



Port of Grapeview

2022 PORT OF GRAPEVIEW DRAFT DISTRICTING PLAN

As a jurisdiction with commissioner districts, the Port of Grapeview is required by State law to redistrict as needed based on data returned from every federal census (RCW 29A.76.010). The purpose of redistricting is to balance the population in each district to ensure equal representation in government.

State law requires that the plan for redrawn Port Commission boundaries be consistent with the following criteria:

- Each district shall be as nearly equal in population.
- Each district shall be as compact as possible.
- Each district shall consist of geographically contiguous area.
- Population data may not be used for purposes of favoring or disfavoring any racial group or political party.
- To the extent feasible, the district boundaries shall coincide with existing recognized natural boundaries.
- To the extent possible, the district boundaries shall preserve existing communities of related and mutual interest.

With the criteria above, there is no exact standard in law. Federal courts have generally applied a standard of plus or minus 5 percent as the maximum population deviation by district.

The Port engaged the Mason County Geographic Information Systems (GIS) department to provide the 2020 census data. The 2020 census gives the population of the Port of Grapeview as 3,371. Equal distribution across the three Port Commissioner Districts would assign 1,123 people to each district. Since the 2010 census, the Port District population increased 302 residents. The growth primarily occurred in District 1 (178 residents) and District 3 (118 residents). The new population deviation between the districts is approximately 3.7% compared to 2.4% in 2010.

District	2010 Census	% of Total Pop	Deviation
District 1	1017	0.3314	
District 2	1062	0.3460	0.024
District 3	990	0.3226	
Total Population	3069		

District	2020 Census	% of Total Pop	Deviation
District 1	1195	0.3545	
District 2	1068	0.3168	0.037
District 3	1108	0.3287	
Total Population	3371		

Figure 1

Redistricting Options

Based on the state criteria for redistricting, one option would propose no change to the current district boundaries. The Port could also look at additional options, based on state criteria, and explore modest changes to the districts to bring them more in balance. This would require working with Mason County GIS to redraw the current boundaries. The changes would affect all three districts as well as the existing recognized natural boundaries.

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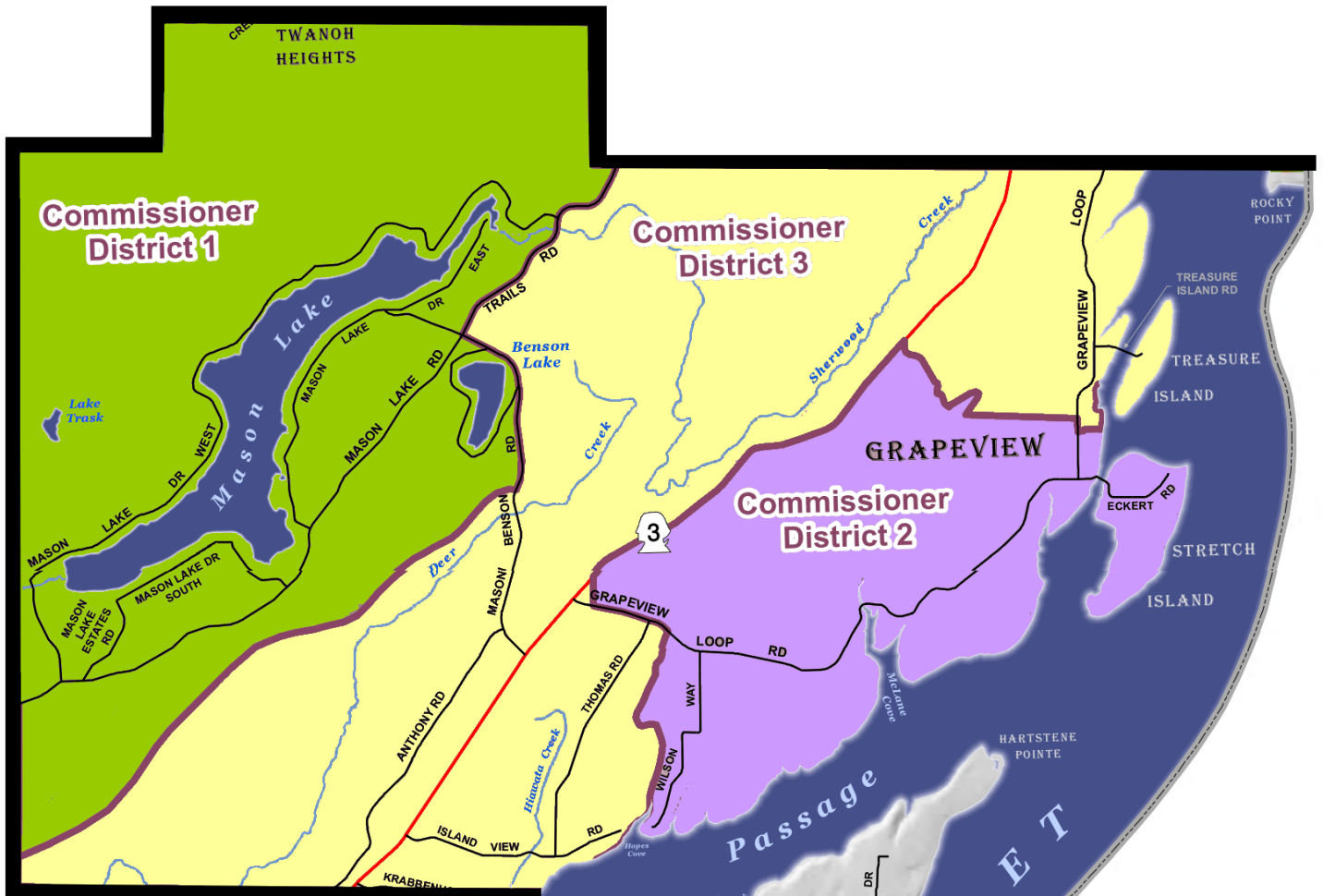


