

Feedback on 5 finalist maps for HARD

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What I look for:

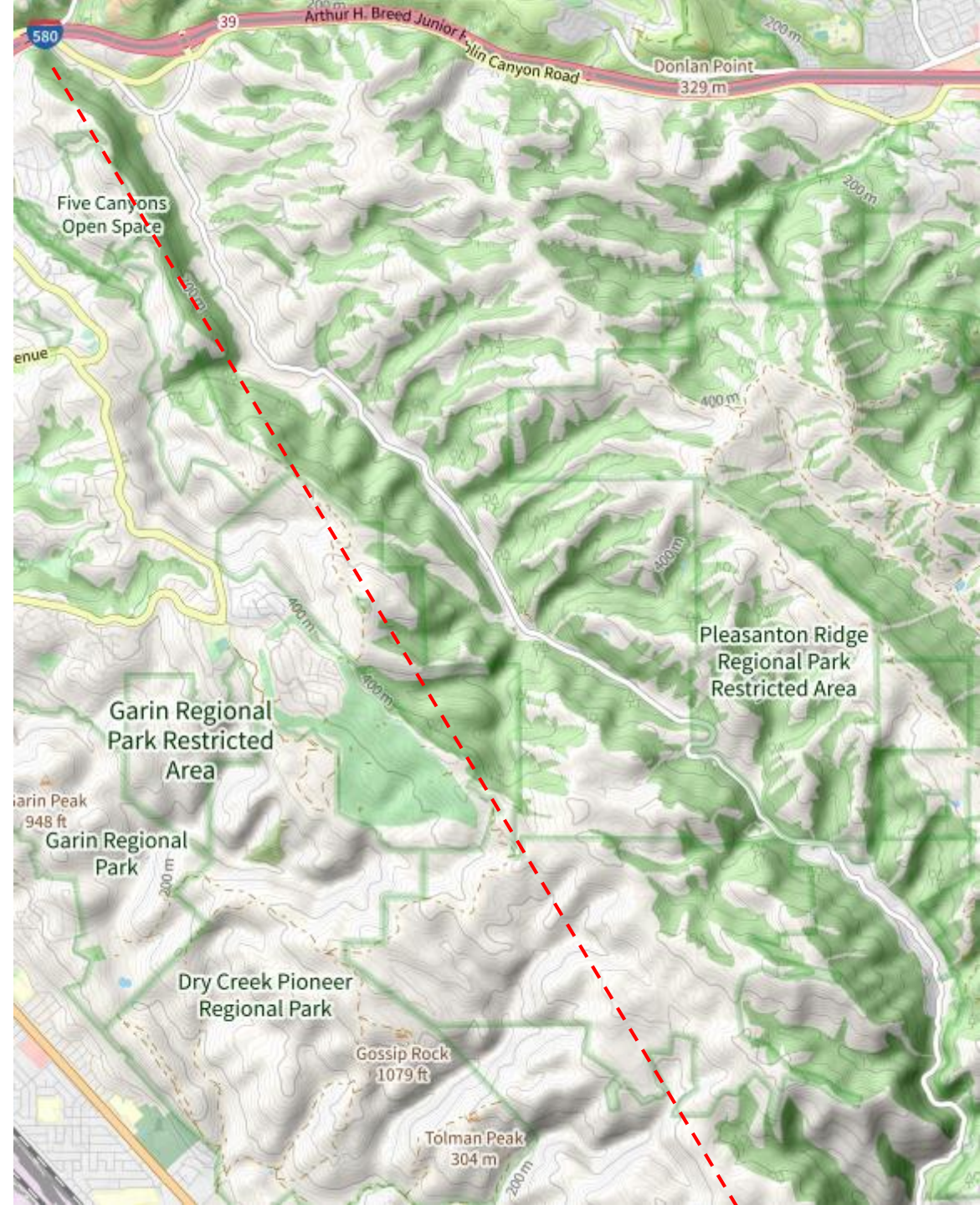
- Follow Fair Maps Act
 - Is there a clear argument for its compliance, and that there is no better way?
- Prioritize well established, obvious Communities of Interest:
 - Create dedicated representation for unincorporated areas
 - Preserve Hayward neighborhoods
- Draw lines along geographic obstacles

At prior hearings, the board has expressed interest in districts crossing Hayward city limits to prevent a Hayward majority on the future board. I find this contrary to the Fair Maps Act, 21130(c)(2) and (3). I ask that this be abandoned as a criterion.

