

# Consolidated General Election November 7, 2006

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS



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**Calendar Notes:** All Code Sections are California Elections Code unless otherwise noted. Below the dates, "E" stands for Election Day, followed by the number of days prior to (-) or after (+) election day.

\* Dates with an asterisk: Because the deadline date falls on a weekend or holiday, the deadline is moved to this date, generally, the next business day.

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<b>June 6 – June 25 E-154 to E-135</b>	<b>Report of Registration – 154 Day County Report</b> During this period, each County Elections Official shall prepare and send to the Secretary of State a summary statement of the number of persons registered by party affiliation, by county and each political subdivision as of June 1 <sup>st</sup> .  §2187(a), (c), (d) (1)
<b>June 23 (Early) (E-137)</b>	<b>Submit Resolutions for Measures to County Elections Official</b> By this date, special districts, schools and cities are <u>strongly urged</u> to submit to the elections official the resolution to consolidate their election with the November 7, 2006 Consolidated General Election. Resolutions must specify contest/candidate information and include any measure text, ballot title and 75-word ballot question. Schools must also include the "Specifications of the Election Order" with the resolution for the measure(s).  10403, 13247
<b>June 29 (E-131)</b>	<b>Statewide Measures – Qualify for Ballot</b> Last day for initiative or Legislative measures to qualify for general election ballot.  Calif. Const. Art. 11 §8© & E.C. §9013, 9040
<b>July 3 – July 17 (E-127 to E-113)</b>	<b>Cities to Publish Notice of Election</b> Between these dates, any city that is consolidating an election with the November General Election will publish a "Notice of Election" one time in a newspaper of general circulation stating: 1) The date and polling hours of the election; 2) the offices to be filled, specifying full term or short term; 3) any measure to be voted on, including a synopsis of each measure.  §12101, 12111
<b>July 4 Holiday</b>	<b>Butte County Offices closed in observance of Independence Day.</b>
<b>July 5 (E-125)</b>	<b>CANCELLED - County Elections Official to Prepare Agenda Transmittal</b> Last day for the County Elections Official to prepare and submit agenda transmittal for the July 11 <sup>th</sup> Board of Supervisors' meeting.  Date required by County Elections Official
<b>July 5 (E-125)</b>	<b>Special Districts Deliver Notice of Election for Elective Offices to County Elections Official</b> Last day for district secretaries to deliver a Notice of Election to the County Elections Office listing the elective offices to be filled, who will pay for any candidate's statement of

qualifications, and any measure to be voted on in November. A map of the district must accompany the Notice if any boundary changes occurred after June 2004.

§10509, 10522, 10524

**July 7  
(E-123)**

**Schools to Deliver Specifications of the Election Order for Elective Offices**

Last day for any school board conducting a governing board election to deliver "Specifications of the Election Order" and file it with the County Superintendent of Schools and the County Elections Official stating the date and purpose of the election. Schools must include in the order how a tie vote will be resolved.

Ed. Code 5322, 5016

**July 7  
(E-123)**

**Submit Resolutions for Measures to County Elections Official**

By this date, special districts, schools and cities are strongly urged to submit to the elections official the resolution to consolidate their election with the November 7, 2005 Consolidated General Election. Resolutions must specify contest/candidate information and include any measure text, ballot title and 75-word ballot question. Schools must also include the "Specifications of the Election Order" with the resolution for the measure(s).

§10403, 13247

**July 10 – Aug. 9  
(E-120 to E-90)**

**Publish Notice of Election for Schools**

Between these dates, the County Elections Official will publish, one time, a Notice of Election in a newspaper of general circulation containing the date of the election, the offices to be filled, qualifications for candidacy, where nomination papers are available, deadline for filing Declarations of Candidacy, and a notice that appointment will be made in lieu of election in accordance with state law.

§12112, Ed. Code §5343, 5363

The County Elections Official will forward copies of all published notices to each school district.

§12113

**July 10 – Aug. 9  
(E-120 to E-90)**

**Publish Notice of Election for Special Districts**

Between these dates, the County Elections Official will publish, one time, a Notice of Election in a newspaper of general circulation containing the date of the election, the offices to be filled, qualifications for candidacy required by the principal act, where nomination papers are available, deadline for filing Declarations of Candidacy, and a notice that appointment will be made in lieu of election in accordance with state law.

§12112

The County Elections Official will forward copies of all published notices to each special district.

§12113

**July 11  
(E-119)**

**CANCELLED - Board of Supervisors to Approve Resolutions of Consolidation**

Board of Supervisors to approve Resolutions, submitted early, requesting consolidation for any county, special district, school and city elections with the November 7, 2006 Consolidated General Election.

