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**From:** James Henry [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 2, 2021 10:48 PM  
**To:** Lowrey, Patricia  
**Subject:** Fwd: 2020 Congressional redistricting submission  
**Attachments:** jch Plan Evaluation Form - Redistricting Checklist.pdf; jch congress 2020 block-assignments.csv

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Hi all,

Thank you all for allowing public input into the redistricting process. I appreciate the opportunity to submit a possible congressional map to the committees.

About me: My name is James "Chris" Henry. I am a 34-year-old married father of three. The kids are a 5-year-old girl, a 2-year-old boy, and a newborn boy. I was born, raised and have lived in Louisiana my entire life, just as my parents have. I want our state to be a place my children can do the same. I reside in La House District 8, La Senate District 36, US Congressional District 4. I am interested in politics and decided to apply my skill set toward redistricting. My career is as a medical dosimetrist at Willis Knighton Cancer Center in Shreveport. My job involves manipulating radiation doses inside a patient to make sure the cancer gets a lot of radiation and all healthy organs get as little radiation as possible. This optimization process translates well to manipulating each district for redistricting.

Process: I created my map with DRA 2020. This map was created between diaper changes and feedings for the newborn. I tried to rigidly meet the request of Joint Rule 21 and create a map that we can all agree upon.

Currently none of our congressional districts are competitive across party. I can only assume the Republican Party would like to keep a safe 5-1 seat control. I also assume the Democratic Party would like to pick up an additional seat and have a 4-2 split. I personally would like to see three of the races competitive. I can easily create a map that accomplishes the goal of one of our interests. We cannot all have everything we want simultaneously. My proposed map is a compromise of 4 safe Republican Districts, 1 safe Democratic District and 1 very competitive district.

Pros: As compared to the 2011 Congressional map. My map is more compact, more proportional, more competitive, better minority representation, less splitting and less population deviation. Absolute population deviation for each district is (27, -3, 5, 1, -38, 7). Changes from the previous map are minimized. Only 5 parishes are split, and only 1 precinct is split. There are 2 majority-minority districts according to total population. The plan does not force two current representatives to campaign against one another. The publicity and accomplishment of using a map submitted from an ordinary individual citizen would be outstanding.

Cons: Congressional district 6 (Rep. Graves) would now be a very competitive district. Only one majority-minority district according to voter age population. (a second district (6) is 49.7% minority). I expect analyzing robust future trends will predict it becoming a majority-minority over the next few years.

I am willing to address any concerns or trade off decisions I made to the committees.

Thank you all,

James "Chris" Henry

attached are block files, plan eval form, and below is a link to dra2020map

<https://davesredistricting.org/join/9d1c5d19-992f-4939-842e-c6bcedb4c829>

### Plan Evaluation Form

**Plan Type:** Congressional Map      **Plan Name:** jch LA 2020 (Cong) 1R 1D 1 Comp

**Plan Submitted By:** James Christopher Henry

Question	Response/Quantify or Explain if necessary
If a statewide plan (House, Senate, PSC, BESE, Congress, or Supreme Court), does the plan assign all the geography of the state?	Yes
Is each district within the plan composed of contiguous geography?	Yes
If a House, Senate, PSC, BESE, or Congressional plan, is the plan comprised of single-member districts?  For House and Senate plans, give the # of districts if less than the current number.	Yes
What is the overall deviation of the plan?	greatest absolute=65 or 0.01% deviation
How many majority-minority districts are contained within the plan? List each minority district, quantify by type of protected class, list Tot Pop %, VAP %, Vot. Reg %, and describe where in the state each minority district is located.	1 maj-min district for VAP% (district 2) 2 maj-min district for Tot Pop%(district 2 & 6) District 2: Baton Rouge and River toward New Orleans: District 3: Orleans,Plaquemines, St. Benard, and portions of Jefferson
How many parishes are split in the plan? Please list. Include any explanation given for each split.	5 Parishes split: Acadia, Jefferson, Pointe Coupee, St. Charles, and St. Landry Minimal split for population deviations
How many municipalities are split in the plan? Please list. Include any explanation given for each split.	3: Opelousas split at precinct line, easily corrected by breaking VTDs at blocks Eunice split at parish line Luling split at precinct line for pop deviation
How many VTDs (precincts) are split in the plan?	1
If there are split VTD's, are they split using census tabulation boundaries?	Yes
Please list each split VTD by Parish and VTD in alpha and numeric order and include the number of districts each VTD is split into and also specify the district numbers. Include any explanation given for each split.	Acadia parish, Church Point 220019601015001 A Single block of an adjacent precinct is added to keep all of church point in district 5. Also helps perfect population deviation b/w districts
Any other observations regarding the plan?	in email  split parishes, municipalities and VTDs can be further reduced by allowing slightly more population deviation. per committees' interest

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	Total	+/-			Dem	Rep			White	Minority	Hispanic	Black	Asian	Native	Pacific	
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1	776,320	0.00%			23.83%	51.72%	1.92%	992,042	66.96%	33.04%	7.94%	20.08%	2.03%	3.15%	0.11%	
2	776,290	0.00%			21.56%	33.93%	2.99%	611,321	44.19%	55.81%	10.78%	40.05%	4.32%	1.78%	0.12%	
3	776,298	0.00%			23.66%	51.72%	2.08%	586,608	66.98%	33.02%	4.80%	24.49%	2.07%	1.70%	0.11%	
4	776,294	0.00%			33.95%	51.72%	1.52%	593,076	58.05%	41.95%	8.18%	33.44%	1.56%	2.57%	0.17%	
5	776,255	0.00%			11.13%	51.95%	1.89%	591,272	63.81%	36.19%	3.70%	29.14%	1.23%	1.00%	0.10%	
6	776,300	0.00%			43.40%	43.93%	1.50%	598,279	50.27%	49.73%	6.03%	30.88%	2.64%	1.40%	0.09%	
	776,291	0.01%			29.83%	54.51%	1.86%	886,091	68.31%	31.69%	8.26%	31.23%	2.32%	2.10%	0.12%	