

**Creek County Rural Water District No. 1
Kellyville, Oklahoma**

Financial Statements and Auditor's Reports

Year Ended December 31, 2023

Audited by

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Kellyville, Oklahoma
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December 31, 2023

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Board of Directors
Creek County Rural Water District No. 1
Kellyville, Oklahoma

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the business-type activities of the Creek County Rural Water District No. 1 (the District), Kellyville, Oklahoma, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the District as of December 31, 2023, and the respective changes in financial position and its cash flows for the year then ended, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinion

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. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the "Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements" section of our report. We are required to be independent of the District and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

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

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the District's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards*, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit 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, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the District's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis on pages 6 - 9 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such 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. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplemental information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the

information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

The prior year "memorandum only" comparative information and the supplementary information on page 24 are presented for the purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements of the District. Such information has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in our audit of the basic financial statements, and accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on it.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated May 30, 2024, on our consideration of the District's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely 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 effectiveness of the District's 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 District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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Certified Public Accountants, PLLLP

May 30, 2024

RURAL WATER DISTRICT NO. 1, CREEK COUNTY
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
DECEMBER 31, 2023

Our discussion and analysis of the Rural Water District No. 1, Creek County's financial performance provides an overview of the District's financial activities for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2023. Please read it in conjunction with the District's financial statements that begin on page 14.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS:

- The District's total operating expenses exceeded total operating revenues by \$415,571. Overall, the District's total net position increased by \$889,990 in the current fiscal year.
- The Water Plant supplied a total of 600,419,000 gallons of water in 2023, an increase of 22,459,000 gallons.
- The District sold 32 new taps in 2023, making a total of 2,822 total benefit units in the District.
- An additional \$513,155 in capital assets were added in 2023 for water plant improvements and other large purchases.
- The District increased its base rate to customers from \$23 to \$26 in 2023.

Using This Report

This report is presented in a format consistent with the presentation requirements of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 34, as applicable to the District's basis of accounting.

Basis of Accounting

The District has elected to present its financial statements in the accrual basis of accounting. According to the accrual basis, revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recognized when incurred. This policy is in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

The Financial Statements

One of the most important questions asked about the District's finances is, "Is the District as a whole better off or worse off as a result of the year's activities?" The Statement of Net Position, the Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net position, and the Statement of Cash Flows report information about the District and about its activities in a way that helps answer this question.

These three statements report the District's net position and the changes in them. You can think of the District's net position – the difference between assets and liabilities – as one way to measure the District's financial health or financial position. Over time, increases or decreases in the District's net position are one indicator of whether its financial health is improving or deteriorating. You will need to consider other nonfinancial factors, however, such as changes in water rates paid or charged and the condition of the District's water system, to assess the overall health of the District.

The District has only one type of fund or activity, which is defined as *Business-type activities*. This is considered a proprietary fund. This means the District charges a fee to customers to help it cover all or most of the cost of certain services it provides.

Net Position, and Changes in Net Position

The District's Net Position was higher in 2023, increasing from \$7,857,606 to \$8,747,596. Our analysis below focuses on the Net Position (Table 1) and Changes in Net Position (Table 2) of the District's business-type activities.

Table 1 – Net Position:

	2023	2022	Variances
Current and other assets	\$ 2,862,385	2,547,638	314,747
Restricted assets	856,188	611,188	245,000
Capital assets, net	8,322,438	8,116,373	206,065
Total Assets	<u>\$ 12,041,011</u>	<u>11,275,199</u>	<u>765,812</u>
Current liabilities	\$ 160,513	225,112	64,599
Long-term liabilities	3,132,902	3,192,481	59,579
Total Liabilities	<u>\$ 3,293,415</u>	<u>3,417,593</u>	<u>124,178</u>
Invest. In capital assets, net			
of related debt	\$ 5,189,536	4,923,892	265,644
Restricted	856,188	611,188	245,000
Unrestricted	2,701,872	2,322,526	379,346
Total Net Position	<u>\$ 8,747,596</u>	<u>7,857,606</u>	<u>889,990</u>

Net Position of the District increased by 11.3 percent (\$8,747,596 compared to \$7,857,606). Unrestricted net position – the part of net position that can be used to finance day-to-day operations without constraints established by debt covenants, enabling legislation, or other legal requirements – increased from \$2,322,526 to \$2,701,872.