Figure 2

Population Balance (Uses adjusted 2020 Decennial Census population with processing by Mason Country GIS on 2020 Blocks)

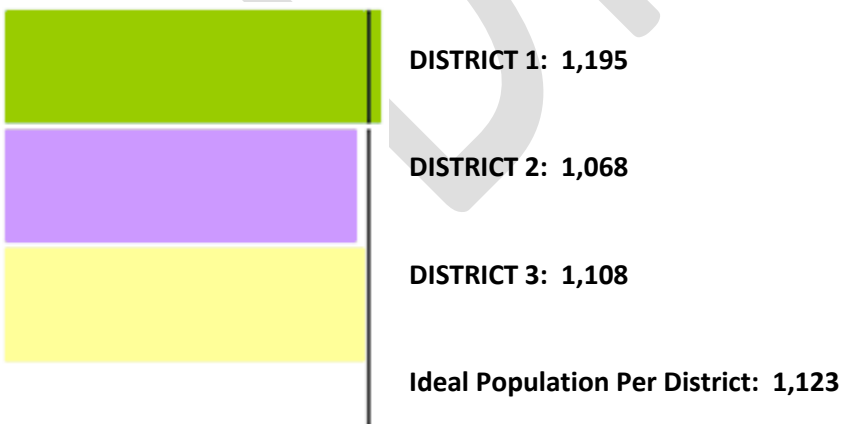


Figure 3

Maximum Population Deviation: 3.7 %

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This plan proposes no changes to the district boundaries. They are the same as the current boundaries. Please refer to the current Commissioner Districts (Figure 2). The boundaries are generally described as follows:

District 1

North Boundary (East-West): Sections 27, 28, 29 of Township 22 North, Range 2 West

East Boundary (North-South): West & North of Trails Road West as it intersects Sections 35 & 34 of Township 22 North, Range 2 West; West & North of Trails Road as it intersects with Mason Benson Road through Section 3 of Township 21 North, Range 2 West; West & North of Mason Benson Road as it intersects with the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad route through Section 10 of Township 21 North, Range 2 West; and West of the Burlington-Northern Santa Fe Railroad route as it intersects Sections 9, 16, 17 & 19 of Township 21 North, Range 2 West

West Boundary (North-South): Sections 22 & 31 of Township 22 North, Range 2 West; Sections 6, 7, 18 & 19 of Township 21 North, Range 2 West, North of the Burlington-Northern Santa Fe Railroad route

District 2

North Boundary (West-East): South & West of Grapeview Loop Road as it intersects with the North Boundary of Census Block 2028 (Just South of E Fair Harbor Ln) through Section 5 of Township 21 North, Range 1 West; South of 180-degree Line (East-West) that intersects Grapeview Loop Rd and Allyn-Grapeview Rd through Section 5 & 6 of Township 21 North, Range 1 West; South of Allyn-Grapeview Rd as it intersects Hwy 3 through Section 6 of Township 21 North, Range 1 West

