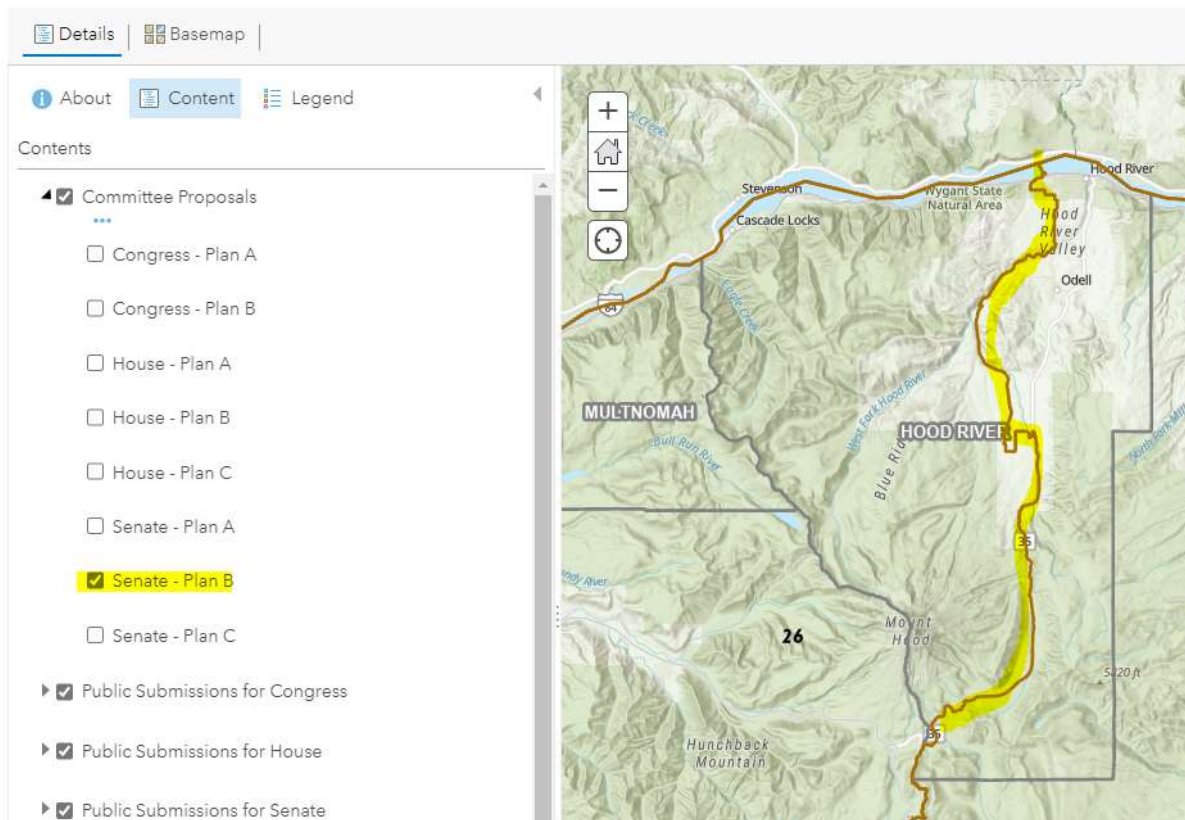


I am writing to share my comments about House Plan B and Senate Plan B. These plans very clearly fail to follow the criteria for apportionment per ORS 188.010 (1)(d) in that these plans divide communities of common interest. Hood River is geographically the second smallest county in Oregon and dividing the County by a Senate or House District is inappropriate.



188.010 Criteria for apportionment of state into congressional and legislative districts. The Legislative Assembly or the Secretary of State, whichever is applicable, shall consider the following criteria when apportioning the state into congressional and legislative districts:

- (1) Each district, as nearly as practicable, shall:
 - (a) Be contiguous;
 - (b) Be of equal population;
 - (c) Utilize existing geographic or political boundaries;
 - (d) **Not divide communities of common interest;** and
 - (e) Be connected by transportation links.

(2) No district shall be drawn for the purpose of favoring any political party, incumbent legislator or other person.

(3) No district shall be drawn for the purpose of diluting the voting strength of any language or ethnic minority group.

(4) Two state House of Representative districts shall be wholly included within a single state senatorial district. [1979 c.667 §1; 1981 c.864 §2]

188.015 [1989 c.114 §1; 1997 c.249 §55; renumbered 188.025 in 2015]

Thank you,

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