

**Pontotoc County Rural Water District No. 8  
Ada, Oklahoma**

Financial Statements and Auditor's Reports

Year Ended December 31, 2023

Audited by

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**Pontotoc County Rural Water District No. 8**  
**Ada, Oklahoma**  
Board of Directors  
December 31, 2023

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December 31, 2023

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**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

Board of Directors  
Pontotoc County Rural Water District No. 8  
Ada, Oklahoma

***Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements***

We have audited the accompanying combined fund type and account group financial statements-regulatory basis of the Pontotoc County Rural Water District No. 8, Ada, Oklahoma (the District), 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 23 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 16, 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.

***Bledsoe, Hewett & Gullekson***

Bledsoe, Hewett & Gullekson  
Certified Public Accountants, PLLLP

May 16, 2024

**Pontotoc County Rural Water District No. 8**  
Management's Discussion and Analysis  
December 31, 2023

Our discussion and analysis of Pontotoc County Rural Water District No. 8'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 revenues exceeded total operating expenses by \$487,809. Overall, the District had a net gain of \$538,976 and its cash and cash equivalents increased by \$481,146 in the 2023 fiscal year.
- Capital asset additions during 2023 included continued construction on the shop/storage building constructed in 2022 as well as meter purchases.
- The District opened several new investment accounts during 2023, which included transferring two CDs with Oklahoma Heritage Bank into a single higher-interest CD with First United Bank, along with opening new CDARS and Money Market accounts with Oklahoma Heritage Bank. This being stated, interest earnings increased greatly, from \$6,806 in 2022 to \$106,482 in 2023.
- Membership in the District continues to increase, from 1,947 in 2022 to 1,992 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 \$5,378,851 to \$5,917,827. 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	\$ 3,038,940	2,543,585	495,355
Capital assets, net	4,388,555	4,375,816	12,739
Total Assets	<u>\$ 7,427,495</u>	<u>6,919,401</u>	<u>508,094</u>
Current liabilities	\$ 82,065	56,273	25,792
Long-term liabilities	1,427,603	1,484,277	(56,674)
Total Liabilities	<u>\$ 1,509,668</u>	<u>1,540,550</u>	<u>(30,882)</u>
Invest. In capital assets, net of related debt	\$ 2,975,385	2,907,209	68,176
Unrestricted	2,942,442	2,471,642	470,800
Total Net Position	<u>\$ 5,917,827</u>	<u>5,378,851</u>	<u>538,976</u>



Net Position of the District increased by 10.02 percent (\$5,917,827 compared to \$5,378,851). 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 \$2,471,642 to \$2,942,442.

**Table 2 – Changes in Net Position:**

	2023	2022	Variances
Revenues:			
Water sales, memberships and fees	\$ 1,529,066	1,651,547	(122,481)
Bulk water sales / reimbursements	148,318	5,430	142,888
Interest	106,482	6,806	99,676
Total Revenues	1,783,866	1,663,783	120,083
Expenses:			
Water purchases	152,376	153,672	1,296
Salaries, taxes and benefits	315,701	335,471	19,770
Maintenance and repairs	303,678	218,065	(85,613)
Other expenses	232,362	199,589	(32,773)
Depreciation/Amortization	185,458	172,854	(12,604)
Interest on debt	55,315	56,804	1,489
Total Expenses	1,244,890	1,136,455	(108,435)
Changes in Net Position	538,976	527,328	11,648
Net Position, Beginning	5,378,851	4,851,523	527,328
Net Position, Ending	\$ 5,917,827	5,378,851	538,976

The District's total revenues increased by 7.21 percent (\$120,083) and the total cost of all operations increased by 9.54 percent (\$108,435).

### **Capital Assets**

At December 31, 2023, the District had \$4,388,555 invested in capital assets, net of depreciation, including land, the water system, vehicles and equipment. The District had capital asset additions of \$187,552 during the 2023 fiscal year.

### **Long-Term Debt**

In 2019, the District obtained a loan in the amount of \$1,600,000 to finance the water main extension project. The District began making principal payments on this note in July 2020. The note is for 20 years, with a current interest rate of 3.75%. At December 31, 2023 the balance owed on this loan was \$1,413,170.

### **Economic Factors and Next Year's Budget and Rates**

The District attempts to absorb their rate and expense increases but may be forced to further increase customer rates if additional expense increases are incurred.

The District's budget for fiscal year 2024 will remain much like previous years budgets. Your Board of Directors does anticipate small budget changes made primarily to better allow for office and field personnel operations, without the necessity of hiring additional part-time or permanent employees.

### **Contacting the District's Management**

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 127, Ada, OK 74820 or call (580) 436-3065.



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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  
Pontotoc County Rural Water District No. 8  
Ada, 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 Pontotoc County Rural Water District No. 8, Ada, Oklahoma (the "District"), 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 16, 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 were not 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 District's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

*Bledsoe, Hewett & Gullekson*

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Certified Public Accountants, PLLLP

May 16, 2024

**PONTOTOC COUNTY RURAL DISTRICT NO. 8**

Disposition of Prior Year's Significant Deficiencies and Material Instances of  
Noncompliance  
December 31, 2023

There were no prior year significant deficiencies or material instances of noncompliance.

