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STATE OF NEW MEXICO
NORTHWEST NEW MEXICO COUNCIL
OF GOVERNMENTS
Audited Financial Statements
With Independent Auditors' Report
For the Year Ended June 30, 2011

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**STATE OF NEW MEXICO
NORTHWEST NEW MEXICO COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
OFFICIAL ROSTER
As of June 30, 2011**

DIRECTORS	POSITION	MEMBER GOVERNMENT/TITLE
Billy Moore	Chairman	McKinley County-At Large
Dr. Jim Henderson	1 ST Vice-Chair	San Juan County-Commissioner
Joe Murrietta	2 nd Vice-Chair	City of Grants-Mayor
Louie Bonaguidi	Board Treasurer	City of Gallup-At Large
Dr. Bill Hall	Immediate Past Chair	City of Farmington-Councilor Emeritus
Jeff Kiely	Board Secretary (<i>ex officio</i>)	Northwest NM Council of Governments
Modey Hicks	Member	City of Grants-Councilor
Scott Eckstein	Member	City of Bloomfield-Mayor
Tom Ortega	Member	Village of Milan-Mayor
Pat Simpson	Member	Cibola County Commissioner
Lloyd Felipe	Member	Cibola County Commissioner
Jim Crowley	Member	City of Aztec-Commissioner
Mike Enfield	Member	City of Gallup-Councilor
Allan Landavazo	Member	City of Gallup-Councilor
Genevieve Jackson	Member	McKinley County-Commissioner
Doug Decker	Member	McKinley County-Attorney

Administrative Officers

Jeff Kiely, Executive Director



INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Board of Directors
Jeff Kiely, Executive Director
Northwest New Mexico Council of Governments
Gallup, New Mexico
and
Mr. Hector Balderas, New Mexico State Auditor
Office of the State Auditor
Santa Fe, New Mexico

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the budgetary comparisons for the general fund and the major special revenue fund of the Northwest New Mexico Council of Governments (the Council) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2011, which collectively comprise the Council's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Council'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 *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 of material misstatement. 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.

As discussed in Note 1, the financial statements of the Council are intended to present the financial position and the changes in financial position of each major fund of the State of New Mexico that is attributable to the transactions of the Council. They do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of the entire State of New Mexico as of June 30, 2011 the changes in its financial position for the year ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and each major fund of the Council, as of June 30, 2011, and the respective changes in financial position and the respective budgetary comparisons for the general fund and the major special revenue fund for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

As described in Note 1 to the financial statements, the Council implemented Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 54, *Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions*.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated November 17, 2011 on our consideration of the Council'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 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.

The management's discussion and analysis on pages 4 through 8 are not a required part of the basic financial statements but are supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the basic financial statements and individual fund financial statements. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by U.S. Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*, and is not a required part of the financial statements. The additional schedules listed as "supplementary information" in the table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.



Hinkle + Landers, P.C.
November 17, 2011

**NORTHWEST NEW MEXICO COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION & ANALYSIS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011**

This Management's Discussion & Analysis (MD&A) statement is provided pursuant to the requirements of Statement 34 of the Government Accounting Standards Board (GASB-34). The MD&A introduces the basic financial statements and provides an analytical overview of the organization's financial activities.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Government-Wide – Net Assets

- The Council's net assets decreased 7% in FY2010 and another 12% in FY2011 (down about \$98,000), as a result of Fiscal Year 2011 operations, for total net assets of \$692,000.

Government Funds – Fund Balance

- Council revenues increased 0.9% (about \$7,000) in FY2010 but decreased 14% (about \$113,000) in FY2011, for a total of \$704,000.
- Council expenditures increased 2% (about \$18,000) in FY2010, but decreased 12% (about \$103,000) in FY2011, for total FY2011 expenditures of \$745,452.
- Net change in fund balance was -7% (about \$31,000) in FY2010, and another -11% (down about \$41,000) in FY2011, resulting in final net balance of about \$347,000.

THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The annual audit report consists of a series of financial statements. The *Statement of Net Asset* and the *Statement of Activities* provide information about the activities of the Council as a whole and portray how the organization's governmental activities were financed, as well as, what remains for future spending. *Fund Financial Statements* report the Council's operations in more detail per each of the Council's most financially significant funds.

Reporting the Council as a Whole: Statement of Net Assets and Statement of Activities

These two summary statements assist in answering the question, "Is the Council better or worse off financially?" The statements report changes in the Council's net assets, i.e., the difference between assets and liabilities, as a way of measuring the Council's financial health or financial position.

The Council's net assets decreased by 12%, or about \$98,000. **Investment in capital assets** decreased by nearly 8%, or about -\$33,000, while the level of **unrestricted net assets** decreased by 118%, or about \$68,000. The changes in net assets are summarized in Tables 1 and 2.

**NORTHWEST NEW MEXICO COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION & ANALYSIS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011**

TABLE 1: Net Assets				
		<u>FY2010</u>	<u>FY2011</u>	<u>Change</u>
Cash and Receivables	\$	433,275	380,943	(52,332)
Net Capital Assets		<u>416,383</u>	<u>383,821</u>	(32,562)
Total Assets	\$	<u><u>849,657</u></u>	<u><u>764,763</u></u>	(84,894)
Total Liabilities	\$	<u>59,303</u>	<u>72,684</u>	13,381
Net Assets:				
Investment in Capital Assets		416,383	383,821	(32,562)
Restricted for Special Projects		316,581	319,215	2,634
Unrestricted Net Assets		<u>57,390</u>	<u>(10,957)</u>	(68,347)
Total Net Assets		<u><u>790,354</u></u>	<u><u>692,079</u></u>	(98,275)
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$	<u><u>849,657</u></u>	<u><u>764,763</u></u>	(84,894)

As shown in Table 2, *Changes in Net Assets*, the Council's annual revenues decreased by 14% (from \$817,000 to \$704,000), while annual expenses decreased by 9%, or about \$76,000 (from \$878,000 to \$802,000).