Contiguity

You can't get to Hayward from Palomares Canyon without going north of I-580 or trespassing over Walpert Ridge.

You can't get to San Lorenzo from Hayward west of Hesperian except by a 3-mile Bay Trail bike ride.



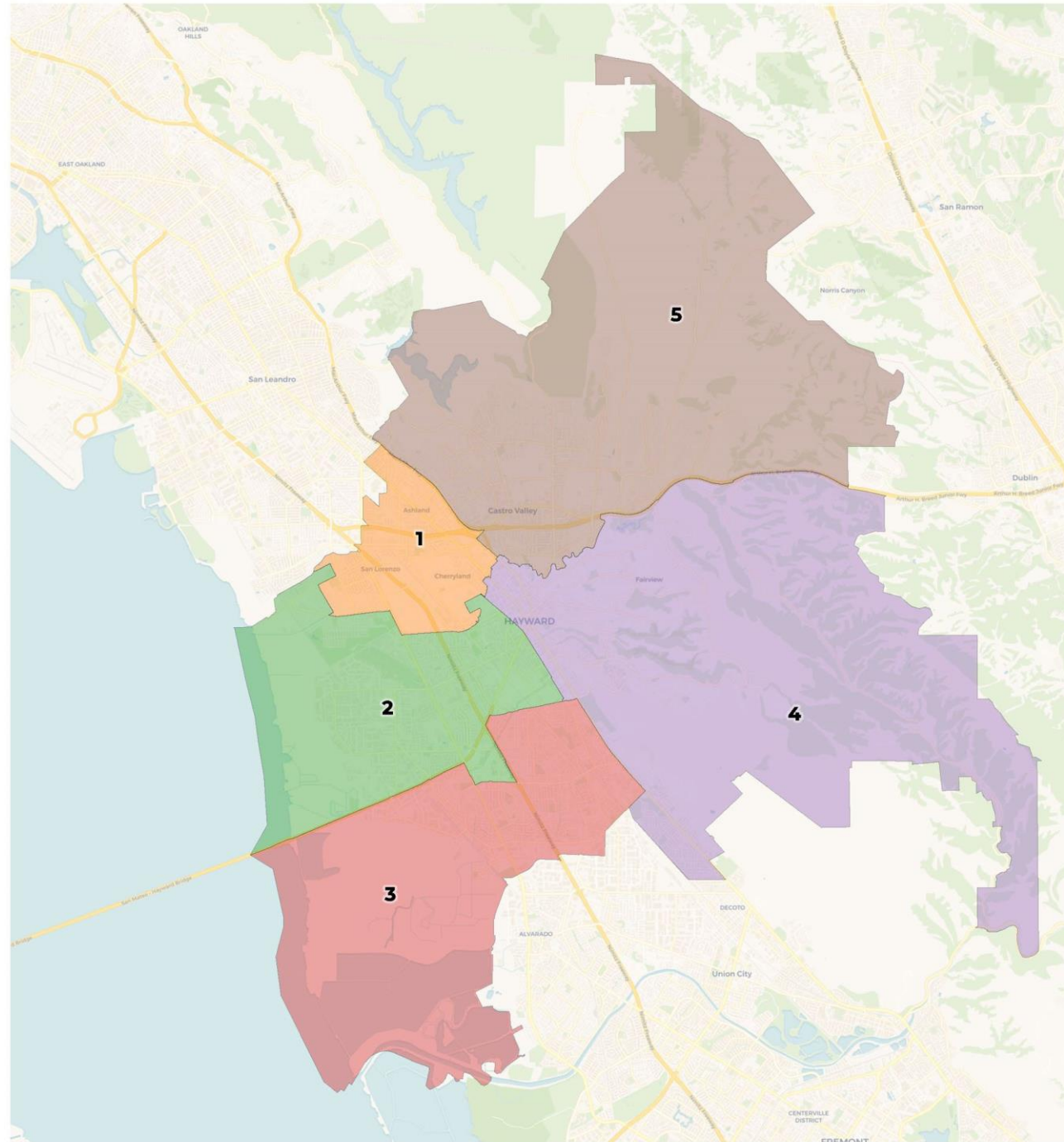
B2

This map splits San Lorenzo, crossing city limits and school districts through wetlands and a dead golf course.

