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Last Day to Apply for Absentee Ballot is Wednesday October 31st

Promotes awareness for the Wednesday, October 31st, 5pm Absentee Ballot Request Deadline, the Friday November 2nd last day for in-person absentee voting and that voters may register at the in-person absentee voting site in their county or at their polling place on Election Day.

(Boise, Idaho) – Secretary of State Ben Ysursa today reminded voters the last day to submit an application for a mail-in absentee ballot is this Wednesday, October 31st and that the last day for in-person absentee voting is this Friday, November 2nd.

Voters have until 5pm tomorrow to request a mail-in absentee ballot from their County Clerk so that a ballot can be mailed to the voter and returned to the county by 8pm on Election Day. Applicants must be registered in Idaho and submit a written request with their name, mailing address and signature. Application forms are available from the County Clerk's offices or online at www.idahovotes.gov.

Friday, November 2nd is the last day for absentee voting in-person. Contact your County Clerk for the in-person absentee voting location in your county.

Secretary Ysursa reminded voters that party affiliation does not apply to the General Election and to bring their photo identification to the polls. Voters that are not able to

show an acceptable photo identification will be given the option to sign a personal identification affidavit and vote.

Secretary Ysursa said "I encourage every eligible Idahoan to participate and vote either at the polls November 6th or by absentee ballot."

Voters can check their registration status, locate their polling place, track their absentee ballot and find more information on voter registration at www.<u>idahovotes.gov</u>.