



Logic and Accuracy Test Reporting Form

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A. Election Official:

Jurisdiction

San Joaquin County

Contact Name and Title

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C. Election Technology:

Certified Voting System used by the Jurisdiction

Hart InterCivic Verity

Certified Ballot on Demand System used by the Jurisdiction, if applicable.

Verity Print

Description of any technical issues and/or mitigation, if applicable, that occurred during the conduct of the logic and accuracy test.

See Attached.

B. Election Information:

Title of the Election

November 3, 2026, General Election

Date of the Election

11/3/2026

Date of Notice to the Public

07/13/2026

Date of Logic and Accuracy Testing

09/18/2026



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Additional space to provide further description of any technical issues and/or mitigation, if applicable, that occurred during the conduct of the logic and accuracy test.

ATTESTATION AND SIGNATURES - *"I hereby certify that the logic and accuracy test has been performed, that the test results have been compared with predetermined correct totals for each office and ballot measure, and that the cause of any discrepancy was found and corrected. Additionally, I hereby certify that the logic and accuracy test was conducted pursuant to the requirement of Elections Code section 15000 and that the information submitted on this form is true, accurate and complete."*

Eric Diaz

Signature

09/18/2026

Date

Eric Lee Diaz

Name (printed)



September 18, 2026

LOGIC & ACCURACY TESTING INCIDENT REPORT

San Joaquin County Registrar of Voters

System: Hart InterCivic Verity Voting System

Activity: Logic & Accuracy (L&A) Testing

Location: Elections Warehouse

Incident Type: Inadvertent Rescanning of Previously Counted Test Ballot

Date of Report: September 18, 2026

Incident Summary

During the reconciliation and verification of Logic & Accuracy (L&A) testing results for the Verity voting system staff identified a discrepancy involving one ballot type, which impacted multiple contests. All other expected vote totals reconciled correctly; however, the impacted contests reflected two additional votes for a candidate compared with the predetermined expected L&A results.

Because the reported totals did not exactly match the expected L&A results, Registrar of Voters staff initiated a review to determine the source of the discrepancy.

Investigation

Staff reviewed the L&A testing process and interviewed temporary employees who assisted with testing at the Elections Warehouse.

During the interviews, a temporary employee reported that an L&A test ballot became physically jammed at the base of a Verity scanner during testing. Although the scanner displayed a message indicating that the ballot had been successfully counted, the ballot did not pass completely through the scanner into the ballot receptacle and had to be manually removed.

After removing the jammed ballot, the employee rescanned it, believing that the physical jam meant the ballot had not been successfully processed. During the second scan, the ballot again became physically jammed at the base of the scanner. The scanner again displayed a message confirming that the ballot had been counted. At that point, the employee recognized that the ballot had been counted despite the physical jam.

Upon further inspection of the ballot receptacle area, the employee discovered that the ballot collection bag had shifted into a position that obstructed the scanner's ballot exit path. The employee repositioned the collection bag so that it no longer interfered with



the ballot's exit path. No additional issues with the scanner were reported after the bag was repositioned.

Cause of Discrepancy

The investigation determined that the ballot associated with the jam had been successfully read and counted by the Verity scanner despite not physically exiting the scanner as expected.

Because the employee retrieved and rescanned the same ballot after the scanner had already indicated that the ballot was counted, the votes contained on that ballot were included in the L&A results more than once.

This accounts for the additional votes identified during reconciliation of the affected contests.

The underlying physical cause of the ballot jam was determined to be the position of the ballot collection bag, which was obstructing the scanner's ballot exit path. Once the bag was repositioned, the scanner operated without further reported issues.

Findings

The review determined that the discrepancy resulted from the handling and rescanning of a test ballot following a physical ballot jam and was not the result of an incorrect interpretation or tabulation of the ballot by the Verity voting system.

The scanner displayed that the ballot had been counted; however, the temporary employee did not initially understand that the ballot should not be rescanned after receiving that confirmation.

The resulting additional votes were consistent with the duplicate scanning of the affected L&A test ballot. All other vote totals produced during the L&A testing reconciled with the predetermined expected results.

Corrective and Preventive Actions

To prevent a similar occurrence during future L&A testing, the Registrar of Voters will reinforce the following procedures with all permanent and temporary staff participating in scanner testing:

- A ballot must not be rescanned when the Verity scanner indicates that the ballot has already been counted, even if the ballot does not exit or deposit into the ballot receptacle as expected.



- Any ballot jam or abnormal scanner behavior must be immediately reported to designated L&A supervisory staff before the ballot is removed, rescanned, or otherwise processed.
- Staff will verify that ballot collection bags and other materials within the ballot receptacle are properly positioned and do not obstruct the scanner's ballot exit path before testing begins.
- L&A training and instructions will specifically address the distinction between a physical ballot jam and whether the scanner has successfully recorded the ballot.
- Any discrepancy between predetermined L&A results and system-generated results will continue to require reconciliation and documentation before completion of the L&A process.

Conclusion

The L&A reconciliation process functioned as intended by identifying a variance between the predetermined expected results and the results produced during testing. The subsequent investigation identified and documented the cause of the discrepancy.

The discrepancy was attributable to the inadvertent rescanning of a test ballot that the Verity scanner had already indicated was successfully counted. The physical jam was caused by the ballot collection bag obstructing the ballot exit path. After the obstruction was corrected, no further issues with the scanner were reported.

The investigation found no indication that the discrepancy resulted from an error in the Verity system's interpretation or tabulation of the test ballot. The incident demonstrates the importance of the reconciliation component of the Logic & Accuracy testing process and has been documented for corrective training and future reference.

Prepared by: _____

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