State of New Mexico

Southwest New Mexico Council of Governments FINANCIAL STATEMENTS WITH INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT THEREON

For The Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2014

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Southwest New Mexico Council of Governments Directory of Officials June 30, 2014

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Hector H. Balderas, State Auditor
And
Board of Directors
Southwest New Mexico Council of Governments
Silver City, New Mexico

Report on Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund and the budgetary comparisons for the general fund and major special revenue funds of the Southwest New Mexico Council of Governments, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2014, and the related notes to the financial statements which collectively comprise the Southwest New Mexico Council of Governments' basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Auditor's Responsibility

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 from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion.

An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Opinions

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 Southwest New Mexico Council of Governments as of June 30, 2014, and the respective changes in financial position and the respective budgetary comparisons for the general fund and major special revenue funds for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Management has omitted management's discussion and analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require to be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such missing information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board 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.

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the Southwest New Mexico Council of Governments' financial statements that collectively comprise the Council's basic financial statements. The schedules presented as other supplemental data as listed in the table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The other supplemental data is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the other supplemental data is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

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In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated December 4, 2014, on our consideration of the Southwest New Mexico Council of Governments' internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreement and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards in considering the Southwest New Mexico Council of Governments' internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Silver City, New Mexico

December 4, 2014

Stone, McGee & Co. Centified Public Accountants

Southwest New Mexico Council of Governments ${\bf STATEMENT\ OF\ NET\ POSITION}$

June 30, 2014

ASSETS		Governmental Activities		
Current assets: Cash and cash equivalents Due from other governments Accounts receivable	\$	68,882 30,320		
Total current assets		99,202		
Noncurrent assets: Capital assets, net	_\$	28,851		
Total noncurrent assets	_\$	28,851		
Total assets	\$	128,053		
LIABILITIES				
Current liabilities: Accounts payable Accrued payroll	\$	10,691		
Total current liabilities	\$	10,691		
Noncurrent liabilities: Compensated absences		6,118		
Total liabilities	\$	16,809		
NET POSITION				
Net investment in capital assets Restricted for: Other purposes Unrestricted	\$	28,851 12,551 69,842		
Total net position	\$	111,244		

Southwest New Mexico Council of Governments STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2014

		Program	Revenues	
		Charges	Operating	
		for	Grants and	
	Expenses	Services	Contributions	
Functions/Programs				
Governmental activites:				
General government	\$ 300,685	\$ 69,745	\$ 190,394	
Health and welfare	5,318		5,325	
Highways and streets	77,587		65,313	
Total governmental activities	\$ 383,590	\$ 69,745	\$ 261,032	

General revenues: Earnings on investments Miscellaneous

Total general revenues

Change in net position

Net position-beginning

Net position-ending

Capita Grants a Contribut	ınd	an <u>d Chang</u> Gov	penses) Revenue les in Net Position ernmental activities
\$	-	\$	(40,546) 7
			(12,274)
\$		\$	(52,813)
		\$	27 335
		\$	362
		\$	(52,451)
			163,695
		\$	111,244

Southwest New Mexico Council of Governments BALANCE SHEETS GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

	General Fund		State Appropriation		Economic Development Administration	
Assets						
Cash and cash equivalents Due from other governments	\$	55,057	\$	-	\$	13,544
Accounts receivable Interfund receivable		58,471				
Total assets	\$	113,528	\$	-	\$	13,544
Liabilities						
Accounts payable Interfund payable	\$	-	\$	382 7,943	\$	2,861 36,517
Total liabilities	\$	<u>-</u>	\$	8,325	\$	39,378
Fund balance: Restricted:						
Highways and streets Health and Welfare	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Unassigned		113,528		(8,325)		(25,834)
Total fund balances	\$	113,528	\$	(8,325)	\$	(25,834)
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$	113,528	\$	<u>-</u>	\$	13,544

utreach rogram	New Mexico Department of Transportation		Statewide CEDS		Job Fair		Total ernmental Funds
\$ 2,125	\$	- 21,243	\$ - 6,952	\$	281	\$	68,882 30,320
\$ 2,125	\$	21,243	\$ 6,952	\$	281	\$	58,471 157,673
\$ 84 5,731	\$	412 8,280	\$ 6,952	\$	-	\$	10,691 58,471
\$ 5,815	\$	8,692	\$ 6,952	\$	<u>-</u>	\$	69,162
\$ (3,690)	\$	12,551	\$ -	\$	281	\$	12,551 281 75,679
\$ (3,690)	\$	12,551	\$ -	\$	281	\$	88,511
\$ 2,125	\$	21,243	\$ 6,952	\$	281	\$	157,673

RECONCILIATION OF TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCE TO NET POSITION OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES

June 30, 2014

Total governmental fund balances	\$ 88,511
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:	
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds.	28,851
Other long-term assets are not available to pay for current- period expenditures and therefore are deferred in the funds: Intergovernmental grants subject to the 60 day availability period	
Long-term liabilities, including bonds payable, compensated absences, lease- purchases payable and accrued interest payable are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds:	
Compensated absences payable	 (6,118)
Net Position of Governmental Activities	\$ 111,244

