

FRESNO COUNTY VOTERS CHOICE ACT TIMELINE

February/March 2019: Five community meetings to explore whether or not Fresno County should convert to the Voters Choice Act (VCA) model.

March 12, 2019: Board of Supervisors approved VCA

March and April, 2019: Voter Accessibility Accessibility Committee (VAAC) and Language Accessibility Advisory Committee (LAAC) were convened to be trained and start discussions on VCA. Voters Choice Act Advisory Committee (VCAAC) was formed and began meeting with staff and consultant. RFP issued for communications contractor.

mid-May, 2019: Unofficial Draft of Elections Administration Plan was presented to the three committees with approximately 2 weeks for initial input.

April – August, 2019: Committees and staff will meet regularly to discuss issues related to the EAP, review data, and determine where vote centers and drop boxes will be located.

June/July, 2019: Official Draft of EAP will be posted on website in English and translations ordered. Once EAP translated versions are received, they will be posted on the website followed by:

10-day notice will be issued for a 3-week public consultation period with specific meetings scheduled for VAAC and LAAC and communities.

This will be followed by 14-day public comment period and then 10-day notice of a one-day hearing to consider draft EAP.

Amendments to the plan require 10-day notices and 14-day review periods.

August/September, 2019: Plan submitted to Secretary of State for approval

September/October/November/December, 2019: Public relations and general communication with the public about the VCA; Community workshops to be held in September and October.

December 6, 2019: Last day to confirm exact number of vote centers and drop boxes based on number of registered voters.

First week of December: First direct contact with voters regarding the change in election administration

First week of January: Second direct contact with voters regarding the change in election administration

January/February 2020: Continue public relations and general communication with the public about the VCA

February 22, 2020: 11-Day Vote Centers open

February 28, 2020: 4-Day Vote Centers open

March 3, 2020: Election Day