



Countywide Services Agency

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SACRAMENTO COUNTY REGISTRAR OF VOTERS ELECTION UPDATE**

Vote-by-Mail and Provisional Ballot Counts

With the Statewide Direct Primary Election over, Sacramento County Registrar of Voters Jill LaVine will now shift her focus from Election Day activities to important ballot processing efforts that take place after every election. The Elections Office is now processing Vote-by-Mail ballots received in the mail through Election Day and those returned at the polls that were not included in the election night results.

LaVine estimates there are over 86,000 ballots yet to be processed. These include Vote-by-Mail ballots dropped off at the polls, ballots received prior to Election Night and not processed, and provisional ballots. The processing will begin each day at 8:00 a.m. and continue to 5:00 p.m.

“While processing returned Vote-by-Mail and provisional ballots are time consuming, it is done according to election law,” states LaVine. “All returned ballots are processed by verifying the signatures and certifying eligibility to prevent double-voting and to establish the voter’s right to vote.”

Official final results will not be available until the canvass of the election is completed. By law, counties have 28 days following an election to process all of the remaining ballots.

LaVine reports that the next update will occur Friday June 11, 2010, late in the afternoon. For the results of Fridays update, visit our website at <http://www.elections.saccounty.net/default.htm>.

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