TABLE 2: Changes in Net Assets				
		<u>FY2010</u>	<u>Governmental Activities</u> <u>FY2011</u>	<u>Change</u>
REVENUES				
<u>Program Revenues:</u>				
Grants & Contributions	\$	472,797	461,649	(11,148)
<u>General Revenues:</u>				
Grants and Contributions		319,750	216,000	(103,750)
Interest Income		6,034	4,408	(1,626)
Miscellaneous Income		<u>18,917</u>	<u>21,951</u>	<u>3,034</u>
Subtotal, General Revenues		<u>344,701</u>	<u>242,359</u>	<u>(102,342)</u>
Total Revenues		<u><u>817,498</u></u>	<u><u>704,008</u></u>	<u><u>(113,490)</u></u>
PROGRAM EXPENSES				
Regional Community Development		<u>878,508</u>	<u>802,283</u>	<u>(76,225)</u>
CHANGES IN NET ASSETS		<u>(61,010)</u>	<u>(98,275)</u>	<u>(37,265)</u>
Net Assets, Beginning of Year		<u>851,364</u>	<u>790,354</u>	<u>(61,010)</u>
Net Assets, End of Year	\$	<u><u>790,354</u></u>	<u><u>692,079</u></u>	<u><u>(98,275)</u></u>

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION & ANALYSIS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011**

Financial Analysis of Balances and Transactions: Fund Financial Statements

Total assets organization-wide decreased by 12%, or about \$98,000.

- **Cash and cash equivalents** organization-wide decreased by 47%, or about \$26,000 (from \$56,294 to \$29,810).

Total liabilities organization-wide decreased by 23%, or \$11,507.

Total Expenditures decreased organization-wide by 12%, or about \$103,000.

Reporting the Council's Most Significant Funds

The audit report's fund-by-fund statements begin at page 11 and provide detailed information about the Council's most significant individual funds. These funds are established by the Council's management and Board to help control, manage, monitor and report funds being used for particular purposes, for example regional transportation planning, and/or to document how the Council is meeting legal responsibilities in using certain grants and other funds from external funding sources, such as the Economic Development Administration (an agency of the US Department of Commerce). Under the Council's Caselle accounting package, revenues from multiple funding sources were consolidated within one fund, i.e., the General Fund, while the other primary fund was the Enterprise Loan Fund.

For audit purposes, the money available to support the Council's basic services is referred to as "Governmental Funds." These funds are reported using modified accrual accounting, which measures cash and all other financial assets that can readily be converted to cash. The governmental fund statements provide a detailed short-term view of the Council's general operations and basic services. The relationship (or differences) between governmental activities (as reported in the Statement of Net Assets and Statement of Activities) and governmental funds are reflected in a reconciliation at the bottom of the fund financial statements.

The Council's program revenues and spending by Fund are summarized in Table 3.

TABLE 3. Summary of Revenues & Expenditures by Fund								
Fund No.	Fund Source / Name	Revenues in FY2011	Expenditures in FY2011	Excess (deficiency) Revenues over Expenditures	Other financing sources (uses) & Transfers	Fund Balance Beginning of Year	Fund Balance End of Year	Percentage Change in Fund Balance
01	General Fund	\$ 698,572	742,650	(44,078)	-	72,357	28,279	-61%
02	Enterprise Loan Fund	5,436	2,802	2,634	-	316,581	319,125	10%
TOTALS		\$ 704,008	745,452	(41,444)	-	388,938	347,404	11%

Federal funding (grants and contracts) accounted for 31% of Council funding (about the same as for FY10), while membership fees from participating local governments accounted for 31% of total Council's budget (about 9% less than FY10). About two thirds of Council's funding was attributable to short-term special grants and contracts an (increase of about 50% from FY10).

**NORTHWEST NEW MEXICO COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION & ANALYSIS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011**

GENERAL FUND BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

As compared with the fiscal year's original budget, the Council's Final Budget reflected a 22% decrease in revenues (from \$926,000 to \$723,000), and likewise, a 23% decrease in expenditures (from \$977,097 to \$750,341). This was largely due to a slower drawdown than anticipated on multi-year grant funds for consultant contracts.

CAPITAL ASSET AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Capital Asset Activity

Capital assets, net of depreciation, decreased 8% in FY2011. The Council had no significant additions or deletions during the year.

Long-term Debt Activity

The Council does have any long-term debt; however the Council accrued a total of \$39,235 in compensated absences as of year-end.

FINANCIAL FORECAST

As anticipated at the end of FY2010, the Council experienced a significant drop (a 33% decrease) in membership dues in FY2011. This was largely due to recessionary impacts on local government budgets, particularly in the hard-hit San Juan County area. For FY2012, indications are that annual membership dues will rebound by about 20%.

Revenue sources that can be considered moderately stable, classified for Council management purposes as "base budget" sources, include:

- An annual State Appropriation from the State Legislature, administered by the Local Government Division, identified as grant-in-aid funding for regional planning councils. This grant was subject to subject to rescissions impacting State budget line items, but remained relatively robust at about \$95,000, with a similar level projected for FY2012.
- An annual grant from the US Department of Commerce, Economic Development Administration, administered under three-year grant agreements with funding renewed annually at \$60,000 per year, requiring a 25% grantee match. The existing three-year agreement in place has a start-date of January 1, 2009 and is set to run through December 31, 2011. Annual renewal is assumed, within the agreement, but may be subject to certain factors, including (a) Congressional reauthorization of and appropriations to the Economic Development Administration, (b) EDA site reviews, and (c) Council performance pursuant to the Government Performance Results Act (GPRA) as reported annually.
- An annual contract with the New Mexico Department of Transportation for management of the "Northwest Regional Planning Organization" (NWRPO), now administered under five-year grant agreements with funding renewed annually at \$65,160, requiring a 17.1% match (or 14.6% of "total project" inclusive of match). This contract may be subject to the substantial budgetary stresses involved in transportation funding at both the State and Federal levels, but to date there have been no negative impacts on the NWRPO budget.

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION & ANALYSIS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011**

In FY2010, several short-term special grants and contracts were closed out, with a reduction in such funding reflected in the FY2011 budget. New contractual opportunities were realized for FY2012, and the Council will need to be alert to changes, challenges and opportunities in the funding environment in the coming year

The Council's annual budget can be characterized as stabilizing in FY2011, with significant assistance by Council members McKinley County and the City of Gallup, and boosted by the \$1 million, 3 year grant from the US Environmental Protection Agency.