Table 2 – Changes in Net Position:

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>Variances</u>
Revenues:			
Charges for services	\$ 2,929,517	2,541,571	387,946
Insurance reimbursements	13,068	10,821	2,247
Other income and fees	16,486	7,122	9,364
Grant proceeds	403,022	-	403,022
Interest	37,791	17,815	19,976
Total Revenues	<u>\$ 3,399,884</u>	<u>\$ 2,577,329</u>	<u>822,555</u>
Expenses:			
Salaries, taxes and benefits	\$ 607,397	534,060	(73,337)
Maintenance and repairs	256,924	467,437	210,513
Chemicals	782,686	677,988	(104,698)
Other expenses	323,324	389,055	65,731
Depreciation/amortization	308,978	306,687	(2,291)
Utilities	170,109	128,268	(41,841)
Interest on loan	60,476	61,603	1,127
Total Expenses	<u>\$ 2,509,894</u>	<u>2,565,098</u>	<u>55,204</u>
Changes in Net Position	889,990	12,231	877,759
Net Position, Beginning	<u>7,857,606</u>	<u>7,845,375</u>	<u>12,231</u>
Net Position, Ending	<u>\$ 8,747,596</u>	<u>7,857,606</u>	<u>889,990</u>

The District's total revenues increased by 31.9 percent (\$822,555), mostly due to grant proceeds received in 2023. The total cost of all services decreased by 2.1 percent (\$55,204).

Capital Assets

At December 31, 2023 the District had \$8,322,438 invested in capital assets, net of depreciation, including land, the water system, vehicles, equipment and lines. Additional capital assets of \$513,155 were added during the 2023 fiscal year, which was mostly the continuation of the water treatment plant rehabilitation and expansion, transmission pipeline and treatment plant site piping, storage tank project and storage tank recoating – all part of the USDA loan/grant project. The District also purchased a truck in 2023.

Long-Term Debt

The District currently has two long-term notes with USDA/Rural Development. Both loans are dated June 1, 2020. Loan 91-01 was for \$2,949,000 at 1.875% interest, and Loan 91-03 was for \$451,000 at 1.875% interest. At December 31, 2023 the outstanding principal balance on these notes are \$3,192,480.

USDA/Rural Development Required Balances

The USDA/Rural Development Office has required the District to include a short-lived asset reserve account and a debt service reserve account in their financial statements. The District is required to deposit \$245,000 annually into the short-lived asset reserve account, and the debt service reserve account is required to maintain a balance of \$121,188, which is the amount of loan payments made each year.

Economic Factors and Next Year's Budget and Rates

For the upcoming fiscal year ending December 31, 2024 the District's projected budget is fairly consistent with the 2023 fiscal year.

The District was awarded a federal ARPA Grant in the amount of \$474,050 for water transmission lines, which will be expended in 2024.

For the fiscal year 2024 the District may have to again increase rates to users to meet demands if the cost of water purchased and everyday expenses are substantially increased. If demand is increased on existing lines and equipment, or additional memberships are substantially increased, it may be necessary for the District to incur some long-term debt to meet these demands. As of the date of this report, none of these situations are probable for the 2024 year.

Contacting the District

This report is designed to provide our customers and creditors with a general overview of the District's finances and to demonstrate the District's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information contact the District Office at P.O. Box 406, Kellyville, OK 74039, or call (918) 247-6465.



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**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
Creek County Rural Water District No. 1
Kellyville, Oklahoma

We have audited in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the Creek County Rural Water District No. 1 (the District), Kellyville, Oklahoma, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated May 30, 2024.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the District's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing 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 District's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of 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 a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or, significant deficiencies. 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 District's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, non-compliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. 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 results 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.

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May 30, 2024

CREEK COUNTY RURAL DISTRICT NO. 1
Disposition of Prior Year's Significant Deficiencies
December 31, 2023

There were no prior year significant deficiencies.

CREEK COUNTY RURAL WATER DISTRICT NO. 1
Schedule of Audit Results
December 31, 2023

Section 1 – Summary of Auditor’s Results

1. An unmodified opinion report was issued on the financial statements.
2. The audit did not identify any material weaknesses and did not report any significant deficiencies not considered to be material weaknesses in the internal controls over financial reporting.
3. The audit disclosed no instances of noncompliance which are material to the financial statements.

