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I strongly opposed changing our mail in voting system in Oregon. My whole life I have only known mail in voting and it works well in my opinion. Already only a small percentage of voters actually turn in their ballots and this would decrease if we get rid of the current way. If we have to wait in line outside in the rain then even less people will vote. As a social studies teacher, I understand how important our civic duty as U.S. citizens to vote in a democratic society is. Would I be required to choose between being in the classroom serving my students or voting? Would I have to use my sick or personal time in order to participate? Before her death last May, my 102 year old Great Grandma would not have had the stamina to stand in line for hours to vote. How can we take this accommodation away from our most vulnerable and disabled populations?? The system is working as it is and should stay the same.