STATE OF NEW MEXICO Taos Soil and Water Conservation District

Financial Statements and Schedules With independent Auditor's Report Thereon

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2012

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State of New Mexico Taos Soil and Water Conservation District

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State of New Mexico Taos Soil and Water Conservation District

Official Roster

June 30, 2012

Position Board of Supervisors Chairperson Maureen Johnson Vice-Chairperson Stephen Trujillo Secretary/Treasurer Anthony Benson Supervisor Antonio Romero Supervisor Felix Santistevan Supervisor Mark Schuetz **Title District Personal** District Manager Peter Vigil

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Matthew Valerio

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Independent Auditor's Report

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New Mexico State Auditor
Santa Fe, New Mexico
And
Taos Soil and Water Conservation District
Board Members
P.O. Box 2787
Ranchos de Taos, New Mexico

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the major funds, and the respective budgetary comparison of the State of New Mexico Taos Soil and Water Conservation District (District) as of and for the year ended June 30,2012 which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the District's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, 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 of material misstatements. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinion, the basic financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the governmental activities, and the major funds of the District as of June 30, 2012 and the respective changes in the financial position thereof and the respective budgetary comparison for the general fund for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued a report dated November 01, 2012 on our consideration of the District's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, 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 the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

Management has omitted the MD&A which is required to be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such missing information, although not a part of the basic financial statements is required by GASB who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. Our opinion on the basic financial statements is not affected by this missing information.

Joseph M. Salazar CPA

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November 01, 2012



Exhibit 1

STATE OF NEW MEXICO TAOS SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS June 30,2012

	Governmental Activities
ASSETS	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,684,445
Cash on deposit with New Mexico Finance Authority	47,686
Property taxes receivable	21,524
Inventory	17,153
Total current assets	1,770,808
Non Current Assets	
Capital assets	509,280
less accumulated depreciation	(127,412)
Total capital assets net of depreciation	381,868
Total assets	\$2,152,676
LIABILITIES	
Liabilities	
Account payable	\$9,197
Accrued payroll	501
Compensated absences-current	886
Mortgage loan payable-current	35,716
Total current liabilities	46,300
Long term liabilities	
Mortgage loan payable	228,855
Total long term liabilities	228,855
Total liabilities	275,155
NET ASSETS	
Invested in capital assets-net of related debt	381,868
Restricted for mortgage loan payments	47,686
Unrestricted	1,447,967
Total net assets	1,877,521
Total liabilities and net assets	\$2,152,676

TAGS SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES For the Year Ended June 30, 2012

Post record European	Governmental Activities
Program Expenses	Activities
Conservation:	
Current	\$ 19,888
Acequia project-GIS	185,735
Acequia project	36,085
Administration	40,957
Animal damage	•
Bonding and insurance	14,142
Contract labor	170,262
Education and outreach	20,238
Fire prevention	17,433
Interest payments on loan	12,505
Invasive species	5,416
Personnel services	178,996
Range improvements	18,500
Special projects	12,527
Streambank protection	14,995
Supplies	6,364
Training	4,240
Travel and per diem	20,338
Utilities	7,476
Office and field equipment	1,084
Water program	1,212
Miscellaneous	1,251
Depreciation	8,100
Total expenses	797,744
Program Revenues	
Charges for services	8,301
Total program revenue	8,301
Net program (expenses)revenues	(789,443)
General revenues	0.004
NMDA allotment	8,394
Property taxes	932,796
Grants	12,232
Interest	14,758
Total general revenues	968,180
Change in net assets	178,737
Net Assets-Beginning of Year	1,688,206
Restatement	10,578
Restated net assets-beginning of year	1,698,784
Net Assets-End of Year	\$ 1,877,521

Exhibit 3

STATE OF NEW MEXICO TAOS SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS June 30,2012

