

Redistricting: Implementation Role of the Board of Elections

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Montgomery County Board of Elections

Who We Are

Election Geography

Defining Precincts

Implications for Voters

Calendar for 2021-2022

Montgomery County Board of Elections



Annotated Code of Maryland,
Election Law Article, Title 2:
Powers and Duties of the State
and Local Boards

State Board of Elections

“The State Board shall manage
and supervise elections in the
State”

County Board of Elections

“Each local board...shall oversee
the conduct of all elections held in
its county and ensure that the
elections process is conducted in
an open, convenient, and
impartial manner...”

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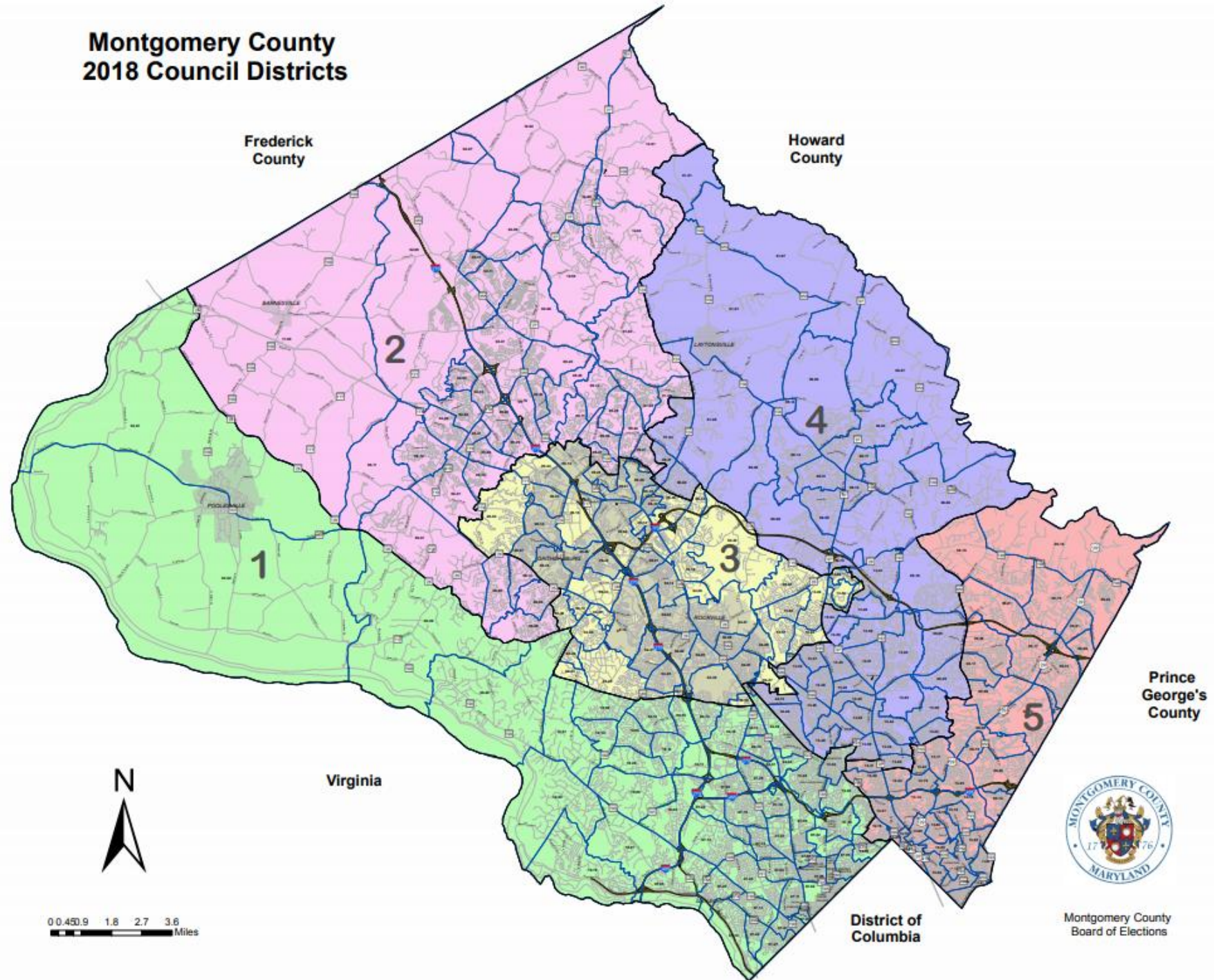


30 full-time staff
100+ temporary staff
4000+ Election Judges

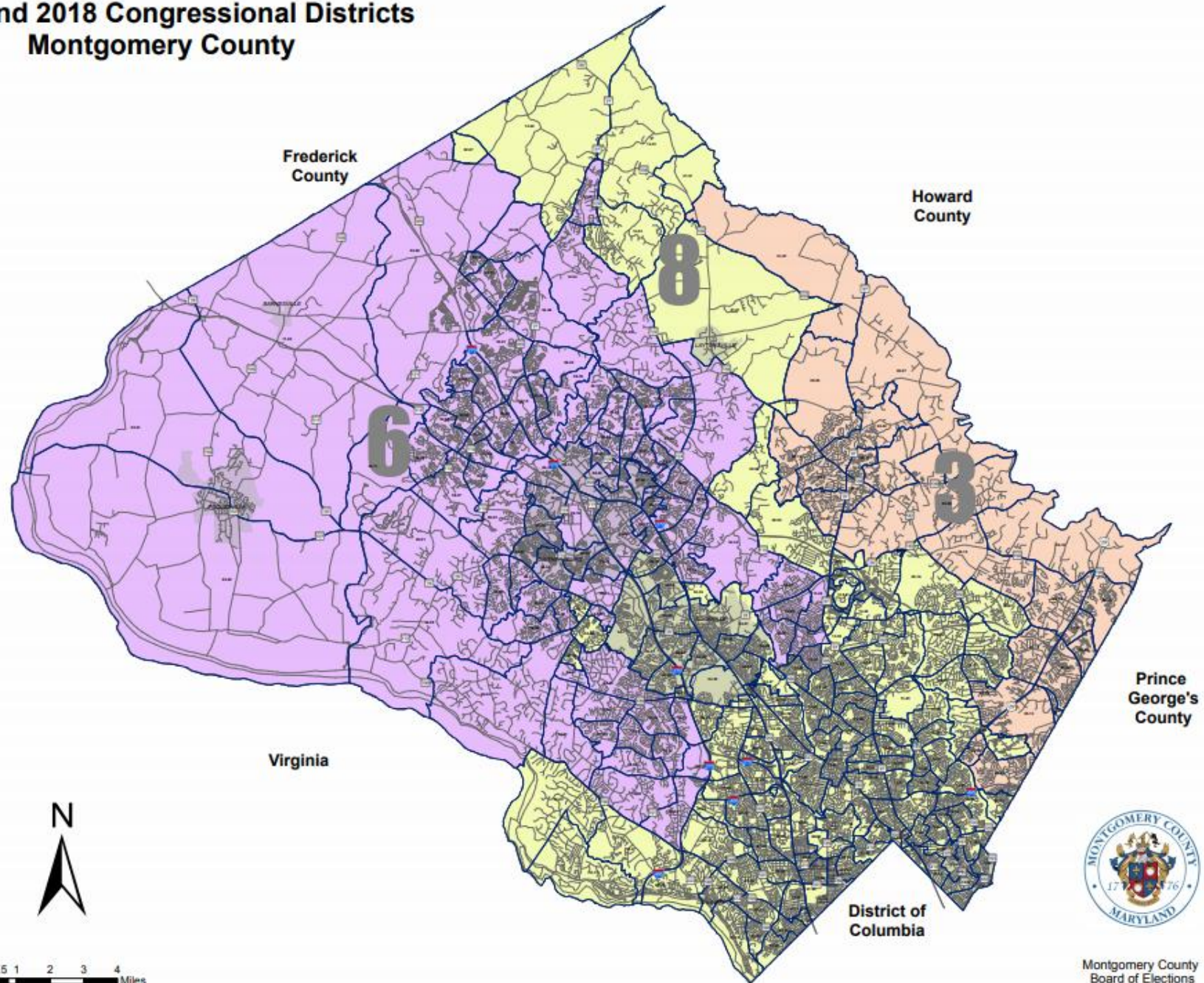
Duties include:

