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### CONGRESSIONAL RACES

#### Congressional District 8

Jesse Jensen



***What makes you the right person for this position?***

Washington's 8<sup>th</sup> Congressional District is as geographically diverse as it is demographically, and that is the type of Representative the people deserve. I grew up the son of a pastor, worked in DC crafting public policy, then served four tours, earning two bronze stars as an Army Special Operations soldier in Iraq. I then earned my MBA and entered the private sector, where I worked in healthcare and technology. I am uniquely qualified to understand the challenges facing the people of the 8<sup>th</sup>. I am willing to fight tirelessly to find solutions to those challenges, and my background has prepared me to best serve the people of the 8<sup>th</sup> Congressional District.

***What is the biggest issue or opportunity facing your constituents?***

As I make my way around the 8<sup>th</sup> Congressional District talking with families, small business owners, and farmers, every conversation always comes back to our future. After what we've seen from the pandemic, to the calls to defund the police, people are rightfully concerned with what's next. Businesses are closing, families are struggling, and we have a Representative that consistently puts the Democratic Party above her constituents. That is not acceptable. I will work to ensure that our children are safely back in school and that our businesses reopen safely and responsibly. I will defend our selfless law enforcement officers and fight for the funding and training necessary to keep our communities safe because that's what our communities deserve.

***How would the business community benefit under your leadership?***

Working in both the private and government sectors has taught me the many benefits of good relationships between business and government. I've seen first-hand how over-regulation has devastated both growth and access for business owners and entrepreneurs. When I'm elected, I will continue to sit down with members of the business community and listen about where and how the government can do better. I will fight to reduce the red tape that restricts businesses from achieving their full potential, I will ensure that our farmers and orchardists have the resources they need, and I will push for more opportunities.

## Kim Schrier, MD



### ***What makes you the right person for this position?***

I am honored to represent families throughout Washington's 8<sup>th</sup> Congressional District. These are the families I had the pleasure of serving for over 17 years as a pediatrician in Issaquah, and it is the privilege of a lifetime to continue serving our community in Congress. I look at the issues facing our district as a scientist, doctor, and parent, with an eye towards making sure that the patients I cared for have access to great, affordable healthcare, clean air and water, an excellent public education, and a shot at the American Dream by building an economy that works for everyone.

### ***What is the biggest issue or opportunity facing your constituents?***

Now, more than ever, it is critical that everyone in the 8<sup>th</sup> Congressional District has access to affordable healthcare and the prescription drugs they need. As a doctor and someone living with a pre-existing condition, I know firsthand what it means to worry about health insurance and rising costs. I was diagnosed with Type 1 diabetes as a teenager, and since then I've seen the cost of my insulin skyrocket. That's why I've worked across the aisle with other medical doctors in Congress to protect coverage for those with pre-existing conditions, expand Medicare to include more comprehensive coverage, fund rural hospitals, fund vaccine research, and lower the cost of prescription drugs.

### ***How would the business community benefit under your leadership?***

When this pandemic began, we knew Congress needed to act quickly to help families and local businesses weather the economic fallout from the pandemic. I helped pass the Payroll Protection Program, which thousands of 8<sup>th</sup> district small businesses have utilized, to keep employees on the payroll. In the 8<sup>th</sup> district, 11,882 small businesses benefited from PPP loans, helping retain more than 108,592 district jobs. As the only member from the Northwest on the House Agriculture Committee, I've advocated for our farmers and farming communities to ensure they also have access to this vital assistance.

## Congressional District 4

### Dan Newhouse



#### **What makes you the right person for this position?**

I believe I am the most qualified person to continue representing our district. Agriculture is the driver of our economy in Central Washington, and I believe it's very important to send a representative to Congress who understands our area and way of life. I'm a third-generation Yakima Valley farmer, one of only about a dozen farmers in Congress, and the former Washington State Director of Agriculture. I truly understand Central Washington's issues because they are the same issues I have faced on the farm and throughout my life – running a business, providing jobs, navigating our health care system, and serving as a wise steward of our lands. I ran for Congress because I believe unelected and unaccountable bureaucrats thousands of miles away, who do not understand the unique agriculture of the Pacific Northwest, shouldn't be able to tell me how to run my farm, and they shouldn't tell you how to run your businesses. I believe the people of the Fourth District feel the same way I do. I have served the people effectively through almost six years in Congress, and before that as Director of the Washington State Department of Agriculture and a state legislator. I am asking the people of Central Washington to allow me to keep advocating on their behalf.

