

Howdy,

I have lived in Central Oregon for 25 years and I'm a Mother, Grandmother AND Small Business Owner.

Additionally, I lived in Salem, prior to this and I don't need to explain to you the VAST difference of residents, businesses, lifestyles and priorities between these two places, not to mention Portland, and THEIR elected officials!

With all due respect, it's ABSURD & DISRESPECTFUL that Redistricting Jefferson County is even a consideration! "In America, politicians shouldn't pick their voters, voters are supposed to pick their politicians" Barack Obama 2018.

During a season when we lived in rural Deschutes County, neighbors came together, filed appeals to marijuana grows in rural Deschutes County, attended hearings with county commissioners and several cases ended up in LUBA. Again, there's a vast difference and lack of knowledge between elected government officials in cities versus counties! I have seen and witnessed this with my own eyes and ears!

The hard working, budget conscious, living within their means ranchers, farmers, small business owners, who take care of their land and neighbors vs overspending, defunding Police and trashing neighborhoods, as well as Portland proper, has NO CLUE about representing Jefferson County!

What our Oregon Government has allowed to happen includes, poor forest management (we have been evacuated twice due to wildfires in 25 years), water, land, farming, ranching and small business issues, need and deserves representation from elected officials who reside in, as well as understand Central Oregon! NOT a removal of voting rights AND proper representation!

Please strike "Congress Plan A" from Consideration and ONLY discuss "Congress Plan B" going forward.

Sincerely,

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