

NOVA SCOTIA UTILITY AND REVIEW BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT ACT

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IN THE MATTER OF AN APPLICATION by the MUNICIPALITY OF THE DISTRICT OF BARRINGTON to reduce the number of councillors from seven to five and to amend the boundaries of the polling districts

BEFORE:  Murray E. Doehler, CA, P.Eng., Member

DECISION AND ORDER

WHEREAS an Application was made by the Municipality of the District of Barrington pursuant to s. 368 of the *Municipal Government Act* to reduce the number of polling districts and councillors from seven to five and to amend the boundaries of the polling districts;

AND WHEREAS no one had requested to speak at the hearing further to the advertisement in the Shelburne Coast Guard newspaper published on December 13 and 20, 2011;

AND WHEREAS the Board held a hearing by teleconference on the Application on January 10, 2012,

AND WHEREAS the Board allowed Cecil Swimm to speak at the hearing and he voiced his opposition to the Application, mainly because the question of whether to continue with a Warden, or change to a Mayor, was to be the subject of a plebiscite during the municipal election in October 2012;

AND WHEREAS the Board finds that Council debated the Warden/Mayor issue and decided not to pursue this issue at this time, but unanimously supported the present Application to reduce the number of polling districts and councillors;

AND WHEREAS the Board finds that the Warden/Mayor issue is not relevant to the present Application to set the number of councillors and polling districts at five;

AND WHEREAS the Board finds the Application to be complete and the descriptions of the polling districts, attached to this Order as Schedule "A", to be reasonable and appropriate;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the number of polling districts and the number of councillors for the Municipality of the District of Barrington are confirmed at five and the boundaries of the polling districts are confirmed in Schedule "A" and the maps of the polling districts in Schedule "B" attached to this Order.

DATED at Halifax, Nova Scotia, this 19th day of January, 2012.



Clerk of the Board

MUNICIPALITY OF THE DISTRICT OF BARRINGTON

Municipal Polling District Descriptions

DISTRICT 1 - WEST

This District has an estimated population of 1,494 and an estimated area of 159.0 square kilometers.

Beginning at a point where the Shelburne County line meets the Yarmouth County line at the shore of Pubnico Harbour on the eastern side of Lighthouse Road, including the communities of Upper Woods Harbour, Central Woods Harbour, Lower Woods Harbour, Charlesville, Forbes Point, Shag Harbour, and Lower Shag Harbour as far as, but not including the West Bear point Road and various islands offshore.

DISTRICT 2 - CENTRAL

This District has an estimated population of 1,516 and an estimated area of 196.7 square kilometers.

Beginning at the West Bear Point Road and including the communities of Bear Point, Atwood's Brook, Doctor's Cove, Barrington Passage, Sherose Island, Brass Hill, Barrington West and Oak Park and various islands offshore.

DISTRICT 3 - WEST BAY

This District has an estimated population of 1,238 and an estimated area of 24.1 square kilometers.

Beginning at the Causeway on Cape Sable Island and including the communities of North East Point, Centreville, Newellton, and West Head to the boundary line of the Town of Clark's Harbour.