#### **What is the biggest issue or opportunity facing your constituents?**

I believe COVID-19, its economic impacts, and our government's response are the biggest issues facing our district and our country. I was proud when Congress quickly worked together to pass the CARES Act, which created the Paycheck Protection Program, helped workers who were suddenly laid off through no fault of their own, assisted small businesses who were ordered to shut down, and created the Coronavirus Food Assistance Program to help us maintain our food supply. I truly believe if the federal government did not intervene, the permanent economic impacts would have been catastrophic. However, our federal debt is climbing at an astronomical rate and the federal government cannot afford to keep spending trillions of dollars until we find a cure for the virus. We can and should safely reopen our economy and let people get back to work. I think masks, hand sanitizer, social distancing, curbside delivery, and the other safety precautions major retailers have taken are working. We should also trust small businesses to reopen safely and responsibly.

Until we reopen, I will continue working with my colleagues in Congress and the Trump Administration to ensure families, businesses, and farmers have the resources they need to make it through this difficult time. Unfortunately, being this close to a presidential election, too many in Washington, D.C. have politicized this pandemic and are refusing to negotiate on additional COVID-19 relief legislation. In my view, that is completely unacceptable.

***How would the business community benefit under your leadership?***

I am a small business owner myself, and throughout my time in Congress I have worked to improve the regulatory climate and advocate for the small business community. I just recently hosted a small business telephone town hall to hear the concerns of small business owners across our district. I heard feedback about the Paycheck Protection Program, and I introduced legislation to address the concerns I heard; the FIRST Act would allow small businesses to use PPP loans greater flexibility to pay expenses such as rent and utilities. Despite Congressional intent for the PPP to be used to keep businesses running, the restrictions on PPP funds only allowed businesses to use up to 25% of the loans for business expenses and 75% on payroll. My bill would allow them to use up to 40% of the loans for business expenses and 60% on payroll.

As long as businesses are locked down through no fault of their own, I will keep working to ensure they have the assistance they need to survive. I think the best thing we can do to help struggling small businesses is to allow them to safely reopen. I will continue to pressure Governor Inslee to treat small businesses fairly and reopen our economy.

Overall, I will continue my work to make it easier to run small businesses and create jobs. I believe Congress must eliminate burdensome regulation, reduce taxes, provide a means for a stable energy supply and enact effective trade agreements. These primary actions will enable our small business to expand, thrive and create even more opportunities.

**Douglas E. McKinley (Did not submit responses)**

## 12<sup>TH</sup> LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT

### Senate

#### Brad Hawkins – Unopposed



#### ***What makes you the right person for this position?***

My familiarity with the region, educational background, work history, elected experience, and proven record make me the right person for this position. I was raised in the Wenatchee Valley and am a product of our local schools. I earned my Master's in Public Administration from George Washington University in Washington, DC and returned home to work and raise a family. My wife Shawna and I have been married for nearly 20 years and have two boys. I worked for 16 years at Douglas County PUD where I gained valuable experience on hydropower and clean energy issues. I served for 10 years on the North Central ESD board and later the Eastmont School Board. I also served two terms in the House of Representatives. Throughout my public service, I have demonstrated a consistent ability to put public service before politics and to bring people together, pass important legislation, and solve complex issues.

#### ***What is the biggest issue or opportunity facing your constituents?***

The biggest issue facing constituents related to state government is the nearly \$5 billion projected budget deficit that will be awaiting legislators in the 2021 session. Much of this is due to the massive loss of revenue resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic, but also some of it is attributable to significant state spending increases in recent years. Balancing the budget, minimizing additional tax burdens, assisting our business community, and preserving key state services are all very important as we begin the long process of economic recovery and regrowth. All of the things our constituents care about, including education, housing, transportation, health care, and wildfire issues, will also need to be addressed.

