

RESOLUTION NO. 2010 - 7653

A Resolution of the Plumas County Board of Supervisors in Support of Conducting the January 4, 2011 Special General Election for State Senator District I utilizing Vote By Mail.

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Plumas have determined that it is in the best interest of the County to support the proposal of legislation to conduct the January 4, 2011 Special General Election for the State Senate seat for District I by Vote By Mail Ballot.

WHEREAS, currently, there is no requirement for reimbursement for costs of the election and the need for the election was unknown at the time the County adopted the current fiscal year budget, and,

WHEREAS, it is estimated that the cost to conduct the special election with polling places would be approximately \$50,000 - \$60,000 of additional funds not included in this year's budget, and,

WHEREAS, it is estimated that the savings by conducting the special election utilizing Vote By Mail is approximately \$10,000 - \$15,000, and,

WHEREAS, weather conditions in the winter months in several of the mountain counties poses threats such as, limited abilities to delivery polling place equipment, unavailability of polling place workers due to seasonal relocation, countywide power failures, and extremely dangerous road conditions, placing both the polling place workers and voters at risk, and,

WHEREAS, in comparison, utilizing Vote By Mail procedures has proven to produce a substantially higher voter turnout than special elections conducted at polling places, and,

WHEREAS, the majority of voters in Plumas County have already requested to permanently receive their ballots by mail, leaving very few to attend polling places to vote,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Plumas County Board of Supervisors hereby urges the authorization to utilize the Vote By Mail process for the January 4, 2011 General Special Election for Senate District I in Plumas County as a cost effective, safe, reliable and accessible method to conduct the election.

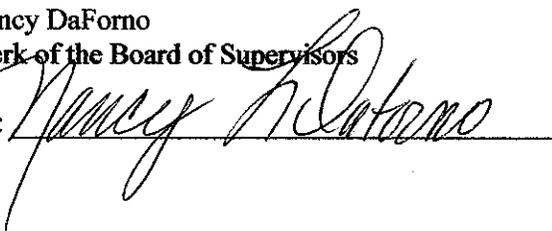
ADOPTED at a regular meeting of said Board, held the 17th day of August, 2010 by the following vote:

AYES : Supervisors Swofford, Simpson, Meacher, Olsen, Thrall
NOES : None
ABSENT : None
ABSTAIN : None

Attest:

Nancy DaForno
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By:



Chairman, Board of Supervisors