

**STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
TOWN OF LAKE ARTHUR  
AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
AND SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION  
JUNE 30, 2015**

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**STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
TOWN OF LAKE ARTHUR  
OFFICIAL ROSTER  
JUNE 30, 2015**

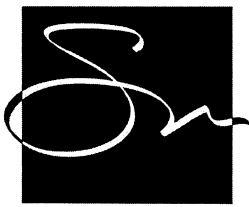
**TOWN COUNCIL**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Title</b>
Ysidro Salazar	Mayor
Edward M. Rubio, Jr.	Councilor
Johnny Teel	Councilor
Robert Schneider	Councilor
Scott Martin	Councilor

**TOWN OFFICIAL**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Title</b>
Desiree Castillo	Town Clerk/Treasurer

## **FINANCIAL SECTION**



**SCOTT NORTHAM, CPA, PC**  
Certified Public Accountants

## **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

Timothy Keller,  
New Mexico State Auditor, and  
Mayor and Town Council  
Town of Lake Arthur  
Lake Arthur, New Mexico

### **Report on the Financial Statements**

We were engaged to audit the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, business-type activities, each major fund, the aggregate remaining fund information, and the budgetary comparisons for the general fund and enterprise fund of the Town of Lake Arthur (Town), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2015, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. We were also engaged to audit the financial statements of each of the Town's non-major governmental funds presented as supplementary information as defined by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board in the accompanying combining fund financial schedules as of and for the year ended June 30, 2015, as listed in the table of contents.

### **Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements**

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from *material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.*

### **Auditor's Responsibility**

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on conducting our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement. Because of the matters described in the Basis for Disclaimer of Opinion paragraph, however, we were not able to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence to provide a basis for an audit opinion.

### **Basis for Disclaimer of Opinion**

Because of the inadequacy of capital asset records, we were unable to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the amounts at which property and equipment, depreciation expense, and accumulated depreciation is recorded in the accompanying Government Activities financial statements.

We were also unable to examine sufficient appropriate audit evidence, due to pervasive inadequacies in the accounting records regarding assets, liabilities, revenues, expenditures, budgetary comparisons, disclosures and supplementary information presented in the financial statements.

### **Disclaimer of Opinion**

Because of the significance of the matters described in the Basis for Disclaimer of Opinion paragraph above, we have not been able to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence to provide a basis for an audit opinion on the financial statements of the Town of Lake Arthur as a whole. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the financial statements referred to above or the remaining aggregate information, including the respective budgetary comparisons for the general fund and enterprise fund. We also do not express an opinion on the Town's nonmajor governmental funds presented as supplementary information for the year ended June 30, 2015, as listed in the table of contents.

### **Other Matters**

#### *Required Supplementary Information*

Management has elected to omit the MD&A for the year ended June 30, 2015, which is required to be presented to supplement the basic financial statements by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. Our disclaimer of opinion on the basic financial statements is not affected by this missing information.

#### *Other Information*

We were engaged for the purpose of forming opinions on the Town of Lake Arthur's financial statements, the combining fund financial schedules, and the budgetary comparisons. The Schedule of Vendor Expenditures, as required by Section 2.2.2 NMAC and listed as other supplementary information in the table of contents, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. The additional schedule is the responsibility of management, was derived from, and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The Schedule of Vendor Expenditures was not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements, and accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on it.

### **Other Reporting Required by *Government Auditing Standards***

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated November 18, 2016, on our consideration of the Town's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Town's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.



Scott Northam, CPA, PC  
Ruidoso, New Mexico  
November 18, 2016



**STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
TOWN OF LAKE ARTHUR  
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION  
JUNE 30, 2015**

<b>ASSETS</b>	<b>Governmental Activities</b>	<b>Business-Type Activities</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>ASSETS</b>			
Cash and Cash Equivalents			
Unrestricted	\$ 246,502	\$ 157,145	\$ 403,647
Restricted	-	9,934	9,934
Taxes Receivable			
Gross Receipts Tax	3,804	-	3,804
Gasoline Tax	1,062	-	1,062
Capital Assets, Net	<u>119,923</u>	<u>520,157</u>	<u>640,080</u>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<u><u>\$ 371,291</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 687,236</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 1,058,527</u></u>
 <b>LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION</b>			
<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
Accounts Payable	\$ 1,728	\$ -	\$ 1,728
Customer Deposits		9,792	9,792
Notes Payable	<u>8,428</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>8,428</u>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	10,156	9,792	19,948
 <b>NET POSITION</b>			
Net Investment in Capital Assets	111,495	520,157	631,652
Unrestricted	<u>249,640</u>	<u>157,287</u>	<u>406,927</u>
<b>Total Net Position</b>	<u><u>361,135</u></u>	<u><u>677,444</u></u>	<u><u>1,038,579</u></u>
<b>Total Liabilities and Net Position</b>	<u><u>\$ 371,291</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 687,236</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 1,058,527</u></u>

**STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
TOWN OF LAKE ARTHUR  
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES  
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

	<b>Program Revenues</b>			
<b>Expenses</b>	<b>Charges for Services and Sales</b>	<b>Operating Grants and Contributions</b>	<b>Capital Grants and Contributions</b>	
<i>Primary Government</i>				
<b>Governmental Activities:</b>				
General Administration	\$ 124,268	\$ 406	\$ 180,003	\$ -
Streets	13,309	-	-	-
Public Safety	66,611	4,410	-	-
Public Works	14,376	-	-	72,932
Culture and Recreation	4,444	5,443	-	-
Interest and Fiscal Charges	904	-	-	-
Depreciation	30,036	-	-	-
	<u>253,948</u>	<u>10,259</u>	<u>180,003</u>	<u>72,932</u>
<i>Total Governmental Activities</i>				
<b>Business-Type Activities:</b>				
Enterprise Fund	144,792	142,051	-	-
	<u>144,792</u>	<u>142,051</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<i>Total Business-Type Activities</i>				
<b>Total - Primary Government</b>	<u>\$ 398,740</u>	<u>\$ 152,310</u>	<u>\$ 180,003</u>	<u>\$ 72,932</u>

**General Revenues**

Taxes:

- Gross Receipts Tax
- Franchise Tax
- Property Tax
- Other Taxes

Interest

**Total General Revenues**

Transfers

**Total General Revenues and Transfers**

Change in Net Position

**Net Position Beginning of Year**

**Net Position End of Year**

<u>Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position</u>		
<u>Primary Government</u>		
<u>Governmental</u>	<u>Business-Type</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>Activities</u>	<u>Activities</u>	
\$ 56,141	\$ -	\$ 56,141
(13,309)	-	(13,309)
(62,201)	-	(62,201)
58,556	-	58,556
999	-	999
(904)	-	(904)
(30,036)	-	(30,036)
<u>9,246</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>9,246</u>
-	(2,741)	(2,741)
-	(2,741)	(2,741)
<u>9,246</u>	<u>(2,741)</u>	<u>6,505</u>
49,605	-	49,605
5,180	-	5,180
3,933	-	3,933
5,930	-	5,930
1	-	1
<u>64,649</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>64,649</u>
<u>(104,225)</u>	<u>104,225</u>	<u>-</u>
<u>(39,576)</u>	<u>104,225</u>	<u>64,649</u>
(30,330)	101,484	71,154
<u>391,465</u>	<u>575,960</u>	<u>967,425</u>
<u>\$ 361,135</u>	<u>\$ 677,444</u>	<u>\$ 1,038,579</u>

**STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
TOWN OF LAKE ARTHUR  
BALANCE SHEET  
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
JUNE 30, 2015**

	<b>General Fund</b>	<b>Other Nonmajor Funds</b>	<b>Total Governmental Funds</b>
<b>ASSETS</b>			
<b>ASSETS</b>			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 147,328	\$ 99,174	\$ 246,502
Taxes Receivable			
Gross Receipts Tax	3,804	-	3,804
Gasoline Tax	1,062	-	1,062
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b><u>\$ 152,194</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 99,174</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 251,368</u></b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</b>			
<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
Accounts Payable	\$ 1,728	\$ -	\$ 1,728
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	1,728	-	1,728
<b>FUND BALANCES</b>			
Assigned	-	99,174	99,174
Unassigned	150,466	-	150,466
<b>Total Fund Balances</b>	<b><u>150,466</u></b>	<b><u>99,174</u></b>	<b><u>249,640</u></b>
<b>Total Liabilities and Fund Balances</b>	<b><u>\$ 152,194</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 99,174</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 251,368</u></b>

**STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
TOWN OF LAKE ARTHUR  
RECONCILIATION OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
FUND BALANCE TO GOVERNMENT ACTIVITIES  
NET POSITION  
JUNE 30, 2015**