#### ***How would the business community benefit under your leadership?***

The business community will benefit under my leadership through my strong and consistent support of them in my voting decisions. Throughout my 8 years of service in the Legislature (4 years in the House and 4 years in the Senate), I have been steadfast in my support of our business community. I am proud to have been recognized over the years by both the Association of Washington Business (AWB) and the National Federation of Independent Businesses (NFIB) from my support of the business community. The NFIB recently awarded me with their 2020 "Guardian of Small Business" award for my pro-business voting record. Supporting our business community will be the most important part of our state and national economic recovery.

## House of Representatives

### Adrienne Moore – Position 1



#### **What makes you the right person for this position?**

Our economy is struggling, businesses are shutting their doors, and our schools can't re-open. And we have a representative from our district who is sitting on the sidelines in Olympia while our communities are in crisis. We need an elected representative who knows the issues our community cares about most, is an effective voice for our district, and has a seat at the table (the house and the senate are controlled by Democrats) as we face major budget and infrastructure decisions. I understand how hard it is to get by in a community like this, and why small businesses and working families need their representatives to workday and night to fight for them. For more than a decade, I served as a Director of a rural social service and community health organization in Okanogan County and advocated to all levels of state and federal government around key community issues like affordable housing, childcare and healthcare costs. In 2014, I helped lead the fire recovery efforts after the largest wildfire in Washington State history burned down hundreds of homes across Okanogan County. For two years I worked with people across political and social divides to stand up the long-term recovery effort and oversaw the disaster case management program as we distributed millions of dollars in assistance. I have experience putting ideas into action, and that is exactly what it will take to both help our community recover and to make a difference in the lives of small businesses, working families, and those of us who call North Central Washington home.

#### **What is the biggest issue or opportunity facing your constituents?**

I grew up in rural Washington, and I know the vast majority of my neighbors believe that no matter who you are, where you come from, or what you look like, if you work hard, you should be able to support your family. After raising my children in rural Washington, and more than a decade working on the frontlines with working people and small business owners, I know many hard-working families just can't get ahead. The cost of basic needs — housing, childcare, healthcare, and saving for retirement or a child's education — add up to more than a household on an average income can afford. These costs are continuing to rise, and the squeeze is affecting all of us. Businesses struggle to pay their workers a living wage, while workers watch the costs of childcare, housing, and healthcare loom larger each year. We live in one of the most prosperous states in the nation, yet in Washington, corporations and those at the top pay the smallest share of local and state taxes, while working families and small businesses pay the most. Without stable industry and jobs, rural areas like ours are hit hardest by this unfair system.



We need to stabilize our economy and prioritize legislation that both lifts up small businesses and ensures a reliable foundation for working people. We need an elected representative who fights for the kinds of policies, legislation, and funding opportunities that could make a real and lasting difference to all of us in rural North Central Washington.

### ***How would the business community benefit under your leadership?***

Small businesses are the lifeblood of North Central Washington, and a key role of government is to build an economic climate that supports both businesses and workers. If elected I would advocate relentlessly for the interests of the small businesses who employ over half of the families in our region. I would work to ensure that small businesses have access to the same kind of government incentives that are almost exclusively offered to large corporations; that small businesses have real support for adapting to new regulations; and that we leverage state investments to develop the industry and businesses that provide good jobs for working families.

Our current elected representative has been ineffective at representing businesses and workers in Olympia. Small businesses are now in a crisis caused by COVID-19, and we cannot afford to have less than the leadership we need. We need a representative who will be an effective advocate for the unique needs of rural Washington and have a voice at the decision-making table. I've led through crises before. I know what it takes to work across political divides, leverage the voice of a community to change legislation, and ensure no business or individual is left behind in the recovery process. That's the kind of leadership we need right now, and the kind of leadership we'll need in the years of recovery ahead.

### **Keith Goehner – Position 1**



#### ***What makes you the right person for this position?***

My passion is service to others and I have acquired the public service experience to understand the complexities of serving in the legislature. My experience in working through a challenging financial time at Chelan County and being in the position of having the responsibility to ensure public services were adequately funded, has prepared me for the situation we are facing with State services and obligations. Being in the role of decision maker and having to be accountable for the outcomes, has also given me insights for serving as a representative for the 12th District. I have established relationships through the years with staff and agencies which has allowed me to be effective in problem solving and achieving results for my constituents. During my time in the legislature, it has been my goal to continue to build relationships and gain a better understanding of diverse

viewpoints to help me be more productive in sharing the interests and solving the challenges of our district.

