

IN THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF

POLK COUNTY, TEXAS

**SUPPLEMENTAL and FINAL ORDER
ADOPTING REVISED POLITICAL
BOUNDARIES FOLLOWING REDISTRICTING OF
COMMISSIONERS COURT PRECINCTS**

BE IT REMEMBERED, that the Commissioners Court of Polk County, Texas previously adopted a plan for the redistricting of Commissioners Court Precincts on November 12, 2021. Attachment 1. As a consequence of the boundary modifications made by that Order, various changes in the underlying election precincts were required to conform election precinct boundaries to the new Commissioners Court precincts. In addition, the resulting changes to election precincts may have an impact upon the Justice of the Peace Precincts of Polk County. This Supplemental Order, and the attached maps, data and narrative text, set forth the changes resulting from redistricting of Commissioners Court precincts, and provides an explanation for the necessity of the same.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that this Supplemental Order, along with all prior Orders of the Commissioners Court, shall be considered as a whole, and this Order shall constitute the FINAL ORDER of the Polk County Commissioners Court regarding redistricting of all Polk County political boundaries. To the extent necessary this Order may be supplemented by such attachments and additional data as may be required without the necessity of further action by the Commissioners Court. Legal Counsel for the County, the firm of Allison, Bass & Magee, LLP, is hereby authorized to make such necessary additions to the supporting documentation, descriptions, maps and data charts necessary to comply with the requirements of state or federal law.

This Supplemental Order shall be composed of the following information, which may be supplemented without further order:

1. Maps of the four statutory Commissioners Court precincts and:
 - i. Identification of constituent election precincts that make up each Commissioners Court precinct, and
 - ii. Demographic charts reflecting the population and racial/ethnicity for each Commissioners Court precinct.

See Attachment 2.

2. Map(s) of each Justice of the Peace Precinct, and:
 - i. Identification of constituent election precincts that make up each Justice of the Peace precinct.

See Attachment 3.

3. Map(s) of Election Precincts, and
 - i. A narrative description of the boundary changes of election precincts, and/or a list of census blocks included therein.

See Attachment 4.

4. If necessary, a narrative explanation of any other condition or circumstance relevant to the redistricting of Polk County political boundaries.

5. Sections 42.005, 42.0051, 42.006 and 42.007 of the Texas Election Code contain various provisions related to the creation of election precincts. The Commissioners Court of Polk County, Texas hereby recognizes that in some cases, the provisions of Section 42.007 are impracticable, in that portions of the municipal ward lines contain little or no population, and that as stand-alone entities, such areas cannot constitute a separate election precinct of suitable size or shape that contains a permissible number of voters or cannot be combined with other territory on the same side of a political boundary to form an election precinct of a suitable size or shape without causing another election precinct to fail to meet those same requirements. This Order recognizes that where such conditions exist, the office performing the administration of elections is given discretion to allocate territory in such a manner as to obtain substantial compliance with the applicable statutes.

6. **Notice of Availability: A copy of the entire redistricting plan shall be available for inspection by the public during regular business hours in the office of the County Clerk, or on the county website.**

To the extent that any of the foregoing revised election precincts contain territory inside a city with unincorporated territory outside of the affected city, the Commissioners Court, pursuant to §42.007 (1) and (2), finds that either of the two areas (within and without the incorporated city) cannot constitute a separate election precinct of suitable size or shape that contains the permissible number of voters, or cannot be combined with other territory on the same side of the city boundary to form an election precinct of a suitable size or shape that contains the permissible number of voters without causing another election precinct to fail to meet those requirements. The Commissioners Court delegates sufficient discretion to the office performing the administration of elections to make such boundary adjustment to said election precincts to facilitate the effective administration of elections, and to pose the least inconvenience to the voters of the affected election precincts.

The above and foregoing changes to Election Precincts shall take effect January 1, 2022, and will remain in effect until changes by further Order of this Commissioners Court.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that the Redistricting Plan depicted in the maps and data attached to this Order are hereby APPROVED and ADOPTED by the Commissioners Court of Polk County, Texas. This Final Order and Plan adopted by this Order shall be effective for the 2022 general primary election, and for all subsequent elections until changed or modified by later Order.

Signed this 28th day of December, 2021.


County Judge, Polk County


Commissioner, Precinct 1


Commissioner, Precinct 2


Commissioner, Precinct 3


Commissioner, Precinct 4

ATTEST:


County Clerk, Ex Officio Clerk of the
Polk County Commissioners Court

ATTACHMENT 1

**IN THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF
POLK COUNTY, TEXAS**

**ORDER ADOPTING REDISTRICTING PLAN
FOR COMMISSIONERS COURT PRECINCTS**

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on the 12th day of November 2021, came on to be considered the issue of periodic redistricting of county political boundaries. This Court has, in due time, given deliberate consideration to the legal issues and of governmental duties imposed by state and federal law. In addition, the Court has previously entered in the minutes of this Court, criteria by which any redistricting plan would be considered, the prior Order establishing criteria being incorporated herein by reference.

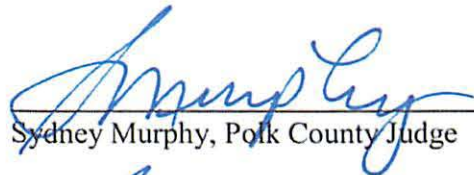
This Court has commissioned and has received an Initial Assessment by qualified professionals experienced in the field of redistricting law for the purpose of making a preliminary determination of population distribution between the four commissioners court precincts, and the obligation to comply with “one-person-one-vote” balance as required by applicable state and federal law. This assessment has been filed in the minutes of this Court, and is incorporated by this reference as Exhibit 1, Initial Assessment. A finding, based upon this assessment, recognized the legal duty to redraw political boundaries to comply with applicable law, and a copy of this finding is entered into the minutes of this court, by which reference this prior finding is incorporated into this Order of the Commissioners Court, Exhibit 2, Order Requiring Redistricting.

After convening in Public Hearing for comment upon any and all proposed plans, and after meeting in open session for the purpose of considering alternatives available to the County for modification of existing political boundaries in a manner designed to achieve both acceptable levels of numerical balance between the four commissioners court precincts, and to protect the voting rights of all residents of Polk County, the Commissioners Court has determined to adopt the redistricting plan attached to this Order in map and data form, Exhibit 3, Proposal 1. The Commissioners Court has determined to also adopt the redistricting plan attached to this Order for the Justice of the Peace/Constable precincts. Exhibit 4. Justice

of the Peace/Constable precincts follow the boundaries of the commissioners court precincts. At a later date, this Court will receive a more complete description of this plan, including a map depiction of all new political boundaries, polling places, and election precinct boundaries. This supplemental order will be taken up and considered by the Court after public notice as required by law.


IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED ADJUDGED AND DECREED that the Redistricting Plan depicted in the maps and data attached to this Order are hereby APPROVED and ADOPTED by the Commissioners Court of Polk County, Texas. The Redistricting Plan, Proposal 1, and the Redistricting Plan for the Justice of the Peace/Constable precincts adopted by this Order shall be effective immediately for use in the 2022 Primary and for all subsequent elections until changed or modified by later Order of this Court.

Signed this 12th day of November 2021.



Sydney Murphy, Polk County Judge

Absent


Gyulene Robertson
Commissioner, Precinct 1



Ronnie Vincent
Commissioner, Precinct 2




Milton Purvis
Commissioner, Precinct 3



Tommy Overstreet
Commissioner, Precinct 4

ATTEST:



Schelana Hock
County Clerk, Ex Officio Clerk of the
Polk County Commissioners Court



