

Co-Chairs Taylor and Salinas, Vice Chairs Knopf and Boschart-Davis, and members of the redistricting committees,

My name is LaRece Rivera and my pronouns are she/her.

I live in Lane County in CD4.

I am a lifetime Oregon resident and lived the last 23 years in Lane County. I am a longtime advocate for workers and worker's rights.

All Oregonians need to feel they are represented by their district. As members of the community I ask that you put the community members that will be impacted by this process upfront as you consider the new districts within our state.

Having something concrete would make it much easier for the community to play a role in this process. Even though the census data is not yet available, I urge the committee to use multiple sources of information like school districts and the American Community Survey to start the process now and create maps. Creating proposed maps for the public review would help community members have meaningful input.

I also believe strongly that Oregon should not discriminate against BIPOC people in this process and that it is important to maintain BIPOC communities in blocks.

I look forward to working with this committee to engage Lane County and make sure our unique community is represented.

Thank you very much for your time and work on this issue.

LaRece Rivera  
Lane County

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