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Oregon Redistricting Committees
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Re: Congressional District 2 Redistricting

Dear Sir or Madam:

I am a resident of Congressional District CD2, and an elected Precinct Chairperson (PCP) of the Deschutes County Republican Party.

I am writing to submit my comments on the redistricting of my congressional district, now in progress.

In my estimation, the proposed redistricting submitted by the Oregon Democratic Party, is a misuse of the current position this party has as a supermajority in Oregon, and a disservice to all citizens in Deschutes County. I support the redistricting in Plan B (Map 2B), as a fairer and more reasonable redistricting plan for our Congressional District.

My specific criticisms of the Plan A and C, and Map 2A Redistricting Plan is as follows:

- These Plan A and Plan C redistricting maps are bald-faced gerrymandering. They defy logic by splitting contiguous populations and natural geographic areas to diminish areas that are largely conservative in the Bend metro area and Eastern Oregon.
- This has the effect to overwhelm voters in these areas by lumping them with Portland and Democratically held Oregon, West of the Cascades.
- The redistricting Map 2B is a much more reasonable and "democratic" redistricting scheme, because it keeps Eastern Oregon together (18 of 19 Counties) and keeps the Warm Springs Tribe whole by not separating Marion and Clackamas Counties.
- Map 2A cements the stranglehold that Democrats have in Oregon, to unfairly separate communities of interest in the state to affect future voting outcomes.
- This gerrymandering will silence the voices of voters in Eastern Oregon, to benefit the Democratic Party in the Portland area.

Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

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cc: Sen. Dennis Linthicum
Rep. Vikki Breese-Iverson