***What is the biggest issue or opportunity facing your constituents?***

The biggest issue we face as a district and the State is re-establishing a confidence in our economy and the opportunities that come from a productive and fulfilled society. When we are able to confidently move forward without the anxiety of uncertainty, there will be great opportunities for the 12th District. Our district is dependent on small businesses to provide employment and are the backbone of our communities. If entrepreneurs are restricted to expand and build their business, it will be a slow and tedious process to be prosperous. Our abundant power continues to attract businesses and encourages investment in our area which expands our tax base and creates more opportunities for local government to develop infrastructure, which in turn encourages others to see our area as having the potential for fostering new business startups. We have many attractive assets in our area. Our healthcare is first class and educational opportunities allow for advancement and development of skills translating into living wage jobs which allow families to capitalize on the amenities in our communities. Recreational opportunities are a benefit for residents and a great draw for the tourism industry. Currently, we are dependent on the agricultural community as major component, but they are facing financial obstacles and labor shortages. It is critical for us to seek more diversity in our economy while ensuring we are not placing hurdles in the way of our current business sectors.

***How would the business community benefit under your leadership?***

As a business owner and one who has been involved in a business start-up, I understand the challenges of running a business and being aware of legislation impacting businesses. I have been recognized by the NFIB as a Guardian of Small Business. This is an indication that the legislative votes I took, and leadership shown on business issues was judged to be beneficial for business. It is critical that any legislation respects the risks and rewards of business ownership but too often there is an assumption that businesses are, and will be, successful. Regulation must be crafted in a manner that allows a business to prosper and encourages reinvestment in the business and community. Labor laws must factor in the impact on a business and their ability to meet its obligations. I believe we should be promoting a business climate that encourages individuals to pursue their ambitions of providing a good or service to their community. Certainty in their obligations to the jurisdictions they are doing business in is a critical component in the risk assessment. A risk taker should have the opportunity to be rewarded for their efforts.

## Mike Steele – Position 2 – Unopposed



### ***What makes you the right person for this position?***

I am currently running for my third term in the House of Representatives. I have taken pride in my continued connection, engagement and successes for our District. During my time in the House, I have been promoted to positions of leadership, serving as both the Ranking Member of the K-12 Education Committee and now the Ranking Member of the Capital Budget. In these roles I have been successful in creating effective policy and bringing back millions of dollars in local project funding to support our district. I continue to be passionate about serving my Legislative District and all of the communities within it.

### ***What is the biggest issue or opportunity facing your constituents?***

We are heading into an unprecedented budget shortfall for the state of Washington. We will need to make very difficult decisions as we continue to respond to the needs around COVID-19. Our schools, parents, and kids face many unknowns. I will make every effort to make sure the needs of our district continue to be addressed and our communities can continue to see successes throughout that budgeting process.

### ***How would the business community benefit under your leadership?***

I currently serve as the Executive Director for the Lake Chelan Chamber of Commerce, and have for more than 16 years. I have been an advocate small businesses, economic development and community building my entire career. The many relationships and skills I have acquired in the role, I have taken with me to the Legislature. This experience makes me one of the most effective small business advocates in the entire Legislature.

## CHELAN COUNTY

### County Commission – District 1

#### Kevin Overbay – Unopposed



#### ***What makes you the right person for this position?***

I have had the pleasure of serving the citizens of Chelan County as the District 1 Commissioner for just over 3 ½ years. As I promised when I campaigned in 2016, I have been a fulltime commissioner dedicated to making Chelan County a great place to live, work, and play. I understand the many aspects of being a commissioner and have dedicated my term toward building relationships on the local, state and federal levels, as well as the identification and leveraging of resources which will benefit our community both internally and externally.

Additionally, I understand strategic planning and have participated in the development of both short term and long-range strategies across many areas which will aid in the growth and prosperity of our region.

