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### Action Item | Primary Prep

Please make sure that all Primary measures are approved in the WEI. In addition, check that all candidates for nonpartisan offices with two or fewer candidates filed are checked out of the Primary.

See the [Before the Primary checklist](#) more information.

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### Elections Conference | Show & Tell Event

And the winner was . . . Clallam County! Many thanks to **everyone** who participated in the event, especially those counties who toted their precious artifacts all the way to SeaTac! A special shout-out goes to Sharon Weinhold, Carolyn Fundingsland, and Regina Beer from Cowlitz; Kim van Ekstrom and Barbara Ramey from King; and the OSOS's David Elliott for making this event a success--and a whole lot of fun!

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### Elections Conference | Cast & Count

We're also grateful to these **modern-day superheroes** for their contributions to our voting equipment museum: Chelan, Cowlitz, King, Lewis, Pacific, Pierce, Skagit, Thurston, and Yakima counties. The museum is a new educational approach for our

office, and would not have been possible without your partnerships! We'll be in touch about returning your items, but if you have questions, please contact [ctsupport@sos.wa.gov](mailto:ctsupport@sos.wa.gov).

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## **New Pro/Con Committee Deadlines**

Please notify your jurisdictions that [Substitute House Bill 1919](#) now requires pro/con committee appointments by the resolution deadline for the election in which the measure will appear. This includes measures in the General Election. (Note: this is only if you're publishing an online voters' guide or printed pamphlet for that election).

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## **Circuit Upgrade for WEI**

NoaNet recently upgraded the existing circuit that goes from Olympia to Spokane from a Layer 2 circuit to a Layer 3 circuit. This is the circuit that allows connections to all WEI applications by counties and the public. Having a Layer 3 circuit will improve redundancy and re-routing of connections to WEI applications. In "plain talk," this upgrade will reduce the amount of outages to the WEI.

There still is the lack of redundancy from our Data Center in Cheney to Spokane. We are gathering information on what our options are for having redundancy for that final leg of our connection between Cheney and Spokane.

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## **Question of the Week**

**Q:** Is there a separate deadline for mailing [Address Confidentiality Program](#) (ACP) ballots?

**A:** No, just the regular 18-day deadline for all ballots. However, these ballots have a longer transit time.

Participants' mail is delivered to the ACP, which is housed in the Office of the Secretary of State. The ACP then packages the mail and sends it on to participants' actual addresses. Mailing ACP ballots early would help give the ballots more time to reach voters.



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