Initiatives to be pursued in FY2011 include the following:

- Contracts with local governments for legislative appropriations and planning grants under the Community Development Block Grant program administered by the State Department of Finance and Administration (DFA) under annual funding from the US Department of Housing and Urban Development;
- Specialized and supplemental technical assistance to local governments and other public entities in the field of planning, organizational development and funding;
- Continued research into funding opportunities for which the Council would be eligible;
- Continued management of short-term grants and contracts under the Council's "Center for Regional Innovation," which can serve as an implementation avenue for various initiatives while at the same time diversifying funding into the Council; and
- Continued evaluation of the feasibility and benefit of forming a nonprofit corporation as a partner to the Council, with the ability to attract and utilize resources from foundations and other private sources, as an adjunct to the Council's core work program and with the potential for increasing revenue flow into the Council budget over time.

REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

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**STATE OF NEW MEXICO
NORTHWEST NEW MEXICO COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
(GOVERNMENT-WIDE)
STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS
As of June 30, 2011**

		Governmental Activities
ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	29,810
Prepaid expense		450
Receivables, net of allowance		29,420
Cash restricted for loan programs		222,127
Loans receivable, net of allowances		99,136
Capital assets, net of depreciation		383,821
Total assets		<u><u>764,763</u></u>
LIABILITIES		
Current liabilities		
Accounts payable		15,563
Accrued payroll liabilities		11,215
Compensated absences & other liabilities		14,539
Deferred revenue		6,671
Total current liabilities		<u>47,988</u>
Noncurrent liabilities		
Compensated absences & other liabilities - long-term portion		<u>24,696</u>
Total noncurrent liabilities		<u>24,696</u>
Total liabilities		<u><u>72,684</u></u>
NET ASSETS (DEFICITS)		
Invested in capital assets		383,821
Restricted for economic development programs		319,215
Unrestricted net assets		<u>(10,957)</u>
Total net assets		<u>692,079</u>
Total liabilities and net assets	\$	<u><u>764,763</u></u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
NORTHWEST NEW MEXICO COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
(GOVERNMENT-WIDE)
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
For The Year Ended June 30, 2011

Functions/Programs	Expenses	Operating Grants and Contributions	Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Assets for Governmental Activities
Governmental activities:			
Regional Community Development	\$ (802,283)	461,649	(340,634)
General revenues			
Membership dues			216,000
Interest income			4,408
Miscellaneous income			21,951
Total general revenue			242,359
Change in net assets			(98,275)
Net assets, beginning of year			790,354
Net assets, end of year			\$ 692,079

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO
NORTHWEST NEW MEXICO COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
As of June 30, 2011

	Major Funds		Total Governmental Funds
	General Fund	Enterprise Loan Fund	
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 29,810	-	29,810
Receivables	29,420	-	29,420
Cash restricted for loan programs	-	222,127	222,127
Loans receivable, net of allowance	-	99,136	99,136
Prepaid expenses	450	-	450
Due from other funds	2,048	-	2,048
Total assets	61,728	321,263	382,991
LIABILITIES			
Accounts payable	15,563	-	15,563
Accrued payroll liabilities	11,215	-	11,215
Deferred revenue	6,671	-	6,671
Due to other funds	-	2,048	2,048
Total liabilities	33,449	2,048	35,497
FUND BALANCES			
Nonspendable: Prepaid	450	-	450
Restricted: Economic development	-	319,215	319,215
Unassigned	27,829	-	27,829
Total fund balance	28,279	319,215	347,494
Total liabilities and fund balance	\$ 61,728	321,263	382,991
Total fund balance — Governmental funds		\$	347,494
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Assets are different because:			
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not current financial resources, and therefore, are not reported in the Governmental Funds Balance Sheet			383,821
Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period, and therefore, are not reported in the funds:			
Compensated absences			(27,016)
Federal tax liability			(12,219)
Total net assets — Government-wide		\$	692,079

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO
NORTHWEST NEW MEXICO COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
For The Year Ended June 30, 2011

	<u>Major Funds</u>		<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Enterprise Loan Fund</u>	
Revenues			
Contracts and grants	\$ 246,810	-	246,810
Federal revenues	214,839	-	214,839
Membership dues	216,000	-	216,000
Interest income	16	4,392	4,408
Miscellaneous income	20,907	1,044	21,951
Total revenues	<u>698,572</u>	<u>5,436</u>	<u>704,008</u>
Expenditures			
Current			
General government	742,650	2,802	745,452
Capital outlay	-	-	-
Total expenditures	<u>742,650</u>	<u>2,802</u>	<u>745,452</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>(44,078)</u>	<u>2,634</u>	<u>(41,444)</u>
Net change in fund balances	(44,078)	2,634	(41,444)
Fund balance, beginning of year	<u>72,357</u>	<u>316,581</u>	<u>388,938</u>
Fund balance, end of year	<u>\$ 28,279</u>	<u>319,215</u>	<u>347,494</u>

Net change in fund balances - Total Governmental Funds \$ (41,444)

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Assets are different because:

Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures, whereas, governmental activities report depreciation expense to allocate those expenditures over the estimated useful lives of the assets. This is the amount by which capital outlays exceed depreciation expense during the current period.

Capital outlay expenditures (additions) which were capitalized	3,424
Depreciation expense	(35,985)

Expenses reported in the Statement of Activities that do not require the use of current financial resources are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds:

(Increase) decrease in compensated absences	(12,050)
(Increase) decrease in federal tax liability	<u>(12,219)</u>

Change in net assets of governmental activities \$ (98,275)

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO
NORTHWEST NEW MEXICO COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
GENERAL FUND - MAJOR FUND
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
BUDGET AND ACTUAL (MODIFIED ACCRUAL)
For The Year Ended June 30, 2011

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
Revenues				
Contracts and grants	\$ 725,404	503,863	461,649	(42,214)
Membership dues	194,000	216,000	216,000	-
Interest	1,500	16	16	-
Miscellaneous income	4,800	3,400	20,907	17,507
Total revenues	925,704	723,279	698,572	(24,707)
Expenditures				
Current:				
General governmental	977,097	750,341	742,650	7,691
Capital outlay	-	-	-	-
Total general governmental	977,097	750,341	742,650	7,691
Excess (deficiency) of revenues (under) over expenditures	(51,393)	(27,062)	(44,078)	(17,016)
Fund balance, beginning of year	72,357	72,357	72,357	-
Fund balance, end of year	\$ 20,964	45,295	28,279	(17,016)