ASSETS	General Fund	Debt Service Fund	Total Governmental Funds
Cash and cash equivalents Cash on deposit with New Mexico Finance Authority	\$ 1,684,445	\$ - 47,686	\$ 1,684,445 47,686
Property taxes receivable Inventory Total Assets	21,524 17,153 \$1,723,122	\$ 47,686	21,524 17,153 \$ 1,770,808
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	W 1,723,122	17,000	:
Liabilities Account payable Accrued payroll Total Current Liabilities	\$ 9,197 501 9,698	***	\$ 9,197 501 9,698
Fund balance			17,153
Nonspendable- inventory Restricted for mortgage loan payments Assigned for conservation project	17,153 - 819,308	47,686 -	47,686 819,308
Assigned for subsequent year's expenditures Unassigned Total fund balance	257,868 619,095 1,713,424	47,686	257,868 619,095 1,761,110
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$ 1,723,122	\$ 47,686	\$ 1,770,808

STATE OF NEW MEXICO TAOS SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT RECONCILIATION OF GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCE SHEET TO THE STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2012

Total fund balances for governmental funds Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net assets are different because:		
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds. These assets consist of:		
Capital assets 509,280		
Accumulated depreciation (127,412)		
Total capital assets	381,868	
Some liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds. Those liabilities consist of:		
Mortgage loan payable 264,571		
Compensated absences <u>886</u>		
Total liabilities	(265,457)	
Net Assets of Governmental Activities	\$1,877,521	

STATE OF NEW MEXICO TAOS SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT STATEMENT REVENUE, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES-GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

For the Year Ended June 30, 2012

	General Fund		Debt Service Fund	Gov	Total vernmental Funds
REVENUES	\$	8,301	\$ -	\$	8,301
State allocation	Φ	932,796	Ψ -	Ψ	932,796
Property taxes		12,232	_		12,232
Grants		14,595	163		14,758
Interest income		8,394	_		8,394
Reimbursements		976,318	163		976,481
Total Revenues		770,310	105		370,101
EXPENDITURES					
Conservation:					
Current					
Acequia project-GIS		19,888	-		19,888
Acequia project		185,735	-		185,735
Administration		36,085	-		36,085
Animal damage		40,957	-		40,957
Bonding and insurance		14,142	-		14,142
Contract labor		170,262	-		170,262
Education and outreach		20,238	-		20,238
Fire prevention		17,433	-		17,433
Loan payment					
Principal			35,244		35,244
Interest			6,614		6,614
Invasive species		5,416	-		5,416
Personnel services		183,646	-		183,646
Range improvements		18,500			18,500
Streambank protection		14,995	•		14,995
Special projects		12,527	*		12,527
Supplies		6,364			6,364
Training		4,240	-		4,240
Travel and per diem		20,338	-		20,338
Utilities		7,476	-		7,476
Office and field equipment		1,084	-		1,084
Water programs		1,212	-		1,212
Miscellaneous		1,251	-		1,251
Capital outlay					
Vehicle purchase		33,119			33,119
Total expenditures		814,908	41,858		856,766
•		161,410	(41,695	`	119,715
Excess(deficiency) of revenue over expenditures OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)		101,410	(11,075	,	117,7.10
Transfer to debt service fund		(41,858)	41,858		_
		(41,858)	41,858		•
Total other financing sources (Uses)		119,552	163		119,715
Net Changes in Fund Balances		1,593,872	36,945		1,630,817
Fund Balances-Beginning of Year		1, <i>373</i> ,0 <i>14</i> -	10,578		1,030,817
Restatement		- 1 502 970	47,523		1,641,395
Restated fund balance		1,593,872			
Fund Balance-End of Year	<u></u>	1,713,424	\$ 47,686		1,701,110

STATE OF NEW MEXICO TAOS SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT RECONCILIATION OF THE CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2012

Net change in fund balance – total governmental funds		\$ 119,715		
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities a different because:	re			
Capital outlays are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of capital assets is allocated over the estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. In the current period these amounts are:				
Capital outlay	33,119			
Depreciation expense	(8,100)			
Excess of capital outlay over depreciation expense		25,019		
Expenses recognized in the Statement of Activities.				
Not reported in governmental funds- decrease in compensated absences 4, 650				
Not reported in governmental funds -decrease in mortgage loan	29,353			
-		<u>34,003</u>		
Changes in Net Assets of Governmental Activities		<u>\$178,737</u>		

