



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA ITEM REPORT

Requested Board Meeting Date: January 19, 2016

Title: Designation of polling places for March 22, 2016 Presidential Preference Election

Introduction/Background:

Arizona Revised Statutes 16-248 requires the Board of Supervisors to designate a reasonable and adequate number of polling places for the Presidential Preference Election, using no more than one-half the number of precincts as of January 2016, except on land located within Indian reservations.

Discussion:

In advance of the November 3, 2015 Countywide Bond Election, the Board designated polling places for that Election. The Board is being asked to designate approximately one-half of the polling places used in the November 3, 2015 Election for use in the March 22, 2016 Presidential Preference Election. Per statute, precincts have been combined by Congressional District. Per statute, there will be no reduction in polling locations on the Tohono O'odham Nation or within the Pascua Yaqui Tribe. Per statute, precincts that contain fewer than 300 eligible voters may have the election by mail. The proposed polling places have been/will be reviewed by the major political parties, the Pima County Election Integrity Commission, the Tohono O'odham Nation, the Pascua Yaqui Tribe, and Chicanos Por La Causa.

Polling place locations will be included in the sample ballots mailed to eligible voter households in advance of Election Day.

Conclusion:

Approximately one-half of the precincts in Pima County have been combined with other precincts to comply with ARS 16-248.C., which requires that Pima County use no more than one-half the number of precincts as polling locations for a presidential preference election.

Recommendation:

Recommend the designation of polling places for the March 22, 2016 Presidential Preference Election as proposed.

Fiscal Impact:

None.

Board of Supervisor District:

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