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2024 Brings a New Governor to Washington, and Candidates are Heating Up Their Campaigns. Now is the time to get registered to vote!

THE RUNDOWN:

In early May, Washington's three term Governor, Jay Inslee, announced his decision to not seek reelection. The popular Governor's departure leaves an opportunity for Democrat and Republican candidates alike to share a new vision for the state.

So, Who Is In the Running?

Seventeen candidates have already filed to run for the Governor's seat. The Northwest Progressive Institute has conducting early polling, helping us identify citizens current top choices.

Top Democrat Candidates

BOB FERGUSON: The current Attorney General, and the early top pick amongst all candidates. Ferguson's lists numerous priorities in his campaign announcement, including defending civil rights, protecting the environment, and standing up for working families.

HILARY FRANZ: As current Commissioner of Public Lands, it is no surprise Franz cites climate change as one of her top priorities. She also lists housing, and income inequality as key challenges to tackle.

MARK MULLET: A current State Representative from Issaquah, and previous city council member. Mullet shares education issues, affordable housing, safer neighborhoods, and climate change as his focal points.

Top Republican Candidates

DAVE REICHERT: Previous U.S. Representative & King County Sheriff announced his bid for governor in late June. Since he left office, Reichert says he has been frustrated with what he says is the government becoming too powerful. Since he announced his candidacy, **Raul Garcia** has dropped out of the race and endorsed Reichert. Garcia intends to run for a U.S. Senate seat in 2024.

SEMI BIRD: Current school board member in Richland (South-Central) WA, who considers himself a "constitutional Christian conservative". His goal if elected is to hold government officials accountable to the citizens they serve.

Elections will take place in 2024, meaning plenty can change! Now is the perfect time to make sure you're registered to vote and stay informed about candidates messaging.

Find more details on the governor's race here: [Candidate Profiles](#) [Most Recent Polling](#)

AT A GLANCE:

- Jay Inslee's time as WA State Governor is coming to an end in 2024.
- Candidates are ramping up their election campaigns to replace him.
- Now is a great time to register to vote, and stay updated on the upcoming elections!

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