

PUBLIC NOTICES

Primary Election 2026
 The 2026 Primary Election will be held in all precincts in Mercer County on Tuesday, June 9th, 2026, for nominating candidates for Congressional, Statewide, Judicial, and County offices; for electing officers in the cities of Beulah, Golden Valley, Hazen, Pick City, Stanton, and Zap; and for voting on local measures.
 All elections will be conducted by Mail Ballot. Applications were mailed from the Mercer County Auditor's office on April 20, 2026. Persons not receiving an application may

obtain one from the office of the County Auditor or online at vote.nd.gov. Those who don't check the box for the General Election will receive another ballot application in September for the November General Election.
 *It is very important to fill out the application completely, be sure to include name, phone number, dated of birth, ID used, ID number, residential address, mailing address and signature.
 *Signatures on Ballot envelope affidavits will be compared to signatures on ballot applica-

tions. If signatures do not appear to match, the ballot could be rejected and you will be notified by the Auditor's office for opportunity to verify your ballot.
 There will be one (1) polling location open on Election Day from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.:
 • Beulah Civic Center, 120 7 ST NE, Beulah, ND 58523
 We will also have in-person Absentee voting on Saturday, May 30th, 2026, and Saturday, June 6th, 2026, from 8:00 a.m. through 12:00 p.m. at the Mercer County Courthouse.
 A secure drop box is located outside the front


entrance to the Mercer County Courthouse, 410 Van Slyck Ave., Stanton, allowing voters to drop off applications until Monday, June 8th at 5:00 P.M. and voted ballots at their convenience up until 7:00 P.M. on Election Day, Tuesday, June 9th, 2026.
ABSENTEE BALLOTS WILL BE ACCEPTED IN PERSON ON ELECTION DAY UNTIL CLOSING OF THE POLLS AT 7:00 P.M.
 Return your applications to: Mercer County Auditor, PO Box 39, Stanton, ND 58571
 (05-07-2026) (05-14-2026)

ANALYSIS OF THE STATEWIDE MEASURES APPEARING ON THE ELECTION BALLOT JUNE 9, 2026

The following analysis is for the measure appearing on the statewide Primary Election ballot on June 9, 2026. This publication is required by section 16.1-01-07 of the North Dakota Century Code to enable voters to become familiar with the effect of proposed measures. The full text of each measure is available on the Office of the Secretary of State's website at vote.nd.gov or by requesting a copy from the Elections Division at 701-328-4146, or from the office of any County Auditor.
 In addition, as required by section 16.1-01-17 of the North Dakota Century Code, a copy of the Legislative Council's report on the estimated fiscal impact of initiated Measures No. 1 is available on the Office of the Secretary of State's website at vote.nd.gov, by phone at 701-328-4146, by email at soselect@nd.gov, or by letter to Secretary of State, 600 E Boulevard Avenue Dept 108, Bismarck ND 58505-0500.
 Analysis of Initiated Constitutional Measure No. 1
 (Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 4007, 2025 Session Laws, Ch. 615)
 Initiated Constitutional Measure No. 1 was placed on the ballot by action of the 2025 North Dakota Legislative Assembly with passage of Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 4007 (2025 Session Laws, Chapter 610). If approved, this constitutional measure would amend and reenact section 9 of article III and section 16 of article IV of the Constitution of North Dakota, relating to requiring each resolution adopted by the legislative assembly proposing a constitutional amendment and each initiative petition and measure proposing a constitutional amendment be comprised of a single subject. The proposed amendment would require constitutional amendments to be limited to one subject. The Secretary of State shall not approve an initiative petition for circulation if the Secretary determines that the proposed amendment comprises more than one subject. Additionally, the legislative assembly is required to limit proposed amendments to the constitution to one subject.
 The estimated fiscal impact of this measure is none.
 Voting "YES" means you approve the measure summarized above. Voting "NO" means you reject the measure summarized above.

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YOUR RIGHT TO KNOW...

 ABSENTEE/MAIL BALLOT APPLICATION SECRETARY OF STATE SFN 51468 (10-2023)	For Office Use Only Precinct Part	
For reference, see North Dakota Century Code, Chapter 16.1-07.		
Application must be for at least one of the following elections: (check all that apply)		
<input type="checkbox"/> June (Primary) election <input type="checkbox"/> City or city special election <input type="checkbox"/> State or county special election <input type="checkbox"/> November (General) election <input type="checkbox"/> School or school special election		
Applicant Information: (ALL FIELDS REQUIRED)		
Voter's name	Date of birth	Daytime telephone number
North Dakota ID type used: (check one)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Driver's license <input type="checkbox"/> Non-driver's ID <input type="checkbox"/> Long-term care certificate (include with application) <input type="checkbox"/> Tribal ID <input type="checkbox"/> Passport (only for voters living outside the United States) or military ID** <input type="checkbox"/> Applicant without ID*		
ID number (required only if driver's license, non-driver's ID, tribal ID, passport, or military ID is selected above)		
Residential address	City	State ZIP code
Ballot delivery address (if different from residential address)	City	State ZIP code
I do solemnly affirm that I have resided or will reside in the precinct where my residential voting address is located for at least 30 days next preceding the election and will be a qualified elector of the precinct.		
Signature (required)		Date
Applicant Unable to Sign:		
If the applicant is unable to sign the applicant's name, the applicant shall mark <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> or use the applicant's signature stamp on the application in the presence of a disinterested individual. The disinterested individual shall print the name of the individual marking the "X" or using the signature stamp below the "X" or signature and shall sign the disinterested individual's own name following the printed name together with the notation, "witness to the mark."		
<div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 40px; height: 40px; margin: 0 auto;"></div> Voter's Mark	Printed name of person making mark or voter's signature stamp Signature of "witness to the mark"	
*Applicant Without ID:		
If the applicant does not possess or cannot secure an approved form of identification due to a disability with which the individual lives and which prevents the individual from traveling to obtain, another qualified elector of the state may attest that the applicant is a qualified elector of that precinct by signing below and providing his or her approved North Dakota identification number. NOTE: A qualified elector may not attest the qualifications of more than four applications in an election.		
Printed name of attester	Driver's / non-driver's / tribal ID number	
Signature of attester	Date	Daytime telephone number
**Active Military and Overseas Voter:		
Check ONE (if applicable):		
<input type="checkbox"/> Citizen living outside of the United States <input type="checkbox"/> Uniformed service or family member living away from the voter's residence, yet within the United States <input type="checkbox"/> Uniformed service or family member living away from the voter's residence, yet outside the United States		
If one of the check boxes above applies to you, please indicate your preferred ballot delivery method:		
<input type="checkbox"/> Mail <input type="checkbox"/> Email (provide email address): _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Fax (provide fax number): _____		
Mail or submit to the auditor of your county of residence or appropriate election officer (The signature on this affidavit will be compared to the signature on the affidavit on the envelope in which the absentee ballot must be placed.)		

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