DISTRICT 4 - EAST BAY

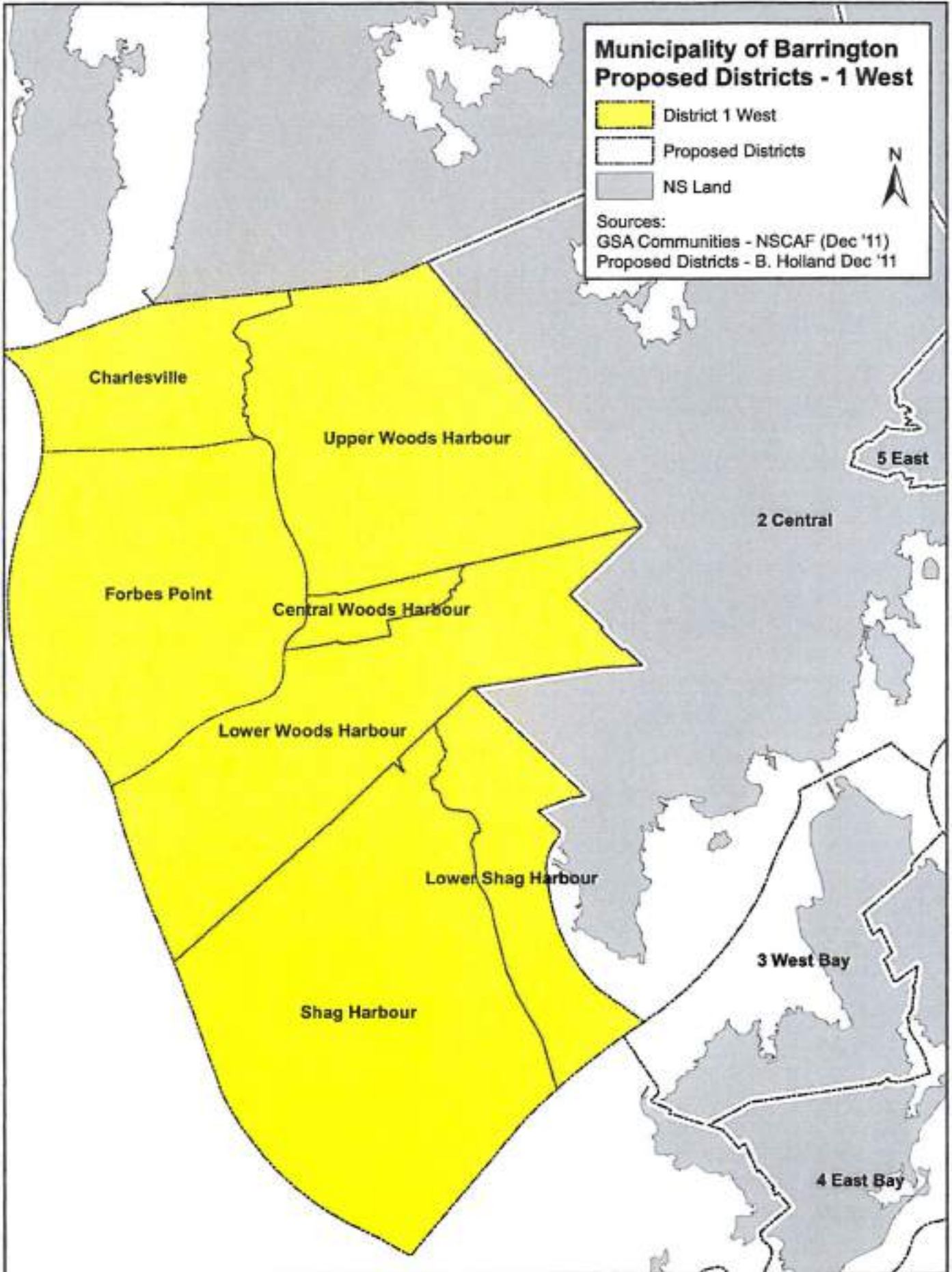
This District has an estimated population of 1,191 and an estimated area of 46.2 square kilometers.

Beginning at the Clam Point road sign on the Stoney Island-Clan point Road and including the communities of Clam Point, Stoney Island, South Side, Lower Clark's Harbour, and The Hawk, to the boundary of the Town of Clark's Harbour, and various offshore islands.

DISTRICT 5 - EAST

This district has an estimated population of 1,445 and an estimated area of 534.1 square kilometers.


Beginning at the intersection where the Connector Road to Exit 30 meets Highway 103, and including the communities of Riverhead, Barrington, Villagedale, Coffinscroft, Port Latour, Baccaro, West Baccaro, East Baccaro, Smithsville, Upper Port Latour, Reynoldscroft, Cape Negro, Blanche, Port Clyde, Thomasville, Clyde River, Lower Clyde River, Middle Clyde River, and Goose Lake, and various offshore islands.