§10403.5

**July 11  
(E-119)**

**County Elections Official to Prepare Agenda Transmittal**

Last day for the County Elections Official to prepare and submit agenda transmittal for the July 25<sup>th</sup> Board of Supervisors' meeting.

Date required by County Elections Official

- July 17 – Aug. 11  
(E-113 to E-88)**      **Candidate Filing Period – Schools and Special Districts**  
Candidates for special district board of directors and school governing board member may obtain and file their Declarations of Candidacy along with their Candidate's Statement of Qualifications if they choose to submit one. Forms are obtained from and filed with the County Elections Official.  
§10510, 10511, 10602, 1063, 13307, 13311, 20400 et. al., Ed. Code §5300 et. al
- July 17 – Aug. 11  
(E-113 to E-88)**      **Candidate Filing Period - Cities**  
Candidates seeking elective city offices receive and file their nomination documents with the appropriate city elections official.  
§10220 et.al.
- July 21 (FINAL)  
(E-109)**      **Submit Resolutions for Measures to County Elections Official**  
Final deadline for special districts, schools and cities to submit the resolution to consolidate their election with the November 7, 2006 Consolidated General Election and submit any measure text, ballot title and 75 word ballot question to the elections official.  
10403, 13247
- July 25  
(E-105)**      **County Elections Official to Prepare Agenda Transmittal**  
Last day for the County Elections Official to prepare and submit agenda transmittal for the August 8<sup>th</sup> Board of Supervisors' meeting.  
Date required by County Elections Official
- Aug. 1  
(E-98)**      **Change of Candidate's Ballot Designation**  
Last day for run-off candidates to request in writing to both the Secretary of State and the County Elections Official that a different ballot designation be used for the November General Election than the designation used for the June Primary Election.  
§13107(e)
- July 31**      **Semi-Annual Campaign Disclosure Statements Due**  
Semi-annual Campaign Statements of campaign expenditures and receipts for the period of January 1, 2006 through June 30, 2006 are due on this date. Elected officers, candidates and committees that receive contributions of \$1,000 or more in a calendar year must file semi-annual campaign statements. Excepted from this requirement are: candidates who file a declaration indicating they receive or expend less than \$1,000 in a calendar year; elected officers whose salaries are less than \$200 per month; judicial candidates who have not made any contributions or expenditures during the preceding six month period; and judges not listed on the ballot for reelection, under specified circumstances.  
Gov. Code §84200, 84218  
  
Candidates or committees making independent expenditures of \$1,000 or more in a calendar year to support or oppose a candidate or measure shall file independent expenditure reports as if it were formed or existing primarily to support or oppose the candidate or measure.  
Gov. Code §84203.5
- Aug. 8  
3:00 p.m.**      **Last Day to Submit Notice of Election and Argument Deadline for Publication**  
The County Elections Official will publish the final deadline for submitting arguments for or against any ballot measure. Publication date will be no later than Friday, August 11<sup>h</sup> (E-88).  
§9162, 9163, 9286, 9315, 9316, 9502

- Aug 8  
(E-91)**                    **Board of Supervisors to Approve Resolutions of Consolidation**  
Final meeting before E-88 for the Board of Supervisors to approve Resolutions requesting consolidation for any county, special district, school and city elections with the November 7, 2006 Consolidated General Election. §10403.5
- Aug. 11  
(E-88)**                    **Boundary Changes**  
Last day for jurisdictions holding their elections in November to make boundary changes to be filed with the County Elections Official. §12262
- Aug. 11  
(E-88 to E-50)**            **Notification of Mail Ballot Precinct**  
Last day for the County Elections Official to determine if there are 250 or fewer persons registered to vote in any precinct. §3005
- Aug. 11  
(E-88)**                    **Last Day of Candidate Filing Period**  
Deadline for candidates for city, special district board and school governing board candidates to obtain and file their Declarations of Candidacy along with their Candidate's Statement of Qualifications, if they choose to submit one. Forms are obtained from and filed with the County Elections Official. §10510, 13307, 13311; Ed. Code 5012
- Aug. 11  
(E-88)**                    **Last Day of Candidate Filing Period – Cities**  
Candidates seeking elective city offices receive and file their nomination documents with the appropriate City Election Official. 10220-10224, 10227
- Aug. 11  
(E-88)**                    **Last Day to File Candidate Statement of Qualifications**  
Deadline for candidates to file a candidate statement of qualifications to be included in the Sample Ballot and Voter Information Pamphlet. The statement shall not exceed 200 words and the candidate will be required to pay the predetermined advance payment. The statement may be withdrawn but not changed up to 5:00 p.m. of the next working day after the close of the candidate filing period. If there is an extension to the candidate filing period, the extension applies to candidate statements of qualifications also. §13307
- Aug. 11  
(E-88)**                    **Last Day to Withdraw from Candidacy**  
Any candidate who has filed a declaration of candidacy may withdraw, in writing, that declaration up until 5:00 p.m. Aug. 11<sup>th</sup>. No candidate may withdraw after this date. If there is an extension to the filing period, the deadline to withdraw is extended also. §10510, 10516; Ed. Code §10603, 10604
- Aug. 11  
(E-88)**                    **Statements of Economic Interests**  
Elected officials and candidates for specific offices must file statements of economic interests by this date. The statements must disclose the candidate's investments, interests in real property, and any income received during the immediately preceding 12 months. This statement is not required if the candidate has filed a statement for the same jurisdiction within 60 days prior to filing nomination papers. NOTE: This requirement applies to most school and special districts and all city candidates. Gov. Code §87200 et seq.
- Aug. 11  
(E-88)**                    **Measure Letter Assignment**  
Last day for the elections official to assign the letter designation to each local measure that

