



# YUKON-KUSKOKWIM REGIONAL TRIBAL GOVERNMENT

## Frequently Asked Questions about the Election

### **Was the first election being there a primary or general election?**

In August 2022 the Interim Regional Council voted in the best interest of our capacity to hold our first election as a general election.

Since there was no primary election but it was envisioned to be part of the process. Because there was no primary election, the candidates of each election were tallied and counted by our Election Commissioners and the candidate with the highest number of votes won the seat for President, Clerk or District Representative.

### **What voting methods were utilized by tribal citizens?**

Our initial intention was to hold polling places in each village, to conduct online voting and to mail paper ballots to those that requested their delivery method. Due to the limited capacity of funds, staff, unpredictable fall-time weather and airlines, the Interim Regional Council voted that our first election to be solely use the online voting method and paper ballots that were emailed to each tribe in the region.

### **What ballots were accepted by the Election Commission?**

The Election Commission counted and accepted ballots that had legible first and last names, date of birth, phone numbers (if applicable), signatures and tribal enrollment. Ballots with illegible names, DOB (and citizens who were contacted but unreachable within 1-2 business days for verification) were rejected. To protect the integrity of this election, duplicate ballots were recorded on our database and rejected by the Election Commissioners.

### **Will there be amendments in the current election procedure?**

Yes, the Interim Regional Council voted that there will be a Constitutional Committee appointed in 2023 to review and redraft some of the current provisions to refine our process as the Yukon-Kuskokwim Regional Tribal Government expands.

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