**Total Fund Balance - Governmental Funds** **\$ 249,640**

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position  
are different because:

Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources  
and therefore are not reported in the funds 119,923

Certain liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and therefore  
are not reported in the funds. Those liabilities include:

Notes Payable (8,428)

**Net Position of Governmental Activities** **\$ 361,135**

STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
TOWN OF LAKE ARTHUR  
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES  
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE  
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

	General Fund	Other Nonmajor Funds	Total Governmental Funds
<b>REVENUES</b>			
Taxes			
Gross Receipts	\$ 49,605	\$ -	\$ 49,605
Franchise	5,180	-	5,180
Property	3,933	-	3,933
Gas	5,930	-	5,930
Intergovernmental			
State and Local	90,000	90,003	180,003
Miscellaneous	3,922	396	4,318
Licenses, Fees and Permits	406	-	406
Fines	4,410	-	4,410
Rentals	1,125	-	1,125
Grants and Contributions	17,500	55,432	72,932
Interest	1	-	1
	<u>182,012</u>	<u>145,831</u>	<u>327,843</u>
<b>Total Revenues</b>			
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>			
<b>Current</b>			
General Administration	124,268	-	124,268
Streets	13,309	-	13,309
Public Safety	16,513	50,098	66,611
Public Works	14,376	-	14,376
Judicial	4,444	-	4,444
<b>Debt Service</b>			
Principal	7,991	-	7,991
Interest and Administrative Fees	904	-	904
	<u>181,805</u>	<u>50,098</u>	<u>231,903</u>
<b>Total Expenditures</b>			
<b>Excess of Revenues over Expenditures</b>	207	95,733	95,940
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</b>			
Transfers Out	(48,793)	(55,432)	(104,225)
	<u>(48,793)</u>	<u>(55,432)</u>	<u>(104,225)</u>
<b>Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)</b>			
<b>Net Change in Fund Balance after Transfers</b>	(48,586)	40,301	(8,285)
<b>Fund Balance, Beginning of Year</b>	<u>199,052</u>	<u>58,873</u>	<u>257,925</u>
<b>Fund Balance, End of Year</b>	<u>\$ 150,466</u>	<u>\$ 99,174</u>	<u>\$ 249,640</u>

**STATE OF NEW MEXICO**  
**TOWN OF LAKE ARTHUR**  
**RECONCILIATION OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**  
**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES**  
**IN FUND BALANCE TO THE GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES**  
**STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES**  
**YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

<b>Net Changes in Fund Balance - Governmental Funds</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>(8,285)</b>
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Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Activities are different because:

Governmental Funds to Statement of Activities Adjustments:

Debt service is an expenditure for governmental funds consisting of both interest expense and principal for the Notes Payable. The principal portion reduces Notes Payable on the Governmental Activities Balance Sheet and is not an expense on the Statement of Activities

7,991

Statement of Activities to Governmental Funds Adjustments:

Depreciation is recognized on the Statement of Activities as allocating the cost of the assets over their estimated useful lives

(30,036)

**Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities**

**\$ (30,330)**

STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
TOWN OF LAKE ARTHUR  
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN  
FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL (NON-GAAP BASIS)  
GENERAL FUND  
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)</u>
<b>REVENUES</b>				
Taxes				
Gross Receipts	\$ 120,000	\$ 150,000	\$ 49,605	\$ (100,395)
Franchise	4,500	4,800	5,180	380
Property	3,095	3,718	3,933	215
Gas	5,800	6,000	5,930	(70)
Intergovernmental	90,000	90,000	90,000	-
Miscellaneous	25,000	25,000	3,922	(21,078)
Licenses, Fees and Permits	350	385	406	21
Fines	5,800	5,200	4,410	(790)
Rentals	-	-	1,125	1,125
Grants and Contributions	-	-	17,500	17,500
Interest	-	-	1	1
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<u>254,545</u>	<u>285,103</u>	<u>182,012</u>	<u>(103,091)</u>
<b>EXPENSES</b>				
<b>Current</b>				
General Administration	193,700	193,700	124,268	69,432
Streets	15,000	15,000	13,309	1,691
Public Safety	20,000	17,500	16,513	987
Public Works	-	-	14,376	(14,376)
Judicial	15,000	15,000	4,444	10,556
<b>Debt Service</b>				
Principal	-	-	7,991	(7,991)
Interest and Administrative Fees	-	-	904	(904)
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<u>243,700</u>	<u>241,200</u>	<u>181,805</u>	<u>59,395</u>
<b>Excess of Revenues over Expenditures</b>	10,845	43,903	207	(43,696)
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</b>				
Transfers In	-	-	-	-
Transfers Out	-	-	(48,793)	(48,793)
<b>Total Other Financing sources (Uses)</b>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(48,793)</u>	<u>(48,793)</u>
<b>Net Change in Fund Balance after Transfers</b>	10,845	43,903	(48,586)	(92,489)
<b>Cash Balance, Beginning of Year</b>	<u>174,023</u>	<u>174,023</u>	<u>176,356</u>	<u>(2,333)</u>
<b>Cash Balance, End of Year</b>	<u>\$ 184,868</u>	<u>\$ 217,926</u>	<u>\$ 127,770</u>	<u>\$ (94,822)</u>
<b>Reconciliation to GAAP Basis</b>				
Change in:				
Accounts Payable			1,728	
Gross Receipts Tax Receivable			(71)	
Gasoline Tax Receivable			17,901	
<b>Cash Balance - GAAP Basis</b>			<u>\$ 147,328</u>	



**STATE OF NEW MEXICO**  
**TOWN OF LAKE ARTHUR**  
**STATEMENT OF NET POSITION**  
**ENTERPRISE FUND**  
**JUNE 30, 2015**

	<b>Enterprise Fund</b>
<b>ASSETS</b>	
<b>ASSETS</b>	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	
Unrestricted	\$ 157,145
Restricted	9,934
Capital Assets, Net	<u>520,157</u>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<u><u>\$ 687,236</u></u>
<b>LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION</b>	
<b>LIABILITIES</b>	
Customer Deposits	<u>\$ 9,792</u>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<u>9,792</u>
<b>NET POSITION</b>	
Net Investment in Capital Assets	520,157
Unrestricted	<u>157,287</u>
<b>Total Fund Net Position</b>	<u>677,444</u>
<b>Total Liabilities and Net Position</b>	<u><u>\$ 687,236</u></u>

**STATE OF NEW MEXICO**  
**TOWN OF LAKE ARTHUR**  
**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES**  
**AND CHANGE IN NET POSITION**  
**ENTERPRISE FUND**  
**YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

	<b>Enterprise Fund</b>
<b>OPERATING REVENUES</b>	
Charges for Services	<u>\$ 142,051</u>
<b>Total Operating Revenues</b>	142,051
<b>OPERATING EXPENSES</b>	
Personnel Services	48,793
Supplies and Contracted Services	36,665
Maintenance and Materials	<u>59,334</u>
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<u>144,792</u>
<b>Operating Income</b>	(2,741)
<b>TRANSFERS</b>	
Transfers In	<u>104,225</u>
<b>Net Transfers</b>	<u>104,225</u>
<b>Net Change in Net Position after Transfers</b>	101,484
<b>Net Position, Beginning of Year</b>	<u>575,960</u>
<b>Net Position, End of Year</b>	<u><u>\$ 677,444</u></u>

STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
TOWN OF LAKE ARTHUR  
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS  
ENTERPRISE FUND  
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

	<b>Enterprise Fund</b>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>	
Receipts from Customers and Users	\$ 142,351
Payments to and on Behalf of Employees	(48,793)
Payments to Suppliers and Contractors	(95,999)
	(2,441)
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>	
Capital Asset Purchases	(55,432)
	(55,432)
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM NON-CAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>	
Transfers from General Fund	48,793
	48,793
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>	
Transfers from CDBG Grant Fund	55,432
	55,432
<b>NET CHANGE IN CASH</b>	46,352
<b>CASH AT BEGINNING OF YEAR</b>	120,727
<b>CASH AT END OF YEAR</b>	\$ 167,079
 <b>Reconciliation of Operating Income to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities</b>	
Operating Income	\$ (2,741)
Adjustments to Reconcile Changes in Net Assets to Cash Provided by Operating Activities:	
Changes in:	
Customer Meter Deposits	300
	(2,441)
<b>Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities</b>	\$ (2,441)
 <b>Reconciliation to the Balance Sheet</b>	
Unrestricted	\$ 157,145
Restricted	9,934
	\$ 167,079
	\$ 167,079

