

# REPORT OF 1% MANUAL TALLY

[Elections Code section 15360]

County: San Luis Obispo

Election: September 14, 2021 CA gubernatorial Recall

Manual tally method used:  One Part [section 15360(a)(1)]

Two Part [section 15360(a)(2)]

Date and time notice provided (attach copy of the notice):

September 24, 2021 (attachment #1)

Internet website where additional information about the manual tally is posted, if applicable:

www.slovote.com

Date and time the manual tally commenced, beginning with the random selection of precincts and batches (must be after the close of the polls on Election Day):

September 29, 2021. Random selection of precinct and batches at 11:15 a.m.; Manual tally at 1:15 p.m.

Date and time the manual tally finished:

September 29, 2021 at 5:15 p.m.

Estimated number of members of the public who observed the process:

5

Total number of ballots counted in this election (official canvass numbers):

Polling place / vote center ballots (including provisionals)	4916
Vote-by-mail ballots	125265

Total number of ballots manually tallied:

Polling place / vote center ballots (including provisionals)	88
Vote-by-mail ballots	1000

Precincts in the county for this election (attach list describing all precincts with the number of ballots in each, indicating whether ballots are polling place / vote center, vote-by-mail, or provisional):

Total number of precincts in the election	93
Total number of precincts selected for the manual tally	1

Batches of vote-by-mail or provisional ballots (attach list describing each batch with the number of ballots in each, indicating whether ballots are polling place / vote center, vote-by-mail, or provisional):

Total number of batches in the election	264 as of semifinal official canvass
Total number of batches selected for the manual tally	5

Method used to choose precincts and batch of ballots to manually tally (include description of random selection method):

Please see attachment #2

*attach additional pages if necessary*

Description of any discrepancies noted (include details about each discrepancy and how each was resolved; also include anything unusual observed during the manual tally process or anything that may improve the manual tally process):

Two discrepancies were noted during the manual tally. Both discrepancies involved voter error; that is, the voter failed to mark their choice properly in the bubble as directed in the voter instructions. Instead, one voter circled their YES choice, and the other wrote YES next to the printed word YES on the ballot. These discrepancies resulted in two additional YES votes for the recall question contest when compared to the machine tally for the selected batches.

*attach additional pages if necessary*

This report is submitted pursuant to Elections Code section 15360(f).

Submitted on this date: October 14, 2021 by:

Elections Official Name: Helen Nolan Signature: 



**COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO  
OFFICE OF THE CLERK-RECORDER**

*Helen Nolan - Deputy Director Clerk Recorder*

*Melissa Lile - Deputy Director Registrar*

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Posted:  
September 24, 2021

Pursuant to California Elections Code section 15360, notice is hereby given that the One Percent Manual Tally of the ballots from randomly chosen precincts, and vote-by-mail ballots, for the September 14, 2021 California Gubernatorial Recall Election will commence on Wednesday, September 29, 2021 at the Clerk-Recorder's office at 11:00 a.m., beginning with the random selection of the precincts and vote-by-mail batches to be tallied. Contact our office if you desire to observe these activities. (805) 781-5228.

## Attachment #2

San Luis Obispo opted for the 2-part manual tally as allowed per EC 15360.

For the first part, we have 93 precincts  $\times 1\% = .93 = 1$  precinct. We used a set of three 10-sided dice to choose the 3-digit precinct to be tallied. The dice are colored red, white, and blue, and we assigned each dice in color order to relate to the same digit in the precinct number. We continued rolling until a precinct in range was rolled. This occurred when the red die rolled a 1, the white die a 1, and the blue die a 3 = precinct 113. List attached (attachment #3) describes all precincts with the number of ballots in each as of the semifinal official canvass at the end of the night on September 14, 2021.

For the second part, we used our semifinal official canvass, which is described in EC 15150 as "commencing immediately upon the close of the polls and continuing without adjournment until all precincts are accounted for". Our VBM number on our semifinal official canvass was 52,800 VBM ballots.  $1\%$  of 52,800 = 528 ballots. We batch our counted ballots in batches of 200 count, so 3 batches were required per EC 15360(a)(2)(B)(i). Per EC 15360(a)(2)(B)(II), we chose to add an additional 2 batches of VBM ballots (400 additional ballots) to the manual tally. Per our semifinal official canvass, we had processed 264 batches. However, on the day we rolled for our random batch numbers, we included all 521 batches processed up until September 29, 2021 in the list of available batches to allow all batches to be among the batches available to be chosen. The attached list (attachment #4) describes each batch with the number of ballots in each.

We have 6 tabulators that assign their own numbers to batches, so we organized all batches tabulated on the morning of September 29 into the order in which they were accepted into the system, and numbered them 1 through 521. We then assigned the three digits on the attached batch spreadsheet to the red, white, and blue dice as we did for the precinct selection. Our observers took turns rolling the colored dice and produced batches #41 (ICC2VBM-17), #49 (ICC4VBM-16), #175 (ICC4VBM-30), #237 (ICC5VBM-47), and #299 (ICC5VBM-59).