

Dear Voter,

On Monday, October 22, 2018, we became aware of an error made in preparing the ballots for your county. We mistakenly sent them out with return envelopes that require postage to be affixed. Enclosed is the correct reply envelope. If you have not yet submitted your ballot, please use the enclosed envelope to return your ballot without postage.

This year's General Election is the first in which voters statewide can return their ballots without needing to affix a stamp on the ballot-return envelope.

One of the advantages of vote by mail is that we have an 18-day voting period before Election Day. When problems like this arise, we have time to correct the issue and give voters enough time to return their ballots by Election Day.

If you have already sent in your ballot without a stamp, the post offices in your county have been made aware of the issue and have indicated they will treat unstamped ballot-return envelopes the same as business-reply mail, which doesn't require postage.

You may also use the county's ballot drop boxes to ensure your ballot is received on time and safeguard against any issues with postal processing of unstamped envelopes. Voters can also choose to use their own postage so it doesn't have to be paid by the county.

All voters are encouraged to verify the status of their ballot by visiting MyVote.wa.gov.

We appreciate your understanding of this error and our efforts to correct this now.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Debra Irwin', with a large, sweeping flourish above the name.

Debra Irwin, President
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