It combines Hayward Hills with Palomares Canyon, crossing city limits and school districts and an impassable mountain ridge.

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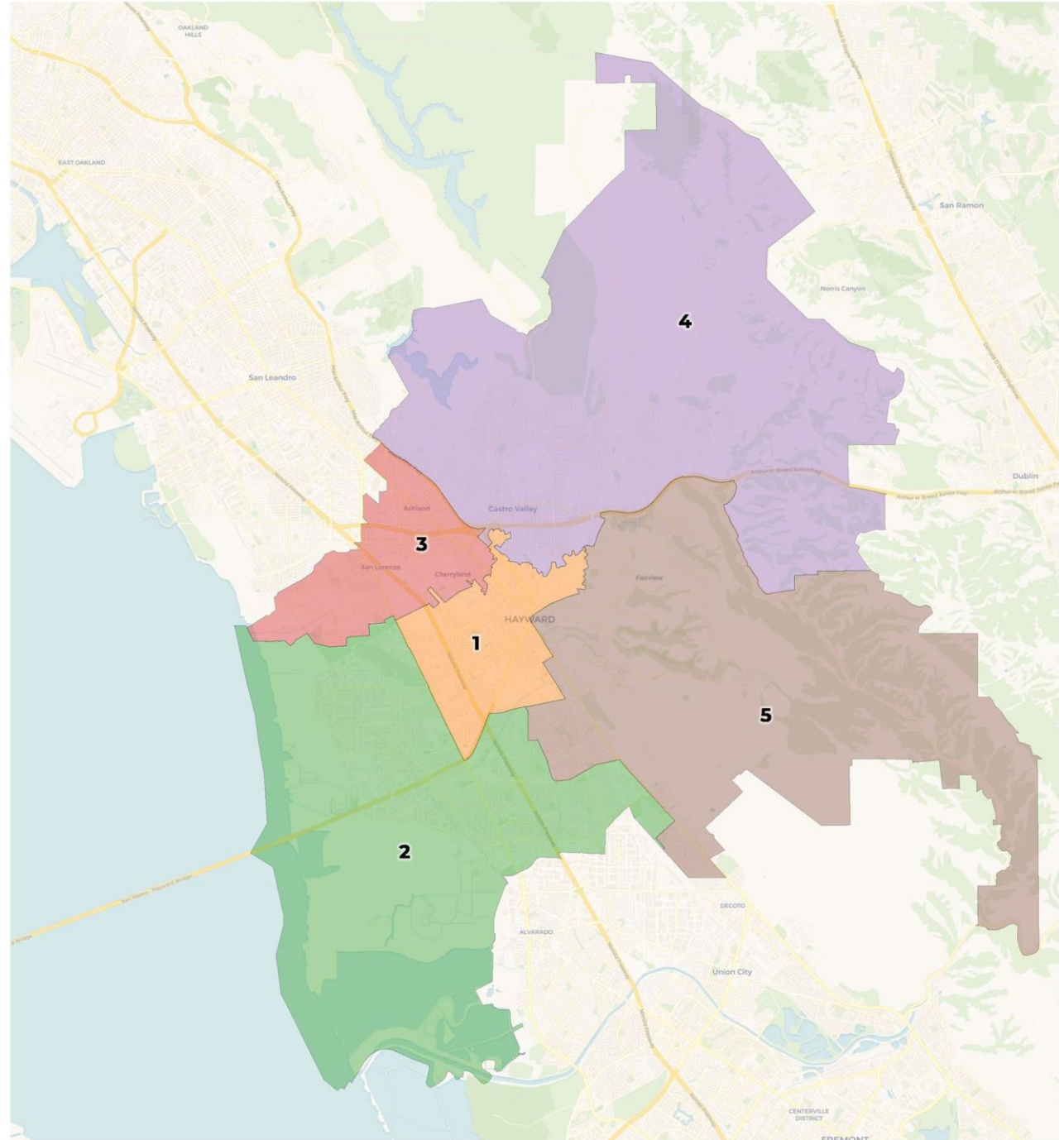
D2

This map cuts off Hayward Acres from San Lorenzo, which was objected to in the past. A map with a similar District 2 was thrown out early on for connecting Fairway Park with the airport (and this one divides Fairway Park).

It is impossible to travel through District 5 from Mission Blvd to Palomares Canyon without trespassing over Walpert Ridge.

