

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES REGISTRAR-RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK

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November 3, 2010

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POST ELECTION UPDATE: NOVEMBER 2, 2010 GENERAL ELECTION

Thank you for all your support this election cycle. I am pleased to report that the conduct of the November 2, 2010 General Election was a huge success. A total of 1,912,930 ballots were processed and counted on Election Night. This included 380,004 Vote by Mail ballots and 1,532,926 polling place ballots cast at the 4,770 voting precincts throughout the county.

The Department is now making final preparations to initiate the Official Canvass of the election. The 28-day Election Canvass is the period required by law to conduct a full accounting and tabulation of all ballots cast in the election. This morning we reported that there are approximately 399,960 provisional and Vote By Mail ballots left to process for this election.

Updated election results will be available every Tuesday and Friday afternoon. Results are available online at <u>http://rrcc.co.la.ca.us/elect/</u>.

Attached to this brief report are a number of documents with helpful information pertaining to the canvass and recounts. Should you have any questions please contact me or Efrain Escobedo, Executive Liaison at (562) 650-0543 or via email at <u>eescobedo@rrcc.lacounty.gov</u>.



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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BALLOTS TO BE PROCESSED FOR NOVEMBER 2, 2010 GENERAL ELECTION Preliminary Counts of Outstanding Ballots Left to Process

Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk (RR/CC) Dean Logan reported an initial estimate of outstanding ballots to be processed during the election canvass period. The RR/CC estimates that **399,960** ballots remain to be processed, after the semi-final Election night tally. The initial estimate includes outstanding Vote by Mail and Provisional ballots collected at the polls, as well as Vote By Mail ballots received in the mail by 8:00 p.m. on Election Day.

Provisional Ballots	Vote By Mail Received at the Polls	Election Day Vote By Mail via USPS
166,586	111,095	122,279

Note: These figures represent an initial raw count and estimate. Figures may be revised.

Outstanding Vote by Mail ballots will be processed, qualified, and tallied during the Canvass period. The preliminary count of unprocessed ballots will be updated within the next 48 hours to include precinct ballots not included in the semi-official tally and ballots with votes for write-in candidates.

"Election night is, in many respects, just the beginning of the election certification process," said Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk Dean Logan. The 28-day Election Canvass is the period required by law to conduct a full accounting and tabulation of all ballots cast in the election.

"The Official Election Canvass ensures that the vote of every registered voter whether cast by regular ballot, provisional ballot, or by mail is counted and included in the final returns."

Logan pointed out that on election night a total of 1,912,930 ballots were counted. This included 380,004 Vote by Mail ballots and 1,532,926 precinct ballots cast at 4,770 polling places throughout the county.

Election results will be updated on a regular basis throughout the 28 day period. For a full schedule of election updates visit <u>www.lavote.net</u>.

ABOUT THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK

The mission of the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk is to serve Los Angeles County by providing essential records management and election services in a fair accessible and transparent manner.

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Cost and payment

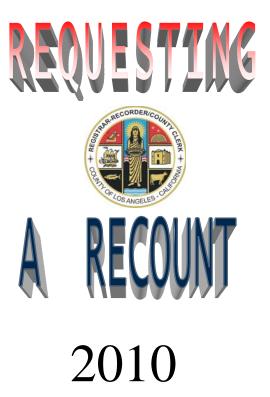
- The elections official shall determine the amount of deposit necessary to cover costs of the recount for each day. (E.C. § 15624)
- The voter filing the request for recount must deposit, before the recount commences and at the beginning of each day following, such sums as required by the elections official to cover the cost of the recount for that day. (E.C. § 15624)
- If upon completion of the recount the results are reversed, the deposit shall be returned. (E.C. § 15624)

COST BREAKDOWN FOR MANUAL RECOUNT *			
No. of Boards	Cost per Day		
1	\$4,115		
2	\$6,621		
3	\$9,127		
4	\$11,633		
5	\$15,748		
6	\$18,254		
7	\$20,761		
8	\$23,267		
9	\$27,382		
10	\$29,888		
11	\$32,394		
12	\$34,900		
25	\$73,915.52		
50	\$146,222.57		
75	\$218,529.62		
*Cost includes labor, equipment,			
material and personnel. If computer			
recount is requested costs vary.			

