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County Clerk/Registrar of Voters (CC/ROV) Memorandum # 14110

TO: All County Clerks/Registrars of Voters

FROM: /s/ Angela Beane
Associate Elections Analyst

RE: Statewide Direct Primary Election: Free Access Provisional Ballot & Vote-By-Mail Status Systems

We are updating our records for the upcoming June 3, 2014, Statewide Direct Primary Election, and in an effort to reduce the number of surveys from the Secretary of State's office, we have combined two surveys into one request.

First, please respond to the attached survey regarding your county's Help America Vote Act of 2002 (HAVA) Provisional Voting Free Access System (as required by Title III, Section 302(a)) and indicate on the attached survey whether you will continue to use your existing system or whether you will be implementing a new system.

Second, as you know, California Elections Code section 3017(c) requires county elections officials to establish procedures to track and confirm the receipt of voted vote-by-mail ballots and to make this information available by means of an online access system using the county's elections division Internet website or via a toll-free telephone number. In addition, Elections Code section 3019.5 now requires county elections officials to establish a free access system that allows a voter to learn whether his or her vote-by-mail ballot was counted and, if not, the reason why the ballot was not counted. Please respond to the attached survey regarding the type of system your county will continue to use, or new system you will implement, for this election.

After the June 3, 2014, Statewide Direct Primary Election, we will be contacting each county to determine how many provisional voters and vote-by-mail voters used each county's system.

Please complete and return this survey via fax to (916) 653-3214 or email to angela.beane@sos.ca.gov no later than **Tuesday, May 6, 2014**. If you have any questions, please contact me directly at (916) 653-2744 or at angela.beane@sos.ca.gov. Thank you for your assistance.

**June 3, 2014, Statewide Direct Primary Election
Free Access System Survey**

County: _____

1. Will your county continue to use the same provisional ballot status system?

___ Yes, we will continue to use our existing provisional ballot status system.

___ No, we will be implementing the following type of system:

2. Will your county continue to use the same vote-by-mail ballot receipt system?

___ Yes, we will continue to use the same vote-by-mail ballot receipt system.

___ No, we will be implementing the following type of system:

3. Will your county be using the same free access system for both types of ballots?

___ Yes, we will be using the same type of free access system for both provisional ballots and vote-by-mail ballots.

___ No, we will be implementing the following type of system:

4. Please provide the website address or the toll-free number for your provisional ballot or vote-by-mail ballot free access system.

5. Does your free access system track receipt of UOCAVA ballots? If yes, please provide the website or or phone number for this system.

County contact: _____ Phone Number: _____

Please send responses to:
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