



COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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TO: EACH SUPERVISOR

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### **STATUS REPORT ON NOVEMBER 5, 2002 GENERAL ELECTION**

Attached is the fourth weekly status report regarding major events in process for the November 5, 2002 General Election.

Status of Touchscreen Voting: During the first five days of touchscreen voting (Oct. 22-Oct 26), 4,457 voters cast their ballots at the 21 established sites. This pace is very similar to the November 2000 Election pilot project when, during the first five days, 1,962 voted at 9 sites. Like two years ago, we anticipate the pace will greatly increase as the election nears (21,963 voters cast ballots on touchscreen last time). If the trends remain similar, we could expect approximately 45,000 voters will vote touchscreen. The Touchscreen Kick-Off Press Event, held Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Pio Pico library, was very successful. Supervisor Burke spoke at the event along with representatives from MALDEF, NAACP, the Korean American Coalition/Vision 21 and the League of Women Voters. Immediately following the press conference, Supervisors Burke cast her ballot on the touchscreen system and expressed delight at how user-friendly it was to use the system. As reported last week, Supervisor Knabe also voted touchscreen while visiting our office in Norwalk and expressed great enthusiasm for the new system.

Press Event – What Voters Should Know: Please join us on the mall outside of the Hahn Hall of Administration on Monday, Oct. 28<sup>th</sup> at 11 a.m. for a press briefing which will highlight reminding voters' that their polling location may have changed (and to check their sample ballots for correct location), improvements implemented since the March Primary Election, when to expect election results/how to access vote totals throughout election night and an update on the touchscreen voting project, among other issues.

Pollworker Recruitment/Training: As the attached chart reveals, pollworker recruitment is going well for this election. Also, the response from County employees has exceeded our expectations with almost 3,000 volunteers! Attendance at Pollworker training classes is following expected patterns and the response to the new training video and enhanced program has been very positive.

Voter Registration/Absentee Voter Totals: October 21<sup>st</sup> was the deadline to register to vote (forms completed by voters and mailed on the deadline that arrive on subsequent days are legally processed for voter eligibility on November 5<sup>th</sup>). From October 18<sup>th</sup> through October 26<sup>th</sup>, 43,364 voter registration forms were received and processed. There are now 3,991,646 eligible voters for the election. To date, 420,000 absentee ballots have been mailed and 115,000 voted ballots have been mailed back. The deadline to apply for an absentee ballot is October 29<sup>th</sup>.

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Attachment

**NOVEMBER 5, 2002 GUBERNATORIAL GENERAL ELECTION  
STATUS OF EVENTS PERFORMED**

<u>EVENT</u>	<u>SCHEDULED COMPLETION</u>	<u>ACTUAL COMPLETION</u>
2. <u>Recruit and Appoint Precinct Officers</u>	11/01/02	
<p>Recruitment of precinct officers is complete and appointment notices have been mailed. As precinct officers call to cancel, replacements are being assigned. Currently, there is a need for 10 inspectors and 80 precinct board clerk positions to be filled. These numbers change continually due to an average of 50+ cancellation replacements each day. To date, 1,446 student poll workers from 65 high schools and 2,959 County poll workers have been recruited.</p>		
3. <u>Update Registration Records</u>	10/21/02	10/21/02
<p>The October 21 update of the registration records total 3,976,189 registered voters. This event is complete.</p>		
4. <u>Testing of Election Night Data Processing Hardware and Programs</u>	11/05/02	
<p>Testing of election night tally programs is continuing. Election night computer personnel are continuing training. This event is proceeding on schedule.</p>		
6. <u>Mail Sample Ballots</u>	10/28/02	
<p>Over 4 million sample ballots have been deposited at the Post Office. Supplemental sample ballot mailing is continuing. This event will be completed by October 28.</p>		
7. <u>Precinct Supplies and Vote Recorder Assembled and Delivered to Precincts</u>	11/01/02	
<p>Vote Recorder packaging will be completed on October 31. Supply box processing will be completed on October 30. This event is proceeding on schedule. Delivery will be completed by November 1.</p>		
8. <u>Booth Delivery to Polling Places</u>	10/25/02	10/25/02
<p>Delivery of voting booths to polling places will be completed on October 25 as scheduled.</p>		

**MILESTONE STATUS REPORT OF KEY EVENTS**

November 5, 2002 – GUBERNATORIAL GENERAL ELECTION

WEEK ENDING

EVENT	09/13	09/20	09/27	10/04	10/11	10/18	10/25	11/01	11/08
1. FINALIZE BALLOT PAGE DESIGN.	▲ 09/12								
2. RECRUIT AND APPOINT PRECINCT OFFICERS.								△ 11/01	
3. UPDATE REGISTRATION RECORDS.							▲ 10/21		
4. TESTING OF ELECTION NIGHT DATA PROCESSING HARDWARE AND PROGRAMS.									△ 11/05
5. RECEIVE SAMPLE BALLOTS AND BALLOT PAGES FROM PRINTERS.				▲ 10/04					
6. MAIL SAMPLE BALLOTS.								△ 10/28	
7. PRECINCT SUPPLIES AND VOTE RECORDERS ASSEMBLED AND DELIVERED TO PRECINCTS.								△ 11/01	
8. BOOTH DELIVERY TO POLLING PLACES.							▲ 10/25		

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- △ RESCHEDULE COMPLETION DATE
- ▲ COMPLETION DATE