- ✓ Registering voters
- ✓ Administering elections, including:
 - Early Voting
 - Election Day
 - Voting by Mail
- ✓ Auditing and certifying the accuracy of election results

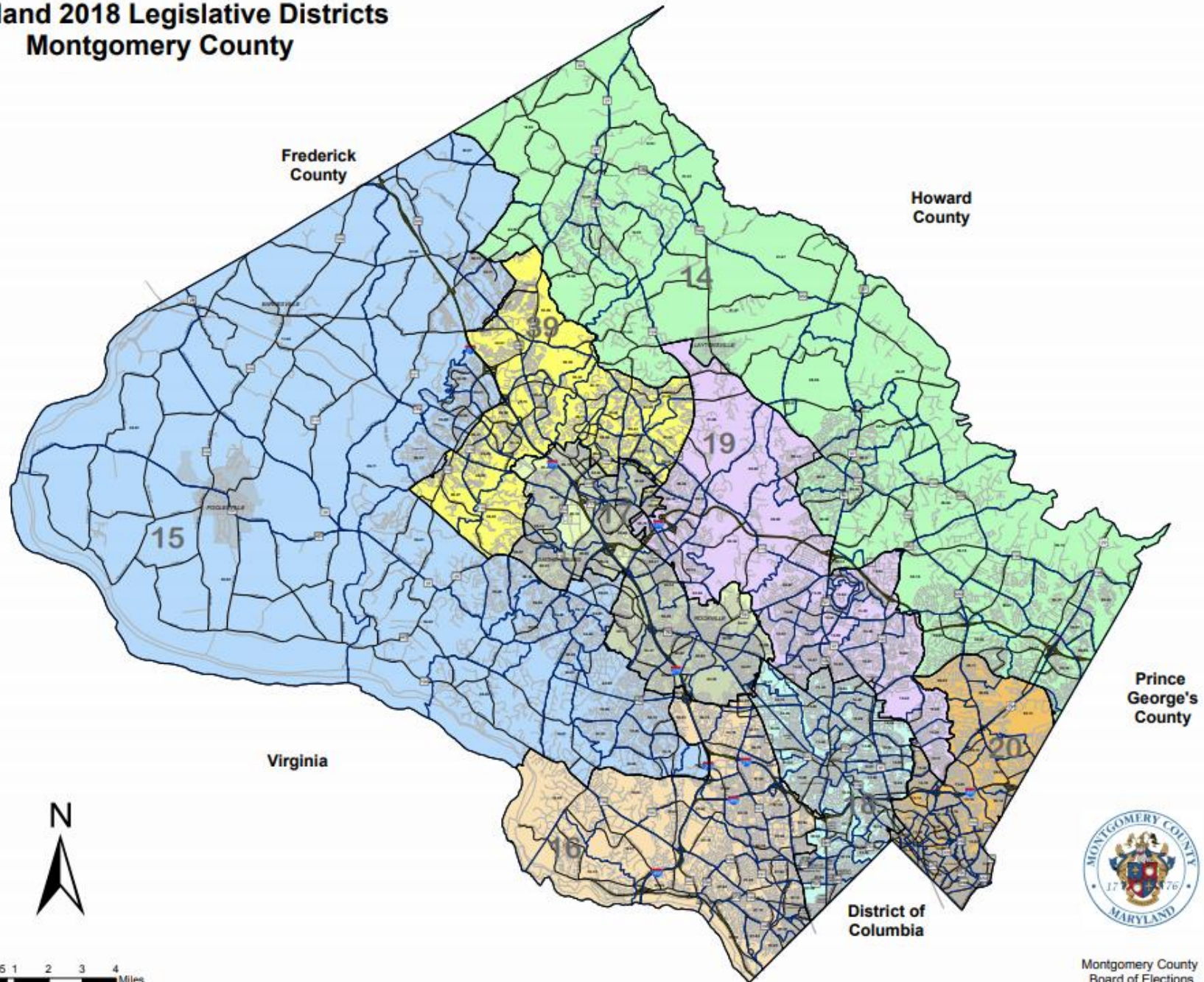
Montgomery County 2018 Council Districts



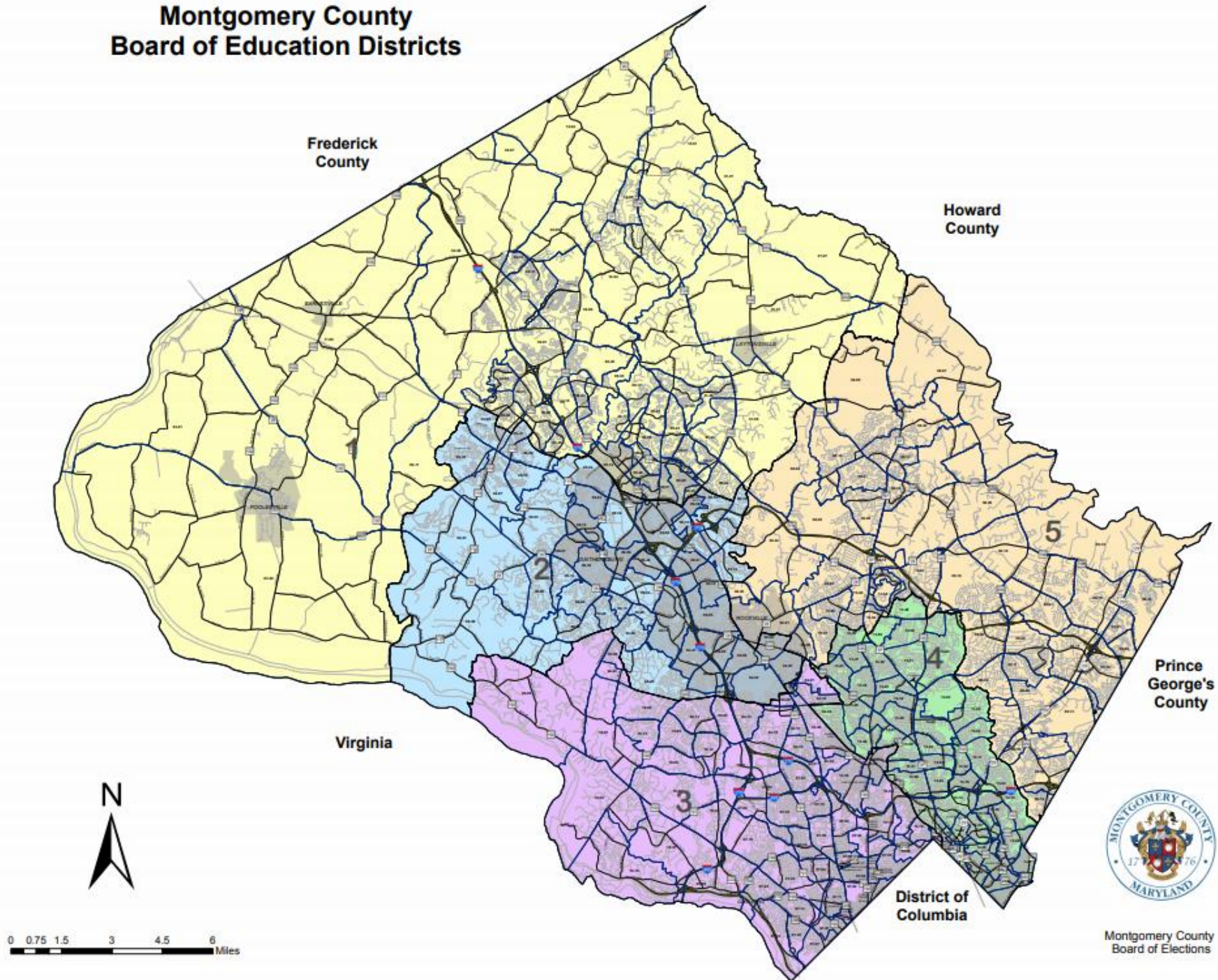
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Maryland 2018 Legislative Districts Montgomery County

