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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors

FROM: Kevin Muhs, Executive Director, SEWRPC

DATE: November 19, 2021

### **SUBJECT: INTEGRATION OF ADOPTED MUNICIPAL WARDS INTO MILWAUKEE COUNTY SUPERVISORY DISTRICT PLAN**

On November 1, 2021, following adoption by the Board of Supervisors, County Executive David C. Crowley signed the Resolution associated with File No. 21-994, which set forth the Tentative Supervisory District Plan for the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors and allowed that Plan to be formally transmitted by staff to the 19 cities and villages that are at least partially within Milwaukee County. These municipalities then began the process of drawing revised wards (as needed) based on changes in population since 2010, impacts on existing wards of the adopted Tentative Supervisory District Plan, and other factors such as communities or neighborhoods of interest. As permitted under County Ordinance, six communities requested assistance through the Independent Redistricting Committee (IRC) process, and such assistance was provided by the Commission staff by following the guidance previously provided by the IRC. These six communities were the Cities of Glendale and Wauwatosa, and the Villages of Brown Deer, Fox Point, Shorewood, and Whitefish Bay.

### **MUNICIPAL WARD ADOPTION PROCESS**

*Wisconsin Statutes* require all municipal wards, dependent on total community population as of the latest available Decennial U.S. Census data, to fall within specific population ranges, and that due consideration be given to known future population changes as well. In addition, the *Wisconsin Statutes* require that municipalities make a “good faith effort” to accommodate the County’s Tentative Supervisory District boundaries in the drawing of their revised wards.<sup>1</sup> As of the writing of this memorandum, the 19 municipalities completed or are anticipated to have completed their ward-drawing efforts on the dates listed below:

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<sup>1</sup> Wis. Stat. § 5.15(2)(d)

<u>Municipality</u>	<u>Date of Ward Adoption by Common Council or Village Board</u>
Village of Bayside	November 18, 2021
Village of Brown Deer	November 19, 2021 (anticipated)
City of Cudahy	November 16, 2021
Village of Fox Point	November 9, 2021
City of Franklin	November 16, 2021
City of Glendale	November 8, 2021
Village of Greendale	November 18, 2021
City of Greenfield	November 16, 2021
Village of Hales Corners	November 17, 2021
City of Milwaukee	November 17, 2021
City of Oak Creek	November 16, 2021
Village of River Hills	November 17, 2021
Village of Shorewood	November 15, 2021
City of South Milwaukee	November 16, 2021
City of St. Francis	November 16, 2021
City of Wauwatosa	November 16, 2021
City of West Allis	November 16, 2021
Village of West Milwaukee	November 17, 2021
Village of Whitefish Bay	November 15, 2021

The required population ranges for municipal wards, the district boundaries of other entities such as school districts or the municipality’s common council, or considerations related to communities and neighborhoods of interest may require a municipality to adopt wards that result in a need for modifications to the adopted Tentative Supervisory District Plan. During this redistricting cycle, the Cities of Glendale, Greenfield, Milwaukee, and West Allis adopted ward plans that necessitate small changes be made to the adopted Tentative Supervisory District Plan. These changes are highlighted in the series of maps in Attachment A to this memorandum.

## **FINAL SUPERVISORY DISTRICT PLAN ADOPTION**

*Wisconsin Statutes* indicate that the adopted municipal wards “shall govern the adjustment” of the adopted Tentative Supervisory District Plan during the Final Supervisory District Plan adoption stage of the redistricting process.<sup>2</sup> Given this, Commission staff have prepared a draft Final Supervisory District Plan map, draft Final Supervisory District Plan data tables, and an online interactive map of the draft Final Supervisory District Plan. These three items are available through the County Legislative Information Center via File No. 21-1091. The Commission appreciates the opportunity to assist the County with this important effort.

