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TO: EACH SUPERVISOR

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Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk

STATUS REPORT ON CONSOLIDATED ELECTIONS

Attached is the sixth status report regarding major events in process for the November 4, 2003 Consolidated Elections. As in past elections, this report will be provided periodically to keep you apprised of major milestones and the status of election tasks.

Eighty-two (82) jurisdictions are participating in elections being conducted by the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk. This election involves 898 polling locations requiring the recruitment of approximately 3,600 pollworkers. All polling locations, inspectors and clerks have been recruited and precinct officer training will commence on October 25, 2003. The initial sample ballot mailing to registered voters was completed on October 7, 2003. As always, the supplemental mailing that goes out to voters who register between E-45 and E-15 will be completed within ten days of the election. During the legal timeframe (October 6 through October 28, 2003) for requesting absentee ballots the Department has received to date approximately 72,000 requests.

Due to California secretary of State's de-certification action and subsequent Federal Court ruling in February 2002, punch card voting in California was banned effective for the March 2004 Primary Election. In August 2002, your Board established a plan to phase-in new voting technology. A small ballot optical scan voting system, Inkavote, was selected as the interim replacement voting system for use beginning with this election. Inkavote is an optical scan voting system that is similar to the punch card voting system in that a small ballot card is inserted into a voting device with multiple pages containing ballot contests. However, instead of using a punching tool (stylus) to punch through the ballot card, voters use a marking pen that is pressed down through the voting device to fill in circles with ink on the ballot card.

Please call me if you have any questions regarding this report or any other election preparation activity.

Attachments

NOVEMEMBER 4, 2003 CONSOLIDATED ELECTIONS STATUS OF EVENTS PERFORMED

SCHEDULED ACTUAL

<u>EVENT</u> <u>COMPLETION</u> <u>COMPLETION</u>

2. Recruit and Appoint 11/07/03

Precinct Officers

This election will involve 898 precincts requiring the recruitment of approximately 3,600 pollworkers. Recruitment of precinct officers is proceeding on schedule.

3. <u>Update Registration Records</u> 10/20/03

The October 16, 2003 update of the registration records totals 1,620,913 registered voters. This event is proceeding on schedule.

4. Testing of Election Night Data 11/04/03 Processing Hardware and Programs

Testing of election night tally programs is in process. This event is proceeding on schedule.

6. Mail Sample Ballots 10/14/03 10/14/03

All initial sample ballot mailings have been completed.

LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF REGISTRAR-RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK

MILESTONE STATUS REPORT OF KEY EVENTS

Consolidated Elections November 4, 2003

							▼ WEEK ENDING			
EVENT	9/12	9/19	9/26	10/3	10/10	10/17	10/24	10/31	11/7	
FINALIZE BALLOT PAGE DESIGN.		9/13								
2. RECRUIT AND APPOINT PRECINCT OFFICERS.									- △ 11/3	
3. UPDATE REGISTRATION RECORDS.							 10/20			
4. TESTING OF ELECTION NIGHT DATA PROCESSING HARDWARE AND PROGRAMS.										
5. RECEIVE SAMPLE BALLOTS AND BALLOT PAGES FROM PRINTERS.				10/3						
6. MAIL SAMPLE BALLOTS.						— ▲ 10/14				
7. PRECINCT SUPPLIES AND VOTE RECORDERS ASSEMBLED.								△ 10/25		
8. BOOTH AND SUPPLIES PICKED-UP BY PRECINCT INSPECTORS.								△ 10/25		

- △ SCHEDULE COMPLETION DATE
- △ RESCHEDULE COMPLETION DATE
- ▲ COMPLETION DATE