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
TOWN OF LAKE ARTHUR  
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN  
FUND NET POSITION - BUDGET AND ACTUAL (NON-GAAP BASIS)  
ENTERPRISE FUND  
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
<b>REVENUES</b>				
Charges for Services	\$ 147,800	\$ 145,000	\$ 142,051	\$ (2,949)
<b>Total Operating Revenues</b>	147,800	145,000	142,051	(2,949)
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>				
Personnel Services	-	-	48,793	(48,793)
Supplies and Contracted Services	38,500	43,000	36,665	6,335
Maintenance and Materials	93,800	137,300	59,334	77,966
Capital Outlay	-	55,432	55,432	-
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	132,300	235,732	200,224	35,508
<b>Operating Income</b>	15,500	(90,732)	(58,173)	32,559
<b>TRANSFERS</b>				
Transfers In	-	55,432	104,225	48,793
Transfers Out	-	-	-	-
<b>Net Transfers</b>	-	55,432	104,225	48,793
<b>Net Change in Net Position After Transfers</b>	15,500	(35,300)	46,052	81,352
<b>Cash - Beginning of Year</b>	120,727	120,727	120,727	-
<b>Cash - End of Year</b>	\$ 136,227	\$ 85,427	166,779	\$ 211,497
<b>Reconciliation to GAAP Basis</b>				
Change in:				
Customer Meter Deposits			300	
<b>Cash Balance - GAAP Basis</b>			\$ 167,079	

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**NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

This following summary presentation of significant accounting policies of the Town of Lake Arthur (the Town) is to assist in the understanding of the Town's financial statements. The financial statements and notes are the representation of the Town's management who is responsible for their integrity and objectivity. The financial statements of the Town have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) as applied to government units and the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The financial statements have incorporated all applicable GASB Statements and Interpretations, Accounting Principles Board Opinions and Accounting Research Bulletins of the Committee on Accounting Procedures, and Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) pronouncements applicable to governmental agencies.

**Organization** - The Town is a political subdivision of the State of New Mexico and was incorporated under provisions of Chapter 3, Article 2, NMSA 1978 as amended. The Town operates under the mayor-council form of government. The Town provides the following authorized services: public safety (police and fire), highways and streets, water, sanitation, health and welfare, social services, culture and recreation, public improvements, and general administrative services. The Town's basic financial statements include all activities and accounts of the Town's financial reporting entity.

The financial reporting entity consists of the primary government, and any another organization for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the primary government are such that exclusion would cause the reporting entity's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete.

The GASB 14 definition of the reporting entity is based primarily on the notion of financial accountability. A primary government is financially accountable for the organizations that make up its legal entity. It is also financially accountable for legally separate organizations if its officials appoint a voting majority of an organization's governing body, and either it is able to impose its will on that organization, or there is a potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefits to, or impose specific financial burdens on, the primary government. A primary government may also be financially accountable for governmental organizations that are fiscally dependent on it.

A primary government has the ability to impose its will on an organization if it can significantly influence the programs, projects, activities, or level of services performed or provided by the organization. A financial benefit or burden relationship exists if the primary government (a) is entitled to the organization's resources; (b) is legally obligated or has otherwise assumed the obligation to finance the deficits of, or provide financial support to, the organization; or (c) is obligated in some manner for the debt of the organization.

Based upon the GASB 14 criteria above, there are no component units of the Town, nor is the Town considered a component unit of another governmental agency during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015.

**Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, Financial Statement Presentation**

**Government-wide Financial Statements** - The basic financial statements include both government-wide (based on the Town as a whole) and fund financial statements. The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net position and the statement of activities) report information on all of the non-fiduciary activities of the primary government. For the most part, the effect of inter-fund activity has been removed from these statements. Governmental activities, which normally are supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business-type activities, which relies on fees and charges for support. The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities were prepared using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues, expenses, gains, losses, assets and liabilities resulting from exchange-like transactions are recognized when the exchange takes place. Revenues, expenses, gains, losses, assets and liabilities resulting from non-exchange transactions are recognized in accordance with the requirements of GASB Statement No. 33, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Non-Exchange Transactions*.

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In accordance with GASB Statement No. 33, the Town follows the following revenue recognition principles applied to non-exchange transactions:

- Derived tax revenues are recognized as revenue in the period when the underlying exchange transaction has occurred and the resources are available. Derived tax revenues include gross receipts, gasoline, and cigarette taxes.
- Imposed non-exchange revenue other than property taxes are recognized in the period when an enforceable legal claim has arisen and the resources are available.
- Property tax revenue is recorded on a cash basis and the revenue is recognized in the fiscal year for which the taxes are levied.
- Government-mandated non-exchange transactions and voluntary non-exchange transactions are recognized when all applicable eligibility requirements have been met and the resources are available. These include grant revenues, state shared taxes and intergovernmental revenue. Grant revenues are recognized as revenues when the related costs are incurred.

Other revenues susceptible to accrual are investment income and charges for services. All other revenues are recognized when they are received and are not susceptible to accrual because they are usually not measurable until payment is actually received.

The Chaves County Treasurer levies and collects property taxes on behalf of the Town. Property taxes are levied in November and are payable in two installments, half on November 10, which becomes delinquent on December 10, and half on April 10, which becomes delinquent on May 10, which is also the lien date.

The government-wide statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a function category (general government, public safety, etc.) or activity are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or activity. Program revenues include: 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or activity; 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational requirements of a particular function or activity; and 3) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the capital requirements of a particular function or activity. Taxes and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported as general revenues. Transfers between funds and other internal activity are eliminated at the government-wide financial statements.

The Town reports all direct expenses by function in the Statement of Activities. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a function. The Town does not currently employ indirect cost allocation systems. Depreciation expense is a specifically identified function and is included as a separate line item on the Statement of Activities rather than a direct expense of each function. Interest on general and long-term debt is considered an indirect expense and is reported separately on the Statement of Activities.

The government-wide focus is more on the sustainability of the Town as an entity and the change in aggregate financial position resulting from the activities of the fiscal period. The focus of the governmental fund financial statements is on the major individual funds of the governmental and business-type categories. Each presentation provides valuable information that can be analyzed and compared to enhance the usefulness of the information.

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Non-exchange transactions, in which the Town gives (or receives) value without directly receiving (or giving) equal value in exchange, include property taxes, grants, entitlements, and donations.

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**Governmental Fund Financial Statements** - Governmental fund level financial statements report activity using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. The focus of the governmental funds' measurement (in the fund statements) is upon determination of financial position and changes in financial position (sources, uses, and balance of financial resources) rather than upon net income. Revenue recognition is as soon as they are both measurable and available.

Separate fund based financial statements are provided for governmental funds, proprietary funds, and fiduciary funds, even though the latter are excluded from the government-wide financial statements. Major individual government funds and major individual enterprise funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements. GASB Statement No. 34 sets forth minimum criteria (percentage of assets, liabilities, revenues or expenditures/expenses of either fund category for the governmental and enterprise combined) for the determination of major funds. Management also has the option to report a fund as major even though it does not fit the criteria. The nonmajor funds are combined in a column in the fund financial statements. The nonmajor funds are detailed in the supplementary information section of the report.

The Town considers revenues to be available if they are collected within sixty days of the end of the current fiscal period. Generally, intergovernmental revenues and grants are recognized when all eligibility requirements are met and the revenues are available. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recorded only when payment is due.

Revenue from property taxes is recognized in the fiscal year for which the taxes are levied. Revenue from grants, entitlements, and donations is recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

Property, franchise, sales and public service tax revenues associated with the current fiscal period are recognized under the susceptible to accrual concept. Licenses and permits, charges for services, fines and forfeitures, contributions, and miscellaneous revenues are recorded as revenues when received in cash, as the resulting receivable is immaterial.

Program revenues reduce the cost of the function to be financed from the Town's general revenues. Amounts reported as program revenues include 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment and 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment. Taxes and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenues. When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the government's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

In applying the susceptible to accrual concept to intergovernmental revenues, the legal and contractual requirements of the numerous individual programs are used as guidance. There are, however, essentially two types of these revenues. In one, monies must be expended for the specific purpose or project before any amounts will be paid to the Town; therefore, revenues are recognized based upon the expenditures recorded. In the other, monies are virtually unrestricted as to purpose of expenditure and are usually revocable only for failure to comply with prescribed compliance requirements. These resources are reflected as revenues at the time of receipt or earlier if the susceptible to accrual criteria are met. Investment earnings are recorded as earned since they are measurable and available.

Expenditure-driven grants are recognized as revenue when the qualifying expenditures have been incurred and all other grant requirements have been met and the susceptible to accrual criteria have been met.

Governmental funds are used to account for the Town's general government activities, including the collection and disbursement of specific or legally restricted monies, the acquisition or construction of general fixed assets and the servicing of general long-term debt.

