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League of Women Voters expects fair district maps

The Citizens Redistricting Committee has submitted its recommended maps for legislative districts to both the public and our legislators.

The committee provided many opportunities for public input as it developed its maps.

During the upcoming Special Session, the Legislature should show the same respect for New Mexicans and follow both the letter and the spirit of the Open Meetings Act.

The League of Women Voters of Santa Fe County asks that the Legislature comply with the Voting Rights Act and select maps that best avoid partisan gerrymandering, protect communities of interest, respect all governmental boundaries, and avoid favoring incumbents.

If the Legislature amends any of the CRC-recommended maps, we expect a detailed public explanation for all changes.

We have followed and will continue to follow the redistricting process. We encourage New Mexicans to contact your legislators on this important issue.

Contact information can be found at www.nmlegis.gov/Members/Find My Legislator.

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