

Why Not Vote in Your Bath Robe?



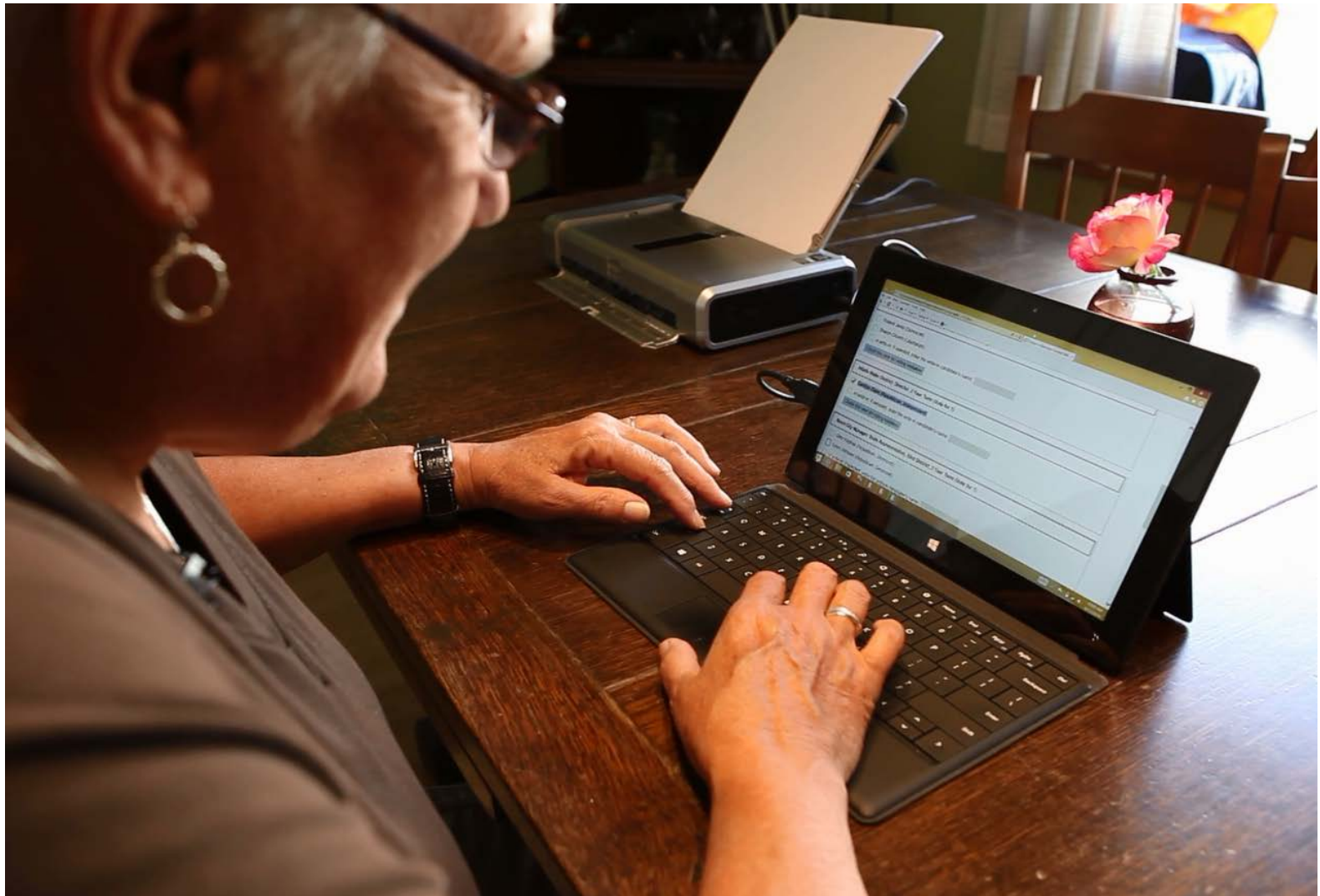
Remote Accessible Vote By Mail

*Empowering Voters to Vote
Remotely, Independently,
and in Private*

John Schmitt



What We're Talking About ...



