
2020 Census Boundary Adjustments

Data Disclaimer

The data provided in this zip file includes corrections made to the MCD and VTD geography that were completed with the cooperation of the Minnesota Secretary of State's Elections Division. The Minnesota Secretary of State's 2020 Voting Precincts boundaries and the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) City, Township, and Unorganized Territory boundaries were matched to meet the Census Bureau boundaries. These boundary corrections were necessary in order to provide a hierarchical data schema for the purpose of statewide redistricting and do not in any way change the block level population counts.

More details on boundary adjustments can be found at: <https://www.gis.leg.mn/html/redistricting.html>

County, Town, City and Precinct Boundaries

The LCC-GIS Office made boundary adjustments to the Census 2020 MCD (Minor Civil Division) and VTD (Voting Tabulation District) boundary files using Census 2020 Block boundaries as the base. Adjustments were made using 2020 MN-Geo CTU boundaries and 2020 MN-SOS Precinct boundaries, matching these boundaries with the Census 2020 Block boundaries. These adjustments are included, but may not be limited, to the maps and descriptions below. A series of maps outline the boundary adjustments in Appendix 1 below. Some maps are included with a description of the adjustment(s) where deemed necessary. Maps with legend items including the MN-SOS VTD boundaries indicate changes made to both the MCD and VTD boundaries.

Map A: Beltrami County - Census 2020 MCDs contain the unorganized territory of Upper Red Lake. The GIS Office has divided it into Upper Red Lake Unorganized Territory and Lower Red Lake Unorganized Territory, consistent with the precinct names used by MN-SOS.

Map B: Lake of the Woods County - Census 2020 MCDs includes 20 Townships. The GIS Office has adjusted those MCDs to be included into Northwest Koochiching Unorganized Territory based on MN-GEO CTUs and MN-SOS Precincts. Below is the list of Census 2020 MCDs that were adjusted:

1. Township 157-30
2. Kiel Township
3. Township 158-30
4. Swiftwater Township
5. Victory Township
6. Rapid River Township
7. Boone Township
8. Rulien Township
9. Gudrid Township
10. Spooner Township
11. Walhalla Township
12. Baudette Township
13. Wabanica Township
14. McDougald Township

15. Myhre Township
16. Wheeler Township
17. Zippel Township

18. Chilgren Township
19. Prosper Township
20. Lakewood Township

Map C: Lake of the Woods County - Census 2020 shows 2 townships that is actually an unorganized territory with different boundaries and different names. The GIS Office has corrected that area to be Beltrami Forest Unorganized. Below is the list of Census 2020 townships that were corrected:

1. Potamo Township
2. Forest Area Township

Map D: Koochiching County - Census 2020 MCDs contain the unorganized territory of East Koochiching. The GIS Office adjusted the boundary and renamed it to Central Koochiching to match the MN-SOS precinct boundary and name. The following MCDs also had their boundaries adjusted to match MN-SOS precinct boundaries: Northwest Koochiching, South Koochiching, Northome, Rainy Lake and Nett Lake unorganized territories.

Maps E-H: These maps indicate adjustments made to the VTD boundaries are also applied to MCD boundaries.

Precinct Boundary and Name Adjustments

The LCC-GIS Office participated in the 2020 Census Redistricting Data Program involving the Block Boundary Suggestion Program (Phase 1) and Voting District Project (Phase 2). For the Voting District Project, the GIS Office provided precinct updates to reflect the 2019 precinct boundaries provided by the MN-SOS. Those precinct boundary adjustments are incorporated in the Census 2020 VTD boundaries with the following changes:

Beltrami County - Census 2020 shows Unorg Dist 1 precinct in two separate unorganized territories: North Beltrami and Upper Red Lake. The GIS Office adjusted the boundary by splitting the precinct into two separate precincts for each unorganized territory. Unorg Dist 1 in North Beltrami Unorganized was renamed to North Beltrami Unorg and was given a new VTD code. Unorg Dist 1 in Upper Red Lake Unorganized was changed to Upper Red Lake Unorg.

