

SOS-CACEO Conference Call
Wednesday April 17, 2013
10:00 AM to 10:30 AM

On Call: Alameda, Amador, Butte, Calaveras, Contra Costa, El Dorado, Fresno, Glenn, Humboldt, Imperial, Inyo, Kern, Kings, Lassen, Los Angeles, Madera, Mendocino, Merced, Mono, Napa, Nevada, Orange, Riverside, Sacramento, San Bernardino, San Diego, San Francisco, San Joaquin, San Luis Obispo, San Mateo, Santa Barbara, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Shasta, Solano, Sonoma, Stanislaus, Sutter, Trinity, Tulare, Ventura, Yuba.

Not on Call: Alpine, Del Norte, Kings, Lake, Marin, Mariposa, Merced, Modoc, Monterrey, Placer, Plumas, San Benito, Sierra, Siskiyou, Trinity, Tuolumne, Yolo.

Secretary Bowen discussed the following Agenda items.

1. Vote Cal – Formal project kickoff next week. All counties have been invited. The Secretary of State's has set up a process and is aiming to provide regular updates through various outlets. The work groups will be provided updates more often.
2. COVR – The almost done rescoping the website. The site will be more accessible to people with disabilities; people whose first language is not English or Spanish; create an API interface; address additional usability issues; respond to request for changes from County Registrar of Voters to improve the quality of data from users and revise the instructions on the web page.
3. Regulations – Rewrite of ballot printing regulations were approved by the Office of Administrative Law on March 26, 2013, they will go into effect 7/1/13. Regulations regarding County Voter Outreach Plans have not been revised since the late 1980's. Secretary of State's office is in the process of revising those outreach regulations. Cathy Darling-Allen will receive the draft for distribution.
4. Accessibility Grants – 46 Counties applied for the grants totaling \$1,200,000. Contracts will be issued next week. Contracts need to be returned by June 15, 2013.
5. Polling Place Accessibility – The video has been completed. It has been shared with the Voting Accessibility Advisory Committee for feed back. Secretary Bowen thanked Sacramento County for the use of their office and people and Jamie Young from Santa Cruz as the production assistant. The video should be available on web site in May. The Secretary of States office will provide as many copies as the Counties need.

Off agenda item:

Concerned about signature matching. SOS is looking a training opportunities that they could fund.

