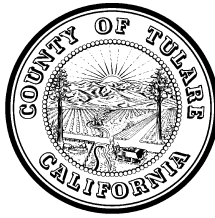


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PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

November 29, 2022

PRESS RELEASE - - Tulare County Registrar of Voters, Michelle Baldwin, is releasing the Tulare County Elections Update.

The Tulare County Registrar of Voters started the Official Canvass process of the November 8, 2022 General Election. Final Official tally results can be found posted on our election website www.tularecoelections.org.

We processed a total of 134 ballots for the Signature Verification Statements received for the no signature match and no signature ballots today.

Canvass activities include:

- Deadline was today for the Signature Verification Statements received for the no signature match and no signature ballots.
- Completed the process of reviewing Polling Place Ballot Statements for reconciliation.
- Completed the 1% Manual Tally.
- Completed the process of reviewing ballots that are damaged, or need to be remade, or require further review to ensure that each eligible vote cast is counted.
- Completed processing the Provisional Ballots involving the review and comparison of each voter envelope to that voter's original registration affidavit and signature on record. This process is required for accuracy of the vote, to ensure each eligible vote cast is counted and to credit each voter for voting.
- Completed processing the Conditional Voter Registration Ballots.
- Completed opening and flattening ballots for tabulation.
- Completed tabulating ballots.

Legislation requires counties to process ballots that have been received and postmarked by the U.S. Postal Service or a bona fide private mail delivery company by the seventh (7th) day after Election Day.

Election Code 3019 went into effect on January 1, 2016 and now requires the Registrar of Voters office to allow eight (8) days after an election for an unsigned vote by mail ballot to be counted if the voter submits or comes into the office and signs the envelope ballot statement. Our office will contact the voters advising them that they have eight (8) days to sign their ballot statement.

Senate Bill 759 eliminates the prohibition on counting a vote-by-mail ballot if the signature on the identification envelope does not compare with either the signature appearing on the voter's affidavit of registration. SB 759 requires, among other things, the elections official to follow specified procedures to notify the voter and allow the voter an opportunity to verify (cure) his or her signature before certification of the election.

California Law requires that the Election be certified by December 8, 2022.