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New Franklin County Return Ballot Envelope Design

Pasco, WA, October 11, 2011 — As part of an ongoing review of all of the elections processes, the Franklin County Elections team has simplified the ballot materials. The changes include a new green color, removing redundant notices, clearer instructions, switching to a secrecy sleeve, and eliminating a signature flap. The flap was originally put in place by a state law that was subsequently repealed.

The redesigned ballot materials lower costs to the taxpayers and have been well received in the counties that have already taken advantage of similar simplified designs. Go online to see examples of the new materials.

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The General Election Day is on Tuesday, November 8th. The ballots will be mailed October 18, 2011.