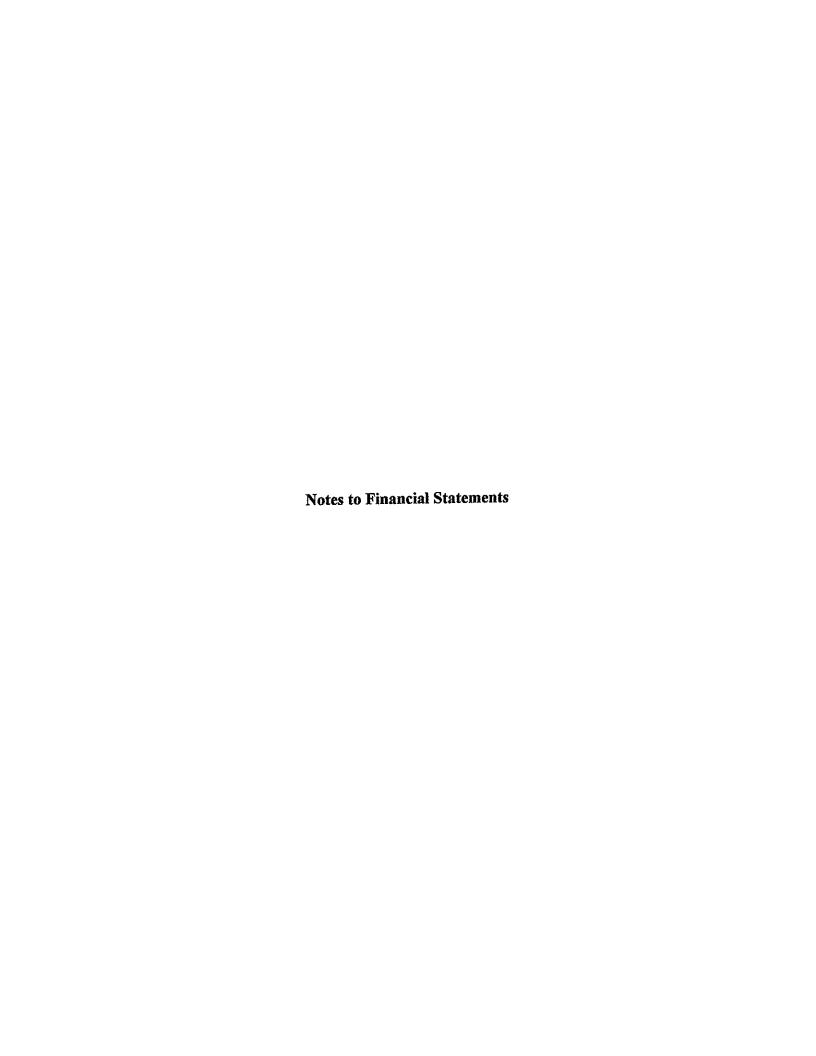
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Exhibit 7

TAOS SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT STATEMENT REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES- BUDGET AND ACTUAL (NON-GAAP BUDGETARY BASIS) GENERAL FUND

For Year Ended June 30, 2012

	GENERAL FUND							
	Budget Amounts		Actual		Variance with			
	<u>(</u>	Orginal		Final	<u>Ar</u>	<u>nounts</u>	<u>Fir</u>	nal Budget
REVENUES								
Property taxes	\$	819,600	\$	819,600	\$	938,539		\$118,939
State funds		18,000		18,000		20,626		2,626
Interest income		18,000		18,000		14,758		(3,242)
Income /reimbursements		5,500		5,500		8,301		2,801
Total Revenues		861,100		861,100	_\$	982,224		121,124
Cash balance budgeted		357,500		357,500	***************************************			
Total revenues and cash balance budgeted	\$	1,218,600	\$	1,218,600				
Expenditures								
Current								
Acequia project	\$	302,500	\$	302,500	\$	195,259	\$	107,241
Acequia GIS		15,000		20,000		19,888		112
Administration		44,800		47,050		43,763		3,287
Animal damage		44,000		44,000		40,817		3,183
Bonding and insurance		17,000		16,150		14,208		1,942
Contract labor		231,200		231,200		165,995		65,205
Education and outreach		24,500		28,500		20,238		8,262
Fire prevention		18,700		21,700		17,433		4,267
Loan payment		_		-		41,858		(41,858)
Water programs		2,800		2,800		1,212		1,588
Invasive species		4,200		5,200		5,416		(216)
Personnel services		206,500		206,500		189,637		16,863
Range improvements		35,000		35,000		18,500		16,500
Special projects		19,900		19,900		12,527		7,373
Streambank protection		23,700		23,700		14,995		8,705
Supplies		9,600		9,600		5,408		4,192
Training		4,200		5,700		4,240		1,460
Travel and per diem		26,400		26,400		19,550		6,850
Utilities		9,500		9,500		7,837		1,663
Office and field equipment		39,600		39,600		34,203		5,397
Other		200		1,300		1,251		49
Land and building		139,300		122,300				122,300
Total Expenditures	\$	1,218,600	\$	1,218,600	\$	874,235		\$344,365



