Hand Count

Tally and Explanation

🕐 **Deadline** A county elections official may only begin the hand count after certification of the official results to the Secretary of State, but not later than the 23rd day after the election. All hand counts must be completed no later than the 30th day after the election.

→ Provide explanation of any difference between the hand count and the tally of votes produced by the vote tally system, as determined by the counting board. Include the precinct or batch number in the explanation.

County Information

County	Contact
Multnomah	Tim Scott

Hand Count Information

Sample of Ballots Selected	Precincts or Ballot Count Batches Selected
■ 3% ☐ 5% ☐ 10%	AB0056,0077,0136,0166,0217,0235,0254,0276,0306,0320,0350,0365,0370,0457,0491,0494,0512,0515,0530, 0540,0610,0706,0713,0723,0763,0797,0817,0875,0917,0929,0935,1032,1052,1055,1128,1154,1171,1177,1181

Top Two Contest	State Contest	Measure
President	Judge of the Supreme Court, Position 4	108

Results – Top Two Contest

Start Date	Completed Date	Hand Count Number
11/23/20	11/25/20	■ 1st ☐ 2nd ☐ Full

Candidate	Original Results	Hand Count Results	Exceptions	Difference
Trump	2,358	2,358		0
Biden	11,259	11,257	1	1
Jorgensen	170	170		0
Hawkins	79	79		0
Hunter	38	38		0
				0
Write Ins	111	103	8	0
Overvote	6	7	1	0
Undervote	105	112	8	1
Total	14015	14,005	9	1
0.5% of Original Total	70.1			
Result of Hand Count	Acceptable			

Results – State Contest

Start Date	Completed Date	Hand Count Number
11/23/20	11/25/2020	■ 1st ☐ 2nd ☐ Full

Candidate	Original Results	Hand Count Results	Exceptions	Difference
Garrett	8,312	8,310	2	0
				0
				0
				0
				0
				0
Write Ins	238	206	32	0
Overvote	0	1	1	0
Undervote	5,576	5,607	31	0
Total	8,550	8,516	34	0
0.5% of Original Total	42.8			
Result of Hand Count	Acceptable			

Results – State Measure

Start Date 11/23/20		Completed Date 11/25/2020		Hand Count Number ■ 1st ☐ 2nd ☐ Full	
Response	**Original Results**	**Hand Count Results**	**Exceptions**	**Difference**	
Yes	10,574	10,573	1	0	
No	3,204	3,203	1	0	
Overvote	0	0		0	
Undervote	348	348		0	
Total	13,778	13,776	2	0	
0.5% of Original Total	68.9				
Result of Hand Count	Acceptable				

Explanation of Exceptions

→ Valid votes that have been marked by the voter outside the vote targets or using a marking device that cannot be read by the vote tally system shall not be included in making the determination whether the voting system has met the standard of acceptable performance for any precinct or ballot batch under ORS 254.529(7)(a) through (c) and are to be listed as exceptions.

All exceptions listed for the three contests above were correctly tallied by the tally system but there was variation in how the original adjudication board and the hand count board adjudicated the vote for the contest. The most common variation was ballots that were tallied by the tally system as write-in votes because the oval was filled in but there was either nothing written on the line or there was something other than a name written on the line like "none of the above" or "me". These exceptions were counted by the hand count boards as under votes as they should have been adjudicated by the tally system adjudication boards. This was most apparent in the judicial contest where there was only one candidate filed and many voters chose to write something on the line but in most cases it was not someone's name.

There were two errors that have been recorded in the counts above. Box AB-0320 and box AB-1052 both had one less ballot in the box than was counted by the tally system. Through examination of the ballot images we were able to determine that through scanner operator error, on these two boxes, one ballot had been scanned twice. This led to the total ballots counted in those two boxes by the hand count boards to be one less than the number of ballots scanned by the tally system.