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The Town reports the following major governmental fund:

The *General Fund* is the government's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government, except those required to be accounted for in another fund. Revenues are provided through property and other taxes, federal sources, state sources, charges for services, licenses and fees, and other miscellaneous recoveries and revenue. Expenditures include all costs associated with the daily operation of the Town except for items included in other funds.

Under the requirements of GASB No. 34, the Town is required to present certain of its governmental funds as major based upon certain criteria. The major funds presented in the fund financial statements include only the General Fund. No other funds were required to be presented as major or at the discretion of management.

The Town maintains four other governmental funds that are considered non-major funds, and are classified as *special revenue* funds. A description of each non-major governmental fund is as follows:

- The *Correction Fund* accounts for fees collected by the municipal judge, which are legally restricted to expenditure for jail related costs. The fund is established by local ordinance in order to comply with Section 35-14-11 NMSA 1978.
- The *Fire Protection Fund* accounts for the proceeds of the state fire allotment, and the expenditures for public safety there from. New Mexico state law requires that these funds be used to help maintain the fire department. The fund was established by local ordinance and in accordance with Section 59A-53-1, of the New Mexico State Insurance Code. Section 59A-53-8 of the code restricts the use of the funds for only the maintenance of the Town's fire department.
- The *Law Enforcement Protection Fund* accounts for the state grant to be used for the repair and/or replacement of law enforcement equipment, according to state law, section 29-13.1 through 29-13.9 NMSA 1978. The fund was established by local ordinance to comply with state statutes. Section 29-13-17 A NMSA 1978 limits distributions from the fund for law enforcement related expenditures, including, but not limited to, the purchase of equipment, expenses associated with advanced law enforcement planning and training.
- The *Community Development Block Grant Fund* was established by local ordinance and by federal requirement. This fund accounts for federal, state and local sources, revenues and expenditures for capital projects throughout the Town.

**Business-Type Activities** – Business-Type Activities and all proprietary funds are accounted for on a flow of economic resources measurement focus and on an accrual basis. With this measurement focus, all assets and all liabilities associated with the operation of these funds are included on the balance sheet. Proprietary fund-type operating statements present increases and decreases (e.g., revenues and expenses) in net total position.

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from non-operating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing service in connection with the fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenue of the Town's enterprise fund is charges for services for the Town's garbage, water & sewer utilities. Operating expenses for enterprise funds include the cost of services, administrative expenses, and depreciation on capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating revenues and expenses. When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the Town's policy to use the restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed.



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The Town reports the following major business-type fund:

- The *enterprise fund* is used to account for the provision of water, sewer, and solid waste services to the residents of the Town, and is considered an enterprise fund. All activities necessary to provide such services are accounted for in this fund, including, but not limited to, administration, operations, maintenance, financing and related debt service, billing and collection.

**Budgetary Information** - Budgets for all funds are prepared by management and is approved by the Town Council and the New Mexico Department of Finance and Administration.

The town clerk/treasurer is responsible for preparing the budget from requests submitted by department heads. The appropriated budget is prepared by line item within object class, program, department and fund; revenues expected to be available are estimated to provide an approved budget. The comprehensive budget package is brought before the Town Council for approval by resolution. The proposed budget is then submitted by June 1st to the New Mexico Department of Finance and Administration Local Government Division (DFA) for approval. DFA certifies a pending budget by July 1st with final certification of the original budget by the first Monday of September. The expenditure section of the budget, once adopted, is legally binding. Exceeding the budgeted expenditures may result in an audit finding. Based on the final certified budget submitted, DFA certifies the allowable tax rates for property taxes in September.

These budgets are prepared on the non-GAAP cash basis, and secure appropriation of funds for only one year. Carryover funds from the previous fiscal year are re-appropriated in the budget of the subsequent fiscal year. The budget process in the state of New Mexico requires that the beginning cash balance be utilized to fund deficit budgets appropriated in the budget of the subsequent fiscal year. Such appropriated balance is presented as a committed portion of fund balance.

Actual expenditures may not exceed the budget on a fund basis. Budgets may be amended in two ways. If a budget transfer is necessary within a fund, this may be accomplished with only Town Council approval. If a transfer between "funds" or a budget increase is required, approval must be obtained from the Department of Finance and Administration. The budgetary information presented in these financial statements has been prepared in accordance with the above procedures.

**Assets, Liabilities, Net Position or Fund Equity, Other Matters**

**Cash and Investments** - Cash includes amounts in demand deposits and short-term investments. Cash deposits are reported at carrying amount, which reasonably estimates fair value.

All investments are stated at fair value, which is determined by using selected bases. Interest income and realized gains and losses on investment transactions are included for financial statement purposes as investment income.

**Cash Flow Liquidity** - For purposes of the statement of cash flows, the Town's cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition.

**Restricted Cash** - The Town restricts a compensating amount of cash equal to the amount of the customer deposits held on hand. These reserves are not required but are separated by management.

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**Use of Restricted Cash** - When the Town incurs an expense for which it may use either restricted or unrestricted assets, it uses the restricted assets first whenever they will have to be returned if they are not used.

**Grants and Contributions** - The Town receives grants as well as contributions in the course of operations. Revenues from grants and contributions (including contributions of capital assets) are recognized when all eligibility requirements, including time requirements are met. Grants and contributions may be restricted for either specific operating purposes or for capital purposes. Amounts that are unrestricted or that are restricted to a specific operating purpose are reported as non-operating revenues. Amounts restricted to capital acquisitions are reported after non-operating revenues and expenses.

**Utility Receivables** - Substantially all of the Town's outstanding utility receivables are due from its customers for water and sewer service and solid waste collection. Collateral is generally not required on receivables, but a deposit is required to activate new service.

**Allowance for Doubtful Accounts** - It is the opinion of management that no allowance for doubtful accounts was necessary as of June 30, 2015 because services will be disconnected should an account become delinquent.

**Concentration of Credit Risk** - The Town grants credit without collateral to its customers for its services, but the customers are subject to service termination if the receivables are not settled within a specified time frame. The customer deposits held by the Town helps mitigate the credit risk.

**Property and Equipment** - Capital assets which may include software, property, plant, equipment, vehicles, and infrastructure assets (e.g., building, roads, bridges, sidewalks, and similar items) are reported in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the Town as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$5,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of one year. Land owned by the Town is always capitalized.

GASB Statement No. 34, *Basic Financial Statements and Management's Discussion and Analysis for State and Local Governments* allows Phase III governments an exemption from the retroactive application of the capitalization requirements to major general infrastructure assets. The Town has elected not to retroactively record infrastructure assets since being considered a Phase III municipality.

Assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date of donation. The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets' lives are not capitalized. Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects are constructed.

Assets of the Town are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

Assets	Years
Buildings, Structures and Improvements	10-40
Water and Wastewater Systems	25
Infrastructure	25
Office and Maintenance Equipment	7
Vehicles	5

**Analysis of Impairments** - Management reviews long-lived assets for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable. Impairment is determined based on comparison of future cash flows to the recorded value of the assets. Impairment losses are measured based on the fair value of the impaired assets. No such impairment losses were recorded during the year ended June 30, 2015.

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**Customer Deposits** - The Town requires a deposit to establish service for the customer. Deposits are not considered revenue for the Town unless or until the customer closes their account, at which time any remaining balance due on the account is deducted from the deposit and the customer is refunded the excess.

**Long-Term Obligations** - In the government-wide financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable governmental activities, or business-type activities within the statement of net position. Issuance costs associated with notes entered into are expensed in the year of issuance.

Long-term obligations are reported as debt in the proprietary fund. In the governmental funds the long-term obligations are not reported as liabilities. The face amount of debt issued is reported as other financing sources. Issuance costs, whether or not withheld from the actual debt proceeds received, are reported as debt service expenditures.

**Deferred Outflows of Resources** - In addition to assets, the Statement of Net Position reports a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred outflows of resources, represents a use of net position that applies to a future period and will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense) until that time.

The Town does not report any items that qualified as deferred outflows of resources for the 2015 fiscal year.

**Deferred Inflows of Resources** - Deferred inflows of resources represent the acquisition of net position that is applicable to a future reporting period.

- ***Government-Wide Statements*** - Unearned revenues represent the prepaid revenues advanced to the Town. Such advances are reported as unearned revenue until the earnings process is complete.
- ***Fund Financial Statements*** - Within the governmental funds, revenues must be available in order to be recognized. Revenues, such as property taxes that have been assessed and remain uncollected, are reflected as unearned revenues if they are not available in the current period, which the Town has established as sixty days after year end.

The Town does not report any unearned revenues as deferred inflows of resources for the 2015 fiscal year.

