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Certification of the Precinct Hand Count and Early Ballot Audit
Arizona Revised Statutes § 16-602(C)
November 7, 2006
General Election

Gila County, Arizona

The purpose of the Precinct Hand Count and Early Ballot Audit is to compare the results of the machine count to the hand count to assure that the machines are working properly and accurately counting the votes. The purpose of this procedure is to assure that the Precinct Hand Count and the Early Ballot Audit are conducted in a uniform manner in every county. Other than determining the intent of the voter, no other determinations regarding the ballot shall be made during the Precinct Hand Count and Early Ballot Audit.

A planning meeting for the hand count and early ballot audit of the 2006 General Election ballots began within twenty-four hours after the closing of the polls. The meeting is held at 2:00 p.m. on November 8th in the conference room at the county complex in Payson, Arizona. The chairmen of the Gila County Democratic Party and the Gila County Republican Committee are in attendance, accompanied by members of each of the two political parties. Members of the Gila County Republican Committee are in attendance in Globe via a teleconference call.

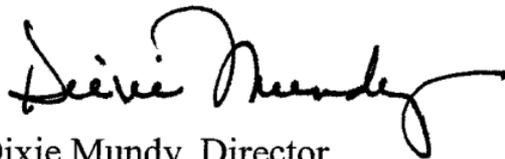
On Thursday, November 9, 2006, the precinct hand count is conducted at the Gila County Courthouse in Globe, Arizona, as follows:

1. The Chairman and five members of the Gila County Democratic Party and the Chairman and five members of the Gila County Republican Committee are in attendance to conduct the precinct hand count.
2. The precincts selected by lot are Hayden and Payson #4.
3. The offices selected by lot are U.S. Representative in Congress District I, State Treasurer, State Senator District #23, State Representative District #5, and Proposition #207.
4. Each precinct hand count includes votes cast on the Direct Recording Electronic Machine (Touch Screen voting unit).

5. Each precinct hand count of the ballots cast and votes cast in the selected races match the precinct Optical Scan machine count and Direct Recording Electronic count.
6. One ballot in each precinct is found to include votes cast in such a manner that the Optical Scan machine cannot recognize the intent of the voter. However, the marks are made in such a manner that clearly presents the voter's intent. Using the designed margins established by the Vote Count Verification Committee of three votes or one percent, whichever is greater, the votes on these ballots are not counted.
7. Upon completion of the two precinct hand count the political party chairmen agree that they are satisfied with the accuracy of the Optical Scan machine count and with the accuracy of the Direct Recording Electronic count. No further count is necessary. As a result of their decision the Early Ballot Audit is not conducted.

Dated this 10th day of November, 2006.

Gila County Division of Elections

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dixie Mundy", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Dixie Mundy, Director