

REPORT OF 1% MANUAL TALLY

[Elections Code section 15360]

County: Sierra

Election: March 5, 2024 Presidential Primary

Manual tally method used: One Part [section 15360(a)(1)]
 Two Part [section 15360(a)(2)]

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

March 7, 2024

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

sierracounty.ca.gov/804/Upcoming-Elections

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):

03/14/2024 at 4:00PM

Date and time the manual tally finished:

03/14/2024 at 6:00PM

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

0

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

Polling place / vote center ballots (including provisionals)	N/A (All VBM County)
Vote-by-mail ballots	

Total number of ballots manually tallied:

Polling place / vote center ballots (including provisionals)	N/A (All VBM County)
Vote-by-mail ballots	

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	19
Total number of precincts selected for the manual tally	4

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	N/A
Total number of batches selected for the manual tally	N/A

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

See attached 1% Manual Tally Overview sheet.


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):

Precinct 105 (Sierra City), which was selected as an additional precinct to account for local Measure B had one discrepancy. The manual tally resulted in one additional "Yes" vote for Measure B compared to the voting system report. After comparing all contests for Precinct 105 it was determined that a voter marked their ballot choices with both a dark blue and light blue pen and 3 contests that were marked in light blue were read as an "Undervote" by the voting system. The discrepancy was resolved using the Manual Vote Recording option in Verity Count by subtracting the ballot with the incorrect choices and adding the ballot back with the correct choices made by the voter for all contests. A new report was generated and compared against the hand tally and matched.

attach additional pages if necessary

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

Submitted on this date: 04/04/2024 by: _____
Elections Official Name: Heather Foster Signature: 

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Heather Foster
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1 % MANUAL TALLY OVERVIEW

Random Selection of Precincts:

Serial numbered paper slips beginning with number 1 representing every voting precinct are placed into a box for random selection by a public observer, the elections official or a designated staff representative. Additional precincts are selected for other races not included in the initial 1 % random selection. This results in more than 1 % of the precincts being manually tallied for the election.

Manual Tally Summary Sheets are produced for entering the manual hand count during tally process. Staff performs a 1 % manual tally of voted precinct and vote by mail ballots in each precinct and records hand count results for comparison to automated count results for summary and tally reconciliation.

Ballots and Votes Cast (+) (-) differences between automated and manual results are recorded on 1 % Manual Tally Summary Sheets. Ballots and Votes Cast (+) (-) differences are reconciled by determining whether manual or computer count is correct. The tally board manually recounts the number of ballots and votes to re-verify actual number of ballots processed through system for comparison to Semi-Official Canvass Election Summary Report. Valid votes where clear voter intent can be determined are enhanced or duplicated pursuant to Uniform Vote Counting Standards.

A 1 % Manual Tally Recap Summary is prepared indicating automated ballot count and manual tally count differences for completed precincts. A final Summary Recap is provided for review and public distribution at the conclusion of the 1 % Manual Tally operations. A report on the 1 % Manual Tally results identifying discrepancies between automated and manual counts with an explanation of how discrepancies were resolved is submitted to the Secretary of State's Office.

PUBLIC NOTICE

MARCH 5, 2024, PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY ELECTION

1% MANUAL TALLY

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to Elections Code §15360 the Sierra County Elections Department will randomly select the precincts to be tallied and conduct the required 1% manual tally for the March 5, 2024, Presidential Primary Election **Thursday, March 14, 2024, at 4:00 p.m. in the Board Chambers, Courthouse, Downieville, CA.**

This process is open to members of the public for observation. Observers shall not interfere with the counting of vote-by-mail ballots, including touching or handling of the ballots.

CERTIFICATE OF COUNTY CLERK

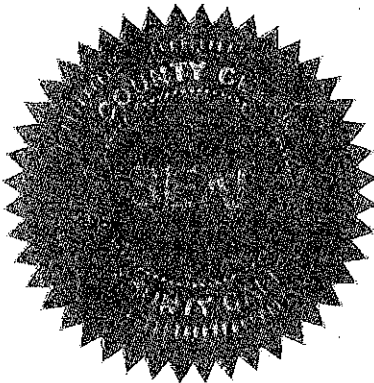
**MANUAL TALLY OF ELECTION RESULTS PURSUANT TO SECTION 15360
CALIFORNIA ELECTIONS CODE**

**PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY ELECTION
MARCH 5, 2024**

I, HEATHER FOSTER, County Clerk-Recorder of the County of Sierra, State of California, do hereby certify that on March 14, 2024, a one percent manual tally was completed in conjunction with the March 5, 2024, Presidential Primary Election.

I further certify that each vote was manually tallied for each contest and the results were an accurate and true representation of the ballots tabulated during the semi-official canvass on March 5, 2024, using a voting system, as defined in Section 362 of the California Elections Code.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have set my hand and affixed my official seal on the 4th day of March 2024, in accordance with the laws of the State of California.



A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Heather Foster", written over a horizontal line.

HEATHER FOSTER
SIERRA COUNTY CLERK-RECORDER