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Municipality of Barrington Proposed Districts - 2 Central

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 Proposed Districts

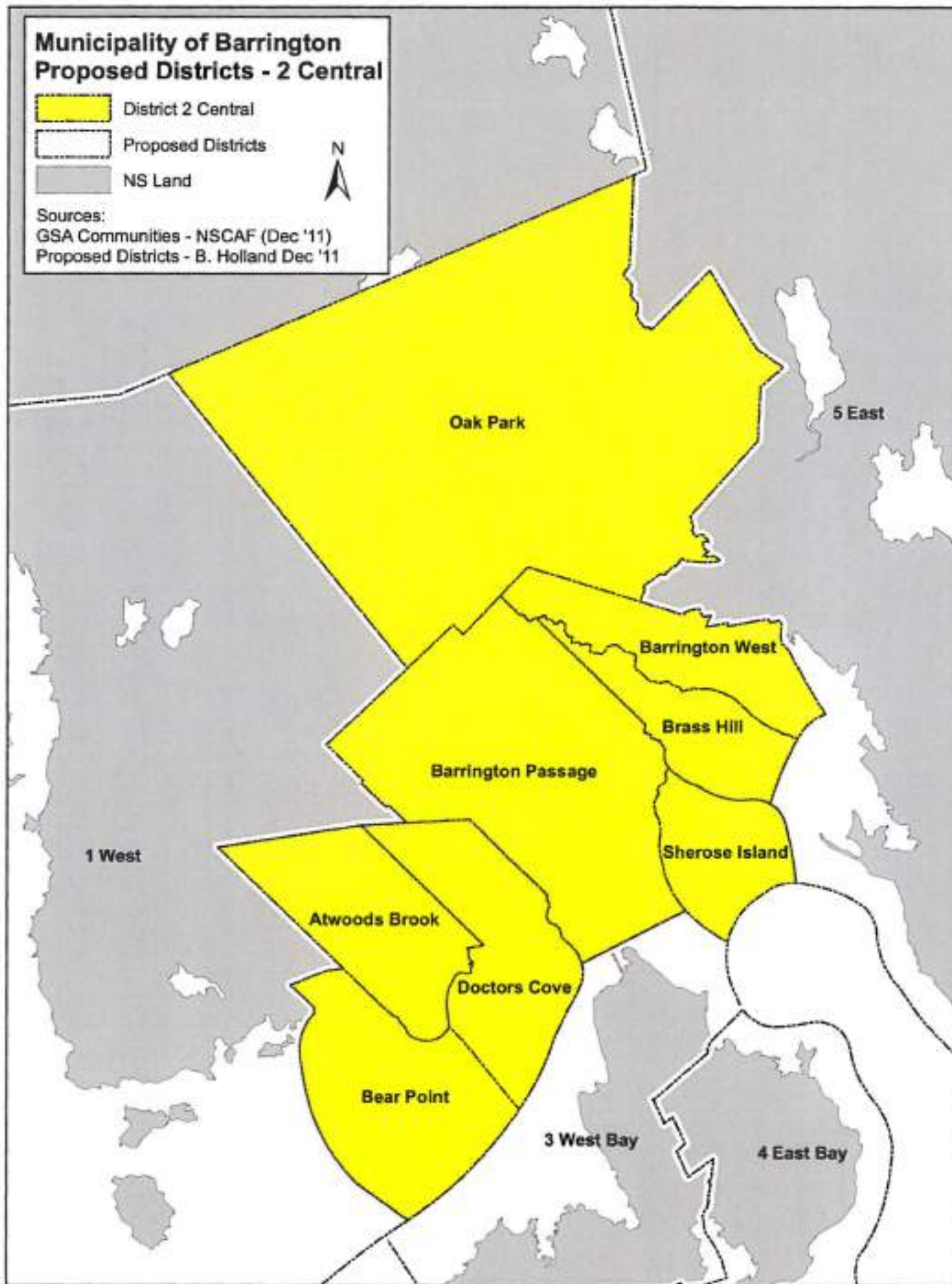
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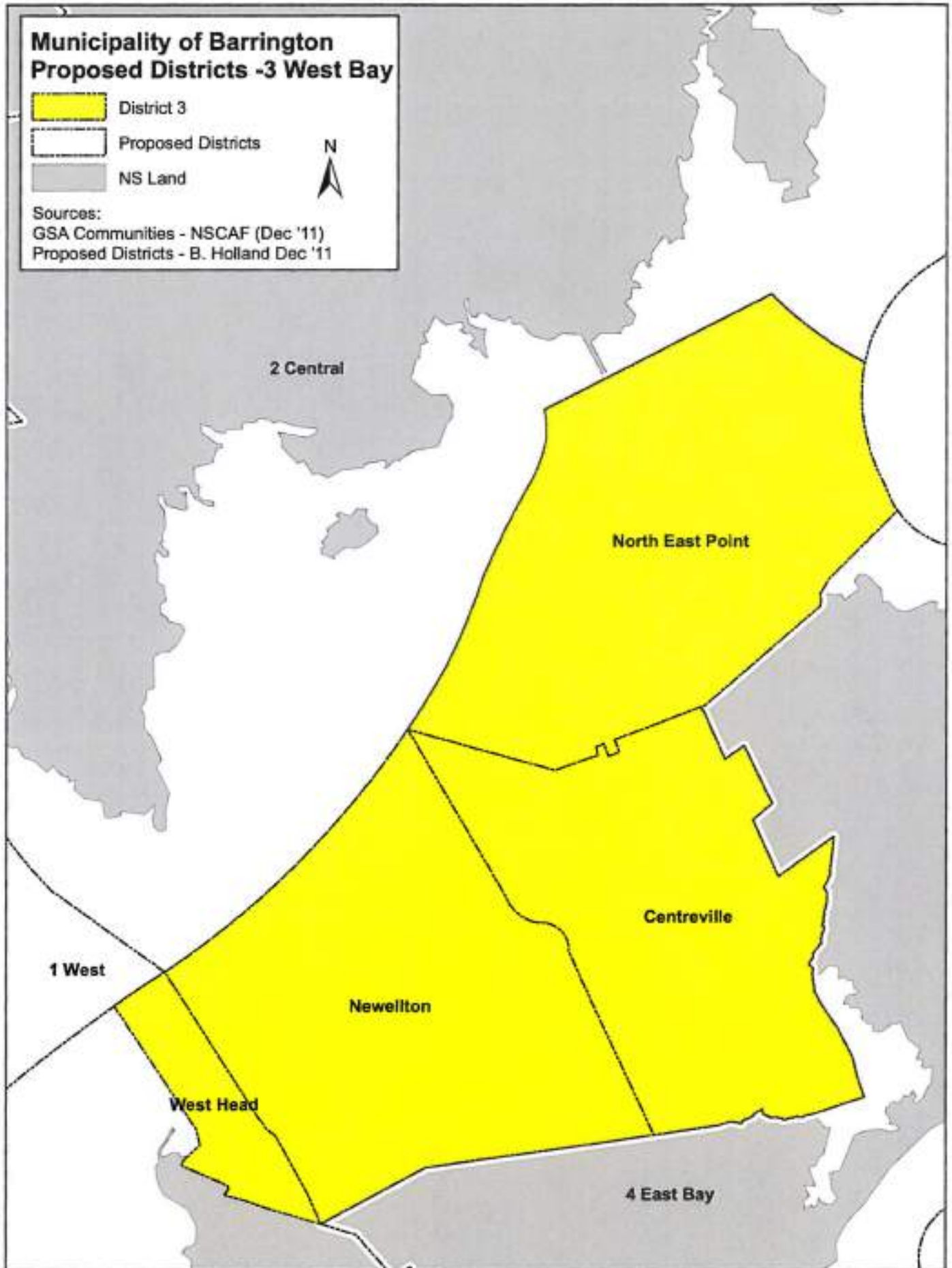
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GSA Communities - NSCAF (Dec '11)