**Fund Equity** - Governmental funds report aggregate amounts for five classifications of fund balances based on the constraints imposed on the use of resources: Non-spendable, Restricted, Committed, Assigned and Unassigned. The non-spendable fund balance classification includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are either (a) not in spendable form, e.g., prepaid items or inventories; or (b) legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. Restricted fund balances have limitations placed on the funds by external means or legislation. Committed fund balances have self-imposed limitations. Assigned fund balances have an intended use factor for a specific fund, and unassigned fund balances are excess funds not categorized in the other classifications.

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**Net Position** - The government-wide financial statements and proprietary funds utilize a net position presentation. Net position is reported represents the difference between assets plus deferred outflows and liabilities plus deferred inflows. Net position is reported in three categories:

- ***Net investment in capital assets*** – This category reflects the portion of net position that is associated with capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation reduced by the outstanding capital asset-related debt and adding back unspent proceeds.
- ***Restricted net position*** – This category reflects the portion of net position that has third party limitations on its use either through enabling legislation or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors or laws or regulations of other governments.
- ***Unrestricted net position*** – This category reflects net position of the Town, not restricted for any project or other purpose.

**Operating and Non-operating Revenues** - Revenues are classified as operating or non-operating according to the following criteria:

*Operating revenue* - include activities which have the characteristic of exchange transactions, such as charges for services and fees, net of any allowance for uncollectible amounts.

*Non-operating revenues* - include activities which have the characteristics of non-exchange transactions, such as capital grants and investment income.

**Interfund Activity** - Interfund activity is reported as loans, services provided, reimbursements or transfers. Loans are reported as interfund balances as appropriate and are subject to elimination upon consolidation. Services provided, deemed to be at market or near market rates, are treated as revenues and expenditures/expenses. Reimbursements are when one fund incurs a cost, charges the appropriate benefiting fund and reduces its related cost as reimbursement. All other interfund transactions are treated as transfers. Transfers between governmental funds are netted as part of the reconciliation to the government-wide financial statements.

**Expenses** - Expenses are classified as operating or non-operating according to the following criteria:

*Operating expenses* - include activities that have the characteristics of an exchange transaction such as employee salaries, benefits, and related expenses; maintenance, operations and contractual services; materials and supplies; office expenses; and depreciation expenses related to Town capital assets.

*Non-operating expenses* - include activities that have the characteristics of non-exchange transactions such as interest on capital asset-related debt and bond expenses that are defined as non-operating expenses by GASB Statement No. 9 - *Reporting Cash Flows of Proprietary and Non-expendable Trust Funds and Governmental Entities that Use Proprietary Fund Accounting*, and GASB Statement No. 34.

**Compensated Absences** - The Town permits employees to accumulate vacation leave during the year but the hours must be used before the end of the fiscal year. No vacation hours are carried over to the next fiscal year.

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**Pensions and OPEB** - The Town has elected not to participate in either the New Mexico Public Employees Retirement Association (PERA) or the New Mexico Retiree Health Care Act. Therefore, the Town has elected not to implement the following GASB statements:

- GASB Statement No. 68 - *Financial Reporting for Pension Plans – An Amendment to GASB Statement 27,*
- GASB Statement No. 71 - *Pension Transition for Contributions Made Subsequent to the Measurement Date,*
- GASB Statement No. 75 - *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits other than Pensions.*

**Use of Estimates** - The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

**Risk Management** - The Town is exposed to various risks of loss from torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; business interruption; errors and omissions; employee injuries and illnesses; natural disasters; and employee health, dental, and accident benefits. Commercial insurance coverage is purchased for claims arising from such matters. Settled claims have not exceeded this commercial coverage in any preceding years. A surety bond as required by Section 12-6-7 NMSA 1978 Compilation and the New Mexico State Auditor Rule covers the officials and certain employees of the Town.

**Subsequent Events** - FASB ASC 855-10-50-1 requires reporting entities to disclose the date through which subsequent events have been evaluated and whether that date is the date the financial statements were issued or available to be issued. Management has evaluated subsequent events through the date of the auditor's report, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

**NOTE B - CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS**

At June 30, 2015, the Town had cash and cash equivalents on deposit with local financial institutions, consisting of checking and money market accounts. Checking accounts required for debt service or for grant purposes are prohibited from accruing interest. Following is a schedule as of June 30, 2015, of the cash and cash equivalents.

	<b>Bank Balance June 30, 2015</b>	<b>Net Items Outstanding</b>	<b>Book Balance June 30, 2015</b>
<b>Bank of the Southwest</b>			
<b>General Checking:</b>			
General Operating Account	\$ 286,972	\$ 6,216	\$ 293,188
Municipal Court Bond Account	74	-	74
Fire Protection Fund	81,561	-	81,561
Law Enforcement Protection	14,361	(14,361)	-
Correction Fund	17,539	-	17,539
CDBG Account	74	-	74
Water Meter Deposits	9,935	-	9,935
<b>Interest Bearing:</b>			
Savings	1,246	-	1,246
<b>Total - Bank of the Southwest</b>	<b><u>\$ 411,762</u></b>	<b><u>\$ (8,145)</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 403,617</u></b>
	<b>Bank Balance June 30, 2015</b>	<b>Net Items Outstanding</b>	<b>Book Balance June 30, 2015</b>
<b>Western Bank</b>			
Certificate of Deposit	<u>\$ 9,964</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 9,964</u>

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In accordance with Section 6-10-17, NMSA 1978 compilation, deposits of public monies are required to be collateralized. Pledged collateral is required in amounts in aggregate equal to one half of the amount of uninsured public money in each account during the fiscal year. Securities which are obligations of the State of New Mexico, its agencies, institutions, counties, or municipalities or other subdivisions are accepted as security at par value; all other securities are accepted as security at market value. No security is required for the deposit of public money being insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

	<b>Bank of the Southwest</b>	<b>Western Bank</b>
Deposits	\$ 411,762	\$ 9,964
Less FDIC Coverage	<u>(250,000)</u>	<u>(9,964)</u>
Uninsured Funds	161,762	<u>\$ -</u>
Pledged Line of Credit	<u>100,000</u>	
Uninsured and Uncollateralized	<u>\$ 61,762</u>	
50% Pledged Collateral Requirement per Statute	\$ 80,881	
Pledged Collateral	<u>100,000</u>	
(Over) Under Collateralized	<u>\$ (19,119)</u>	

**Custodial Credit Risk - Deposits** - Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the Town's deposits may not be returned to them. The Town does not have a deposit policy for custodial credit risk. As of June 30, 2015, \$161,762 of the Town's bank balance of \$421,726 was exposed to custodial credit risk before applying the pledged collateral. The Federal Home Loan Bank, Dallas, Texas, holds the lines of credit pledged toward the Town.

<b>Bank of the Southwest Pledged Collateral:</b>	<b>Maturity</b>	<b>Market Value</b>	<b>Par Value</b>
Line of Credit	12/3/2015	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000
Line of Credit	6/17/2016	<u>50,000</u>	<u>50,000</u>
Total Collateral Pledged		<u>\$ 100,000</u>	<u>\$ 100,000</u>

**NOTE C - FUND TRANSFERS**

The Town utilized the CDBG Grant Fund to account for the revenue of the Colonias grant, which is improving the infrastructure of the water and wastewater systems. The Town recorded the Construction in Progress capital assets in the Enterprise Fund, and therefore reported a \$55,432 transfer of funds from the CDBG Grant Fund to the Enterprise Fund.

The General Fund occasionally supports the operations of the Enterprise Fund during the year. Approximately \$48,793 in net transfers throughout the year were made from the General Fund to the Enterprise Fund.

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**NOTE D - CAPITAL ASSETS**

Capital asset activity for the year ended June 30, 2015 was as follows:

	Balance June 30, 2014	Increases	Decreases	Balance June 30, 2015
<b>Governmental Activities:</b>				
<b>Non-depreciable Capital Assets</b>				
Land	\$ 4,197	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,197
Total Non-depreciable Capital Assets	4,197	-	-	4,197
<b>Depreciable Capital Assets</b>				
Buildings	649,711	-	-	649,711
Improvements	228,066	-	-	228,066
Machinery and Equipment	617,625	-	-	617,625
Vehicles	300,359	-	-	300,359
Total Depreciable Capital Assets	1,795,761	-	-	1,795,761
Accumulated Depreciation	(1,649,999)	(30,036)	-	(1,680,035)
Total Depreciable Capital Assets, Net	145,762	(30,036)	-	115,726
Capital Assets, Net	\$ 149,959	\$ (30,036)	\$ -	\$ 119,923

Management has elected to present the depreciation expense of \$60,072 as a separate line-item expense on the Statement of Activities rather than allocating the expense to each function within the primary government.