The accompanying notes are integral to these financial statements

**STATE OF NEW MEXICO
NORTHWEST NEW MEXICO COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
SPECIAL REVENUE FUND - MAJOR FUND
ENTERPRISE LOAN FUND
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
BUDGET AND ACTUAL (MODIFIED ACCRUAL)
For The Year Ended June 30, 2011**

	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)</u>
Revenues				
Contracts and grants	\$ -	-	-	-
Interest income	1,500	2,750	4,392	1,642
Miscellaneous	-	50	1,044	994
Total revenues	<u>1,500</u>	<u>2,800</u>	<u>5,436</u>	<u>2,636</u>
Expenditures				
Current:	-	-	-	-
General governmental	-	-	-	-
Operating	1,500	2,802	2,802	-
Bad debt expense	-	-	-	-
Capital outlay	-	-	-	-
Total general governmental	<u>1,500</u>	<u>2,802</u>	<u>2,802</u>	<u>-</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues (under) over expenditures	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,634</u>	<u>2,634</u>
Fund balance, beginning of year	<u>316,581</u>	<u>316,581</u>	<u>316,581</u>	<u>-</u>
Fund balance, end of year	<u>\$ 316,581</u>	<u>316,581</u>	<u>319,215</u>	<u>2,634</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements

NORTHWEST NEW MEXICO COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
NOTES TO AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
For The Year Ended June 30, 2011

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Description of Entity

The Northwest New Mexico Council of Governments (Council) was established in 1968 pursuant to New Mexico State Law and Executive Order to serve as State Planning District I, initially serving local governments in McKinley County and subsequently adding local governments in Cibola and San Juan Counties. In fiscal year ended June 30, 2011, the Council was composed of ten units of local government, including:

- Cibola, McKinley and San Juan Counties,
- The incorporated communities of Gallup, Grants, Farmington, Milan, Aztec and Bloomfield, and
- NWNM Regional Solid Waste Authority.

Funding comes from each member government, as well as, many public and private funding sources.

The basic activities are as follows:

- (1) Obtain grants, contracts and other sources of funds for local governments and various agencies and entities;
- (2) Disseminate information regarding federal programs and the establishment of new programs;
- (3) Provide technical assistance to members in the developing, financing and implementing local programs and projects;
- (4) Serve as a liaison and facilitator of communications between and among local members and other public and private agencies;
- (5) Sponsor workshops, seminars and forums on local and regional issues, as well as on public and private programs available for members;
- (6) Develop regional plans and initiatives for addressing local and regional needs, such as in the areas of water, community development, housing transportation, energy and economic development;
- (7) Serve as a Federally-designated economic development district.

Basis of Presentation – Fund Accounting

The accounting system is organized and operated on a fund basis. A “fund” is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts, which are segregated for the purpose of carrying out specific activities or attaining certain objectives in accordance with special regulations, restrictions or limitations.

Basis of Accounting

Government-Wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities) are prepared using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. This is the same approach used in preparation of proprietary fund financial statements, but differs from the manner in which governmental fund financial statements are prepared. Therefore, governmental fund financial statements include reconciliations with brief

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explanations to better identify the relationship between the government-wide statements and the governmental fund statements. The government-wide focus is more on the sustainability of the Council as an entity and the change in aggregate financial position resulting from the activities of the period. Neither fiduciary funds nor component units that are fiduciary in nature are included in the government-wide financial statements.

For its government-wide activities, the Council has elected to apply all applicable Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) pronouncements as well as any applicable pronouncements of the Financial Accounting Standards Board, the Accounting Principles or any Accounting Research Bulletins issued on or before November 30, 1989 unless those pronouncements conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements. The GASB periodically updates its codification of the existing Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards which, along with subsequent GASB pronouncements (Statements and Interpretations), constitutes GAAP for governmental units.

Net Assets Restricted by Enabling Legislation – Government-Wide

Net assets in the government-wide financial statements are reported as *restricted* when constraints placed on net assets use is either externally imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. Legal enforceability means that a government can be compelled by an external party—such as citizens, public interest groups, or the judiciary—to use resources created by enabling legislation only for the purposes specified by the legislation. Generally, the enforceability of an enabling legislation restriction is determined by professional judgment, which may be based on actions such as analyzing the legislation to determine if it meets the qualifying criteria for enabling legislation, reviewing determinations made for similar legislation of the government or other governments, or obtaining the opinion of legal counsel. However, enforceability cannot ultimately be proven unless tested through the judicial process, which may never occur. The determination of legal enforceability should be based on the underlying facts and circumstances surrounding each individual restriction. The determination that a particular restriction is not legally enforceable may lead a government to reevaluate the legal enforceability of similar enabling legislation restrictions, but should not necessarily lead a government to conclude that all enabling legislation restrictions are unenforceable.

Other components of Net Assets include:

Invested in capital assets — represents the cost of capital assets netted with accumulated depreciation and any outstanding balance of debt, excluding unspent proceeds, that is directly attributable to acquisition, construction or improvement of these capital assets; and **Unrestricted net assets** — represents all other net assets that do not meet the definition of “restricted” or “invested in capital assets.”

Fund Financial Statements

Fund financial statements report detailed information about the Council. The focus of governmental fund financial statements is on major funds rather than reporting funds by type. Each major fund is presented in a separate column and all of the Council’s governmental funds are considered major.

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The governmental fund statements are presented on a current financial resource and modified accrual basis of accounting. Under this basis, revenues are recognized in the accounting period in which they become measurable and available. Expenditures are recognized in the accounting period in which the fund liability is incurred, if measurable. This presentation is deemed appropriate to (a) demonstrate legal compliance, (b) demonstrate the source and use of liquid resources, and (c) demonstrate how the Council's actual experience conforms to the budget plan.

Revenue Recognition

In applying the "susceptible to accrual concept" under the modified accrual basis, revenue is recognized when it is deemed both measurable and available (i.e., collectible within the current year or within 60 days of year-end, and available to pay obligations of the current period). Reimbursements from state and federally funded projects are accrued as revenue at the time the expenditures are made. If funds are received in advance, the revenue is deferred until expenditures are made.