HAVA 2002 -> 49 States

- Law required states to provide:
 - Physically accessible polling place
 - At least one accessible system per polling place
 - Voters had be able to vote:
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HAVA 2002 -> Oregon = VBM

- Law required Oregon's 36 county offices to:
 - Polling place had to be accessible
 - Needed one accessible system (PC) per polling place
 - Voters had be able to vote:
 - Independently
 - In private
- Created AFB to augment existing VBM system

Official Special Election Ballot - Alfalfa County, Oregon
11/02/2018 - 99-D
(For demonstration purposes, not an official ballot)

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[View one race at a time](#)

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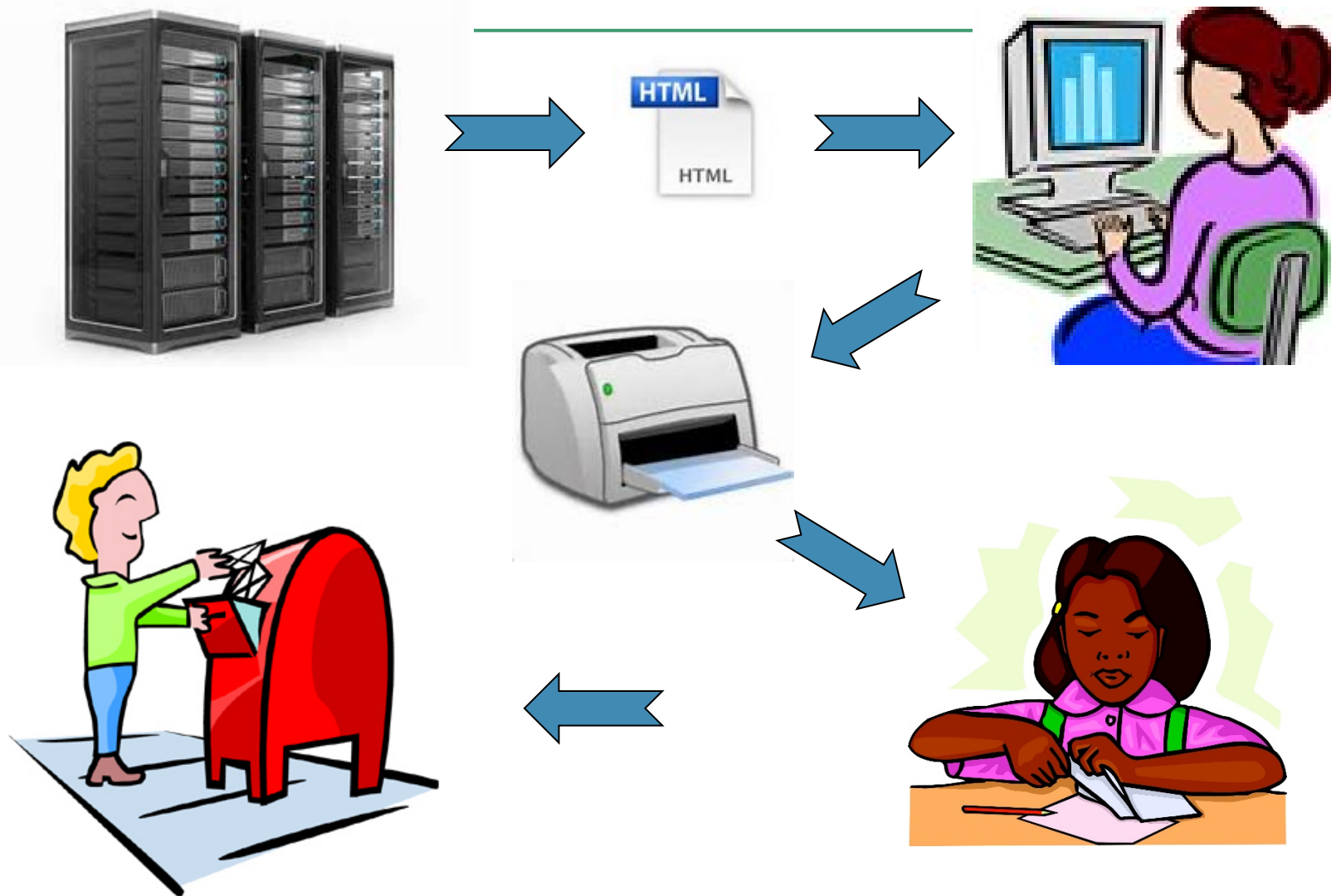
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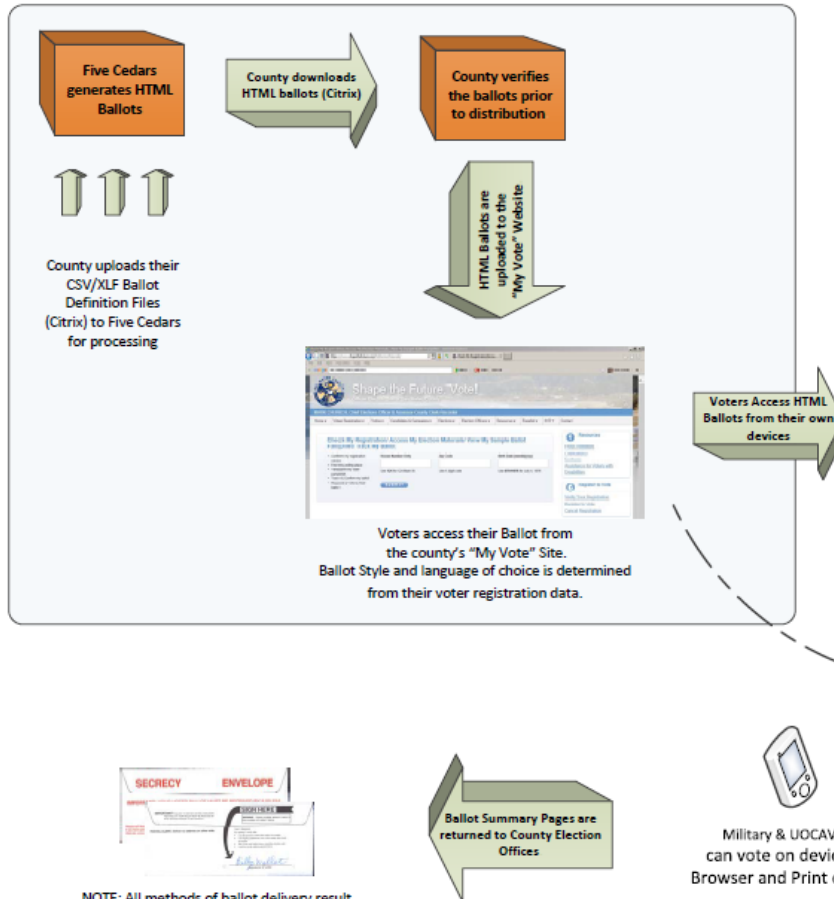