will appear on the general election ballot.

§13116

**Aug. 11  
(E-88)**

**Last Day for Run-Off Candidates to File Candidate Statement for November Election**

Deadline for run-off candidates to submit a candidate statement of qualifications for inclusion with the Sample Ballot and Voter Information Pamphlet. The required advance payment must be made at the time of submission of the candidate statement.

§13307

**Aug. 11 – Aug. 31  
(E-88 to E –68)**

**Extension of Nomination Period if Incumbent or Lone Challenger Dies**

If an incumbent and only one challenger file for a nonpartisan statewide, countywide, or citywide office or for a nonpartisan office elected by division, area, or district, and either the incumbent or the challenger dies after E-88 but before E-68, the nomination filing period shall be reopened. The new filing deadline is 5:00 p.m. on E-68.

§8026, 8027

**Aug. 12 – Aug. 16  
(E-87 to E-83)**

**Extension of Candidate Filing Period – Schools and Special Districts**

If an incumbent member of a board does not file a Declaration of Candidacy by 5:00 p.m. on Aug. 11<sup>th</sup>, any person other than the incumbent may file a Declaration of Candidacy by 5:00 p.m. on Aug. 16<sup>th</sup>. This provision does not apply if there is no incumbent eligible to be elected.

§10225, 10407, 10516(b), 10603, 10604

**Aug. 16  
(E-83)**

**Insufficient Number of Nominees – School Districts**

If, by 5:00 p.m. on the 83<sup>rd</sup> day prior to the day fixed for the governing board election, only one person has been nominated for any elective office to be filled at that election, or no one has been nominated for the office, or in the case of members to be elected from the district at large, the number of candidates for governing board member at large does not exceed the number of offices to be filled at that election, or in the case of members to be nominated by trustee area and elected at large, the number of candidates do not exceed the number required to be elected governing board member at large nominated by that trustee area, or in the case of members to be elected at large in accordance with Sections 5030.5, 5030.7, no more than one person has been nominated for each membership position, and a petition signed by 10 percent of the voters or 50 voters, whichever is the smaller number, in the district or trustee area, if elected by trustee area, requesting that a school district election be held for the offices has not been presented to the officer conducting the election, appointment will be made as prescribed by Section 5328. The provisions of this section and Section 5328 shall also apply to elections for membership on a county board of education.

Ed. Code §5326

If, pursuant to Section 5326 a district election is not held, the qualified person or persons nominated shall be seated at the organizational meeting of the board, or if no person has been nominated or if an insufficient number is nominated, the governing board shall appoint a qualified person or persons, as the case may be, at a meeting prior to the day fixed for the election, and such appointee or appointees shall be seated at the organizational meeting of the board as if elected at a district election.

Ed. Code 5328

If no one has been nominated to an office, prior to making an appointment to that office pursuant to Section 5328, the governing board shall cause to be published a notice once in a newspaper of general circulation published in the district or, if no such newspaper is published in the district, in a newspaper having general circulation in the district, stating that the board intends to make an appointment and informing persons of the procedure available for applying for the office.

Ed. Code 5328.5

**Aug. 16  
(E-83)**

**Insufficient Number of Nominees – Special Districts**

If, by 5:00 p.m. on the 83<sup>rd</sup> day prior to the day fixed for the general district election: (1) only one person has filed a declaration of candidacy for any elective office to be filled at that election, (2) no one has filed a declaration of candidacy for such office, (3) in the case of directors to be elected from the district at large, the number of persons who have filed a declaration of candidacy for director at large does not exceed the number of offices of director at large to be filled at that election, or (4) in the case of directors who must reside in a division but be elected at large, the number of candidates for director at large from a division does not exceed the number required to be elected director at large while residing in that division; and if a petition signed by 10 percent of the voters or 50 voters, whichever is the smaller number, in the district or division if elected by division, requesting that the general district election be held has not been presented to the officer conducting the election, he or she shall submit a certificate of these facts to the supervising authority and request that the supervising authority, at a regular meeting held prior to the Monday before the first Friday in December in which the election is held, appoint to the office or offices the person or persons, if any, who have filed declarations of candidacy. The supervising authority shall make these appointments.

