



## Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk Fact Sheet

### May 19, 2009 Statewide Special and Consolidated Elections

#### OVERVIEW

The Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk (RR/CC) will be conducting the Statewide Special and Consolidated Elections on May 19, 2009. The purpose of the election is to submit to all voters six statewide measures. In addition to the measures, several contests have been consolidated with the election. Voters' ballots may include the 32<sup>nd</sup> Congressional District Special Primary, 26<sup>th</sup> State Senate Special General, Los Angeles City General Run-Off, Palmdale City Special Municipal, or Los Angeles Community College District Runoff elections.

ELECTION CONTESTS	REGISTRATION (*Figure as of 4/21/09)	VOTING PRECINCTS
<b>Federal</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 32<sup>nd</sup> Congressional District</li> </ul>	245,787*	200
<b>State</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Statewide Measure 1A</li> <li>• Statewide Measure 1B</li> <li>• Statewide Measure 1C</li> <li>• Statewide Measure 1D</li> <li>• Statewide Measure 1E</li> <li>• Statewide Measure 1F</li> <li>• 26<sup>th</sup> State Senate Special General</li> </ul>	4,331,944* 4,331,944* 4,331,944* 4,331,944* 4,331,944* 4,331,944* 388,038*	3,057 3,057 3,057 3,057 3,057 3,057 343
<b>Municipal</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Los Angeles City Attorney</li> <li>• Los Angeles City Council District 5</li> <li>• Palmdale City Council (U/T 11/03/09)</li> <li>• Palmdale Measure A</li> <li>• Palmdale Measure B</li> </ul>	1,590,790* 166,743* 56,745* 56,745* 56,745*	1,431 144 26 26 26
<b>School District</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Los Angeles Community College Dist. Trustee Area 2</li> <li>Trustee Area 6</li> </ul>	2,205,914* 2,205,914*	1,793 1,793

**FACTS ABOUT THE ELECTION**

Ballot Groups:	384
Vote at Poll Precincts:	3,057
Vote by Mail Precincts:	503
Average Voters per Vote at Poll Precinct:	1,407
Registered Voters:	4,331,944*
Vote at Poll Precinct Voters:	4,301,446*
Vote By Mail Precinct Voters:	30,498*
Check in Centers:	66 (LA County Sheriffs will transport the red boxes from the Check-in Centers to Norwalk)
Pollworkers:	15,285
Poll Hours:	7 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Sample Ballot Translations:	Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Spanish, Tagalog/Filipino and Vietnamese
Election Cost Estimate:	\$28 million

\*Figure as of 4/21/09

**VOTE BY MAIL PERIOD**

The deadline to request a Vote by Mail ballot was Tuesday, May 12. Under special circumstances, a voter may request an emergency Vote by Mail ballot beginning Wednesday, May 13 through Election Day, Tuesday, May 19 at RR/CC Headquarters, 12400 Imperial Hwy., Room 3002, Norwalk.

Voters may check the status of their Vote by Mail ballot online at [www.lavote.net](http://www.lavote.net) by clicking the *Mail Ballot Status* button on the main page. Additional information regarding this service or any questions regarding Vote by Mail voting can be obtained by calling the Vote by Mail Unit at (562) 466-1323 weekdays between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., or by accessing the RR/CC website at [www.lavote.net](http://www.lavote.net).

**IN-PERSON EARLY VOTING**

To vote early, voters can visit the 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor of the RR/CC Headquarters located at 12400 Imperial Hwy., Norwalk, CA 90650, through May 18. In-person Early Voting will be available Monday thru Friday during regular office hours from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. or during extended hours Saturday and Sunday May 16-17 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**VOTES NEEDED TO ELECT CANDIDATES**

• **32<sup>nd</sup> Congressional District**

If any candidate receives a majority of votes (50% + 1) cast at the 32<sup>nd</sup> Congressional District Special Primary Election, he or she shall be declared elected and the Special General Election shall not be held.

If no candidate receives a majority of votes cast at the 32<sup>nd</sup> Congressional District Special Primary Election, the name of the candidate of each qualified political party who receives the most votes cast for candidates of that party shall be placed on the July 14 Special General Election ballot as the candidate of that party.