What's an Alternate Format Ballot?



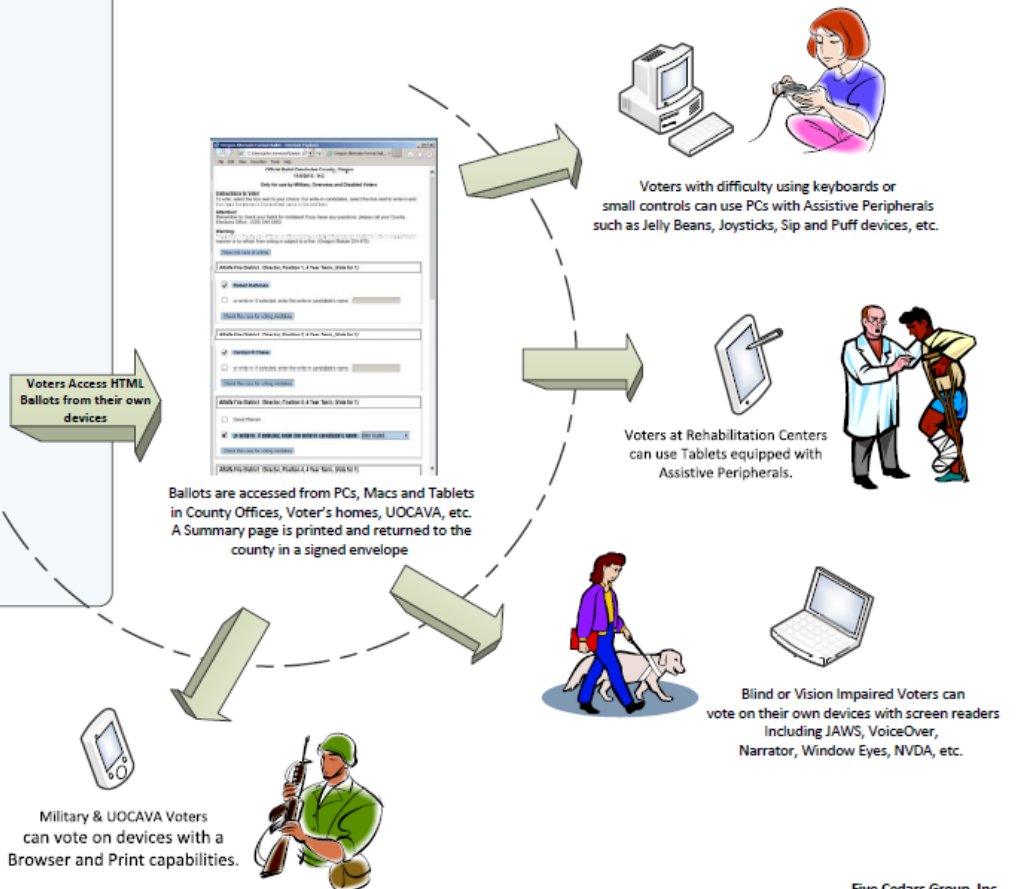
Alternate Format Ballot (AFB) Process Diagram

Ballot Generation Process



NOTE: All methods of ballot delivery result in a printed ballot summary inserted in a secrecy/return envelope.