	Balance June 30, 2014	Increases	Decreases	Balance June 30, 2015
<b>Business-Type Activities</b>				
<b>Non-depreciable Capital Assets</b>				
Construction in Progress	\$ 464,725	\$ 55,432	\$ -	\$ 520,157
Total Non-Depreciable Capital Assets	464,725	55,432	-	520,157
Capital Assets, Net	\$ 464,725	\$ 55,432	\$ -	\$ 520,157

**NOTE E - LONG-TERM DEBT**

The Town had the following long-term debt obligation as of June 30, 2015:

**NMFA ZD PP-2191 - Tractor and Repair Equipment** - The Town entered into an agreement with the New Mexico Finance Authority in December 2009 for the reimbursement of the purchase of a tractor and funds to repair existing equipment. The original amount of the note was \$56,995 and bears interest between 3 and 5%, depending on the repayment period. Principal payments ranging from \$6,050 to \$8,427 on the note plus accrued interest are due annually on June 1. The note matures June, 2016. The Town has pledged intercepted gross receipts taxes for the payment of the loan.

**STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
TOWN OF LAKE ARTHUR  
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
JUNE 30, 2015**

**NOTE D - CAPITAL ASSETS**

Capital asset activity for the year ended June 30, 2015 was as follows:

	<b>Balance June 30, 2014</b>	<b>Increases</b>	<b>Decreases</b>	<b>Balance June 30, 2015</b>
<b>Governmental Activities:</b>				
<b>Non-depreciable Capital Assets</b>				
Land	\$ 4,197	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,197
Total Non-depreciable Capital Assets	4,197	-	-	4,197
<b>Depreciable Capital Assets</b>				
Buildings	649,711	-	-	649,711
Improvements	228,066	-	-	228,066
Machinery and Equipment	617,625	-	-	617,625
Vehicles	<u>300,359</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>300,359</u>
Total Depreciable Capital Assets	<u>1,795,761</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,795,761</u>
Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(1,649,999)</u>	<u>(30,036)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(1,680,035)</u>
Total Depreciable Capital Assets, Net	<u>145,762</u>	<u>(30,036)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>115,726</u>
Capital Assets, Net	<u>\$ 149,959</u>	<u>\$ (30,036)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 119,923</u>

Management has elected to present the depreciation expense of \$60,072 as a separate line-item expense on the Statement of Activities rather than allocating the expense to each function within the primary government.

	<b>Balance June 30, 2014</b>	<b>Increases</b>	<b>Decreases</b>	<b>Balance June 30, 2015</b>
<b>Business-Type Activities</b>				
<b>Non-depreciable Capital Assets</b>				
Construction in Progress	\$ 464,725	\$ 55,432	\$ -	\$ 520,157
Total Non-Depreciable Capital Assets	<u>464,725</u>	<u>55,432</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>520,157</u>
Capital Assets, Net	<u>\$ 464,725</u>	<u>\$ 55,432</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 520,157</u>

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JUNE 30, 2015**

**NOTE E - LONG-TERM DEBT (Cont.)**

The Town paid approximately \$904 in interest expense during the fiscal year from the governmental funds. Long-term debt activity for the year ended June 30, 2015 was as follows:

<b>Obligation</b>	<b>Balance June 30, 2014</b>	<b>Increases</b>	<b>Decreases</b>	<b>Balance June 30, 2015</b>	<b>Due Within One Year</b>
NMFA - Tractor and Equipment	<u>\$ 16,419</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (7,991)</u>	<u>\$ 8,428</u>	<u>\$ 8,428</u>
Total Long-term Debt	<u>\$ 16,419</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (7,991)</u>	<u>\$ 8,428</u>	<u>\$ 8,428</u>

Long-term debt service requirements to maturity are as follows:

<b>Fiscal Year Ending June 30,</b>	<b>Principal</b>	<b>Interest</b>	<b>Total</b>
2016	<u>\$ 8,428</u>	<u>\$ 467</u>	<u>\$ 8,995</u>

**NOTE F - COMMITMENTS, CONTINGENCIES, AND SUBSEQUENT EVENTS**

**2976-CIF - Colonias Infrastructure Project Grant** - The Town entered into an agreement with NMFA in May, 2013 to administer a Grant/Loan project to improve the water and wastewater infrastructure of the Town to remain in compliance with NMED and the EPA. The Town has committed to approximately \$499,967 of system improvements, of which \$449,970 is grant funds and the remaining \$49,997 is a loan financed through NMFA. Terms of the loan are 20 annual, non-interest bearing payments of approximately \$2,392, and maturing in June 2034 with a balloon payment of \$4,802. The grant funds have until June 20, 2017 to be drawn down or any remaining funds will revert back at that time.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

**STATE OF NEW MEXICO**  
**TOWN OF LAKE ARTHUR**  
**COMBINING BALANCE SHEET**  
**NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**  
**SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS**  
**JUNE 30, 2015**

	<b>Correction Fund</b>	<b>Fire Protection Fund</b>	<b>Law Enforcement Protection Fund</b>	<b>CDBG Grant Fund</b>	<b>Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds</b>
<b>ASSETS</b>					
<b>ASSETS</b>					
Cash and Cash Equivalents	<u>\$ 17,539</u>	<u>\$ 81,561</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 74</u>	<u>\$ 99,174</u>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<u><u>\$ 17,539</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 81,561</u></u>	<u><u>\$ -</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 74</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 99,174</u></u>
 <b>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE</b>					
<b>FUND BALANCES</b>					
Assigned	<u>\$ 17,539</u>	<u>\$ 81,561</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 74</u>	<u>\$ 99,174</u>
<b>Total Fund Balances</b>	<u>17,539</u>	<u>81,561</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>74</u>	<u>99,174</u>
<b>Total Liabilities and Fund Balances</b>	<u><u>\$ 17,539</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 81,561</u></u>	<u><u>\$ -</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 74</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 99,174</u></u>

STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
TOWN OF LAKE ARTHUR  
COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES  
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE  
NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS  
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

	Correction Fund	Fire Protection Fund	Law Enforcement Protection Fund	CDBG Grant Fund	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds
<b>REVENUES</b>					
Intergovernmental	\$ -	\$ 68,803	\$ 21,200	\$ -	\$ 90,003
Miscellaneous	396	-	-	-	396
Grants and Contributions	-	-	-	55,432	55,432
	<u>396</u>	<u>68,803</u>	<u>21,200</u>	<u>55,432</u>	<u>145,831</u>
<b>Total Revenues</b>					
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>					
<b>Current</b>					
Public Safety	<u>62</u>	<u>28,799</u>	<u>21,237</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>50,098</u>
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<u>62</u>	<u>28,799</u>	<u>21,237</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>50,098</u>
<b>Excess (Deficit) of Revenues over Expenditures</b>	334	40,004	(37)	55,432	95,733
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</b>					
Transfers Out	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(55,432)</u>	<u>(55,432)</u>
<b>Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)</b>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(55,432)</u>	<u>(55,432)</u>
<b>Net Change in Fund Balance after Transfers</b>	334	40,004	(37)	-	40,301
<b>Fund Balance, Beginning of Year</b>	<u>17,205</u>	<u>41,557</u>	<u>37</u>	<u>74</u>	<u>58,873</u>
<b>Fund Balance, End of Year</b>	<u>\$ 17,539</u>	<u>\$ 81,561</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 74</u>	<u>\$ 99,174</u>

**STATE OF NEW MEXICO**  
**TOWN OF LAKE ARTHUR**  
**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN**  
**FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL (NON-GAAP BASIS)**  
**CORRECTION FUND**  
**YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

	<b>Original Budget</b>	<b>Final Budget</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)</b>
<b>REVENUES</b>				
Miscellaneous	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	\$ 396	\$ (1,104)
<b>Total Revenues</b>	1,500	1,500	396	(1,104)
<b>EXPENSES</b>				
<b>Current</b>				
Public Safety	8,000	8,000	62	7,938
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	8,000	8,000	62	7,938
<b>Excess (Deficit) of Revenues over Expenditures</b>	(6,500)	(6,500)	334	6,834
<b>Cash Balance, Beginning of Year</b>	17,205	17,205	17,205	-
<b>Cash Balance, End of Year</b>	\$ 10,705	\$ 10,705	\$ 17,539	\$ 6,834

**STATE OF NEW MEXICO**  
**TOWN OF LAKE ARTHUR**  
**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN**  
**FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL (NON-GAAP BASIS)**  
**FIRE PROTECTION FUND**  
**YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