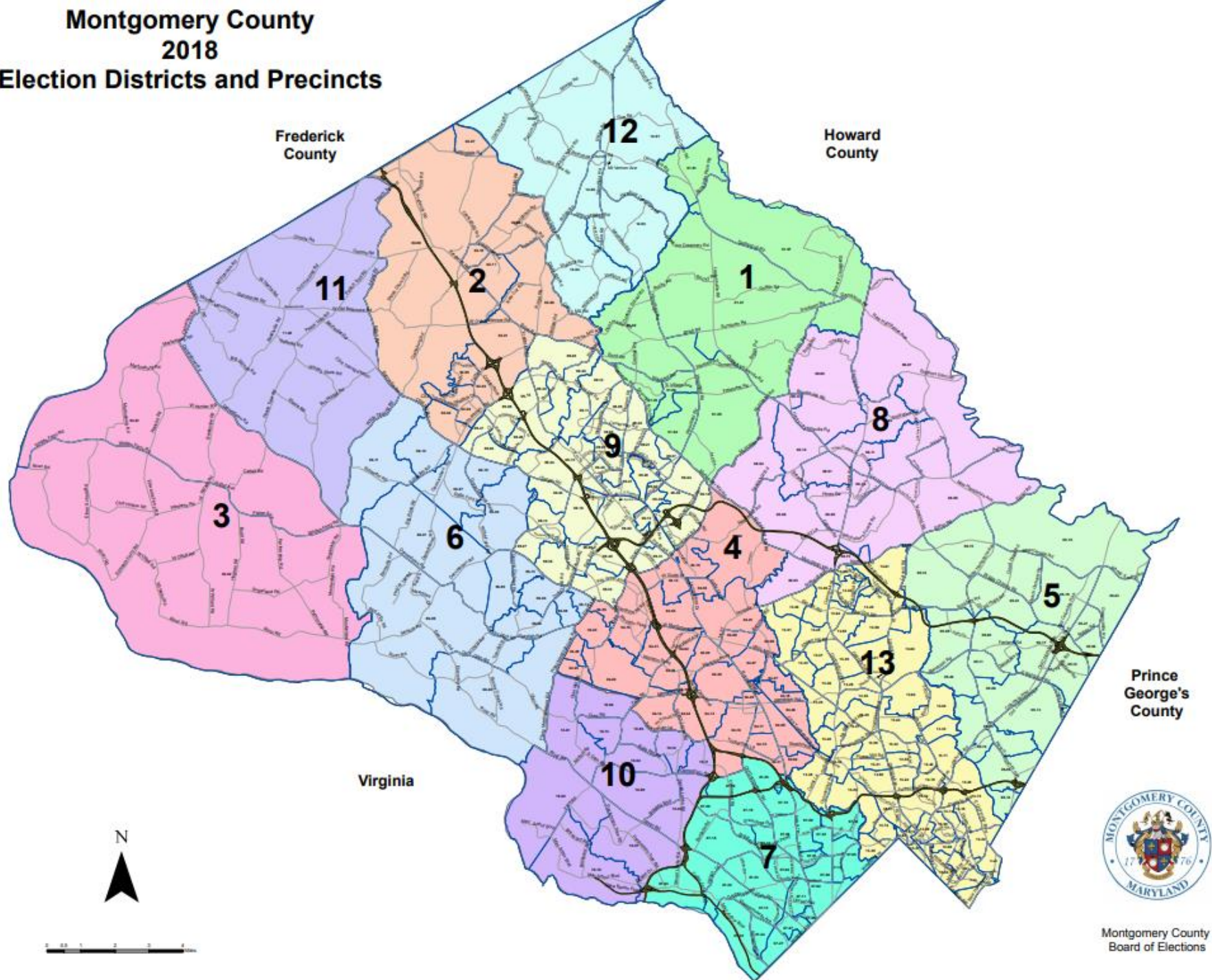


Montgomery County Board of Education Districts

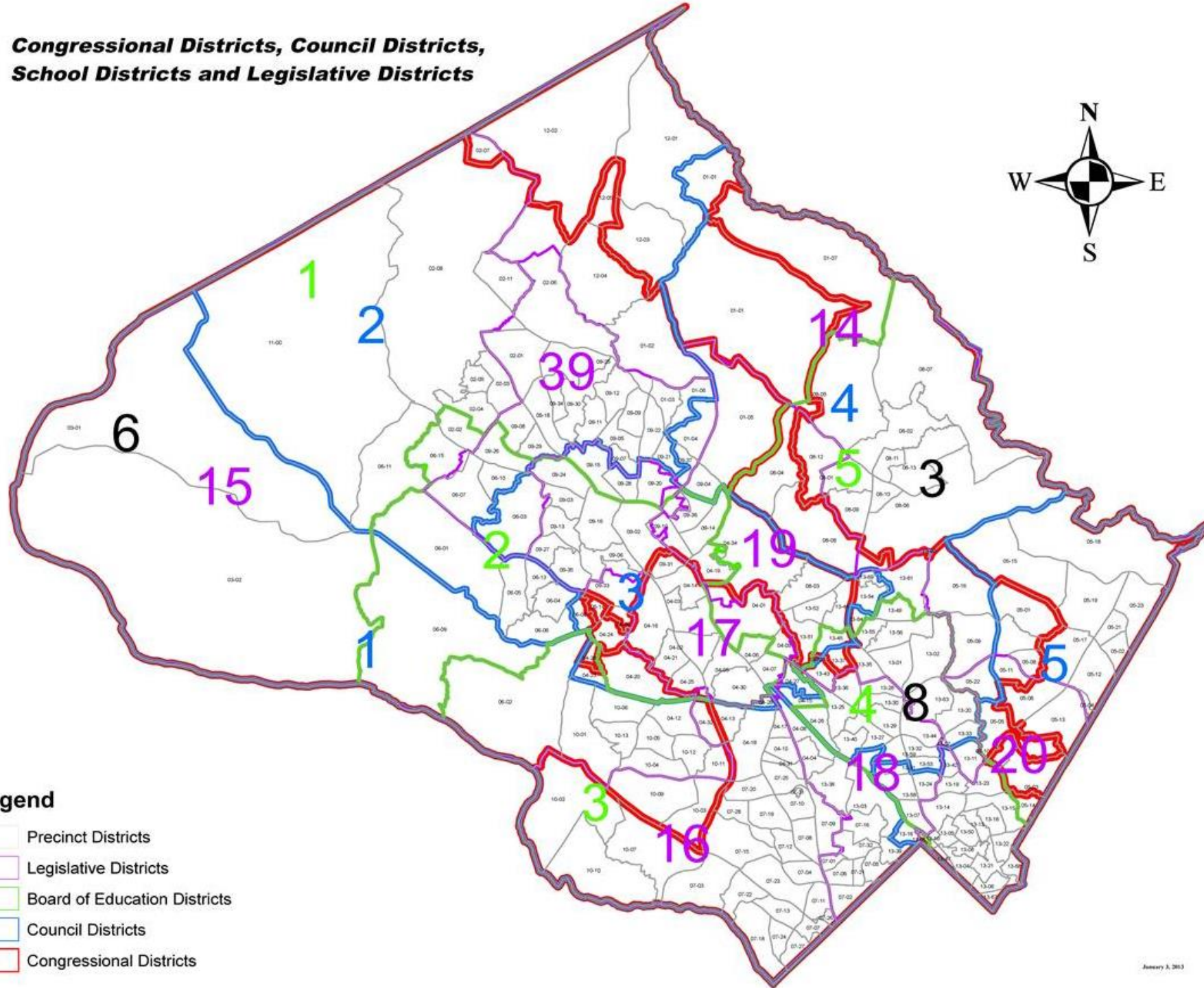


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Montgomery County 2018 Election Districts and Precincts



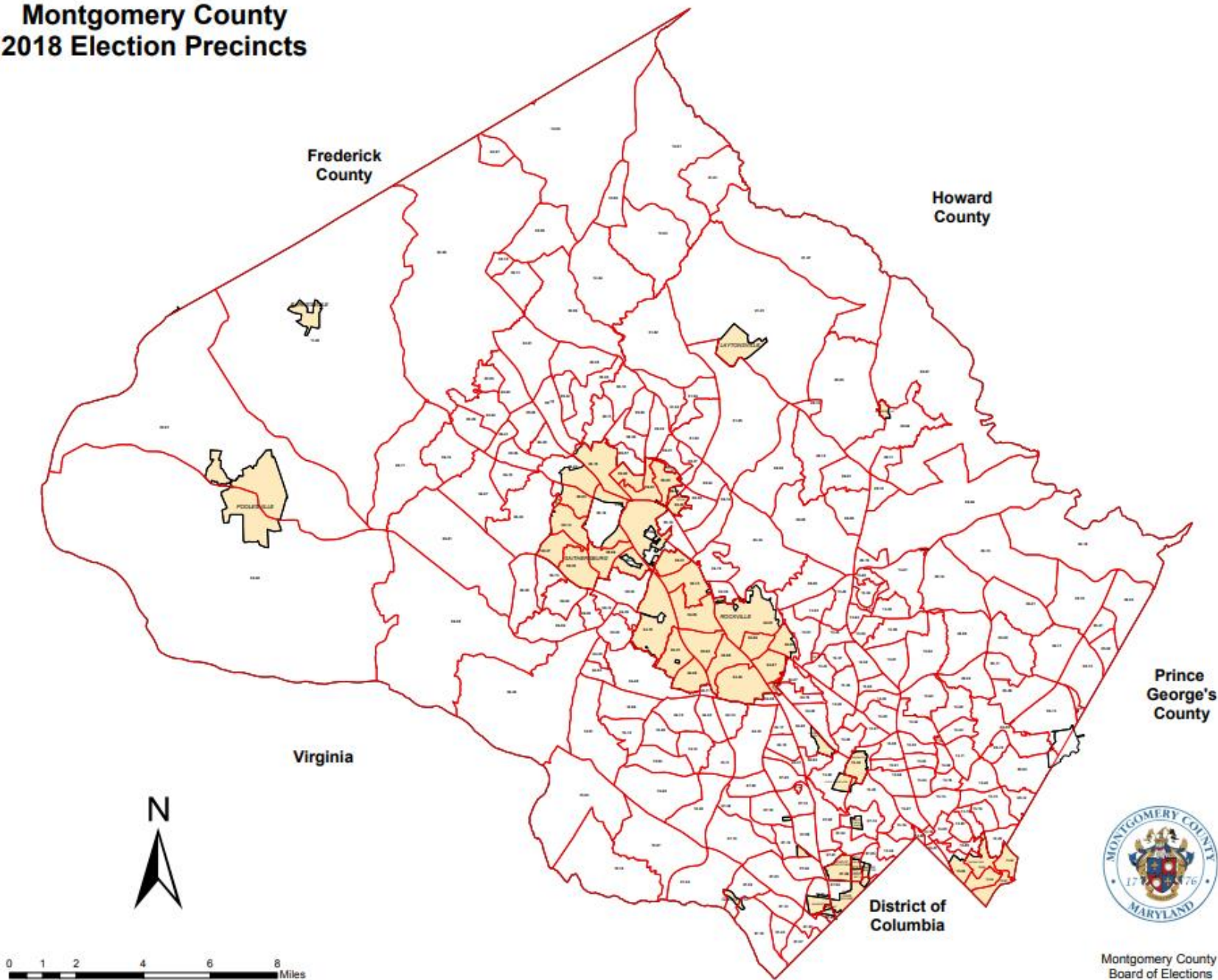
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School Districts and Legislative Districts**