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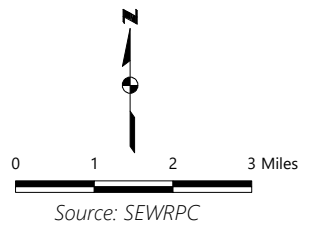
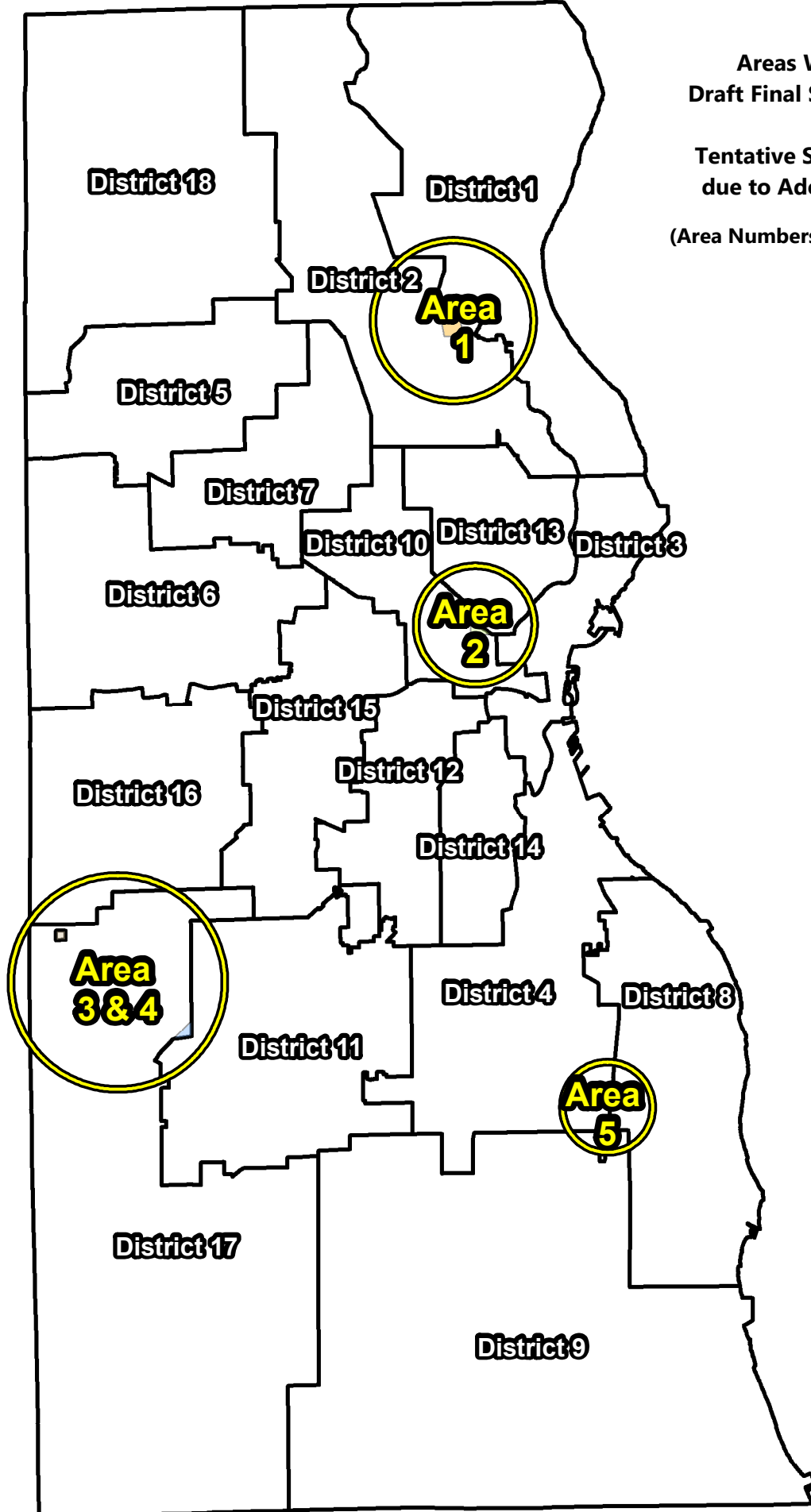
