



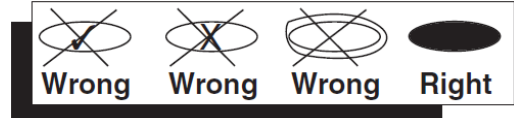
California Gubernatorial Recall Election

Tuesday, September 14, 2021

Voter Information Pamphlet

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS

HOW TO VOTE YOUR BALLOT:



- Remove the enclosed official ballot.
- Use a black ink pen **ONLY** to mark your votes.
- To vote, completely fill in the oval (●) next to the "YES" or "NO" on the recall question and to left of any candidate **whose name appears** on the ballot. Do not vote for more than one candidate.
- To vote for a qualified write-in candidate **whose name does not appear** on the ballot, write the person's name in the blank space provided directly below the names of the other candidates for the office. Completely fill in the oval (●) to the left of the name.

HOW TO RETURN YOUR BALLOT:

- **Amador County is now 100% Vote-by-mail.** Every voter will receive a ballot in the mail.
- The ballot in this packet is your ballot, not a sample ballot. **Vote this ballot** according to the above instructions.
- Place your voted ballot inside the return envelope. Be sure the envelope is sealed and signed.
- **Return your ballot 1 of 3 ways. None of which require you pay postage.**
 - **Prepaid Mail.** Your voted ballot must be **postmarked** by Election Day, September 14, 2021 **and received** by the Elections Office by Tuesday, September 21, 2020 at 5 pm. **Postage is not required.**
 - You may also return your ballot at our **24-hour ballot drop-box** in front of the County Administration Building, or any of our **5 additional drop-boxes** located throughout the county, on or before 8 PM on Election Day, September 14, 2021. **Postage is not required.**
 - Lastly, you may bring your ballot to our Vote Center at 810 Court Street, Jackson, CA 95642, on or before 8 PM on Election Day, September 14, 2021. **Postage is not required.**

Vote Center and drop-box locations and hours are on the back of this guide, and online at:

www.amador.vote

We will be happy to assist you if you have any questions. Our office is located at 810 Court Street, Jackson, CA. Telephone: (209)223-6465, Regular office hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. On Election Day, September 14, 2021 the office hours will be from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

You no longer need to authorize a person to return your Vote-by-Mail ballot. You may now allow someone to return your ballot regardless of their relationship to you. Simply write their name in the box on the back of the return envelope and have them sign. **To verify if your mail ballot was received, sign up for our free ballot tracking at wheresmyballot.sos.ca.gov**

ASSISTANCE TO THE VISUALLY, HEARING, OR SPEECH IMPAIRED

Amador County also has the ExpressVote Universal Marking Device for voters who are unable to view or personally mark the ballot. For your convenience, these devices are located at our office and the Vote Center.

IF YOU SPOIL YOUR BALLOT

If you tear or deface your ballot, return it to the Elections Office or any Vote Center and another ballot will be issued. If you make a mistake, cross out the candidate you don't want and fill in the one you do want, that way your choice is obvious.

**NOTE: You must sign the Identification/Return envelope in your own handwriting!
If your ballot envelope is not signed, your vote may not be counted!**

Voting by Mail is as easy as...

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Vote your ballot by completely filling in the oval next to your choices.

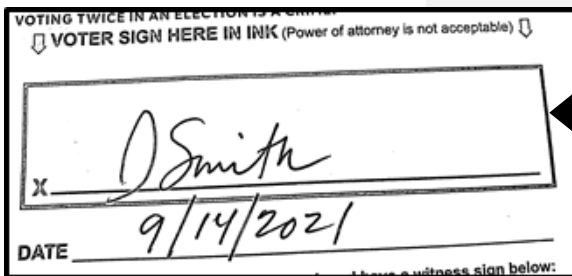
If there is a contest you don't want to vote, leave it blank, the rest of your ballot will be counted.

If you make a mistake, cross out the candidate you don't want and fill in the one you do want, that way your choice is obvious.

Sign your envelope.

Place your completed ballot into the return envelope and seal it using the "peel and seal" closure.

Read the Voter's Declaration and Sign and Date where indicated.



VOTING TWICE IN AN ELECTION IS A CRIME.
VOTER SIGN HERE IN INK (Power of attorney is not acceptable) ↓

X J Smith

DATE 9/14/2021

Witness sign below:

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Return your ballot. No postage needed.

Drop it off in the mail! As long as it is postmarked on or before September 14, 2021 we will accept it up to September 21, 2021.

Drop it off at any ballot drop-box.

Drop it off at any vote center.

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Drop-box and Vote Center locations are located on the back of this guide.

If you need assistance, or need a replacement ballot you can visit a Vote Center or call the Elections Office at 209-223-6465.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR VOTERS REGARDING THE SEPTEMBER 14, 2021 CALIFORNIA GUBERNATORIAL RECALL ELECTION

At the September 14, 2021 California Gubernatorial Recall Election there will be a single question on the ballot. This is a two-part question regarding the recall of the Governor.