(1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

A. Financial Reporting Entity

The Taos Soil and Water Conservation District (District) is organized under the provisions of the Soil and Water Conservation District Act (73-20-25 through 73-20-49 NMSA1978). The District is a governmental subdivision of the state, a public body corporate and politic, organized for control and prevention of flood, sediment, and soil erosion damage, and to further the conservation, development and beneficial use of water and soil resources. The governing body of the District consists of five elected supervisors four of whom must be landowners in the District. Two additional supervisors may be appointed to the District board. Supervisors serve a term of three years and continue in office until a successor is elected or appointed.

The financial reporting entity as defined by GASB 14 consists of the primary government, organizations of which the primary government is financially accountable and other organizations whose exclusion from the financial reporting entity would cause the financial statements to be misleading.

A primary government is any state government or general-purpose local government and the organization comprising its legal entity. Although the District is organized as a subdivision of the State and administrative attached to the New Mexico State University, Department of Agriculture, the statutory powers of the District establish it as a primary government with a separate corporate and legal identity. The District has no component units, financially dependent affiliates, or is it legally liable for actions of other agencies.

The financial statements of the District have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) as prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). To enhance the usefulness of the financial, the significant policies of the District are summarized below.

B. Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements (i.e. the statement of net assets) report information on all of the non fiduciary activities of the primary government. Governmental activities, which normally are supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business-type activities, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for support. However, the District does not have any fiduciary or business-type activities.

(1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function, or segment, are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. 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 such as sale of trees and pesticide 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 revenue.

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds.

C. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation

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. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenues as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose the government considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures are generally 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, if any, are recorded only when payment is due.

Property taxes and interest associated with the current fiscal year period are all considered to be susceptible to accrual and so have been recognized as revenues of the current period. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the government.

The District reports the following major governmental funds.

The general fund is the District's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

(1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Debt service fund was established to account for the proceeds in the amount of \$37,104 which is approximately 10% of the loan agreement amount held by the New Mexico Finance Authority (NMFA) in the District's loan agreement reserve account held by the Trustee under the indenture. Amounts held in the District's loan agreement reserve account may be applied to prevent deficiencies in the payment of principal and interest on the loan agreement resulting from a failure by the District to deposit with the New Mexico Finance Authority sufficient funds to pay debt service on the loan agreement. Also, At June 30, 2012 the District had \$10,582 in its debt service account with NMFA which is used to pay the principal and interest on its loan on a annual basis.

Private sector standards of accounting and financial reporting issued prior to December 1, 1989, generally are followed in the government-wide financial statements to the extent that those standards do not conflict with or contradict guidance of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board.

As a general rule, the effect of interfund activity, if applicable, has been eliminated from the government-wide financial statements

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.

D. Assets, Liabilities, Net Assets and Fund Balance

1. Cash and cash equivalents

The District's cash consists of demand deposits and a money market account.

2. Receivables

Receivables consist of \$21,524 for property taxes receivable. They are considered fully collectible. Property taxes attach an enforceable lien as of January 1. Taxes are payable in equal semi-annual installments on November 10 and April 10 of the subsequent year. The taxes become delinquent thirty days after the due date. The taxes are collected by the Taos County Treasurer and are remitted to the District in the month following collection.

