

Dear Neighbors serving in the redistricting committee,

Oregon grew 10.6% between 2010-2020 and Oregonians who identify as BIPOC or multiracial are now estimated to be nearly 30% of the population. Youth under 18 are nearly 40% of the BIPOC population.

Nearly 14 percent of Oregonians identify as Hispanic/Latino, up from 11.7 percent in 2010, nationally the Hispanic or Latino population, which includes people of any race, was 62.1 million in 2020. The Hispanic or Latino population grew 23%. That is why Latinos must be taken into account when drawing the electoral lines of our districts.

Redistricting has been used to exclude communities from political power. All plans proposed by the redistricting committee do just that by dividing communities of interest when compared to 2020 census data.

I would like to focus on Plan A and its impact on Central Oregon. **Plan A splits Latinos in Redmond from the new Congressional District 3.** Redmond and those leaving along highway 97 should be included in District 3.

In Deschutes county the Hispanic or Latino population (any race):  
in 2010 was :11,718 7.4%  
In 2020 was: 17,237 8.7%  
Latino population growth from 2010 to 2020: 5,519 47.1%

**Similarly Plan A when overlaid with 2020 census data separates the Latino population in house districts D54 & D53 and D59 & D55 in Central Oregon.**

In Jefferson County:  
Hispanic or Latino population (any race):  
in 2010 was : 4,195 19.3%  
In 2020 was: 5,002 20.4%  
Latino population growth from 2010 to 2020: 807 19.2%

Crook county:  
Hispanic or Latino population (any race):  
in 2010 was : 1,463 7.0%  
In 2020 was: 1,803 7.3%  
Latino population growth from 2010 to 2020: 340 23.2%

Additionally Plan A separates the Latino population in:  
house districts D1 y D3 in Southern Oregon.  
D31, D30, D34 & D29 in Washington County  
D23 & D24 in Yamhill County  
D20, D23 & D21 in Salem  
D22 & D18 in Marion County

**Plan B and C are not consistent with our 2020 census demographic data to be taken into consideration.**

Please support maps created with Indigenous, Latinx and other communities of interest in mind, maps that do not split already disenfranchised communities.

**There are new Black, Latinx and Indigenous elected officials in Central Oregon and Plan A , B and C currently splits our communities. As a community organizer it breaks my heart to see Latinx community members afraid to show their faces or disclose their names when advocating for themselves because they don't trust their representatives. It's imperative for Oregon's democratic process to be fair that we honor those community members that participate in the democracy even though they are afraid of retaliation.**

**I request all the latino communities in Deschutes county be included in one district so that we are not separated and all the latino communities in Crook, Jefferson & Wasco County in another to avoid separation as well.**

**I support “House bsmith 21-09-08,” and “Congressional bsmith 21-09-08” maps because tribal and indigenous communities should have a fair opportunity to participate in democracy.**

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Thank you for your hard work and service to all Oregonians,

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