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Nov. 2 vote count completed; results to be certified Friday

The Riverside County Registrar of Voters Office on Wednesday finished tallying ballots from the Nov. 2 general election and announced plans to certify the results on Friday (11/26).

Final, unofficial vote totals already have been posted on the Registrar of Voters website, <http://www.voteinfo.net/>.

County elections officials were prepared to certify the results today (Wednesday) but postponed that step because of the Thanksgiving holiday and its possible effects on candidates or voters who might seek a recount. Recounts are at least a possibility in a number of close races from Nov. 2.

By law, a request for recount must be filed with the Registrar of Voters office within five days after election results are certified. If results were certified today, the deadline for requesting a recount would have been Monday. With the intervening holiday affecting schedules for most people within the community, certifying the results on Friday gives anyone contemplating a recount request until Wednesday (Dec. 1) to file, three days after the Registrar's office reopens following the holiday weekend.

Registrar of Voters officials are contacting city clerks and candidates in close races to inform them about the certification plan and to answer any questions. Information about the recount process is being provided to candidates in close races and also has been posted online at www.voteinfo.net

Almost 500,000 voters cast ballots in the election and the results will be certified **four** days before the state requires.