MODOC COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

VOTER INFORMATION GUIDE
PRESIDENTIAL GENERAL ELECTION
TUESDAY – NOVEMBER 3, 2020

Compiled and Prepared by
MODOC COUNTY CLERK

POLLING PLACES HAVE CHANGED FOR THIS ELECTION, BE SURE TO CHECK THE LOCATION OF YOUR POLL SITE INSIDE THIS BOOKLET!!!
2020 Presidential General Election
Tuesday, November 3, 2020

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 to the left of any candidate, or next to “YES” or “NO” on a measure. Do not vote for more than the authorized number of candidates
- To vote for a 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 using a black ink pen only

HOW TO RETURN YOUR BALLOT:

- All voters will receive a ballot in the mail for this election as required by the Governor’s Executive Order
- The ballot in this packet is your official 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
  - Postage paid mail. Your voted ballot must be postmarked by Election Day, November 3, 2020 and received by the Elections Office by Friday, November 20, 2020 at 5 p.m. Postage is not required.
  - You may also return your ballot to the drop box in our office located at 108 E. Modoc Street, on or before 8 p.m. on Election Day, November 3, 2020. Postage is not required.
  - Lastly, you may bring your ballot to any of the three polling places, on or before 8 p.m. on Election Day, November 3, 2020. Postage is not required.

We will be happy to assist you if you have any questions. Our office is located at 108 E. Modoc Street – Alturas. Telephone: (530) 233-6200. Regular office hours: Monday – Friday 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. – Closed during the lunch hour
On Election Day, November 3, 2020 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 wheressmyballot.sos.ca.gov

IF YOU SPOIL YOUR BALLOT

If you make a mistake, tear or deface your ballot, return it to the Elections Office or your polling place and another ballot will be issued.

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!

IF YOU WANT TO VOTE AT YOUR POLLING LOCATION, YOU NEED TO REMEMBER TO BRING THE BALLOT THAT WAS MAILED TO YOU, TO BE SURRENDERED TO A POLL WORKER!!!
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POLLING LOCATIONS OPEN ON ELECTION DAY

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<th>Veteran’s Memorial Hall Memorial Park</th>
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| 1 Center Street
Cedarville, CA 96104 | 508 S. Main Street
Alturas, CA 96101 | 530 County Road 176
Newell, CA 96134 |
| Hours: 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. | Hours: 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. | Hours: 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. |

DROP BOX LOCATIONS AVAILABLE STARTING OCTOBER 5, 2020

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<tr>
<th>Modoc County Clerk’s Office</th>
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| 108 E. Modoc Street
Alturas, CA 96101 | 551 Main Street
Cedarville, CA 96104 |
| Hours: 8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m.
1 p.m. to 5 p.m.
Election Day: 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. | Hours: Available during business hours
Election Day: Will close at 8 p.m. |

Ballots must be received or postmarked on Election Day. Mail your ballot early or take it to the closest polling location or drop box near you!

Electronic Voter Information Guides

If you would prefer to receive your Voter Information Guide electronically for future elections please contact our office at (530) 233-6200 or email us at clerkelections@co.modoc.ca.us and provide your name and email address, and we will get you added to the list!

Your Vote Matters!
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.

The American Independent, Green, Libertarian and Peace and Freedom parties did not submit endorsements of candidates to be printed in this guide. The candidate’s party preference on the ballot does not necessarily mean that they have that political party’s support.

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Campaign Expenditure Limits

Among all state legislative candidates appearing on the ballot in Modoc County, the following persons have pledged to abide by campaign spending limits as specified in the California Government Code. This is a result of Proposition 34, adopted by the voters at the November 2000 General Election, and of a statute passed by the Legislature and signed by the Governor in 2001. Candidates agreeing to the campaign spending limits also have the opportunity to publish a statement of qualifications in the local voter information guide. This list covers all qualified legislative candidates in the county.

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About the Candidates

U.S. Presidential Candidates
- To learn more about the candidates who have been nominated to run for U.S. President, go to voterguide.sos.ca.gov.
- Whichever presidential candidate gets the most popular votes in California wins all the Electors. California has 55 Electors.
- The candidate with the most electoral votes – 270 or more – (over one half of the total vote of 538) is declared President.

Who is running for office?

Refer to your official ballot included in the envelope with this guide for a complete list of candidates. Some have paid for a candidate statement in this guide, but not all.
STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE, DISTRICT 1

Name: Doug LaMalfa

Occupation: Farmer / Member United States House of Representatives

This has been a year like no other. The economic fallout from COVID-19 and the state’s shutdown policies have left many families, small businesses and farms struggling to stay afloat.

With all of the divisions in Washington, I’ve kept the focus on our recovery. I cosponsored legislation to ensure that every county, regardless of size, receives funds to support critical services that have been impacted by the pandemic and voted to give small business and workers financial relief to help them get through the crisis.

