Step 2:**

Instruction:
Move Apache Junction and Census Tracts east of San Tan Valley into District 4. Also make the entire census place of Gold Canyon whole inside District 4. This will move all of the suburban areas of Pinal County into one district and will add 23k people from District 5 to District 4.

Criteria:
Makes Apache Junction, Gold Canyon, and similar tracts to the east whole inside of a district rather than being split.

**Step 3:**

Instructions:
Move Gila River Indian Community from District 6 to District 5. This will leave district 54 short and District 6  short as well. This will create one less split of Pinal County and increase the American Indian % of District 5.

Criteria:
Adds more rural population into District 5 and also adds another Tribe to the district.

**Step 4:**

Instructions:
Move northwestern district 6 boundary (north of Thomas) west to Central Ave and 7th Ave along District 7’s border and take it north until approx. Northern Ave. District 6 will now be fully populated and District 9 will be under populated.

Criteria:
This will give District 6 equal population while moving in common areas of Arcadia, East and Central Phoenix Together.

**Step 5:**

Instructions:
Move the remainder of Oak Creek and the remainder of Cornville into District 5. This community is currently split between District 4 and District 5. The remaining people should even out District 5’s population.

Criteria: This will make two towns whole within District 5.

**Step 6:**

Instructions:
Move the remainder of Oro Valley into District 5 and the Catalina Foothills and Casas Adobes whole into District 1. And keep Catalina whole within District 1. Next move the remainder of Graham and Greenlee counties into District 5. These changes give District 5 and District 1 close to the ideal value.

Criteria:

This will make Oro Valley, the Catalina Foothills, and Casas Adobes whole within their respective districts. This also will make Graham and Greenlee counties whole within District 5.

**Step 7:**

Fill out district 9 population by taking the western boundary through District 8’s portion of South Glendale and Peoria to pick up the entire town of El Mirage but leaving Sun City in District 8. In other words, make up the number of people to balance the population by picking up El Mirage parts of Glendale and Peoria while ensuring that Sun City remains in District 8.

Criteria:
This will make district 9 within 1K or so people of the ideal population. And add more areas of South Glendale and Peoria into District along with El Mirage which has similarities with other parts of the district.

**Step 8:**

All of the districts except District 4 and District 8  should be close to the ideal value. Use Grand Avenue (US 60) as a way to split District 8 East and West. Move the western portion (182,000 people) into District 4.  Take the remainder of District 8 and add all of the District 4 portions of Pinal County (San Tan Valley, Queen Creek, Apache Junction and Gold Canyon) and all of the Maricopa County portion of District 4 that is East and South of Maricopa (Cave Creek, Scottsdale, Fountain Hills, New River, and the Ft. McDowell and Salt River Indian Communities).

Criteria: This change will improve the compactness of District 4 while improving its conception as a Western AZ district. This change also keeps most of Scottsdale and Fountain Hills inside of District 8 with the Ft McDowell and Salt River Indian Communities. It also connects areas of North Phoenix, Cave Creek and Carefree with areas of similar growth in suburban Pinal County.