Section 2 – Findings relating to the financial statements required to be reported in accordance with GAGAS:

NONE

CREEK COUNTY RURAL WATER DISTRICT NO. 1
Statement of Net Position
December 31, 2023

	2023	-Memorandum- -Only- 2022
<u>ASSETS</u>		
Current Assets:		
Cash	\$ 724,094	842,649
Investments	1,690,750	1,309,916
Accounts and interest receivable	138,452	118,092
Inventory	168,659	170,346
Prepaid expenses	71,933	36,250
Total current assets	<u>2,793,888</u>	<u>2,477,253</u>
Restricted Assets:		
Short-lived assets	735,000	490,000
Debt service reserve	121,188	121,188
Total restricted assets	<u>856,188</u>	<u>611,188</u>
Capital Assets:		
Land	8,249	8,249
Plant and distribution system	12,724,622	12,251,048
Buildings, vehicles and equipment	668,920	629,339
Total capital assets	<u>13,401,791</u>	<u>12,888,636</u>
Less: accumulated depreciation	<u>(5,079,353)</u>	<u>(4,772,263)</u>
Total capital assets (net)	<u>8,322,438</u>	<u>8,116,373</u>
Other Assets:		
Loan costs, less amortization	68,497	70,385
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 12,041,011</u>	<u>11,275,199</u>
<u>LIABILITIES</u>		
Current Liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 100,935	164,401
Current portion of long-term debt	59,578	60,711
Total current liabilities	<u>160,513</u>	<u>225,112</u>
Long-Term Liabilities:		
Notes Payable, less current maturities	3,132,902	3,192,481
Total Liabilities	<u>3,293,415</u>	<u>3,417,593</u>
<u>NET POSITION</u>		
Net investment in capital assets	5,189,536	4,923,892
Restricted assets	856,188	611,188
Unrestricted assets	2,701,872	2,322,526
Total Net Position	<u>8,747,596</u>	<u>7,857,606</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION	<u>\$ 12,041,011</u>	<u>11,275,199</u>

The accompanying notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement

CREEK COUNTY RURAL WATER DISTRICT NO. 1
Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position
For The Year Ended December 31, 2023

	2023	-Memorandum- -Only- 2022
Operating Revenues:		
Water sales	\$ 2,829,344	2,422,907
Lease revenue	8,400	7,700
Installations and connections	10,759	19,964
Other income and fees	16,486	7,122
Total revenues from operations	<u>2,864,989</u>	<u>2,457,693</u>
Operating Expenses:		
Chemicals	782,686	677,988
Professional fees	69,583	84,476
Fittings, meters and connections	148,318	344,970
Franchise and storage	29,958	72,825
Insurance, general	49,500	44,096
Insurance, health	109,351	119,851
Office and postage	25,496	23,297
Maintenance and repairs	108,606	122,467
Retirement	132,342	96,833
Salaries and taxes	475,055	437,227
Vehicles	36,006	38,569
Utilities	170,109	128,268
Miscellaneous	3,430	5,941
Depreciation/amortization	308,978	306,687
Total expenses from operations	<u>2,449,418</u>	<u>2,503,495</u>
Operating Income (Loss)	415,571	(45,802)
Non-Operating Revenues (Expenses):		
Interest income	37,791	17,815
Benefit units	70,500	91,000
Insurance reimbursements	13,068	10,821
Sale of surplus property/materials	10,514	0
USDA grant proceeds	403,022	0
Interest paid on debt	(60,476)	(61,603)
Total non-operating revenues (expenses)	<u>474,419</u>	<u>58,033</u>
Change in Net Position	889,990	12,231
Total Net Position, beginning of period	<u>7,857,606</u>	<u>7,845,375</u>
Total Net Position, end of period	<u><u>\$ 8,747,596</u></u>	<u><u>7,857,606</u></u>

The accompanying notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement

CREEK COUNTY RURAL WATER DISTRICT NO. 1
Statement of Cash Flows
For Year Ended December 31, 2023

