

**EAST CANADIAN COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT**  
**ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021**

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## Independent Auditor's Report

Board of Directors  
East Canadian County Conservation District

### Report on Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying statements of assets, liabilities and net position – cash basis of East Canadian County Conservation District as of June 30, 2021 and the related statement of revenues and expenses, and changes in net position – cash basis for the year then ended and the related notes to the financial statements.

### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with the cash basis of accounting as described in Note 1; this includes determining that the cash basis of accounting is an acceptable basis for the preparation of the financial statements in the circumstances. Management is also responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion 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 *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 whether the financial statements are free of 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 the 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 District'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 District's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such an 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 opinion.

## Opinion


In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above, present fairly, in all material respects, the assets, liabilities and net position – cash basis of East Canadian County Conservation District as of June 30, 2021 and the changes in net position – cash basis for the year then ended in conformity with the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

## Basis of Accounting

We draw attention to Note 1 of the financial statements that describes the basis of accounting. The financial statements are prepared on the cash basis of accounting, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

## Other Reporting Required By Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued a report dated August 16, 2022 on our consideration of East Canadian County Conservation District's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain laws, regulations, contracts and grants 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* in considering East Canadian County Conservation District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.



Kimberlye R. Mayer, CPA, P.C.  
Blackwell, Oklahoma  
August 16, 2022

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*

Board of Directors  
East Canadian County Conservation District

We have audited the financial statements of East Canadian County Conservation District as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021, and have issued our report thereon dated August 16, 2022. 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. The financial statements were prepared on the cash basis of accounting which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

**Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered East Canadian County Conservation District's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the East Canadian County Conservation District's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the East Canadian County Conservation District's internal control.

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

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. However, as described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses, as 2021-1, we identified a certain deficiency in internal control that we consider to be a material weakness.

**Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether East Canadian County Conservation District's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants, 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*.

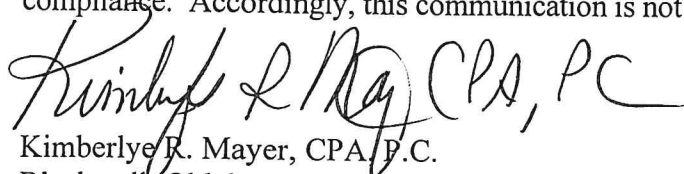
We noted matters involving the internal control and its operation that we reported to the management of East Canadian County Conservation District in a separate letter dated August 16, 2022.

### **East Canadian County Conservation District's Response to Findings**

East Canadian County Conservation District's response to the findings identified in our audit is described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses. East Canadian County Conservation District's response was not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

### **Purpose of this Report**

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the District'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 District's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.



Kimberlye R. Mayer, CPA, P.C.  
Blackwell, Oklahoma  
August 16, 2022

EAST CANADIAN COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RESPONSES  
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

**Material Weakness Communicated in a Prior Year:**

**Material Weakness in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting: Inadequate Segregation of Duties:**

Criteria:

The segregation of duties and responsibilities between different individuals and the reconciliation of those asset accounts is an important control activity needed to adequately protect the entity's assets and ensure accurate financial reporting.

Condition:

Presently, the same individual is responsible for invoices and receiving payments; making and recording deposits; maintaining OCC claims and reimbursements; and reconciling the monthly bank statements. Only limited oversight is provided over this individual in the conduct of their daily functions.

Cause:

The entity's limited size has made it difficult for management to fully segregate the duties.

Effect or Potential Effect:

Without sufficient segregation of duties, the risk significantly increases that errors and/or fraud related to the claims and collection activities, including misappropriation of assets, could occur and not be detected within a timely basis.

Recommendation:

The board should evaluate the risks associated with the lack of segregation of duties and consider implementing controls that could mitigate these risks.

Board's Response:

The board has concluded that due to the limited number of personnel, an adequate segregation of duties is not achievable and that the cost of correcting the weakness would exceed the benefits that would be derived from it.