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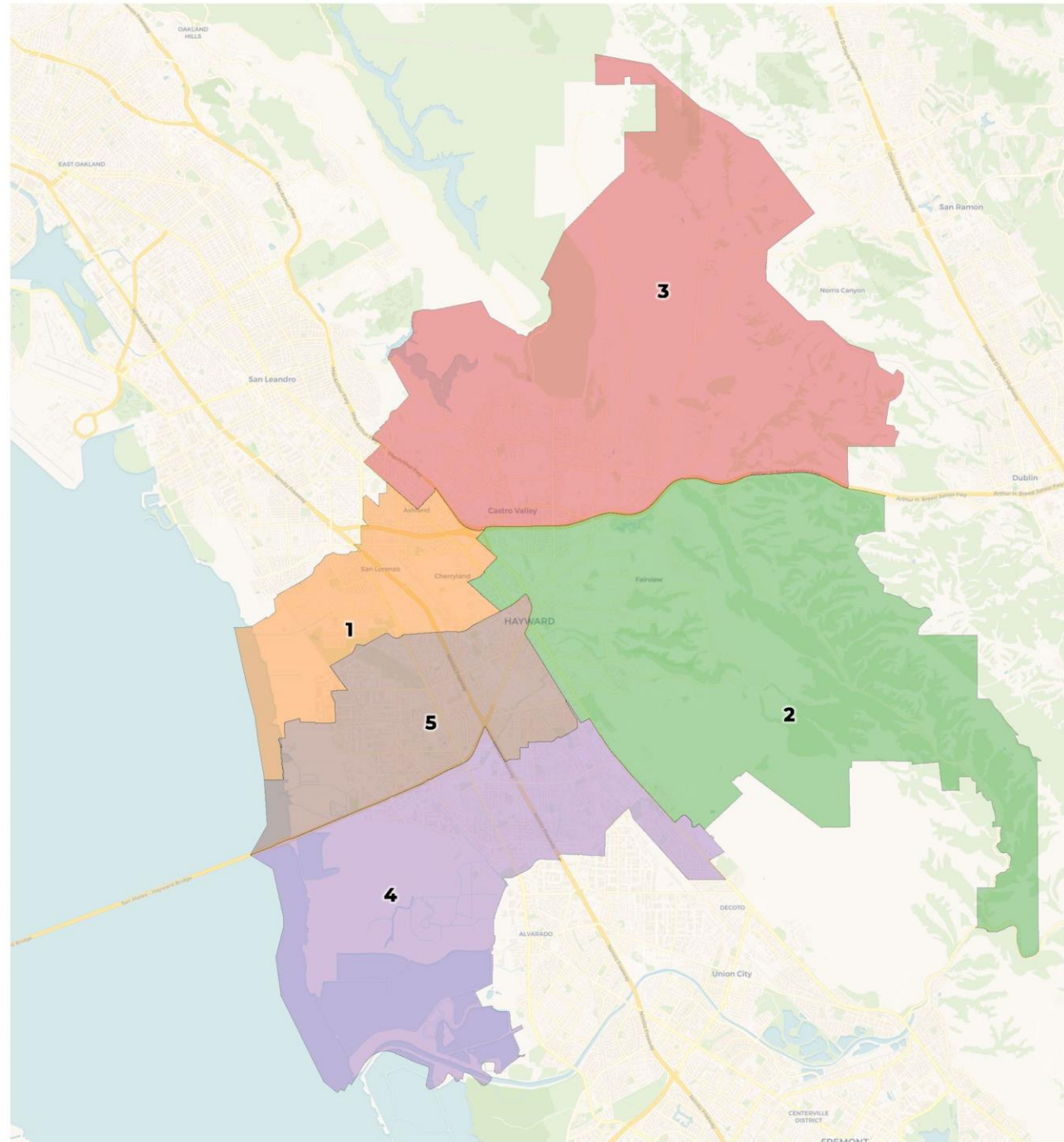
District 1 looks good except where it crosses the “can’t get there from here” line to include a Hayward industrial park. This could probably be moved to 5 without upsetting population balance.

Could this map avoid splitting the Southgate neighborhood at 92?

You could get there in District 2 by traveling along the edges, if the 580 West Redwood Road exit ramp were included.