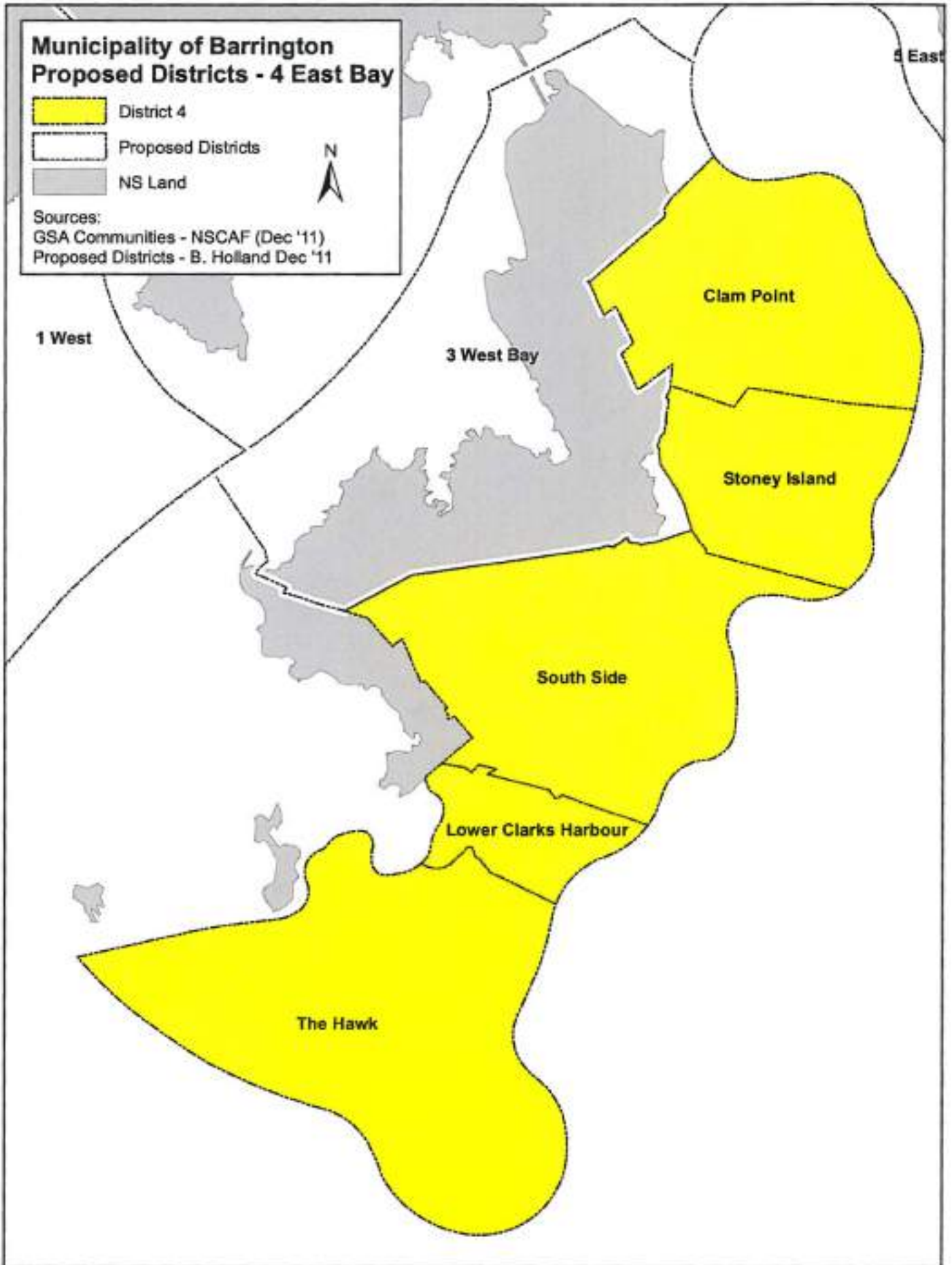
Proposed Districts - B. Holland Dec '11

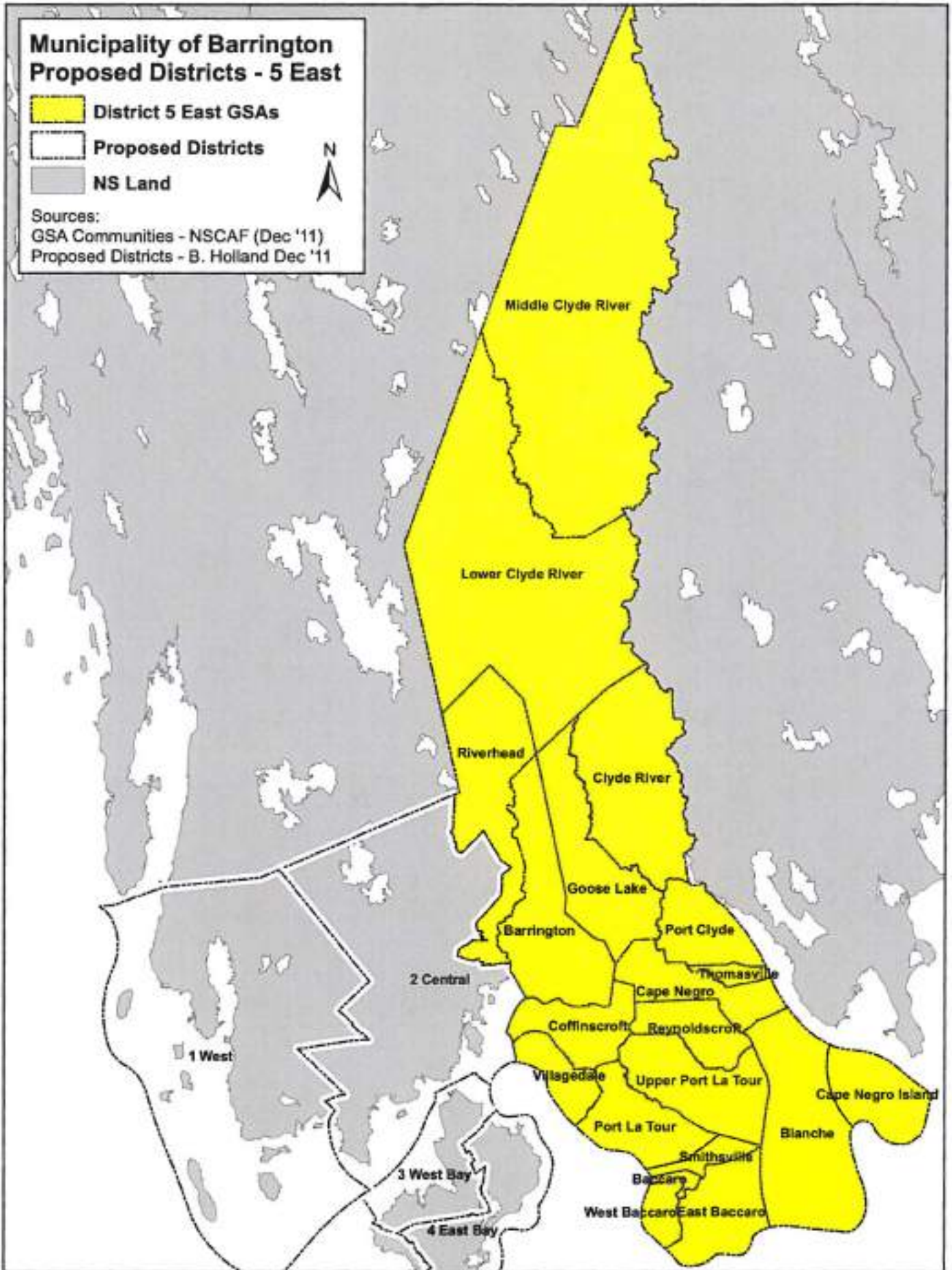


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Municipality of Barrington Proposed Districts - All

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Stats Cnd Project July 2010 Census

District	Estimated Population
1 - West	1,494
2 - Central	1,516
3 - West Bay	1,238
4 - East Bay	1,191
5 - East	1,445

