

Potential Minor Edits to District 9 as Presented in the Official Preliminary Map

In the official preliminary map, the ICRC drew ten districts for the city of Austin. District 9 as drawn combines Central Austin neighborhoods with large numbers of students and university community members into one district. Overall, the district does a great job of keeping these communities of interest together.

I present options for two minor edits to the preliminary map which would move small numbers of students currently in other districts into District 9. As it stands, District 9 is currently overpopulated, however this can be rectified by moving territory into either of the underpopulated districts south of the Colorado River.

Creekside Hall is a University of Texas residence hall on campus at the southeast corner of San Jacinto Blvd. and Dean Keeton St. The residence hall consists of 190 UT students. In the preliminary map, it is placed in District 1, however it would be a better fit with the remainder of students living on campus and near campus in District 9. Creekside Hall is located in Precinct 206, which is already split between Districts 1 and 9. This could easily be rectified by adjusting the boundary between Districts 1 and 9 slightly to the southeast to include Creekside Hall.