3. Inventory

The District maintains an inventory of pipe and certain other items for resale. The value of the inventory at June 30, 2012 is \$17,153. All inventories are valued at cost using the first in/first out method. Inventories are recorded as expenditures when consumed rather then when purchased

Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include property and equipment (including software) are reported in the governmental activities column in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by per Section 12-6-10 NMSA 1978 as assets with an initial cost of \$5,000 and an estimated useful life of more than one year. The total amounts spent for construction, if any, are capitalized and reported in the government-wide financial statements. For donations, the government values these capital assets at the estimated fair value of the items at the date of acquisition. The cost of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value or extend the life of the asset are not capitalized. There is no infrastructure required to be reported pursuant to GASB statement no. 34.

Property and equipment of the District is depreciated using the straight line method over the following estimated useful lives.

Buildings	20 years
Vehicles	5 years
Software	5 years
Computer equipment	5 years

5. Payables

The District's accounts payable represent routine monthly bills for services rendered and products purchased and received in the current fiscal year but not paid for until after fiscal year end. Payables consist of \$501 for accrued payroll and \$9,197 for accounts payables to vendors.

6. Compensated Absences

It is the District's policy to permit employees to accumulate earned but unused vacation and sick pay benefits. All vacation pay and 25% of sick pay are accrued when incurred in the government-wide financial statements. According to District policy, an employee accrues 2-4 hours annual and sick leave, depending on employment duration, per two week pay period. Employees who separate from the District due to retirement and death are compensated for their total unused sick leave accumulations at the rate of 25%. Employees may not carry more than 104 hours forward from one calendar year to the next.

7. Net Assets and Fund Balance

The difference between the District's assets and liabilities is it net assets. The District's net assets consist of three components invested in capital assets, which is the cost of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, unrestricted net assets and restricted net assets-wherein the constrains are place on net assets use either by creditors (such as through dept covenants), grantors, contributors, laws or regulations of other governments or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Fund balance as reported in Exhibit 3 represents assets less liabilities of the governmental fund. The general fund reports reservations of fund balance for amounts that are not available for appropriation or are legally segregated for a specific use. Designations may be established to indicate tentative plans for resources utilization in a future period. The District currently has \$17,153 as nonexpendable for inventory and restricted for mortgage loan payments. The District also currently has an assigned fund balance for conservation projects of \$19,308, and assigned for subsequent year's expenditures of \$257,868 to balance the FY 13 budget.

II Stewardship, Compliance and Accountability

A. Budgetary Information

The budget is prepared on a basis that differs from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). GAAP basis revenues and expenditures include accrued amounts. The revenues and expenditures reported in the budgetary comparisons are generally recorded on the cash basis. The District uses the following procedures to establish the budgeted amounts reflected in the budgetary comparisons:

- 1. Prior to April, the Budget Committee submits to the District Board of Supervisors a proposed revenue and expenditure budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1.
- 2. The Board reviews the budget proposal and makes any necessary adjustments.
- 3. Prior to June 1, the Board approves the budget by passing a resolution.
- 4. Prior to June 20, the approved budget is submitted to the State of New Mexico, Department of Finance and Administration, Local Government Division (DFA-LGD) for approval by the first Monday of September. The Board receives notice of the approved budget.

The legal level at which actual expenditures may not exceed budgeted expenditures is at the total fund level. The Board can revise its budget with the approval of DFA-LGD. Encumbrance accounting is not utilized by the District.

B. Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis to GAAP Basis Financial Statements

	General <u>Fund</u>
Non-GAAP revenues (Exhibit 7) Prior year receivables Current year receivables GAAP revenues (Exhibit 5)	\$ 982,224 (27,267) <u>21,524</u> <u>\$976,481</u>
Non-GAPP expenditures (Exhibit 7) Prior year payables and accrued payroll Current year payables Mortgage loan payment Prior year inventory Current year inventory	\$874,235 (16,257) 9,698 6,243 (17,153)
GAAP expenditures (Exhibit 5)	<u>\$856,766</u>

III Detailed Notes on all Funds

A. Cash and cash equivalents

As of June 30, 2012, the District had a carrying amount of deposits of \$1,684,445. The bank balances for deposits were \$1,700,211. The difference between the carrying amount and the bank balance of deposits is due to outstanding checks of \$16,766. The total bank balance consisted of the following:

US Bank Demand deposits	<u>\$ 56,915</u>
FDIC coverage	<u>\$ 56,915</u>

The District accounts with US Bank were fully insured under the FDIC.

