

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

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FROM: Registrar of Voters

SUBMITTAL DATE:
December 29, 2005

SUBJECT: Recommendation for Voter Verified Paper Audit Trail (VVPAT) Compliance for June 6, 2006 Gubernatorial Primary Election

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors authorize the Registrar of Voters to sign the attached Letter of Intent to upgrade the County's voting unit inventory from Edge I to Edge II with VeriVote; and, further direct the Registrar of Voters to return within 30 days with a formal contract for the inventory upgrade for Board consideration.

BACKGROUND: Effective January 1, 2006, Direct Record Electronic (DRE) voting systems used to conduct elections must be equipped with a VVPAT. Sequoia Voting Systems's VVPAT (known as VeriVote) has not been federally qualified or state certified for use with the County's Edge I DRE voting units. Manufacturing the VVPATs, retrofitting voting units, and internal upgrades required to comply with 2002 Voting System Standards cannot be accomplished in time for the June 6, 2006 Gubernatorial Primary Election (see attached report).

Recognizing Riverside County's unique position as a pioneer in electronic voting, Sequoia is offering the County an optimum price on upgrading its inventory to Edge II units with VeriVote and providing a trade-in credit for its existing Edge I inventory. Edge II units are compliant with 2002 Voting Systems Standards and would be delivered retrofitted to accommodate the VeriVote. Purchasing accessible voting units is the only option to use federal Help America Vote Act (HAVA) funds to comply with the State VVPAT mandate. It is also the only option that ensures Riverside County will be ready to conduct the June 2006 Gubernatorial Primary Election.

The Registrar apprized the Board of the estimated \$6.5 million cost for VVPAT compliance during her FY 2005/06 budget presentation and the information was included in subsequent final budget recommendations.

Barbara Dunmore
Barbara Dunmore, Registrar of Voters

FINANCIAL DATA	Current F.Y. Total Cost:	\$ 14,188,501	In Current Year Budget:	No
	Current F.Y. Net County Cost:	\$ 4,776,001	Budget Adjustment:	No
	Annual Net County Cost:	\$ 0	For Fiscal Year:	2005/06

SOURCE OF FUNDS: Federal Help America Vote Act (HAVA) funds, trade-in credit on existing voting unit inventory, General Fund	Positions To Be Deleted Per A-30	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Requires 4/5 Vote	<input type="checkbox"/>

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE

Lisa Brandl

County Executive Office Signature

- Dep't Recomm.: Consent Policy
- Per Exec. Ofc.: Consent Policy

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**ATTACHMENTS FILED
WITH THE CLERK OF THE BOARD**

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