COVID-19 is not the only crisis we have faced. I’ve worked across party lines to ensure the full support of the federal government to support post-Camp and Carr fires, with over $3 billion in recovery efforts for firefighting, infrastructure restoration, home site clearing, and census restructuring that brought additional aid.

I passed a law to speed up the bureaucratic delays to clear near power lines and worked successfully to bring crucial funding to local airports, rural broadband, water storage projects and veterans’ programs.

I stand firm against efforts to defund the police and throw open prison doors. The flaws in our criminal justice system will not be fixed by eliminating the police and burning our system to the ground.

While this has been a difficult year, I have faith that together we will recover and emerge even stronger. With your support I will continue to bring common sense to government. Thank you. Please visit www.DougLaMalfa.com or call 530-712-3675.

STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE, DISTRICT 1

Name: Audrey Denny

Occupation: Agricultural Educator

I believe that with hard-working, responsive leadership, the North State can rebuild our economy and communities from the devastation COVID-19 and wildfires have caused our families and businesses.

I learned the value of hard work as the daughter of a Vietnam veteran, growing up on a small farm, teaching agriculture at Chico State, and training the next generation of farmers.

For too long, our district has been without effective representation in Washington. I’m running because we can break the gridlock by having a representative who answers to the working people and small businesses of our district – not political parties, special interests, lobbyists or corporations. I’ll do this by fighting to get money out of politics, making health care and prescription drugs affordable for all, and working to improve our schools, infrastructure, and fire protection.

We need to fire self-dealing career politicians who look out for themselves. We need to find solutions that will restore our jobs and our communities and protect veterans, Medicare, and Social Security - solutions that respect families by assuring family sick leave and fair treatment of women at work.

We need to end the partisan bickering and the political games and focus instead on the right solutions for everyone. My commitment to the First District is to stand up to both parties when they’re wrong, put people first, and to work for solutions to get things done for you.

I would be honored to have your vote.

www.AudreyforCongress.com
STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR STATE SENATOR, DISTRICT 1

Name: Pamela Dawn Swartz

Occupation: Small Business Owner

I am your neighbor, not a politician. I am running to represent the North State because we need leaders in Sacramento who answer to us, instead of big-donor corporations. I’m fiercely loyal to our District, and will introduce creative policies to help our communities move into the future.

We are at a crossroads where cracks in our health care, fire resiliency, connectivity and education systems have been laid bare. We have a choice: will we continue to try to rework old systems, or will we work on bold solutions?

We need to get serious about managing our watersheds and forests, creating opportunities in new job sectors, providing affordable health care and housing, and improving schools and infrastructure. We need to use our leverage as the supplier of ⅔ of California residents’ drinking water to get more support in Sacramento. I am a natural problem solver and will think outside the box to find solutions for our District.

I’m no stranger to hard work, having started and successfully maintained for 31 years a small skincare business, treating individuals with chronic acne. Many of you know me personally from my second job as a farrier, specializing in barefoot horse trimming. I also hold a degree in Forestry with an emphasis in Wildlife Management, which makes me the perfect fit for our rural District.

I share your values; I’m going to roll up my sleeves and stand up for what we need.

www.pamelaforsenate.com/endorsements_2020

STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR STATE SENATOR, DISTRICT 1

Name: Brian Dahle

Occupation: Farmer / Businessowner / Senator

Repairing our damaged economy, tackling the COVID-19 health crisis and returning lives to normal is how we move California forward.

I am a small business owner and farmer who is working to rebuild our economy.

Protecting local jobs, keeping small businesses afloat, retraining unemployed workers, and ensuring our farms have enough is essential a stronger economy.

I’m also working hard to ensure legislators and the Governor understand the unique problems facing Modoc County so we craft solutions that work for us.

By working across party lines, I helped save lives by improving the state’s health care response to COVID-19, provided masks to essential workers and expanded hospital space.

I stood up to the special interests to make health care more affordable by passing bipartisan legislation to end the gouging of hospital patients with surprise out-of-network bills, improved preventative care and made pharmaceutical companies more accountable for rising drug prices.

Defeating $29 billion in new taxes, protecting Prop 13 and keeping property taxes down helped keep more money in your pockets during these tough times.

I held agencies accountable for wildfire and increased funding to prevent more deadly wildfires.

My record has earned me 100% ratings from the California Police Chiefs Association and the California Taxpayers Association.

As your Senator, I’ll continue fighting to make Modoc County safer and healthier while rebuilding our economy.