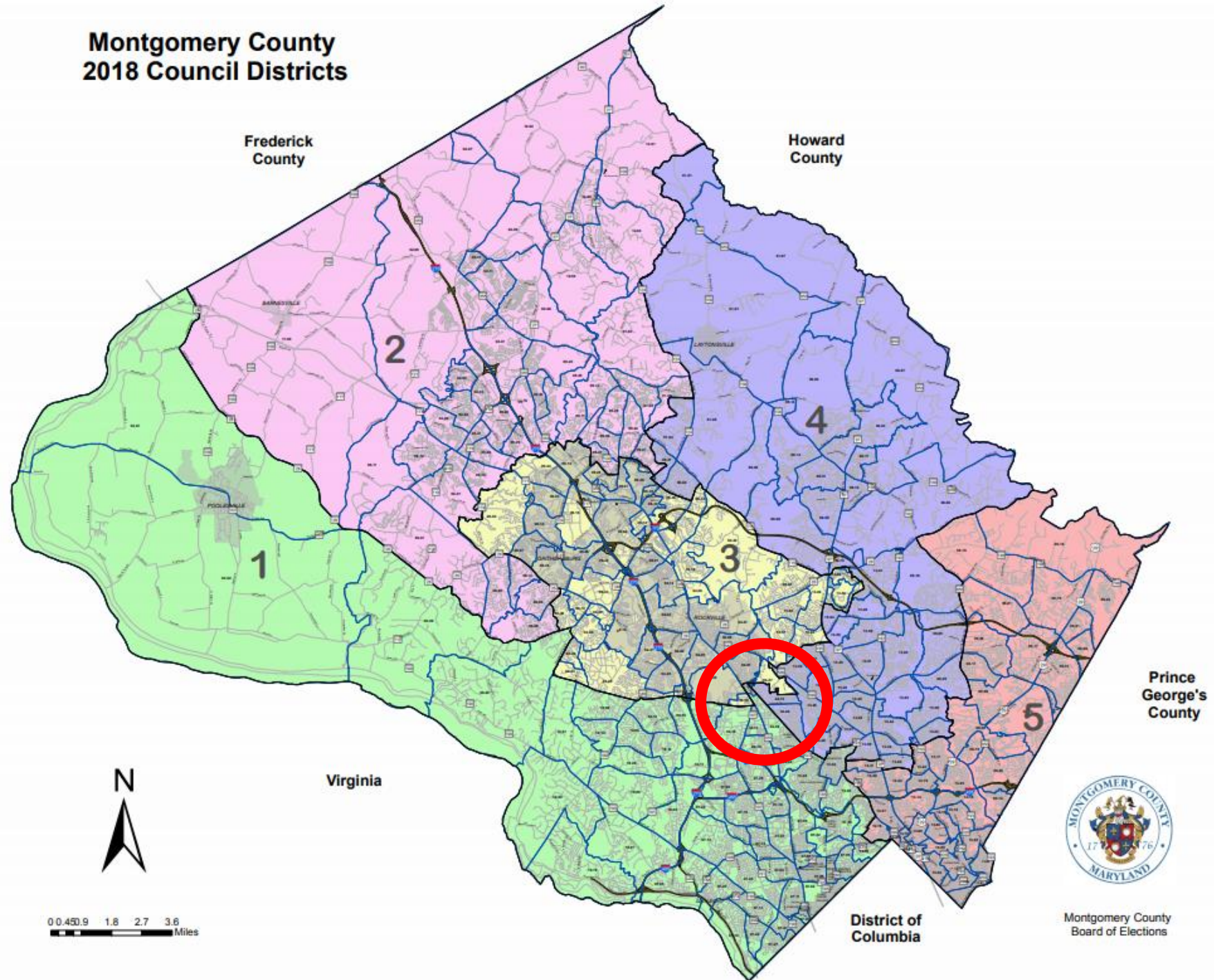
Legend

- Precinct Districts
- Legislative Districts
- Board of Education Districts
- Council Districts
- Congressional Districts

**Montgomery County
2018 Election Precincts**

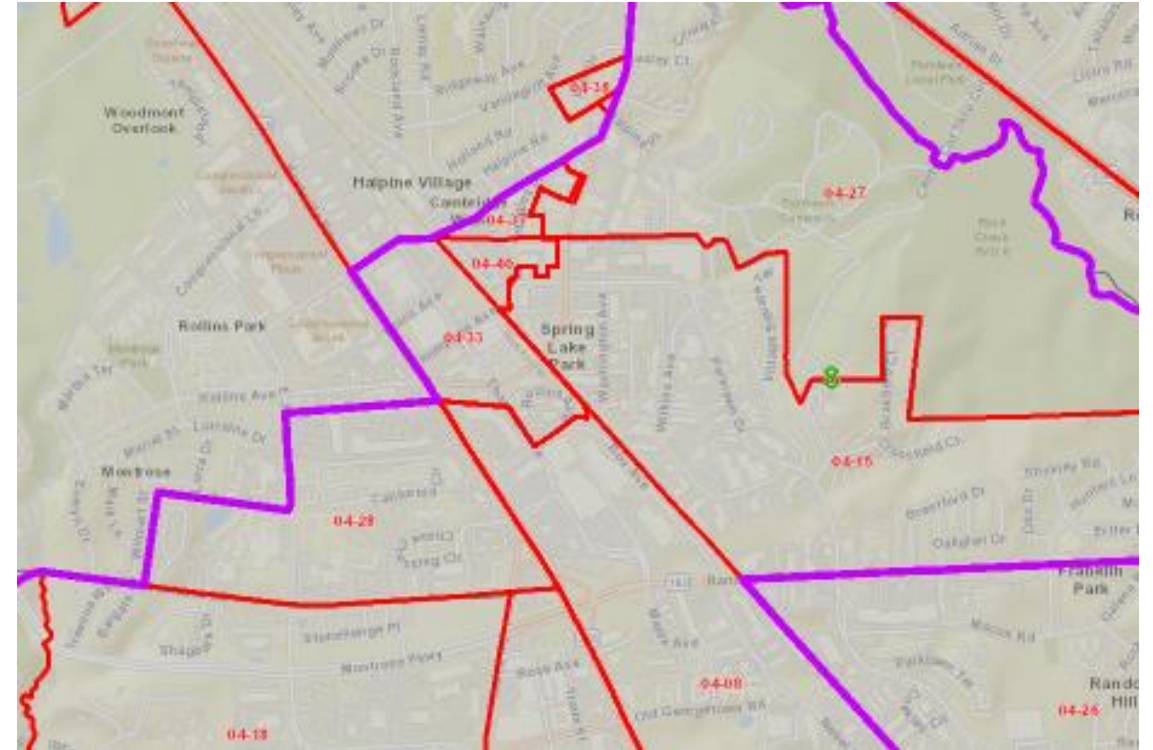


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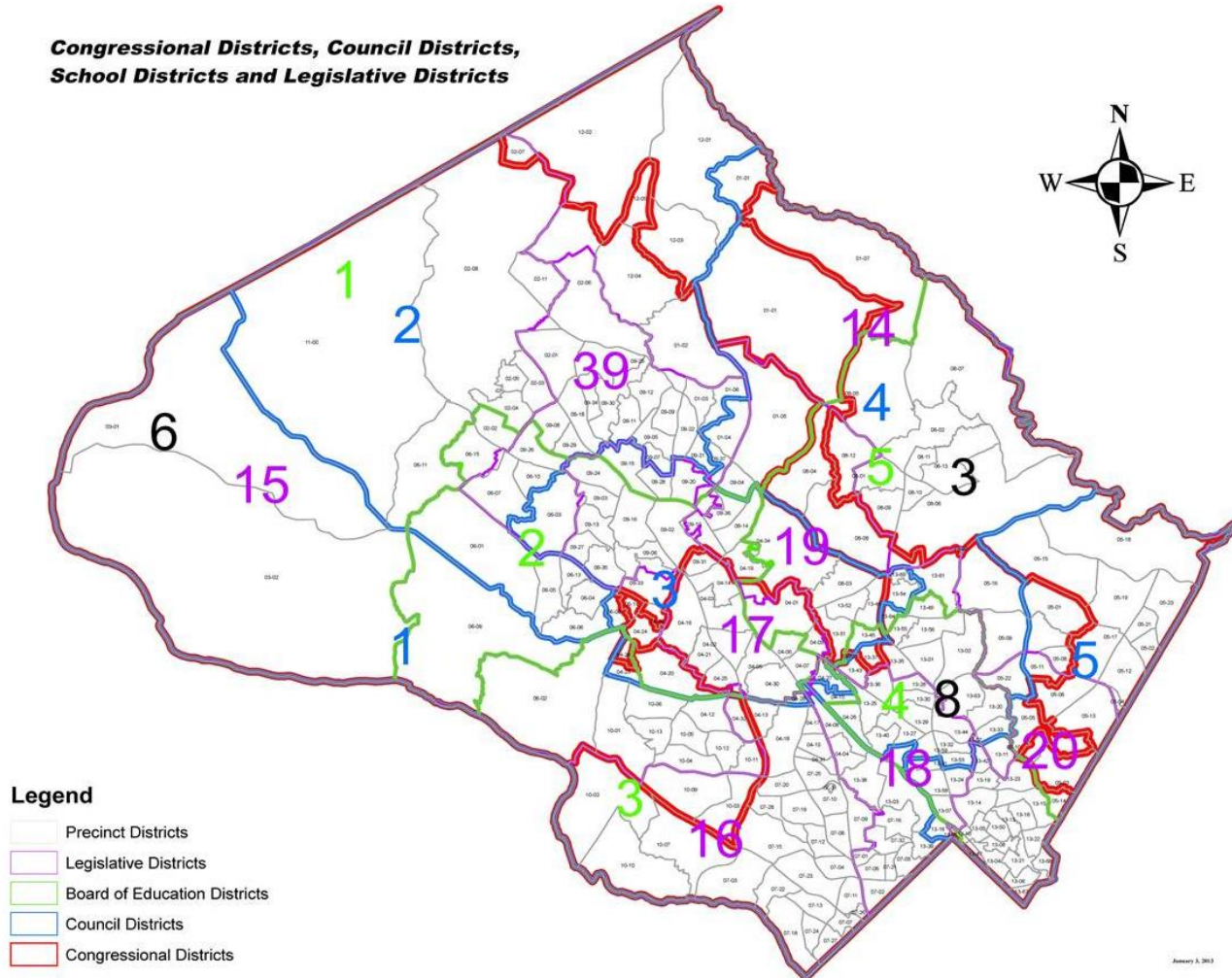