People Bank	
Demand deposit accounts	\$1,643,296
FDIC coverage	250,000
Amount uninsured	1,393,296
50% collateral requirement	696,648
Pledged securities at fair market value	1,080,887
Over (Under) Collateralized	<u>\$ 384,239</u>

The following securities were pledged as collateral for deposits with Peoples Bank held in the name of Peoples Bank with United Missouri Bank.

CUSIP# 31402QTH4 31394BAT1 31394JFL8 38377NC69 38377NC69 31396Q7H6	Maturity Date 01/01/2019 05/25/2019 01/15/2032 11/20/2038 11/20/2038 08/25/2047	Rate 5.0% 4.5% 5.5% 4.0% 4.0% 4.5%	Par Value \$ 192,113 515,715 19,075 142,656 33,287 133,329	Market Value \$ 208,160 531,289 19,364 149,895 34,975 137,204
Total			<u>\$ 1,036,175</u>	<u>\$ 1,080,887</u>

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank (or other custodial agent) failure, the District's deposits may not be returned to it. The District does not have a deposit policy for custodial credit risk. As of June 30, 2012, the District's cash balance of \$1,684,445 was exposed to custodial credit risk in the amount of \$312,409.

B. Capital Assets

Capital asset activity for the year ended June 30, 2012 was as follows:

Governmental Activities	Balance <u>6/30/11</u>	Additions	<u>Deletions</u>	Balance <u>6/30/11</u>
Cost Land Buildings Vehicles Software Computer equipment Total at historical cost	\$ 339,621 13,742 47,223 4,104 71,471 476,161	\$ - 33,119 - 33,119	\$ - - - -	\$339,621 13,742 80,342 4,104 <u>71,471</u> 509,280
Accumulated depreciation Building Vehicles Software Computer equipment Total accumulated depreciation Net capital assets	(6,644) (41,308) (4,073) <u>(67,287)</u> (119,312) \$356,849	(687) (4,839) (30) (2,544) (8,100) \$ 25,019	- - - - - - - - -	(7,331) (46,147) (4,103) (69,831) (127,412) \$ 381,868

Current year depreciation expense is \$ 8,100 charged to conservation function.

C. Operating Lease

The District leases office space from the County of Taos under an 18 year, cancelable lease expiring in March 30, 2020. The lease states that the compensation for the lease term shall be those amounts paid by the District from March 30, 1998 to March 30, 2002. The lease is renewable for another 18 years for payments of \$41,500.

D. Long-Term Debt

Changes in long term debt liabilities

Long term debt activity for the year ended June 30, 2012 was as follows:

	Balance 6/30/11	Increase	Decrease	Balance 6/30/12	Amount due within1 year
Mortgage Loan Compensated absences	\$293,924 <u>5,536</u>	- 10,246	29,353 14,896	\$264,571 886	\$35,716 <u>886</u>
Totals	<u>\$299,460</u>	<u>\$10,246</u>	<u>\$43,445</u>	<u>\$265,457</u>	<u>\$40,828</u>

The District's general fund is used to pay compensated absences and the mortgage loan.

E. <u>Use of Estimates</u>

Management uses estimate and assumptions in preparing the financial statements. Those estimates and assumptions affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities, and the reported revenue and expenses. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

F. Pension Plan - Public Employees Retirement Association

Plan Description. Substantially all of the Taos Soil and Water Conservation District's full-time employees participate in a public employee retirement system authorized under the Public Employees Retirement Act (Chapter 10, Article 11, NMSA 1978). The Public Employees Retirement Association (PERA) is the administrator of the plan, which is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit retirement plan. The plan provides for retirement benefits, disability benefits, survivor benefits and cost-of-living adjustments to plan members and beneficiaries. PERA issues a separate, publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the plan. That report may be obtained by writing to PERA, P.O. Box 2123, Santa Fe, NM 87504-2123. The report is also available on PERA's website at www.pera.state.nm.us.