If no person has filed a declaration of candidacy for any office, the supervising authority shall appoint any person to the office who is qualified on the date when the election would have been held. The person appointed shall qualify and take office and serve exactly as if elected at a general district election for the office.

Where a director must be appointed to represent a division, all or most of which is not within the county governed by the supervising authority, then the board of supervisors of the county within which all or most of that division is located shall be the body to which request for appointment is made and which shall make the appointment.

§10515

**Aug. 16  
(E-83)**

**Insufficient Number of Nominees – Cities**

If, by 5:00 p.m. on the last day to file for candidacy, there are no nominees or only one nominee for an elective city office, appointments may be made pursuant to the provisions set forth in Elections Code §10229.

§10229

**Aug. 17, 11 a.m.  
(E-82)**

**Randomized Alphabet Drawing**

The Secretary of State shall conduct the randomized alphabet drawing at 11 a.m. to determine the order in which the candidates will appear on the general election ballot. On this same day and time, the County Elections Official shall conduct a randomized alphabet drawing for the offices of State Senate and State Assembly.

§13112

**Aug. 18  
(E-81)**

**Last Day to Submit Ballot Arguments**

Last day to file arguments for or against any county, school or district measure. Arguments may not exceed 300 words in length. Should more than one argument for or more than one argument against any county, school or district measure be submitted, the County Elections Official shall select one of the arguments in favor and one of the arguments against the measure for printing and distribution to the voters. EXCEPTION: These provisions do not apply to a measure on school district reorganization.

§9162, 9163, 9166, 9315, 9316, 9502, 9503

**Aug. 18  
(E-81)**

**Deadline for Filing Tax Rate Statement or Fiscal Impact Reports for Measures**

Last day to file Tax Rate Statement or Fiscal Impact Report for measures appearing on the November 7, 2006 ballot. Elections Code §9400 et seq. and other laws may apply.

Date set by County Elections Official

<b>Aug. 18 (E-81)</b>	<b>Impartial Analysis Due</b> The impartial analysis from County Counsel due regarding any measure to be submitted to the voters.	§9160, 9313, 9500
<b>Aug. 25 (E-74)</b>	<b>Last Day to Submit Ballot Argument Rebuttals</b> Last day for authors of direct arguments for or against a county, school or district measure to submit rebuttal arguments. Rebuttal arguments may not exceed 250 words in length.	§9167, 9317, 9504, 9600
<b>Aug. 25 (E-74)</b>	<b>County Elections Official to Notify Governing Boards of Insufficient Nominees – School Districts</b> County Elections Official to submit Certificate of Facts to governing body of each school district no later than August 25 <sup>th</sup> so appointments may be made as necessary.	10515
<b>Aug. 28 (E-71)</b>	<b>County Elections Official to Notify Board of Supervisors of Insufficient Nominees – Special Districts</b> County Elections Official to prepare agenda item and submit Certificate of Facts to Clerk of the Board of Supervisors no later than August 28 <sup>th</sup> for the September 12 <sup>th</sup> Board meeting so appointments may be made as necessary.	10515
<b>Sept. 4 Holiday</b>	<b>Butte County Offices closed in observance of Labor Day</b>	
<b>Sept. 8– Sept. 18 (E-60 to E-50)</b>	<b>Report of Registration</b> During this period, each County Elections Official shall prepare and send to the Secretary of State a summary statement of the number of persons registered, by party and political subdivision, in their county as of September 8 <sup>th</sup> .	§2187(a), (c), (d)(2)
<b>Sept. 8 (E-60)</b>	<b>Special Absent Voters' Ballot Applications</b> The first day County Elections Officials may process applications for special absent voters' ballots. The application must include the statement that the voter cannot vote an absentee ballot during the normal absentee voting period because of military or other contingencies that preclude normal mail delivery.	§300(b), 3103
<b>Sept. 11– Oct. 24 (E-57 to E-14)</b>	<b>Statement of Write-in Candidacy and Nomination Papers</b> During this period write-in candidates must file their Statement of Write-in Candidacy and Nomination Papers with the County Elections Official.	§8601
<b>Sept. 14 (E-54)</b>	<b>54-Day Walking Lists Prepared</b> The County Elections Official will prepare the 54-day voter index that is available for purchase upon written application at a cost of 50 cents per 1,000 names.	§2184
<b>Sept. 28 – Oct. 17 (E-40 to E-21)</b>	<b>State Ballot Pamphlet Mailing</b> Between these dates the Secretary of State shall mail state ballot pamphlets to all	

households in which voters were registered by September 3<sup>rd</sup>.