What Will the General Assembly Do?



Defining Precincts and Polling Places

***Congressional Districts, Council Districts,
School Districts and Legislative Districts***



Considerations include:

- ✓ Legal requirements
- ✓ Availability of polling places
- ✓ Factors that affect the voting experience such as:
 - Walkability
 - Parking
 - Precinct size
 - Room layout and capacity
 - Minimizing the extent of polling place changes

Reliance on Existing Civic Infrastructure

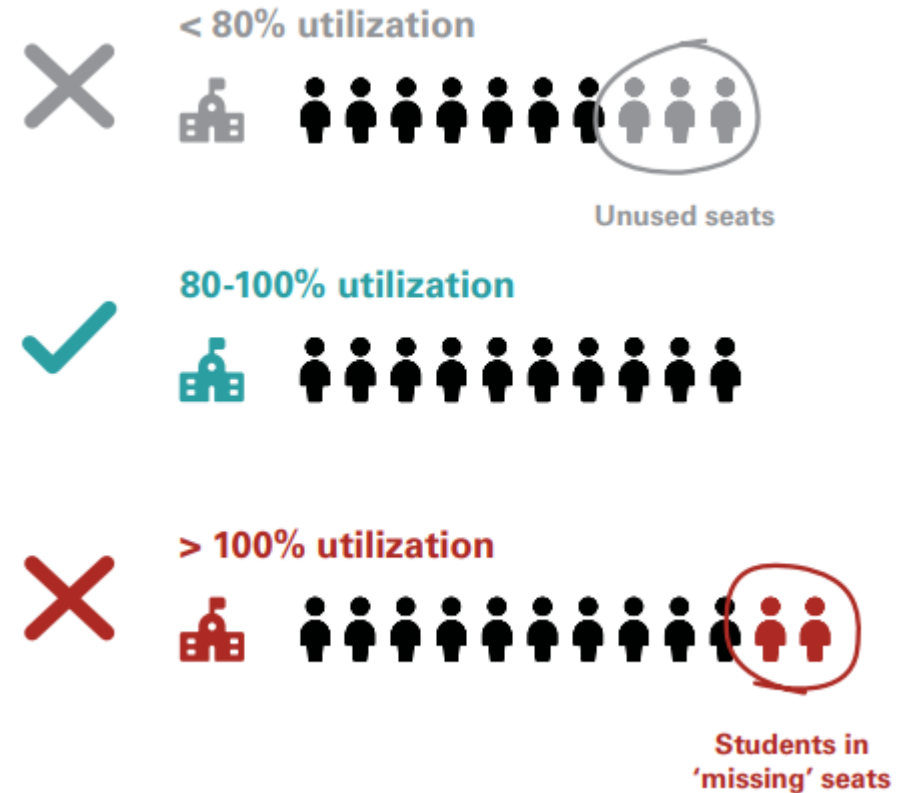
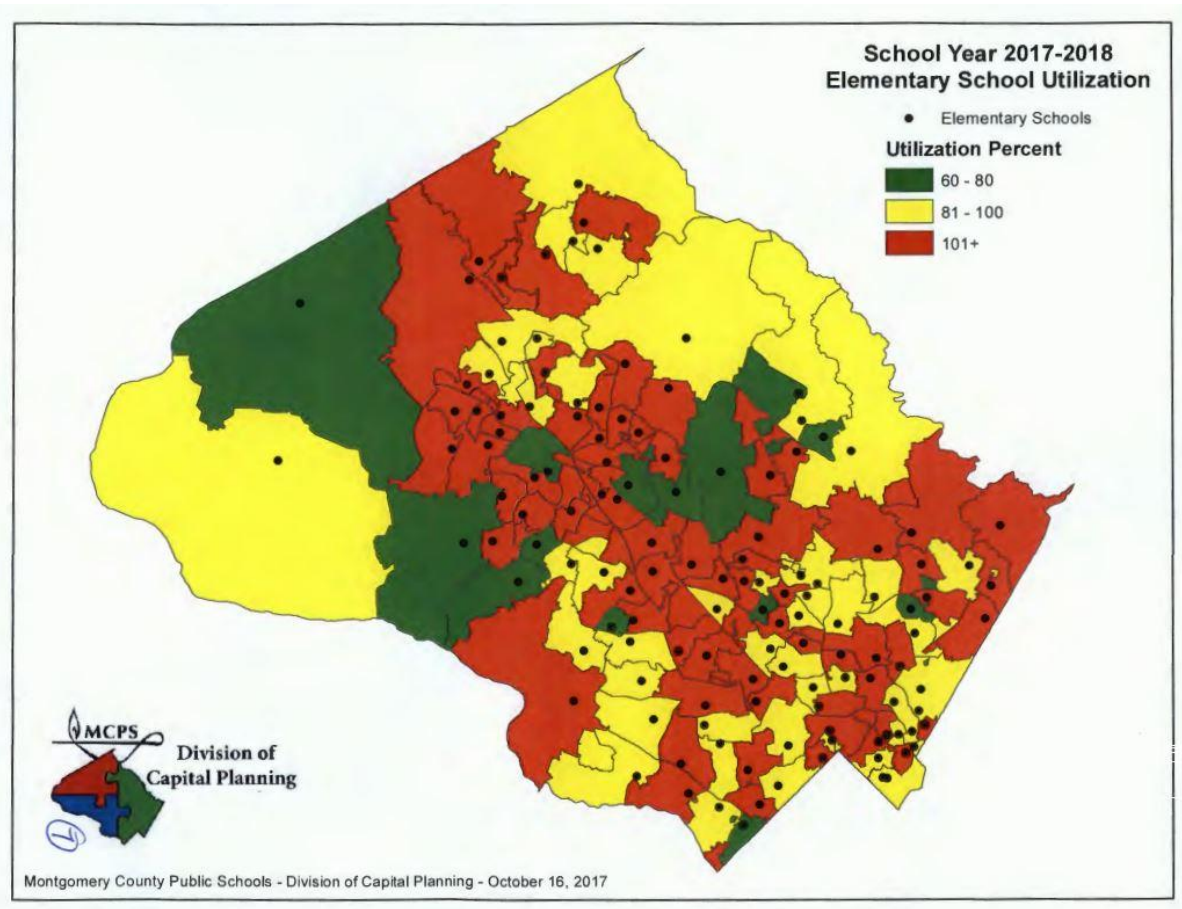
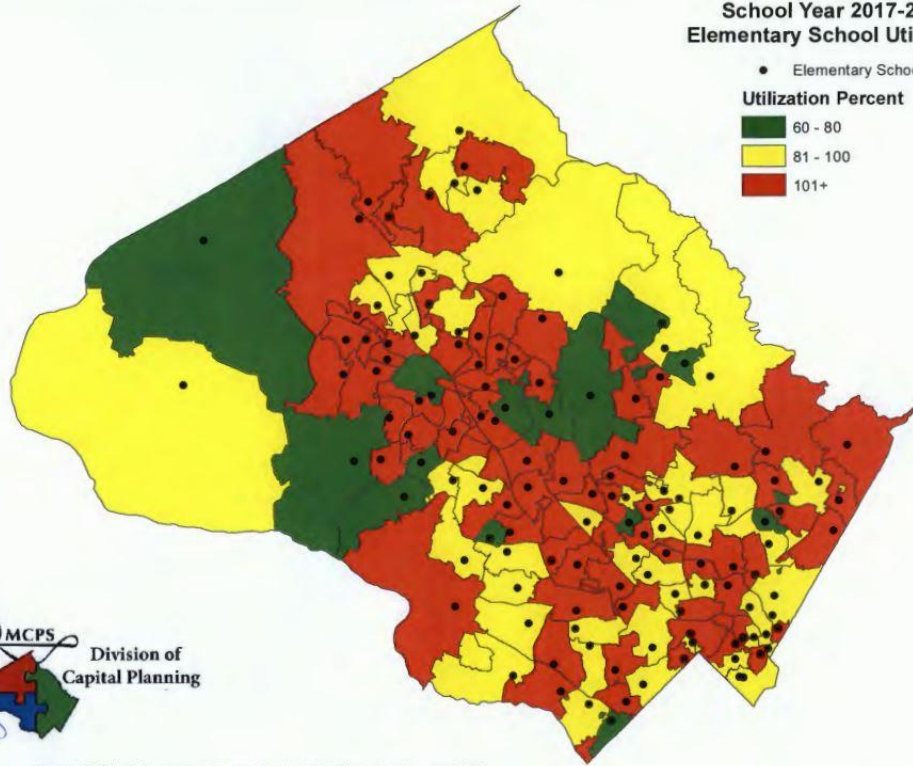
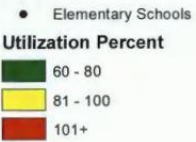


