



Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk

DEAN C. LOGAN  
Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk

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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

January 22, 2019

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The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
500 West Temple Street  
Los Angeles, California 90012

CELIA ZAVALA  
EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Dear Supervisors:

**AUTHORIZE THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK TO IMPLEMENT  
A PILOT PROGRAM DURING THE NOVEMBER 5, 2019 ELECTION  
AS AUTHORIZED BY ELECTIONS CODE SECTION 19209  
ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS (3 VOTES)**

**SUBJECT**

The Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk (RR/CC) requests approval for implementation and administration of a pilot program through provisions found in the California Elections Code Section 19209 (EC 19209). The pilot program would be conducted during the November 5, 2019 Local and Municipal Elections. The pilot program will implement the use of the County's new voting equipment, including the new Ballot Marking Device (BMD) and associated peripherals, developed through its Voting Solutions for All People (VSAP) Project.

**IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:**

1. Delegate authority to the RR/CC, or designee, to submit a plan on or before February 5, 2019, to the California Secretary of State (SOS). The plan shall indicate Los Angeles County's intention to conduct a pilot program in accordance with the provisions of EC 19209.
2. Grant authority to the RR/CC, or designee, to administer a pilot program using BMDs during the November 5, 2019 Local and Municipal Elections.
3. Permit the RR/CC, or designee, to conduct a risk-limiting audit (RLA) for votes cast under the purview of this pilot program with at least a ninety percent (90%) chance of requiring a full manual tally of the contest(s) whenever a full manual tally should show an outcome that differs from the outcome reported by the pilot voting system.

4. Require the RR/CC to comply with any regulations adopted by the SOS governing the use of voting machines, voting devices, vote tabulating devices, and ballot marking systems for purposes of this pilot program.
5. Ensure that the number of voting system units deployed by the Department does not exceed fifty percent (50%) of the estimated number of units that would be required for full implementation of the voting system at every voting site in a statewide election throughout Los Angeles County.
6. Require the RR/CC to notify the SOS in writing within thirty (30) days of any defect, fault or failure of hardware, software or firmware of the voting system or any part of the voting system upon completion of the pilot program.

### **PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

Voters in Los Angeles County have used the same voting device for over fifty (50) years. Changing voter behavior requires significant planning and messaging that can be developed by studying how voters behave during the pilot program.

The Department will implement changes that greatly diverge from how elections have been administered over the past several decades. Implementation of a pilot program ahead of the March 5, 2020 Presidential Primary Election will provide valuable insight regarding implementation, unanticipated administrative challenges and, most importantly, how voters interact with the VSAP Project's new equipment, processes and overall experience.

The November 5, 2019 Local and Municipal Elections provide an ideal setting for this pilot program due to the limited nature of those elections. Currently, only four municipalities are anticipated to have contests on the ballot. Most municipal jurisdictions have already consolidated election schedules with the County's even-year election cycle and no longer feature local elections during odd-number years. This creates an opportunity for voters to interact with the County's new voter experience while the RR/CC studies that interaction and its administration planning and execution.

### **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

This request supports the County Strategic Plan as follows:

Goal III. Realize Tomorrow's Government Today: Strategy III.2 – Embrace Digital Government for the Benefit of our Internal Customers and Communities. Implement technological business solutions to enable the RR/CC to meet their core mission of providing essential records management and election services in a fair, accessible and transparent manner.

The implementation of the VSAP Project allows the Department to provide elections administration using technology that enhances the voter experience and improves transparency, while increasing accountability and voting records management.

### **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

Funding in the amount of \$120,000 for the administration of the pilot program in accordance with the provisions of EC 19209 in the November 5, 2019 Local and Municipal Elections will be included in the Department's FY 2019-20 VSAP Project Budget request.

## **FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

Through adoption of EC 19209, the State authorizes a governing board to "provide for the experimental use of a voting system in a pilot program," in accordance with certain criteria under the law.

The Department shall submit intent as well as a pilot program plan to the SOS within nine months of the election date (on or before February 5, 2019) to be approved or rejected within three months of submission.

As required in EC 19209, the RR/CC shall conduct a risk-limiting audit during the post-election canvass period. Currently, the Department uses a 1% manual tally audit. The risk-limiting audit will only be required as part of the pilot program. A "risk-limiting audit," as described in EC 19209, "means a procedure that ensures a large, predetermined minimum change of requiring a full manual tally whenever a full manual tally would show an electoral outcome that differs from the outcome reported by the voting system for the audited contest." Under full implementation beginning with the March 3, 2020 election, the RR/CC may return to the current 1% Manual Tally.

