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Members of the Committees on Redistricting Issue Statement Following Release of Congressional and State Maps

Salem, OR -- Today [Sen. Kathleen Taylor](#) (D-Portland), Chair of the Senate Redistricting Committee, and [Rep. Andrea Salinas](#) (D-Lake Oswego), Co-chair of the House Redistricting Committee, issued a statement following the release of legislative and congressional maps, which can be found [here](#):

“As legislators we are public servants. Our commitment is to Oregonians and our job is to produce fair and representative maps that reflect Oregon’s population growth, align with statutory and constitutional criteria, and ensure public participation.

“The maps drawn meet these requirements and the highest of legal standards. The maps are contiguous, of equal population, utilize existing geographic or political boundaries, are connected by transportation links, and reflect the diversity of communities of interest in our state.

“Despite the delayed Census data and the COVID-19 pandemic, we have prioritized an inclusive and accessible process, open to all Oregonians. As a result, we saw nearly 2,000 pieces of testimony submitted from across the state during 22 public hearings held this year. Oregonians showed up and made their voices heard.

“We look forward to sending these maps to the Legislature for consideration during next week’s Special Session.”

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