Southwest New Mexico Council of Governments STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2014

	Gen	eral Fund	App	State propriation	Dev	conomic velopment inistration
Revenues: Charges for services	\$	28,587	\$	30,444	\$	10,714
State sources	Ψ	18,000	ψ	95,743	ψ	10,714
Federal sources		-,		,-		60,000
Miscellaneous		27				
Total revenues	\$	46,614	\$	126,187	\$	70,714
Expenditures:						
Current:						
General government	\$	40,899	\$	135,403	\$	94,518
Health and welfare Highways and streets						
Capital outlay		26,427				
Capital daviay		20,121				
Total expenditures	\$	67,326	\$	135,403	\$	94,518
Revenues over (under) expenditures	\$	(20,712)	\$	(9,216)	\$	(23,804)
Other financing sources (uses):						
Transfer in				45,633		21,197
Transfer out		(51,830)		(36,250)		
Net change in fund balance	\$	(72,542)	\$	167	\$	(2,607)
Fund balance, July 1, 2013		186,070		(8,492)		(23,227)
Fund balance, June 30, 2014	\$	113,528	\$	(8,325)	\$	(25,834)

Outreach Program		w Mexico artment of asportation					Statewide CEDS			
\$ 5,325	\$	65,313	\$	16,651	\$	- 335_	\$	69,745 119,068 141,964 362		
\$ 5,325	\$	65,313	\$	16,651	\$	335	\$	331,139		
\$ 5,318	\$	77,587	\$	16,651	\$	54	\$	287,525 5,318 77,587 26,427		
\$ 5,318	\$	77,587	\$	16,651	\$	54	\$	396,857		
\$ 7	\$	(12,274)	\$	-	\$	281	\$	(65,718)		
		21,250						88,080 (88,080)		
\$ 7	\$	8,976	\$	-	\$	281	\$	(65,718)		
 (3,697)		3,575						154,229		
\$ (3,690)	\$	12,551	\$	_	\$	281	\$	88,511		

Southwest New Mexico Council of Governments RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

June 30, 2014

Net change in fund balances total governmental funds	\$ (65,718)
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:	
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the Statement of Activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their	
estimated useful lives as depreciation expense: Capital outlay	26,427
Depreciation expense	(14,374)
Revenues in the Statement of Activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the funds. This is the net change during the year: Integovernmental grants subject to the 60 day availability period	
Governmental funds only report the disposal of assets to the extent proceeds are received from the sale. In the Statement of Activities, a gain or loss is reported for each disposal. This is the basis in the assets disposed of.	
Some expense reported in the Statement of Activities, such as compensated absences, do not require the use of current financial resources and therefore are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds. This is the net change in compensated absences for the year.	 1,214
Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities	\$ (52,451)

GENERAL FUND

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES-BUDGET AND ACTUAL

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2014

	Original Budget		Final Budget		Actual		Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	
Revenues: Charges for services Intergovernmental Miscellaneous	\$	30,247 18,000 19,794	\$	30,247 18,000 19,794	\$	28,587 18,000 27	\$	(1,660) - (19,767)
Total revenues	\$	68,041	\$	68,041	\$	46,614	\$	(21,427)
Expenditures: Current: General government Health and welfare Capital outlay	\$	56,678	\$	56,678	\$	40,899 26,427	\$	15,779 - (26,427)
Total expenditures	\$	56,678	\$	56,678	\$	67,326	\$	(10,648)
Revenues over (under) expenditures	\$	11,363	\$	11,363	\$	(20,712)	\$	(32,075)
Other financing sources (uses): Transfers out		(51,830)		(51,830)		(51,830)		
Net change in fund balance	\$	(40,467)	\$	(40,467)	\$	(72,542)	\$	(32,075)
Fund balance, July 1, 2013		40,467		40,467		186,070		145,603
Fund balance, June 30, 2014	\$		\$		\$	113,528	\$	113,528

STATE APPROPRIATION STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES-BUDGET AND ACTUAL

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2014

	Original Budget			Final Budget		Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	
Revenues:								
Charges for services	\$	30,444	\$	30,444	\$	30,444	\$	-
Intergovernmental		95,743		95,743		95,743		
Total revenues	\$	126,187	\$	126,187	\$	126,187	\$	
Expenditures: Current:								
General government	\$	135,570	\$	135,570	\$	135,403	\$	167
Capital outlay	Ψ		Ψ		τ		Ψ	-
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Total expenditures	\$	135,570	\$	135,570	\$	135,403	\$	167
Revenues over (under) expenditures	\$	(9,383)	\$	(9,383)	\$	(9,216)	\$	167
Other financing sources (uses):								
Tranfers in		45,633		45,633		45,633		-
Transfers (out)		(36,250)		(36,250)		(36,250)		-
		_						
Net change in fund balance	\$	-	\$	-	\$	167	\$	167
Fund balance, July 1, 2013		-				(8,492)		(8,492)
Fund balance, June 30, 2014	\$	-	\$		\$	(8,325)	\$	(8,325)

