Election Night Vote-by-Mail Accounting

Leon County Supervisor of Elections

Number of Ballots Received	Number of Ballots Uncounted	Number of Cureable Ballots
30,135	0	76

The numbers provided above are approximate and should not be compared to official turnout data or election results. These numbers will continue to change through Election Night as Vote-by-Mail ballots are processed.

Most Vote-by-Mail ballots are counted before Election Day, and the results are released at 7 p.m. However, there are also Vote-by-Mail ballots received on Election Day itself. Until 7 p.m., we continue to receive Vote-by-Mail ballots from the Post Office and the secure ballot intake station/drop box located at our office. At 7 p.m. we stop accepting additional Vote-by-Mail ballots*. After 7 p.m. we then process these last Vote-by-Mail ballots.

As with all Vote-by-Mail ballots, we must verify voter data and signatures on each envelope and then present the sealed ballots to the County Canvassing Board for review and acceptance. Only then can the envelopes be opened, the ballots removed, and the votes counted. Results are securely transferred to our results reporting system in batches throughout the evening. This process takes several hours, depending on the volume of ballots.

In addition, some ballots may be processed and counted after Election Day. If a Vote-by-Mail ballot envelope has a missing or mismatched signature, the voter has until 5 p.m. on the second day after Election Day to fix the problem. If the signature problem is fixed by the deadline, we will then process the ballot. The same timeline applies to provisional ballots.

* A 10-day extension exists for Vote-by-Mail ballots from overseas voters in Presidential Preference Primary and General Elections.

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