SIGNIFICANT ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Successfully conducted the November 2008 Presidential General Election, increasing voter turnout by 5.89% to 86.36% from 80.47% in the 2004 Presidential General Election.

- Completed 23,000 Section 51 property valuation reviews for lien date 01/01/2009 that impacted the valuation of 20,000 properties for the 2009-2010 Roll Year. Timely review of Section 51 requests minimizes re-work associated with roll corrections and minimizes the potential for resource intensive appeals that would significantly impact appraiser workload.

- Completed a portion of the document truncation project which by law requires omission of the first five digits of a social security number on any official document recorded from 1980. All documents recorded as of January 1, 2009 are examined and truncated going forward. A portion of the backlog of documents from 1980 will be completed by June 2009 with the remaining backlog to be completed in Fiscal Year 2009-10.

SERVICE LEVEL REDUCTIONS

- The Election Division is expected to absorb budget reductions by reducing operating costs and staff levels equivalent to 2.8 FTE’s, potentially impacting services in voter registration and voter outreach programs. Fiscal Year 2008-09 budget constraints are attainable in Elections due to the cyclical nature of election years and having a less resource intensive Gubernatorial Election Year in Fiscal Year 2009-10, compared to Fiscal Year 2008-09 Presidential Election Year.

- The Clerk-Recorder Division is absorbing budget reductions by reducing operating costs, including the reduction of one FTE position, and by increasing fees for services where allowed by law. Workload in the Division is not expected to fluctuate significantly from the Fiscal Year 2008-09 levels. The division is hopeful that the workload can be absorbed by the reduced level of staffing while only minimally impacting service levels.

LAYOFFS

- NONE

BUDGET EXPANSIONS

- NONE