

Figure S1. Related to Figure 2. Quantifying *hb* mRNA expression in wt, Δ P2C, and Δ P1C embryos

Numbers of transcripts per nucleus as a function of AP position (% Egg Length, 0% = anterior tip) are presented. Numbers of embryos measured for each AP bin are at least 5 for wt, 3 for Δ P2C and 4 for Δ P1C. Error bars represent standard errors of the mean (SEM).



Figure S2. Related to Figure 2 and STAR Methods. A dual reporter system to quantify transcripts from P1 and P2

A. Schematic of the wt 5.6 kb *hb* dual reporter gene. The green and red bars represent smFISH probes complementary to the 5' *lacZ* and 3' *lacZ* reporters, respectively.
B. Schematic of imaged region in an embryo and the DAPI channel of telophase nuclei from a NC13 embryo.
C. Images showing cytoplasmic spots for a single frame (left) and for z-projection (right).
D. Histograms of cytoplasmic spot distribution. X axis: number of spots. Y axis: spot intensity.
E. Numbers of transcripts per nucleus in anterior and posterior regions of the embryo for the wt 5.6 reporter.



Figure S3. Related to STAR Methods. Testing detection efficiencies for the 5' and 3' *lacZ* probes

A. Schematic of the control reporter with full length *lacZ*. **B.** Images of spots for 5' *lacZ* (green), 3' *lacZ* (red), and overlapping channels. **C.** Left: number of transcripts per nucleus detected by Atto 565 for 5' *lacZ* (green) and by Atto 633 for 3' *lacZ* (red). Right: a plot showing that for every measured embryo (at varying nuclear cycles) the number of transcripts for 5' lacZ (green) is very similar to that detected for 3' *lacZ* (red). Datapoints with the same symbol represent data from the same embryo.



Figure S4. Related to Figure 5. Quantifying *hb* mRNA expression in wt, Δ Prox, and Δ Prox Δ P2ZId embryos

Numbers of transcripts per nucleus as a function of AP position (% Egg Length, 0% = anterior tip) are presented. Numbers of embryos measured for each AP bin are at least 5 for wt, 4 for Δ Prox and 5 for Δ Prox Δ P2ZId. Error bars represent standard errors of the mean (SEM).

Table S1. Related to Figure 2, 5, and STAR Methods. gRNA sequences used forCRISPR/Cas9 experiments and sequences at the junctions of deletion break point

∆P2C gRNA 1	GTTATATATCGCTCAGGTAGA
∆P2C gRNA 2	GATTTGTCGGGATTTTCGTA
∆P1C gRNA 1	GTTGGCGAGTGCACTGTTGTG
∆P1C gRNA 2	GCGTTTCGTCCTTTGGATGTT
$\Delta Prox/\Delta Prox \Delta P2ZId gRNA 1$	GAGGAGTAGGCAGCTAGCGT
∆Prox gRNA 2	GGTAGACGGATGCACGCGTCA
$\Delta Prox \Delta P2ZId gRNA 2$	GTTATATATCGCTCAGGTAGA
∆Dist gRNA 1	GTCTCAACAGAAGTTCCTTCG
∆Dist gRNA 2	GCCCAAATATTCCACATAAAC

>∆P2C

attP-loxP-dsRed-loxP-attP		
CGCGTGCATCCGTCT	CATATGCACACCTGCCAGTTGGGGGCACTAC	GAAAATCCCGACAAA
>∆P1C		
GGCGAGTGCACTGTT	GTAGTGCCCCAACTGGCAGGTGTGCATATG	ATCCAAAGGACGAAA
>∆Prox		
-	attP-loxP-dsRed-loxP-attP	
ACGAAACTGCCCACG	GTAGTGCCCCAACTGCAGTTGGGGCACTAC	CGCGTGCATCCGTCT
>∆Prox ∆P2Zld		
-	attP-loxP-dsRed-loxP-attP	
ACGAAACTGCCCACG	GTAGTGCCCCAACTGCAGTTGGGGCACTAC	ACCTGAGCGATATAT
>∆Dist		
CAATCTTCCCCTCGA	GTAGTGCCCCAACTGGCAGGTGTGCATATG	AACAGGAGATTGAAT

Table S2. Related to Figure 2, 3, 5, and STAR Methods. Sequences at the junctions of promoter deletions and replacements tested in dual reporter experiments



Green represents sequence from P1 and red represents sequence from P2.