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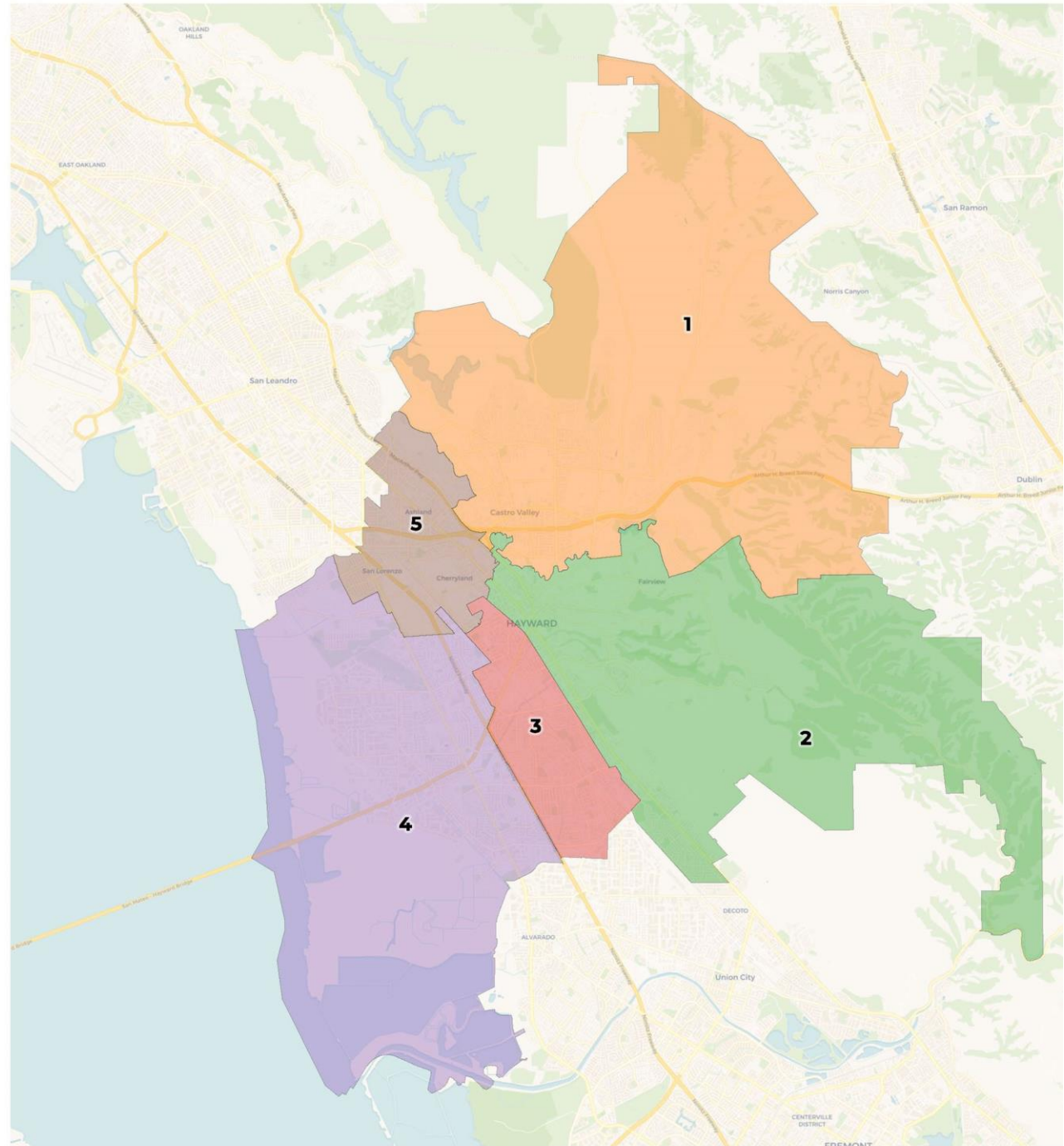
This has the undesirable San Lorenzo split.

District 4 is impassable between San Lorenzo and Hayward except at the edge.

District 2 lacks functional contiguity.

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This map respects the geographic barriers between Hayward, San Lorenzo, and Palomares Canyon.

Flatland unincorporated areas are kept together except a corner of Cherryland that is in Hayward's school district.

Castro Valley is kept whole except south of Grove Way.

Hayward neighborhoods are kept together except where Harder-Tennyson is split by Ziele Creek and where census blocks are uncooperative.

Could this be renumbered so we get some representation west of I-880 in 2026?

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