Boundary Adjustments after Original Date Release (8/13/21)

The LCC-GIS Office has continued to make boundary adjustments based on recommendations from County Officials. Below are the descriptions for the adjustment(s) made by the LCC-GIS Office for each data release.

9/22/21 – Data Release

Sturgeon Lake City / Windmere Township

Original LCC Data had Block ID: 271159502002031 in Windmere Township – MCD: 27115666013 and VTD: 271150240. Block was adjusted to be included into Sturgeon Lake City – MCD: 271152395993 and into Sturgeon Lake P-2 Precinct – VTD: 271150223.

Island Lake Township / Nordland Township

Original LCC Data had Block ID: 270833602001135 in Nordland Township – MCD: 27083665135 and VTD: 270830135. Block was adjusted to be included into Island Lake Township – MCD: 27083664561 and VTD: 270830065.

Lake Marshall Township / Marshall City

Original LCC Data had Block ID: 270833602002032 in Marshall City – MCD: 270832395022 and VTD: 270830115. Block was adjusted to be included into Lake Marshall Township – MCD: 27083664689 and VTD: 270830070.

Waubun City / Popple Grove Township

Original LCC Data had Block ID: 270879401001081 in Popple Grove Township – MCD: 27087665341 and VTD: 270870075. Block was adjusted to be included into Waubun City – MCD: 270872397219 and VTD: 270870095.

Vasa Township / Welch Township

Original LCC Data had Block ID: 270490804001051 in Welch Township – MCD: 27049665947 and VTD: 270490205. Block was adjusted to be included into Vasa Township – MCD: 27049665852 and VTD: 270490180.

9/27/21 – Data Release

Burnsville City / Apple Valley City / Eagan City

Original LCC Data had Block IDs: 270370607441027 & 270370607441028 in Burnsville City - MCD: 270372393472. Blocks were adjusted to be included into Eagan City – MCD: 270372394586.

Original LCC Data had Block IDs: 270370608061016, 270370608061017 & 270370608061008 in Apple Valley City – MCD: 270372393967. Blocks were adjusted to be included into Eagan City – MCD: 270372394586.

Litchfield City / Litchfield Township

Original LCC Data had Block ID: 270935604001028 in Litchfield City – MCD: 270932395732. Block was adjusted to be included into Litchfield Township – MCD: 27093664798.

10/26/21 – Data Release

May Township / Stillwater Township

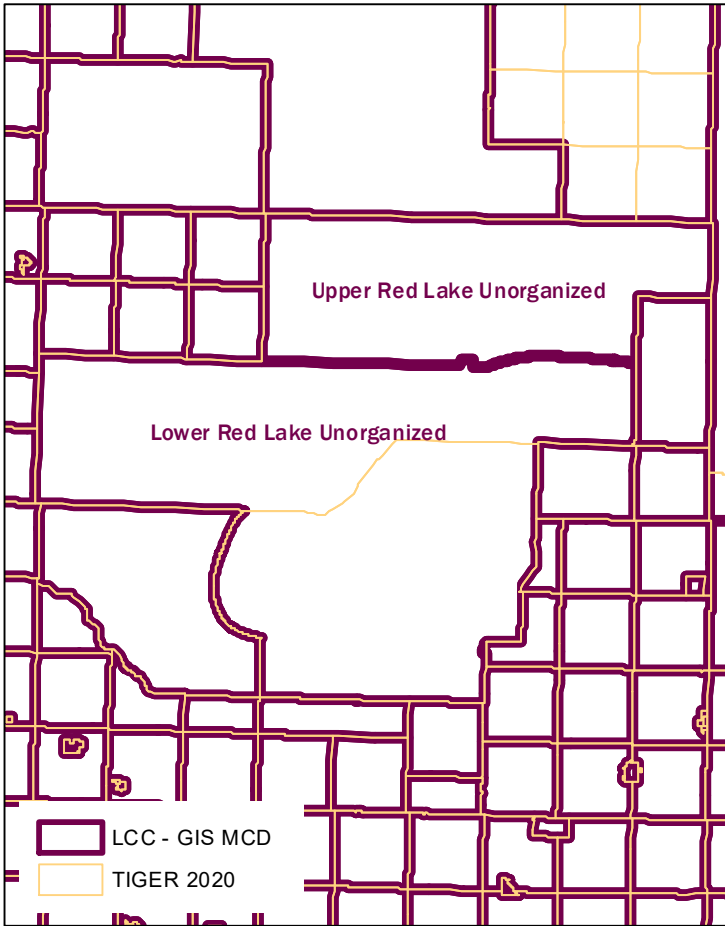
Original LCC Data had Block IDs: 271630704041006 & 271630704041005 in May Township - MCD: 27163664932 and VTD: 271630215. Blocks were adjusted to be included into Stillwater Township – MCD: 27163665712 and VTD: 271630350.

