Mapping Process Compendium

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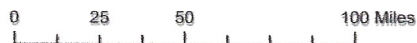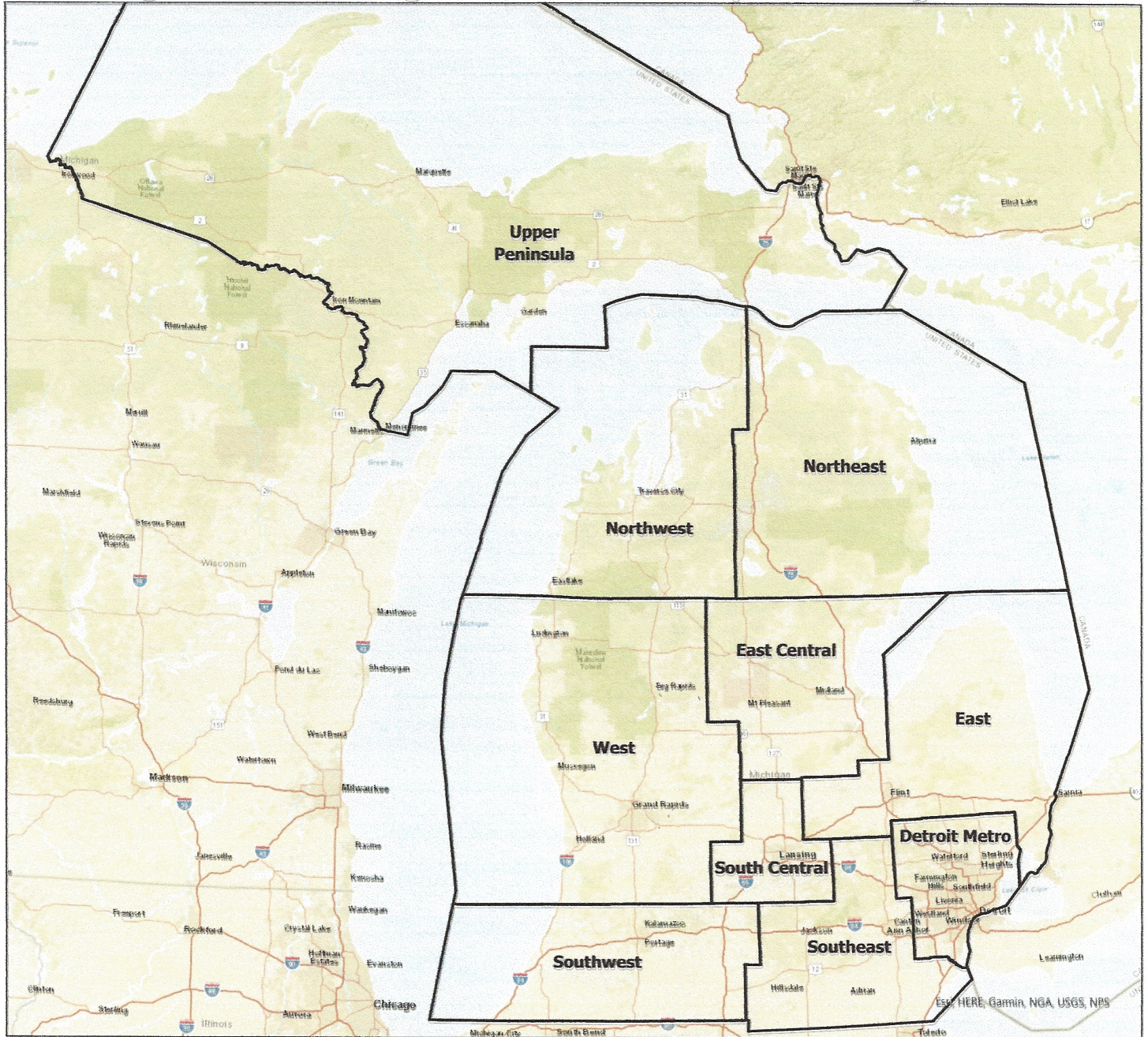# Significant Line Drawing Decisions
As of August 10, 2021

To exemplify the MICRC commitment to an open, transparent, and fair redistricting process, all significant mapping decisions will be preserved in a repository and posted on the MICRC website with the rationale documented for any major changes. This repository creates a living document with updates made as major changes are made.

Following are significant decisions and the dates adopted:

1. Maps will be drawn from scratch with the existing maps utilized for comparison purposes. - 6/30/2021

2. The state of Michigan will be divided into regions which will be utilized to assist in beginning the drawing of district lines. – 6/30/2021

3. Start the mapping process with the 38 State Senate Districts. – 6/30/2021

4. Document the redistricting process by instructing MICRC and MDOS staff to document significant changes in the minutes, as well as in a separate repository, which shall be posted with a separate heading on the MICRC website. – 6/30/2021

5. Utilize the Redistricting Process Flowchart, created by Commissioner Clark, as the starting point for the redistricting process. – 6/30/2021

6. Adopt Regional Test Plan #5, consisting of 10 regions with which to begin mapping, and post this plan on the MICRC website. – 7/30/2021 (Document: Michigan Redistricting – Commission Adopted 10 Regional Plan)

Michigan Redistricting - Commission Adopted 10 Regional Plan

Upper Peninsula

Northeast

Northwest

East Central

West

East

South Central

Detroit Metro

Southwest

Southeast

MICHIGAN INDEPENDENT CITIZENS REDISTRICTING COMMISSION

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MICRC Redistricting Process

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