#### ***What is the biggest issue or opportunity facing your constituents?***

The COVID-19 pandemic is the biggest issue facing our region. There is not one person that has not been impacted by this virus. The challenges associated with the pandemic response coupled with the impact to the physical, economic and emotional health of our community has taken its toll and will result in a long-term well thought out response toward recovery. Our community is unique full of amazing individuals. By leveraging our collaborative, innovative spirit we will seize the opportunities, build upon the relationships, and become a stronger community because we not only experienced this pandemic together but will overcome this pandemic together.

#### ***How would the business community benefit under your leadership?***

Business is the heart of the community. During my term I have taken measures toward enhancing our business community and opportunities within Chelan County and our region. I have had the pleasure of leading or assisting in the following efforts: Latino Small Business Development Program (Our Valley Our Future Action Item), North Star Opportunity Zone Regional Working Group, Chelan County Economic Development Director, Malaga Mercado (planning), Bridge Research and Innovation District (funding), COVID-19 CARES business relieve funding, and invited the Wenatchee Chamber to be a part of the Chelan Douglas Health District COVID-19 Coordinated Policy Group to ensure the business community had representation. I believe that a healthy business community has direct impact on the overall health of the community. I am a strong advocate for the business community and coupled with work force housing opportunities look forward to the growth of our community over the next four years!

## County Commission – District 3

### Dale England



#### **What makes you the right person for this position?**

Growing up on the apple orchard my Mom was born on, working all aspects of the orchard, and owning my own orchard for 40 years. This experience gives me the agriculture background needed to understand one of our major industries. Forming two different successful businesses has prepared me to develop budgeting, management and strategic planning skills required for the position. Having learned how regulations can hamper or help our local business gives me insight on what not to do. Paying salaries, equipment purchase/repair, Labor and Industry, Business and Occupational, Sales and Property taxes gives me the perspective on what it takes to run a successful business. It also gives me an understanding of budgeting and associated costs of doing business. My helicopter business supports both agriculture and tourist industries. Earning 5 Star ratings has helped me learn to listen to the important issues and adjust my business plans to accommodate the needs of my customers. Having been through the process of building and remodeling two homes, I have gained knowledge relating to the permitting and land use requirements established by Chelan County. My years of service with the Chelan County Sheriff's Office gives me the perspective of health, security and preservation of life which is one of the core duties of government. I have volunteered locally my entire life. As a young scout replanting seedlings after forest fires, to Kiwanis and other local opportunities, I have been involved to better our communities. My background and service history have prepared me well to excel as a Chelan County Commissioner.

#### **What is the biggest issue or opportunity facing your constituents?**

2020 has given Chelan County citizens a very different list of important issues. One of the biggest is how do we reopen schools, businesses and return to normal everyday lives. Listening to our medical professionals and working together is the most efficient and productive way to accomplish this goal. There are different opinions on what, when, how and who decides our next move. We have many knowledgeable professionals locally that can and should be a resource to help make those decisions. As a County Commissioner I will work to accomplish these goals as soon as it is practical and safe.

#### **How would the business community benefit under your leadership?**

Having developed two businesses from the inception phase to the profitable stage takes hard work, vision, planning, education, budgeting, and strategic planning. The business experience I have, gives me the insight on what not to do to hamper business growth. While no two businesses are the same, I find when government stays out of the way, businesses can grow and prosper. County Commissioners can generally help businesses grow by staying out of their way and not passing burdensome regulations. Some

regulations may be necessary to ensure environmental and consumer protections, I would attempt to keep them at a minimum.

## Tiffany Gering



### **What makes you the right person for this position?**

Since January, I've been preparing for this position by attending session weekly as well as many other meetings of which Commissioners are obligated. My problem-solving skills, level-headedness and business acumen as well as my character and integrity make me the right person for this position. As a Sales Manager, I work with small businesses throughout Chelan County. Being successful in sales means I listen to people, hear their concerns, consider solutions and execute a plan of action. At the Lake Chelan Chamber of Commerce, I am also the Chief Operating Officer. I deal with financial issues, day-to-day operations, handle issues, as well as helping to impact economic development through events and creative marketing strategies. My business degree affords me the skills to work with \$40 million budgets and the managerial skills to work with staff and committees. I am not a politician. I am a problem solver, a communicator and most importantly, a listener. A Commissioner must be able to hear all sides of an issue, do the research, understand the impact and then make a decision that best suits the county now and in the future. I have been told that I am a tenacious leader. I am not afraid of tough issues. I'm dedicated to making Chelan County a place people love to live, work, and play. I have witnessed and experienced the time and effort this position takes over the last nine months and I am ready and eager to serve as your next Chelan County Commissioner.

