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County Clerk-Recorder
Registrar of Voters

VOTER INFORMATION PAMPHLET & VOTE BY MAIL INSTRUCTIONS

Presidential Primary Election
Tuesday, March 3, 2020

**This is an *ALL MAIL* ballot election.
There will be no polling places designated.**

SIERRA COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE

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www.sierracounty.ca.gov/elections



ACCESSIBILITY AND VOTING ASSISTANCE

For voters with a disability, an accessible version of the sample ballot, voter information pamphlet, and a remote accessible system to mark an electronic vote by mail ballot independently at home, is available on the Sierra County Election's website at www.sierracounty.ca.gov/elections. Remote accessible vote by mail ballots must be printed and returned either by mail, delivered to the Sierra County Clerk's Office or to the Loyalton Drop Box no later than 8:00 p.m. on Election Day.

The Sierra County Clerk's Office is also equipped with an accessible device that enables all voters, including those with disabilities to mark their ballots privately and independently. The accessible ballot marking device includes an audio ballot reader and accommodates adaptive devices such as a sip-and-puff. Please contact the Sierra County Clerk's Office at (530) 289-3295 for more information.

LANGUAGE ASSISTANCE

Sample ballots and voter information pamphlets are available in Spanish on the Sierra County website at www.sierracounty.ca.gov/elections. To request a Spanish facsimile ballot, please contact the Sierra County Clerk's Office.

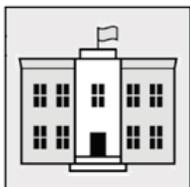
ASISTENCIA DE IDIOMA

Las papeletas de muestra de la elección y los folletos de información del votante están disponibles en español en la página web del Condado de Sierra, yendo a www.sierracounty.ca.gov/elections. Para solicitar una papeleta en español por medio de fax, comuníquese con la Oficina del Secretario de l Conda do de Sierra por teléfono, o por correo electrónico.

DISABILITY ASSISTANCE

Are You Having Difficulty Voting Because of a Disability? Call 1-888-569-7955. Disability Rights California will help voters with disabilities have a successful voting experience and identify issues needing to be addressed before the next election. They will operate a statewide voting hotline: 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Election Day, March 3, 2020 and will be available to answer calls prior to and following the election.

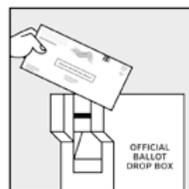
VOTING OPTIONS AND LOCATIONS



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Downieville, CA 95936

HERE YOU CAN:

- Vote
- Drop off your ballot
- Get help and voting materials in two (2) languages
- Register to vote or update your registration



DROP BOX

You can drop off your ballot at the **Loyalton City Hall Auditorium** from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Election Day *ONLY*.



VOTE BY MAIL

Mail your ballot so that it is postmarked no later than Election Day, March 3, 2020.

VOTE BY MAIL BALLOT INSTRUCTIONS

MARK YOUR BALLOT

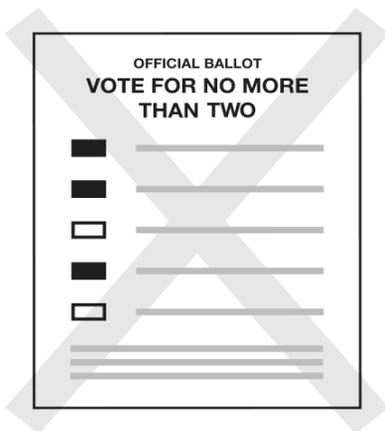
Completely darken in the box to the left of your choice. Use only a blue or black ballpoint ink pen. Do not use red ink pens, Sharpies, markers, pencils or any other type of pen. **Do not sign your name** on your ballot, write your initials, or write any other words or marks on your voted ballot.

CHECK YOUR BALLOT CAREFULLY

If you make a mistake, write "no" next to the incorrect box and darken the correct box.

If you vote for more candidates than the number of candidates permitted for a particular office race, it is called an overvote; your vote will not count for that candidate.

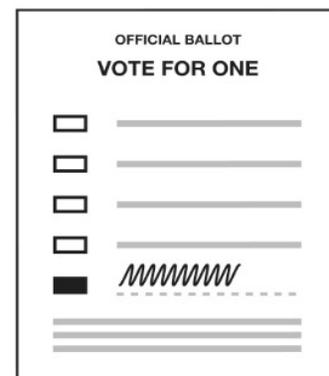
If you spoil your ballot and wish another sent to you, place the spoiled ballot in the return envelope and immediately return it to the Sierra County Clerk's Office. Be sure to check the box marked "spoiled" on the return envelope and sign your name in the space provided.