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Addressing Wait Time Disparities

School Year 2017-2018
Elementary School Utilization



Montgomery County Public Schools - Division of Capital Planning - October 16, 2017

Peak Wait Times By Precinct

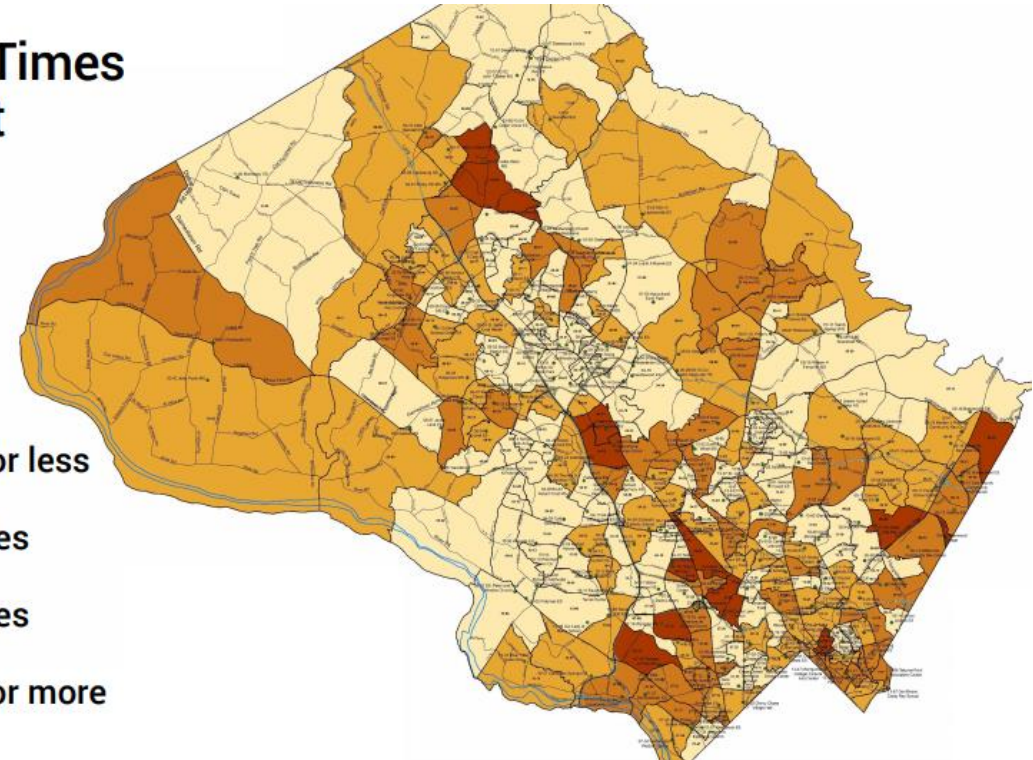
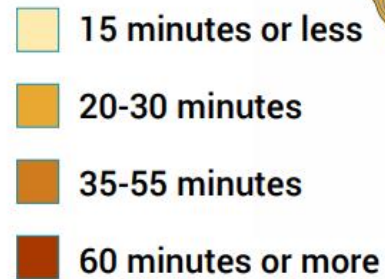
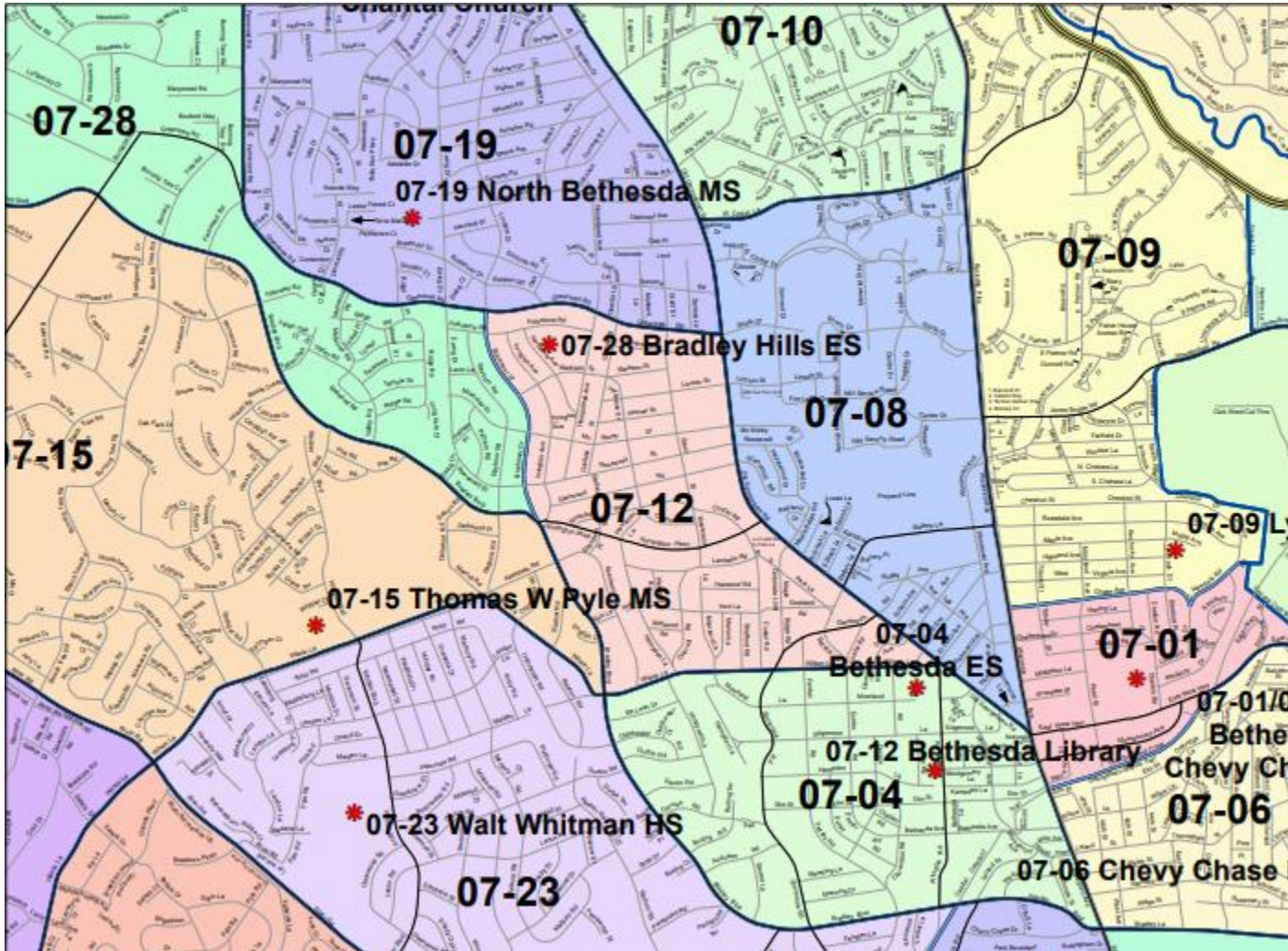


