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County Clerk/Registrar of Voters (CC/ROV) Memorandum #16300

TO: All County Clerks/Registrars of Voters

FROM: /s/ Susan Lapsley
Deputy Secretary of State and Counsel

RE: General Election: VoteCal Website Deployment

The Secretary of State (SOS) has launched the new My Voter Status website. This website allows voters to look up their voter registration information through the SOS website. Voters will be able to view their registration status, the address at which they are registered, their party preference, and county and state voter information guides delivery preference. In addition, voters will have the ability to change how they would like to receive their state or county voter information guide. If a county does not provide electronic notification for county voter information guides, then the voter will receive a physical copy by mail.

The Secretary of State anticipates launching VoteCal's Online Voter Registration after the November election, replacing the current California Online Voter Registration (COVR) website. When VoteCal's Online Voter Registration is launched, online registration records will be directly inserted into the VoteCal database and VoteCal will send a message to the county's election management system for processing.

VoteCal will also have a provisional ballot lookup website, where an individual who casts a provisional ballot can look up whether his/her provisional ballot was counted, and, if not, why not. This page will become live after the November 8, 2016, General Election.

Data for vote-by-mail status and provisional ballot status will be available on the My Voter Status website and the provisional ballot lookup website after the November election and thereafter for all subsequent elections.