NOTE: Automatic Manual Recount - By law, a random sample of ballots from every election must be recounted manually to verify the computer count. A minimum of all votes cast in one percent (1%) of the precincts is included in this process. *The Automatic Manual Recount is open to the public*. (E.C. § 15360)

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A recount is conducted by the elections official for the purpose of verifying the number of votes counted for any office or measure in an election. California Elections Code Chapter 9, Sections 15620 through 15634 govern voter requested recounts.

REQUESTING A RECOUNT

Who can request

Any voter of the state may file a request. (E.C. § 15620)

Timing of Request

The request must be filed within five (5) calendar days, after the completion of the official canvass. The Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk's office is not open on weekends or holidays. If the deadline falls on a weekend or holiday, the date will be moved to the next business day. (E.C. § 15)

- **Exceptions:** 1) For statewide recount contests, the request may be filed with the Secretary of State's Office within five (5) days beginning on the 29th day after the election. (E.C. § 15621)
 - 2) If election is conducted in more than one county the request may be filed within five (5) days beginning on the 29th day after the election (E.C. § 15620)

Format of request

- The request must be in writing. (E.C. § 15620)
- Must specify the contest to be recounted. (E.C. § 15620)
- Must state on behalf of which candidate, slate of electors, or position on a measure (affirmative or negative) it is filed. (E.C. § 15620)
- May specify the order in which precincts shall be counted. (E.C. § 15622)
- May specify the method of counting to be used (computer, manual or both). (E.C. § 15627)
- May specify any other relevant material to be examined. (E.C. § 15630)
- For statewide recount contests, may specify in which county or counties the recount is sought. (E.C. § 15621)

Place of filing

- With the county elections official responsible for conducting the election, if the contest is not voted upon statewide. (E.C. § 15620)
- If election is conducted in more than one county, the request may be filed with the county elections official of, and the recount conducted within, any or all of the affected counties. (E.C. § 15620)
- With the Secretary of State if the contest is voted upon statewide. (E.C. § 15621)
- With the City Clerk if it is a city election (or if the city has not consolidated with the county or requested the County to canvass the votes).
 (E.C. § 15620)

Notice of recount

- A notice stating the date and place of the recount will be posted by the elections official at least one day prior to the recount and the following persons will be notified in person or by telegram. (E.C. § 15628)
- All candidates for the office being recounted.
- Authorized representatives for presidential candidates, if the race for presidential delegates is to be recounted.
- Proponents of any initiative or referendum or persons filing ballot arguments for or against any initiative, referendum or measure to be recounted.
- Secretary of State if the recount is for candidates for any state or federal office, delegates to a national convention, or any state measure.

Process of recount

- The recount is open to the public. (E.C. § 15629)
- Recount must start no later than seven calendar days following the receipt of the request and shall be continued daily, Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays excepted, for not less than six hours each day until completed. (E.C. § 15626)
- A manual recount must be conducted under the supervision of the elections official by recount boards, consisting of four voters of the county, appointed by the elections official. (E.C. § 15625)

Result of Recount

- The results of a recount are declared null and void unless every vote in which the contest appeared is recounted. (E.C. § 15632)
- Upon completion of a recount, if a different candidate, slate of electors, or position on a measure receives a plurality of votes, the results of the official canvass will be changed and the election results re-certified. (E.C. § 15632)
- A copy of the results of any recount conducted shall be posted conspicuously in the office of the elections official. (E.C. § 15633)

CANVASS SCHEDULE

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November 2, 2010 Statewide General Election Scheduled Tally Updates

The following provides the canvass schedule of events for supplemental ballot counting.

Friday, November 5th - 2:00 p.m. 1st Ballot Counting Update

Tuesday, November 9th - 2:00 p.m. 2nd Ballot Counting Update

Friday, November 12th - 2:00 p.m. 3rd Ballot Counting Update

Tuesday, November 16th - 2:00 p.m. 4th Ballot Counting Update

Friday, November 19th - 2:00 p.m. 5th Ballot Counting Update

Monday, November 22nd - 2:00 p.m. 6th Ballot Counting Update

Wednesday, November 24th - 2:00 p.m. (If needed).

Friday, November 26th - 10:00 a.m. (If needed).

*Indicates time update begins; process continues until complete and results are posted.

Board of Supervisors declares official results Tuesday, November 30, 2010.



