

CHEYENNE COUNTY, COLORADO
2012 PRIMARY MAIL BALLOT ELECTION SURVEY
C.R.S. 1-7.5-102

The general assembly declared in 2008 that self-government by election is more legitimate and accepted more as voter participation increases. By enacting this article, the general assembly concluded that it is appropriate to provide mail ballot elections under specified circumstances. Colorado Revised Statutes requires the County Clerk & Recorder to seek public comment from voters concerning their input for conducting a Primary Mail Ballot election. The primary date has been changed to June 26, 2012. The election will be conducted under Colorado Election Code (Title 1) and Rules provided by the Secretary of State.

Allowing the clerk to have a mail ballot election is more cost effective because:

- Participation in a primary is very low - all affiliated active voters will receive a ballot.
- Law requires counties to purchase a ballot for all registered voters, replacement ballots, and those citizens registered by the cutoff date and provisional ballots.
- Ballots are costly and unused ballots are destroyed.
- Mail ballot elections do not require as many poll workers
- Will not have to pay rent for polling places
- Minimal number of electronic voting machines are required
- 50.5 % of the voters are permanent mail in voters
- Non-profit postal permit allows lower mailing rates

Please call 767-5685 or e-mail me at cheyclrk@rebeltec.net with your concerns or questions.

Express your right as an American to vote. Make sure you are registered to vote with the political party of your choice and have a correct address. The last day to change or withdraw from a major political party affiliation is May 25, 2012. The last to register to vote for the Primary Election is May 29, 2012.

If you are unable to come into the clerk's office, you may also go the Clerk and Recorder dept tab at www.co.cheyenne.co.us and click on GO Vote Colorado to make changes to your voter's registration.

Kay Feyh, County Clerk & Recorder