AN ENSEMBLE ANALYSIS CASE STUDY

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In 2018, the US state of Colorado passed comprehensive redistricting reform with a large, bipartisan majority. The 2021 congressional and state legislative districts were the first to be drawn by independent commissions under the new laws. Collaborators Jeanne Clelland, Daryl Deford, Flavia Sancier-Barbosa, and I worked with the independent legislative commission to model the electoral baseline. This talk will discuss our work in Colorado and open questions of how tools like ensemble analysis can best be used in a process of creating unbiased maps, as opposed to challenging potentially biased maps.