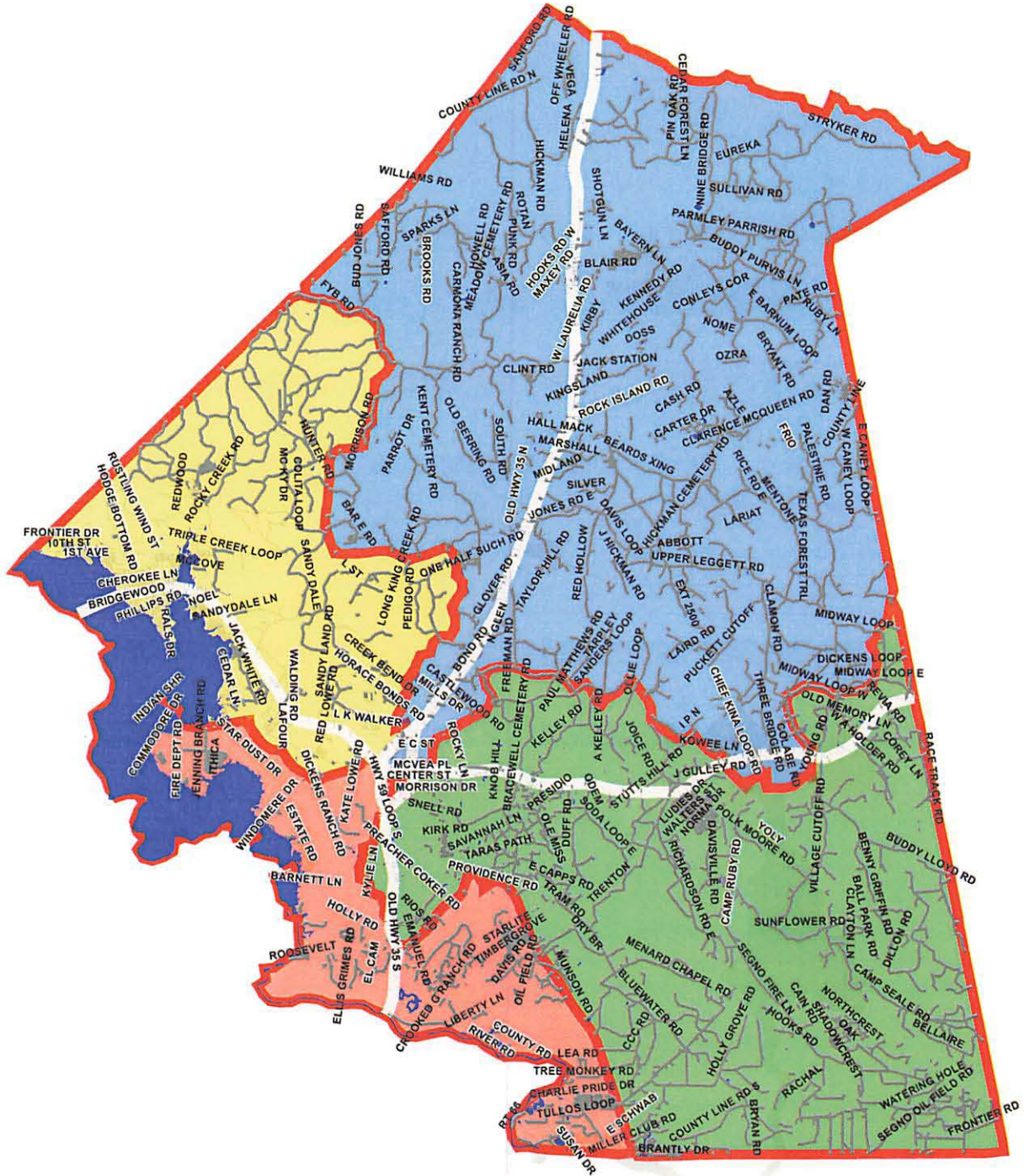
ATTACHMENT 2

Commissioners Court Precinct 1 consists of the following County election precincts:
2, 3, 4, 5, 19, 20 and 22





Commissioners Court Precinct 2 consists of the following County election precincts:
6, 17 and 21

Commissioners Court Precinct 3 consists of the following County election precincts:
7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 and 18

Commissioners Court Precinct 4 consists of the following County election precincts:
1, 13, 14, 15 and 16




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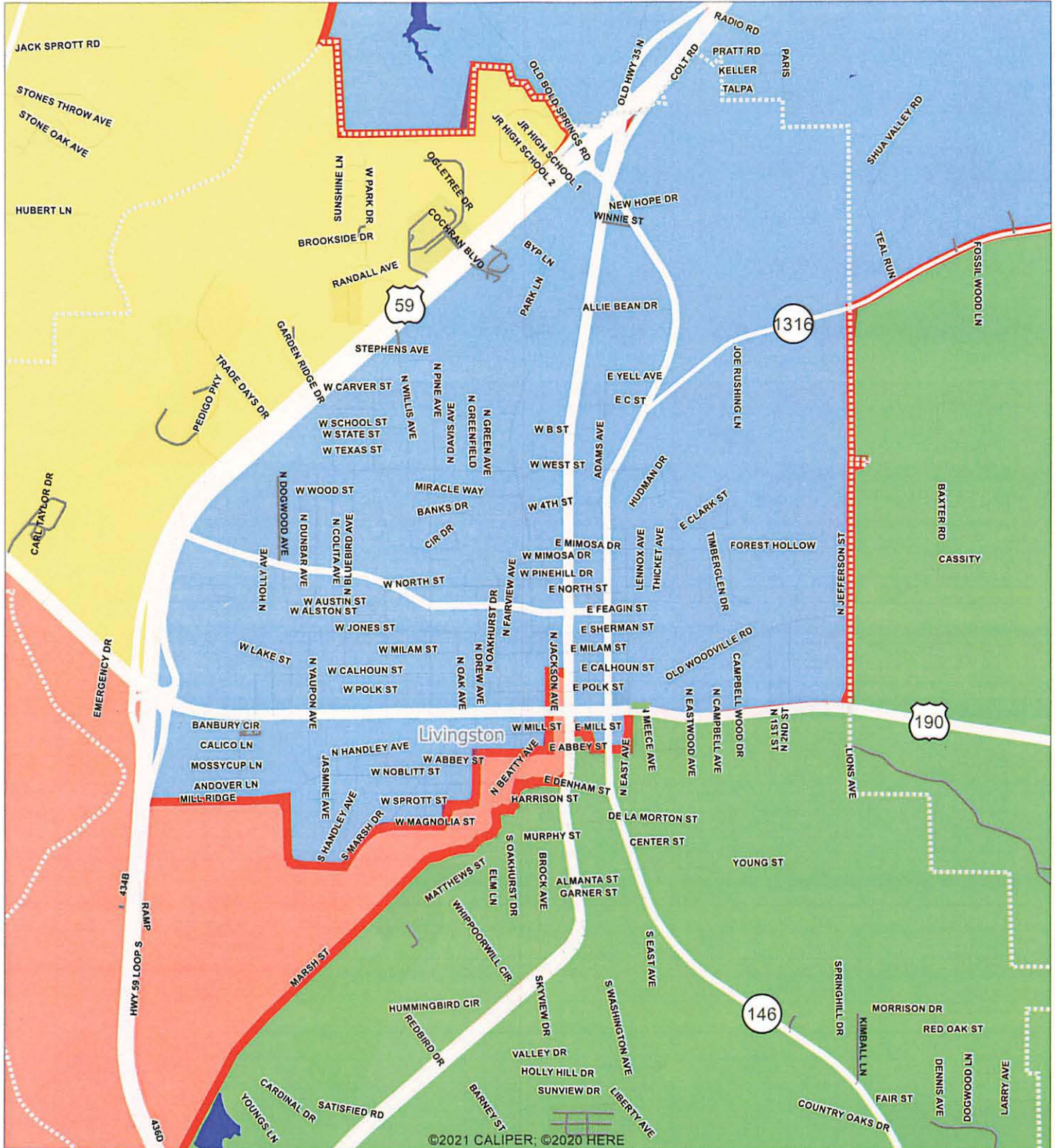
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Polk County

Commissioner Precincts



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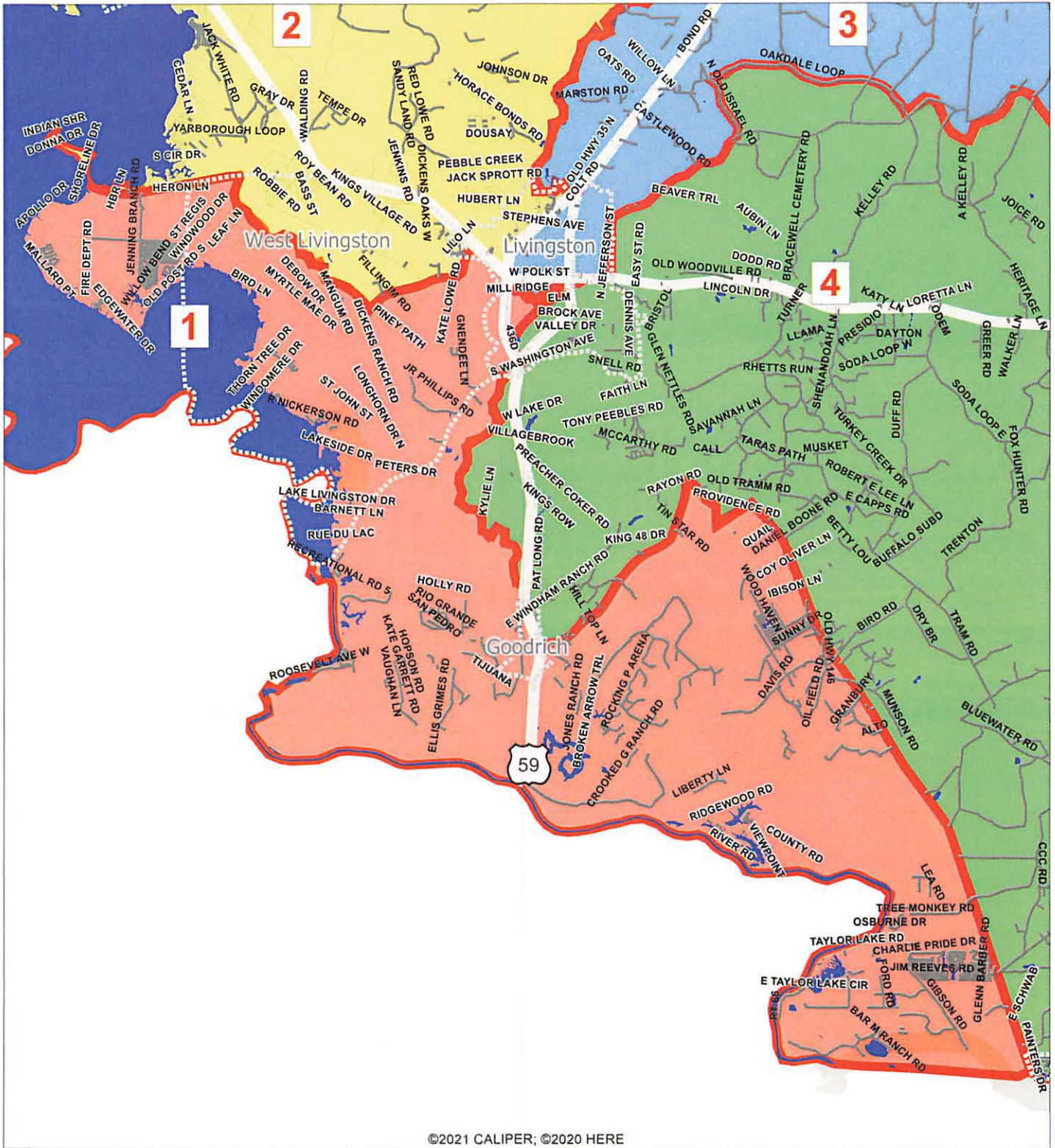
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Commissioner Precincts