	<b>Original Budget</b>	<b>Final Budget</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)</b>
<b>REVENUES</b>				
Intergovernmental	\$ 68,803	\$ 68,803	\$ 68,803	\$ -
<b>Total Revenues</b>	68,803	68,803	68,803	-
<b>EXPENSES</b>				
<b>Current</b>				
Public Safety	110,360	110,360	28,799	81,561
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	110,360	110,360	28,799	81,561
<b>Excess of Revenues over Expenditures</b>	(41,557)	(41,557)	40,004	81,561
<b>Cash Balance, Beginning of Year</b>	41,557	41,557	41,557	-
<b>Cash Balance, End of Year</b>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 81,561	\$ 81,561

STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
TOWN OF LAKE ARTHUR  
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN  
FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL (NON-GAAP BASIS)  
LAW ENFORCEMENT PROTECTION FUND  
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
<b>REVENUES</b>				
Intergovernmental	\$ 21,600	\$ 21,600	\$ 21,200	\$ (400)
<b>Total Revenues</b>	21,600	21,600	21,200	(400)
<b>EXPENSES</b>				
<b>Current</b>				
Public Safety	21,600	21,600	21,237	363
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	21,600	21,600	21,237	363
<b>Deficit of Revenues over Expenditures</b>	-	-	(37)	(37)
<b>Cash Balance, Beginning of Year</b>	37	37	37	-
<b>Cash Balance, End of Year</b>	\$ 37	\$ 37	\$ -	\$ (37)

**STATE OF NEW MEXICO**  
**TOWN OF LAKE ARTHUR**  
**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN**  
**FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL (NON-GAAP BASIS)**  
**CDBG GRANT FUND**  
**YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

	<b>Original Budget</b>	<b>Final Budget</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)</b>
<b>REVENUES</b>				
Grants and Contributions	\$ 971,400	\$ 971,400	\$ 55,432	\$ (915,968)
<b>Total Revenues</b>	971,400	971,400	55,432	(915,968)
<b>EXPENSES</b>				
Capital Outlay				
Public Works	971,400	971,400	55,432	915,968
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	971,400	971,400	55,432	915,968
<b>Deficit of Revenues over Expenditures</b>	-	-	-	-
<b>Cash Balance, Beginning of Year</b>	74	74	74	-
<b>Cash Balance, End of Year</b>	\$ 74	\$ 74	\$ 74	\$ -

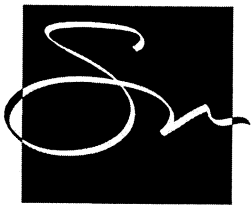


**STATE OF NEW MEXICO**  
**TOWN OF LAKE ARTHUR**  
**SCHEDULE OF VENDOR EXPENDITURES**  
**PURCHASES OF OVER \$60,000**  
**(UNAUDITED)**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

<i>RFB#/RFP#</i>	<i>Type of Procurement</i>	<i>Awarded Vendor</i>	<i>\$ Amount of Awarded Contract</i>	<i>\$ Amount of Amended Contract</i>	<i>Name and Physical Address per the procurement documentation, of ALL Vendor(s) that responded</i>	<i>In-State/ Out-of-State Vendor (Y or N) (Based on Statutory Definition)</i>	<i>Was the vendor in-state and chose Veteran's preference (Y or N)</i>	<i>Brief Description of the Scope of Work</i>
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NONE

## **INTERNAL CONTROL AND COMPLIANCE**



**SCOTT NORTHAM, CPA, PC**  
Certified Public Accountants

**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL  
REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON  
AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN  
ACCORDANCE WITH *GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS***

Timothy Keller,  
New Mexico State Auditor, and  
Mayor and Town Council  
Town of Lake Arthur  
Lake Arthur, New Mexico

We were engaged to audit, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, the aggregate remaining fund information, and the budgetary comparisons of the general fund and the enterprise fund of the Town of Lake Arthur (Town), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2015, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements, and the combining funds of the Town, presented as supplementary information, and have issued our report thereon, dated November 18, 2016. Our report disclaims an opinion on these financial statements because of inadequacies in capital assets and accounting records.

**Internal Control over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Town's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, the combining schedules and related budgetary comparisons of the Town but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town's internal control.

*A deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. We did identify certain deficiencies in internal control, described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses that we consider as material weaknesses: 2010-003, 2013-001, 2013-004, and 2013-005.

## **Compliance and Other Matters**

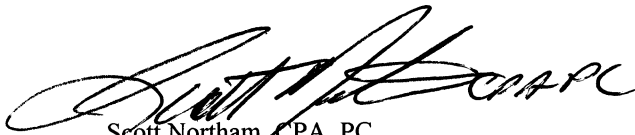
As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Town's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed instances of noncompliance or other matters required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards* and Section 12-6-5 NMSA 1978 which are described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses as items 2010-007, 2013-002, and 2013-003.

## **Town's Responses to Findings**

The Town's responses to the findings identified in our audit are described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses. The Town's responses were not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on them.

## **Purpose of this Report**

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Town's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.



Scott Northam, CPA, PC  
Ruidoso, New Mexico  
November 18, 2016

**STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
TOWN OF LAKE ARTHUR  
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RESPONSES  
JUNE 30, 2015**

**2010-003 - The Town Does Not Conduct an Annual Physical Inventory of Capital Assets - Material Weakness (repeated)**

**CONDITION** - The Town does not conduct an inventory of capital assets and does not maintain a historical list of capital assets and depreciation. Because this finding was first reported during 2016, the Town was not able to make progress on this finding from Fiscal Year 2014 to Fiscal Year 2015.

**CRITERIA** - Section 12-6-10, NMSA 1978 requires each agency to conduct an annual physical inventory of movable chattels and equipment on the inventory list at the end of each fiscal year.

**EFFECT** - The amount of capital assets and depreciation reported may not be accurate.

**CAUSE** - This condition results from a combination of understaffing and lack of expertise on the part of the management at the time.

**RECOMMENDATION** - The Town council should conduct an annual physical inventory of capital assets and maintain an accurate detail list of capital assets and depreciation.

**MANAGEMENT RESPONSE AND PLANNED CORRECTIVE ACTION** - The Mayor and Town Councilors are actively working on assembling a comprehensive capital asset inventory, scheduled for completion on or before December 2016.

**2010-007 - Late Submission of Audit Report – Compliance - (repeated)**

**CONDITION** - The audit report for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015 was not submitted by the New Mexico State Audit Rule deadline. Because this finding was reported during 2016, the Town was not able to make progress on this finding from Fiscal Year 2013 to Fiscal Year 2014 nor will be able to resolve this issue for Fiscal Year 2015.

**CRITERIA** - New Mexico State Auditor Rule 2.2.2.9A(1) requires audit reports for municipalities be submitted by December 15th following the end of the fiscal year.

**CAUSE** – Significant delays in procuring auditors in prior years to perform audits and agreed-upon procedures had put the Town chronically behind on submitting reports to the Office of the State Auditor.

**EFFECT** - The Town is out of compliance with New Mexico State Auditor Rule 2.2.2.9A (1).

**RECOMMENDATION** - We recommend the Town be proactive in the audit and audit report preparation by maintaining communications with the external auditor and the State Auditor regarding progress of the audit and any issues faced by the Town.

**MANAGEMENT RESPONSE AND PLANNED CORRECTIVE ACTION** - Due to ongoing issues with the audits and agreed-upon procedures for years, the audit contract submission has been chronically late. The Town has entered into an agreement with the IPA to prepare audits for the 2013, 2014, 2015 and 2016 fiscal years concurrently to resolve this issue. The Mayor, with the help of the IPA, expects to resolve this issue by having the audit for the 2016 fiscal year submitted on or before the December 15, 2016 deadline to the Office of the State Auditor.

**STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
TOWN OF LAKE ARTHUR  
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RESPONSES  
JUNE 30, 2015**

**2013-001 - Segregation of Duties - Material Weakness (Repeated)**

**CONDITION** - The Town has a limited segregation of duties due to personnel constraints due to having one full-time employee in administration. Because this finding was reported during 2016, the Town will not be able to make progress on this finding from Fiscal Year 2014 to Fiscal Year 2015.

**CRITERIA** - Segregation of certain specific accounting and administrative functions is needed to minimize concentration of internal controls and reduce the possibility of overriding of controls or misappropriation of funds.

**CAUSE** - Personnel and funding limitations have relegated the Town to consolidate some incompatible accounting and administrative functions.

**EFFECT** - The lack of proper segregation of duties is common in smaller governments that are forced to control personnel costs at the expense of improved internal control.

**RECOMMENDATION** - Although the Town has some compensating controls in place to reduce the effect of the lack of segregation of duties, we recommend the Council periodically evaluate whether its level of control is appropriate for the current situation. The Council should increase their visibility and involvement in the daily operations of the Town. so that the council members are more aware.