Personas of Voters Served



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Generating HTML Ballots

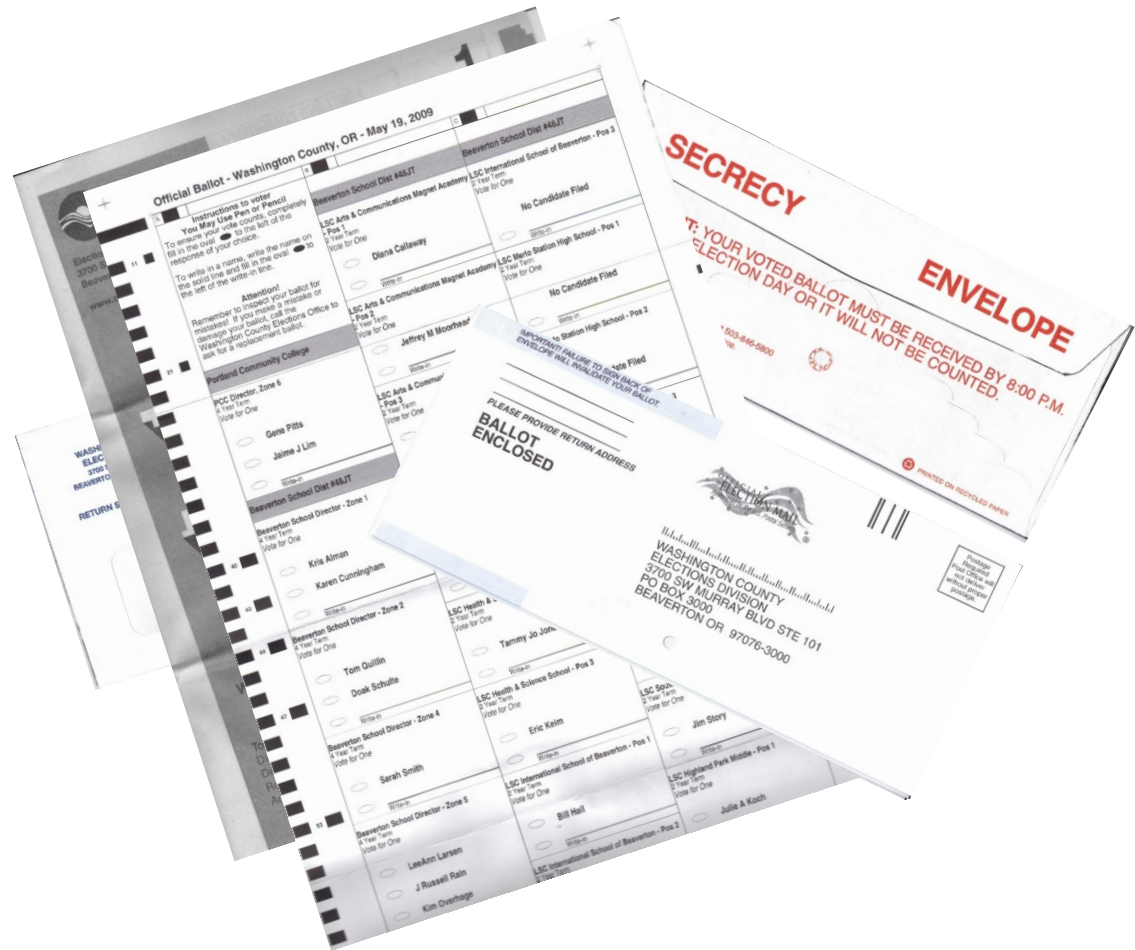
- Ballots Generated from:
 - EMS exported CSV Ballot Definition files
 - County's XLF translation files
- Multiple Ballot Styles (no limit)
- Multiple parties (no limit)
- Multiple Languages (currently 10)



Delivered to Voter's Home



What Comes in the Mail?



Summary Returned by Mail

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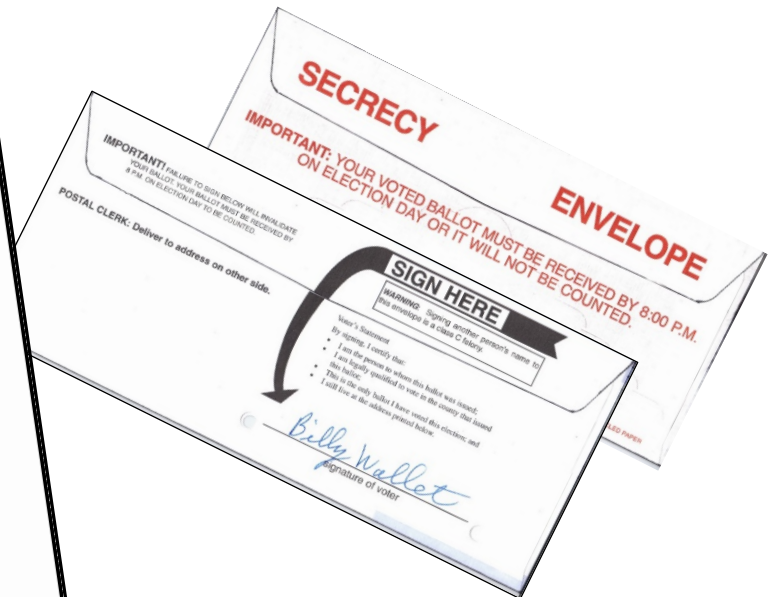
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You voted: Yes