11/03/21 – Data Release

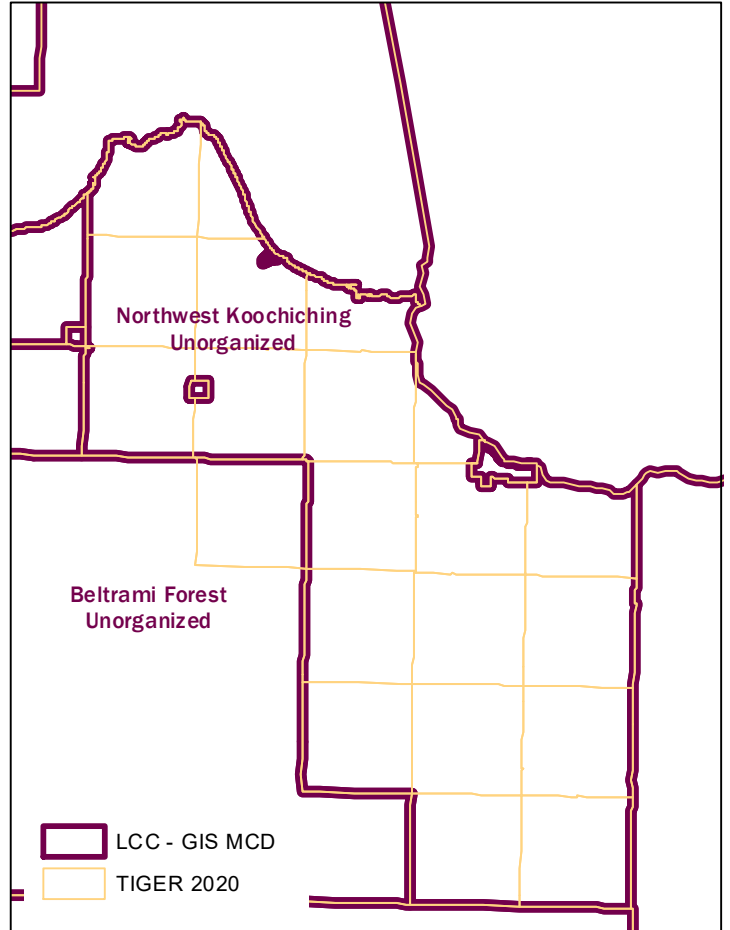
City of Faribault / Wells Township

Original LCC Data had Block IDs: 271310709013007, 271310709013039, 271310703001040, 271310703001041 & 271310709021052 in Wells Township – MCD: 27131665951 and VTD: 271310145. Blocks were adjusted to be included into Faribault City – MCD: 271312394742.

