

**NOTICE**  
**MAIL BALLOT PROCEDURES**

These procedures shall be applicable to the General Election to be held in Cook County on November 6, 2018.

The election will be conducted by mail in the following precincts:

Unorganized Territory:

Grand Portage	District 1	Precinct	1
Hovland	District 1	Precinct	2
Colvill	District 1	Precinct	3
Croftville	District 2	Precinct	4
Cascade	District 3	Precinct	7
Gunflint	District 4	Precinct	8
Maple Hill	District 4	Precinct	8A
Pike Lake	District 5	Precinct	9
Town of Lutsen	District 5	Precinct	10
Town of Tofte	District 5	Precinct	11
Town of Schroeder	District 5	Precinct	12

All voters in these precincts who are registered by the 21<sup>st</sup> day before the election (October 16, 2018) will be mailed a ballot.

The County Auditor of Cook County no earlier than forty-six (46) days and no later than fourteen (14) days before the date of the election will mail the ballots. The ballot will be addressed to the voter at the voter's residence as shown on the registration file unless the voter requests, in writing, an absentee ballot that will be mailed to the voter at a different address.

A voter who is not registered to vote in the district on the 21<sup>st</sup> day before the election may submit, by mail or in person, an application for absentee ballot to the County Auditor of Cook County and receive voter registration forms and an absentee ballot for the election.

Mail or absentee ballots must be received by the County Auditor of Cook County by mail or in person no later than 8:00 pm on November 6th. The ballots must be returned in the ballot secrecy envelope and return envelope provided by the County Auditor. The voter and the voter's witness must complete the mail voter's certificate on the return envelope. The voter may bring his/her blank ballot and envelopes to the Auditor's Office to have a staff member serve as a witness if they do not have a witness.

An electronic voting system will be available at the Cook County Auditor's office to permit persons with disabilities to bring their blank ballot to the courthouse and vote privately and independently. This system will be available for public demonstration in the Auditor's office beginning August 21st. The Auditor's Office is open weekdays 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

The polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Cook County Courthouse on the day of the election. The ballots will be counted at the Cook County Courthouse in Grand Marais, Minnesota, after 8:00 p.m. on the day of the election.

Extended hours for mail ballot or absentee voting will be Saturday, November 3rd from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm and Monday, November 5th from 8:00 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Additional information concerning this election may be received from Braidy Powers, Cook County Auditor, Cook County Courthouse, 411 West Second Street, Grand Marais, Minnesota 55604, telephone (218) 387-3640.

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