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES-BUDGET AND ACTUAL

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2014

	Original Budget	 Final Budget	Actual	Fa	ariance avorable favorable)
Revenues: Charges for services Intergovernmental	\$ 10,715 60,000	\$ 10,715 60,000	\$ 10,714 60,000	\$	(1)
Total revenues	\$ 70,715	\$ 70,715	\$ 70,714	\$	(1)
Expenditures: Current: General government Capital outlay	\$ 91,912	\$ 91,912	\$ 94,518	\$	(2,606)
Total expenditures	\$ 91,912	\$ 91,912	\$ 94,518	\$	(2,606)
Revenues over (under) expenditures	\$ (21,197)	\$ (21,197)	\$ (23,804)	\$	(2,607)
Other financing sources (uses): Transfers in	21,197	21,197	21,197		<u>-</u>
Net change in fund balance	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (2,607)	\$	(2,607)
Fund balance, July 1, 2013	 		(23,227)		(23,227)
Fund balance, June 30, 2014	\$ 	\$ 	\$ (25,834)	\$	(25,834)

NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES-BUDGET AND ACTUAL

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2014

Original Budget				Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	
\$ 85,000	\$	85,000	\$	65,313	\$	(19,687)
						-
\$ 85,000	\$	85,000	\$	65,313	\$	(19,687)
\$ 77,899	\$	77,899	\$	77,587	\$	312
						-
\$ 77,899	\$	77,899	\$	77,587	\$	312
\$ 7,101	\$	7,101	\$	(12,274)	\$	(19,375)
21,250		21,250		21,250		-
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\$ 28,351	\$	28,351	\$	8,976	\$	(19,375)
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				3,575		3,575
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\$ 28,351	\$	28,351	\$	12,551	\$	(15,800)
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Southwest Council of Governments OUTREACH PROGRAM STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES-BUDGET AND ACTUAL

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2014

	Original Budget		Final Budget	 Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	
Revenues:	\ <u>-</u>		 			
Intergovernmental Miscellaneous	\$	8,000	\$ 8,000	\$ 5,325	\$	(2,675)
Total revenues	\$	8,000	\$ 8,000	\$ 5,325	\$	(2,675)
Expenditures: Current:						
Health and welfare Capital outlay	\$	5,325	\$ 5,325	\$ 5,318	\$	7
Total expenditures	\$	5,325	\$ 5,325	\$ 5,318	\$	7
Revenues over (under) expenditures	\$	2,675	\$ 2,675	\$ 7	\$	(2,668)
Other financing sources (uses): Transfers in (out)			 	 		
Net change in fund balance	\$	2,675	\$ 2,675	\$ 7	\$	(2,668)
Fund balance, July 1, 2013				(3,697)		(3,697)
Fund balance, June 30, 2014	\$	2,675	\$ 2,675	\$ (3,690)	\$	(6,365)

Southwest Council of Governments STATEWIDE CEDS-EDA STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES-BUDGET AND ACTUAL

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2014

	Origir Budg		Final Budget	1	Actual	Vari Favo (Unfav	rable
Revenues:			 				
Intergovernmental Miscellaneous	\$		\$ 16,651	\$	16,651	\$	- -
Total revenues	\$		\$ 16,651	\$	16,651	\$	-
Expenditures: Current:							
General government			\$ 16,651	\$	16,651	\$	-
Capital outlay			 				
Total expenditures	\$		\$ 16,651	\$	16,651	\$	
Revenues over (under) expenditures	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-
Other financing sources (uses): Transfers in (out)							<u>-</u>
Net change in fund balance	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-
Fund balance, July 1, 2013			 				
Fund balance, June 30, 2014	\$		\$ 	\$		\$	-

JOB FAIR

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES-BUDGET AND ACTUAL

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2014

		iginal ıdget		'inal ıdget	A	ctual	Vari Favo (Unfav	rable
Revenues:								
Intergovernmental	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Miscellaneous		335		335		335		
Total revenues	\$	335	\$	335	\$	335	\$	-
Expenditures:								
Current:	_		_		_		_	
General government	\$	54	\$	54	\$	54	\$	-
Capital outlay								
Total expenditures	\$	54	\$	54	\$	54	\$	
Revenues over (under)								
expenditures	\$	281	\$	281	\$	281	\$	_
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Other financing sources (uses): Transfers in (out)								
Net change in fund balance	\$	281	\$	281	\$	281	\$	-
Fund balance, July 1, 2013								-
Fund balance, June 30, 2014	\$	281	\$	281	\$	281	\$	-

Southwest New Mexico Council of Governments NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

June 30, 2014

Note 1 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The Southwest New Mexico Council of Governments (COG) is recognized as a regional council of planning and development district as designated by the Governor. In accordance with the Planning District Act [4-45-4 NMSA 1978], the Council members include municipalities, school systems, counties, individuals and other government-related organizations. The COG's operations are solely within the discretion and control of the governing board.