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EAST CANADIAN COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
STATEMENT OF ASSETS, LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION  
CASH BASIS  
JUNE 30, 2021

ASSETS

Current Assets:		
Operating accounts		\$ 8,842
Savings account		10,092
Certificates of deposit		<u>57,537</u>
Total cash and cash equivalents		<u>76,471</u>
Total Assets		<u><u>\$ 76,471</u></u>

NET POSITION

Net Position:		
Unrestricted		<u>\$ 76,471</u>
Total Net Position		<u><u>\$ 76,471</u></u>

EAST CANADIAN COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION  
CASH BASIS  
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

Operating Revenues:	
OCC reimbursements	70,852
Cost share received	65,447
Watershed reimbursements	6,177
Plat book sales	330
Total Operating Revenues	142,806
Operating Expenses:	
Payroll	61,821
Payroll taxes and employee benefits	7,393
Office supplies and postage	745
Meetings and travel	505
Watershed maintenance	7,158
Bond insurance	150
Membership dues	80
Cost share paid out	68,956
Director fees	1,100
Plat book costs	195
Miscellaneous expenses	257
Total Operating Expenses	148,360
Operating Income (Loss)	(5,554)
Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses):	
Interest income	625
Changes in net position	(4,929)
Net position, beginning of year	81,400
Net position, end of year	76,471

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

EAST CANADIAN COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

Organization

The East Canadian County Conservation District was created under Title 27A, sections 3-1-101 through 3-3-410, of the Oklahoma Statutes, as amended. The purpose of the District is to provide for the conservation of the renewable natural resources in the area for which the District is responsible.

Basis of Accounting

The District prepares its financial statements using the cash basis of accounting. This basis recognizes assets, liabilities, net assets, revenues, and expenses when they result from cash transactions. This basis is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

As a result of the use of the cash basis of accounting, certain assets and their related revenues (such as accounts receivable and revenue for billed or provided services not yet collected) and certain liabilities and their related expenses (such as accounts payable and expenses for goods or services received but not yet paid, and accrued expenses and liabilities) are not recorded in these financial statements.

NOTE 2 – CASH AND CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT:

Bank balances and certificates of deposit are covered by FDIC insurance. All deposits are fully insured.

NOTE 3 – INVESTMENTS:

The State of Oklahoma allows governmental entities to invest in the following: direct obligations of the United State Government, its agencies or instrumentalities; collateralized or insured certificates of deposit; insured savings accounts or savings certificates; or county, municipal or school district direct debt.

NOTE 4 - OCC REIMBURSEMENTS:

The District is reimbursed by the Oklahoma Conservation Commission for salaries, payroll taxes, mileage, telephone charges, office supplies, and certain other office expenses.

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NOTE 5 - RETIREMENT PLAN:

Oklahoma public employees who work 1,599 hours or more per year were enrolled in the Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System. On salaries paid from reimbursable funds from the Oklahoma Conservation Commission the employers 16½% share of retirement was paid directly by the Commission. The employees' share of the retirement contribution was 16½% of locally earned wages and 3½% of state reimbursable wages.

NOTE 6 - CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS:

The District considers all checking accounts and deposits with a maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

NOTE 7 – FAIR VALUES OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS:

The definition of fair value for financial reporting, establishes a framework for measuring fair value, and requires additional disclosure about the use of fair value measurements in an effort to make the measurement of fair value more consistent and comparable.

**Level 1:** Quoted prices in active markets for identical securities.

**Level 2:** Other significant observable inputs (including quoted prices for similar securities, interest rates, prepayment spread and credit risk).

**Level 3:** Significant unobservable inputs (including the District's own assumptions in determining the fair value of investments).

The District's financial instruments include cash and cash equivalents and certificates of deposit. The District's estimate of the fair value of all financial instruments does not differ materially from the aggregate carrying value of its financial instruments recorded in the accompanying statement of net position. The carrying amount of these financial instruments approximates fair value because of the short maturity of these instruments.

NOTE 8 – RISK MANAGEMENT:

The District 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 OCC and the District purchase commercial insurance for these and other risks of loss. Settled claims have not exceeded the commercial coverage in past years.

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NOTE 9 – CONTINGENCIES:

As of June 30, 2021, the District did not have any pending litigation or potential non-disclosed liabilities that management believes would have a material effect on the financial statements.

NOTE 10 – EVALUATION OF SUBSEQUENT EVENTS:

The District has evaluated subsequent events through August 16, 2022 the date which the financial statements were available to be issued.