• **26<sup>th</sup> State Senate**

The candidate who receives the highest number of votes cast for the 26<sup>th</sup> State Senate District Special General Election shall be declared elected.

• **Los Angeles City General Municipal**

The candidate who receives the highest number of votes cast for City Attorney in the Los Angeles City General Municipal Election shall be declared elected.

The candidate who receives the highest number of votes cast for City Council District 5 in the Los Angeles City General Municipal Election shall be declared elected.

• **Los Angeles Community College District**

The candidates who receive the highest number of votes cast for Los Angeles Community College District, Trustee Area 2 and Trustee Area 6 in the Los Angeles Community College Election shall be declared elected.

• **Palmdale City Special Municipal**

The candidate who receives the highest number of votes cast for Palmdale City Council in the Palmdale City Special Municipal Election shall be declared elected.

**VOTES NEEDED TO PASS MEASURES**

- A majority of votes is needed for passage of State Measures.
- A majority of votes is needed for passage of Local Jurisdiction Measures.

**BALLOTS AND VOTING SYSTEM**

All voting will take place using InkaVote ballots. Additionally, InkaVote Plus voting equipment will be available at all 3,057 voting precincts on Election Day to provide: 1) error-detection for all voters prior to casting the ballot, i.e. allowing voters the opportunity to correct a mistake, such as voting for too many candidates in a race or casting a blank ballot and 2) an audio voting option for voters with visual impairments and/or voters who prefer translation assistance in designated languages. All ballots, whether cast at the voting precincts on Election Day or by mail, will be counted centrally at RR/CC Headquarters, 12400 Imperial Hwy., Norwalk 90650.

**SEMI-OFFICIAL ELECTION RESULTS ON 5/19**

On Election Night, semi-official election results will be available by 1) accessing the Internet at the RR/CC website listed below; and 2) calling the RR/CC at the telephone numbers listed below. Results will be updated on an ongoing basis until all precinct ballots are counted.

Telephone Numbers:       Public (562) 466-1310  
                                      Media (562) 462-2648 or (562) 462-2726

RR/CC Website:            [www.lavote.net](http://www.lavote.net)

Semi-official Vote by Mail election results may be available at approximately 8:15 p.m. As precinct ballots arrive during the evening, updated cumulative results will be available and posted on the RR/CC website.

Election night results are always semi-official. Additional ballots are counted in the days following the election including: 1) Vote by Mail ballots received through the mail or dropped off at the polls on Election Day. Vote by Mail ballots must be individually signature-verified and then opened prior to tabulation; 2) provisional ballots cast at the voting precincts on Election Day by persons whose eligibility to vote cannot immediately be verified. Provisional ballots must be individually researched to determine eligibility; 3) damaged ballots that are unable to be processed through the election tally equipment and must be manually duplicated prior to tabulation; and 4) ballots containing write-in votes which must be individually reviewed to determine if the write-in vote is for a qualified/unqualified write-in candidate.

## AVAILABILITY OF SEMI-OFFICIAL ELECTION RESULTS BY PRECINCT 5/20

Precinct results will be available in the RR/CC Election Information Section after NOON on May 20. Telephone hours on the day after the election are 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Telephone Numbers:       Public (562) 466-1310  
                                  Media (562) 462-2648 or (562) 462-2726

## FINAL OFFICIAL ELECTION RESULTS

- The RR/CC will conduct the Official Canvass from Wednesday, May 20 to Monday, June 15, 2009.
- On Friday, May 22, 2009, the RR/CC is tentatively scheduled to complete the 32nd Congressional District Official Canvass and certify the election results to the Secretary of State. (E.C. 15301 & 15372)
- On Friday, May 29, 2009, the RR/CC is tentatively scheduled to complete the 26th State Senate District Official Canvass and certify the election results to the Secretary of State. (E.C. 15301 & 15372)
- On Monday, June 15, 2009, the RR/CC is tentatively scheduled to complete the Special Statewide and Consolidated Elections Official Canvass and certify the election results to the Secretary of State. (E.C. 15301 & 15372)
- Final official election results will be posted on the RR/CC website [www.lavote.net](http://www.lavote.net) by 6 p.m. on Monday, June 15, 2009.

**For more Information, visit [lavote.net](http://lavote.net) or follow us on Twitter  <http://twitter.com/lacountyrrcc>**