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County Clerk/Registrar of Voters (CC/ROV) Memorandum # 18102

TO: All County Clerks/Registrars of Voters

FROM: /s/ Jana M. Lean
Chief, Elections Division

RE: Primary Election: Approved Alternative Procedures

As you are aware, Elections Code section 14299 requires counties to have an alternative procedure in place in the event there are insufficient ballots or insufficient ballot printing supplies, if applicable, at a polling place.

In accordance with Elections Code section 14299(c), please submit your alternative procedure(s) to Stacey Jarrett at Stacey.Jarrett@sos.ca.gov by Monday, May 21, 2018, (E-15).

Following is a list of alternative procedures that have been approved by the Secretary of State for use in the June 5, 2018, Statewide Direct Primary Election.

- Provisional ballots
- Vote-by-mail ballots
- Sample ballots
- Direct Recording Electronic voting systems
- Reasonable facsimiles of polling place, vote-by-mail, and sample ballots
- Ballots from neighboring precincts, provided the ballot types are identical
- Emergency ballots or test ballots that many counties include in their regular precinct supply kits, provided these ballots contain the names of all of the candidates and titles of ballots measures, along with corresponding areas to allow voters to select their choices
- A blank piece of paper upon which the names of all of the candidates and titles of ballots measures are printed, along with corresponding areas to allow voters to select their choices

Any ballot cast using one of the above-approved alternative procedures would have to be duplicated in accordance with the procedure set forth in Elections Code section 15210.