Expenditure Recognition

The measurement focus of governmental fund accounting is based on decreases in net financial resources (expenditures) rather than expenses. Most expenditures are measurable and are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred. However, principal and interest on general long-term debt, as well as, other long-term liabilities (e.g. accrued leave) are recognized when paid. Expenditures charged to federal programs are recorded utilizing the cost principles prescribed by the various funding sources.

GASB Statement 54

In February 2009, the GASB issued Statement No. 54 *Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions* (GASB 54). This statement enhances the usefulness of fund balance information by providing clearer fund balance classifications that can be more consistently applied. GASB 54 also clarifies governmental fund type definitions.

The fund balance amounts for governmental funds included in this report have been reclassified in accordance with GASB 54. As a result, in the governmental fund financial statements, fund balances previously reported as reserved and unreserved are now reported according to a hierarchy of classifications established in GASB 54, which are based on the extent to which the Council is bound to honor constraints on the specific purpose for which amounts in that fund can be spent.

GASB 54 fund balance classifications include:

Nonspendable — amounts cannot be spent because they are either (1) not in spendable form or (2) legally or contractually required to be maintained intact;

Restricted — amounts constrained to specific purposes that are externally imposed or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation;

Committed — amounts can only be used for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal action of the highest level of decision-making authority (Board of Directors);

Assigned — constrained by the Council's intent to be used for specific purpose; and

Unassigned — the residual classification for remaining amounts after all other classifications have been considered.

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Capital Assets and Depreciation

The Council capitalizes expenditures over \$5,000. Capital assets are valued at historical cost or estimated historical cost if actual historical cost is not available. Donated capital assets are valued at their estimated fair market value on the date they are donated, and when construction is financed, interest during construction is capitalized. The Council has no debt relating to capital assets.

Although depreciation is not funded, it must be considered in order to properly reflect the results of operations and the replacement of the equipment and furniture. Depreciation of capital assets is computed and recorded by the straight-line method. Estimated useful lives of the various classes of depreciable capital assets are as follows:

	Estimated Useful Life (in years)
Leasehold improvements	Life of the lease
Furniture and equipment	5
Vehicles	5

Budgets

An annual operating budget is prepared by the Council staff for the general and special revenue funds after the New Mexico Department of Finance and Administration notifies the Council's Board of Directors of the amount of state grants-in-aid available to be allocated. The Council must obtain non-federal matching funds or services, or both, from local governments or private sources at least equal to the amount of the state grant-in-aid. The governing board of the Council certifies that the budget adopted is consistent with the expenditure of state and local funds under the Planning District Act.

The adopted budget is then presented to the Department of Finance and Administration for approval. The Department of Finance and Administration exercises budget control at the fund level and at the expenditure level of general government operations and capital outlay. The budgets of all individual funds may not be legally over-expended. Subsequent budget adjustments must be approved by the governing board of the Council but are not required to be approved by the Department of Finance and Administration. The president or treasurer of the Council's Board of Directors certifies from time to time that the matching funds from local or private sources are on deposit in the Council's own account before quarterly payment of state grant-in-aid is made.

Any state funds unexpended on June 30th each year revert to the state's General Fund and, if any state funds have been used for any purpose not within the purposes of the Planning District Act, the amount shall be reimbursed to the state. The Council has received no funds from the state's General Fund.

The Council records and maintains the budget on the modified accrual basis, and therefore, a reconciliation of the budget financial statements to the fund financial statements is not necessary.

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Spending Policy

When an expenditure/expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted resources are available, it is the Council's policy to use restricted resources first. When expenditures/expenses are incurred for purposes for which unrestricted (committed, assigned, and unassigned) resources are available, and amounts in any of these unrestricted classifications could be used, it is the Council's policy to spend committed resources first.

Indirect Cost

The Council does not have a negotiated Indirect Cost Rate with federal grantors. Expenditures not directly attributable to specific programs are allocated monthly among all funds based upon the budgeted expenditures for each fund as a percentage of total budgeted expenditures.

Interfund Receivable and Payables – Due To/Due From

During the course of operations, numerous transactions occur between individual funds that may result in amounts owed between funds, and those related to goods and services type transactions are classified as "due to and from other funds." Short-term interfund loans are reported as "interfund receivables and payables," and these amounts are presented at the net amounts for each fund. Interfund receivables and payables between funds within governmental activities are eliminated in the Statement of Net Assets.

Use of Estimates

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

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents consist of short-term highly liquid investments, which are readily convertible into cash within ninety (90) days of purchase.

Encumbrances

Encumbrances are not used by this entity.

Program Revenues

Program revenues are made up of fees received from members of the Council and grants and contracts that have been used to meet the operational or capital requirements of a particular program.

2. KEY PROGRAMS OF THE COUNCIL

The General Fund is the general operating fund of the Council and it is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund. The General Fund is always considered a major fund.

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Key programs included in the General Fund during fiscal year 2011 include the following:

EDA: CEDS – A multi-year grant from Economic Development Administration to establish and to maintain a Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) process including:

- Coordinating economic development planning with other economic development entities,
- Notifying the Southwestern Regional Office of any plant closures or significant downsizing disaster designations, base realignments or closures, or any other sudden and sever economic dislocation within the district,
- Providing staff support to develop and monitor projects that will increase economic opportunities within the district, and
- Providing technical assistance as appropriate to member agencies

Bureau of Reclamation (BOR) – An open-ended cooperative agreement entered into with the Western Colorado Area Office of the Bureau of Reclamation, US Department of the Interior, to provide periodic funding allocations in support of the Council's function as chair of the inter-agency steering committee for the Navajo/Gallup Water Supply Project (NGWSP). NGWSP is a proposed 3/4-billion-dollar project currently included in bills in the US Congress as part of the settlement of Navajo Nation water rights in the San Juan River. NGWSP is designed to deliver long-term sustainable water supply from the San Juan River southward, to arid regions of the eastern portion of the Navajo Reservation, to the southwestern area of the Jicarilla Apache Reservation, and to the City of Gallup.

LGD: Grant-in-Aid – The Council utilizes state-appropriated Grant-in-Aid funds, in combination with other funds, to support planning and technical assistance activities in the following areas: program management, CDBG, ICIP, legislative relations, capital outlay, rural support, water planning, technical assistance and regional planning.

