

Oregon elections, 2022

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More than 40 candidates have filed to run for the US House of Representatives in Oregon – more than twice the number from 2016. And for the first time in 40 years, the state’s congressional delegation grew by one seat, for a total of six. These changes, and others resulting from the recent 10-year redistricting plan the legislature put into effect this year, are creating a confusing election landscape for many Oregon voters.

The most recent census numbers triggered the addition of the new district – Oregon’s 6th – which goes into effect with this election cycle. The resulting changes to the neighboring districts, particularly the 5th District, means Keizer residents will be voting for brand new legislative representatives.

To complicate matters even further – at least for southern Willamette valley voters – 18-term US Representative Peter DeFazio is retiring. This means Oregonians will be sending at least two brand new representatives to Washington this year.

The heavily-contested redistricting legislation passed by the state legislature last year moved boundaries for many voters throughout the state, particularly in the Willamette Valley. The 5th District, won by Democrat Kurt Schrader in 2016, formerly included Salem and Keizer but now has Bend and some of the Cascades instead.

There are currently nine Democrats running for the 6th District: Ricky Barajas, Carrick Flynn, Greg Goodwin, Kathleen Harder, Teresa Alonso Leon, Stephen Cody Reynolds, Andrea Salinas, Loretta Smith and Matt West. Running for the same seat, the Republican lineup includes Jim Bunn, Mike Erickson, Ron Noble, Angela Plowhead, David Russ, Amy Ryan Courser and Nate Sandvig. Both parties are conducting primary voting on May 17 – the two winners will go on to compete for the new seat in the Nov. 8 election.

Democrat Candidates - US House District 6



Carrick Flynn was awarded a scholarship to attend the University of Oregon, where he studied economics and then to Yale Law School. Since then, he’s been working in economic development and job creation, co-founded the Centre for the Governance of Artificial Intelligence at Oxford University and joined Georgetown University on the research faculty.



Ricky Barajas hails from Los Angeles and works in the healthcare industry here in Oregon. He attended both University of Oregon and Portland State University, where he earned a degree in 2007. This is his second bid for a US House seat having lost the May 15, 2018 primary.

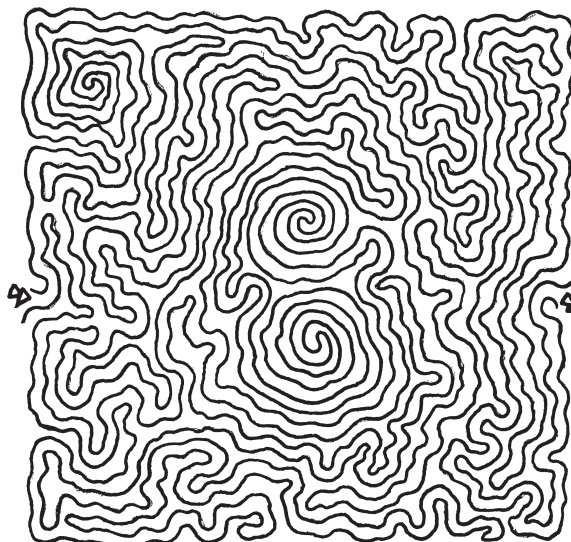
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