

# COWLITZ COUNTY - SPECIAL BALLOT

## PRIMARY, AUGUST 18, 2009

**\*INSTRUCTIONS\***

**How to Mark Your Ballot**

To vote, completely fill in the oval next to your selection.

- Use a black ink pen or #2 pencil.
- More than one vote for a candidate or ballot measure will be an overvote, and no votes for that candidate or ballot measure will be counted.

**How to Correct Your Ballot**

- Do not erase.
- If you make a mistake, draw a line through the entire selection. You then have the option of making another choice.

If your original ballot is destroyed or lost, you may request a replacement ballot by contacting the Cowlitz County Elections Department at (360) 577-3005.

To vote for a person not on the ballot, write the name of the candidate on the line provided for that office, then completely fill in the oval next to the line.

**Return Your Ballot**

By Mail: Return your ballot by placing a first class stamp on the return envelope and drop it in the mail. Your ballot must be postmarked on or before Election Day, August 18, 2009.

In Person: Return your ballot in person, Monday through Thursday 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., or from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., ELECTION DAY ONLY, at: 207 North 4th Ave., Room 107, Kelso, WA 98626.

By Ballot Drop Box: Six curbside ballot drop boxes will be available 24 hours per day prior to the Primary, beginning July 29 through August 18, 2009 at 8:00 p.m. Curbside ballot drop boxes REQUIRE NO POSTAGE and are located at:

- Longview, Broadway St., north of the Longview Post Office boxes.
- Longview, Civic Center Circle, across from Broadway St., near the Longview Post Office boxes.
- Kelso, 3rd Ave., between Allen and Academy, near the Kelso Post Office boxes.
- Woodland, city parking lot, Davidson and 2nd St., near the Utility Payment Drop Box.
- Castle Rock, Cowlitz St. and 1st Ave. SW, near Hattie's.
- Kalama, North 1st St., near the Kalama Post Office boxes.

**Assistance Available for Voters with Disabilities**

AutoMARK ballot marking machines will be available for the Primary, beginning July 29 at the Cowlitz County Elections Department. These machines provide privacy and accessibility to voters who are blind, vision impaired, or have a disability or condition that would make it difficult or impossible to mark a ballot in the usual way. Voters should bring their balloting materials with them.

<p><b>LOCAL Nonpartisan Offices</b></p> <p>Council Position No. 1 City of Castle Rock FOUR Year Term Vote for 1 (ONE)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Ray Teter</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Howard Mason</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Charles Jones</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>	<p><b>Proposition No. 1</b> City of Castle Rock Public Safety Excess Levy</p> <p>The City Council of the City of Castle Rock adopted Resolution No. 2009-05, concerning a proposition to finance public safety services. This proposition would authorize the City to fund the maintenance and operation expenses of providing public safety (law enforcement) services to the citizens of Castle Rock by levying the following additional taxes on all taxable property within the City:</p> <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">Collection Year</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Approximate Rate per \$1,000 Assessed Value</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Levy Amount</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">2010</td> <td style="text-align: center;">\$2.08</td> <td style="text-align: center;">\$250,000</td> </tr> </table> <p>All as provided in City Resolution No. 2009-05. Should this proposition be approved?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES</p> <p><input type="radio"/> NO</p>	Collection Year	Approximate Rate per \$1,000 Assessed Value	Levy Amount	2010	\$2.08	\$250,000	<p><b>Proposition No. 1</b> City of Castle Rock</p> <p>Shall the City of Castle Rock, Washington, be authorized to levy an excess property tax in the year 2009 for collection in 2010 of \$0.50 per \$1,000 of full assessed value for a total assessment of \$42,079 for the purpose of providing public library services to the citizens of Castle Rock?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES</p> <p><input type="radio"/> NO</p>	<p><b>Cowlitz County Emergency Medical Service District No.1 Ten-Year Levy for Emergency Medical Services</b></p> <p>Shall Cowlitz County Emergency Medical Service District No.1 be authorized to impose regular property tax levies of 50 cents or less per thousand dollars of assessed valuation for emergency medical purposes for each of ten consecutive years?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES</p> <p><input type="radio"/> NO</p>
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<p>Council Position No. 2 City of Castle Rock FOUR Year Term Vote for 1 (ONE)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Mark Accimus</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Glenn Pingree</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Buck Savage</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>	<p><b>LOCAL Nonpartisan Offices</b></p> <p>Director Position No. 2 Kelso School FOUR Year Term Vote for 1 (ONE)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Gregory Salata</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Joan Gisler Tolby</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Jeff Hart</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>								

Note to voters: the Special Ballot contains all candidates and measures certified to appear in the Primary, to be held on August 18, 2009. You will not be entitled to vote on all races and issues that appear on this ballot, only the contests and measures that apply to your precinct will be counted.