

I am writing you today to advocate for Oregon's 5th Congressional District to be comprised of the rural portions of Yamhill, Columbia, Clatsop, and Washington counties. My reasons are simple. The rural people in our state need representation congruent with their values. I can't tell you how many times I've written my representatives regarding critical issues, only to have them toe the party line. Land management is a critical area in which we vociferously disagree. Those who use the land to make a living should have ultimate say in how it is managed. There are also vast differences with regard to social issues such as gun control, property rights, and right to life issues as well as role that government should play in these issues. Therefore, it is my opinion that the rural areas in question should be separated from the major population centers and be integrated into Oregon's 6th Congressional District.

Sincerely,

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