End of Summary Page

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2/14/2017




How Do I Get My HTML Ballot?

Welcome to ORESTAR ! - Internet Explorer

https://secure.sos.state.or.us/orestar/vr/showVoterSearch.do?lang=eng

File Edit View Favorites Tools Help

Welcome to ORESTAR
February 22, 2016 (Version

 Oregon
Secretary of State

Home Business Voting Elections State Archives Audits

My Vote

Search criteria
Please enter the following information to check or update your voter registration or track your ballot.

First Name

Last Name

Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy)
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Language
[English](#)
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- Voter information updated on 02/21/2016.
- If your information is confidential, contact your [county elections official](#) to confirm your registration status.

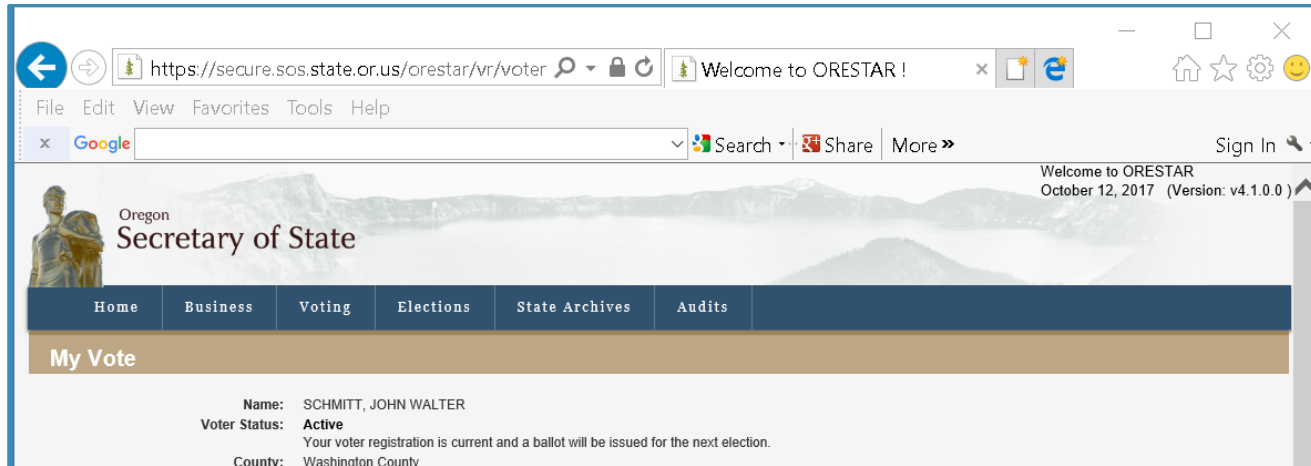
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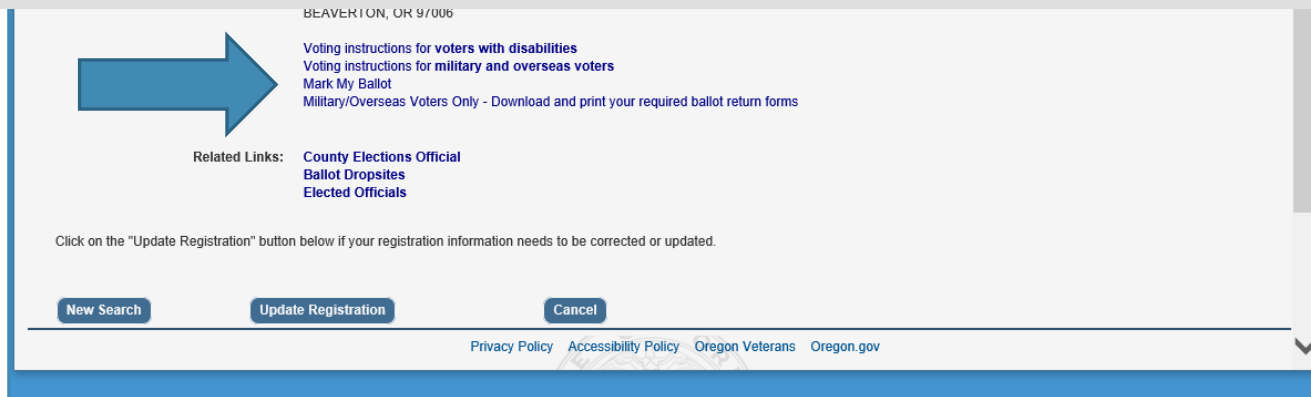
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http://www.sos.state.or.us/elections/pages/ballots/11072017/Washington/34_AFB_371-1.html



Let's Mark a Ballot!!!