The Department shall also notify the SOS in writing of any defect, fault, or failure of hardware, software, or firmware of the voting system or a part of the voting system within thirty (30) days upon completion of the pilot program.

## **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

Successful administration and implementation of a pilot program will yield significant information that will be applied to the VSAP Project since this will be the first opportunity where voters will interact with the County's new voting experience in a live election setting.

Due to the reduced size of the November 5, 2019 Local and Municipal Elections, this creates a unique opportunity to administer the election while taking advantage of the modest number of precincts and instituting a number of data and fact-finding measures that will improve the program moving into 2020.

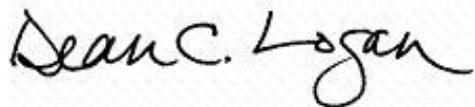
Furthermore, it will lead to greater efficiency and public confidence in Los Angeles County elections - information gained can improve how the Department administers future elections and be made available to the public.

The Honorable Board of Supervisors

1/22/2019

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Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dean C. Logan". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent "D" and "L".

DEAN C. LOGAN

Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk

DCL:AN:RF

APL:PT:VW

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c: Chief Executive Officer  
County Counsel



Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk

DEAN C. LOGAN  
Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk

February 5, 2019

Honorable Alex Padilla  
Secretary of State  
1500 11<sup>th</sup> Street  
Sacramento, California 95814

**RE: IMPLEMENTATION OF PILOT PROGRAM AUTHORIZED UNDER ELECTIONS  
CODE SECTION 19209**

Dear Secretary Padilla:

As referenced in the letter dated December 18, 2018, indicating the intent of Los Angeles County to implement a pilot program authorized under Elections Code Section 19209, please find the enclosed Los Angeles County VSAP Pilot Program Plan for November 5, 2019 Local and Municipal Elections. This pilot program will implement the use of the County's new voting equipment, including the Ballot Marking Device (BMD), developed through its Voting Solutions for All People (VSAP) Project.

As described under Section 19209(d), the County was required to submit the enclosed pilot program plan on or before February 5, 2019, which is within nine (9) months of the election date.

Included within the plan is an overview of the justification for conducting the pilot, how the County intends to meet the legal requirements set forth in Elections Code Section 19209 and program implementation.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me or your staff may contact Aaron Nevarez, Division Manager of Governmental & Legislative Affairs, at (562) 462-2800.

Respectfully,

DEAN C. LOGAN  
Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk

c: Members, Board of Supervisors  
Sachi A. Hamai, Chief Executive Officer



**LOS ANGELES COUNTY VSAP PILOT PROGRAM PLAN FOR  
NOVEMBER 5, 2019 LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS**

**SUBMITTED BY:**

**DEAN C. LOGAN  
REGISTRAR-RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK**

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LETTER OF INTENT



DEAN C. LOGAN  
Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk

December 21, 2018

Honorable Alex Padilla  
Secretary of State  
1500 11<sup>th</sup> Street  
Sacramento, California 95814

**RE: IMPLEMENTATION OF PILOT PROGRAM AUTHORIZED UNDER ELECTIONS  
CODE SECTION 19209**

Dear Secretary Padilla:

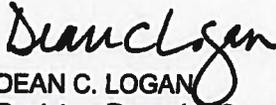
This letter serves as notification that the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk ("County") intends to implement a pilot program per provisions authorized under Elections Code Section 19209. This pilot program will be conducted during the November 5, 2019 Local and Municipal Election and will implement the use of the County's new voting equipment, including the new Ballot Marking Device (BMD), developed through its Voting Solutions for All People (VSAP) Project.

As described under Section 19209(d), the County will submit a pilot program plan on or before February 5, 2019, which is within nine (9) months of the election date.

Due to changes that will diverge greatly from how elections in Los Angeles County have been administered, conducting a pilot program ahead of the March 5, 2020 Presidential Primary Election will provide valuable insight regarding implementation, unanticipated administrative challenges and, most importantly, how voters will interact with the VSAP Project's new equipment, processes and overall experience.

We look forward to continued partnership and collaboration with your office as the County moves closer to full roll-out of the VSAP initiative.