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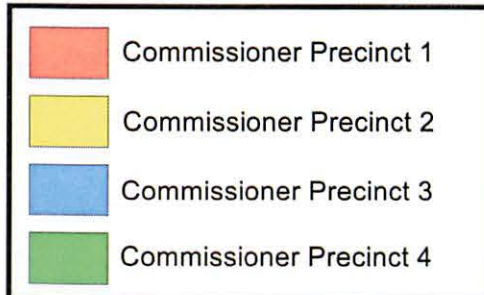
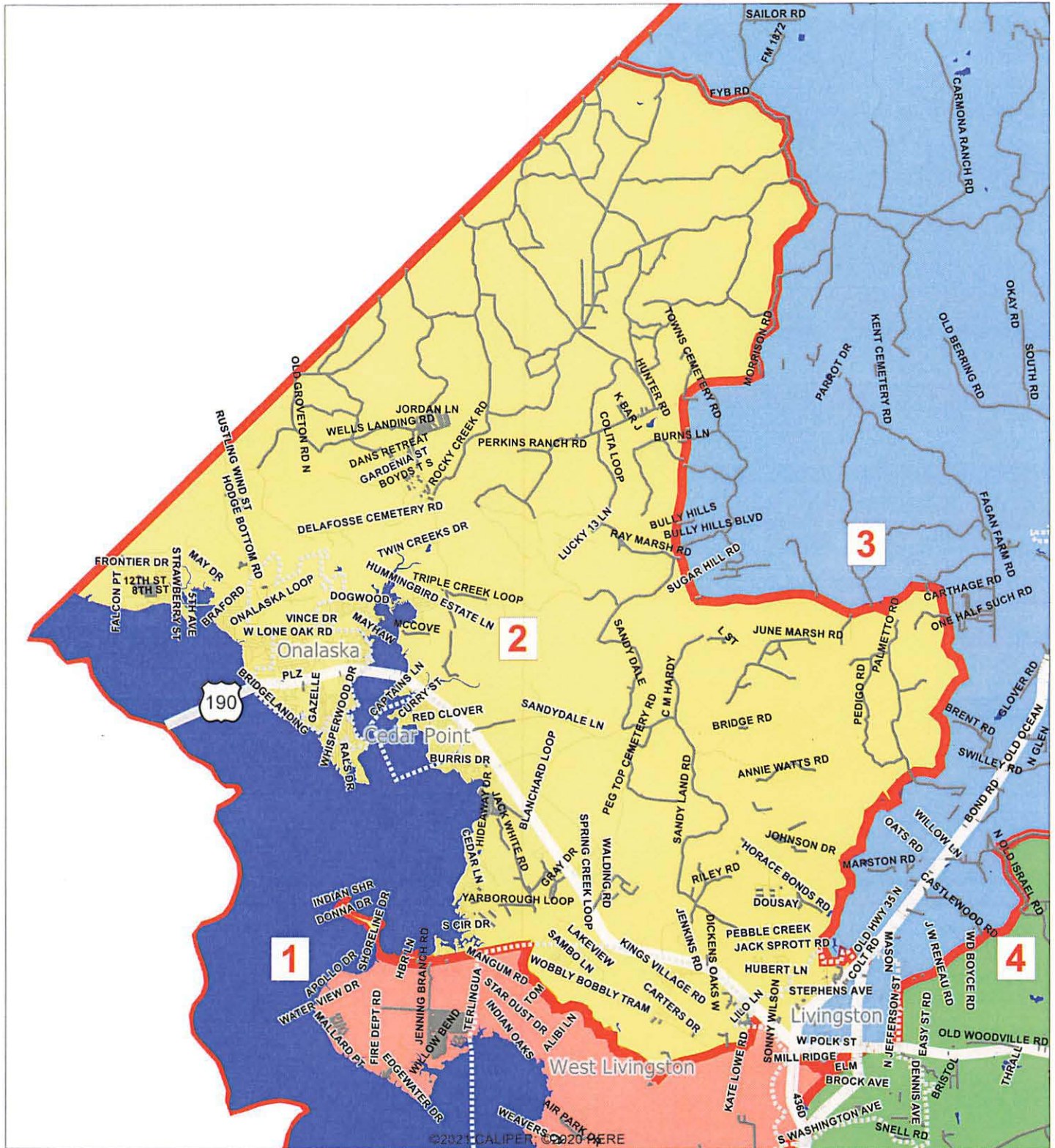
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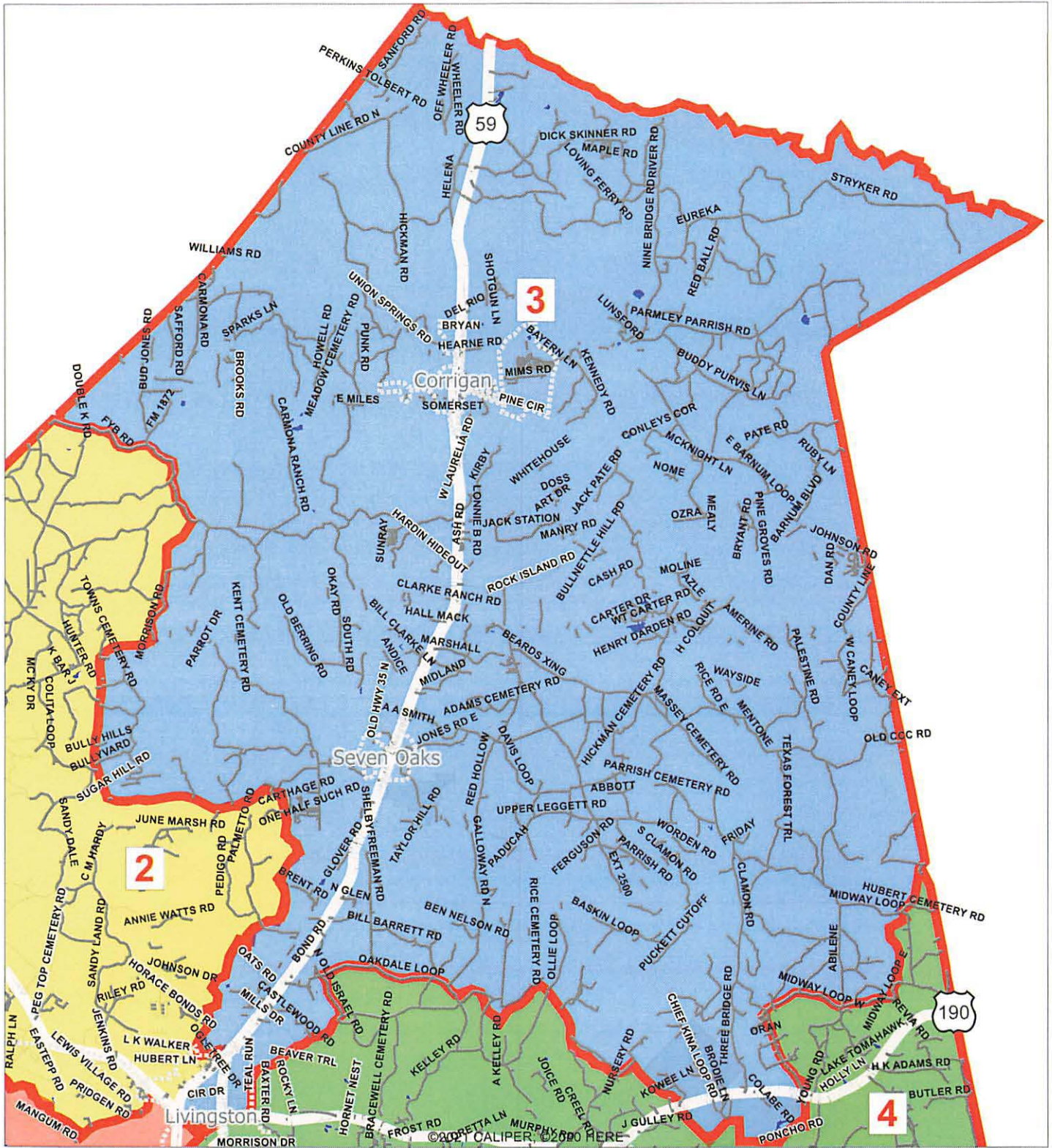


