

Hello,

My name is Thomas Peter and I reside in Scappoose, OR, in Columbia County. I understand Oregon leadership is redrawing the political boundary lines, and I'm concerned leadership is going to try to bring more of the urban Metro area into our rural communities. I'm firmly opposed.

Please protect our rural communities and rural needs for leadership in the redistricting process. We are not the Portland Metro area and we need leadership that understands us, our needs and concerns. Bringing more of the city in to the country would devastate our way of life.

Scappoose is only connected to the Metro area by a single rural highway. We are close knit community with common interests that are different from the issues and concerns of urban areas. We would not benefit from being included in Metro, nor do I want the issues of Metro coming into our community, raising our taxes for the benefit of Portland at the expense of Scappoose. If I wanted to be a part of Metro, I would move there.

Thank you,  
Thomas Peter

Scappoose, OR