The Council of Governments was organized to provide assistance in long-range planning and local administration of State and Federal funds, and operates under the Board of Directors executive director form of government. It provides the following services to its members: 1) help and assistance in formulation of long-range goals, 2) help in obtaining grants for specific purposes, 3) compilation of regional statistical reports and 4) administration of various state programs at the local level.

The Council of Government's financial statements are prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is responsible for establishing GAAP for state and local governments through its pronouncements (Statements and Interpretations). The accounting and reporting framework and the more significant accounting policies established in GAAP and used by the Council of Governments are discussed below.

A. REPORTING ENTITY

These financial statements present the Council of Governments (the primary government). As defined by Generally Accepted Accounting Principles, component units are legally separate entities that are included in the Council of Government's reporting entity because of the significance of their operating or financial relationships with the Council of Governments. Based on the criterion in Generally Accepted Accounting Principles, the Council of Government's had no component units.

B. BASIS OF PRESENTATION

Government-wide Financial Statements:

The Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities display information about the reporting government as a whole. They include all funds of the reporting entity except for fiduciary funds. The statements distinguish between governmental and business-type activities. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, intergovernmental revenues, and other non-exchange revenues. Business-type activities are financed in whole or in part by fees charged to external parties for goods or services. The Council of Government's has no business-type activities, nor any fiduciary funds.

Fund Financial Statements:

Fund financial statements of the reporting entity are organized into funds, each of which is considered to be separate accounting entities. Each fund is accounted for by providing

a separate set of self-balancing accounts that constitute its assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues, and expenditure/expenses. Funds are organized into one major category: governmental. An emphasis is placed on major funds within the governmental categories. A fund is considered major if it is the primary operating fund of the Council of Governments or meets the following criteria:

- a. Total assets, liabilities, revenues, or expenditures/expenses of that individual governmental fund are at least 10 percent of the corresponding total for all funds of that category or type.
- b. Other funds management feels are significant.

The funds of the financial reporting entity are described below:

Governmental Funds

General Fund

The General Fund is the primary operating fund of the Council of Governments and always classified as a major fund. It is used to account for all activities except those legally or administratively required to be accounted for in other funds.

Special Revenue Funds

Special Revenue Funds are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are restricted or committed to expenditure for specified purposes other than debt service or capital projects.

Major-Fund Description

General Fund – See the description above

Special Revenue Funds:

State Appropriation Fund – The State Appropriation Fund is used to account for the proceeds and distributions of the State Appropriation Funds received. The fund was authorized by the Council members of Southwest New Mexico Council of Governments to keep a separate accounting of State Appropriation Funds now that any unused funds require reversion.

Economic Development Administration Fund – This Federal grant is used to develop a comprehensive economic development strategy for the purposes of job creation, retention, and expansion for the member regions. This fund was required by the Federal grant contract and authorized by the Council members of Southwest New Mexico Council of Governments.

Mortgage Finance Authority (MFA) – Professional Services Outreach Program – To account for the specific pass-through federal contract to maintain personal contracts with the local media, local elected officials and other designated groups and to keep them aware of local relevant developments in relationship to the MFA. This is authorized by the service contract approved by the Council members' resolution.

New Mexico Department of Transportation Fund - This grant is used to fund the

preparation of an annual transportation plan. Committees prioritize specific projects and formulate recommendation to the New Mexico Department of Transportation where the final decision is made. This fund was required by the grant contract and authorized by the Council members of Southwest New Mexico Council of Governments.

Statewide CEDS – To account for the federal resources to be used to develop a state-wide economic development plan. Authorization is the governing council.

Job Fair – To account for the revenues and expenditures generated and incurred in conducting a job fair. Authorization is the governing council.

C. MEASUREMENT FOCUS AND BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

Measurement focus is a term used to describe "which" transactions are recorded within the various financial statements. Basis of accounting refers to "when" transactions are recorded regardless of the measurement focus applied.

Measurement Focus

In the government-wide Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities, governmental activities are presented using the economic resources measurement focus as defined in item "b" below.

In the fund financial statements, the "current financial resources" measurement focus or the "economic resources" measurement focus is used.

- a. All governmental funds utilize a "current financial resources" measurement focus. Only current financial assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities and deferred inflows of resources are generally included on their balance sheets. Their operating statements present sources and uses of available spendable financial resources during a given period. These funds use fund balance as their measure of available spendable financial resources at the end of the period.
- b. The government-wide financial statements utilize an "economic resources" measurement focus. The accounting objectives of this measurement focus are the determination of operating income, changes in net position (or cost recovery), financial position, and cash flows. All assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities and deferred inflows of resources (whether current or noncurrent) associated with their activities are reported. Revenues, expenses, gains, losses, assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities and deferred inflows of resources resulting from non-exchange transactions are recognized when the earnings process is complete.