Respectfully,

  
DEAN C. LOGAN  
Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk

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**BACKGROUND / JUSTIFICATION**

The voters in Los Angeles County have had the same voting experience, including using essentially the same voting equipment, for over fifty (50) years. Changing voter behavior requires significant planning and messaging that can be developed by studying how voters behave during this pilot program.

In 2020, Los Angeles County will fully implement its Voting Solutions for All People (VSAP) initiative in conjunction with the California Voter's Choice Act (VCA). These changes greatly diverge from how elections have been administered over the past several decades. Implementation of a pilot program during the November 5, 2019 Local and Municipal Election (ahead of the March 3, 2020 Presidential Primary Election) will provide valuable insight to aid planning, operations, unanticipated administrative challenges and, most importantly, how voters and election staff interact with new equipment, processes and overall experience.

The November 2019 election provides an ideal setting for this pilot program to test components the new VSAP solution, which includes the VSAP Ballot Marking Device (BMD) and the VSAP Tally System (Tally). At this time several cities, school districts and special districts expect to hold elections. However, the expectation is that several jurisdictions will likely cancel their scheduled elections. This creates an even more manageable overall election, providing greater opportunity for success and learning ahead of a full rollout in March 2020.

By testing equipment that is not yet certified (though will be undergoing the certification process), this pilot program will yield significant information that will be applied to the VSAP Project. This will be the first opportunity where voters will interact with elements of Los Angeles County's new voting experience in a live election setting. This will lead to greater administration efficiency and public confidence in Los Angeles County elections. Information gained will improve how future elections are administered and made available to the public.

## FACTS AND PROVISIONS / LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Elections Code Section 19209 “authorizes a governing board to provide for the experimental use of a voting system in one or more precincts without formally adopting the system and provides that the experimental use of the system at the election is valid for all purposes as if it were lawfully adopted.”

Los Angeles County previously submitted a letter of intent on December 18, 2018 (a copy included within this plan) and, as required, is hereby submitting this pilot program plan within nine months of the election date (on or before February 5, 2019) to be approved or rejected by the Secretary of State within three months of submission. This plan provides an overview of the pilot program using specifications known at this time.

Other provisions required by Elections Code Section 19209 include:

- Meeting requirements of regulations adopted by the Secretary of State;
- Ensuring that the number of voting system units do not exceed fifty (50) percent of the estimated number of units that would be required for full deployment of the voting system at every polling place and early voting site in a statewide election throughout the jurisdiction;
- Notifying the Secretary of State in writing of any defect, fault or failure of hardware, software or firmware within thirty (30) days of completion of the pilot program; and
- Implementing a risk-limiting audit for ballots cast on the VSAP BMD. A “risk-limiting audit,” as described, “means a procedure that ensures a large, predetermined minimum chance of requiring a full manual tally would show an electoral outcome that differs from the outcome reported by the voting system for the audited contest.”

## IMPLEMENTATION OF PILOT PROGRAM

Polling locations will provide voters three options for casting their ballots:

- (1) The new BMD that utilizes a paper ballot and touchscreen to make selections. Once selections are made, voters confirm and then print. Printed ballots can be cast into an integrated ballot box on the back of the BMD or inserted by hand into a central ballot box. (Photos in Addendum B.)
- (2) The existing InkaVote vote recorder with scantron-style ballot that is marked with an ink marking stylus. Ballots are inserted into the InkaVote Plus precinct ballot reader (PBR) at time of casting ballot.
- (3) The existing InkaVote Plus audio ballot booth (ABB), which prints the voter's ballot. Audio ballots are inserted into a central ballot box.

All voters will check-in via certified electronic pollbooks (Photos in Addendum C). Voters opting to use the BMD will have their ballot generated by the electronic pollbook's printer. Voters using the existing InkaVote system will be issued a scantron-style ballot, similar to previous elections.

A combination of Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk staff and community poll workers will staff each location. Each location will have an individual serving as Inspector (site lead), several Clerks (supporting precinct board members, multi-lingual assistance), technical support and in-field Coordinators (troubleshooters).

Language assistance at each location will be as follows:

- BMD's will provide ballot translation, both text and audio, in all mandated languages;
- The InkaVote Plus audio ballot booth (ABB) will provide audio translation in all mandated languages; and
- Multilingual staff and translated material will be allocated to each location based on targeted languages.

The County may submit amendments to this plan, as necessary, prior to the election.