The recall question contains two parts. You may vote on both parts or on just one. Either way, your vote will be counted:

1. The first part will ask, "Shall GAVIN NEWSOM be recalled (removed) from the office of Governor?"
2. The second part will list the names of the candidates running to replace the Governor if he is recalled. If you choose to vote for a replacement candidate, you may vote for only one of the many candidates.

If more voters mark "yes" than "no" on the first part of the recall question, the Governor will be removed from office. If more voters mark "no" than "yes", the Governor will remain in office.

If the Governor is recalled, the candidate who receives the most votes will be elected as the new Governor. That person can be sworn in as the Governor once the results of the election are certified.

Under a state law designed to give every candidate a fair opportunity at appearing at the top of the ballot, the Secretary of State's office is required to conduct a random alphabet draw prior to each election. The candidates' names are printed in this random alphabet order as required by state law.

This pamphlet includes the "Proponents' Statement of Reasons" submitted by the proponents of the recall, and the "Governor's Answer to the Statement".

TAKE YOUR TIME

There are a large number of candidates for this election. Make sure your decision is final before marking your ballot.

If you tear or deface your ballot, return it to the Elections Office or a Vote Center and another ballot will be issued.

If you make a mistake, cross out the candidate you don't want and fill in the one you do want, that way your choice is obvious.

Proponents' Statement of Reasons for the Recall and the Governor's Answer

The recall petition circulated throughout the state included a Statement of Reasons for a recall and the Governor's Answer to the Statement, which are provided below pursuant to Elections Code section 11325.

Proponents' Statement of Reasons

TO THE HONORABLE GAVIN NEWSOM: Pursuant to section 11020, California Elections Code, the undersigned registered qualified voters of the State of California, hereby give notice, we are the proponents of a recall petition and we intend to seek your recall and removal from the office of Governor in the State of California and to demand election of a successor in that office.

The grounds for this recall are as Follows: Governor Newsom has implemented laws which are detrimental to the citizens of this state and our way of life. Laws he endorsed favor foreign nationals, in our country illegally, over that of our own citizens. People in this state suffer the highest taxes in the nation, the highest homelessness rates, and the lowest quality of life as a result. He has imposed sanctuary state status and fails to enforce immigration laws. He unilaterally over-ruled the will of the people regarding the death penalty. He seeks to impose additional burdens on our state by the following; removing the protections of Proposition 13, rationing our water use, increasing taxes and restricting parental rights. Having no other recourse, we the people have come together to take this action, remedy these misdeeds and prevent further injustices.

Governor's Answer to the Statement

WARNING: THIS UNWARRANTED RECALL EFFORT WILL COST CALIFORNIA TAXPAYERS 81 MILLION DOLLARS! IT IS BEING PUSHED BY POLITICAL EXTREMISTS SUPPORTING PRESIDENT TRUMP'S HATEFUL ATTACKS ON CALIFORNIA.

In 2018 California voters elected Governor Gavin Newsom by historic margins.

As Governor, Newsom is working to 1) increase funding for public education, 2) protect and secure Californians' health and health care, 3) improve water, roads, and bridges, 4) address the challenges of housing affordability and homelessness, and 5) prepare for the threats of wildfires.

Our budget is balanced. Our fiscal reserves are unprecedented. Our economy and employment are historically strong.

Yet a handful of partisan activists supporting President Trump and his dangerous agenda to divide America are trying to overturn the definitive will of California voters and bring Washington's broken government to California with this recall effort.

The last thing California needs is another wasteful special election, supported by those who demonize California's people and attack California's values.

Do not be fooled - California's police officers, firefighters, first responders, public school teachers, health providers, and business leaders all **STRONGLY OPPOSE** this costly recall.

DO NOT HAND OVER YOUR SIGNATURE, YOUR SUPPORT OR YOUR PERSONAL, PRIVATE INFORMATION TO THIS DESTRUCTIVE RECALL SCHEME.



Vote Safe

To ensure every voter has an opportunity to cast a safe and secure ballot from home, we mailed the ballots early, and as long as the envelope is postmarked by September 14, 2021, we will accept them through the mail until September 21, 2021. We also added a “peel and seal” feature to your return envelope so you won’t have to lick it to return it. We even added an “I Voted” sticker to the outside of your envelope for you!

If you need to visit a Vote Center to register to vote, use an accessible voting device, obtain a replacement ballot or get language assistance, be advised that Amador County Elections will be following State and Local mandates regarding COVID-19 at our Vote Center locations (see back of this guide), and ask that you do the same. If you are not FULLY vaccinated, we ask that you:

Wear a face covering

Keep 2 arms’ length apart

Use hand sanitizer

We will have disposable masks, gloves and hand sanitizer available at locations. You can even keep the pen!



Party Endorsements

Parties have the option of submitting candidate endorsements for voter-nominated offices only for printing in this guide. Not all parties participate and parties may endorse a candidate from another party.