Basis of Accounting

The government-wide financial statements are presented on the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recognized when incurred or when the economic asset is used. Revenues, expenses, gains, losses, assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources resulting from exchange and exchange-like transactions are recognized when the exchange takes place. Derived taxes are recognized when the exchange takes place, and grants are recognized when all eligibility requirements are met.

The governmental funds financial statements are presented on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recorded when susceptible to accrual; i.e., both measurable and available. "Available" means collectible within the current period or within 60 days after year end. Expenditures are generally recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting when the related liability is incurred. The exception to this general rule is that principal and interest on general obligation long-term debt, if any, is recognized when due.

Substantially all governmental fund revenues are accrued. In applying GASBS No. 33 to grant revenues, the provider recognizes liabilities and expenses and the recipient recognizes receivables and revenue when the applicable eligibility requirements, including time requirements, are met. Resources transmitted before the eligibility requirements are met are reported as deferred outflows of resources by the provider and deferred inflows of resources by the recipient. Grant revenues not collected within 60 days of year end are recorded as receivables and deferred inflows of resources. Such amounts are recorded net of estimated uncollectible amounts.

In the government-wide Statement of Net Position, the governmental activities columns (a) are presented on a consolidated basis by column, (b) and are reported on a full accrual, economic resource basis, which recognizes all long-term assets and receivables as well as long-term debt and obligations. The Council of Government's net position is reported in three parts — net investment in capital assets, restricted net position; and unrestricted net position. The Council of Governments first utilizes restricted resources to finance qualifying activities.

The government-wide Statement of Activities reports both the gross and net cost of each of the Council of Government's functions. The functions are also supported by general government revenues (certain intergovernmental revenues, and charges, etc.) The Statement of Activities reduces gross expenses (including depreciation) by related program revenues, operating and capital grants. Program revenues must be directly associated with the function, and are typically charges for services. Operating grants include operating-specific and discretionary (either operating or capital) grants while the capital grants column reflects capital-specific grants.

The net costs (by function) are normally covered by general revenue (intergovernmental revenues, interest income, etc.).

The Council of Governments does not allocate indirect costs.

This government-wide focus is more on the sustainability of the Council of Governments as an entity and the change in the Council of Government's net position resulting from the current year's activities.

D. Budgets

Budgets for the General and Special Revenue Funds are prepared by management and are approved by the members of the Board.

These budgets are prepared on the GAAP modified accrual basis, excluding encumbrances, and secure appropriation of funds for only one year. Carryover funds must be reappropriated in the budget of the subsequent fiscal year.

The budgets are used solely as guidelines, and are not legally enforceable. "In-kind" expenditures are budgeted only to a minimum matching amount, and are not required to be budgeted further.

E. Cash and Investments

Cash includes amounts in demand deposits as well as short-term investments with a maturity of six months from the date acquired by the government. State statutes authorize the government to invest in obligations of the U.S. Treasury, interest-bearing accounts with local financial institutions and the State Treasurer Pool.

New Mexico Statutes require that financial institutions with public monies on deposit pledge collateral, to the owners of such monies, in an amount not less than 50% of the public monies held on deposit. Collateral pledged is held in safekeeping by other financial institutions, with safekeeping receipts held by the Council of Governments. The pledged securities remain in the name of the financial institution.

F. Interfund Receivables and Payables

During the course of operations, numerous transactions occur between individual funds that may result in amounts owed between funds. Short-term inter-fund loans are reported as "interfund receivables and payables". Inter-fund receivables and payables between funds within governmental activities and between funds within business-type activities are eliminated in the Statement of Net Position. All inter-fund receivables and payables are eliminated in the total primary government column in the Statement of Net Position.

G. Receivables

In the government-wide statements, receivables consist of all revenues earned at yearend and not yet received. Allowances for uncollectible accounts receivable are based upon historical trends and the periodic aging of accounts receivable. Major receivable balances for the governmental activities include grants.

In the fund financial statements, material receivables in governmental funds include revenue accruals such as grants and other similar intergovernmental revenues since they are usually both measurable and available. Non-exchange transactions collectible but not available are deferred in the fund financial statements in accordance with modified accrual, but not deferred in the government-wide financial statements in accordance with the accrual basis. Interest and investment earnings are recorded when earned only if paid within 60 days since they would be considered both measurable and available.

H. Capital Assets

Capital assets purchased or acquired with an original cost of \$5,000.00 or more are reported at historical cost or estimated historical cost. Contributed assets are reported at fair market value as of the date received. Additions, improvements and other capital outlays that significantly extend the useful life of an asset are capitalized. Other costs incurred for repairs and maintenance are expensed as incurred. Depreciation on all

assets is provided on the straight-line basis over the following estimated useful lives:

Furniture and equipment 5-10 years Lease-hold improvements 5 years

The accounting treatment over property, plant and equipment depends on whether they are reported in the government-wide financial statements or fund financial statements. In the government-wide financial statements, fixed assets are accounted for as capital assets. In the fund financial statements, fixed assets are accounted for as capital outlay expenditures of the governmental fund upon acquisition.