§9094(a)

The county will also do a supplemental mailing of state ballot pamphlets to voters who registered after September 8<sup>th</sup>.

§9094(c)

**Sept. 28 – Oct. 17  
(E-40 to E-21)**

**Counties Mail Sample Ballots**

Between these dates the County Elections Official shall mail a Sample Ballot and polling place notice to each registered voter in the county.

§13300

**Oct. 5**

**First Pre-Election Statement**

Last day for candidates and committees to file campaign disclosure statements covering the period ending Sept. 30<sup>th</sup>.

Gov. Code §84200.5, 84200.7b

**Oct. 5**

**Supplemental Independent Expenditure Reports**

Candidates or committees making independent expenditures of \$500 or more in a calendar year to support or oppose a candidate or measure shall file independent expenditure reports as if it were formed or existing primarily to support or oppose the candidate or measure.

Gov. Code §84203.5, 82031

**Oct. 9  
(E-30)**

**Last Day to Request Early Tabulation of Ballot Returns**

Before any election, the governing body of the jurisdiction holding the election shall decide if certain offices or measures to be voted on are of more than ordinary public interest and require early tabulation and announcement. The decision shall be transmitted to the County Elections Official not less than 30 days prior to the election.

§14440 - 14443

**Oct. 9  
(E-29)**

**Establish Precinct Boards and Polling Places**

Last day for the County Elections Official to appoint board members and polling places.

§12286, 12318

**Oct. 9  
(E-29)**

**Last Day to Register to Vote to Ensure Receipt of Sample Ballot**

Voter registration cards executed on this date will be added to the rolls and the voters will receive a Sample Ballot booklet prepared by the County Elections Official.

Note: Persons who registered between 28 and 15 days prior to the election may be sent a Sample Ballot Booklet and State Voter Information Pamphlet if there is time to process these last minute registrations. If not, such registrants will receive a post card confirming their voter registration status and their polling place location.

§9094, 13303

**Oct. 9 – Oct. 30  
(E-29 to E-10)**

**Report of Registration**

During this period, the County Elections Official shall prepare and send to the Secretary of State a summary statement of the number of persons registered by party and political subdivision in their county as of October 9<sup>th</sup>.

§2187(a) (c) (d) (5)

**Oct. 9  
(E-29)**

**29-Day Walking Lists Prepared**

The County Elections Official will prepare the 29-day voter index available for purchase upon written application at a cost of 50 cents per 1,000 names.

§2184

<b>Oct. 9 – Oct. 31 (E-29 to E-7)</b>	<p><b>Absentee Ballot Application Period</b>  Between these dates voters may apply for an absentee ballot from the County Elections Office. Under certain conditions voters may obtain an absentee ballot after Oct. 31<sup>st</sup>.  §3001, 3003, 3021</p>
<b>Oct. 24 - Oct. 31 (E-14 to E-7)</b>	<p><b>New Residents and New Citizens Registration Period</b>  Registration for <u>new residents</u> shall begin the 14<sup>th</sup> day prior to an election and end on the 7<sup>th</sup> day prior to election day. This registration must be executed in the Butte County Elections Office and the new resident shall vote a new resident's ballot containing the contest of President and Vice President only. The ballot shall be voted in the Butte County Elections Office.  §332, 3400</p> <p>A <u>new citizen</u> registering to vote after the close of registration shall provide the Butte County Elections Office with proof of citizenship prior to voting, and shall declare that he or she has established residency in California. New citizens vote a regular ballot.  §331, 332, 3400, 3500, 3501</p>
<b>Oct. 22 – Nov. 6</b>	<p><b>Late Contribution/Independent Expenditure Report</b>  During this time late contribution/independent expenditure reports must be filed by FAX, telegram, mailgram, guaranteed overnight mail or delivered in person.  Gov. Code §84203, 84204</p>
<b>Oct. 22 – Nov. 6</b>	<p><b>24-Hour Statement of Organization – Recipient Committees &amp; Slate Mailer Organizations</b>  During the 16 days immediately preceding an election, any person or entity, which qualifies as a recipient committee or slate mailer organization, must file a Form 410 within 24 hours by telegram or personal delivery.  Gov. Code §84101, 84108</p>
<b>Oct. 23 (E-15)</b>	<p><b>15-day Close of Voter Registration – Last Day to Register to Vote</b>  The Butte County Elections Office shall accept an affidavit of registration executed as part of a voter registration card in the forthcoming election, if the affidavit is executed on or before the 15<sup>th</sup> day prior to the election and if any of the following apply:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The affidavit is postmarked on or before the 15<sup>th</sup> day prior to the election and received by mail by the Butte County Elections Office.</li> <li>2. The affidavit is submitted to the Department of Motor Vehicles or accepted by any other public agency designated as a voter registration agency pursuant to the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 (42 U.S.C. §1973gg) prior to the election.</li> <li>3. The affidavit is delivered to the Butte County Elections Office by means other than those described in paragraphs (2) and (3) on or before the 15<sup>th</sup> day prior to the election.</li> </ol> <p style="text-align: right;">§2107</p>
<b>Oct. 24 (E-14)</b>	<p><b>Last Day to File for Write-In Candidacy</b>  Deadline for candidates to file declarations of write-in candidacy.  §8600 et seq.</p>
<b>Oct. 25 3:00 p.m.</b>	<p><b>Notice of Central Counting Place</b>  Last day for the County Elections Official to submit to newspaper the notice that the general election ballots will be counted at a specified public place. The notice shall be published one time in a newspaper of general circulation in the county no later than October 28<sup>th</sup> (E-10).  §12109</p>

