

Oregon food label measure headed for recount

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Tallies of the last remaining ballots show an Oregon measure that would require labeling of genetically modified foods lost by only 809 votes and is headed for an automatic recount.

Officials released the full statewide count Monday.

It shows Measure 92 was defeated by a margin of only 0.06 percentage point. That's well under the threshold for a recount.

A hand tally of ballots is likely to begin the first week in December, after Secretary of State Kate Brown certifies the <u>election results</u>.

Recounts rarely create a significant change in the final vote tally. The advocacy group FairVote says the average recount shifted the result by less than 0.03 percentage point in 22 statewide recounts since 2000.

Oregon's last statewide recount was for a ballot measure on civil forfeiture in 2008.

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