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Duties of the Board of Elections



Each polling place needs:

- ✓ Accessibility survey
- ✓ Electrical capacity and wireless signal strength testing
- ✓ Public notice
- ✓ Board deliberation
- ✓ Signed contract or MOU
- ✓ Voter notification
- ✓ Voting equipment programming
- ✓ Ballot proofing
- ✓ Site plan
- ✓ Assignment of workers

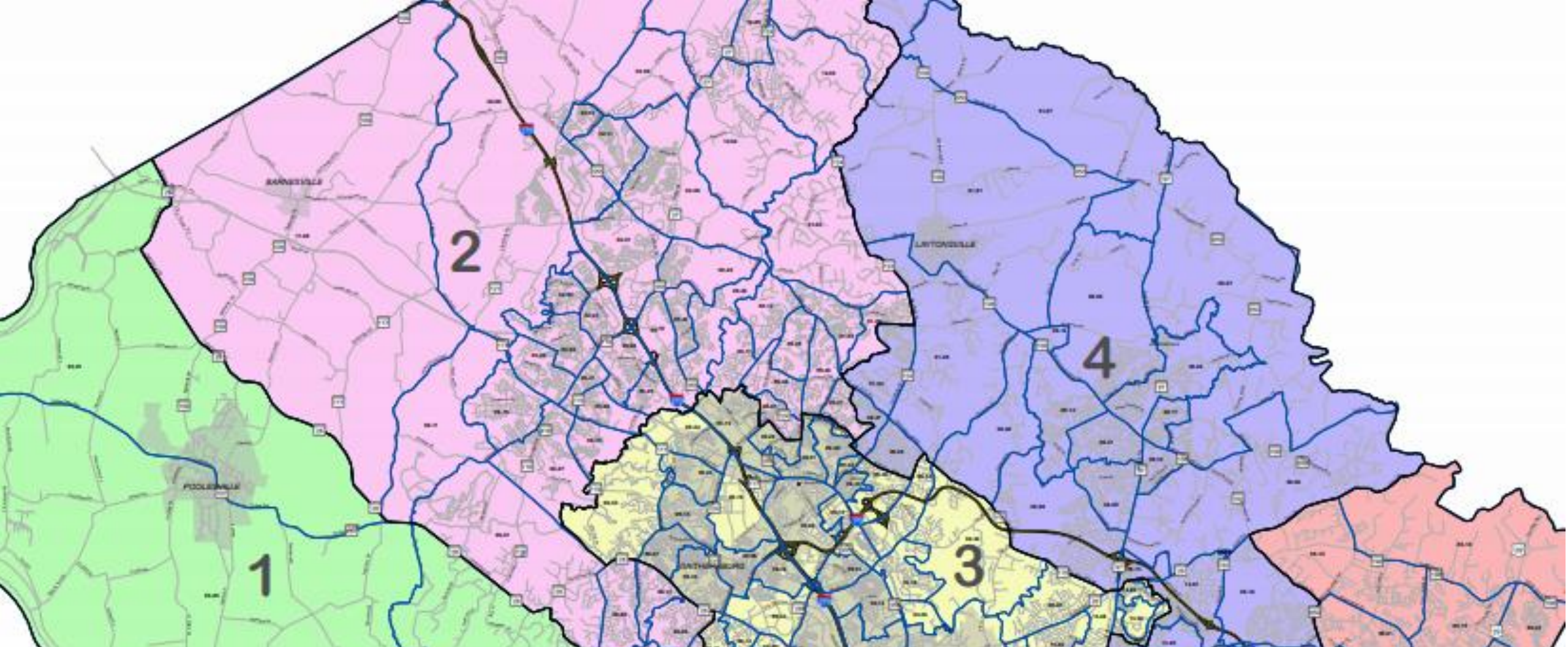
The Calendar Ahead

2021

- November 15: Deadline for Redistricting Commission Plan
- December 15: Deadline for Council to Hold Public Hearing Election Judge database needs to “go live”

2022

- January 12: General Assembly Convenes Recruitment needs to begin
- February 13: Deadline for Council Plan to Become Law
- February 22: Deadline to File a Certificate of Candidacy
- March 4: Deadline for Candidate to Withdraw
- March 9: Deadline to Challenge Residency of a Candidate Training needs to begin
- March 29: Deadline to Create or Change Boundary or Polling Place
- April 11: General Assembly Adjourns
- April 25: Deadline for Certification of the Ballot
- April 28: Printing of Ballots Begins
- June 16: Early Voting Begins
- June 28: Election Day



Questions?

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