East Boundary (North-South): West of Shoreline and South of Grapeview Loop Road as it intersects with the North Boundary of Census Block 2028 (Just South of E Fair Harbor Ln) through Section 5 of Township 21 North, Range 1 West; West of Shoreline through Sections 5, 8, 9, 17 & 18 of Township 21 North, Range 1 West; West of Shoreline through Sections 13, 24, 23 & 22 of Township 21 North, Range 2 West

West Boundary (North-South): East of Hwy 3 and South of the intersection of Allyn-Grapeview Rd through Sections 6 of Township 21 North, Range 1 West & Section 1 of Township 21 North, Range 2 West; North of Hwy 3 as it intersects with the Northeast Boundary of Section 11 of Township 21 North, Range 2 West; East of Grapeview Loop Rd as it intersects the West Boundary of Section 11 of Township 21 North, Range 2 West; East of Hoke Creek as it intersects with Grapeview Loop Rd through Sections 14 & 23 of Township 21 North, Range 2 West

District 3

North Boundary (East-West): Sections 32 & 31 of Township 22 North, Range 1 West; Section 36 of Township 22 North, Range 2 West; and West of Trails Rd as it intersects with the North Boundary of Section 35 of Township 22 North, Range 2 West

East Boundary Upper (North-South): Sections 32 & 33 of Township 22 North, Range 1 West; Section 4 of Township 21 North, Range 1 West; North of 180-degree line (East-West) that intersects Grapeview Loop Rd and Allyn-Grapeview Rd through Section 5 & 6 of Township 21 North, Range 1 West

East Boundary Middle (North-South): West of Hwy 3 and North of the intersection of Allyn-Grapeview Rd through Sections 6 of Township 21 North, Range 1 West and Section 1 of Township 21 North, Range 2 West; North of Hwy 3 as it intersects with the Northeast Boundary of Section 11 of Township 21 North, Range 2 West

East Boundary Lower (North-South): West of Hoke Creek as it intersects with Grapeview Loop Rd through Sections 23 & 14 of Township 21 North, Range 2 West; Section 22 West of Township 21 North, Range 2 West

South Boundary (West-East): Section 19 North & East of the Burlington-Northern Santa Fe Railroad route of Township 22 North, Range 2 West; Sections 20, 21 & 22 North of Township 21 West, North Range 2 West; and Section 23 West of Hoke Creek of Township 21 North, Range 2 West

West Boundary (North-South): Sections 35 & 34 of Township 22 North, Range 2 West; South & East of Trails Road as it intersects with Mason Benson Road through Section 3 of Township 22 North, Range 2 West; South & East of Mason Benson Road as it intersects with the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad route through Section 10 of Township 22 North, Range 2 West; and East of the Burlington-Northern Santa Fe Railroad route through Sections 9, 16, 17, 19 of Township 22 North, Range 2 West

Port of Grapeview District Summary Report

District	Ideal Population	Total Population	Deviation from Ideal	% Deviation from Ideal
District 1	1123	1195	72	6.41%
District 2	1124	1068	-56	-4.98%
District 3	1124	1108	-16	-1.42%
Total Population		3371	0	

Figure 4

The draft plan’s premise is based on the fact that the geographic boundaries of the 2010 effort created compact districts using clear physical elements (roads, railroads, creeks, shoreline, etc.). Additionally, this plan maintains the existing communities within the Port District.

The population difference between districts would be higher than any alternative options, however at 72 residents for a 3,371 overall Port District population, a 3.7% variation is not clearly inconsistent with the criteria. According to Mason County GIS, the 2020 census data shows the demographics would remain relatively the same with no impacts to populations of racial and ethnic groups between the districts or political parties.

The approximate cost of the draft plan to the Port of Grapeview would be the project estimate amount of \$629.30 from Mason County GIS for the analytics and boundary review. Not having to redraw the boundaries would result in a savings of approximately \$145 to \$290.

Based on analysis of the census data, the draft plan meets all the statutes of RCW 29A.76.010. Equal in population as practical, contiguous, compact, no disfavoring any groups/parties, and protecting Areas of Common Interest. Once the commission is satisfied with the draft plan, the commission will need to hold a special meeting for public comment with at least a week notice. After public comments, the commission can ratify the Districting Plan with a resolution.

Opportunity for Public Input – Required by RCW 29A.76.010

During the adoption of its plan, the municipal corporation, county, or district shall ensure that full and reasonable public notice of its actions is provided. Before adopting the plan, the municipal corporation, county, or district must:

- a) Publish the draft plan and hold a meeting, including notice and comment, within ten days of publishing the draft plan and at least one week before adopting the plan; and
- b) Amend the draft as necessary after receiving public comments and resubmit any amended draft plan for additional written public comment at least one week before adopting the plan.