

RESOLUTION NO. 24-22

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF COCHISE COUNTY CANCELING THE
REGULAR ELECTIONS OF NOVEMBER 5, 2024 FOR CERTAIN SPECIAL DISTRICT
GOVERNING BOARD BOARDS AND APPOINTING THOSE WHO FILED NOMINATION
PETITIONS OR NOMINATION PAPERS FOR UNCONTESTED DISTRICT POSITIONS**

WHEREAS, pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-410, if the number of the persons who file nomination petitions plus the number of persons who file write-in affidavits is less than or equal to the number of positions to be filled for a special district or community college governing board election, the County Board of Supervisors may cancel the election for those offices and appoint the person or persons to fill the vacant position(s) for the term of office for which the candidate was nominated; and

WHEREAS, Candidate(s) who filed will be appointed by the Board of Supervisors and will have the same powers and duties as if elected. If no nomination petitions or write-in affidavits were filed, the position will be deemed vacant to be filled as otherwise provided by law.

WHEREAS, for each of the following listed special district and community college district governing boards, the following person or persons filed a nominating petition or nominating paper for district office, where the number of persons who file nomination petitions plus the number of persons who file write-in affidavits is less than or equal to the number of positions to be filled:

and are the only persons to have done so, thus rendering each election an uncontested election; and

Bowie Fire District (2)

Barbara Earhart
Modestina Franscella

Elfrida Fire District (2)

Linda Lima-Forester
1 open position

Palominas Fire District (2)

Catherine Chouinard

Valerie Rice

Pomerene Fire District (1)

Barbara Barney

St. David Fire District (1)

Jeff Grant

Sunsites/Pearce Fire District (2)

John Holt

1 open position

Whetstone Fire District (2)

Zachariah Smith

1 open position

Whetstone Water District (3)

Kenneth Beane

2 open positions

Northern Cochise Hospital District (2)

Winfield Thomas

1 open position

San Pedro Valley Hospital District (3)

Jose Chavez

Angel De La Torre

Sabrina Pridham

Naco Sanitary District (2)

Charles Behney

Stephen Dey

Cochise College Governing Board District 3 (1)

Jane Strain

and are the only persons to have done so, thus rendering each election an uncontested election; and

WHEREAS, for each of the following listed special district governing boards, no person or persons filed a nomination petition or nomination paper for the following District positions:

Fry Fire District

2 open positions

Naco Fire District

1 open position

Pirtleville Fire District

2 open positions

San Jose Fire District

1 open position

Sunnyside Fire District

2 open positions

Bowie Water District

2 open positions

Elfrida Water Improvement District

2 open positions

St. David Water Improvement District

3 open positions

St. David Flood Control District

2 open positions

St. David Irrigation District

1 open position

Fairfield Estates Road Improvement and Maintenance District

3 open positions

High Knoll Ranches Road Improvement and Maintenance District

2 open positions

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Cochise County Board of Supervisors as follows:

1. The special district board elections scheduled on November 5, 2024, for each of the above listed special districts are hereby cancelled pursuant to the authority granted to the Cochise County Board of Supervisors as stated in A.R.S. § 16-410.
2. All persons listed above are hereby appointed to fill the board positions for which they filed nomination petitions or nomination papers effective December 1, 2024 for Fire, Sanitary, Hospital, Road Improvement Districts; and effective January 1, 2025 for Community College, Irrigation and Water Conservation Districts, pursuant to the authority granted to the Cochise County Board of Supervisors, as stated in A.R.S. § 16-410.
3. For those positions in which no one filed a nomination petition or nomination paper, those positions are hereby deemed vacant effective December 1, 2024, for Fire, Sanitary, Hospital, and Road Improvement Districts; and effective January 1, 2025 for Irrigation and Water Conservation Districts.
4. Vacancies remaining shall be filled as otherwise provided by law.

APPROVED BY the Board of Supervisors of the County of Cochise, this ____ day of _____, 2024.

Ann English, Chair
Cochise County Board of Supervisors

RESOLUTION No. 24-22

A Resolution of the Board of Supervisors of Cochise County Canceling the Regular Elections of November 5, 2024
for Certain Special Districts and Community College Governing Boards

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ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Lara Loewenheim,
Clerk of the Board

Christine J. Roberts 8/23/24
Christine J. Roberts
Chief Civil Deputy Attorney