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Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk

FINAL STATUS REPORT ON NOV 4th CONSOLIDATED ELECTIONS

Attached is the final status report regarding major events for the November 4, 2003 Uniform District Elections (UDEL) which encompass 1.3 million of the County's registered voters who will be casting ballots on a number of local offices and ballot measures.

All 898 polling locations and approximately 3,600 pollworkers have been secured, including selecting replacements for last-minute cancellations of several polling locations and pollworkers that occurred after the initial confirmation. Twenty-four (or three percent) of the polling sites, involving 61,670 voters, have been relocated since the September 17th cut-off date for labeling sample ballot booklets for mailing. As is the routine procedure in such circumstances, each of affected voters was mailed a poll change postcard containing information about the changed poll location. The fires did not impact polling places.

As you know, this election marks the first use of the new interim voting system, InkaVote. Poll worker training classes emphasized hands-on training on the new voting system and stressed the importance of offering each voter a demonstration on how to use the new device. Yesterday, many area newspapers featured articles on the introduction of InkaVote including the *Whittier Daily News*, *San Gabriel Vally Tribune* and Long Beach *Press Telegram*. The *Los Angeles Times* plans to run an article about the introduction of InkaVote tomorrow. These stories focused on the similarity of InkaVote to the punch card voting system – the key difference is the use of an "inking stylus" replacing the punching tool (stylus) of the system that has been familiar to County voters for the past 35 years. UDEL elections typically result in low voter turnout (between 12-18%) making this the ideal election to launch a new system and learn from the feedback from voters/pollworkers.

For this election we mailed approximately 100,000 absentee ballots. Instead of delivering election supplies to each inspector's home, the Department once again implemented an election supply pick-up program; 90% of the Inspectors picked-up their election supplies and booths from 35 designated centers while the others were delivered. Also, a successful simulation of ballot counting operations was conducted on Saturday, November 1, 2003.

As always, you are invited to our office for the ballot tabulation tomorrow night. Please call me if you have any questions regarding any election preparation activities.

Attachments

LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF REGISTRAR-RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK

MILESTONE STATUS REPORT OF KEY EVENTS

Consolidated Elections November 4, 2003

		_			WEEK ENDING				
EVENT	9/12	9/19	9/26	10/3	10/10	10/17	10/24	10/31	11/7
1. FINALIZE BALLOT PAGE DESIGN.		9/13							
2. RECRUIT AND APPOINT PRECINCT OFFICERS.									- △ 11/3
3. UPDATE REGISTRATION RECORDS.							10/20		
4. TESTING OF ELECTION NIGHT DATA PROCESSING HARDWARE AND PROGRAMS.									 11/4
5. RECEIVE SAMPLE BALLOTS AND BALLOT PAGES FROM PRINTERS.				10/3					
6. MAIL SAMPLE BALLOTS.						— ▲ 10/14			
7. PRECINCT SUPPLIES AND VOTE RECORDERS ASSEMBLED.								10/25	
8. BOOTH AND SUPPLIES PICKED-UP BY PRECINCT INSPECTORS.								A 10/25	

- △ SCHEDULE COMPLETION DATE
- ∠ RESCHEDULE COMPLETION DATE
- ▲ COMPLETION DATE

NOVEMEMBER 4, 2003 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 11/03/03

Precinct Officers

This election will involve 898 precincts requiring the recruitment of approximately 3,600 pollworkers. Recruitment of precinct officers is proceeding on schedule.

3. <u>Update Registration Records</u> 10/20/03 10/20/03

The final registration records totals 1,622,672 registered voters.

4. <u>Testing of Election Night Data</u> 11/04/03

Processing Hardware and Programs

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

7. Precinct Supplies and Vote 10/25/03 10/25/03

Recorder Assembled

The vote recorder assembly was completed on 10/22/03, and the supply box processing on 10/24/03.

8. <u>Booth and Supplies picked -up</u> 10/25/03 10/25/03

by Precinct Inspectors

There was a ninety percent turn out for this event. The remaining booths and supplies will be delivered to precinct inspectors by October 31, 2003.

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