	2023	-Memorandum- -Only- 2022
Cash Flows from Operating Activities:		
Receipts from customers	\$ 2,829,644	2,440,158
Payments to employees	(475,055)	(437,227)
Payments to vendors	(1,740,725)	(1,774,647)
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	<u>613,864</u>	<u>228,284</u>
Cash Flows from Capital and Related Financing Activities:		
USDA grant proceeds	403,022	0
Additions to capital assets	(513,155)	(111,036)
Principal paid on loan	(60,712)	(59,585)
Interest paid on loan	(60,476)	(61,603)
Loan costs paid, to be amortized	10,514	0
Insurance reimbursements	13,068	10,821
Net cash provided by (used in) capital and related financing activities	<u>(207,739)</u>	<u>(221,403)</u>
Cash Flows from Investing Activities:		
Benefit units	70,500	91,000
Interest revenue	30,654	18,097
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	<u>101,154</u>	<u>109,097</u>
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Equivalents	507,279	115,978
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	<u>2,763,753</u>	<u>2,647,775</u>
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	<u>\$ 3,271,032</u>	<u>2,763,753</u>
Reconciliation of operating income (loss) to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Operating Income (loss)	\$ 415,571	(45,802)
Adjustments to reconcile operating income to net cash provided (used) by operating activities:		
Depreciation and Amortization Expense	308,978	306,687
(Increase) decrease in receivables	(13,223)	(18,885)
(Increase) decrease in inventory	1,687	(1,687)
(Increase) decrease in prepaid expenses	(35,683)	5,582
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable	(63,466)	(17,611)
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	<u>\$ 613,864</u>	<u>228,284</u>

The accompanying notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement

CREEK COUNTY RURAL WATER DISTRICT NO. 1
Notes to Financial Statements
December 31, 2023

Note A – Significant Accounting Policies

Organization

Creek County Rural Water District No. 1 (the District) is an Oklahoma non-profit water district organized under Title 82 of Oklahoma Statutes to provide water service to rural residents of Creek County, Oklahoma. The District is considered a political subdivision of the State of Oklahoma.

Basis of Accounting

The accrual basis of accounting is followed for all accounts. Revenues are recorded when earned and liabilities are recognized when incurred. This policy is in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. The District has also complied with GASB Statement No. 34 financial reporting requirements.

Reporting Entity

The District is an independent, self-contained reporting entity with no associated component units. It is operated in a manner similar to a private business enterprise where the cost of providing water services is financed through user charges. The District produces its own water supply and sells water to Creek County Rural Water Districts 2 and 3.

Cash

The District's accounts are with the American Heritage Bank, Sapulpa, Oklahoma, and are detailed as follows:

	December 31,	
	2023	2022
Cash on hand	\$ 300	300
Petty cash	300	300
Operation and Maint. Account	764,074	837,027
Pension Plan Account	6,803	6,803
Add: Deposits in transit	-	-
Less: Outstanding checks	(47,383)	(1,781)
Total	<u>\$ 724,094</u>	<u>842,649</u>

CREEK COUNTY RURAL WATER DISTRICT NO. 1
Notes to Financial Statements
December 31, 2023

Note A – Significant Accounting Policies – cont’d

Cash and Cash Equivalents

For the purposes of preparing the statement of cash flows, cash on hand, reconciled cash in savings and checking, and certificates of deposit that can be converted into cash (if necessary) are considered cash equivalents.

Investments

The District had the following outstanding investments at December 31, 2023:

Spirit Bank-	
Certificate of Deposit no. 135785	\$ 67,844
Certificate of Deposit no. 213603	50,000
Certificate of Deposit no. 213616	50,000
Certificate of Deposit no. 213629	48,400
Certificate of Deposit no. 110162	17,112
Certificate of Deposit no. 192777	17,112
Community Bank-	
Money Market Account	259,976
Certificate of Deposit no. 23628 (debt service reserve)	231,909
Certificate of Deposit no. 23950	217,887
Certificate of Deposit no. 23951	217,887
Certificate of Deposit no. 23550	73,169
BancFirst-	
Certificate of Deposit no. 331000112	252,595
American Heritage Bank-	
Money Market Account (short-lived assets)	603,873
Savings Account (short-lived assets)	257,982
Certificate of Deposit no. 100021039	90,596
Certificate of Deposit no. 100003141	90,596
Total Investments	<u>\$ 2,546,938</u>

Custodial Credit Risk - At December 31, 2023, the District held deposits of approximately \$3,317,815 at financial institutions. The District's cash deposits, including interest-bearing certificates of deposit, are entirely covered by Federal Depository Insurance (FDIC) or direct obligation of the U.S. Government insured or collateralized with securities held by the District or by its agent in the District's name.