Funding Policy. Plan members are required to contribute 7 % of their gross salary. The Taos Soil and Water Conservation District is required to contribute 7 % of the gross covered salary. The contribution requirements of plan members and the Taos Soil and Water Conservation District are established in State statute under Chapter 10, Article 11, NMSA 1978. The requirements may be amended by acts of the legislature. The Taos Soil and Water Conservation District's contributions to PERA for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2012, 2010 and 2009 were \$11,451, \$9,864, and \$9,736, respectively, which equal the amount of the required contributions for each fiscal year.

G. Risk Management

The Taos Soil and Water Conservation District is exposed to various risks of loss. The District carries insurance with various insurance companies. Coverage is provided for General Liability, Surety Bond, Property and Workers Compensation.

H. Mortgage Loan

In March of 2010, the District purchased approximately three acres of land. The District entered into a loan agreement with the New Mexico Finance Authority for \$369,399. The mortgage is for ten years maturing on April 2019. The interest rate is 2.358%. As of June 30, 2012 the balance on the mortgage loan was \$264,571. The annual debt service requirements for the mortgage loan at June 30, 2012 are as follows:

Year			
Ended	Principal	Interest	Total
2013	35,716	6,142	41,858
2014	36,236	5,622	41,858
2015	36,890	4,968	41,858
2016	37,539	4,319	41,858
2017	38,437	3,421	41,858
Thereafter	79,753	3.646	<u>83,399</u>
Total	\$264,571	\$28,118	<u>\$292,689</u>

I. Memorandum of Agreement

The District entered into a memorandum of agreement with New Mexico Association of Conservation Districts (NMACD) for the District to employee personnel to provide administrative and program assistance to NRCS for the USDA farm bill program. NMACD will provide the funding for the position and reimburse the District upon receipt of an invoice from the District. The maximum reimbursement to the District is \$13,609. The agreement commenced on October 1, 2011 and terminated on June 30, 2012. The District's recorded payroll expenditure and reduced the expenditures when the District was reimbursed by NMACD. During the fiscal year the District received and expended \$13,321. The revenue and expenditures are reported by NMACD.

J. Restatement

Restatement is due to correction of an error in prior year financial statements where payments that had been made to the New Mexico Finance Authority for the loan payment were in a debt service account and not applied to interest and principal of the loan in the amount of \$10,578.

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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

Mr. Hector H. Balderas
New Mexico State Auditor
Santa Fe, New Mexico
and
Ms. Maureen Johnson, Chair
and Members of the Board of Supervisors
Taos Soil and Water Conservation District
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Ranchos de Taos, New Mexico

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, major funds, and the respective budgetary comparison for the general fund of the State of New Mexico, Taos Soil and Water Conservation District (District) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2012 which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated November 01, 2012. We conducted 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.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

Management of the District is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting. In planning and performing our audit we considered the District's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing my auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control over financial reporting.

Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in the internal control over financial reporting that might be deficiencies, significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

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 material misstatement of the District's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis.

Compliance

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the District's financial statements are free of material misstatements, we perform tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants 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 no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under Government Auditing Standards.

This report is intended solely for the information and the use of the District's management, others within the District, the State Auditor, Department of Finance and Administration and the New Mexico Legislature and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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State of New Mexico Taos Soil and Water Conservation District Prior Year Audit Findings June 30, 2012

Condition

Current year status

10-1 Late Audit Report

Resolved

Financial Statement Preparation

The financial statements and notes to the financial statements were prepared by the independent certified public accountant performing the audit. Management is responsible for ensuring that the books and records adequately support the preparation of financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and that the records are current and in balance. Management has the knowledge and experience to prepare, review and approve financial statements. Management has reviewed and approved the financial statements, notes to the financial statements.

State of New Mexico Taos Soil and Water Conservation District Exit Conference June 30, 2012

The contents of this report were discussed at an exit conference on November 01, 2012. Those attending were as follows:

Maureen Johnson, District Chairwoman

Anthony Benson, District Secretary/Treasurer

Peter Vigil, District Manager

Charlotte Martinez, Administrative Assistant

Independent Auditor

Joseph M. Salazar CPA