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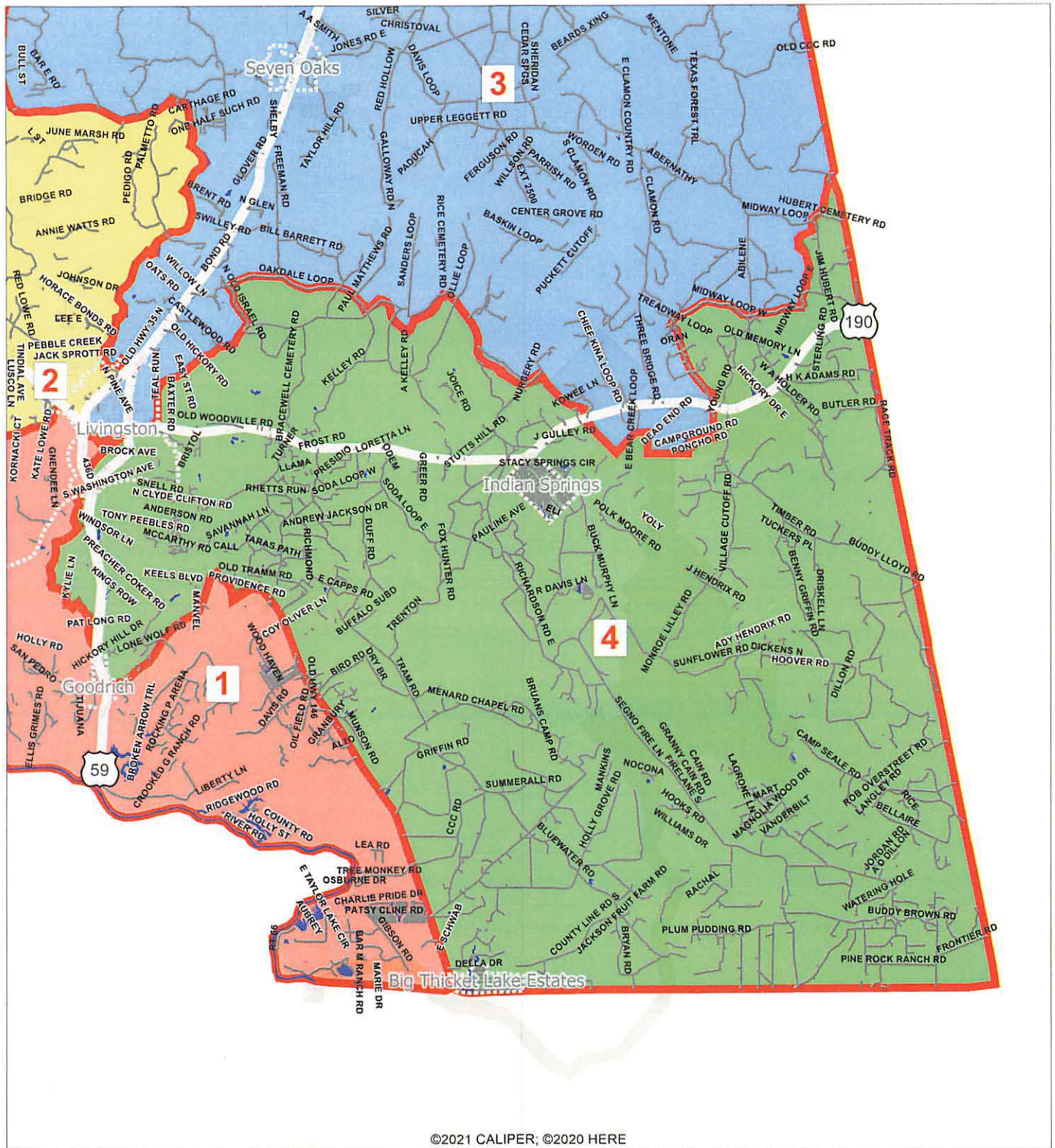


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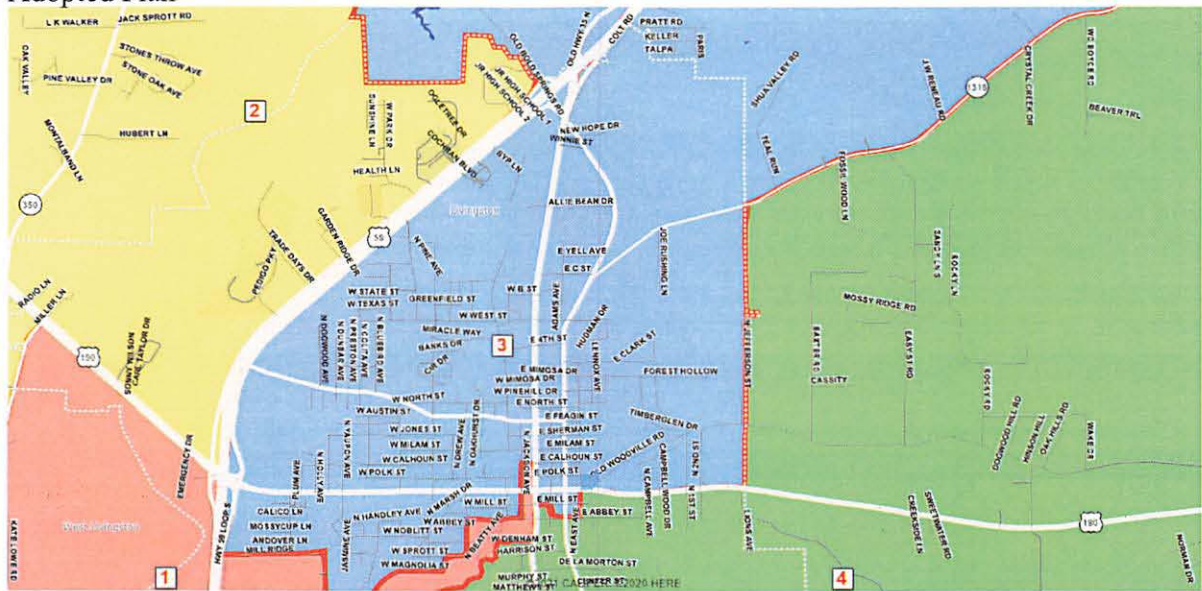
Polk County

Commissioner Precinct 4

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In order for County Election Precincts to conform to the newly revised and adopted boundaries of the four Commissioners Court Precincts and the Justice of the Peace/Constable Precincts, a minor revision to the adopted plan was required between Commissioners Precincts 3 and 4. The additional revision was necessitated by the need for Justice of the Peace/Constable Precinct 4 to have their Court located within their precinct. A portion of the census block which contains a parcel of land consisting of Property ID: 11745; ABST 15 M L CHOATE SURVEY SEC 2 SUB LOT 105-A; located at 410 E. Church St., Livingston, Texas 77351 is moved from Commissioner Precinct 3 into Commissioner Precinct 4 – this change has no effect on population changes or registered voters.

Adopted Plan



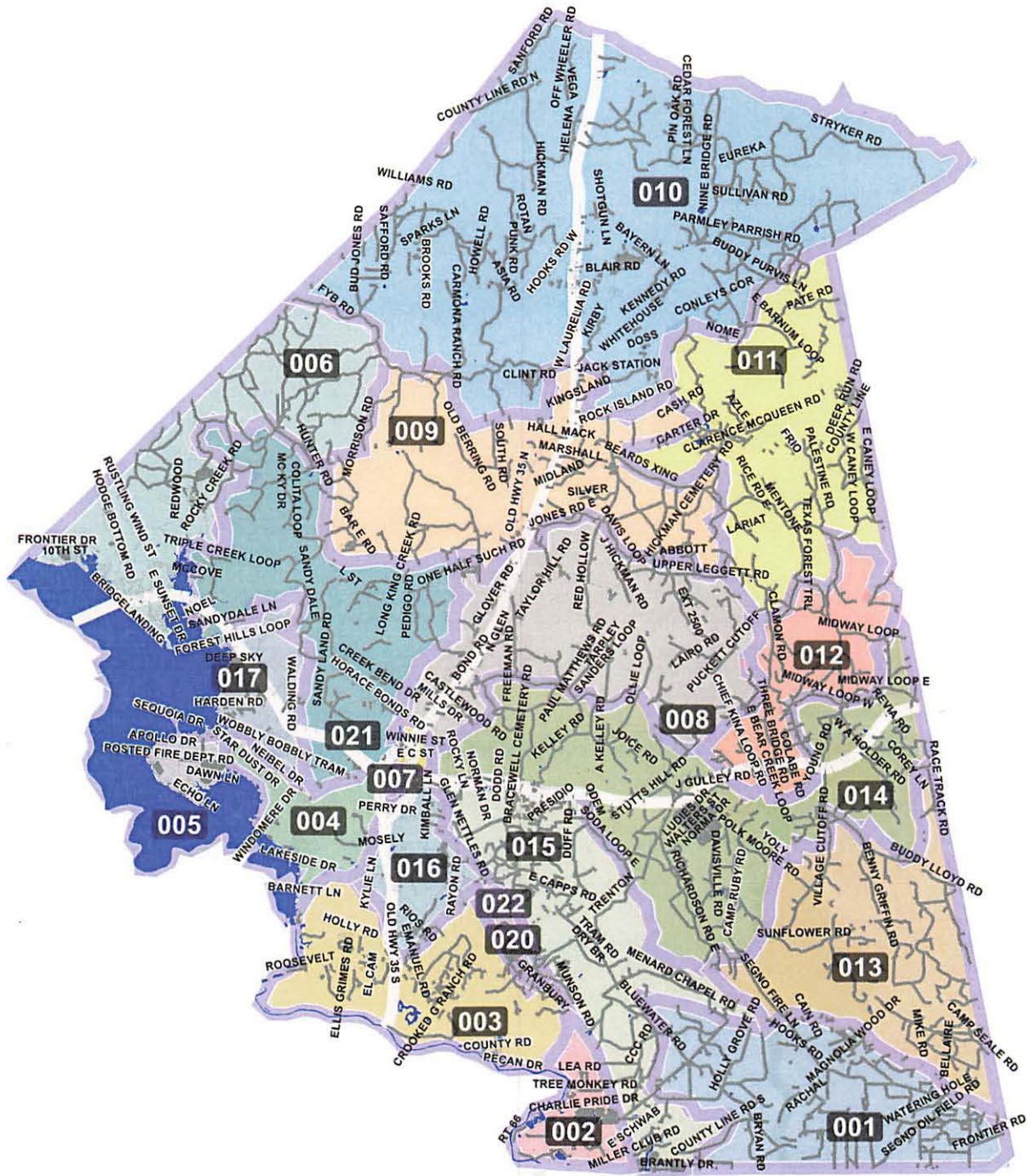
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ATTACHMENT 3

Justice of the Peace/Constable Precincts follow the boundaries of the Commissioner Court precincts as adopted on November 12, 2021. See Attachment 1 and as depicted in Attachment 2.