All voters, regardless of the party preference they disclosed upon registration, or refusal to disclose a party preference, may vote for any candidate for a voter-nominated office. The party preference, if any, designated by a candidate for a voter-nominated office is selected by the candidate and is shown for the information of the voters only. It does not imply that the candidate is nominated or endorsed by the party or that the party approves of the candidate.

Political Party Endorsements for California gubernatorial Recall Election:

American Independent: Larry Elder

Libertarian: Jeff Hewitt



Estimated Cost to Administer the Recall Election

Pursuant to Elections Code §11108 (d), the Department of Finance, in consultation with the Secretary of State and county elections officials, has estimated the costs to administer the recall election of Governor Gavin Newsom to be \$276 million.

For more information relating to the costs of the recall election, please see the Secretary of State’s website at: <https://elections.cdn.sos.ca.gov/recalls/dept-finance-letter.pdf>



Track Your Ballot

Amador County Election's office is now offering voters a new way to track and receive notifications on the status of their vote-by-mail ballot. Sign-up at wheresmyballot.sos.ca.gov to receive automatic email, SMS (text), or voice call notifications about your ballot.

Once you sign up, you will be signed up for future elections as well. Know when your ballot is on it's way to you and when we receive it back after you vote it!



Accessible Voting

At the Vote Center

All Vote Centers are ADA Accessible with temporary thresholds or ramps, if needed.

Accessible Voting System

Each Vote Center has at least three ballot marking devices that offer:

- An audio option that reads the ballot to you
- A handheld tactile device with a universal plug for a personal assistive device
- Large text size and high contrast viewing options

Instructions for Voters Requesting an RAVBM Ballot

Voters who are disabled, or can't leave their home, can request a Remote Accessible Vote by Mail Ballot (RAVBM). An RAVBM ballot is emailed to the voter to download, print, fill out by pen, and mail back to our office to be counted. Voters can use the application provided with their Vote by Mail ballot packet or download and fill out the form from our website at <https://www.amadorgov.org/government/elections/accessible-voting/>, and return it as indicated on the application.

Curbside Voting

For any voter that cannot physically access a Vote Center, there is the option to vote "curbside". You can either "ring the doorbell" (which will be outside at each vote center), call the Elections office or have a passenger or friend enter the Vote Center and give your information to our trained Elections staff to bring your ballot to you. You may sit in a car and vote, or vote at the door of the building. To schedule curbside voting call (209) 223-6465.



Language Assistance / Asistencia con el idioma

Every Vote Center in Amador County, as well as our Elections Office, is equipped with a device that provides language translation services via video in dozens of languages including Spanish and American Sign Language. Simply approach a Vote Center worker for access to this service. **For assistance in Spanish, call 1-855-938-0486.**

Todos los Centros de Votación en el condado de Amador, así como nuestra oficina de elecciones, están equipados con un dispositivo que brinda servicios de traducción de idiomas a través de video en docenas de idiomas, incluido el español y el lenguaje de señas estadounidense. Simplemente acérquese a un trabajador del Centro de Votación para acceder a este servicio. **Para asistencia en español 1-855-938-0486.**

DUE TO CONSTRUCTION, THE DRIVE-UP DROP-BOX HAS BEEN TEMPORARILY RELOCATED TO THE FRONT OF THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, NEAR THE FLAGPOLE

Vote Center Locations available starting Saturday, September 4, 2021

10 Days Before the Election Through Election Day

§4005(a)(4)(A)

Amador County Administration Center

810 Court Street
Jackson, CA 95642

Hours starting September 4, 2021:

10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Daily

7 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Election day

Drop-Box Locations available starting August 17, 2021

24-Hour Ballot Drop-off Locations

§4005(a)(1)(B)

Amador County Administrative Center

810 Court Street
Jackson, CA 95642
(In front of building near the flagpole)

Accessible 24 hours daily

WILL CLOSE AT 8:00 PM ON ELECTION DAY

Pine Grove Market (Inside store)

19394 State Hwy 88
Pine Grove, CA 95665

Accessible 24 hours daily

WILL CLOSE AT 8:00 PM ON ELECTION DAY

Daytime Ballot Drop-off Locations

§4005(a)(10)(I)(vi)(IV), §4005(a)(10)(I)(vi)(VII)

Ione Plaza Market (Inside store)

313 Preston Ave.
Ione, CA 95640

Accessible 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Daily

WILL CLOSE AT 6:00 PM ON ELECTION DAY

Pokerville Market (Inside store)

18170 State Hwy 49
Plymouth, CA 95669

Accessible 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Mon – Sat

9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Sunday

WILL CLOSE AT 7:00 PM ON ELECTION DAY

Volcano Country Store (Inside store)

16146 Main St.
Volcano, CA 95689

Accessible 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Daily

WILL CLOSE AT 6:00 PM ON ELECTION DAY

Young's Payless Market IGA (Inside store)

26560 State Hwy 88
Pioneer, CA 95666

Accessible 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. daily

WILL CLOSE AT 7:00 PM ON ELECTION DAY