Please call me at (530) 251-3888 or visit www.briandahle.com if you have questions or need assistance.
| STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR MEMBER OF THE STATE ASSEMBLY, DISTRICT 1 |
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| **Name:** Elizabeth L. Betancourt |
| **Occupation:** Small Business Owner / Farmer / Rural Advocate |
| We have been neglected by institutional politicians and the corporate interests that support them. |
| If you're like me, you believe it's time for Sacramento to pay attention to our North State needs. My family owns a small farm and understands the hard work that goes into making a small business work… and the failure of Sacramento's one-size-fits-all approach. |
| I'm also a scientist with broad experience in forest management, balancing ecosystem health and economic realities. I live here, work here, and have been a tireless advocate for our North State communities for nearly 20 years. |
| I will work for: Science-based forest management and investment; Locally-driven water policy; Decreasing the red tape for our small businesses and family farms; Real rural economic development, including rural broadband; Addressing the growing risk of catastrophic wildfires and holding insurance companies accountable; and A world-class education for all of our students, ensuring that more of our tax dollars for education actually make it to the classroom. |
| The government has ignored us. Even our own elected officials disappear into Sacramento and only return when they want our votes. I’m not a politician. I say what I mean and I mean what I say. |
| I commit to a real and active presence, responsive to your concerns, and have shown this commitment through years of service to our communities; I’ll continue to do so as your next Assemblymember. On November 3rd, I'd like the opportunity to earn your trust. |
| www.BetancourtForAssembly.com |

| STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR MEMBER OF THE STATE ASSEMBLY, DISTRICT 1 |
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| **Name:** Megan Dahle |
| **Occupation:** Farmer / Businesswoman / Mother |
| Rebuilding the North State’s economy, stopping the spread the coronavirus, and getting lives back to normal are my top priorities. |
| As a small business owner and farmer, I’m using my experience to help our economy recover by protecting existing jobs and working to create new ones. |
| My focus is on getting state government to pay attention to the unique needs of Modoc County and not impose one size fits all solutions that hurt the North State to help Los Angeles. |
| To help deal with COVID-19, I worked to improve the state’s health care responses, pushed to add nurses and worked to prevent price gouging for food and essential supplies. |
| Making health care more affordable and ensuring we have access to care during these tough times is a priority. |
| The coronavirus showed America is dangerously dependent on China for prescription drugs. To fix that problem, I am working to ensure America make more of the pharmaceuticals our families need. |
| Continuing my efforts to improve forestry management and ensuring power lines are properly maintained will help prevent more deadly wildfires. |
| As a former school board member, ensuring students learn the skills needed to succeed in tomorrow’s economy and that parents can choose the best educational opportunities for their child is critical. |
| Firefighters, law enforcement officers, teachers and health care professionals support me. I hope you do too. |
| If you have questions, please call me at (530) 251-6757 or visit www.votemegandahle.com. |
Track Your Ballot

Modoc 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 its way to you and when we receive it back after you vote it!

Accessible Voting

At the Polling Place

All polling places are ADA Accessible or have improvements to allow access to the facility.

Accessible Voting System

Each polling place will have a ballot marking device that offers:

- 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 RAVMB 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 provided to the voter to download, print, fill out by pen, and mail back to our office to be counted. Voters can download and fill out the form from our website at www.co.modoc.ca.us/departments/elections, and return it as indicated on the application.

Curbside Voting

If your polling place is not accessible, you may vote on a paper ballot from a nearby accessible location, including a car. A poll worker will qualify you to vote and return the voted ballot to the polling place. If you are interested in this option, please contact our office to schedule a time to vote curbside.

Spanish Language Assistance

All polling locations will have a facsimile copy of the ballot translated into Spanish. You may also bring up to two individuals with you to the polling place to assist you in voting your ballot. You may also request that we send you a facsimile copy of the ballot translated into Spanish.
Short on Time?

Need help understanding complex ballot measures?

Easy Reader Voter Guides are available at the Registrar of Voters Office or online at:

www.easyvoterguide.org

Other useful websites are:

California Secretary of State’s Office: www.sos.ca.gov/elections

League of Women Voters: www.ca.lwv.org

U.S. Election Assistance Commission www.eac.gov

Smart Voter: www.smartvoter.org

Project Vote Smart: www.vote-smart.org
Complete the 2020 Census Today!

Taking just a few minutes to answer the 9 simple questions helps determine dollars that fund important programs for the next 10 years.

The Census provides billions of dollars to help support key community services, including:

- **Healthcare Facilities & Emergency Services**
- **Children's Nutritional Programs**
- **Housing and Education Programs**
- **Economic Development and Jobs Creation**

Californians can help achieve a complete count by participating in one of three ways:

- **Online at** my2020census.gov
- **By Phone at** 844-330-2020
- **By Mail** Complete and return your Census form!

All communities deserve the opportunity to thrive and provide for their families.

**Complete the Census Before October 31, 2020.**

Your 2020 Census data is safe, protected and confidential.

CaliforniaCensus.org  @CACensus
19th Amendment

The right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any State on account of sex.

Congress shall have power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation.