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Vote By Mail Ballots

(Woodland, CA) – On May 9, the Yolo County Elections Office began mailing over 62,000 Vote By Mail Ballots to voters in Yolo County for the July 7, 2016 Election. As of June 2, just over 13,000 voted ballots (approximately 22%) have been returned to the office. The Elections office would like to remind Vote By Mail voters that mailed ballots must be postmarked on or before Election Day (June 7, 2016) or turned in by 8:00 p.m. on Election Day at any Yolo County polling place or at the Yolo County Elections Office, located at 625 Court Street, Room B-05 in Woodland.

It has come to the attention of the Elections Office that the signature privacy strip on some of the voteby-mail envelopes have become partially detached in the mailing process. This portion of the return envelope has no bearing on the validity of the vote; it serves as a courtesy to the voter to keep their signature confidential through the mailing process.

Voters are asked to use tape to close their envelope as the Elections Office does need access to the signature underneath to check it against the voter registration signature. If a voter does not want to tape their envelope, their ballot can be dropped off at the Yolo County Elections Office at 625 Court Street, Room B-05 in Woodland up until and including Election Day, or at any Yolo County polling place on Election Day.

"We appreciate our Yolo County voters and apologize for any inconvenience," said Yolo County Assessor/Clerk-Recorder/Registrar of Voters Jesse Salinas. "We want to thank those voters that have contacted us and with whom we have already worked to resolve this issue."

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