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## **Sooke By-Election Audit Complete**

To address concerns surrounding the recent by-election, an audit has been conducted of the voting books used for all voting opportunities offered in the 2019 Sooke By-Election. This included a line-by-line comparison of voters receiving a ballot for general voting, advance voting, mail-in ballots, new registrations and non-resident voting to demonstrate that no voter received more than one ballot.

I am pleased to report that all ballots cast (1447) were issued to 1447 individual voters indicating that no double voting occurred.

Each voter signs a declaration that they are eligible to vote and that they have not already voted in the election before receiving their ballot. It is the voter's responsibility to comply with the legislation.

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