### **What is the biggest issue or opportunity facing your constituents?**

COVID recovery, the county budget and affordable housing are the biggest issues facing constituents. We are in uncharted waters with the COVID-19 pandemic. The county will need to be very conservative with upcoming budgets-making every dollar count. My business background and commitment to outcome-based spending will be important. The board will be making decisions facing the county today in regard to living wage jobs, a recovering business environment, conservative budgeting and affordable housing. I have the skills and experience to navigate these issues with the constituents as my guide. I am passionate about land use issues, economic development and mental health in our valley. In light of COVID, recovery is my top priority. I want to help all people come together to work on issues that will aid in the recovery of Chelan County.

***How would the business community benefit under your leadership?***

Since moving back to the valley after college, I have been both an advocate and ally for businesses. I have been a member, board member and active committee participant of the Chelan Business Association, now known as the Historic Downtown Chelan Association. I've been fortunate to celebrate the successes as well as weather the storms alongside our business community...grand openings, a recession, more fires than we like to count, retirements and business closures. For the last 15 years, I have regularly met with business owners to discuss their concerns and needs. Being a good listener, hearing all sides of issues, allows for a balanced approach in solving problems. My relationships with businesses have prepared me and my passion for what our county will offer in the next ten years drives me.

## PUD Commission

### Garry Arseneault – Commission District 1 – Unopposed



#### ***What makes you the right person for this position?***

As an incumbent seeing a second term as Commissioner, my professional experience matters. I have 36 years of investments, banking and municipal finance training, including evaluating and managing risk of municipal debt. Chelan PUD has over \$400 million in municipal debt (previously over \$1 billion), which was paid down during my term as Commissioner. I have a long history of volunteering in and for our community – I firmly believe in giving back. My initial exposure to the Chelan PUD came many years ago when I was invited to spend 2 years serving on a PUD citizens advisory committee. We were introduced to the many challenges facing the PUD, toured hydro projects, met with the general manager, department heads, and got an in-depth look under the hood. It was an amazing experience and convinced me that I wished to serve my community as a PUD Commissioner.

#### ***What is the biggest issue or opportunity facing your constituents?***

I see two large challenges facing the customer owners of Chelan PUD.

First - The shifting focus to solar and wind power. As a generator of surplus hydro energy, we are able to sell into the wholesale energy market creating revenue to offset local power rates. As energy supply increases due to solar and wind projects the demand for our wholesale hydro energy will be constrained pressuring PUD revenue and local power rates.

Second - The movement to remove dams. This clearly would have a catastrophic impact on the customer owners of Chelan County PUD. Opportunity facing the customer owners of Chelan PUD. As Commissioner and Board President of Chelan PUD I've helped develop a strategic plan that takes advantage of the good financial years to position the PUD for stormy days ahead.

As stated above we've paid down debt from over \$1 billion dollars to over \$400 million (and still paying debt down annually). We have started a maintenance and modernization plan rebuilding each of our 32 hydro system turbines at a cost of \$20 +/- million each (paying cash - no debt). By using cash and paying down debt, Chelan PUD will not only have one of the most modern hydro systems on the Columbia river, we will also have one of the lowest debt to equity ratios. These actions will position Chelan PUD customer owners well if a financial storm does arrive.



***How would the business community benefit under your leadership?***

Chelan county residents and businesses enjoy some of the lowest electric power rates in the country. Low electric rates keep business overhead down and that flows to the bottom line. Thinking strategically, modernizing our hydro assets and paying down debt all contribute to a future where businesses can count on low cost operating costs well into the future.