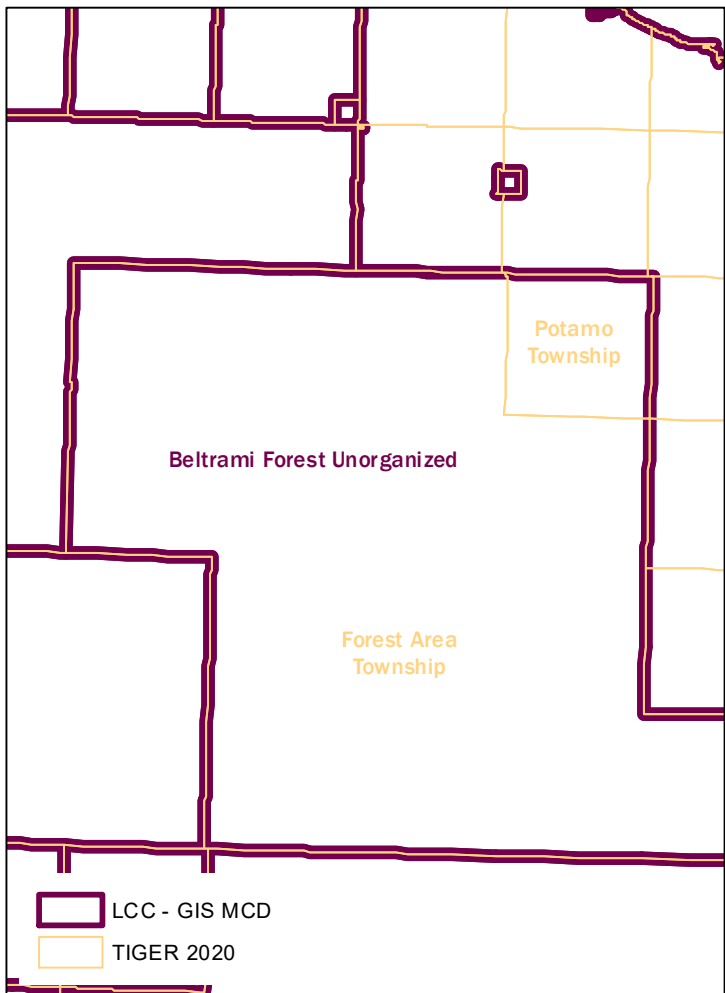
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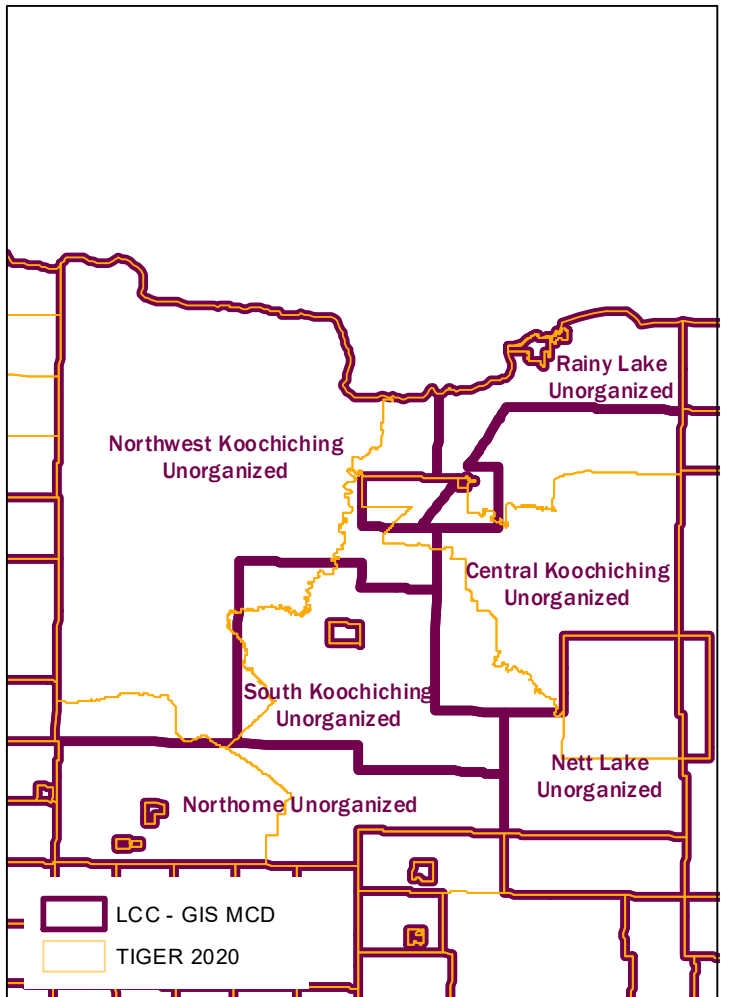
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