I. Compensated Absences

The Council of Government's policies regarding vacation time permit employees to accumulate earned but unused vacation leave. The liability for these compensated absences is recorded as long-term debt in the government-wide statements. The current portion of this debt is estimated based on historical trends. In the fund financial statements, governmental funds report only the compensated absence liability payable from expendable available financial resources.

J. Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources

In addition to assets, the statement of financial position and/or balance sheet will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statements element, deferred outflows of resources, represents consumption of net position that applies to a future period, and so will be recognized as an outflow of resources (expenses/expenditures) then. The Government had no items that qualify for reporting in this category.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of financial position and/or balance sheet will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statements element, deferred inflows of resources, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenues) until that time. The Government had no items that qualify for reporting in this category.

K. Equity Classifications

Government-wide Statements

Equity is classified as net position and displayed in three components:

- a. Net investment in capital assets consists of capital assets including restricted capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances of any bonds, mortgages, notes, or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets.
- b. Restricted net position consists of net position with constraints placed on the use either by (1) external groups such as creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or (2) law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
- c. Unrestricted net position all other net position that do not meet the definition of "restricted" or "net investment in capital assets, net of related debt."

Fund Statements

During the year ended June 30, 2011, the Council of Governments implemented GASB Statement 54 "Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions". This Statement provides more clearly defined fund balance categories to make the nature and extent of the constraints placed on a government's fund balance more transparent. The following classifications describe the relative strength of the spending constraints placed on the purposes for which resources can be used:

- Non-spendable fund balance amounts that are not in a spendable form (such as inventory) or are required to remain intact.
- Restricted fund balance amounts constrained to specific purposes by their providers (such as grantors, bondholders, and higher levels of government), through constitutional provisions, or by enabling legislation.
- Committed fund balance amounts constrained to specific purposes by
 the government itself, using its highest level of decision-making
 authority, to be reported as committed, amounts cannot be used for any
 other purpose unless the government takes the same highest level action
 to remove or change its constraints.
- Assigned fund balance amounts a government intends to use for a specific purpose; intent can be expressed by the governing body or by an official or body to which the government body delegates the authority.
- Unassigned fund balance amounts that are available for any purpose; positive amounts are reported only in the general fund.

The Board of Directors establishes (and modifies or rescinds) fund balance commitments by adoption of a resolution or a vote of the Board. This is typically done through the adoption and amendment of the budget. Assigned fund balance is established by the Board of Directors through adoption or amendment of the budget as intended for a specific purpose (such as purchase of fixed assets, construction, debt service or for other purposes). Expenditures incurred are normally paid from the highest constrained fund balance.

L. Interfund Activity

Interfund activity is reported as either loans, services provided, reimbursements or transfers. Loans are reported as interfund receivables and payables as appropriate

and are netted as a part of the reconciliation to the government-wide financial statements. Services provided, deemed to be at market or near market rates, are treated as revenues and expenditures/expenses. Reimbursements are when one fund incurs a cost, charges the appropriate benefiting fund and reduces its related cost as a reimbursement. All other interfund transactions are treated as transfers. Transfers between governmental funds are netted as part of the reconciliation to the government-wide financial statements.

M. 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.

Note 2 Custodial Credit Risk

Custodial credit risk is the risk in the event of a bank failure the government's deposits may not be returned to it. The government does not have a deposit policy for credit risk beyond that disclosed in Note 1. As of June 30, 2014, \$-0- of the governments bank balance of \$83,172 was exposed to custodial credit risk as follows:

Uninsured and uncollateralized Uninsured and collateral held by pledging banks	s	\$	-0-
trust department not in Council's name			-0-
Total		<u>\$</u>	-0-
	Bank <u>Balance</u>	Carryi <u>Amou</u>	_
Deposits by custodial risk category:			
Insured	<u>\$ 83,172</u>	\$ 68,	832

Note 3 Capital Assets

The following is summary of capital asset activity during the fiscal year:

	1	Balance						Balance
	<u>Ju</u>	<u>ly l, 2013</u>	3 A c	ditions	Del	etions	<u>Ju</u>	ne 30, 2014
Capital Assets Being Depreciated: Leasehold improvements Equipment	\$	20,624 69,153	\$	-0- 26,427	\$	-0-	\$	20,624 95,580
Total capital assets being depreciated	<u>\$</u>	89,777	\$	26,427	\$	-0-	\$	116,204

Less accumulated depreciation

For:

Leasehold improvements Equipment	\$	20,624 52,355	\$ -0- 14,374	\$ -0-	3 20,624 66,729
	\$	72,979	\$ 14,374	\$ -0- §	87,353
Capital assets, net	<u>\$</u>	16,798	\$ 12,053	\$ -0- §	3 28,851

Depreciation expense was charged to the governmental activities as follows:

General government

14,374

Note 4 Compensated Absences

Compensated absence activity was as follows for the year ended June 30, 2014:

Balance		Retire-	Balance	Due In
July 1, 2013	<u>Additions</u>	ments	June 30, 201	4 One Year

The amount of compensated absences due within the next year are not estimable. The liabilities will be paid from the fund which is charged with the employee as a direct cost, and will be paid from available funds. Typically, the general fund bears the majority of compensated absences cost.