**Steve McKenna – Commission District A – Unopposed (Did not submit responses)**

## Superior Court



**Lesley A. Allan**  
**Position 1**  
**Unopposed**



**Travis Brandt**  
**Position 2**  
**Unopposed**



**Kristin Ferrera**  
**Position 3**  
**Unopposed**

### A message from Chelan County Superior Court Judges

Although we are running unopposed, we would like to take this opportunity to provide you with some information about your superior court judges. Superior court judges in Washington State preside over the following case types: felony criminal, family law, probate, dependencies, juvenile criminal, and other civil matters relating to state law issues. Judicial officers have a different relationship to the public than other elected officials. Judicial positions are non-partisan. We fulfill our duties as judicial officers without regard to partisan political issues and, instead, are required to decide cases based on the evidence and arguments submitted to us in the court file and in court. We then determine how existing law applies to the facts of the case to come to our decision. We also preside over jury trials in which we do not decide guilt or liability but instead oversee the jury, who is the fact finder in those cases. We take very seriously our ethical obligations, including our obligation as neutral decision makers to listen carefully to both sides before making a decision and to follow the law. Superior court judges do not make new law and are required to follow the existing laws, regardless of what our personal beliefs are about that law. Your Chelan County Superior Court judges have been working diligently through the COVID-19 pandemic to ensure access to the courts while operating in a safe manner. We will continue to work for the community to guarantee full and fair access to our justice system.

Thank you for the opportunity to continue our service to the people of Chelan County.

Hon. Lesley Allan  
Hon. Travis Brandt  
Hon. Kristin Ferrera

## DOUGLAS COUNTY

### County Commission

#### Dan Sutton – District 1 – Unopposed



#### ***What makes you the right person for this position?***

One person with a clear vision of purpose can make a difference. I was born and raised in this Valley, people and community have been very good to me. I chose to run for commissioner as way to give back to my County, it is an honor to be of service. I have a driven work ethic and a strong moral and ethical compass and a comprehensive knowledge of business. My decisions are always based on four questions, Is it Moral, is it legal, is it ethical and is it good for my County and the answer has to be yes to all four or it is a no! I have worked successfully with my counterparts in Chelan County to develop

a relationship based on trust and common goals the likes of which have never been seen before.

#### ***What is the biggest issue or opportunity facing your constituents?***

There simply is not one big issue, there are in point of fact several all carrying equal weight. COVID-19, wildfires, economic devastation, housing, a distressed agriculture sector, public health issues and many more. That being said I can't express enough of just how proud I am of my County and our community at large, in a time where we have been divided by a disease we've witnessed neighbors reaching out to those who lost so much, to give and help without question. It makes me so proud to live here. The opportunity lies in the ability to not only recover but to rebuild a much more robust system and community.

#### ***How would the business community benefit under your leadership?***

Our Board of Commissioners (we are very much a team) has focused strongly on our business community understanding that it takes a strong local economy to achieve any of the markers that denote a healthy community, from education, health care and housing to good roads, well managed growth, well trained law enforcement, emergency and social services. We strive relentlessly to address these issues every day.

#### Kyle Steinburg – District 2 – Unopposed (Did not submit responses)

### PUD Commission

#### Molly Simpson – District 2 – Unopposed (Did not submit responses)

## Eastmont Educational Programs and Operations Levy

Eastmont School District residents will be asked to vote on a ballot item to renew our current four-year Educational Programs and Operations (EP&O) Levy. This levy is primarily for costs related to supporting core learning activities and our ability to offer elective/specialist classes, field trips, and extracurricular programs such as art, drama, music, and sports.

A local levy is one source (11%) of the three common revenues used for funding Washington public schools. Other sources include general state apportionment based on student enrollment (79%) and federal funds based on exceptional student needs (10%). The remaining 1% consists of facility use fees, student fees, etc.

Although we did not have all students on campus, our expenditures and need to have all programs ready to reopen did not stop. Yes, we have reduced hours and positions, yet buildings, grounds, business office, technology, and administration have all worked non-stop to shift from on-campus to remote, and now back to on-campus. As with other pandemics, this one will end and a new normal will emerge. As it does, Eastmont will need to be ready to continue to get all students to graduation.