

Dear Military or Overseas Voter:

Enclosed is your ballot for the May 16, 2023 Special District Election. Here are a few things you should know:

- The ballot envelope has changed. The new design is larger, which allows for more information to be displayed on the envelope.
- Your ballot packet no longer includes an optional secrecy sleeve. A secrecy weave is printed on the inside of the ballot return envelope. This secrecy weave provides the same level of privacy as a secrecy sleeve. This change, approved by the Secretary of State, allows the County to process ballots more efficiently without compromising voter privacy.
- Oregon law allows military and overseas voters the option of returning their ballot by mail, fax or e-mail and you have the option of marking the enclosed paper ballot or using the online ballot-marking tool.
- If you wish to use the online ballot-marking tool, please see the My Vote instructions at OregonVotes.gov. Please note the online tool is not available in some countries. If you cannot access the online tool, you will need to e-mail elections.ballot@multco.us to request the ballot packet be sent to you by e-mail.
- If you wish to mail your ballot back using the prepaid postage on your ballot return envelope, you must mail the envelope at a U.S. post office, an overseas U.S. military post office, an American Embassy, or an American Consulate. Visit Travel.State.gov for more information. Otherwise, you will have to pay the postage to return your ballot.
- If you wish to e-mail or fax your enclosed ballot back, you **MUST** complete all of the following 4 steps:
 1. Complete your ballot **AND**
 2. Sign your return envelope **AND**
 3. Complete and sign the SEL 531 form on the back of this letter **AND**
 4. Fax or e-mail back **the SEL 531 form**, the **signed return envelope** and the **ballot** to 503-988-4559 or elections.ballot@multco.us by 8:00 p.m., May 16, 2023. Your ballot cannot be counted unless you sign the form and return envelope.
- Voted ballots must be received at any County elections office in Oregon or official drop site location by **8:00 p.m., Tuesday, May 16**, or **receive a U.S. postmark by Tuesday, May 16**, to be counted.
- For confirmation that your ballot was received, log into My Vote at OregonVotes.gov or sign up to track and receive status updates about your ballot at multco.us/trackyourballot.

More information on the 2023 Special District Election is available at MultnomahVotes.gov.

If you have any questions, you can contact our office by phone e-mail. See the contact information below.

Sincerely,



Tim Scott, Multnomah County Director of Elections

E-Mail: elections.ballot@multco.us