Note 5 Risk Management

The Council of Governments is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; thefts of, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The Council of Governments has purchased private insurance to mitigate these risks. No settlements have exceeded coverage in the last three years.

Limits of coverage are as follows:

\$1,000,000	Liability
\$ 27,000	Property
\$1,000,000	Auto

Note 6 Pension Plan – Public Employees Retirement Association

Plan Description

Substantially all of the Council of Government'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, New Mexico 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 10.65% of their gross salary. Council of Governments is required to contribute 9.15% of the gross covered salary. The contribution requirements of plan members and the Council of Governments are established in State statute under Chapter 10, Article 11, NMSA 1978. The requirements may be amended by acts of the legislature. The Council of Government's contributions to PERA for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2014, 2013, and 2012 were \$33,911, \$31,519, and \$31,519 respectively, which equal the amount of the required contribution for each fiscal year.

Note 7 Post-Employment Benefits – State Retiree Health Care Plan

Plan Description

The Council of Governments contributes to the New Mexico Retiree Health Care Fund, a costsharing multiple-employer defined benefit postemployment healthcare plan administered by

the New Mexico Retiree Health Care Authority (RHCA). The RHCA provides health care insurance and prescription drug benefits to retired employees of participating New Mexico government agencies, their spouses, dependents, and surviving spouses and dependents. The RHCA Board was established by the Retiree Health Care Act (Chapter 10, Article 7C, NMSA 1978). The Board is responsible for establishing and amending benefit provisions of the healthcare plan and is also authorized to designate optional and/or voluntary benefits like dental, vision, supplemental life insurance, and long-term care policies.

Eligible retirees are: 1) retirees who make contributions to the fund for at least five years prior to retirement and whose eligible employer during that period of time made contributions as a participant in the RHCA plan on the person's behalf unless that person retires before the employer's RHCA effective date, in which event the time period required for employee and employer contributions shall become the period of time between the employer's effective date and the date of retirement; 2) retirees defined by the Act who retired prior to July 1, 1990; 3) former legislators who served at least two years; and 4) former governing authority members who served at least four years.

The RHCA issues a publicly available stand-alone financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the postemployment healthcare plan. That report and further information can be obtained by writing to the Retiree Health Care Authority at 4308 Carlisle NE, Suite 104, Albuquerque, NM 87107.

Funding Policy

The Retiree Health Care Act (Section 10-7C-13 NMSA 1978) authorizes the RHCA Board to establish the monthly premium contributions that retirees are required to pay for healthcare benefits. Each participating retiree pays a monthly premium according to a service based subsidy rate schedule for the medical plus basic life plan plus an additional participation fee

of five dollars if the eligible participant retired prior to the employer's RHCA effective date or is a former legislator or former governing authority member. Former legislators and governing authority members are required to pay 100% of the insurance premium to cover their claims and the administrative expenses of the plan. The monthly premium rate schedule can be obtained from the RHCA or viewed on their website at www.nmrhca.state.nm.us.

The employer, employee and retiree contributions are required to be remitted to the RHCA on a monthly basis. The statutory requirements for the employer and employee contributions can be changed by the New Mexico State Legislature. Employers that choose to become participating employers after January 1, 1998, are required to make contributions to the RHCA fund in the amount determined to be appropriate by the Board.

The Retiree Health Care Act (Section 10-7C-15 NMSA 1978) is the statutory authority that establishes the required contributions of participating employers and their employees. For employees that were members of an enhanced retirement plan (state police and adult correctional officer member coverage plan 1; municipal police member coverage plans 3, 4, or 5; municipal fire member coverage plan 3, 4, or 5; municipal detention officer member coverage plan 1; and members pursuant to the Judicial Retirement Act) during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014, the statute required each participating employer to contribution 2.5% of each participating employee's annual salary; and each participating employee was required to contribute 1.25% of their salary. For employees that were not members of an enhanced retirement plan during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014, the statute required each participating employer to contribute 2.0% of each participating employee's annual salary; each participating employee was required to contribute 1.0% of their salary. In addition, pursuant to Section 10-7C-15(G) NMSA 1978, at the first session of the Legislature following July 1, 2013, the legislature shall review and adjust the distributions pursuant to Section 7-1-6.1 NMSA 1978 and the employer and employee contributions to the authority in order to ensure the actuarial soundness of the benefits provided under the Retiree Health Care Act.

The Council of Government's contributions to the RHCA for the years ended June 30, 2014, 2013 and 2012 were \$3,425, \$3,928 and \$3,159, respectively, which equal the required contributions for each year.