Regional Planning Organization (RPO) – A multi-year grant from the New Mexico Department of Transportation (NMDOT), renewed annually, to provide staffing services in support of regional transportation planning under the auspices of the Northwest Regional Planning Organization (NWRPO), including coordination of the NWRPO Technical Committee representing the region's local governments, networking with transportation partners within the region and the state, staffing of the NWRPO Policy Committee, and annual submission to-NMDOT of regional recommendations for project inclusion in the State Transportation Improvement plan (STIP).

CFED – A contract with the Corporation for Enterprise Development to provide technical assistance to support the development of Children's Savings Account with the State of New Mexico; A project funded by the W.K.Kellog Foundation and managed by CFED.

GLP: EECP – An Intergovernmental Agreement to provide the technical assistance, planning and management services in connection with Gallup's Energy Efficiency and Conservation Program.

MILAN: Multi-Purpose Contract (MPC) – A contract with the Village of Milan to provide Planning Services on the behalf of the Village as well as other entities throughout the Northwest Region with the specific knowledge and intent of this construction grant.

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Adventure Gallup & Beyond – A contract with Adventure Gallup & Beyond, a 501(c)4, to provide sustainability planning services and fundraising for this organization.

RDC: Research – An Intergovernmental Agreement in which the Consultant will provide the Board of Directors of the Council of Governments with a study and plan for the mid-term solvency and long-term sustainability of the regional planning and development mission embodied in the COG organization.

MILAN:CDBG-C – An intergovernmental services agreement with the Village of Milan to manage and administer CDBG construction funding including reporting and compliance work.

McK:DOE EECEBG – An intergovernmental services agreement with the McKinley County to provide oversight and manage the County's Energy Efficiency program. Funding provided by US Department of Energy's "Energy Efficiency & Conservation Block Grant" program through ARRA.

McK:Indirect Cost Rate – An intergovernmental services agreement with the McKinley County to investigate, research, and recommend the County's application to the Federal government for an indirect cost rate.

McK:DOE EECEBG II – An intergovernmental services agreement with the McKinley County to hire and manage an energy efficiency coordinator (Green Horizons, Inc). Funding provided by US Department of Energy's "Energy Efficiency & Conservation Block Grant" program through ARRA.

The key programs of the Council are organized by funds, each of which, for internal record-keeping purposes, is considered a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund (program) are accounted for with a unique set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenue and expenditures.

Special Revenue Funds are used to account for the proceeds from specific revenues sources that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes. The Board of Directors authorizes the establishment of Special Revenue Funds. The Enterprise Loan Fund (ELF) is a Special Revenue Fund active in the fiscal year ended June 30, 2011. The Council has designated the Enterprise Loan Fund as a major fund.

Enterprise Loan Fund (ELF): The ELF is a revolving loan fund consisting of two loan programs: the Economic Development Administration Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) and the Four Corners Sustainable Forests Partnership Revolving Loan Fund Grant of the United States Department of Agriculture (FSLF). The activities of the ELF enable the Council to provide community small business owners financial assistance for further development of business activities. These loans are used to supplement, not to duplicate or to replace, private lending and equity resources.

RLF – The RLF program is an ongoing revolving loan fund originally co-capitalized by matching grants from the Economic Development Administration (EDA) of the US Department of Commerce and the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program administered by the Local Government Division of the New Mexico Department of Finance and Administration.

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FSLF — This agreement was entered into by and between the Council and the Northwest New Mexico Community Development Corporation in 2008 to transfer responsibility and administration of the FSLF to the Council. The agreement included the transfer of the existing loan portfolio and other loan assets.

3. CASH BALANCES

In accordance with Section 6-10-17, NMSA, 1978 Compilation, deposits of public money are required to be collateralized. Pledged collateral is required in amounts in an aggregated equal to one half of the amount of public money in each account. Securities, which are obligations of the United States, State of New Mexico, its agencies, institutions, counties, municipalities or other subdivisions are accepted as security at market value. No security is required for the deposit of public money that is insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), or the National Credit Union Administration.

Deposits (cash or cash equivalents) are carried at cost, which approximates market value. FDIC advisory opinion 94-24 states that public funds are entitled to \$100,000 insurance for time or savings deposits (including bank money market accounts) and \$100,000 for demand deposits deposited within the state in compliance with 12 CFR Subsection 330.15. The US Congress has temporarily increased FDIC deposit insurance from \$100,000 to \$250,000 per depositor for demand deposits and savings accounts. Deposit insurance coverage for public unit accounts will vary until January 1, 2013. For the period from December 31, 2010 through December 31, 2012 accounts held by an official custodian for a government unit is insured as follows: up to \$250,000 for the combined total of all time and savings deposits, and unlimited coverage for noninterest-bearing transactions (demand deposit) accounts.

For more information, visit www.fdic.gov.

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the Council's deposits may not be returned to it. The Council's deposit policy is to collateralize one half of the uninsured public money in each account. As of June 30, 2011, the Council's bank balance of \$283,393 was exposed to custodial risk as follows:

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The Council's bank balances were collateralized in compliance with the State of New Mexico's state statute as follows:

Pinnacle Bank				
Account	Type	Rate	Bank Balance	Book Balance
Savings Account	Savings		\$ 10,637	10,638
Enterprise Loan Fund-Sequestered	Savings		95,439	95,439
			106,076	
Less: FDIC coverage			(250,000)	
Uninsured balance			\$ -	
Operating Account	Demand Deposit*		50,629	19,173
Enterprise Loan Fund	Demand Deposit*		64,372	64,372
Forest Service Loan Fund	Demand Deposit*		62,316	62,316
* FDIC unlimited coverage			\$ 177,317	
				Security
				Interest
				Rate
Security Description				
Corona, NM Cusip #219762AQ4				
maturing 10/01/12, market value to be used			\$ 75,000	4.50%
Over collateralized			\$ 75,000	

Pledged collateral is held in the bank's name at Pinnacle Bank in Gallup, NM.

4. RECEIVABLES

Receivables in the amount of \$29,420 represent account and grant receivables due to the General Fund as of June 30, 2011. No allowance was considered necessary as management considers receivables fully collectible.

5. LOANS RECEIVABLE

Loans receivable in the special revenue fund as of June 30, 2011 consist of five loans made through the RLF loan program for business and job creation in the tri-county region of Cibola County, San Juan County, and McKinley County.