Don't vote for too many



Vote for the number allowed



Always darken the box, even on a write-in vote

SEAL YOUR BALLOT

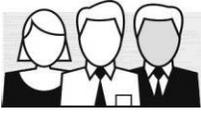
Place your ballot in the return envelope and seal. Sign and date on the line provided on the back of the return envelope. Your ballot cannot be counted unless you sign the return envelope in your own handwriting. No one other than you may sign your return envelope. If you are unable to sign your return envelope, you may make a mark and have a witness sign.

RETURNING YOUR BALLOT

Return your ballot by mail. Vote by mail ballots will be counted if postmarked on or before Election Day and received by the Sierra County Clerk's Office no later than 3 days after Election Day. Return your ballot in person. A drop off will be available at the **Loyalton City Hall Auditorium** from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Election Day or you can bring your ballot to the Sierra County Clerk's Office in Downieville. Your ballot must be received no later than 8:00 p.m. on Election Day.

If you are unable to return your ballot, you may now designate any person to return the ballot on your behalf. The signature and printed name of the person authorized to return your ballot must be completed on the return envelope.

To check the status of your vote by mail ballot, please visit the Sierra County website at <http://www.sierracounty.ca.gov/216/Upcoming-Elections> or contact 1-888-223-6443.



CANDIDATE STATEMENT INFORMATION

WHO IS RUNNING FOR OFFICE?

- A complete list of local candidates and their contact information is available online at <http://www.sierracounty.ca.gov/216/Upcoming-Elections>.
- A complete list of statewide candidates and their contact information is available online at www.sos.ca.gov.

HOW DO I FIND CANDIDATE'S CAMPAIGN FINANCE REPORTS?

- Campaign financial disclosure statements are filed by local candidates and are available by contacting the Sierra County Clerk's Office.
- Cal-Access provides financial information supplied by state candidates, donors, lobbyists, and can be found at www.sos.ca.gov.

NOT EVERY CANDIDATE FILES A CANDIDATE STATEMENT

This pamphlet does not contain a candidate statement for all candidates as each candidate's statement is volunteered by the candidate and is printed at his or her expense. State laws also govern who can submit a statement for publication in this pamphlet. Statements are printed as submitted. By law, the Elections Office does not correct spelling or grammatical errors.

EXPENDITURE LIMITATIONS: STATE LEGISLATIVE CANDIDATES

If a candidate for State Assembly accepts the voluntary expenditure limits set forth in Government Code Section 85400, the candidate may print at his or her expense, a candidate statement in the voter pamphlet. The following State Legislative candidates have accepted the voluntary campaign spending limits and submitted a candidate statement for publication in this pamphlet:

STATE ASSEMBLY, DISTRICT 1

ELIZABETH BETANCOURT, DEMOCRATIC

MEGAN DAHLE, REPUBLICAN

PK "PAUL" DHANUKA, NO PARTY PREFERENCE

CANDIDATE STATEMENTS FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES:

Candidates running for U.S. Congress may file candidate statements for publication in the voter pamphlet. There are no spending limits that affect whether a statement can be included or not. The statements are volunteered by the candidates, printed as submitted, and printed at his or her expense.

POLITICAL PARTY ABBREVIATIONS:

The following list of qualified political party abbreviations have been approved by the Secretary of State and will appear on the enclosed ballot next to the candidate's name where a candidate is permitted to express a party preference ("NONE" will appear next to candidate names when no party preference was provided):

Democratic - DEM	American Independent - AI	Libertarian - LIB
Republican - REP	Green - GRN	Peace and Freedom - PF

OFFICES ON THE BALLOT

The following offices will appear on the March 3, 2020 Presidential Primary Election ballot as well as statewide measures.

Party-Nominated/Partisan Office:

- President of the United States

Voter-Nominated Offices:

- State Assembly Member, District 1
- United States Representative, District 1
- United States Senate, District 1

Local Offices:

- Supervisor, District 1
- Supervisor, District 3
- Supervisor, District 4



CANDIDATE ENDORSEMENTS

Pursuant to California Elections Code Section §13302(b), political parties may request the Election's Office to include a list of endorsed candidates for voter-nominated offices in the voter pamphlet. Below are the endorsements.

Democratic Party Endorsed Candidates:

- Elizabeth Betancourt, State Assembly Member, District 1
- Audrey Denney, United States Representative, District 1

Republican Party Endorsed Candidates:

- Megan Dahle, State Assembly Member, District 1
- Doug LaMalfa, United States Representative, District 1
- Brian Dahle, United States Senate, District 1

American Independent Party Endorsed Candidate:

- Doug LaMalfa, United States Representative, District 1

No candidate endorsements were received from the Peace and Freedom, Green, or Libertarian parties for this election.