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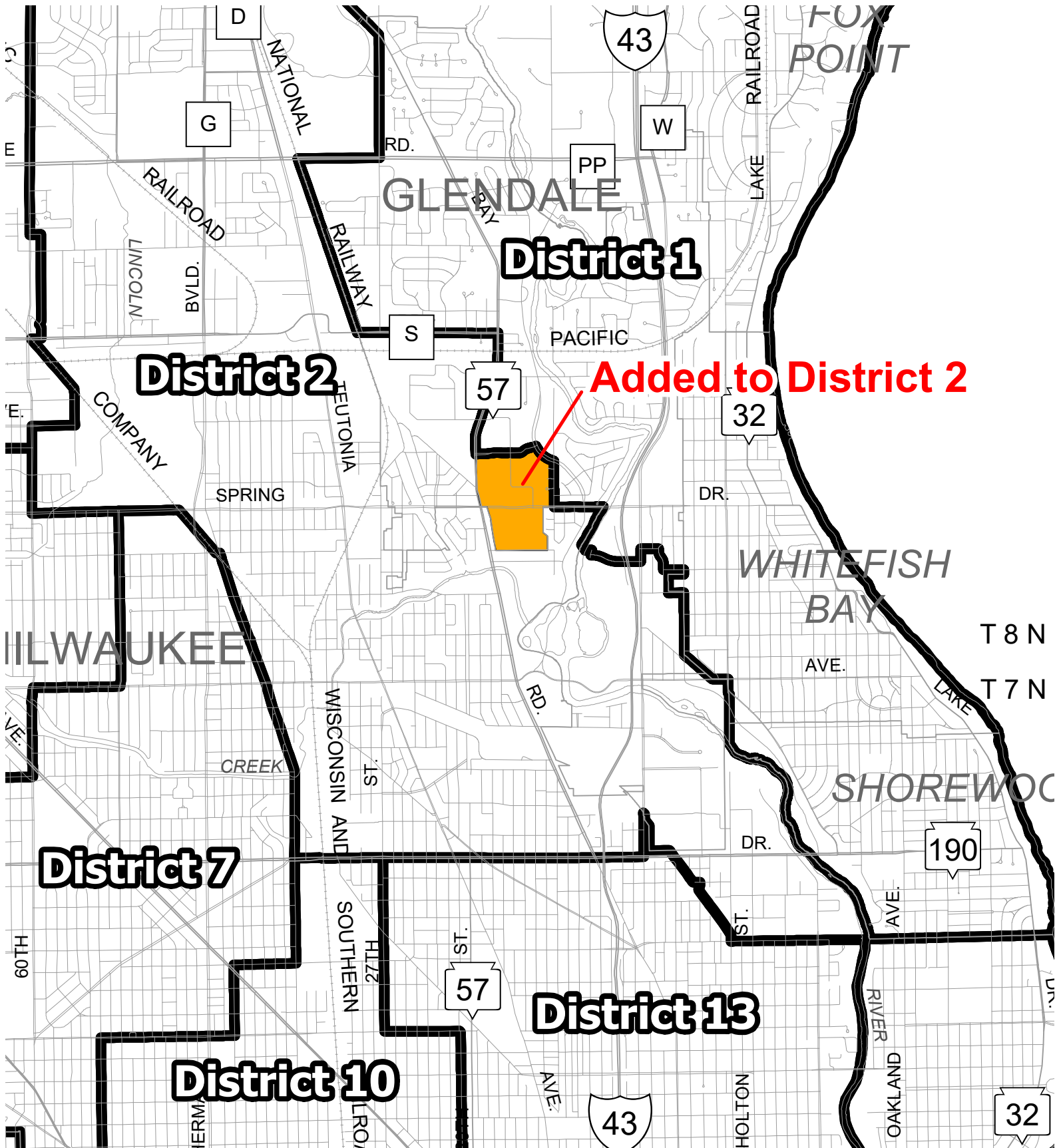
<sup>2</sup> Wis. Stat. § 5.15(1)(c).