	Enterprise Loan Fund
Loans receivable	\$ 202,792
Less allowance	(103,656)
Loans receivable - net	\$ 99,136

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Allowances

The allowance for uncollectible interest receivables at June 30, 2011 is \$7,552, and the allowance for uncollectible loans is \$103,656

6. ACCRUED LIABILITIES

Accrued liabilities consist of the following as of June 30:

	2011
Accrued salaries	\$ 6,942
Accrued payroll taxes and related payroll deductions	4,273
	\$ 11,215

7. COMPENSATED ABSENCES AND OTHER LONG TERM LIABILITIES

Accrued Benefits

Employees are paid for annual leave and absences due to sickness by a prescribed formula based on length of service. Annual leave benefits anticipated to be liquidated with expendable available resources are accrued and reported as liabilities in the government-wide financial statements. These liabilities are allocated to the General Fund and the special revenue fund based on indirect cost formulas. No more than 240 hours of annual leave may be carried over from a previous fiscal year. Upon termination for whatever reason, the employee shall be paid for any unused annual leave at the employee's then-current rate of pay. Sick leave benefits are not accrued but rather expensed in the General Fund as they are paid.

Regular employees may carry over a maximum of 480 hours sick leave from a previous fiscal year. Upon retirement or termination, all unused accrued sick leave shall be forfeited, except that, employees participating and vested in the PERA retirement program and with not less than five years of employment with the Council, shall be entitled to compensation for unused sick leave hours up to but not exceeding 480 hours, at a rate equal to thirty-three percent of hourly rate of pay.

Other Liabilities

The Council entered into a settlement with the US Department of Treasury, Internal Revenue Service, in fiscal year 2011 resulting in a total charge of \$12,219, payable over two years. A summary of changes in long-term liabilities for the year ended June 30, 2011 is as follows:

	2010	Additions	Deletions	2011	Amount due within one year
Annual leave	\$ 14,966	20,953	(8,903)	27,016	7,339
Federal tax liability	-	12,219	-	12,219	7,200
	\$ 14,966	33,172	(8,903)	39,235	14,539

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8. RESTRICTED NET ASSETS

Restricted net assets as of June 30, 2011 include \$319,215 which is restricted for economic development activity (i.e. loan programs). This amount includes \$99,136 notes receivable and \$220,079 cash. The restrictions are the result of agreements with the granting organizations.

9. MEMBERSHIP DUES

Membership dues consist of annual assessments of member organizations. Membership dues are determined by a formula established by the Council based on membership level.

10. LEASE COMMITMENTS

Office Leases

The Council leases office facilities from McKinley County and San Juan County. The lease agreement with McKinley County, which was initiated July 1, 2005, is for 20 years at \$1.00 a year.

This lease is accounted for as an operating lease and future minimum payments under this lease are \$1.00 a year for the next five years. The lease agreement with San Juan County expires December 31, 2011.

Equipment Leases

In August 2008, the Council entered into a lease agreement for office equipment. The lease is accounted for as an operating lease and future minimum payments are as follows:

For the Year Ended June 30		
2012	\$	5,763
2013		3,842
Thereafter		-
Total	\$	9,605

Total lease expense for the year ended June 30, 2011 was \$7,863. All leases may be terminated at any time with sixty days notice if the New Mexico Legislature does not grant sufficient appropriation for the lease or if the Council decides that termination is necessary to protect the best interests of the State of New Mexico.

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11. CAPITAL ASSETS AND DEPRECIATION

A summary of changes in capital assets for the year ended June 30 follows:

	<u>2010</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	<u>2011</u>
General Fund				
Leasehold improvements	\$ 478,087	-	-	478,087
Furniture & fixtures	51,831	3,424	-	55,255
Vehicles	35,264	-	-	35,264
Enterprise Loan Fund				
Furniture and equipment	4,178	-	-	4,178
Total capital assets	<u>569,360</u>	<u>3,424</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>572,784</u>
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
General Fund				
Leasehold improvements	(85,076)	(24,426)	-	(109,502)
Furniture & fixtures	(36,026)	(8,066)	-	(44,092)
Vehicles	(27,697)	(3,493)	-	(31,190)
Enterprise Loan Fund				
Furniture and equipment	(4,178)	-	-	(4,178)
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>(152,977)</u>	<u>(35,985)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(188,962)</u>
Total net capital assets	<u>\$ 416,383</u>	<u>(35,985)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>383,821</u>

There were no deletions of capital assets during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2011, and the addition of \$3,424 represents a software upgrade that was capitalized as part of the Council's current software. Depreciation expense of \$35,985 was allocated to the Regional Community Development function in the Government-wide Statement of Activities, which is the Council's only governmental activity function.

12. PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION (PERA) PLAN

Plan Description

Most of the Council'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 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 9.15% of their gross salary. The Council is required to contribute 9.15% of the gross covered salary. The contribution requirements of plan members and the Council are established under Chapter 10, Article 11 NMSA 1978. The requirements may be amended by acts of the Legislature. The Council's contributions to PERA for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2011, 2010 and 2009 were \$28,097, \$39,775 and \$34,165 respectively, which equal to the amount of the required contributions per year.

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13. POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

The Council has chosen not to participate in the retiree health care service that it is eligible for under the Retiree Health Care Act (Chapter 10, Article 7C NMSA 1978).

14. RISK MANAGEMENT

The Council is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts, theft of, damage to and destruction of assets, errors and omissions and natural disasters for which the Council carries commercial insurance. Settled claims have not exceeded this commercial coverage in the past year. Liabilities are reported when it is probable that a loss has occurred and the amount of the loss can be reasonably estimated. As of June 30, 2011, the Council did not have any probable risk of loss.

15. INTERFUND TRANSACTIONS AND BALANCES

Interfund receivables and payables are amounts due from and to other funds of the Council, and all amounts are expected to be paid within one year or less. As of June 30, 2011, \$2,048 was due to the General Fund from the Enterprise Loan Fund for reimbursement purposes. There were no interfund transfers for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2011.

16. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The by-laws of Council require the composition of the Board of Directors to represent member governments. As a result, many members of the Board of Directors are employed by, or serve in an elected capacity for, member governments. Due to the nature of the Council, Board members have a significant interest in the Council's transactions related to the furnishing of services to their respective governments. Total membership dues paid by the member governments to the Council for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2011 was \$216,000.

