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

STATUS REPORT ON NOVEMBER 5, 2002 GENERAL ELECTION

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

Voter Registration Deadline: Monday, October 21st is the deadline for registering or re-registering (due to a move, change of name, etc.) This is the first General Election since the law changed in California extending the voter registration period for two more weeks (the previous deadline was 29 days before election day and now it is 15 days.) Many of the registration forms completed by voters and mailed on the deadline do not arrive until a few days later and then must be key entered into the voter database. This activity is expected to be completed 9-10 days prior to the election. Recognizing that such late registrants must still be notified of where to go to vote, the new law allows mailing a postcard with this notification in lieu of a sample ballot booklet for those voters registering/re-registering between 29 and 15 days prior to the election. However, for the March Primary Election the volume of last-minute registrants was light and we were able to mail sample ballots to all registrants. To date, registrations for this election are also light and we anticipate using this same approach in order to provide voters with the best possible service.

Touchscreen Voting Kick-Off Press Event: A press conference will be held on Wednesday, October 23rd at 2 p.m. at the Pio Pico Koreatown Library, 694 Oxford Ave, Los Angeles, which is one of the 21 “early voting” touchscreen sites. This will be an excellent opportunity to showcase the County’s move toward use of modern voting equipment. All members of the Board of Supervisors are invited to participate. Supervisor Yvonne Brathwaite Burke has confirmed her attendance. We also hope you will consider voting touchscreen for this election. Supervisor Don Knabe voted on the touchscreen system today while visiting our office in Norwalk and pronounced it “excellent and easy to use.” He plans to drop by his neighborhood polling place on election day to visit with voters while wearing his “I Voted Touchscreen” sticker.

Poll Worker Recruitment: We are currently fully staffed at all 4,922 voting precincts. We are very pleased that a record-high 2,889 County employees have volunteered to work at the polls, constituting 12.5% of the entire pollworker work force. A number of your deputies as well as executive/management staff throughout the County departments are participating. We greatly appreciate your strong support including the unprecedented re-scheduling of your Board meeting from Tuesday, November 5th to Wednesday, November 6th to encourage greater participation.

If you have questions, please call.

c: CAO
Attachments

**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 32 inspectors and 137 precinct board clerk positions to be filled, however, these numbers change continually due to an average of 50+ cancellation replacements each day.</p>		
3. <u>Update Registration Records</u>	10/21/02	
<p>The October 17 update of the registration records total 3,962,831 registered voters. This event is proceeding on schedule.</p>		
4. <u>Testing of Election Night Data Processing Hard/Ware and Programs</u>	11/05/02	
<p>Testing of election night tally programs is progressing. Election night computer personnel are being trained. This event is proceeding on schedule.</p>		
6. <u>Mail Sample Ballots</u>	10/28/02	
<p>As of October 18 the sample ballot mailing (approximately 3.7 million) was completed to all voters who were registered by 46 days before the election. Those who register from E-45 to the E-15 deadline receive sample ballots in a supplemental mailing.</p>		
7. <u>Precinct Supplies and Vote Records Assemble and Delivered to Precincts</u>	11/01/02	
<p>Vote Recorder Packaging began on October 11. Supply box processing will begin on October 21. This event is proceeding on schedule.</p>		

MILESTONE STATUS REPORT OF KEY EVENTS

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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		

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