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County Clerk/Registrar of Voters (CC/ROV) Memorandum #23159

- TO: All County Clerks/Registrars of Voters
- FROM: /s/ William Endicott Associate Governmental Program Analyst
- RE: Presidential Primary: VoteCal Election Reporting Schedule

Attached is the VoteCal Election Reporting Schedule for the March 5, 2024, Presidential Primary Election to assist with VoteCal related activities such as Report of Registration (ROR), Voter Information Guide (VIG) reporting, system testing, and election night reporting.

Counties should continue to respond to VoteCal messages relating to processing voter registration records and potential match messages.

If you have any questions about this or any other VoteCal matters, please contact the VoteCal Help Desk at (888) 868-3225 or via email at votecalhelp@sos.ca.gov.

Thank you.

Attachment

## March 5, 2024, Presidential Primary Election VoteCal Election Reporting Schedule

Date	Description
January 2, 2024	Electronic File Transfer (EFT) Readiness Documentation Available
(E-63)	The Electronic File Transfer (EFT) Readiness County Users' Guide will be
	available for EFT election reporting.
January 5, 2024–	60-Day Close of Registration
January 15, 2024	Report of Registration (ROR)
(E-60 - E-50)	Counties must report no later than E-50 their registration as of E-60. County
	verifies all eligible voters are entered in the EMS, indicates readiness in their
	EMS that they are ready for the ROR, reviews the registration statistics for
	reasonableness, and sends completed certification to the SOS. SOS generates
	the 60-day ROR.
	Voter Information Guide (VIG)
	Counties must verify the election is setup locally in the EMS so that VoteCal
	will have access to precinct/district mapping associated with that election, enter
	all online and paper registrations into the EMS with a registration date up to and
	including E-60, and complete and return the VIG readiness form. SOS requests
	VIG mailing list extract from VoteCal and mails state VIG to all households
	with voters registered as of E-60.
January 12, 2024	Electronic File Transfer (EFT) Readiness Template Files Available
(E-53)	Presidential Primary (##PP24.txt) template files will be available for EFT
	election reporting. These files may be retrieved from the County
	Communications Portal at https://county.sos.ca.gov.
January 19, 2024 –	Apply Voter Participation History to Voter Records
April 4, 2024	County applies voter participation history in the local EMS to each voter who
(E-46 - E+30)	voted in the March 5, 2024, Presidential Primary Election pursuant to California
	Administrative Code, Title 2, Division 7, Chapter 1, Article 2.5, Section 19097.
	Voter participation history must be sent in near real time to VoteCal starting
	with the first day of voting for each voter that has participated in the election.
	Voter participation history must reflect the method of participation.
	DFM Counties: Run the "Apply Voter History" process to send the voter
	participation history to VoteCal. If you have any questions about how to transfer
	voter participation history for your county to VoteCal, please contact DFM
	support.
	Runbeck Counties: Use the Voter Participation History "SEND" functionality
	from the VoteCal upload page. Check the Vote History auto flag OR the "Send
	History" button in the election module "VoteCal Election Update" tab to
	transmit your polling place/roster participation history. VBM, CVR, and
	Provisional ballot history will be sent automatically as these ballots are marked
	as accepted. If you have any questions about how to transfer voter participation
	history for your county to VoteCal, please contact Runbeck support.
	Voter participation history information is available to the public on the My
	Voter Status webpage.
January 22, 2024 –	Readiness Testing for Electronic File Transfer (EFT) Election Reporting
March 1, 2024	All counties that will be electronically reporting their election results on Election
(E-43 - E-4)	Night must complete EFT Readiness no later than E-4.
	(Please see the <i>Electronic File Transfer (EFT) Readiness County Users' Guide</i>
	for more information about certification.)
February 5, 2024	29-Day VIG Mailing
(E-29)	Counties must enter all online and paper registrations into the EMS with a
	registration date of E-59 up to and including E-29. SOS requests VIG mailing
	list extract from VoteCal and mails state VIG to all households with voters
	registered between E-59 and E-29.

Date	Description
February 14, 2024	Test of Election Night Reporting System #1
8 a.m. – Noon	All counties that have been verified for readiness for EFT reporting, as well as
(E-20)	counties that will be reporting via direct KDE, should participate. Counties must
	participate in at least two tests.
February 20, 2024 –	15-Day Close of Registration
February 27, 2024	Counties must report no later than E-7 their registration as of E-15. County
(E-14 - E-7)	verifies all eligible voters are entered in the EMS, indicates readiness in their
	EMS that they are ready for the Report of Registration (ROR), reviews the
	registration statistics for reasonableness, and sends completed certification to the
	SOS. SOS generates the 15-day ROR.
February 20, 2024 -	Generate Official List for the Election
March 5, 2024	County requests the Official List from VoteCal using the local county EMS for
(E-14 - E)	the March 5, 2024, Presidential Primary Election. This includes any
	supplemental official lists for polling place rosters.
February 21, 2024	Test of Election Night Reporting System #2
8 a.m. – Noon	All counties that have been certified for EFT reporting, as well as counties that
(E-13)	will be reporting via direct KDE, should participate. Counties must participate in
	at least two tests.
February 28, 2024	Test of Election Night Reporting System #3
8 a.m Noon	All counties that have been certified for EFT reporting, as well as counties that
(E-6)	will be reporting via direct KDE, should participate. Counties must participate in
	at least two tests.
March 1, 2022	SOV/SSOV Template Files Available
(E-4)	SOV/SSOV Template files available on the County Communications Portal for
N. 1.5.2024	reporting Official Canvass Results.
March 5, 2024	ELECTION DAY / Semi-Official Canvass
	Counties must submit returns at least every two hours until completed. All
	counties must submit final returns before shutting down. Counties must provide final system generated report and verbally go over final numbers with SOS prior
	to leaving for the night.
March 7, 2024 –	Official Canvass
April 4, 2024 –	County elections officials, beginning no later than the Thursday (E+2) following
(E+2-E+30)	the election until submission of a certified statement of the results $(E+30)$ , are to
(E+2 E+50)	post updated information regarding the election on their internet website at least
	once per week.
April 2, 2024	Statement of Vote Reporting Deadline - Presidential Delegates
(E+28)	Counties must submit their Statement of Vote (SOV) to SOS for presidential
,	delegates no later than E+28.
April 5, 2024	Statement of Vote Reporting Deadline - Voter-Nominated Candidates and
(E+31)	State Propositions
	Counties must submit their SOV for all U.S. Senate, U.S House of
	Representatives, State Senate, State Assembly offices and State Propositions no
	later than E+31.