



# 2016 Election Update

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The [Council of Western State Foresters](#) (CWSF) 2016 Election Update provides information on the outcome of the elections held November 8, 2016. The following update focuses on CWSF member states and islands, providing information on the Presidential, United States Senate and House of Representatives (House), and gubernatorial races.

Thirteen Western states held Senate elections in 2016. There were five gubernatorial elections in Western states - Montana, North Dakota, Oregon, Utah, and Washington. For purposes of House races, information is provided where an incumbent was defeated, an open seat was filled, or where a seat otherwise switched political parties. This update does not include all races, but seeks to highlight those that have shifted in terms of party representation.

The 115th Congress will convene early January 2017. The Republican Party retained the majority in both the House and Senate. In the House, Republicans have an estimated 239 seats to the Democrats 194 seats (the numbers are subject to minor changes as two Louisiana races remain undecided until a December run-off race, however Republicans are assured a majority in the House). In the Senate, Republicans maintain a 51 seat majority to the Democrats 48 seats (similarly, a December run-off race in the state of Louisiana will determine the Senator to replace retiring Republican Senator David Vitter).

*Disclaimer: Election results are unofficial until states certify the results following election day. Individuals indicated below are considered 'projected winners' until certified. Up-to-date information on races and results not included below is available at: [www.cnn.com/election/results](http://www.cnn.com/election/results).*

## **Presidential Election:**

President-elect Donald Trump was elected as the 45th President of the United States of America along with Vice President-elect Michael Pence. Presidential-elect Trump garnered 306 electoral votes to Secretary Hillary Clinton's 232 electoral votes.

On January 20, 2017, President-elect Trump will take the oath of office at the Presidential Inauguration to commence his four-year presidential term.

## **Gubernatorial Elections and United States House and Senate Elections:**

### **Alaska:**

- Senate - Incumbent Lisa Murkowski (R)
- House - Incumbent Don Young (R) retains his seat

### **American Samoa:**

- Delegate to House: Incumbent Aumua Amata Coleman Radewagen (R)

### **Arizona:**

- Senate - Incumbent John McCain (R)
- House
  - 1<sup>st</sup> District, Tom O'Halleran (D) wins seat previously held by Ann Kirkpatrick (D) who ran for the Senate
  - 5<sup>th</sup> District, Andy Biggs (R) wins seat previously held by Matt Salmon (R) who did not seek re-election

### **California:**

- Senate - Kamala Harris (D) defeats Loretta Sanchez (D)
- House -
  - 17<sup>th</sup> District, Ro Khanna (D) defeats incumbent Mike Honda (D)
  - 20<sup>th</sup> District, Jimmy Panetta (D) wins seat previously held by Sam Farr (D) who did not seek re-election
  - 24<sup>th</sup> District, Salud Carbajal (D) wins seat previously held by Lois Capps (D) who did not seek re-election
  - 44<sup>th</sup> District, Nanette Barragan (D) wins seat previously held by Janice Hahn (D) who did not seek re-election
  - 46<sup>th</sup> District, Lou Correa (D) wins seat previously held by Loretta Sanchez (D) who ran for the Senate
  - 49<sup>th</sup> District, incumbent Darrell Issa (R) is leading over Doug Applegate (D)

### **Colorado:**

- Senate - Incumbent Michael Bennet (D)
- House - Democrat and Republican incumbents retained their seats in the seven districts

### **Commonwealth of Northern Mariana Islands:**

- Delegate to House: Incumbent Gregorio Kilili Camacho Sablan (I)

### **Guam:**

- Delegate to House: Incumbent Madeleine Bordallo (D)

### **Hawaii:**

- Senate - Incumbent Brian Schatz (D)

- House - 1<sup>st</sup> District, Colleen Hanabusa (D) wins seat. Representative Hanabusa was first elected via special election in July 2016 to fill the seat previously held by Representative Mark Takai (D)

**Idaho:**

- Senate - Incumbent Mike Crapo (R)
- House - Republican incumbents retain their seats in the two districts

**Kansas:**

- Senate - Incumbent Jerry Moran (R)
- House - 1<sup>st</sup> District, Roger Marshall (R) wins seat previously held by Representative Tim Huelskamp (R)

**Montana:**

- Governor - Incumbent Steve Bullock (D)
- House - Incumbent Ryan Zinke (R) retains his seat

**North Dakota:**

- Governor - Doug Burgum (R)
- Senate - Incumbent John Hoeven (R)
- House - Incumbent Kevin Cramer (R) retains his seat

**Nebraska:**

- House - 2<sup>nd</sup> District, Don Bacon (R) defeats incumbent Brad Ashford (D)

**Nevada:**

- Senate - Catherine Cortez Masto (D) will take the seat of retiring Minority Leader Harry Reid (D)
- House -
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> District, Jacky Rosen (D) wins seat previously held by Joe Heck (R) who ran for the Senate
  - 4<sup>th</sup> District, Ruben Kihuen (D) defeats incumbent Cresent Hardy (R)

**New Mexico:**

- House - Democrat and Republican incumbents retain their seats in the three districts

**Oregon:**

- Governor - Incumber Kate Brown (D)
- Senate - Incumbent Ron Wyden (D)
- House - Democrat and Republican incumbents retain their seats in the five districts

**South Dakota:**

- Senate - Incumbent John Thune (R)

- House - Incumbent Kristi Noem (R) retains her seat

**Utah:**

- Governor - Incumbent Gary Herbert (R)
- Senate - Incumbent Mike Lee (R)
- House - Republican incumbents retain their seats in the four districts

**Washington:**

- Governor - Incumbent Jay Inslee (D)
- Senate - Incumbent Patty Murray (D)
- House - 7<sup>th</sup> District, Pramila Jayapal (D) wins seat previously held by Jim McDermott (D) who did not seek re-election

**Wyoming:**

- House - Liz Cheney (R) wins seat previously held by Representative Cynthia Lummis (R) who did not seek re-election

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