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July 31, 2020

Honorable Clare Keithley, Presiding Judge
Superior Court of California, County of Butte
One Court Street
Oroville, CA 95965

Re: Response to 2019-2020 Grand Jury Final Report

Dear Judge Keithley,

In accordance with Penal Code Sections 933 and 933.5, the County Clerk-Recorder/Registrar of Voters submits the following response to the findings and recommendations of the Grand Jury's Final Report for FY 2019-20 pertaining to the department.

I would like to express my appreciation to the Grand Jurors for their commitment of time and effort to understand the administration of elections. I also commend the members of the Grand Jury that served as election observers for the 2020 March Presidential Primary.

Butte County Clerk-Recorder/Registrar of Voters

Grand Jury Findings:

F5. Long lines and extended voting time on Election Day caused frustration for voters and poll workers in Chico.

Response: The respondent agrees with the finding.

Grand Jury Recommendations:

R2. Butte County Elections should complete the redesign of the layout for Voter Assistance Centers to accommodate larger numbers of voters by October 15, 2020.

Response: The recommendation will be implemented. All Voter Assistance Centers locations will be reviewed and the voter's path of travel redesigned to distance voters for one another due to COVID-19 recommendations. The department has acquired larger facilities to accommodate separate lines depending on the voters needs with additional equipment.

R3. Butte County Elections should collaborate with CSUC to send out student voting information via text or email by October 1, 2020.

Response: The respondent agrees with this finding.

The recommendation is in discussion stages with CSUC, at the time of this response.

Sincerely,



Candace J. Grubbs
County Clerk-Recorder/Registrar of Voters

Cc: Board of Supervisors
Shari McCracken,, Chief Administrative Officer