

# MONTEREY COUNTY ELECTIONS

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Mr. Raymond Lutz, Executive Director  
Citizens' Oversight Projects  
771 Jamacha Road, No. 148  
El Cajon, CA 92019

Re: Your request for Public Records dated March 23, 2020

Dear Mr. Lutz,

I am responding to your email, dated March 23, 2020. You requested files and documents relating to the March 3, 2020 Presidential Primary Election described by you as follows:

**Request 1:**

“The complete (or nearly complete) set of ballot images for the March 3 primary election. We accept the format as produced by your election system as further described below. We understand that it may be practical to exclude a small set of ballots for privacy concerns. If so, then please provide the total vote counts for each contest included in the set of ballots that are excluded so we may add this to the total of the other ballots.”

**Request 2:**

“The set of "cast-vote records" which can be paired up with each ballot image, as your process has determined voter intent. Please include the "style(s)" designator(s) for each record for each sheet, and whether the ballot is from a BMD (ballot marking device) or not.”

**Request 3:**

“The "voted/non-voted" file, sometimes also called the "poll list" which provides the number of voters who cast a vote from the standpoint of polling place sign-in sheets or e-pollbooks.”

**Request 4:**

“If available, a file containing the actual text printed as the title and description of each contest if they vary on each style of ballot. Generally, we find that the text is the same for a given contest on all styles except for those based on language differences, but that

the text on the ballot differs from the official contest name. If this is not a easy to provide export, we can reconstruct this data by examining the ballots.”

**Request 5:**

“In the future, we hope to also be able to obtain a file containing SHA-256 message digests of each ballot image as originally scanned by the ballot scanner device, especially if such devices are used in the precinct. As we are still working on standards regarding how these are to be produced, we understand if this is not available but if you do have such a file, we would appreciate it.”

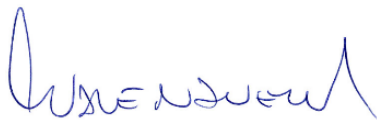
**Request 6:**

“Please also provide the ballot images used in the Logic & Accuracy test, and the corresponding cast-vote records so we can review that as well. As this has no privacy or other concerns, and is not related to the certification cycle, please provide this portion separately and earlier than the rest of the request.”

Due to the COVID 19 emergency, and the County’s Shelter in Place Order, we have not had enough staff to be able to review for all documents in your request. We will work diligently to finish the review and inform you as soon as possible if the County has responsive documents. The County will provide you further response, no later than May 9, 2020.

Please contact me if you have any questions over any statement in this Response.

Cordially,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Claudio Valenzuela".

Claudio Valenzuela  
Monterey County Registrar of Voters