

# Modoc County

## Project Documentation Plan Staff Report

### Summary

| Modoc County                           | Amounts      |
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| Staff Recommended Funding Award Amount | \$76,314.42  |
| VMB Approved Allocation Amount         | \$76,314.42  |
| County Required 3:1 Matching Amount    | \$25,438.14  |
| Estimated Total System Cost            | \$173,280.00 |

### **Voting System:**

#### **Hardware:**

AccuVote-OS Precinct Ballot Tabulators (Optical Scan) – 12 Units  
AccuVote-TSX with AccuView Printer Module (Touch Screen) – 10 Units

#### **Vendor:**

Diebold Elections Systems, Inc.

#### **Acquisition Schedule:**

Modoc County acquired its optical scan voting equipment prior to the 2002 Primary Election and it was used for the first time during that election. Modoc County secured the new DRE equipment in October of 2006 and used the equipment for the first time during the November 2006 General Election.

#### **Project Completion Date:**

Modoc County fully implemented its new voting system equipment during the November 2006 General Election.

#### **Voter Verifiable Paper Audit Trail (VVPAT):**

The AccuVote-TSX units with the AccuView Printer component purchased by Modoc County include a voter verifiable receipt printer, which is a VVPAT component.

#### **Staff Report:**

Modoc County's Project Documentation Plan meets the requirements for completeness. The AccuVote-OS Precinct Ballot Tabulators Optical Scan units and the Diebold AccuVote-TSX touch screen units are certified for use in California.

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Modoc County originally converted from a Datavote punch card voting system to a blended optical scan and touch screen voting system. Modoc County has 20 precincts, 11 of which are designated as "Mail-Ballot Precincts" with less than 250 voters. Modoc County chose to purchase the Diebold system because the equipment allowed the county to maintain a paper-based optical scan system for the majority of its voters while adhering to state and federal accessibility and language requirements.

Modoc County believes that the deployment of one optical scan unit and one DRE unit in each polling place brought the county into full compliance with the requirements of the Help America Vote Act (HAVA). The DRE units provide access to those voters with disabilities and also satisfy the second-chance voting requirements by not allowing over-votes and identifying under-votes to each voter.

Modoc County will only receive VMB payments once it has submitted detailed invoices for its certified voting equipment. Please note that the staff-proposed funding award is based upon allowable reimbursement under Proposition 41 only for voting equipment hardware and software. The support services listed in the Modoc County contract with Diebold would not be covered as a reimbursable claim under Proposition 41.

**Staff Recommendation:**

It is our recommendation that Modoc County's Project Documentation Plan be approved and a Funding Award letter be issued in the amount of \$76,314.42.