



# DRAFT-- POSSIBLE TIMELINE FOR STATE LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTING, 2021 – 2023

This document is a draft timeline for discussion purposes at the Montana Districting and Apportionment Commission's June 10, 2021, meeting.

Date	Event/Action
April 1, 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Federal decennial census</li> </ul>
May 25, 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Meet with new presiding officer</li> <li>• Discuss next steps for districting criteria decisions and congressional districting</li> </ul>
Summer 2021  <u>Tentative Meeting Dates</u> <i>June 10</i> <i>July 8-9</i> <i>August 17</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Commission review of districting criteria (congressional and state legislative)</li> <li>• Public hearings on districting criteria</li> <li>• Adopt districting criteria</li> <li>• Discuss other timelines, work processes</li> </ul>
By August 16, 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• P.L. 94-171 Legacy Format Summary Files released to states</li> </ul>
By September 30, 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• P.L. 94-171 User-Friendly Format Summary Files delivered to official state recipients (governors, legislative leaders, redistricting commissions, state liaisons)</li> </ul>
September to December 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Congressional redistricting</li> <li>• Discuss state legislative redistricting timelines, processes</li> </ul>
January-February 2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Analysis of Census data and state legislative population changes</li> <li>• Discuss/adopt state legislative redistricting timelines, processes</li> <li>• Begin legislative redistricting</li> </ul>
February 2022 to November 2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Adopt public hearing schedule, hold hearings</li> <li>• Tentative adoption of House plan</li> <li>• Pair House districts to create Senate districts</li> <li>• Assign holdover senators to districts</li> </ul>