Table S3. Related to Figure 4 and STAR Methods. Core promoter sequences for constructs shown in Figure 4.

+1

P1 core

 $a gtgaggagattttcagctattagaagagcccgctgagcgtgagtttgg\underline{tcagtt}gtgctccgagtcccgaaaacgaa\underline{agtcg}ccagcattga\underline{caggcag}ccactgaaatacaaaaataa$

P2 core

 ${\tt tgcatccgt} \underline{ctacctg} \\ agcga \underline{tatataaa} \\ ctaatgcctgttgcaattgt \underline{ccgtcagtc} \\ acgagtttgttaccactgcga \\ ccaacaga \\ agcagca \\ ccaataataatacttgcaaatc \\ ccaatgc \\ agcagca \\ ccaataataatacttgcaaatc \\ ccaatgc \\ agcagca \\ ccaatgc \\ ccaatg$

P2C \triangle TATA at P1

TGCATCCGT<u>CTACCTG</u>AGCGATAGAAGAGCTAATGCCTGTTGCAATTGT<u>TCAGTCAGTC</u>ACGAGTTTGTTACCACTGCGACAACAGAAGCAGCACCAATAATATACTTGCAAATC

P2C △ZId(S) at P1

P1 + ZId(S)

AGTGAGGAG<mark>CTACCTG</mark>GCTATTAGAAGAGCCCGCTGAGCGTGAGCTTTGG<u>TCAGTT</u>GTGCTCCGAGTCCCGAAAACGAA<u>AGTCG</u>CCAGCATTGA<u>CAGGCAG</u>CCACTGAAATACAAAAATAA

P1 change ZId(W->S)

AGTGAGGAGATTTTCAGCTATTAGAAGAGCCCCGCTGAGCGTGAGTTTGG<u>TCAGTT</u>GTGCTCCGAGTCCCGAAAACGAA<u>AGTCG</u>CCAGCATTGA<mark>CAGGTAG</mark>CCACTGAAATACAAAAATAA

P1 + ZId(S) + TATA

AGTGAGGAG<u>CTACTG</u>GCTAT<u>TATAA</u>GAGCCCGGCTGAGCGTGAGCTTGG<u>TCAGTT</u>GTGCTCCGAGTCCCGAAAACGAA<u>AGTCG</u>CCAGCATTGA<u>CAGGCAG</u>CCACTGAAATACAAAAATAA

P1 change ZId(W->S) + TATA

AGTGAGGAGATTTTCAGCTAT<u>TATAA</u>GAGCCCGCTGAGCGTGAGCTTGG<u>TCAGTT</u>GTGCTCCGAGTCCCGAAAACGAA<u>AGTCG</u>CCAGCATTGA<u>CAGGTAG</u>CCACTGAAATACAAAAATAA

P1 + ZId(S) + TATA + InrInr

P1 + ZId(W) + TATA + InrInr

AGTGAGGAG<u>CTGCCTG</u>GCTAT<u>TATATAAA</u>CCCGCTGAGCGTGAGTTTGG<u>TCAGTCAGTC</u>TCCGAGTCCCGAAAACGAAAGTCGCCAGCATTGA<u>CAGGCAG</u>CCACTGAAATACAAAAATAA

P1 + ZId(S) + 10bp + TATA + InrInr

AGTG<u>CTACCTG</u>TTTCAGCTAT<u>TATATAAA</u>CCCGGCTGAGCGTGAGCTTGG<u>TCAGTCAGTC</u>TCCGAGTCCCGAAAACGAAAGTCGCCAGCATTGACAGGCAGCCACTGAAATACAAAAATAA

Green represents sequence from P1 and red represents sequence from P2. Motifs (TATA box, Inr, DPE, strong and weak Zld sites) are underlined. +1 indicates the position of TSS for each promoter.