CREEK COUNTY RURAL WATER DISTRICT NO. 1
Notes to Financial Statements
December 31, 2023

Note A – Significant Accounting Policies – cont'd

Restricted Assets

The Rural Development loan agreements require the District to set aside funds into a Reserve Account equal to the amounts to be paid in a given year on these notes, which is \$105,108 for Note 91-01 and \$16,080 for Note 91-03. Once the required reserve balances are met, no further deposits are required to be held, except to replace withdrawals. As of December 31, 2023, the required balance for the reserve account was \$121,188, which is the required balance, represented by CD no. 23628 at Community Bank. This balance is taken from the investments and is listed as part of restricted assets on the financial statements and shown as a restricted net position.

The Rural Development loan agreements require the District to set aside funds into a Short-Lived Assets Account and should have \$245,000 deposited annually into this account. As of December 31, 2023 the balance for the reserve account was \$735,000, represented by the money market and the savings accounts at American Heritage Bank. This balance is taken from the investments and is listed as part of restricted assets on the financial statements and shown as a restricted net position.

Oklahoma Statutes authorize the District to invest in certificates of deposit, repurchase agreements, passbooks, bankers' acceptances, and other available bank investments provided that all deposits are fully covered by approved securities pledged to secure those funds. In addition, the District can invest in direct debt securities of the United States unless such an investment is expressly prohibited by law.

Fair Value of Financial Instruments – The District's financial instruments include cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable, accounts payable and notes payable. The District's estimate of the fair value of all financial instruments does not differ materially from the aggregate carrying values of its financial instruments recorded in the accompanying statement of net position. The carrying amount of these financial instruments approximates fair values because of the short maturity of these instruments.

Accounts Receivable

Billings for accounts receivable at December 31, 2023 were \$126,804. Allowance for doubtful accounts was not computed on this balance because uncollectibles do not have a material effect on the balance sheet.

Federal Income Tax

The District is exempt from Federal and State income taxes.

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December 31, 2023

Note A – Significant Accounting Policies – cont’d

Accumulated Unpaid Vacation and Sick Pay

At December 31, 2023 no determination of the aggregate dollar value of vacation or sick pay had been made.

Memorandum Totals

The “Memorandum Only” captions above the columns mean that amounts are presented for comparative and information purposes only.

Capital Assets

Any items purchased or constructed in excess of \$1,000 and has a useful life of over two years is considered a capital asset by the District and will be depreciated over a specific time. The capital asset information for the District is shown below:

	12/31/2022			12/31/2023
	Amount	Additions	Deletions	Amount
Land	\$ 8,249	-	-	8,249
Plant and dist. system	12,251,048	473,574	-	12,724,622
Trucks and equipment	310,097	39,581	-	349,678
Buildings	143,014	-	-	143,014
Office furn. & equip.	35,704	-	-	35,704
Other equipment	140,524	-	-	140,524
Total Capital Assets	12,888,636	513,155	-	13,401,791
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	(4,772,263)	(307,090)	-	(5,079,353)
Total	\$ 8,116,373	206,065	-	8,322,438

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Note A – Significant Accounting Policies – cont'd

Equity Classification

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

1. 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 improvements of those assets and adjusted for any deferred inflows and outflows of resources attributable to capital assets and related debt.
2. Restricted – Consists of restricted assets reduced by liabilities and deferred inflows or resources related to those assets, with restriction constraints placed on the use either by (a) external groups such as creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws and regulations of other governments; or (b) laws through constitutional provisions of enabling legislation.
3. Unrestricted – Net amount of assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources that are not included in the determination of net investment in capital assets or the restricted component of net position.

Note B – Long-Term Debt

Long-Term Debt consists of two notes:

1. Rural Development 91-01 - The District has a 2020 promissory note in the amount of \$2,949,000 with Rural Development for a period of 40 years. The District makes monthly principal and interest payments of \$8,759. The fixed interest rate on this note is 1.875%. The water system and future water revenues are used as security for this note.
2. Rural Development 91-03 - The District has a 2020 promissory note in the amount of \$451,000 with Rural Development for a period of 40 years. The District makes monthly principal and interest payments of \$1,340. The fixed interest rate on this note is 1.875%. The water system and future water revenues are used as security for this note.