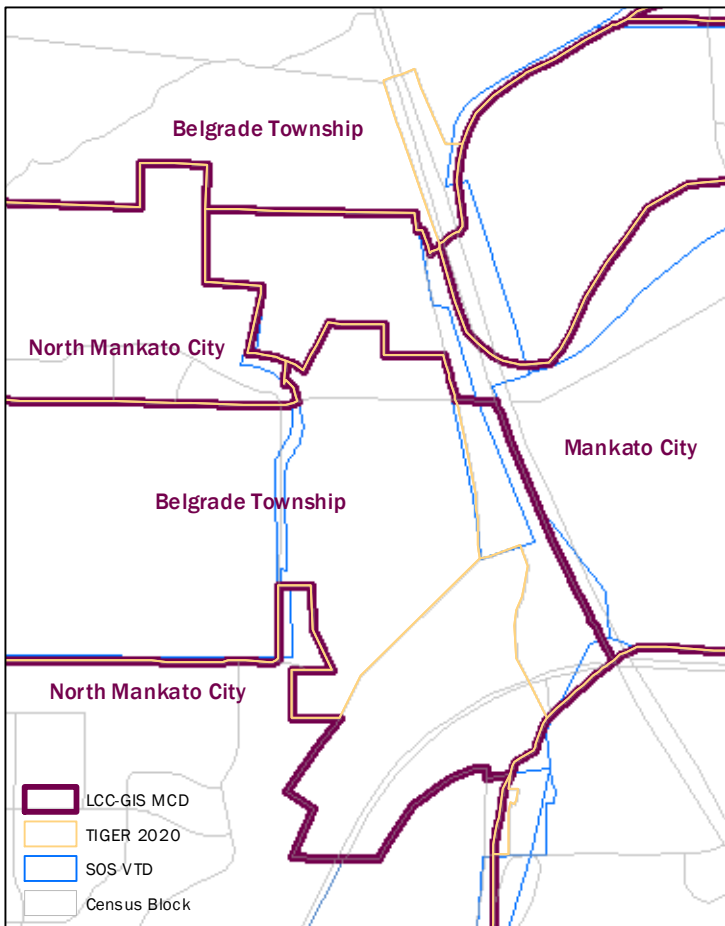
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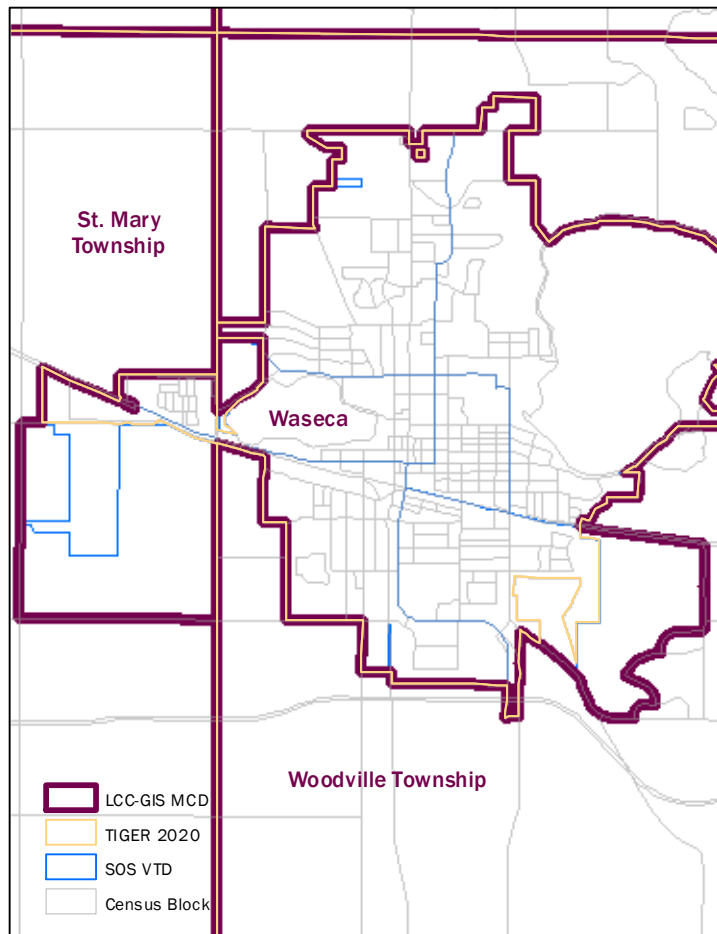
