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## MANUAL COUNT COMPARISON PERFORMED

Beginning at 8:30 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 15, Elections officials will perform a hand count of approximately 600 ballots that were randomly selected as part of a manual comparison against machine results.

Results of the approximately 600 ballots will be counted in the total returns on Election Day, but for this comparison the Vancouver School measure will also be counted by hand, to prove the accuracy of the ballot tabulation equipment.

The procedure was recommended by Washington Secretary of State's Office, and is now standard procedure in Clark County.

If a voter has not received their ballot, they should contact the Elections Office at (360) 397-2345 or by emailing elections@clark.wa.gov. Ballots are not forwardable. If a voter has recently moved, and the Elections Office did not receive a change of address, their ballot will be returned as undeliverable.

Starting Friday, Feb. 10, a voter may download a replacement ballot at clarkvotes.org. The voter must print the ballot and return it following instructions included in the download. Click on "Need a Replacement Ballot?" to get started.

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