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**RE:** New Poll Shows Wyden with Commanding Lead Over Huffman

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This analysis is based on 500 interviews among Oregon registered voters who are likely to vote in the November 2010 general election. The survey was conducted March 5-8, 2010. The margin of error is plus or minus 4.4 percentage points at the 95% level of confidence.

## Regardless of His Opponent, Wyden Receives Majority Support and a 30-Point Lead

| Three US Senate Match-ups Reveal One Thing: Ron<br>Wyden Has a Commanding Lead Right Now |     |     |
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| vs. Huffman  |     |     |
| Wyden  | 53% | +30 |
| Huffman  | 23% |     |
| Delphine   | 5%  |     |
| Undecided  | 20% |     |
| vs. Atkinson   |     |     |
| Wyden  | 53% | +31 |
| Atkinson   | 22% |     |
| Delphine   | 5%  |     |
| Undecided  | 20% |     |
| vs. Walden   |     |     |
| Wyden  | 52% | +28 |
| Walden   | 24% |     |
| Delphine   | 5%  |     |
| Undecided  | 18% |     |

Oregon voters appear eager to keep Ron Wyden in the US Senate. He secures 53% of the vote in a contest against Huffman, with a large portion (38%) found in the "strong support" column. Meanwhile, Jim Huffman fails to muster one-quarter of the vote. At 23%, the Republican starts the race 30 points behind Wyden. The announced Libertarian candidate, Marc Delphine, pulls in 5% of the vote and 20% are undecided.

Voters are unwilling to accept a number of possible GOP alternatives to Wyden. Head-to-head match ups with Greg Walden (52% Wyden, 24% Walden) and Jason Atkinson (53% Wyden, 22% Atkinson) yield similar results.