HOW TO VOTE FOR U.S. PRESIDENT

In a Presidential Primary Election, if you are registered to vote with a political party, you will receive a ballot that contains Presidential candidates for that party **only**. If you are registered as a No Party Preference voter, you will receive a nonpartisan ballot, which **will not** include candidates for U.S. President. Some parties will allow you to crossover and vote for their candidates.

WHAT IS CROSSOVER VOTING?

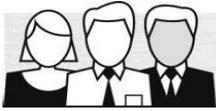
Presidential Primaries are unique because political parties can let No Party Preference voters "crossover" into their party and vote for one of their Presidential candidates. For this election, the **American Independent, Democratic, and Libertarian** parties are allowing "crossover" voting by voters registered as No Party Preference.

Voters who are registered as No Party Preference and want to vote for one of the three parties listed above can request a crossover ballot from the Sierra County Clerk's office by:

- Returning the application
- Emailing clerk-recorder@sierracounty.ca.gov
- Calling (530) 289-3295

The **Republican, Green, and Peace and Freedom** parties **are not** allowing "crossover" voting in this election. Voters who are registered as No Party Preference and would like to vote for a Republican, Green, or Peace and Freedom Presidential candidate must re-register with that party to vote for that party's Presidential candidate. The deadline to re-register to vote is **February 17, 2020**.

For more information about voting in the upcoming Presidential Election, please visit the Secretary of State's website at howtovoteforpresident.sos.ca.gov or by contacting the toll-free hotline at **(800) 345-VOTE (8683)**.



PAID CANDIDATE STATEMENTS

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UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE, DISTRICT 1

Doug LaMalfa

Occupation: Farmer/Member, United State House of Representative

My record is clear- I have opposed overspending by both parties, I protect the Second Amendment and I support building the border wall. I don't flip flop positions depending what group of people I'm in front of to try to fool people into voting for me.

When the Veterans Affairs Administration was secretly delaying care to veterans, I dug in and uncovered over 14,000 unprocessed claims then fought to make sure our veterans got the benefits and healthcare they earned.

I passed a law to speed up the bureaucratic delays to clear near power lines. It's ridiculous that our power is cut when the wind blows because utilities have neglected, or been delayed, from working to harden the grid. This work must be expedited so Northern California can be fire-safe, thereby making insurance available and affordable again. Repeated power outages are hardships to our homes and businesses, not a "new normal". California should be leading, not acting like a third world country.

I will continue to bring common sense to government including reducing out of control regulations that stifle our way of life. My focus will always be on letting you keep more of what you earn, bringing the jobs back to Northern California, thinning our overgrown forests, and responsibly prospering from our water, agricultural and outdoor resources. This is what I've always, and will continue to stand for.

I'd be honored to receive your vote.

Thank you.

www.DougLaMalfa.com or call 530-712-3675.

/s/ Doug LaMalfa

Audrey Denney

Occupation: Agricultural Educator

I am running for Congress with a single vision in mind: to make our government work more effectively to improve the lives of the residents of California's 1st District. The issues that concern you—that affect your day-to-day well-being—are the foundation of my campaign.

When you send me to Washington, DC, every decision I make will be focused on the people who call this region home. I will not be controlled by special-interest groups or political machines. I will not accept corporate PAC money. I will carry with me and embrace our shared North State values and vision, and I will act with integrity in service to our communities. I will fight to make sure that the needs of all are met, because you deserve a leader who truly represents you.

My priorities include building a strong rural healthcare system. Ensuring opportunities in career and technical education. Protecting benefits for seniors and veterans. And doing everything humanly possible to safeguard our communities against wildfires.

I believe in a country where we are not defined as Republicans or Democrats, but as Americans. Where people are more important than politics. Where everyone—regardless of skin color, wealth, or beliefs—is respected as inherently equal.

This is our country. This is our district. And our voices are as important as any in the nation. As your representative, I will do everything in my power to ensure that they are heard.

For more: www.audreyforcongress.com

/s/ Audrey Denney



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STATE SENATE, DISTRICT 1

Brian Dahle

Age: 54

Occupation: Senator/Farmer/Businessman

I am a small business owner and citizen legislator who fights the special interests and political elites to build a better future for Sierra County.

I helped defeat \$29 billion in new taxes and kept property taxes down by protecting Prop 13 so you can keep more of your hard-earned money.

Passed bipartisan legislation to prevent gouging of hospital patients with surprise out-of-network bills. We improved access to preventative care and made pharmaceutical companies more accountable for rising drug prices, driving down the price of healthcare.

I held agencies accountable for wildfires. Working to prevent future wildfire disasters by giving firefighters more support and new rules for better forest management.