Note 8 Contingent Liabilities

Amounts received or receivable from grantor agencies are subject to audit and adjustment by grantor agencies, principally the federal government. Any disallowed claims, including amounts already collected, may constitute a liability of the applicable funds. The amount, if any, of expenditures which may be disallowed by the grantor cannot be determined at this time although the government expects such amounts, if any, to be immaterial.

During the year ending June 30, 2015, the Council of Governments will be required to report a material liability for pension plan participation due to the adoption of new reporting standards. Currently, the amount is not estimable.

Note 9 Interfund Transactions

	Interfund Receivable
L. (1 D 1 L.	<u>General Fund</u>
Interfund Payables	
State Appropriation	\$ 7,943
Economic Development	36,517
New Mexico Department of Transportation	8,280
Outreach Program	<u>5,731</u>
	\$ 58,471

The loans were made to fund operating expenses, and are expected to be paid within one year.

	Transfers From					
<u>Total</u>	<u>G</u>	eneral		State	<u>Ap</u>	propriation
<u>Transfers To</u>						
State Appropriation Economic Development NM Dept. of Transportation	\$	45,633 6,197	\$	15,000 21,250	\$	45,633 21,197 21,250
	\$	51,830	\$	36,250	\$	88,080

The transfers were made to provide matching funds, and provide operating funds.

Note 10 Deficit Fund Balances

The Council of Governments had the following fund balance deficits at June 30, 2014:

State Appropriation	\$ (8,325)
Economic Development	(25,834)
Outreach Program	(3.690)

These deficits were caused by either the application of the 60 day revenue recognition period required by the modified accrual basis of accounting or the timing of transfers to be made from the General Fund. As revenue is collected and/or the transfers are made, the deficits will be eliminated.

Note 11 Restricted Net Position

Net position restricted for other purposes consist of Special Revenue Fund balances which are restricted by enabling legislation, as listed in the fund descriptions elsewhere in this report. Restrictions are as follows:

N.M. Department of Transportation	\$ 12,551

Note 12 Evaluation of Subsequent Events

The Council of Governments has evaluated subsequent events through December 4,2014, the date which the financial statements were available to be issued.

Southwest New Mexico Council of Governments SCHEDULE OF DEPOSITORY COLLATERAL June $30,\,2014$

	A	mbank
Checking Savings	\$	29,981 53,191
Total on deposit	\$	83,172
Less: FDIC insurance		(83,172)
Total uninsured public funds	\$	-
50% collateralization requirement (Section 6-10-17 NMSA)	\$	-
Pledged securities over (under) requirement	\$	-

Southwest New Mexico Council of Governments SCHEDULE OF INDIVIDUAL DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS AND INVESTMENTS June $30,\,2014$

Ambank	Type of Account	<u>F</u>	Bank Balance	 econciled Balance
Operational Operational	Checking Savings	\$	29,981 53,191	\$ 15,641 53,191
Total Ambank		\$	83,172	\$ 68,832
Cash on hand				\$ 50
Total cash and investments				\$ 68,882

Southwest New Mexico Council of Governments SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2014

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

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Hector H. Balderas, State Auditor
And
Board of Directors
Southwest New Mexico Council of Governments
Silver City, New Mexico

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund and the budgetary comparisons for the general fund and major special revenue funds of the Southwest New Mexico Council of Governments as of and for the year ended June 30, 2014, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Southwest New Mexico Council of Governments' basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated December 4, 2014.

Internal Control Over financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered Southwest New Mexico Council of Governments' internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Council's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Southwest New Mexico Council of Governments' internal control.

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

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Southwest New Mexico Council of Governments' 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.

Purpose of this Report

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

Silver City, New Mexico December 4, 2014

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Southwest New Mexico Council of Governments SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RESPONSES

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2014

SUMMARY OF AUDIT RESULTS

- 1. The auditor's report expresses an unmodified opinion on the financial statements of Southwest New Mexico Council of Governments.
- 2. No significant deficiencies relating to the audit of the financial statements are reported in the Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance With Government Auditing Standards.
- 3. No instances of noncompliance material to the financial statements of Southwest New Mexico Council of Governments, which would be required to be reported in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, were disclosed during the audit.
- Southwest New Mexico Council of Governments expended less than \$500,000 in federal funds.

FINDINGS – FINANCIAL STATEMENT AUDIT

None

OTHER – FINANCIAL STATEMENT PREPARATION

The financial statements were prepared by Stone, McGee & Co., CPAs. However, the Council has acknowledged its responsibility for and accepted responsibility for the financial statements.

EXIT CONFERENCE

The contents of this report were discussed December 3, 2014. Present at this exit conference were:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Affiliation</u>
Alex Brown	Vice-Chairman	SWNM Council of Governments
Priscilla Lucero	Executive Director	SWNM Council of Governments
Pam Eley	Office Manager	SWNM Council of Governments
Mike Stone	Shareholder	Stone, McGee & Co., CPAs