Securing California’s Elections with RLA

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What you’ll hear...

- Election security is not just state and local – the national perspective:
  Noah Praetz, CISA
- Security steps we already take in California’s counties:
  Cathy Darling Allen, Shasta Co
- Real-life pilots of risk limiting audits from counties large and small:
  Jackie Wu, Orange County
  Kammi Foote, Inyo County
Evidence-based elections

- Use paper
- Protect the paper
- Check the paper
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What voters can do:


- Find out if your county will participate in the 2020 pilot
  - Make a plan to observe the post-election security processes in your county;
  - Urge the county to take part in the pilot if feasible!!

- VoteSure: be informed and report any misinformation – [https://www.sos.ca.gov/elections/vote-sure/](https://www.sos.ca.gov/elections/vote-sure/)

- VOTE!!!
What election officials can do:

- Consider a 2020 RLA pilot
- Support and assistance is available
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