- Oct. 26  
3:00 p.m.**                    **Publish Polling Places**  
Last day for the Butte County Elections Office to submit to newspaper the list of polling places. The notice shall be published one time in a newspaper of general circulation in the county no later than October 31<sup>st</sup> (E-7).  
§12105-12108, Gov. Code §6061
- Oct. 26  
(E-12)**                        **Second Pre-Election Statement**  
The last day to file campaign disclosure statements for candidates and committees covering the period from 10/1/06 to 10/21/06.  
Gov. Code §84200.5, 84200.8
- Oct. 26  
(E-12)**                        **Supplemental Independent Expenditure Reports**  
Candidates or committees making independent expenditures of \$500 or more in a calendar year to support or oppose a candidate or measure shall file independent expenditure reports as if it were formed or existing primarily to support or oppose the candidate or measure.  
Gov. Code §84203.5, 82031
- Oct. 31  
(E-7)**                        **Quarterly Statements by Ballot Measure Committees**  
All committees primarily formed to support or oppose the qualification, passage or defeat of a ballot measure must file quarterly campaign statements for the period July 1 through Sept. 30 during any semiannual period in which the measure is not being voted upon. Following the election, such committees are only required to file semi-annual statements unless they make contributions or expenditures to qualify, support or oppose other measures, in which case they would have an ongoing duty to file quarterly statements.  
Gov. Code §84202.3
- Oct. 31  
(E-7)**                        **Testing Ballot Tabulation Equipment**  
Deadline to complete logic and accuracy testing of software and equipment for ballot counting on election night and deposit copy of computer vote count program with Secretary of State.  
§15000, 15001
- Oct. 31  
(E-7)**                        **Prepare Indexes**  
Deadline to prepare supplemental indexes of late registrants.  
§2184, 2190, 2192
- Oct. 31  
(E-7)**                        **First Day to Begin Processing Returned Absentee Ballots**  
On this day, processing of the returned voted absentee ballots may begin. The ballots are opened and prepared to be counted after the close of polls election day.  
§15100 et seq.
- Oct. 31  
(E-7)**                        **Publication of City Candidates**  
Deadline for city clerks to complete publishing, in ballot order, the list of city nominees once a week for two successive weeks pursuant to Government Code §6066.
- Nov. 1 – Nov. 7  
(E-6 to E)**                    **Absentee Ballots – Late Conditions**  
Voters unable to go to the polls because of illness or disability or because they will be absent from their precinct on election day, may appear at the County Elections Office and receive an absentee ballot over the counter. Voters may also designate, in writing, a representative to deliver the absentee ballot to them. The voter may either personally or

through the authorized representative return the ballot to the County Elections Office or any polling place within Butte County on election day.

§3021

**Nov. 4  
(E-3)**

**Pre-Election Saturday Voting**

The Butte County Elections Office will be open from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on the Saturday prior to election day for absentee voting.

Butte County Clerk/Elections Office Policy

**Nov. 7**

**Last Day for Elections Official to Receive Absentee Ballots**

Last day for Elections Official to receive absentee ballots. Ballots may be returned in one of the following methods:

- **by mail** to the address on the return envelope (must be received no later than election day, postmarks cannot be accepted); or
- **prior to election day**, in person, to the Elections Office during regular business hours; or
- **Saturday before election day**, in person to the Elections office from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. or
- **on election day**, in person to the Elections Office from 7 a.m. until 8 p.m.; or
- **on election day**, in person, to any polling place in the county from which the ballot was issued from 7 a.m. until 8 p.m.