## **VSAP TALLY SYSTEM VERSION 2.0**

The VSAP Tally System Version 2.0 will process the new BMD ballots. Ballots cast by voters using InkaVote will be tallied through use of the existing Micro-Tally System (MTS). Los Angeles County previously used VSAP Tally System Version 1.1.2.2 to process vote by mail ballots during the November 2018 election. The updated version uses the same tally scanners as Version 1.1.2.2, with software expanded to ballots cast through use of the BMDs.

## **RISK-LIMITING AUDIT**

Elections Code Section 19209(b)(1)(D) states that a risk-limiting audit must be used for any ballots cast through provisions of the pilot program. Los Angeles County shall comply with all requirements of a risk-limiting audit. Regulations for implementation of risk-limiting audits are currently pending with the Secretary of State.

The County will work directly with subject matter experts who have experience conducting risk-limiting audits in other jurisdictions. This will allow for an efficient and transparent audit process for ballots cast on the VSAP BMD.

## **PARTICIPATING JURISDICTIONS**

The current elections calendar identifies various cities and districts, including schools, community services, water, irrigation, libraries, and recreation and parks as having potential elections in November 2019. Jurisdictions have until E-88 to finalize their decision whether to hold or cancel their election. It is not uncommon for small municipal and local jurisdictions to cancel their election.

Jurisdictions that have expressed interest in the County conducting an election on their behalf in November 2019 are being informed of the pilot plan. The final equipment deployment the Department utilizes for the pilot program will depend on the final number of participating jurisdictions.

## ADDENDUM A

### California Elections Code Section 19209:

- (a) For purposes of this section, the following terms have the following meanings:
- (1) "Commercial off-the-shelf" means mass-produced, readily available hardware devices, including card readers, printers, or personal computers, and their firmware or software products, including operating systems, programming language compilers, or database management systems.
  - (2) "Incorrect in part" means a full manual tally of the votes cast on the pilot system would reveal rates of error in the pilot system tally that, if extrapolated to the entire contest, would alter the electoral outcome.
  - (3) "Partial risk-limiting audit" means a procedure that guarantees a large minimum chance of a full manual tally of the votes cast on the pilot system if the electoral outcome is incorrect in part.
  - (4) "Risk-limiting audit" means a procedure that ensures a large, predetermined minimum chance of requiring a full manual tally whenever a full manual tally would show an electoral outcome that differs from the outcome reported by the voting system for the audited contest.
- (b) The governing board, without formally adopting a voting system, may provide for the experimental use of the voting system in a pilot program held in one or more precincts at a single election or, in the case of a special election, the special primary election and the special general election, if the voting system complies with either of the following:
- (1) The voting system is certified or conditionally approved prior to its experimental use.
  - (2) The voting system meets all of the following requirements:
    - (A) Uses only software and firmware with disclosed source code, except for unmodified commercial off-the-shelf software and firmware.
    - (B) Meets the requirements of subdivision (b) of Section 19101.
    - (C) Meets the requirements of the regulations adopted by the Secretary of State pursuant to subdivision (g).
    - (D) Implements risk-limiting audits.
- (c) A voting system that meets all of the requirements of paragraph (2) of subdivision (b) need not be certified or conditionally approved prior to its experimental use in a pilot

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program if the number of voting system units deployed in the pilot program is limited to the number necessary to test and demonstrate the capabilities of the voting system in a limited number of precincts or locations, including a prudent number of reserve units to ensure that sufficient working units will be available to conduct the pilot program. In no event shall the number of voting system units exceed 50 percent of the estimated number of units that would be required for full deployment of the voting system at every polling place and early voting site in a statewide election throughout the jurisdiction. Capabilities that may be taken into account in determining the number of voting system units reasonably necessary to test and demonstrate the capabilities of the voting system include, but are not limited to, all of the following:

- (1) The capability of the voting system to accommodate voting in all languages in which the jurisdiction is required to provide ballots under applicable state and federal laws.
  - (2) The capability of the voting system to accommodate voting by persons with a broad range of physical and cognitive disabilities, as required by applicable state and federal laws.
  - (3) The current and projected number of voting-eligible individuals in the jurisdiction.
  - (4) The geography and distribution of the population in the jurisdiction.
- (d) No later than nine months before the election at which the pilot program of a voting system is proposed to be conducted, the governing board shall submit to the Secretary of State a plan for the pilot program. The Secretary of State shall approve or reject the plan no later than three months after receipt of the plan.
- (e) The votes cast on a voting system during a pilot program pursuant to subdivision (b) shall be subject to risk-limiting audits.
- (1) For each contest conducted entirely on the pilot voting system, the jurisdiction conducting the pilot program shall conduct a risk-limiting audit with at least a 90-percent chance of requiring a full manual tally of the contest whenever a full manual tally would show an outcome that differs from the outcome reported by the pilot voting system.
  - (2) For each contest conducted partially on the pilot voting system, the jurisdiction conducting the pilot program shall conduct a partial risk-limiting audit of the portion of the contest in which the voters cast their votes on the pilot voting system, with at least a 90-percent chance of requiring a full manual tally of all votes cast using the pilot voting system whenever the outcome is incorrect in part.
  - (3)(A) If a risk-limiting audit of a contest leads to a full manual tally of all of the ballots cast in the contest, then the contest outcome according to that manual tally shall become the official result.

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(B) If a partial risk-limiting audit of a contest leads to a full manual tally of the ballots cast using the pilot voting system, the vote counts according to that manual tally shall replace the vote counts reported by the pilot voting system for the purpose of determining the official contest results.

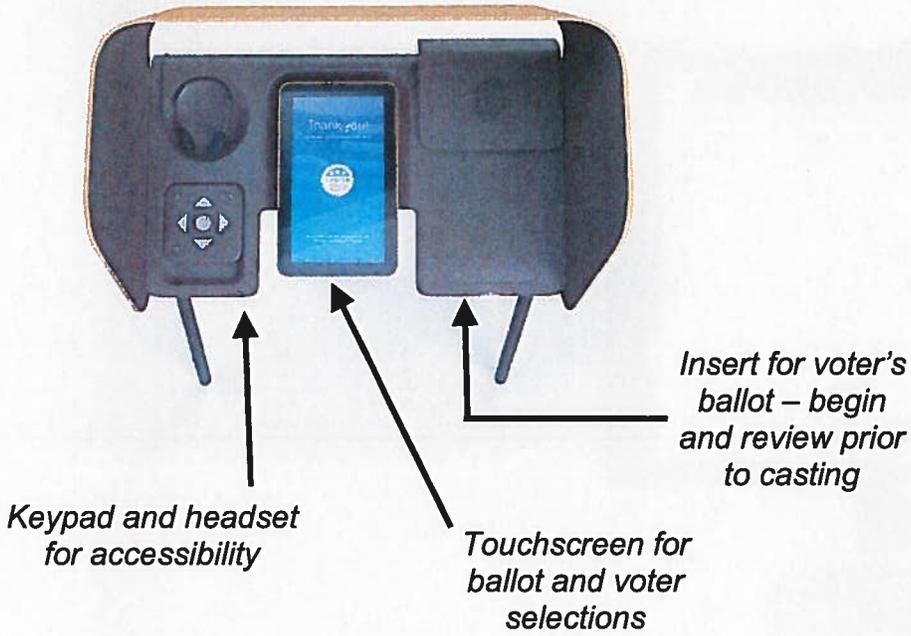
(4) Risk-limiting audit procedures shall comply with all other requirements in regulations adopted by the Secretary of State pursuant to subdivision (g).

(f) Upon completion of the pilot program, the governing board shall notify the Secretary of State in writing of any defect, fault, or failure of the hardware, software, or firmware of the voting system or a part of the voting system.