I'm pushing to fix our electrical grid so that Californians will have more reliable power. That won't be easy, but count on me to lead the fight to ensure Sierra County residents have reliable electricity.

As your Senator, I will continue working across party lines to help Sierra County's taxpayers, schools, small businesses and the tourism industry.

Secured funding for career technical education and after-school programs to help students find good-paying jobs.

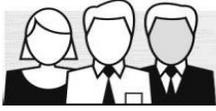
Passed legislation to fund better rural internet to improve service across Sierra County.

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

Sierra County public officials, law enforcement, business and Ag leaders support my campaign. I hope you will as well.

Please call me personally at (530) 251-3888 or visit www.briandahle.com.

/s/ Brian Dahle



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STATE ASSEMBLY, DISTRICT 1

Elizabeth Betancourt

Age: 40

Occupation: Small Business Owner/Farmer/Rural Advocate

If you're like me and my husband, you believe it's time for Sacramento to pay attention to our North State needs. We own a small farm and understand what goes into making a small business work and the failure of Sacramento's one-size-fits-all approach. I'm also a rural scientist with extensive experience in forest and landscape management, balancing ecosystem health and economic stability. Our part of the state has been neglected by institutional politicians and the corporate interests that support them...that's why I'm a tireless advocate for our North State communities.

There's a lot on the line this year, and your vote makes a real difference for our region. I live here, work here, and have spent nearly 20 years advocating for investment in our North State communities. I will work for locally-driven responsible water policy, regulations fair to the North State, science-based forest management and investment, and real rural economic development and small businesses support.

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 believe trust and leadership should be earned, not inherited. I commit to be a real and active presence responsive to your regional concerns and needs. I have shown this commitment through years of service in this area and will continue to do so as your next Assemblymember. On March 3rd, I'd like the opportunity to earn your vote.

www.BetancourtForAssembly.com

/s/ Elizabeth Betancourt

PK "Paul" Dhanuka

Age: 48

Occupation: Doctor/Small Businessman

Sacramento has failed the Northstate, leaving us vulnerable to wildfires, strangling any hope of economic opportunity with burdensome regulations and taxes, and not only overlooking homelessness for years, but making the problem worse with bad policies!

My name is Dr. Piyush Dhanuka, but you can call me Paul. I am a physician and currently serve as Chief of Medical Staff at Mercy Medical Center. I immigrated from India 23 years ago, became a citizen, and moved to Redding 14 years ago with my wife, also a physician, and our children. It's possible that you and I have met as we have helped care for over 100,000 people in our area.

People need help, but more than that they need opportunity. As a predominantly rural district under a two-party system, our interests are often overlooked in favor of the party line that divides and distracts us from our real needs. We must return control of our lives back to those who know best: the people of the Northstate.

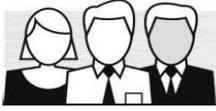
That's why I am running as an Independent for Assembly: because it is time for our community to be united by a non-partisan candidate who is passionate about the Constitution's protection of the natural rights of each individual. I'll work to solve homelessness, reduce healthcare costs, fight for the resources we need to protect against wildfires, and bring jobs and training to our community.

I humbly ask for your vote and support. Thank you.

Dr. PK "Paul" Dhanuka

www.Dhanuka2020.com

/s/ PK "Paul" Dhanuka



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STATE ASSEMBLY, DISTRICT 1

Megan Dahle

Age: 44

Occupation: Assemblywoman/Farmer/Businesswoman

The Sacramento politicians have too often forgotten the North State. Send me to the State Assembly and I'll make Sierra County's voice heard.

Keeping the power on is essential for families and businesses and I'm working to solve the tough problems associated with fixing the electrical grid.

Improving forestry management, clearing excess fuel and ensuring power lines are properly maintained will prevent more catastrophic wildfires. Helping wildfire victims recover from the Carr and Mountain Fires is the right thing to do for our neighbors.

Increasing above ground water storage will ensure farms and families get the water needed while protecting our watersheds.

It costs too much to live in California. Reducing the cost of health care, making prescription drugs more affordable, keeping taxes down and protecting our communities from crime will be my top priorities.

As a former School Board President, I balanced the budget. In the Assembly, I'll work to ensure students have a safe learning environment, the skills needed to succeed in tomorrow's economy and fight for parental rights.

Please join local community leaders, and public safety professionals to support my efforts to stand up for the North State.

With your support, I'll continue efforts to cut government waste, make California more affordable, reduce health care costs, keep taxes down, and bring common sense solutions to the problems we face.

We are stronger together.

If you have questions, please call me at (530) 251-6757 or visit www.votemegandahle.com.

I'd be honored to have your vote.

/s/ Megan Dahle