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Fresno County Clerk/Registrar of Voters
Voter Education and Public Forum Meetings

**June 2021** 

# Agenda

- Voter Registration Maintenance
- Fresno County's Voting System
- Public Discussion

### Voter Registration Maintenance

- Voter Registration Mandate
- Data Inputs
- Data Feedback
- Registration List Review/Voter Registration Maintenance

#### Mandate

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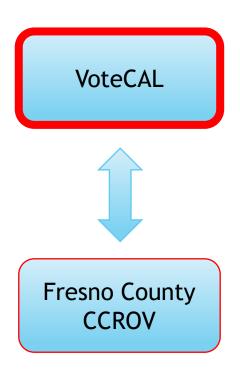
"Any State program or activity to protect the integrity of the electoral process... (1) shall be uniform, nondiscriminatory, and in compliance with the VRA of 1965... (2) shall not result in the removal... by reason of the person's failure to vote" 42 USC 1973gg-6 Section 8(b)

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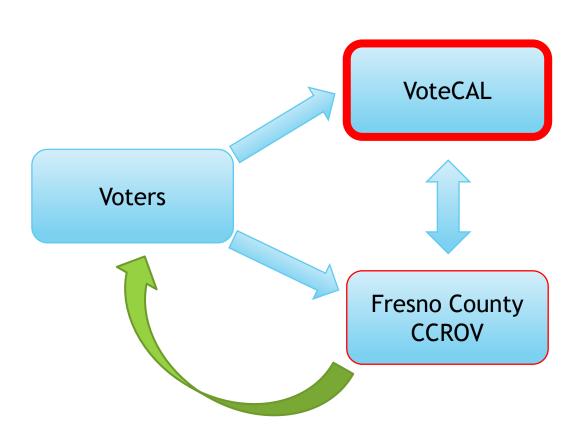
"The registration of a voter is permanent for all purposes during his or her life, unless and until the affidavit of registration is canceled by the Secretary of State or the county elections official for any of the causes specified in this article." CA EC 2200

"The county elections official shall cancel the registration in the following cases: (1) At the signed, written request of the person registered." CA EC 2201(a)

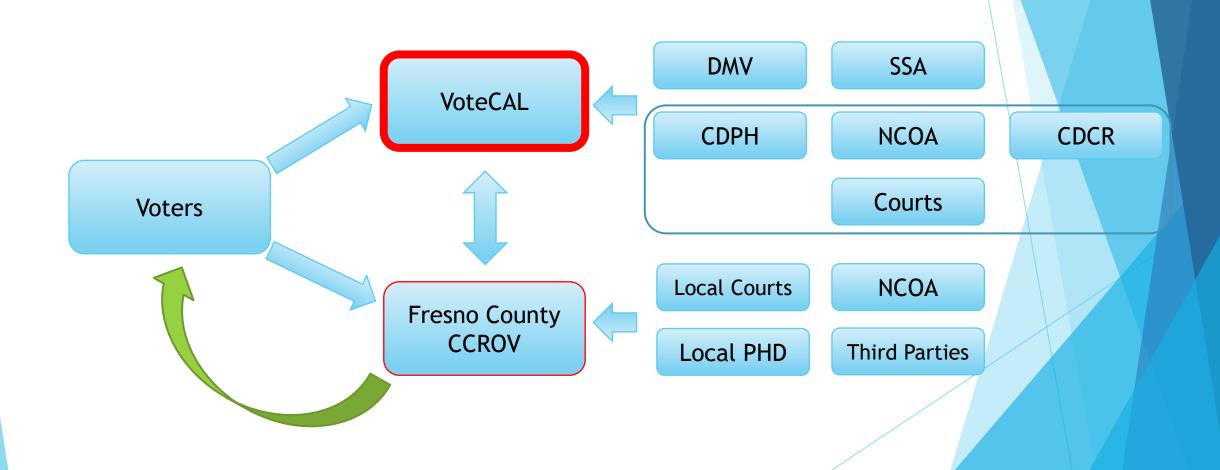
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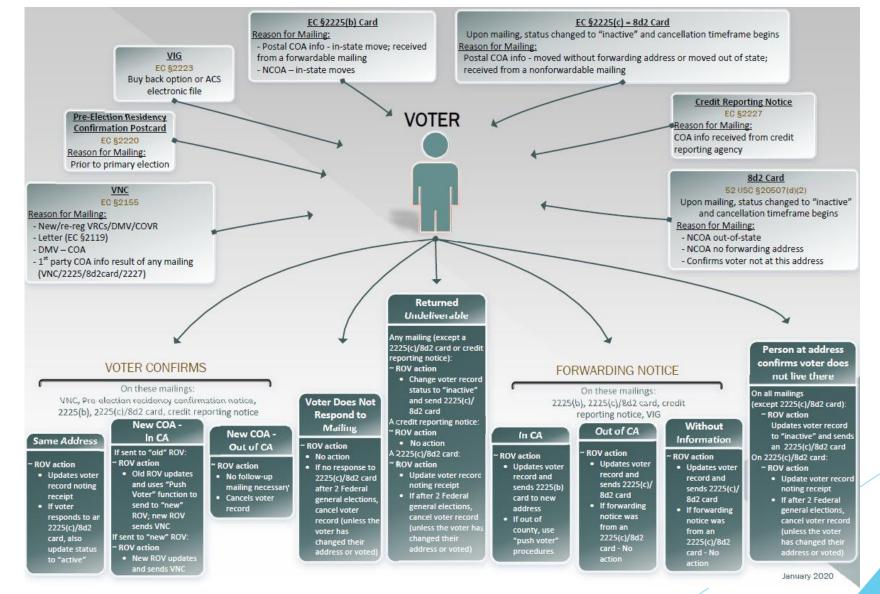
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### Local Voter Roll Maintenance Diagram