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Election Precincts

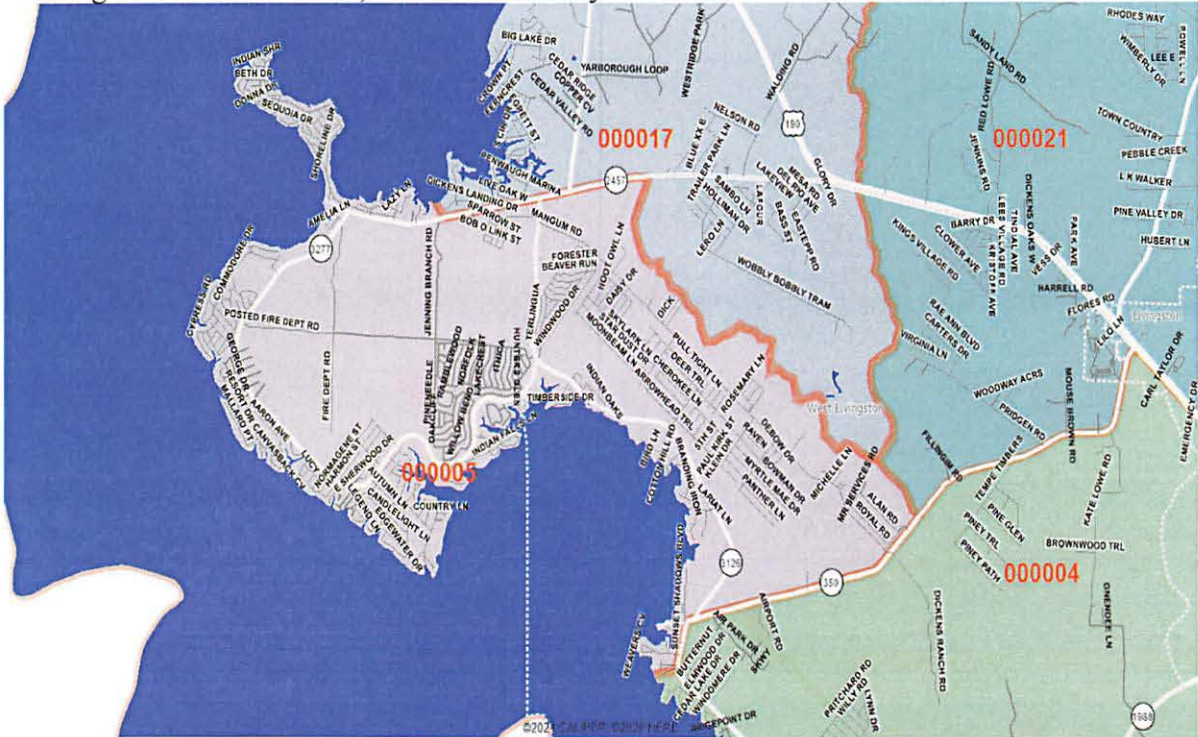


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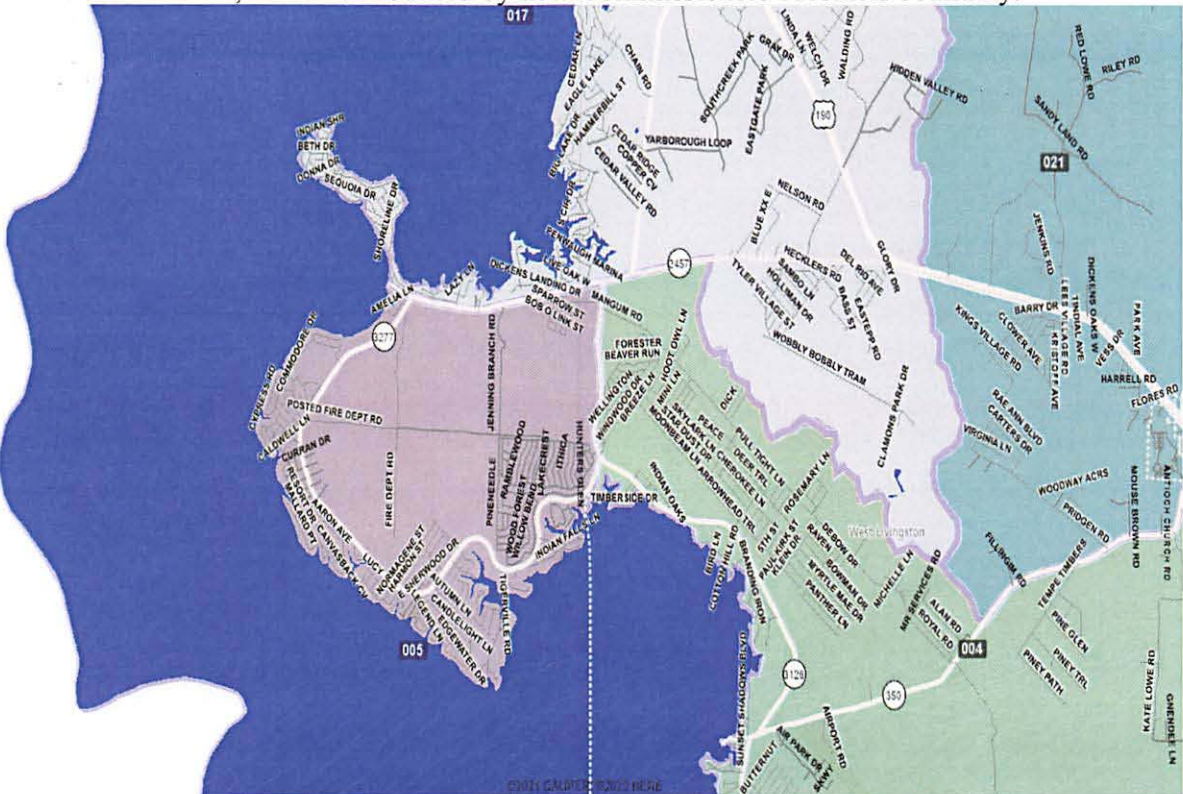
Pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 42, Texas Election Code, and this Supplemental Order the Commissioners Court hereby approves the realignment of County Election Precincts to conform to the newly revised and adopted boundaries of the four Commissioners Court Precincts as depicted and/or described herein:

1. Election Precincts 4, 5 and 17 were modified by the redistricting of Commissioners Court Precincts, to move territory formerly in Election Precinct 5 into Election Precinct 17 and to move territory formerly in Election Precinct 5 into Election Precinct 4, as depicted on the attached map.
2. Election Precincts 4 and 16 were modified by the redistricting of Commissioners Court Precincts, to move territory formerly in Election Precinct 4 into Election Precinct 16, as depicted on the attached map.
3. Election Precincts 3 and 16 were modified by the redistricting of Commissioners Court Precincts, to move territory formerly in Election Precinct 3 into Election Precinct 16, as depicted on the attached map.
4. Election Precincts 3 and 15 were modified by the redistricting of Commissioners Court Precincts, to move territory formerly in Election Precinct 3 into Election Precinct 15, as depicted on the attached map.
5. Election Precincts 19 and 20 were modified by the redistricting of Commissioners Court Precincts with the creation of Election Precinct 22 which required registered voters formerly in Election Precincts 19 and 20 to be divided between Election Precincts 19, 20 and 22, as follows: Election Precinct 19 consists of the territory depicted on the attached map and registered voters with a personal mail box address consisting of 100 through 150 Rainbow Drive; Election Precinct 20 consists of the territory depicted on the attached map and registered voters with a personal mail box address consisting of 151 through 200 Rainbow Drive; and Election Precinct 22 consists of the territory depicted on the attached map and registered voters with a personal mail box address consisting of 201 through 250 Rainbow Drive.
6. Election Precincts 6 and 21 were modified by the redistricting of Commissioners Court Precincts, to move territory formerly in Election Precinct 6 into Election Precinct 21, as depicted on the attached map.
7. Election Precincts 14, 15 and 16 were modified by the redistricting of Commissioners Court Precincts, to move territory formerly in Election Precinct 16 into Election Precinct 14 and to move territory formerly in Election Precinct 16 into Election Precinct 15, as depicted on the attached map.
8. Election Precincts 8, 16 and 18 were modified by the redistricting of Commissioners Court Precincts, to move territory formerly in Election Precinct 16 into Election Precinct 8 and to move territory formerly in Election Precinct 16 into Election Precinct 18, as depicted on the attached map.