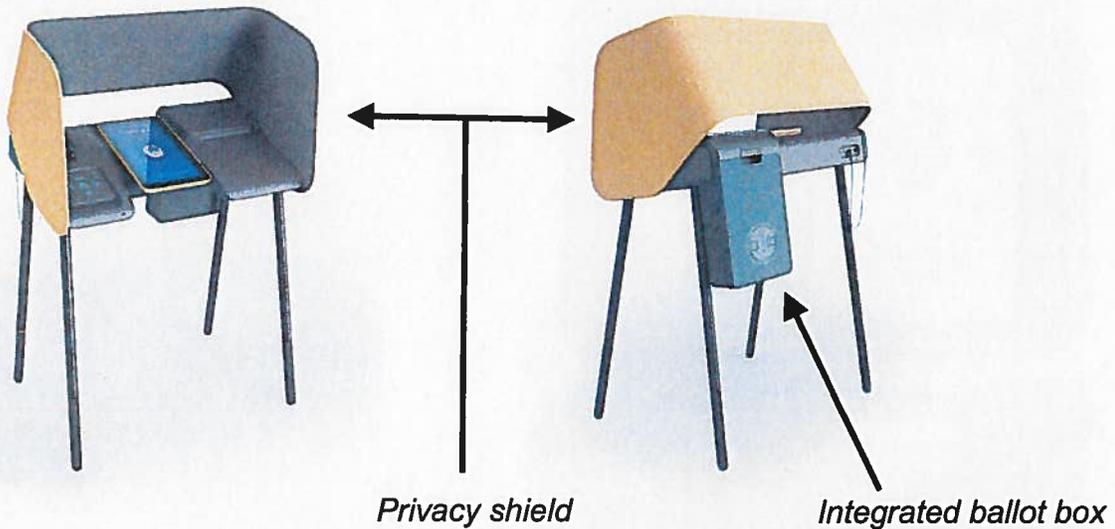
(g) A voting system pilot program shall not be conducted in a legally binding election without the prior approval of the Secretary of State. The Secretary of State shall adopt and publish regulations governing voting system pilot programs.

**ADDENDUM B**

VSAP Ballot Marking Device (BMD) – top view:



VSAP Ballot Marking Device (BMD) – front / back view:



**ADDENDUM C**

Electronic Pollbook – “Poll Pad” Provided by KnowInk:





**ALEX PADILLA** | SECRETARY OF STATE | STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
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May 6, 2019

Dean Logan  
County of Los Angeles Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk  
12400 Imperial Highway  
Norwalk, California 90650

Dear Mr. Logan,

This correspondence is in response to the County of Los Angeles' request to conduct a pilot program pursuant to California Elections Code Section 19209, during the November 5, 2019, Local and Municipal Election.

Specifically, you request to implement the County's new voting system, Voting Solutions for All People (VSAP) Tally 2.0, in conjunction with components of your current certified voting system, InkaVote, which includes: InkaVote vote recorder with scantron-style ballot, InkaVote Plus audio ballot booth (ABB), InkaVote Plus precinct ballot reader (PBR), and Micro-Tally System (MTS).

VSAP Tally 2.0 certification testing and review is currently being conducted by our office and includes the following components: (1) VSAP Tally 1.1.2.2, used for central tabulation; and (2) VSAP Ballot Marking Devices (BMD).

The proposed pilot will utilize VSAP Tally 2.0, InkaVote, and the certified KnowInk Poll Pad electronic pollbook solution to facilitate the check in of voters and generate ballots by the accompanying ballot printing solution.

Your request states that you will meet the requirements of California Elections Code Section 19209 (c) (1) and (c) (2) by use of the following:

- VSAP BMD's will provide text and audio ballot translation, in all mandated languages;
- The InkaVote Plus ABB will provide audio translation in all mandated languages;
- Multilingual staff and translated material will be allocated to each location based on targeted languages; and
- Use of the VSAP BMD and InkaVote Plus ABB to accommodate voters with physical and cognitive disabilities.

As of today, you have not identified the final equipment deployment quantity or locations. However, you indicate that you will determine the deployment plan once the total number of local and municipal jurisdictions that will be holding elections on November 5 is known. Jurisdictions will be given until E-88 to finalize their decision to hold or cancel their election, at such time the County of Los Angeles will decide the final equipment deployment to utilize for the pilot depending on the final number of participating jurisdictions.

The County of Los Angeles' request to conduct a pilot program pursuant to California Elections Code Section 19209 during the November 5, 2019, Local and Municipal Election is approved with the following conditions:

- 1) The final equipment deployment plan, as decided by the County of Los Angeles, shall be submitted to the Secretary of State specifying how the deployment comports with California Elections Code section 19209(c), on or before September 3, 2019.
- 2) The County of Los Angeles shall provide a list of all participating polling place locations to the Secretary of State, on or before October 1, 2019.
- 3) The County of Los Angeles shall adhere to all provisions of Elections Code Section 19209 (e) to (f) and all other applicable provisions of state and federal law.
- 4) The County of Los Angeles shall submit a comprehensive post-pilot report to the Secretary of State, on or before January 5, 2020, detailing the following:
  - a. Any defects, faults, or failures that occur during the pilot, if any, including the details of any mitigations applied, if applicable;
  - b. Lessons learned during the pilot, including events leading up to, during and directly after the pilot; and
  - c. Any data collected from participants in the pilot, including polling place workers and voters that provide feedback regarding the pilot.
- 5) The Secretary of State may observe the pilot, including but not limited to, pre-election, election and post-election activities, at the Secretary of State's discretion.
- 6) The risk limiting audit conducted during the pilot will be subject to the pending proposed risk limiting audit regulations, currently under development by the Secretary of State staff in conjunction with subject matter experts and other stakeholders.
- 7) The County of Los Angeles shall submit in writing to the Secretary of State, any changes or amendments to the pilot plan prior to the November 5, 2019, Local and Municipal Election.

