

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES REGISTRAR-RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK

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February 12, 2004

TO: EACH SUPERVISOR

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

STATUS REPORT #3: MARCH 2, 2004 PRIMARY ELECTION

"InkaVote" Voting System

Both absentee and polling place voters will use "InkaVote" optical scan paper ballots for the Primary. The attached "New Voting System" brochure is being used successfully as an outreach tool to inform voters and community groups about the system they will use on March 2. Also attached is a sample "Demonstration" InkaVote ballot. Under separate cover we are sending a demonstrator InkaVote device to each of your offices.

Sample Ballots

More than 96% of the County's 3.7 million sample ballots have been mailed to voters.

Pollworkers

As of today, 95% of the 22,000+ pollworkers needed have been recruited. The cancellation rate among pollworkers is lower than the benchmark for this phase of recruitment (and far lower than the comparable period prior to the March 2002 Primary). Staff is conducting more than 300 pollworker training classes throughout the County. Classes began on February 3 and continue through February 29.

Absentee Ballot Mailings

To date, we have issued 270,025 absentee ballots. Nearly 26,000 voters (about 10% of those issued) have voted and returned ballots to our office. The deadline to apply for an absentee ballot is February 24.

Touchscreen Early Voting

Early Voting on Touchscreen equipment is available now at our Norwalk headquarters for any voter in Los Angeles County. An additional 15 sites will open next week (February 18). Early voting continues through Friday, February 27. (The complete list of sites is available at www.LAVOTE.net/voter/pdfs/earlyvoting.pdf.) Voters may choose any site in the County, regardless of the location of their home precinct.

Media Kit

The Media Kit, a comprehensive source for election information is now available on our website. To access the Media Kit, go to www.LAVOTE.net/general/mediakit.pdf. Or from our home page (LAVOTE.NET) click on the "Press Releases" link.

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

Attachments

MARCH 2, 2004 PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY ELECTION STATUS OF EVENTS PERFORMED

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COMPLETION

2. <u>Recruit and Appoint</u> <u>Precinct Officers</u> 3/01/04

This election will involve 4,571 precincts requiring the recruitment of approximately 22,000 pollworkers. Recruitment of precinct officers is proceeding on schedule.

3. <u>Update Registration Records</u> 2/27/04

The February 12, 2004 update of the registration records total 3,670,157 registered voters. This event is proceeding on schedule.

4. <u>Testing of Election Night Data</u> 3/02/04 <u>Processing Hard/Ware and Programs</u>

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

6. <u>Mail Sample Ballots</u> 2/23/04

The initial sample ballot mailing to over 3.6 million registered voters began on January 22, 2004. This event is proceeding on schedule.

7. <u>Precinct Supplies and Vote Recorders</u> 2/18/04 <u>Assembled</u>

Vote Recorder Packaging will begin on February 14. Supply box processing will begin on February 17.

MILESTONE STATUS REPORT OF KEY EVENTS

Presidential Primary Election March 2, 2004

WEEK ENDING									
EVENT		1/16	1/23	1/30	2/6	2/13	2/20	2/27	3/5
1. FINALIZE BALLOT PAG	E DESIGN.	▲ 1/11							
2. RECRUIT AND APPOINT	PRECINCT OFFICERS.								 3/1
3. UPDATE REGISTRATIO	N RECORDS.						 2/17		
4. TESTING OF ELECTION NIGHT DATA PROCESSING HARDWARE AND PROGRAMS.									
5. RECEIVE SAMPLE BALL BALLOT PAGES FROM F			 1/21						
6. MAIL SAMPLE BALLOTS	i.								
7. PRECINCT SUPPLIES A ASSEMBLED.	ND VOTE RECORDERS						<u>/</u> 2/18		
8. BOOTH AND SUPPLIES PRECINCT INSPECTOR									
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