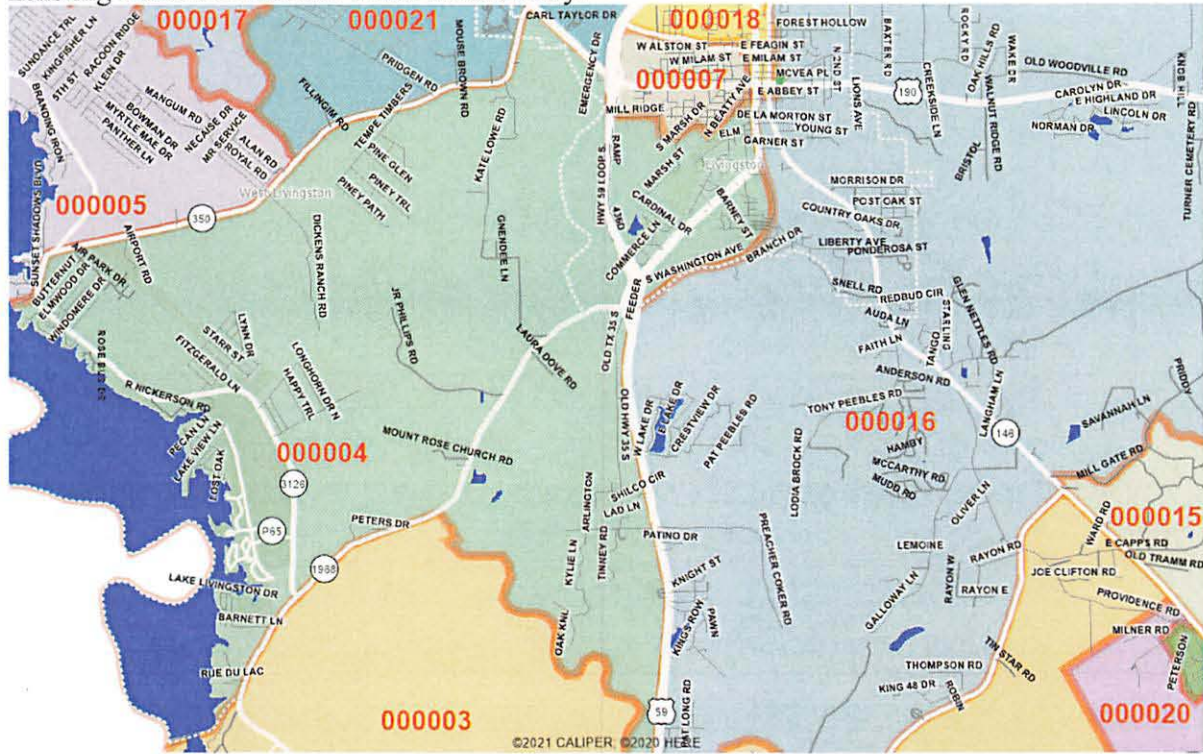
Existing Election Precincts 4, 5 and 17 boundary.



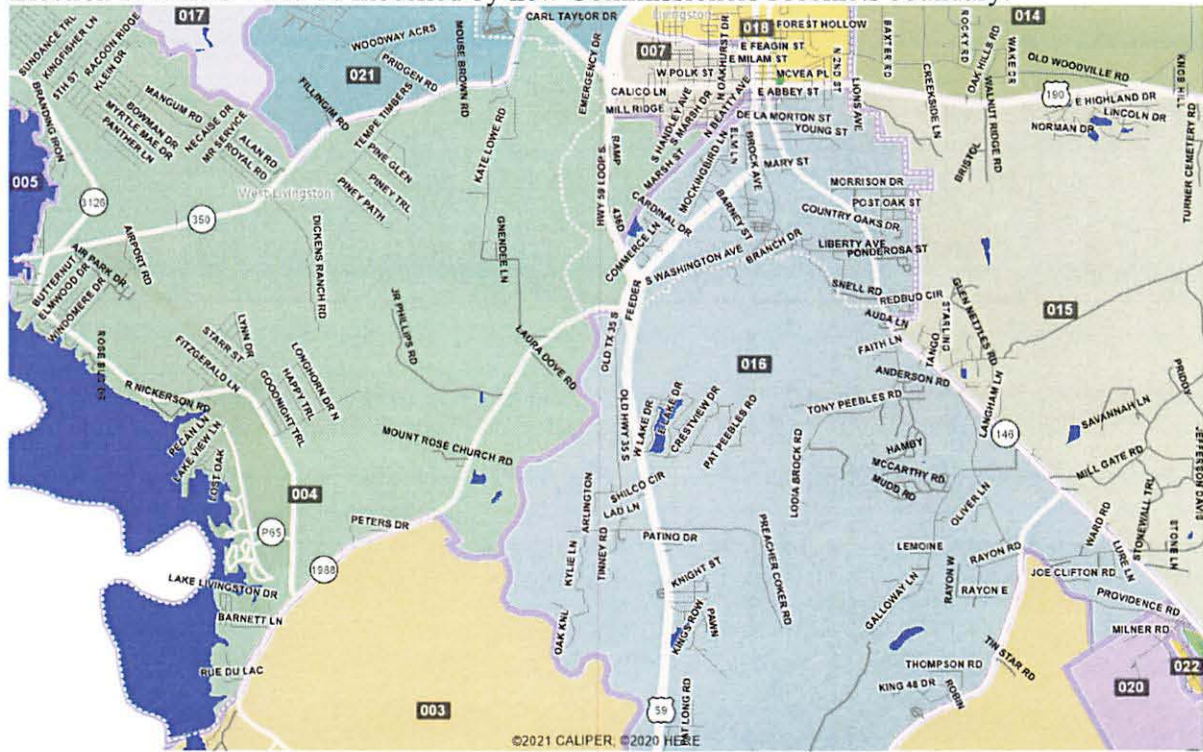
Election Precincts 4, 5 and 17 modified by new Commissioners Precincts boundary.



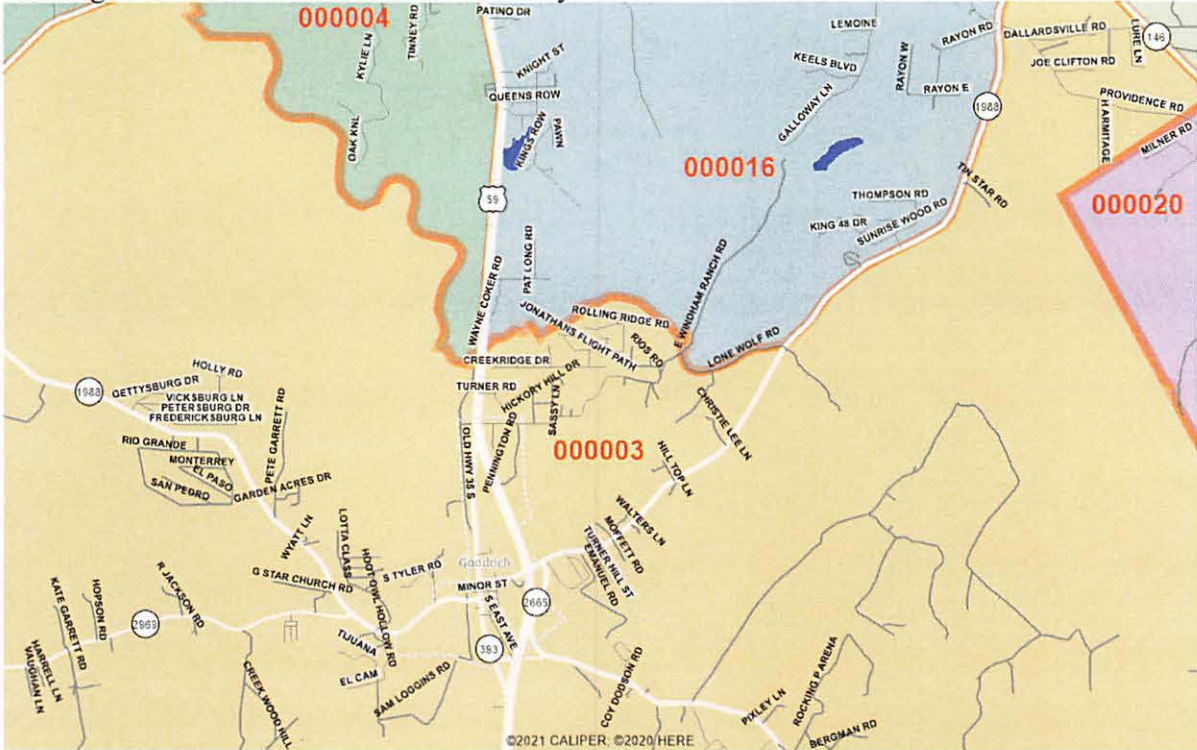
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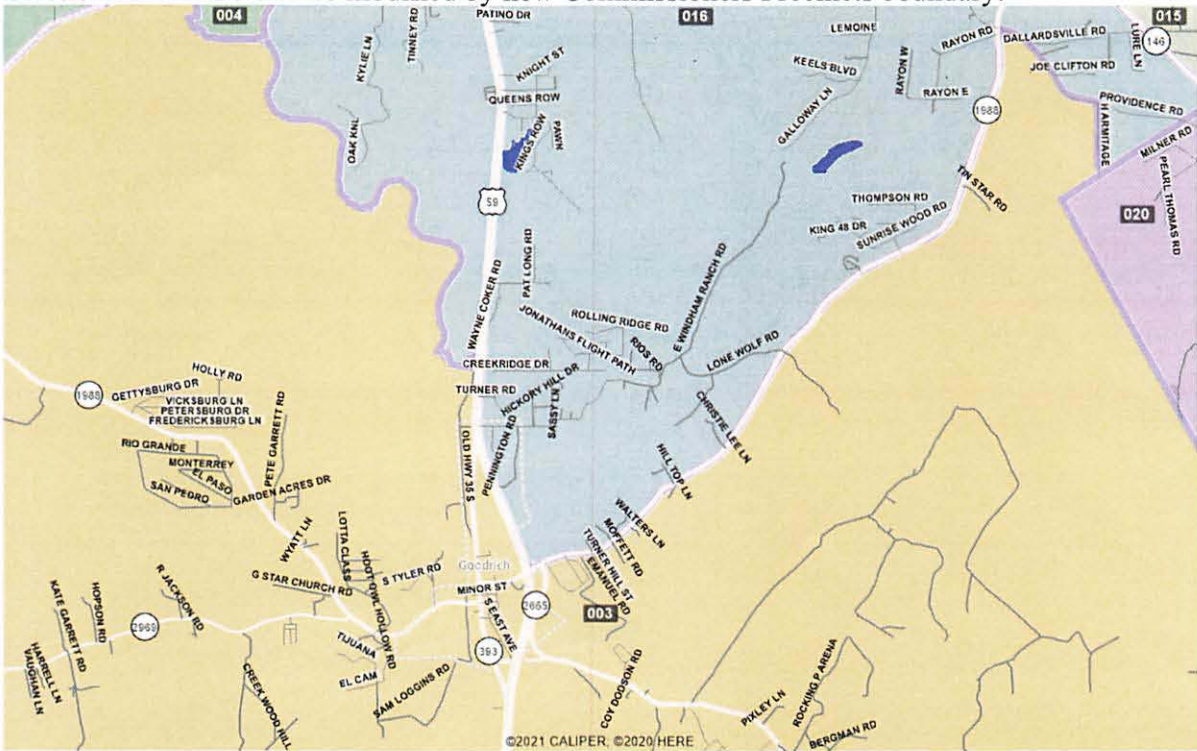
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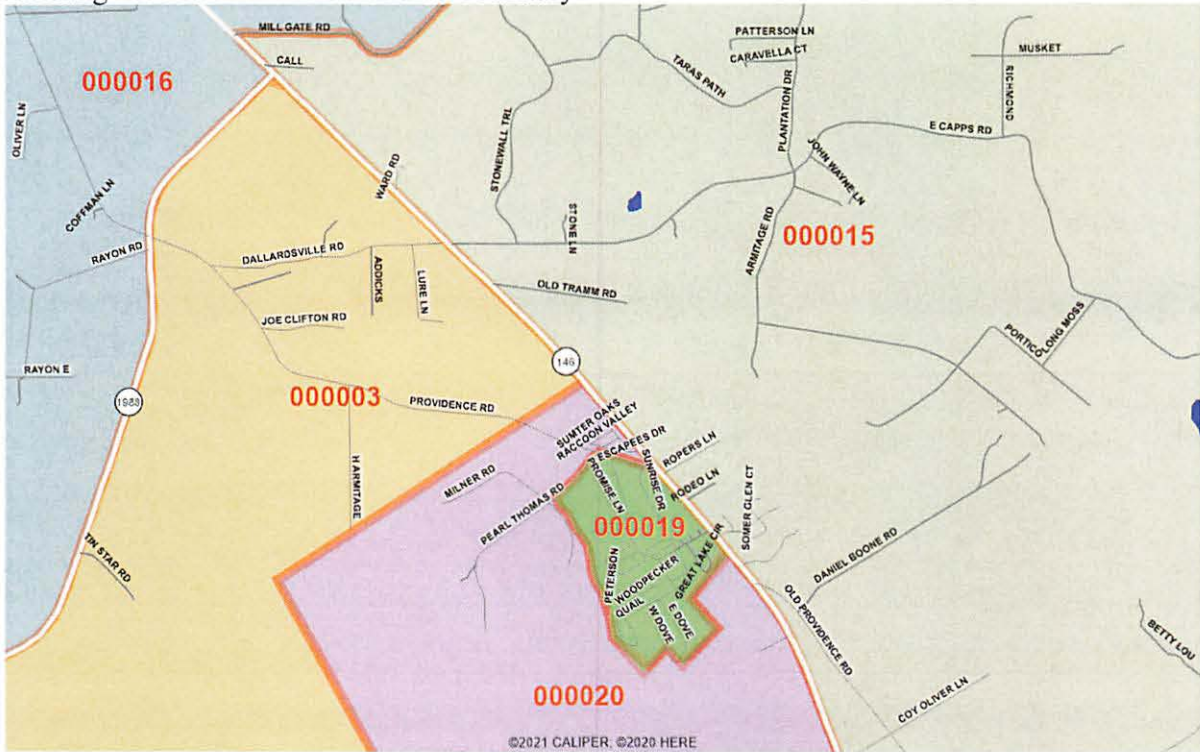
Existing Election Precincts 3 and 16 boundary.



