

State Senate District 1
Special Election Information

On July 26, 2010 the Governor issued a Special Election proclamation to fill a vacancy in State Senate District 1. The vacancy was created on July 13, 2010 upon the passing of Senator Dave Cox. State Senate District 1 takes up part or all of 12 California counties, including roughly 60% of Placer County.

The proclamation indicated a Special General Election is to be held on January 4, 2011 and a Special Primary Election is scheduled for November 2, 2010. The Special Vacancy Election will be consolidated with the General Election in November and the race will appear on the official ballot for those voters who reside in State Senate District 1. The Special General Election in January will only occur if none of the candidates receives the majority of the vote (50% plus one) in the Special Primary Election in November.

The last day for a candidate to file Declaration of Candidacy and Nomination Papers for this special election in State Senate District 1 is September 20, 2010.

Ordinarily, the Placer County Office of Elections would begin mailing sample ballot booklets on September 23, 2010, the first day allowed by state law. However, with the end of candidate filing for the State Senate District 1 race coming very close to this date, printing timelines may require voters in State Senate District 1 to receive their Sample Ballots a little later than normal.

For more information visit the California Secretary of State website at www.sos.ca.gov or contact the Placer County Office of Elections at 530-886-5650.