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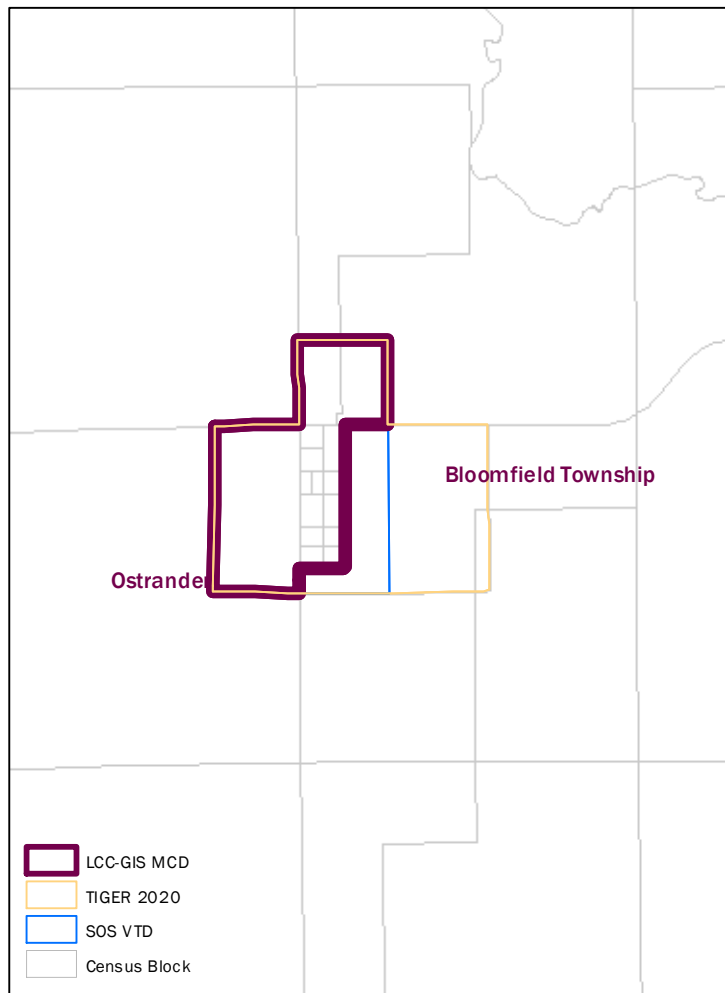
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Map. G



Map. H