**NOV. 7  
(E)**

**ELECTION DAY**

**Polls open at 7:00 a.m. and close at 8:00 p.m. Election results will be posted after 8:30 p.m.**

§10242, 14212

**Nov. 8 – Dec. 5  
(E+2 to E+28)**

**Official Canvass**

The official canvass of the returns is to be completed during this time.

§10547 – 10549, 15300 et seq.

**Nov. 10  
Holiday**

**Butte County Offices closed in observance of Veteran’s Day.**

**Nov. 23 – Nov. 24  
Holiday**

**Butte County Offices closed in observance of Thanksgiving.**

**Dec. 5  
(E+28)**

**Certified Statement of Votes Cast**

The County Elections Official shall certify results of the election no later than E+28. The statement of results shall show:

1. Total number of votes cast;
2. Total number of votes cast at each precinct for each candidate and for and against each measure: and
3. Total number of votes cast for each candidate (by division or at at-large) and for and against each measure.

The County Elections Official shall prepare and deliver certificates of election to each elected candidate.

§15372 – 15374

**Dec. 5  
(E+28)**

**County Elections Official to Certify Election Results to the Board of Supervisors**

The Official Canvass of the election must be completed by this date and the results certified to the governing body of each jurisdiction participating in the election for adoption.

§15372

**Dec. 5  
(E+28)**

**Declaration of Elected Candidates and Installation of Elected Officers– Special Districts**

No later than the Monday before the first Friday in December the County Elections Official shall declare the elected candidate or candidates.

§10551

The elections official shall make out and deliver to each person elected, a certificate of election signed and authenticated by the elections official.

§15401

Elective officers take office at noon on the first Friday in December next following the general district election. Prior to taking office, each elective officer shall take the official oath and execute any bond required by the principal act.

§10554

**Dec. 5  
(E+28)**

**Declaration of Elected Candidates and Installation of Elected Officers – Schools**

The County Elections Official shall notify the governing board of each school district as to the results of the general district election.

Except as provided by Education Code §5000.5, each person elected at a regular biennial governing board member election shall hold office for a term of four years commencing on the first Friday in December next succeeding his or her election.

Ed. Code §5017

The elections official shall make out and deliver to each person elected a certificate of election, signed and authenticated by the elections official.

§15401

**Dec. 5  
(E+28)**

**Declaration of Elected Candidates and Installation of Elected Officers – Cities**

For a consolidated election, the city elections official, upon receipt of the results of the election from the County Elections Official, shall certify the results to the governing body which shall, no later than the third Friday following presentation of the 28-day canvass of the returns, comply with the applicable provisions of Section 10263.

§10262(b)

For a consolidated election, the governing body shall meet at its usual place of meeting no later than the third Friday following presentation of the 28-day canvass of the returns to declare the results and to install the newly elected officers.

10263(b)

**Dec. 5  
(E+28)**

**Tie Votes – Schools**

The County Superintendent shall notify the governing board, which in turn shall summon the candidates and determine the winner by lot, except if the governing board provided for runoff election in the event of a tie vote and did so within the proper time.

Ed. Code §5016

**Dec. 5  
(E+28)**

**Tie Votes – Special Districts**

The County Elections Official shall notify the governing body, which in turn shall notify candidates involved to appear before it and at such time shall determine the winners by lot. The County Elections Official shall immediately make and deliver to each person elected a certificate of election signed by the County Elections Official.

§10551(b), 10553

**Dec. 5  
(E+28)**

**Tie Votes – Cities**

The city council (or non-UDEL district) may resolve a tie by lot unless the governing body has adopted the provisions of Elections Code §15651(b) prior to conduct of the election (or prior to any election without ever having repealed the resolution), in which case a runoff

election shall be held not less than 40 nor more than 125 days after official certification of the election resulting in a tie vote.

§15651(b)

**Dec. 5  
(E+28)**

**Certificate of Election**

The elections official shall make out and deliver to each person elected, as declared by the Board of Supervisors, a certificate of election, signed and authenticated by the elections official.

§15401

**Dec. 6  
(E+29)**

**Update List of Elected Representatives**

County Elections Official will flag winning candidates and update the list of elected representatives to be posted on the Butte County Clerk-Recorder website.

Date set by County Elections Official

**Within 5 days  
After  
canvass**

**Recount May Be Requested**

Within 5 days after the completion of the official canvass, any voter may request a recount by filing a written request with the County Elections Office. The request shall specify on behalf of which candidate, slate of electors, or position on a measure (affirmative or negative) it is filed.

