

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES REGISTRAR-RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK

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TO: EACH SUPERVISOR

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

FIRST STATUS REPORT ON NOVEMBER 2, 2004 GENERAL ELECTION

This is the first status report regarding major election administration events in preparation for the November 2, 2004 General Election. We will provide regular updates to keep you informed of major milestones and the status of election tasks.

The General Election will encompass 4,602 voting precincts. Commitments for all polling places have been secured. Staff continues to work on filling remaining Clerk pollworker vacancies (as of today six Inspectors and 3,100 Clerks remain to be recruited, out of a total pollworker base of 23,000 needed for the General Election). More than 2,000 college student pollworkers have been recruited, a record number in this category.

We have added 145,000 new or changed voter registrations to the database in the last 35 days. This is almost exactly the number of new registrations processed at this same time period prior to the November 2000 General Election. Current active voter registrations stand at 3,791,000 as of today.

Sample ballot printing and mailing began September 23 and will continue daily until all ballot groups are processed. More than 1.8 million sample ballot booklets (49%) have been mailed. It is a significant milestone achievement to have nearly half the sample ballots in the mail five weeks prior to Election Day. The less-complex ballot styles of the General Election, combined with tightening of internal processes, will enable us to complete the sample ballot mailing well in advance of the October 12 legal deadline.

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

Attachments

LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF REGISTRAR-RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK

MILESTONE STATUS REPORT OF KEY EVENTS

Presidential General Election November 2, 2004

WEEK ENDING											
E	/ENT	9/3	9/10	9/17	9/24	10/1	10/8	10/15	10/22	10/29	11/5
1. FINALIZE BAL	LOT PAGE DESIGN.	9/1									
2. RECRUIT AND PRECINCT OF											_△ 11/1
3. UPDATE REG RECORDS.	ISTRATION								 10/18		
4. TESTING OF E DATA PROCI AND PROGRA	ESSING HARDWARE										△ 11/2
	IPLE BALLOTS AND ES FROM PRINTERS.										
6. MAIL SAMPLE	BALLOTS.										
7. PRECINCT SU RECORDERS	JPPLIES AND VOTE ASSEMBLED.						_		_△ 10/18		
	SUPPLIES PICKED- NCT INSPECTORS.									_∆ 10/24	

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NOVEMBER 2, 2004 PRESIDENTIAL GENERAL ELECTION STATUS OF EVENTS PERFORMED

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

1.Finalize Ballot Page Design09/01/040

09/01/04

Ballot page design was finalized on 09/1/04. This event is complete.

2. <u>Recruit and Appoint</u> 11/01/04 Precinct Officers

This election will involve 4,602 precincts requiring the recruitment of approximately 23,000 pollworkers. Recruitment of precinct officers is proceeding on schedule.

3. <u>Update Registration Records</u> 10/18/04

The September 24, 2004 update of the registration records total 3,791,322 registered voters. This event is proceeding on schedule.

4. <u>Testing of Election Night Data</u> 11/01/04 <u>Processing Hard/Ware and Programs</u>

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

5. <u>Receive Sample Ballot and</u> 10/01/04 <u>Ballot Pages from Printer</u>

Delivery of sample ballots will begin on 09/17/04. This event is proceeding on schedule.

6. <u>Mail Sample Ballots</u> 10/12/04

The initial and supplemental sample ballot mailing to over 3.7 million registered voters began on September 21, 2004 and will continue through October 12, 2004. This event is proceeding on schedule.

7. <u>Precinct Supplies and Vote Recorders</u> 10/18/04 <u>Assembled</u>

Vote Recorder Packaging will begin on October 8, 2004. Supply box processing will commence on October 18, 2004.

8. <u>Booth and Supplies Picked-Up</u> 10/24/04 <u>By Precinct Inspectors</u>

Booths and supplies are scheduled for pick-up on October 23 - 24, 2004.