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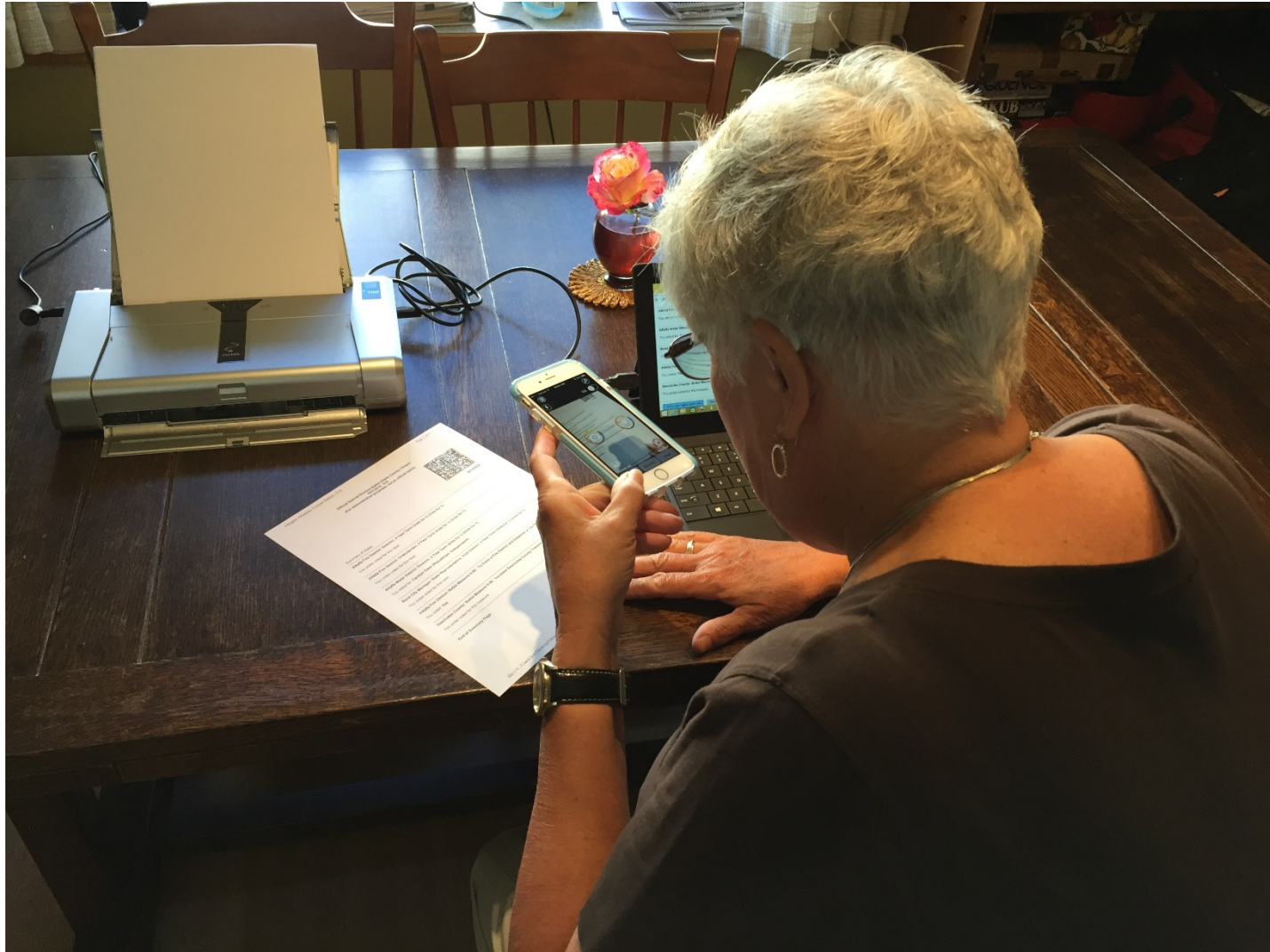
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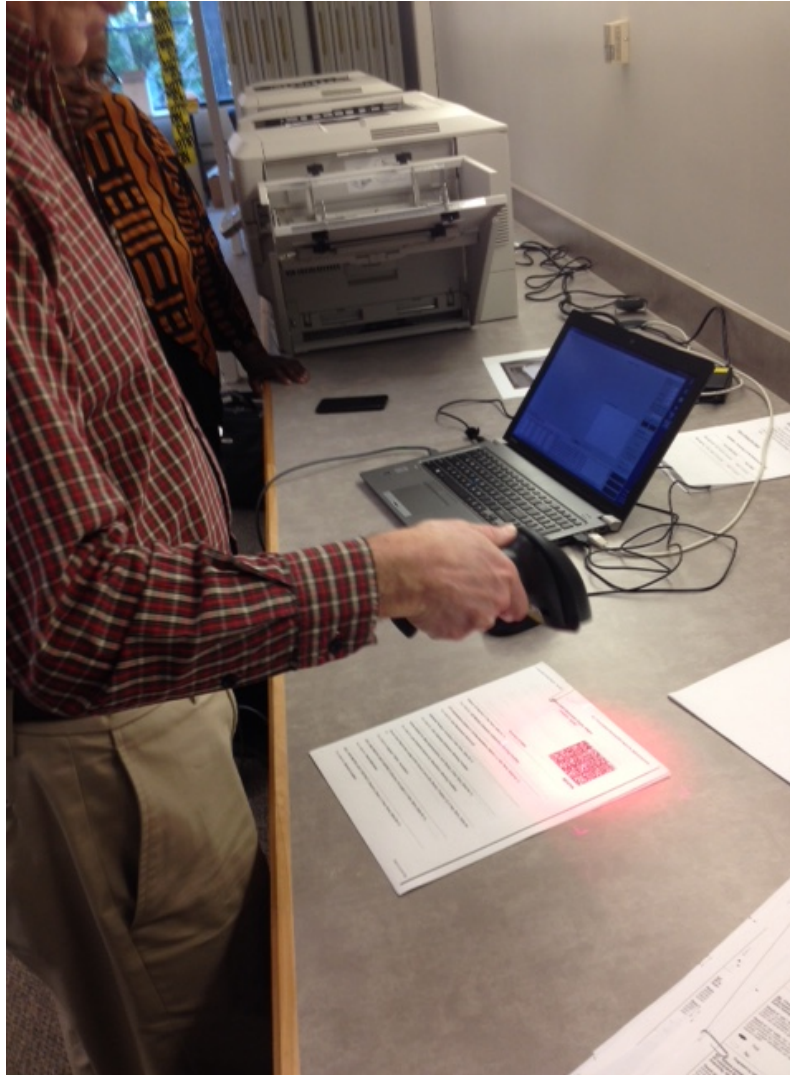
Printed Summary Page



