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The Alameda County Registrar of Voters is releasing its planned schedule for providing regular public updates of election results on Election Day, Tuesday, November 4, and on the days following Election Day as County elections staff works to process all ballots submitted for this week's General Election.

Following its established practice, Alameda County will release its first election results to the public shortly after the closing of the Election Day polls at 8 p.m. Tuesday. The County will then provide regular updates of the results throughout the night Tuesday as ballots from the County's nearly 800 polling places are returned to the Registrar's office in Oakland on Election Night.

During these regular updates of the results Tuesday night, vote tallies made public for select races in Berkeley, Oakland and San Leandro will **not** be processed through the Ranked-Choice-Voting tabulation system.

Registrar of Voters Tim Dupuis said the algorithm used to count votes under Ranked-Choice Voting will be used to process the results only once on Election Night - when the County completes Tuesday's vote-counting effort and issues the final Election Night update of the election results to the public.

As in years past, it is anticipated that the vote count will run on for several days following Election Day as staff from the Registrar's Office works to process many thousands of ballots that will remain uncounted when they return to work on Wednesday morning.

These ballots are mostly vote-by-mail ballots that will be walked into polling places or received at the Registrar's Office on Tuesday, when the focus is on processing Election Day votes cast at polling places.

Under California law, all vote-by-mail ballots must be received at the Registrar of Voters' Office or at any polling place in Alameda County no later than 8 p.m. on Election Day – Tuesday, November 4. Postmarks are not acceptable.

After Tuesday night's final elections update, Dupuis said his office will next update the results at about 5 p.m. Thursday. He said his office will then embark on a schedule in which new updates will be issued about 5 p.m. each weekday until all votes have been processed. Where applicable, the Ranked-Choice Voting algorithm will be factored into all of the post-Election Day updates of the results.

Alameda County is following its past practices in its plans for updating the election results, and its approach is consistent with that taken in San Francisco, the only other County in California that is using Ranked-Choice Voting for this election. Under California law, the Registrar has 28 days following Election Day to finalize the vote count and certify Alameda County's election results.

As in past years, journalists covering Alameda County elections are invited monitor Tuesday's Election Night returns at a media center set up on the 4th Floor of the Alameda County Conference Center, 125 12th Street, Oakland. Computers will be available to help people monitor the latest results and Dupuis will make himself available during the night for interviews. Starting Tuesday night, the latest Alameda County election results will be available on the Registrar of Voters' website, www.acgov.org/rov. For more information, contact the Registrar of Voters at (510) 272-6933.