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**STATE OF NEW MEXICO
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SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
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<u>Federal Grantor/Program Title</u>	<u>Federal CFDA Number</u>	<u>Identifying Grant #</u>	<u>Federal Expenditures</u>
<u>Indirect Programs</u>			
U.S. Department of Transportation passed through New Mexico State Highway and Transportation Department Regional Planning Organization	20.505	P60001/TPO7500(903)	\$ 65,160
<u>Direct Programs:</u>			
U.S. Department of Commerce Economic Development Administration (EDA) Economic Development Support for Planning Organizations	11.302	08-83-04544	60,000
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ARRA - Brownfields Assessment	66.818	2B-96694701-1	86,201
U.S. Department of the Interior Bureau of Reclamation Navajo-Gallup Water Supply	15.000	04-FC-40-2244	3,478
Federal loan and loan guarantees:			
U.S. Department of Commerce Economic Development Administration (EDA) Enterprise Loan Fund	11.307*	08-39-03046	
			Loans receivable as of 06/30/11 99,136
			Loan fund cash balance 159,811
			Administrative expense 2,802
			<u>261,749</u>
U.S. Department of Agriculture Forest Service Loan Fund	10.000		
			Loan fund cash balance 62,316
			<u>62,316</u>
Total federal awards expended			\$ <u>538,904</u>

***Major Program**

Note 1. Basis for Presentation

The accompanying schedule of federal awards is presented on the budgetary modified accrual basis of accounting. The information in this schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of OMB Circular A-133, Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations.

Note 2. Except as noted above, the organization did not receive any non-cash federal assistance, federal loan or loan guarantees, or federal insurance benefits during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2011.

Note 3. Reconciliation of Federal Awards Expended to Federal Revenue

Federal awards expended per schedule	\$ 538,904
Less: Loan programs	(324,065)
Federal award revenue per financial statements	<u>\$ 214,839</u>

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 SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL, DEFICIENCY, SPECIFIC AND CAPITAL OUTLAY APPROPRIATIONS
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Description	SHARE Identifier #	Original Appropriation	Appropriation Period	Expend- itures To Date	Out- standing Encumb- rances	Unencumb- ered Balances
Special, Deficiency, Specific and Capital Outlay Appropriations						
Grant-in-aid - Planning District Act, Section 4-58-4	N/A	99,214	07/01/10-06/30/11	(99,214)	-	-
Total Special, Deficiency, Specific and Capital Outlay Appropriations		<u>99,214</u>		<u>(99,214)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>



**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***

Board of Directors
Jeff Kiely, Executive Director
Northwest New Mexico Council of Governments
Gallup, New Mexico
and
Mr. Hector Balderas, New Mexico State Auditor
Office of the State Auditor
Santa Fe, New Mexico

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the budgetary comparisons of the general fund and major special revenue funds of the Northwest New Mexico Council of Governments (the Council) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2011, and have issued our report thereon dated November 17, 2011. 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

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Council's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our 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 Council's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Council's internal control over financial reporting.

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.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in 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.

November 17 2011

REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS, continued

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Council's financial statements are free of 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 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 use of management, the Council's governing body, the State Auditor, the New Mexico Legislature, and applicable federal grantors, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.



Hinkle + Landers, PC
November 17, 2011



**REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS THAT COULD HAVE A
DIRECT AND MATERIAL EFFECT ON EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND ON
INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH OMB
CIRCULAR A-133**

Board of Directors
Jeff Kiely, Executive Director
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Compliance

We have audited the compliance of the Northwest New Mexico Council of Governments (the Council) with the types of compliance requirements described in the *U. S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement* that are applicable to each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2011. The Council's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. Compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to each of its major federal programs is the responsibility of the Council's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Council's compliance based on our audit.

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and *OMB Circular A-133, Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*. Those standards and *OMB Circular A-133* require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the Council's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of the Council's compliance with those requirements.

In our opinion, the Council, complied, in all material respects, with the requirements referred to above that are applicable to each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2011.

Internal Control Over Compliance

The management of the Council is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to federal programs. In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Council's internal control over compliance with the requirements that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on compliance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Council's internal control over compliance.

A deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. A material weakness in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis.

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

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, the Council's governing body, the State Auditor, the New Mexico Legislature, and applicable federal grantors, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.



Hinkle + Landers, PC
November 17, 2011

**STATE OF NEW MEXICO
NORTHWEST NEW MEXICO COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
For The Year Ended June 30, 2011**

SECTION I – SUMMARY OF AUDITORS’ RESULTS

Financial Statements

1. Type of auditors’ report issued Unqualified

Internal control over financial reporting:

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| 1. Material weakness(es) identified | No |
| 2. Significant deficienc(ies) identified | No |
| 3. Noncompliance material to financial statements noted: | No |

Federal Awards

Internal control over major programs:

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| 1. Material weakness(es) identified | No |
| 2. Significant deficienc(ies) identified | No |

Type of auditor’s report issued on compliance for major programs Unqualified

Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be
Reported in accordance with section 510(a) of
Circular A-133? No

Identification of major programs:

CFDA Numbers Funding Source	Name of Federal Programs	Funding Source
11.307	Enterprise Loan Fund	US Department of Commerce, Economic Development Administration

Dollar threshold used to distinguish between
Type A and Type B programs \$300,000

Auditee qualified as low-risk Auditee Yes

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NORTHWEST NEW MEXICO COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
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PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS: NONE

CURRENT YEAR FINDINGS: NONE

**STATE OF NEW MEXICO
NORTHWEST NEW MEXICO COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
EXIT CONFERENCE
For The Year Ended June 30, 2011**

An exit conference was held on November 17, 2011. Present at the exit conference were:

Billy W. Moore	Chairman, NWNMCOG Board of Directors McKinley County - Commissioner
Jeff Kiely	NWNMCOG - Executive Director
Dr. William Hall	Immediate Past Board Chairman
Dr. Jim Henderson	1st Vice-Chair
Joe Murrietta, Mayor	2nd Vice-Chair
Louie Bonaguidi	Board Treasurer
Karla Newberry	Budget Committee - McKinley
Teresa Mecale	NWNMCOG - Finance Manager
Farley Vener, CPA, CFE	Independent auditor, Hinkle + Landers, PC

PREPARATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The accompanying financial statements of the Council have been prepared by Hinkle + Landers, P.C., the organization's independent public auditors, however, the financial statements are the responsibility of management.