Blind Voters Can Verify Votes



Ballot on Demand Integration



- Supported by ES&S and Runbeck BOD's
- Prints scan-able ballot with voter's choices
- Unique, random number prevents duplicate scanning.



Summary Returned by Mail

The diagram illustrates the process of returning a ballot summary by mail. On the left, a ballot summary form is shown, tilted to represent it being placed into an envelope. The form includes the following text:

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On the right, a return envelope is shown with the following text and markings:

- SIGN HERE** (with a curved arrow pointing to the signature line)
- WARNING:** Signing another person's name to this envelope is a class C felony.
- IMPORTANT!** FAILURE TO SIGN BELOW WILL INVALIDATE YOUR BALLOT. YOUR BALLOT MUST BE RECEIVED BY 8 P.M. ON ELECTION DAY TO BE COUNTED.
- POSTAL CLERK:** Deliver to address on other side.
- Voter's Statement**
By signing, I certify that:
 - I am the person to whom this ballot was issued;
 - I am legally qualified to vote in the county that issued this ballot;
 - This is the only ballot I have voted this election; and
 - I still live at the address printed below.
- Signature line with the handwritten signature *Billy Wallet* and the printed text "signature of voter" below it.

A large yellow arrow at the bottom points from the ballot summary towards the envelope, indicating the direction of insertion.