#### Basic Roll Review Activities

- VoteCAL Data comparisons
- Mailings
  - Voter Notification Cards (VNC)
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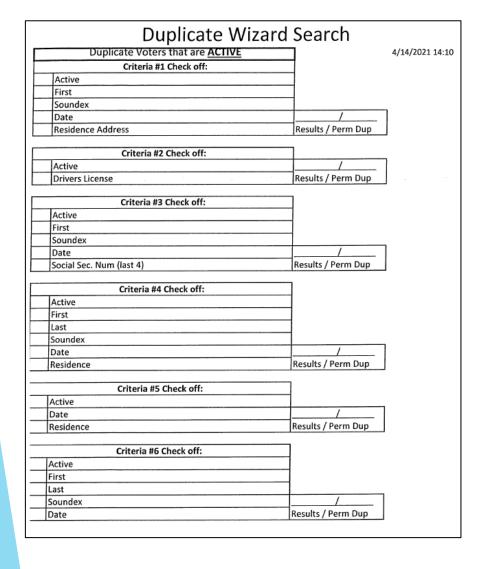
#### **Active Review Processes**

- State Duplicate Program
- Local Duplicate Wizard
- California Election Code 2227 data review
- High Density Addresses

#### Current Voter Roll Maintenance Activities

- State Duplicate Identification Program
  - Expanded program focused on Pre-2017 registrations and operational matching algorithms
- Re-implementation of Local Duplicate Wizard
  - Ended when VoteCAL became the system of record
  - ► Re-started due to local concerns
  - > 74 different combinations of criteria and population
  - Preformed twice weekly

## Local Duplicate Wizard



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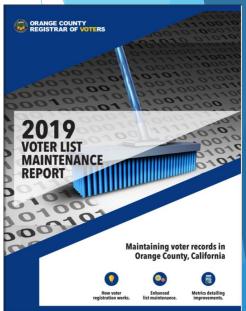
#### Current Voter Roll Maintenance Activities

- Election Code 2227
  - Credit Reporting Agencies
  - Leveraging other's ability to capture data
  - Feeds passive processes
  - Will result in accelerated identification of persons moving outside of County
- High Density Addresses
  - ▶ 10+ registered voters at one address
  - Configurable
  - ► Limited allowances inability to challenge

Additional Planned Voter Roll Maintenance Activities

Completion of NVRA Maintenance Action

Ongoing publication of Voter Roll Maintenance Reports



## Fresno County's Voting System

- What Makes up the Voting System?
- Election Specific Integrity
  - System Certification
  - Pre-Election Testing
  - ► Election Procedures
  - Post-Election Testing

#### The New Voting System

- Request for Proposal August 2018
  - Goal to maintain processes as similar to the previous voting experience as possible
- Three Bidders for the Voting System portion
  - All invited to second stage
  - ▶ Public Review in January 2019
- Dominion Voting Systems chosen Spring 2019
  - ► Board Approval May 2019

- Mobile Ballot Printing
  - Dominion Laptop
  - ► Dominion Printer
  - Proprietary Printing Interface/Software
  - ► Two-step Authentication
  - Special Ballot Paper
  - ▶ No internet/online capability





- ImageCast X Accessible Ballot Marking Device
  - Dominion Tablet
  - Dominion Printer
  - Proprietary Ballot Interface/Software
  - Minimum of three devices per Vote Center
  - Accessible Focused on Visual and Dexterity Issues
  - Special Ballot Paper
  - No internet/online capability
  - Prints your ballot which must be taken to a tabulator

- ImageCast Evolution Tabulator
  - Collects all Issued ballots in the Vote Center
  - ▶ One device per Vote Center
  - ► Two-step Authentication
  - Scans and tabulates
  - ▶ No internet/online capability
  - ► All ballots removed every night



- Central Count Ballot Scanners
  - Secure ballot counting room
  - Only authorized personnel
  - Multiple layers of security
  - ▶ NO internet/County connection





#### Certification of Voting Systems

- Federal Level
  - ► US Election Assistance Commission (eac.gov)
- State Level
  - CA Secretary of State Office of Voting Systems Technology Assessment
  - ▶ Independent testing of any system brough to the state
  - Stricter requirements than EAC

### Pre-Election Testing: E-88 through E-29



- Voting System Testing
  - ► Local testing prior to EVERY election
  - Functionality testing (physical)
  - ► Logic and Accuracy Testing (L&A)
  - Reporting testing

► ALWAYS open to the public

#### **Election Procedures**

- Procedures for Opening the Vote Center each Day
- Procedures for Interacting with Voters
- Procedures for Closing the Vote Center each Day
- Procedures for Returning Election Materials each Day
- In-person Training Lecture and Hands-on
- Online Training and How-To Videos
- Vote Center Handbook
- Procedure Cards
- Assistance Hotlines

### Post Election Testing

- Required Audit processes 1% Manual Tally
  - ► Tests the accuracy of the Voting System
  - ► All steps open to the public and officially noticed
  - ► Random selection of precincts and Vote by Mail Batches
  - ► Teams manually tally the physical ballots and compare results to the electronic tabulation
  - ▶ 100% accuracy under new system (so far)
- ► Future Risk Limiting Audit
  - ► Tests the accuracy of the results
  - ► Higher preparation investment for better (?) result



