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**Voters in the Stockton East Water District to Receive Supplemental Ballot  
Voters Eligible to Select Candidates in All Seven Divisions**

**STOCKTON, CA** –The San Joaquin County Registrar of Voters Office has identified an error which affects two contests for Stockton East Water District (SEWD) Directors on the November 8, 2022 General Election ballots.

“The San Joaquin County Registrar of Voters Office is committed to ensuring that every step of our elections process is conducted securely, confidently, and correctly,” said Olivia Hale, San Joaquin County Registrar of Voters (ROV). “In accordance with official procedures for addressing situations like this, the ROV’s Office will issue a supplemental ballot to registered voters residing within the SEWD. We thank the community for their patience and understanding as we connect once again to help shape the future of our democracy.”

SEWD is divided into seven divisions, each with a discretely elected Director. Though each candidate for a division’s Director must reside within that division, every voter in the SEWD is eligible to vote on any and all contests in all seven divisions of the district. The Directors are elected by division but voted on at-large.

Divisions 5 and 7 each have a contest which should appear on the November 8, 2022 ballot. Due to the identified error, voters who reside within Division 5 and 7 received ballots presenting only one contest specific to the respective division in which they reside rather than all candidates within the SEWD. Voters who reside within the boundaries of Divisions 1, 2, 3, 4, and 6 received ballots with neither the contest for Division 5 nor the contest for Division 7.

In response, all eligible voters who reside within the SEWD will receive a **separate supplemental ballot** which will correctly present both contests for SEWD. The separate supplemental ballot outer envelope will be distinct from the November 8, 2022, General Election ballot outer envelope as they will be delivered in an envelope identified by a red stamp reading “**SUPPLEMENTAL BALLOT**.” The return envelope for the separate supplemental ballot will be yellow in color.

**ELIGIBLE VOTERS SHALL PLACE THE SEPARATE SUPPLEMENTAL BALLOT IN THE YELLOW RETURN ENVELOPE ONLY.** These instructions will also be included in the voter's ballot materials.

Votes cast on the original November 8, 2022 General Election ballots for SEWD contests, and **ONLY** votes for the SEWD contests, will be voided. Votes cast on the separate supplemental ballots will be counted for these contests instead. Please note that all other votes cast on all original November 8, 2022, General Election ballots will be counted as normal. **VOTERS IN THE SEWD DO NOT DISCARD OR OTHERWISE DISREGARD THE ORIGINAL BALLOTS IN ANY WAY. COMPLETE AND SUBMIT THENOVEMBER 8, 2022, GENERAL ELECTION BALLOTS AS NORMAL IN THE BLUE RETURN ENVELOPE.**

**For the supplemental ballot only:** One in-person voting location will be available on Election Day at the San Joaquin County Administration Building, located at 44 North San Joaquin Street, Suite 146, Stockton, CA, 95202 from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

If either the November 8, 2022, General Election ballot or separate supplemental ballot is lost, damaged, or becomes otherwise unfit for submission, please visit or contact the Registrar of Voters Office for assistance at [registrar@sigov.org](mailto:registrar@sigov.org) or 209-468-8683.

In-person, early voting starts October 10, 2022 through November 7, 2022 at the Registrar of Voters office, located at 44 North San Joaquin Street, Suite 250, Stockton, CA 95202. The hours are Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

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