Election Precincts 3 and 16 modified by new Commissioners Precincts boundary.



Existing Election Precincts 3 and 15 boundary.



Election Precincts 3 and 15 modified by new Commissioners Precincts boundary.



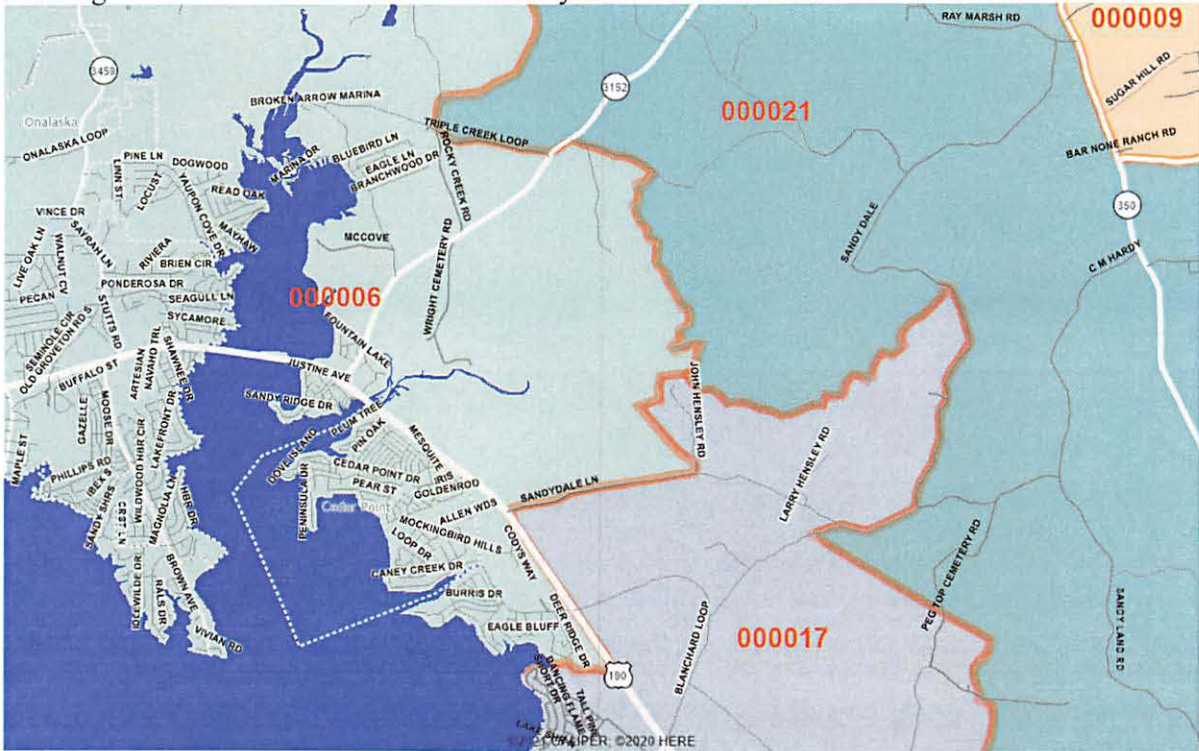
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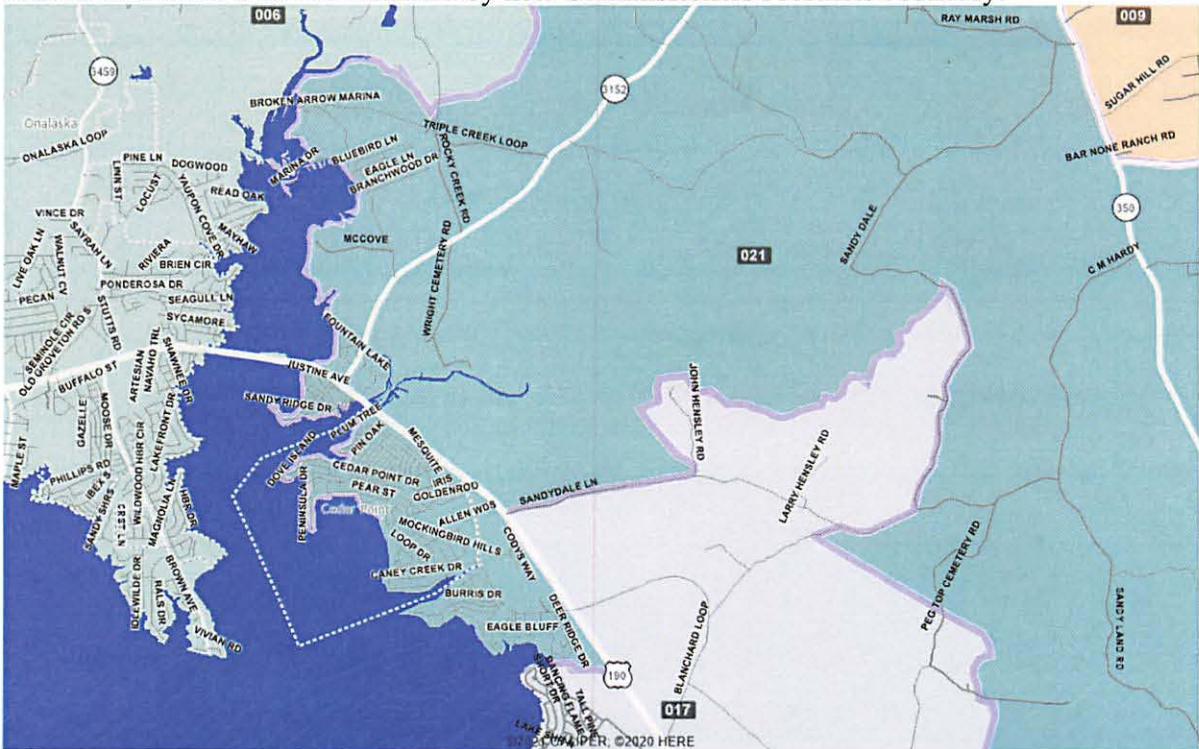
Election Precincts 19, 20 and 22 modified by new Commissioners Precincts boundary.