May 6, 2019

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If you have any questions or concerns regarding any of the content of this approval, please do not hesitate to contact our office.

Sincerely,

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ALEX PADILLA

California Secretary of State



Chris Jerdonek <chris.jerdonek@gmail.com>

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## RESPONSE: public records request: re: Feb. 2019 VSAP pilot program plan

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**Public Records** <publicrecords@rrcc.lacounty.gov>  
To: Chris Jerdonek <chris.jerdonek@gmail.com>

Fri, May 7, 2021 at 9:09 AM

Dear Mr. Jerdonek,

Enclosed please find the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk's response to the Public Records Act Requests received on April 27, 2021 and April 28, 2021.

Thank you for contacting Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk.

Sincerely,

Julane Whalen

**Public Record Act Coordinator**

Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk

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**From:** Chris Jerdonek <[chris.jerdonek@gmail.com](mailto:chris.jerdonek@gmail.com)>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 28, 2021 6:39 AM  
**To:** Public Records <[publicrecords@rrcc.lacounty.gov](mailto:publicrecords@rrcc.lacounty.gov)>  
**Subject:** Re: public records request: re: Feb. 2019 VSAP pilot program plan

**CAUTION:** External Email. Proceed Responsibly.

Hi,

To add to my public records request below, I would also like to request a copy of the May 2019 response that the Secretary of State's Office sent to LA County approving LA County's request for a pilot program. The SOS approval is also referenced at the top of page 2 of the letter I linked below.

Thank you,

Chris Jerdonek

On Tue, Apr 27, 2021 at 4:51 PM Chris Jerdonek <[chris.jerdonek@gmail.com](mailto:chris.jerdonek@gmail.com)> wrote:

Hi,

I would like to request a copy of the plan that LA County submitted to the California Secretary of State on or around Feb. 3, 2019 to conduct a pilot of LA County's VSAP during the Nov. 2019 election, pursuant to California's SB 360.

This submission is referenced at the top of page 2 of this letter from the Registrar to the LA County Board of Supervisors:

<https://lavote.net/docs/rccc/board-correspondence/12192020.pdf>

Thank you,

Chris Jerdonek

(415) 286-2238

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#### 4 attachments

-  **PRA Response Letter - Chris Jerdonek - 05.07.21.pdf**  
206K
-  **Secretary Alex Padilla - 02.05.19.pdf**  
124K
-  **LA Pilot Plan Approval Letter FINAL.docx.pdf**  
86K
-  **Los Angeles County Pilot Program Plan - 02.05.19.pdf**  
812K



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Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk

May 7, 2021

VIA E-MAIL

Mr. Chris Jerdonek  
Email: [chris.jerdonek@gmail.com](mailto:chris.jerdonek@gmail.com)

**Re: Public Records Act Request**

Dear Mr. Jerdonek,

This letter responds to your Public Records Act request, received on April 27, 2021. Specifically, you requested the following information:

*“...a copy of the plan that LA County submitted to the California Secretary of State on or around Feb. 3, 2019 to conduct a pilot of LA County’s VSAP during the Nov. 2019 election...”*

On April 28, 2021 you added to your Public Records Request by requesting the following information:

*“...a copy of the May 2019 response that the Secretary of State’s Office sent to LA County approving LA County’s request for a pilot program.”*

Under the Public Records Act, the County has a duty to disclose records to the public to the extent the County understands the request, responsive records exist and can be located, and the information contained in the responsive records are not subject to, in whole or in part, legal exemptions from disclosure.

Based on the information provided in your request, the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk has conducted a diligent search and located records responsive to your request. The responsive records are enclosed hereto.

Should you have additional questions, please forward those to our office for further review.

Respectfully,

DEAN C. LOGAN  
Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk

JULANE WHALEN  
Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk  
Executive Office

Attachments