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The standards for drawing fair Anchorage reapportionment maps should be the same as the criteria for State Districts in the Alaska constitution. Districts should be near equal population, compact, contiguous, and represent related neighborhoods. By those criteria, the best proposed map is Map 6, submitted by Anchorage Action. The districts in this map are compact, contiguous, and connect related neighborhoods. Proposed Map 2 is also good, but has a higher overall population deviation than Map 6.

By no means should Eagle River be connected to the Anchorage Hillside, Girdwood, or Stuckagain Heights. These neighborhoods use entirely different municipal infrastructure than Eagle River, have different problems, and cannot be represented well by a single Assembly representative. You shouldn't have to drive through other districts to get from one side to the other side of a district. Maps 1, 7, 8, 9 and 10 are bad because they connect unrelated neighborhoods to Eagle River. Maps 3, 4 and 5 are bad because they connect unrelated neighborhoods across Bicentennial Park, or unrelated neighborhoods from north to south across east Anchorage.

Map 6: Good. Districts are contiguous and compact, connecting related neighborhoods, with a better population deviation than Map 2.

Map 2: Good. Districts are contiguous and compact; connecting related neighborhoods.

Map 1: Bad. Joins SE Anchorage and Girdwood to Eagle River.

Map 3: Bad. District 5 extends across unpopulated Bicentennial Park, connecting unrelated neighborhoods north and south from Glenn Highway to South Anchorage.

Map 4: Bad. District 5 is not contiguous or compact; it extends across Bicentennial Park, connecting unrelated neighborhoods.

Map 5: Bad. District 5 is not compact; it connects JBER with a neighborhood adjacent to Dowling.

Map 7: Bad. Stuckagain Heights and the Upper Hillside are connected with Eagle River.

Map 8: Bad. Lower & Upper Hillside, and Stuckagain Heights are connected to Eagle River.

Map 9: Bad. Stuckagain Heights is connected to Eagle River.

Map 10: Bad. Stuckagain Heights is connected to Eagle River.