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Note B – Long-Term Debt

	December 31,	
	2023	2022
Rural Development 91-01 note payable, dated 2020, issued for \$2,949,000, at 1.875% interest, due in monthly installments, until paid;	\$ 2,769,024	2,821,678
Rural Development 91-03 note payable, dated 2020, issued for \$451,000, at 1.875% interest, due in monthly installments, until paid;	423,456	431,514
Long-Term Debt Outstanding	3,192,480	3,253,192
Less: Current maturities of long-term debt	(59,578)	(60,711)
Total Long-Term Debt, Net	<u>\$ 3,132,902</u>	<u>3,192,481</u>

The scheduled maturities for the next five years, and in five-year totals, thereafter, are detailed as follows:

Year	Total	RD 91-01	RD 91-03
2024	\$ 59,578	51,670	7,908
2025	60,704	52,647	8,057
2026	61,852	53,643	8,209
2027	63,022	54,657	8,365
2028	64,214	55,691	8,523
2029-33	339,752	294,657	45,095
2034-38	373,117	323,594	49,523
2039-43	409,760	355,373	54,387
2044-48	450,000	390,272	59,728
2049-53	494,191	428,598	65,593
2054-58	542,724	470,689	72,035
2059-60	273,566	237,533	36,033
Total	<u>\$ 3,192,480</u>	<u>2,769,024</u>	<u>423,456</u>

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Note C – Insurance and Surety Bond Coverage

The District appears to have had adequate insurance to cover all major perils at December 31, 2023.

Note D – Retirement Plan

The District has a noncontributory defined benefit pension plan covering all employees 20.5 years old after six months of employment. Plan benefits are 2% of compensation times years of service. Minimum retirement age is 65, minimum years of participation is five years. The plan pays a pre-retirement death benefit that is the greater of the insurance or the present value of the accrued benefit. Vesting is: 2 years – 20%, 3 years – 40%, 4 years – 60%, 5 years – 80%, 6 years – 100%. Funding of the pension plan is through individual insurance and annuity contracts. The actuarial assumptions used to compute contributions are the same as used to compute pension obligations. For 2023, total salaries were \$332,695 and total contributions to the plan were \$132,342. There were no pension distributions paid in 2023.

Note E – Subsequent Events

Management has evaluated subsequent events through May 30, 2024, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued and have determined that no additional information needs to be added to the financial statements.

CREEK COUNTY RURAL DISTRICT NO. 1
Schedule of Water Rates and Customers
-Unaudited Information-
December 31, 2023

Water Rates

\$26.00 minimum
\$6.50 per 1,000 gallons after

Water Loss

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Total gallons pumped	600,419,000	577,960,000
Total gallons sold:		
Creek 1	(152,861,000)	(162,399,000)
Creek 2	(235,612,000)	(181,547,000)
Creek 3	(179,718,825)	(183,965,889)
Portable/misc.	(12,000)	(79,000)
Total water loss	<u>32,215,775</u>	<u>49,969,111</u>
Percentage of water loss	<u>5.37%</u>	<u>8.65%</u>

Source – District provided Water Produced Report

Customers

The District had 2,822 taps at the close of the fiscal year.

Current membership (benefit unit) cost is \$2,000 for a 5/8” meter setting.



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May 30, 2024

Board of Directors
Creek County Rural Water District No. 1
Kellyville, Oklahoma

Dear Board of Directors:

The following section contains the observation and recommendation relayed to management that is considered an immaterial compliance finding, which we feel needs to be communicated to you so that appropriate action may be taken to correct this deficiency. This item is not included or referred to in your audit report as it is not considered material in nature but is a finding worthy of being mentioned.

Board Minutes

We observed that the 2023 calendar of meeting dates was received by the Creek County Clerk's Office until the January 5, 2023. Oklahoma Statutes require that each governing board provide written notice to the County Clerk of all upcoming meetings for each calendar year by December 15th of the previous year. We recommend the upcoming year's meeting calendar be approved each year by the Board of Directors in November and submitted to the County Clerk's Office before December 15.

We take this opportunity to thank you and your professional staff for the outstanding cooperation and invaluable assistance you gave us during our recent onsite audit work.

Sincerely,

Eric M. Bledsoe