

# COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES REGISTRAR-RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK

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## Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk

November 7, 2005

TO: EACH SUPERVISOR

FROM: Conny B. McCormack, Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk

## NOVEMBER 8, 2005 SPECIAL STATEWIDE AND CONSOLIDATED ELECTIONS STATUS REPORT #7 (FINAL)

#### **Election Results**

To view election results as they are added to the count on election night, log on to our website <a href="https://www.lavote.net">www.lavote.net</a>. The "Election Results" tab is on the top red bar at the far right. The first report of absentee ballots will be posted shortly after 8 p.m. and will include the count of those absentee ballots received by our office to date which is approximately 350,000 (of the 637,000 mailed). Hundreds of thousands of additional absentee ballots are anticipated to either arrive in Tuesday afternoon's mail or to be turned in at polling places tomorrow. All absentee ballots must be signature verified and opened prior to counting. As in past elections, additional ballot counting of those absentee ballots arriving on election day, as well as provisional ballots cast at the polling locations by those voters whose names are not on the list and whose eligibility must first be verified prior to counting their ballots, will be counted throughout the election canvassing period. The first post-election day update of the counting and reporting of these additional absentee and provisional ballots will take place on Friday, Nov. 11 (although this is the Veterans Day holiday, our elections staff has been and continues to work 7 days per week until the official results are certified in late November).

The voted ballots from the 2,172 voting precincts are taken by the precinct inspectors to their designated check-in-center and then transported to Norwalk where they are counted throughout the evening tomorrow. The voted precinct ballots typically begin arriving in Norwalk about 10 p.m. Sheriff's deputies transport the voted ballots from each of the 48 check-in-centers established countywide via Sheriffs' vehicles. Because this is an off-year election and the number of voting precincts has been consolidated from 4,700 in November 2004 to 2,172 precincts for the November 8, 2005 election, all ballot transport will occur via Sheriffs' cars. Sheriff helicopter transport, which is used for some ballot transport in even-year primary and general elections, will not be involved for this election (this is standard procedure for November odd-year elections due to the high cost of helicopter transit). With so many of the ballots for this election being cast by absentee/mail (estimated to be up to half of all ballots cast statewide), a higher percentage of ballots than usual will be added into the count during the days following the election at all 58 counties' registrars offices.

#### **Touchscreen Early Voting**

Early Voting on touchscreen equipment ended on Friday, November 4 at the 10 satellite sites. Touchscreen voting continues through election day at our Norwalk headquarters. To date approximately 15,000 voters have cast ballots via touchscreen equipment for this election. **Pollworkers** 

We have filled all pollworker vacancies. More than 80% of our pollworkers have attended a training class, a rate approaching the high-interest Presidential Election in November 2004.

### Responding to Voters' Calls to Your Offices

Most callers inquire "where do I go to vote?" We appreciate your staff's use of our website to look up individual caller's polling places. As in the past, the website is interactive; typing in the voter's address results in access to the needed information and a map to the location. Also, voters may call our phone number at 1-800-815-2666 to access their polling location automatically by keying in zip code and additional information. In addition to the 196 lines on our automated phone system, an additional 100 staff respond to voters' calls personally on election day.

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

#### Attachments

c: David Janssen, Chief Administrative Officer

## NOVEMBER 8, 2005 SPECIAL STATEWIDE & CONSOLIDATED ELECTIONS STATUS OF EVENTS PERFORMED

<u>SCHEDULED</u> <u>ACTUAL</u> <u>EVENT</u> <u>COMPLETION</u> <u>COMPLETION</u>

2. Recruit and Appoint 11/07/05

**Precinct Officers** 

This election will involve 2,172 precincts requiring the recruitment of approximately 12,000 pollworkers. Recruitment of precinct officers is proceeding on schedule.

4. <u>Testing of Election Night Data</u> 11/07/05 Processing Hard/Ware and Programs

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

7. <u>Precinct Supplies and Vote Recorders</u> 10/24/05 10/29/05 Assembled

Supply box processing occurred on 10/24 through 10/29/05. This event is complete.

8. <u>Booth and Supplies Picked-Up</u> 10/30/05
By Precinct Inspectors

Booths and supplies were distributed to Precinct Inspectors on October 29 - 30, 2005. This event is complete.

### LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF REGISTRAR-RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK

## **MILESTONE STATUS REPORT OF KEY EVENTS**

November 8, 2005 - Special Statewide & Consolidated Elections

#### **WEEK ENDING**

EVENT	9/9	9/16	9/23	9/30	10/7	10/14	10/21	10/28	11/4	11/10
FINALIZE BALLOT PAGE DESIGN.	<u>▲</u> 8/15									
RECRUIT AND APPOINT PRECINCT OFFICERS.										_ <u>_</u> 11/07
3. UPDATE REGISTRATION RECORDS.								10/24		
4. TESTING OF ELECTION NIGHT DATA PROCESSING HARDWARE AND PROGRAMS.										<u>△</u> 11/07
5. RECEIVE SAMPLE BALLOTS AND BALLOT PAGES FROM PRINTERS.				_	10/07					
6. MAIL SAMPLE BALLOTS.				_		40/44				
7. PRECINCT SUPPLIES AND VOTE RECORDERS ASSEMBLED.						10/14		10/24		
BOOTH AND SUPPLIES PICKED- UP BY PRECINCT INSPECTORS.								_	<b>A</b>	
									10/30	

<sup>△</sup> SCHEDULE COMPLETION DATE

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