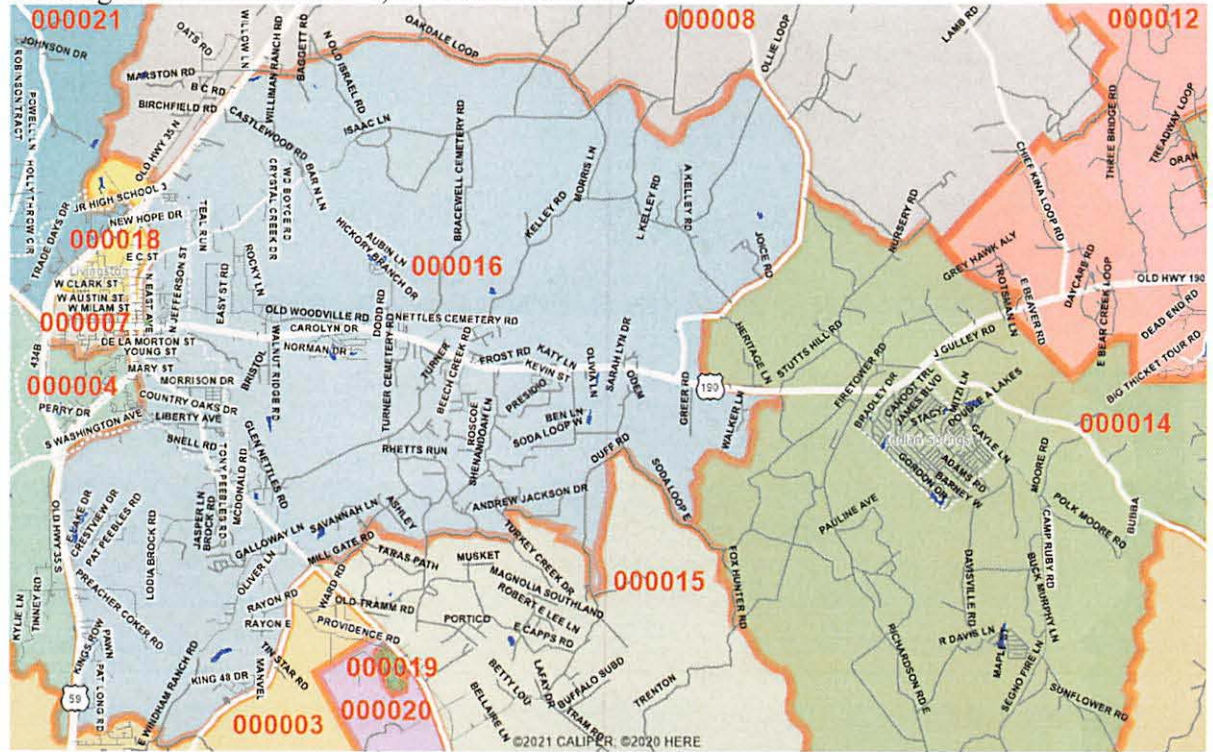
Existing Election Precincts 6 and 21 boundary.



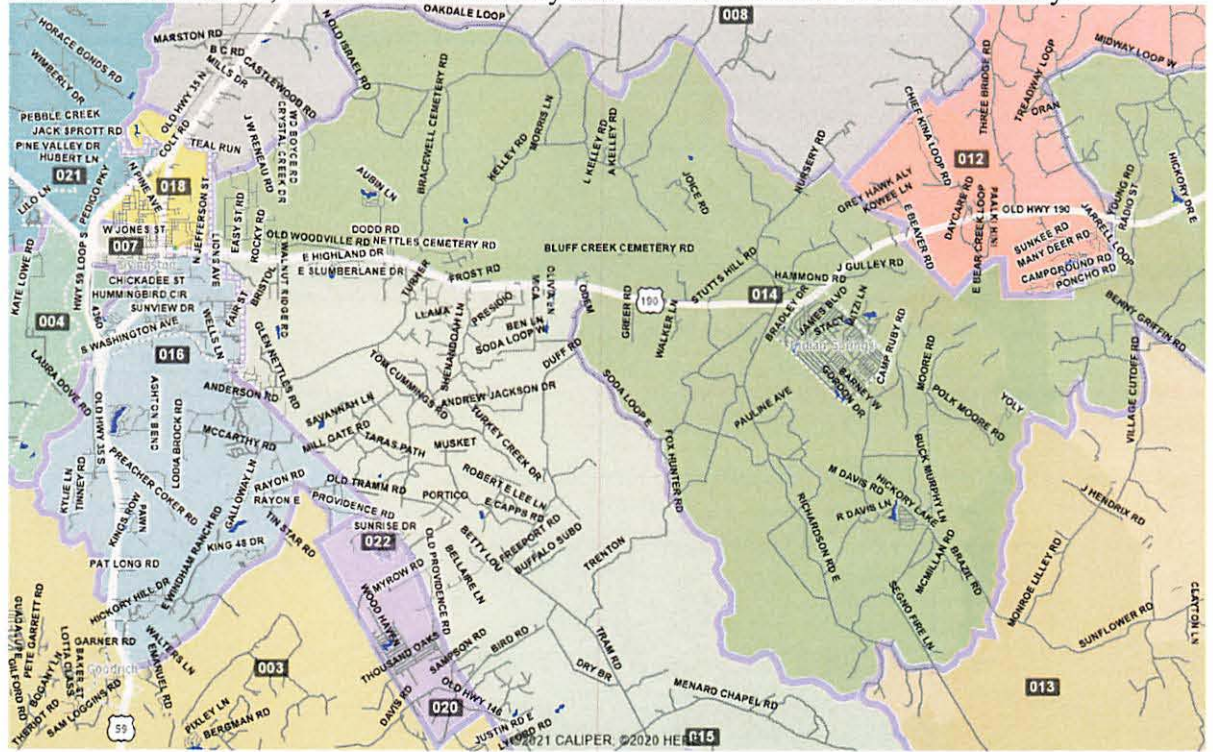
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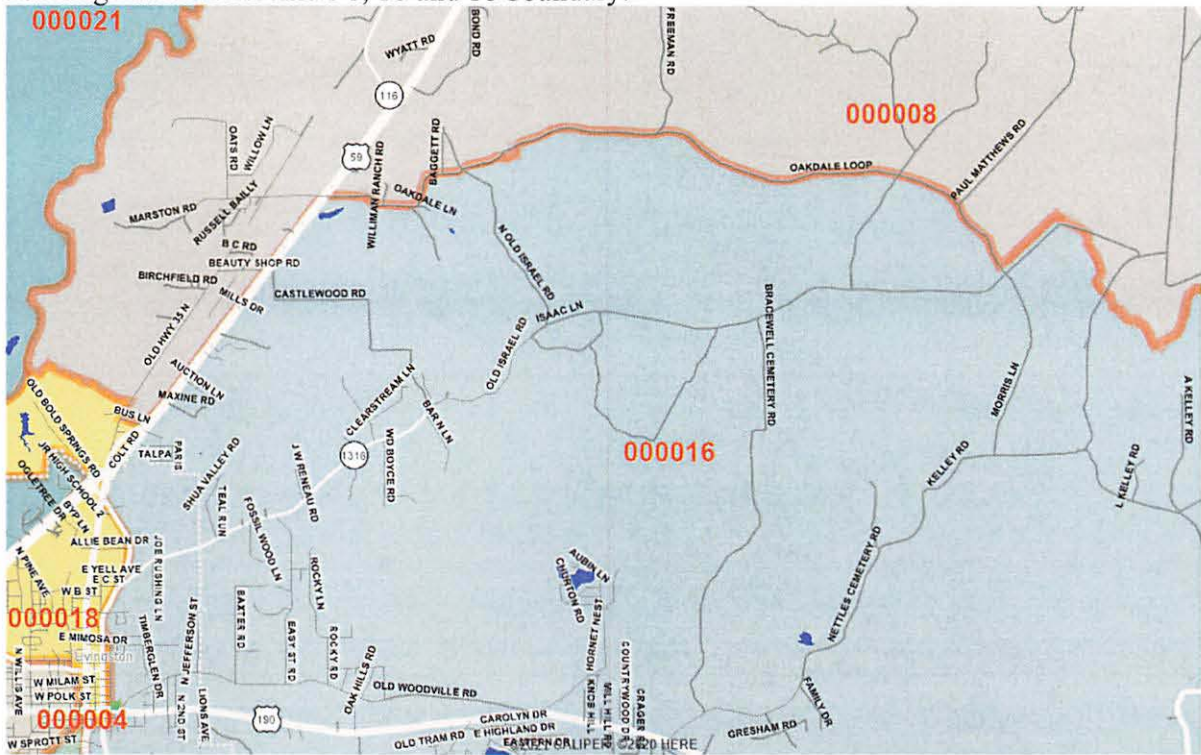
Existing Election Precincts 14, 15 and 16 boundary.



Election Precincts 14, 15 and 16 modified by new Commissioners Precincts boundary.



Existing Election Precincts 8, 16 and 18 boundary.



Election Precincts 8, 16 and 18 modified by new Commissioners Precincts boundary.