**MANAGEMENT RESPONSE AND PLANNED CORRECTIVE ACTION** - The Town will continually monitor the internal control environment and adjust policies and procedures when conflicts in internal control arise. Prior to August 2016, the Town's clerk/treasurer position is vacant, further exasperating the situation. The Town hired a new town clerk in August 2016 and is in training. The Mayor and Town Council members have committed to stepping up involvement in the daily operations of the Town to ensure internal controls will be maintained as best as possible given the budget constraints. There is no timeframe to resolve this inherent finding due to the financial condition of the Town.

**2013-002 - Late Submission of Audit Contract and Recommendation - Compliance (Repeated)**

**CONDITION** - Per 2.2.2.8(G)(6)(c) NMAC Audit Rule, the Town did not meet the deadline for submission of the audit contract and recommendation by the deadline for the fiscal year ending 2014. Because this finding was reported during 2016, the Town will not be able to make progress on this finding from Fiscal Year 2014 to Fiscal Year 2015.

**CRITERIA** - 2.2.2.8(G)(6)(c) NMAC Audit Rule requires that the audit contract and recommendation be submitted to the Office of the State Auditor by May 1st of each year.

**CAUSE** - The audit contracts and recommendation for Fiscal Years 2013, 2014 and 2015 were prepared on February 25, 2016 by Town personnel and received by the State Auditor's Office on February 29, 2016.

**EFFECT** - Late preparation of the audit contract and recommendation caused the submission to arrive late to the Office of the State Auditor.

**RECOMMENDATION** - We recommend management personnel prepare the audit contract and recommendation in April of each fiscal year to allow enough time to deliver to the Office of the State Auditor by the due date.

**MANAGEMENT RESPONSE AND PLANNED CORRECTIVE ACTION** - Due to ongoing issues with the audits, the audit contract submission has been chronically late. The Town has entered into an agreement with the IPA to prepare the fiscal years 2013, 2014, and 2015 under one contract agreement. The Town resolved this issue by timely submitting the audit contract recommendation for the 2016 fiscal year on and received approval by the Office of the State Auditor on June 7, 2016.

**STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
TOWN OF LAKE ARTHUR  
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RESPONSES  
JUNE 30, 2015**

**2013-004 - DFA Cash Report Does Not Reconcile to the Town's Cash - Material Weakness (Repeated)**

**CONDITION** - For the year ended June 30, 2015, the Town's cash did not tie to the report submitted to the Department of Finance and Administration. The Town's cash differed from the DFA report by \$3,632. Because this finding was reported during 2016, the Town will not be able to make progress on this finding from Fiscal Year 2014 to Fiscal Year 2015. The following funds were shown to be out of balance by the following:

	Financial Statements	DFA Report	Over (Under) Difference
<b>Governmental Funds:</b>			
General Fund	\$ 147,328	\$ 219,956	\$ (72,628)
Correction Fund	17,539	17,341	198
Fire Protection Fund	81,561	85,686	(4,125)
Law Enforcement Protection Fund	-	17,947	(17,947)
CDBG Account	74	-	74
<b>Enterprise Funds:</b>			
Water Fund	157,145	39,217	117,928
Solid Waste	-	16,362	(16,362)
Waste Water	-	3,873	(3,873)
Cemetery	-	7,266	(7,266)
Water Meter Deposits	<u>9,934</u>	<u>9,565</u>	<u>369</u>
Totals	<u>\$ 413,581</u>	<u>\$ 417,213</u>	<u>\$ (3,632)</u>

**CRITERIA** - Per Section 6-6-3 NMSA 1978, every local public body shall:

- Keep all the books, records and accounts in their respective offices in the form prescribed by the local government division;
- Make all reports as may be required by the local government division; and
- Conform to the rules and regulations adopted by the local government division.

**EFFECT** - The information reported to DFA is inaccurate and incomplete and could lead to inappropriate funding of the Town.

**CAUSE** - Town management is not ensuring that cash balances by fund or in total tie to the DFA report. Changes are possibly being made to the general ledger after the DFA report is prepared. Due to a lack of internal controls, management is unable to ensure that all available cash is being properly recorded on the general ledger and properly reported to the state agency. Lack of proper controls and accounting records in the pooling of cash method are also contributing to the issue.

**RECOMMENDATION** - We recommend the Town communicate with DFA regarding what the requirements are for reporting cash balances and ensure that cash balances reported to DFA tie to the trial balance.

**MANAGEMENT RESPONSE AND PLANNED CORRECTIVE ACTION** - The Mayor will review all reports being prepared for state agencies and compare to the supporting documentation as a control procedure being initiated. The finding is expected to be resolved with the preparation of the final DFA report for the fourth quarter of Fiscal Year 2016 prepared in July 2016.

**STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
TOWN OF LAKE ARTHUR  
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RESPONSES  
JUNE 30, 2015**

**2013-005 - Internal Control Deficiencies - Material Weakness (Repeated)**

**CONDITION** - The Town does not have a comprehensive documented internal control structure. We noted the following areas in which the Town does not have sufficient key internal controls in place. Because this finding was reported during 2016, the Town will not be able to make progress on this finding from Fiscal Year 2014 to Fiscal Year 2015.

- Material journal entries totaling approximately \$136,177 were required to adjust activity across all funds.
- Receipts and disbursements not being recorded in the proper fund or being cross-funded.
- On-behalf transactions (intercept funds) are not being recorded and not being reflected in the budget.

**CRITERIA** - *The Codification of Statements on Auditing Standards (SAS AU)* paragraph 110.03 states that the financial statements are management's responsibility. Management is responsible for adopting sound accounting policies, and for establishing and maintaining internal control that will, among other things, initiate, authorize, record, process, and report transactions (as well as events and conditions) consistent with management's assertions embodied in the financial statements.

**EFFECT** - Because the internal control structure is inadequate and not documented, management and staff are unsure about what procedures and processes to follow or what key controls are in place to properly safeguard assets. Adequate controls are not in place to prevent or detect intentional misstatements of accounting information.

**CAUSE** - For the fiscal year 2015, management did not have a documented policy in place to follow to ensure internal controls were in place and working properly.

**RECOMMENDATION** - The Town should begin periodic reviews of the financial statements and underlying activity provided by external sources by the Mayor and members of the Town Council to ensure the accounting records are complete and accurate.

**MANAGEMENT RESPONSE AND PLANNED CORRECTIVE ACTION** - After the discussion of the finding at the exit conferences on July 15, 2016 and September 13, 2016, the Mayor and Town Council immediately plan to be more actively involved in the daily operations of the Town, including taking over some compliance and administrative responsibilities currently handled by the Town Clerk position. Only when economic and financial conditions improve to the point of adding personnel to further mitigate the internal control deficiencies caused by the lack of segregation of duties can this finding be resolved. Due to the financial condition of the Town, there is not a definitive method available to provide a reasonably accurate timeline to resolve this inherent condition.



**STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
TOWN OF LAKE ARTHUR  
STATUS OF PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS  
JUNE 30, 2015**

<b>Finding</b>	<b>Status</b>
FS 2010-002 Trial Balance Not Provided	Resolved
FS 2010-003 No Annual Inventory of Capital Assets	Repeated
FS 2010-007 Late Report Submission	Repeated
FS 2011-002 Budget Compliance	Resolved
FS 2013-001 Segregation of Duties	Repeated
FS 2013-002 Late Submission of Audit Contract	Repeated
FS 2013-003 Procurement Violations	Resolved
FS 2013-004 DFA Cash Reports Not Reconciling to Town's Cash	Repeated
FS 2013-005 Internal Control Deficiencies	Repeated

**STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
TOWN OF LAKE ARTHUR  
EXIT CONFERENCE  
JUNE 30, 2015**

The contents of this report were discussed with the Town of Lake Arthur representatives on November 18, 2016. The following individuals were present for the conference:

**Town of Lake Arthur**

Ysidro Salazar, Mayor

**Scott Northam, CPA, PC**

Scott Northam, CPA

The financial statements of the Town of Lake Arthur were prepared by Scott Northam, CPA, PC from original books and records provided by and with assistance from the management of the Town.

Although standards strongly emphasize the Town prepare its own financial statements, the consensus between Town management and the auditor was that it would be more time and cost efficient for the auditor to prepare the financial statements and the related notes. Accordingly, the Town designated a competent management-level individual to oversee the auditor's services, make all management decisions and perform all management functions. The Town reviewed, approved, and accepted responsibility for the accompanying financial statements and related notes and supplementary schedules, and for ensuring that the underlying accounting records adequately support the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and that the records are current and in balance.