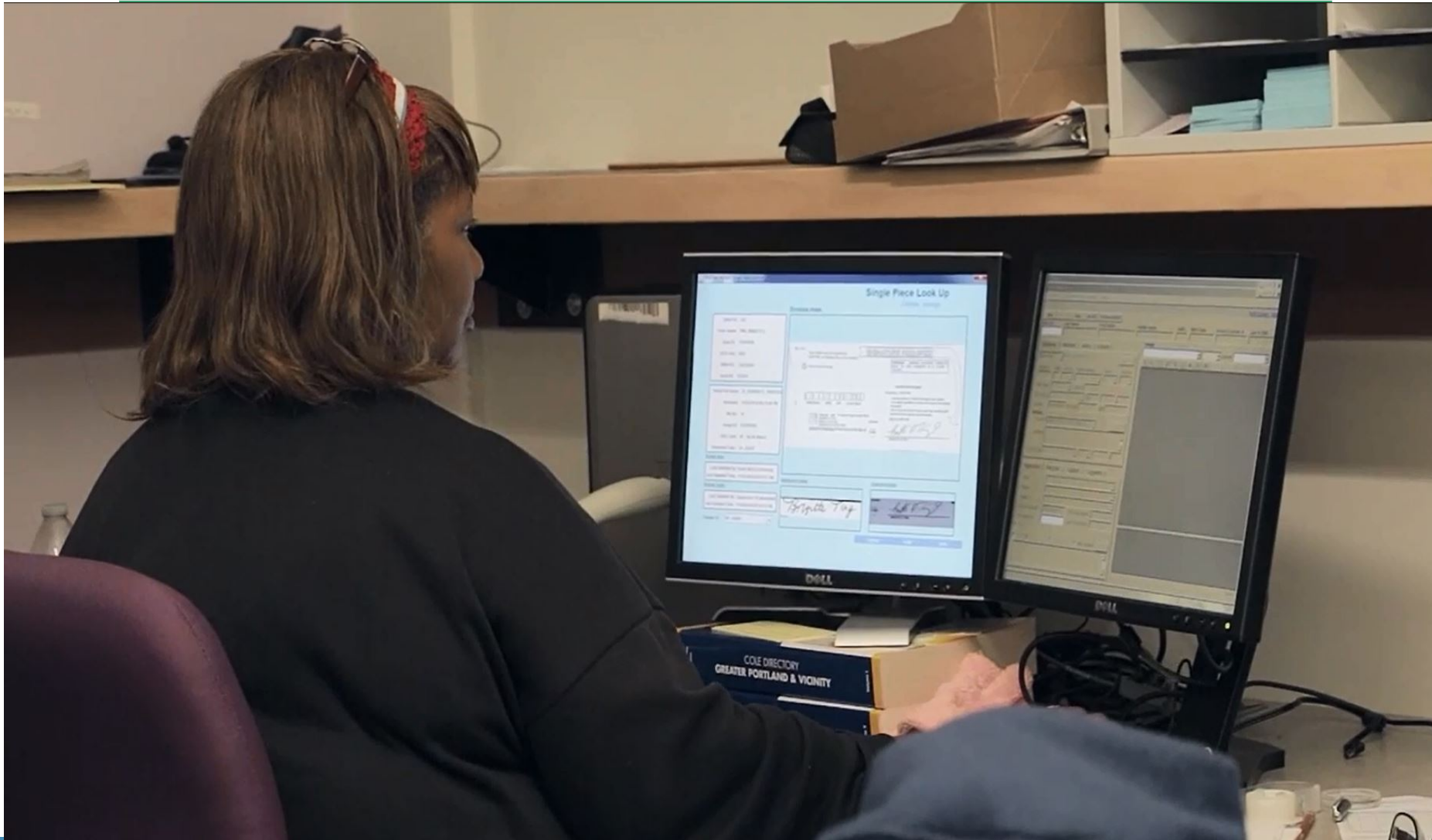


RAVBM Security

- CSV/XLF File transfers to/from Five Cedars use Citrix ShareFile for secure transfer
- Server security is responsibility of County
- Marked Ballot integrity comes down to voter review of the paper Summary
- *Bottom Line:*
Election integrity same as for any VBM voter



Signatures are Verified



AFB's Used by Oregon Military



Voters Used AFB's during Sandy



Summary

- HTML Ballots work within an existing vote-by-mail or absentee system
- Voters use their own PC's, iPads, etc.
- Voters use their own accessibility tools
- Voters vote in familiar environment - home





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October 11, 2017

Mr. John Schmitt
Five Cedars Group, Inc.
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Beaverton, OR 97006

Dear Mr. Schmitt:

Pursuant to California Elections Code section 19281, the California Secretary of State's Office of Voting Systems Technology Assessment performed an examination and review of the Alternate Format Ballot (AFB) V 4.3 remote accessible vote by mail system, which is comprised of the following:

- Alternate Format Ballot Generator V 1.5
- Accessible HTML Alternate Format Ballots V 4.3

Based on the results of the examination and review, the California Secretary of State has conditionally approved the Alternate Format Ballot (AFB) V 4.3 remote accessible vote by mail system for use in California. The conditional approval is subject to the terms in the attached certification document.

Additionally, Alternate Format Ballot (AFB) V 4.3 is subject to California Code of Regulations, Title 2, Chapter 6 Escrow of Source Codes. Compliance is mandatory prior to use in any California Election.

Sincerely,

Susan Lapsley
Deputy Secretary of State and Counsel
California Secretary of State



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