If an election is conducted in more than one county, the request for the recount may be filed with the County Elections Office of, and recount conducted within, any or all of the affected counties.

“Completion of the canvass” shall be presumed to be the time when the County Elections Office signs the certified Statement of Votes Cast.

The request may specify the order in which the precincts shall be recounted.

The petitioning voter shall, before commencement of each day’s recount, deposit with the Butte County Elections Office a sum as required by the County Elections Office to cover the cost of the recount for that day.

The recount shall be commenced not more than seven days following the receipt by the Butte County Elections Office of the request for the recount and shall be continued daily, Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays, excepted for not less than six hours each day until completed.

§15600 et seq.

**Varies between  
10 days to six  
months  
following the  
certification of  
the vote**

**Contesting Election**

Any elector of a county, city, or of any political subdivision of either may contest any election held therein for any of the following causes:

- (a) That the precinct board or any member thereof was guilty of malconduct.
- (b) That the person who has been declared elected to an office was not, at the time of the election, eligible to that office.
- (c) That the defendant has given to any elector or member of a precinct board any bribe or reward, or has offered any bribe or reward for the purpose of procuring his/her election, or has committed any other offense against the elective franchise defined in Division 18 (commencing with §18000).
- (d) That illegal votes were cast.
- (e) That eligible voters who attempted to vote in accordance with the laws of the state were denied their right to vote.
- (f) That the precinct board, in conducting the election or in canvassing the returns, made errors sufficient to change the result of the election as to any person who has been declared elected.
- (g) That there was an error in the vote-counting programs or summation of ballot counts.

§16100

The contestant shall verify the statement of contest, as provided by Section 446 of the Code of Civil Procedure, and shall file it within the following times after the declaration of the result of the election by the body canvassing the returns thereof:

- a) In cases other than cases of a tie, where the contest is brought on any of the grounds mentioned in subdivision (c) of §6100, six months.
- b) In all cases of tie, 20 days.
- c) In cases involving presidential electors, 10 days.
- d) In all other cases, 30 days.

§16401

**Dec. 12  
(E+35)**

**Statement of Vote to Secretary of State**

No later than this date, the County Elections Official shall send, by registered mail, one complete copy of the Statement of Votes Cast to the Secretary of State.

§15375

**Dec. 25  
Holiday**

**Butte County Offices closed in observance of Christmas.**

**Within 30 Days of  
Assuming Office**

**Statement of Economic Interests – All newly elected officials**

All newly elected officials must complete and file a Statement of Economic Interests (Form 700) within 30 days of assuming office. Such statement shall not be required if the candidate has filed, within 60 days prior to assuming office, a statement for the same jurisdiction.

Gov. Code §87200, 87203

**Period Following  
Election**

**Document Retention**

Nomination documents and signatures in-lieu of filing fee petitions (if applicable) shall be held during the term of office for which they were filed and for four years after the expiration of the term. They may be destroyed as soon as practicable thereafter, provided no legal action or proceeding is pending.

If the election has federal offices on the ballot, precinct supplies and voted ballots must be preserved for 22 months following the election. If no legal action is pending at the time, the documents may be destroyed or recycled.

Initiative, referendum and recall petitions must be preserved for eight months following certification of the election for which the petition qualified or, if for any reason, is not submitted to the voters, eight months after final examination of the petition by the County Elections Official. If no legal action or proceeding is then pending, petitions may be destroyed as soon as practicable.

Elections Code Division 17, commencing with §17000

**Jan. 1, 2007  
Holiday**

**Butte County Offices closed in observance of New Year's Day.**

**Jan. 4, 2007  
(E+58)**

**Statement Filed with Secretary of State**

The County Elections Official shall file with the Secretary of State a statement containing a list of offices up for election; the name and ballot designation of each candidate; the name of each successful candidate; the number of voters eligible to vote in the district; the number of votes for each candidate; the list of offices for which appointments have been made in lieu of election.

§10552

**Jan. 8, 2007**

**Assuming Office – County Supervisors & County Officers**

All elected county officers shall be elected at the general election at which the Governor is elected, and take office at 12 o'clock noon on the first Monday after January 1<sup>st</sup> succeeding their election.

Gov. Code §24200

**Jan. 8, 2007**

**Assuming Office – Judge of the Superior Court**

The term of office for Judges of the Superior Court are 6 years beginning the first Monday after January 1<sup>st</sup> following their election.

California Constitution Article 6, §16

**Jan. 31, 2007**

**Semi-Annual Campaign Disclosure Statement**

Last day to file semi-annual campaign disclosure statements, if required, by all candidates and committees.

Gov. Code §84200, 84218