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Dear Election Observer:

I would like to invite all interested parties to observe Election Day proceedings for the September 14, 2021, California Gubernatorial Recall Election.

The Elections Office welcomes interested voters to our office on, before, or after Election Day to observe the staff process vote by mail ballots and perform other election activities. However, it is suggested that you call ahead to ensure election activities are being performed during the timeframe(s) you wish to stop by.

It is the goal of the Placer County Elections Office that our elections be as transparent as possible. We invite you to observe any election processes, which may include a visit to one or more polling places, and/or a visit to the ballot counting center to observe tabulation of the ballots on Election Night.

Logic and Accuracy Testing of the ImageCast Evolution and ImageCast X will begin around August 20, 2021 and will be intermittent during the next one to two weeks. The testing location is the Placer County Elections Office, 2956 Richardson Drive, Auburn and Elections Warehouse, 3715 Atherton Road, Rocklin. For further information about dates, times, and location please call 530-886-5650.

On Election Night, observer activities will begin just after 8:00 PM at the Elections Office, located at 2956 Richardson Drive, in Auburn. We would encourage you to arrive before 8:00 PM to witness the closing of the polls. We will then give a short presentation on Election Night processes and post-election activities. Attendance and participation are not mandatory, and you are welcome to observe at any time throughout the evening. I believe those who have participated in the past have come away with a greater understanding and knowledge of the election process.

At 8:00 PM, we will release the results of the vote by mail ballots processed during the previous 29 days. The polling place results will begin arriving sometime after 10:30 PM. This will be followed by periodic updates throughout the evening. Election Night activities could end as early as 12:00 AM or as late as 2:00 AM. The end of the day is unpredictable, and you are welcome to leave at any time during the evening.

On September 15, 2021 at 10:00 AM, the Placer County Elections Office will randomly select the batches that will be used for a manual tally of one percent (1%) of the precincts casting ballots at the September 14, 2021 California gubernatorial Recall Election. On September 22, 2021 at 9:00 AM, the Placer County Elections Office will begin this one (1%) percent manual tally. This tally is also open to the public.

Our office will mail out ballots to all active registered voters by August 16, 2021 and will start processing voted ballots on August 16, 2021.

If you are interested in observing any election activities, please contact the Elections Office at 530-886-5650. If you are not able to observe on Election Day, be sure to visit our website at www.placercountyelections.gov for election results.