**Areas With Changes to the  
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from the  
Tentative Supervisory District Plan  
due to Adopted Municipal Wards**

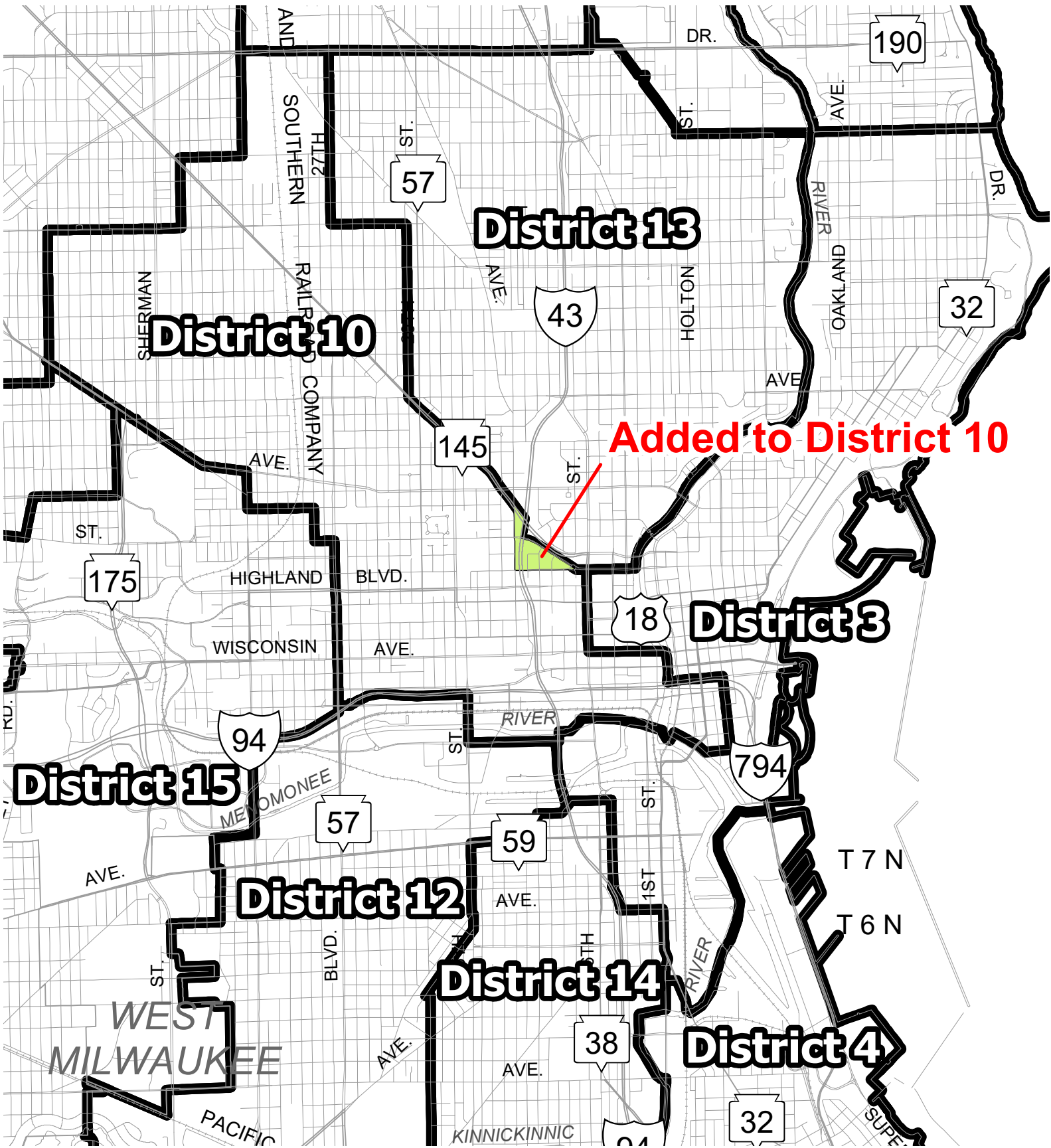
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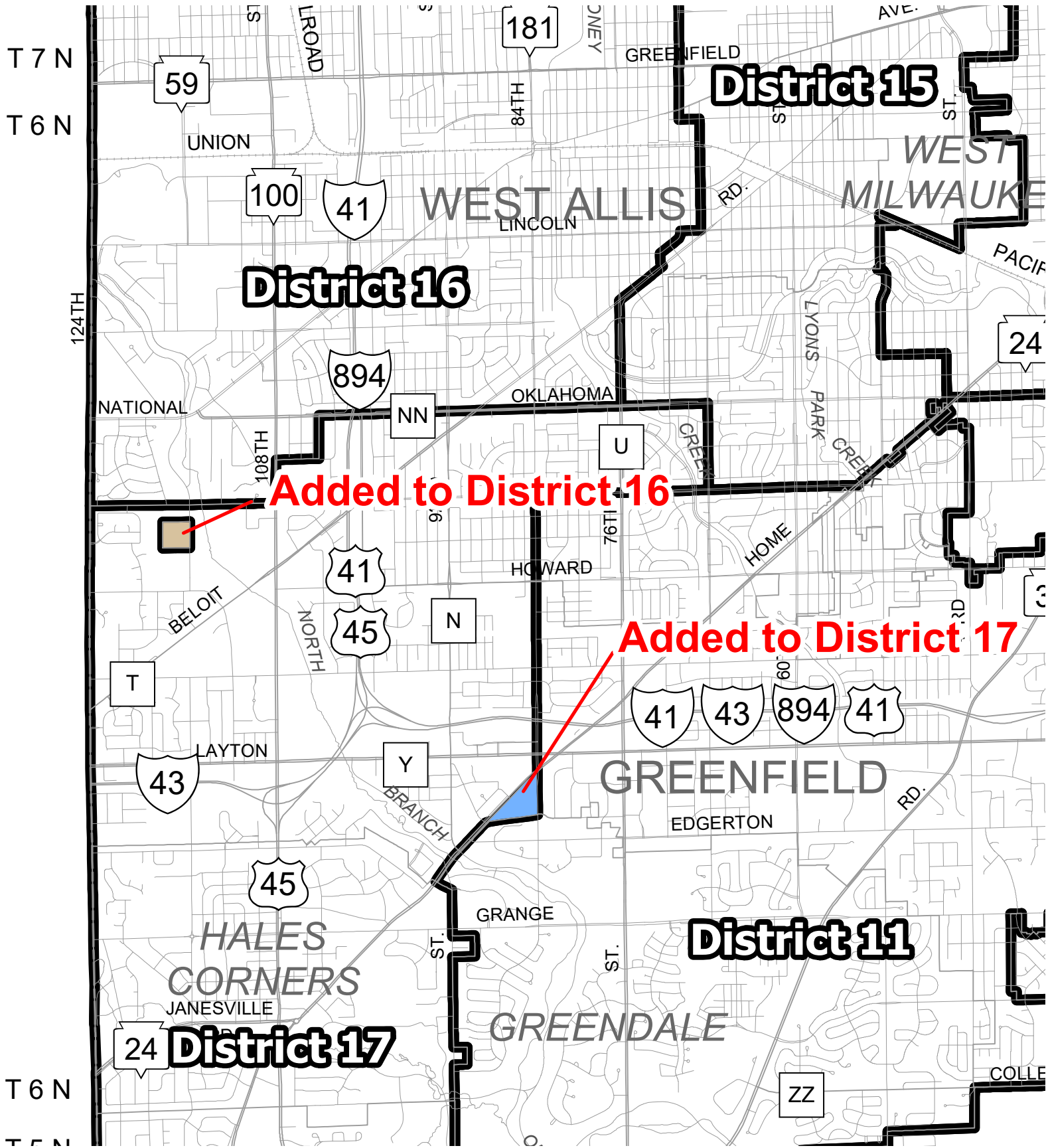
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Area 2 - Change to 2021 Tentative Supervisory District Plan



Area 3 & 4 - Change to 2021 Tentative Supervisory District Plan



Change to 2021 Tentative Supervisory District Plan

