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DEADLINE TO REQUEST VOTE-BY-MAIL BALLOTS FOR JUNE 5, 2018 PRIMARY ELECTION

Voters are reminded that requests for a vote-by-mail ballot to be mailed must be received by 5pm, Tuesday, May 29, 2018 at the County Clerk-Recorder office. This cut-off date allows time for the vote-by-mail ballot to be mailed to the voter and returned by Election Day. Applications can be mailed to 1055 Monterey St., D120 or faxed to 805 781-1111. Voters can also request a ballot over the phone by calling 805-781-5228. Vote-by-mail ballots are still available after May 29th but only to voters who come to the County Clerk-Recorder's office.

Nearly 120,000 ballots have been issued to permanent vote-by-mail voters and those requesting ballots for this election, equating to 72% of the record-setting 166,592 registered voters for a gubernatorial primary election. If a voter has requested a vote-by-mail ballot and has not yet received the ballot, they are urged to contact the Clerk-Recorder's Office immediately so their ballot can be replaced. Voters can also check on the status of their vote-by-mail ballot on the web at www.slovote.com.

It is imperative that the voter sign his/her name on the identification envelope containing the ballot. Without the voter's signature, the ballot cannot be counted. New legislation allows election officials to accept voted vote-by-mail ballots that are postmarked on or before Election Day and received by mail no later than three days after Election Day. However, vote-by-mail ballots that are personally delivered to the County Clerk-Recorder's office or at a polling place in San Luis Obispo County must be received by the close of the polls (8:00 p.m.) on Election Day in order to be counted. If anyone has questions concerning the election or their vote-by-mail ballot, contact the County Clerk-Recorder, Elections Division at 781-5228.

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