

**Grand Jury Report
RESPONSE FORM**

And the Vote Goes To...

Report Dated: 6/21/10

Response Form Submitted By:

Assessor/Clerk Recorder
501 Low Gap Road
Ukiah, CA 95482

Response MUST be submitted, per Penal Code §933.05, no later than: 8/21/2010

I have reviewed the report and submit my responses to the FINDINGS portion of the report as follows:

I (we) agree with the Findings numbered:

1 thru 22, 24, 25

I (we) disagree wholly or partially with the Findings numbered below, and have **attached, as required**, a statement specifying any portion of the Finding that are disputed with an explanation of the reasons therefore.

23, 25

I have reviewed the report and submit my responses to the RECOMMENDATIONS portion of the report as follows:

The following Recommendation(s) have been implemented and **attached, as required**, is a summary describing the implemented actions:

2, 4 thru 8

The following Recommendation(s) have not yet been implemented, but will be implemented in the future, **attached, as required** is a time frame for implementation:

The following Recommendation(s) require further analysis, and **attached as required**, is an explanation and the scope and parameters of the planned analysis, and a time frame for the matter to be prepared, discussed and approved by the officer and/or director of the agency or department being investigated or reviewed: (This time frame shall not exceed six (6) months from the date of publication of the Grand Jury Report)

The following Recommendations will NOT be implemented because they are not warranted and/or are not deemed reasonable, **attached, as required** is an explanation therefore:

1, 3

I have completed the above responses, and have attached, as required the following number of pages to this response form:

Number of Pages attached: 2

I understand that responses to Grand Jury Reports are public records. They will be posted on the Grand Jury website: www.co.mendocino.ca.us/grandjury. The clerk of the responding agency is required to maintain a copy of the response.

I understand that I must submit this signed response form and any attachments as follows:

First Step: E-mail (word documents or scanned pdf file format) to:

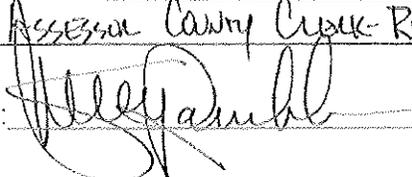
- The Grand Jury Foreperson at: grandjury@co.mendocino.ca.us
- The Presiding Judge: grandjury@mendocino.courts.ca.gov
- The County's Executive Office: ceo@co.mendocino.ca.us

Second Step: Mail all originals to:

Mendocino County Grand Jury
P.O. Box 939
Ukiah, CA 95482

Printed Name: SUSAN M. RANOCCHAK

Title: Assessor County Clerk-Recorder

Signed: 

Date: 8/20/10

STAFF REPORT

DATE: 8/20/10
TO: KATHARINE WYLIE, FOREPERSON, MENDOCINO COUNTY GRAND JURY
FROM: SUSAN M. RANOCHAK, ASSESSOR COUNTY CLERK-RECORDER 
RE: RESPONSE TO GRAND JURY REPORT TITLED: AND THE VOTE GOES TO...

Findings # 23

Voters received the incorrect party affiliation on the sample ballot. There was no resulting receipt of an incorrect primary election ballot.

Findings # 25

We have posted candidate statements on our website for past elections.

IMPLEMENTED RECOMMENDATIONS

Recommendation # 2

The Elections division of the Mendocino County Assessor County Clerk-Recorder's office turns over individuals with unpaid candidate's fee to our local credit collection agency. The collection process usually takes less than six months.

Recommendation # 4

After the final proofing of the sample ballot the PDF files will be uploaded to a secure file transfer site so no manipulation can occur after the final proofing.

Recommendation # 5

This practice will occur for future elections.

Recommendation # 6

This will occur for future elections.

Recommendation # 7

The vendor did not charge Mendocino County for the misprinted candidate statements.

Recommendation # 8

Deposits made by candidates for candidate statements placed in the June 8, 2010 sample ballot were refunded. Candidates received notification of the refund July 1, 2010.

RECOMMENDATIONS THAT WILL NOT BE IMPLEMENTED

Recommendation # 1

This recommendation will not be implemented. I feel it is obvious to the voter that candidate statements are only placed in the Sample Ballot and Voter Information Pamphlet. And do not appear on the Official Ballot

Recommendation # 3

Response requested from the Board of Supervisors not the Registrar of Voters.