

To whom it may concern,

I live seven miles outside of Saint Helens Oregon. I hear that plans are being made to redraw district lines. Please understand that our rural community has nothing at all in common with the large metro area to the south, namely Portland Oregon. My family hardly ever goes into that large city, whose tastes, culture and opinions are very different from our own. Even the current district line of Portland is way too close to us, being just south of Scappoose.

Saint Helens and its surrounding rural communities are doing just fine on their own, we do not wish in any way to be associated or linked to Portland. Setting buildings on fire may be just fine with Portland voters, but we are at complete odds with that and take pride in having a safe and respectful environment.

Please leave Saint Helens, Scappoose, and the surrounding rural areas free of Portland voters and influence. Our values and economy will not be represented if we are merged into a Portland district.

Sincerely,  
Kathy Cooper