**PONTOTOC COUNTY RURAL WATER DISTRICT NO. 8**  
**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

**PONTOTOC COUNTY RURAL WATER DISTRICT NO. 8**  
**STATEMENT OF NET POSITION**  
**DECEMBER 31, 2023**

	<b>2023</b>	<b>-Memorandum- -Only- 2022</b>
<b><u>ASSETS:</u></b>		
Current assets:		
Cash	\$ 380,845	1,796,206
Investments	2,468,940	571,196
Reserved cash - rent deposits	14,433	15,670
Accounts receivable	137,198	121,648
Prepaid insurance	18,024	18,065
Total current assets	<u>3,019,440</u>	<u>2,522,785</u>
Capital assets:		
Land	40,218	40,218
Buildings	784,362	607,525
Water distribution system	6,295,271	6,275,211
Furniture and fixtures	32,238	32,238
Vehicles	248,167	248,167
Water rights	186,777	186,777
Total capital assets	<u>7,587,033</u>	<u>7,390,136</u>
Less: accumulated depreciation	<u>(3,198,478)</u>	<u>(3,014,320)</u>
Total capital assets	<u>4,388,555</u>	<u>4,375,816</u>
Other assets:		
Loan costs-net of amortization	<u>19,500</u>	<u>20,800</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b><u>\$ 7,427,495</u></b>	<b><u>6,919,401</u></b>
<b><u>LIABILITIES:</u></b>		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	<u>\$ 82,065</u>	<u>56,273</u>
Long-term liabilities:		
Refundable deposits	14,433	15,670
Long-term notes payable	<u>1,413,170</u>	<u>1,468,607</u>
Total long-term liabilities	<u>1,427,603</u>	<u>1,484,277</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>1,509,668</u>	<u>1,540,550</u>
<b><u>NET POSITION:</u></b>		
Net investment in capital assets	2,975,385	2,907,209
Unrestricted	<u>2,942,442</u>	<u>2,471,642</u>
Total Net Position	<u>5,917,827</u>	<u>5,378,851</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION</b>	<b><u>\$ 7,427,495</u></b>	<b><u>6,919,401</u></b>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements

**PONTOTOC COUNTY RURAL WATER DISTRICT NO. 8**  
**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023**

	2023	-Memorandum- -Only- 2022
<b>Operating Revenues:</b>		
Water revenue	\$ 1,447,321	1,606,537
Benefit units	75,150	39,450
Reconnect fees	6,595	5,560
Other sales and services-		
Bulk water sales / reimbursements	148,318	5,430
Total operating revenues	<u>1,677,384</u>	<u>1,656,977</u>
<b>Operating Expenses:</b>		
Salaries, taxes & retirement	315,701	335,471
Testing	7,136	5,640
Utilities	67,817	77,693
Water purchases	152,376	153,672
Office and postage	26,777	21,119
Insurance	47,558	45,107
Line materials	286,843	193,346
Line repairs	9,699	19,079
Dues and fees	2,199	2,416
Vehicles & equipment	29,363	29,453
Professional fees	42,195	13,359
Credit card fees	11,496	9,374
Miscellaneous	4,957	1,068
Depreciation	184,158	171,554
Amortization	1,300	1,300
Total operating expenses	<u>1,189,575</u>	<u>1,079,651</u>
Operating Income (Loss)	487,809	577,326
<b>Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses):</b>		
Interest income	106,482	6,806
Interest paid on long-term debt	(55,315)	(56,804)
Total nonoperating revenues (expenses)	<u>51,167</u>	<u>(49,998)</u>
Change in Net Position	538,976	527,328
Total Net Position, beginning of period	<u>5,378,851</u>	<u>4,851,523</u>
<b>Total Net Position, end of period</b>	<b><u>\$ 5,917,827</u></b>	<b><u>5,378,851</u></b>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements



**PONTOTOC COUNTY RURAL WATER DISTRICT NO. 8**  
**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023**

	2023	-Memorandum- -Only- 2022
<b>Cash Flows from Operating Activities:</b>		
Receipts from customers	\$ 1,661,834	1,642,471
Payments to employees	(315,402)	(335,555)
Payments to vendors	(673,464)	(592,253)
Net Cash Provided by (used in) Operating Activities	<u>672,968</u>	<u>714,663</u>
<b>Cash Flows from Capital and Related Financing Activities:</b>		
Capital asset (purchases) sales	(187,552)	(223,894)
Principal paid on long-term debt	(55,437)	(53,948)
Interest paid on long-term debt	(55,315)	(56,804)
Net Cash Provided by (used in) Capital and Related Financing Activities	<u>(298,304)</u>	<u>(334,646)</u>
<b>Cash Flows from Investing Activities:</b>		
Interest earned on investments	<u>106,482</u>	<u>6,806</u>
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	481,146	386,823
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	<u>2,383,072</u>	<u>1,996,249</u>
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	<u><u>\$ 2,864,218</u></u>	<u><u>2,383,072</u></u>
<b>Reconciliation of operating income (loss) to net cash provided by operating activities:</b>		
Operating Income (loss)	\$ 487,809	577,326
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided (used) by operating activities:		
Depreciation Expense	184,158	171,554
Amortization Expense	1,300	1,300
Change in assets and liabilities:		
(Increase) decrease in accounts receivable	(15,550)	(13,359)
(Increase) decrease in prepaid insurance	41	(784)
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable	16,148	(5,978)
Increase (decrease) in taxes payable	299	(84)
Increase (decrease) in rent deposits	(1,237)	(15,312)
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u><u>\$ 672,968</u></u>	<u><u>714,663</u></u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements

**PONTOTOC COUNTY RURAL WATER DISTRICT NO. 8**  
**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**DECEMBER 31, 2023**

**Note A – Significant Accounting Policies**

Business Activity

Pontotoc County Rural Water District No. 8 (the District) was formed under the provisions of Title 82, O.S. 1981, Sections 1324.1-1324.26 inclusive. The District operates as a nontaxable government agency to service residents of the Pontotoc County Rural Water District No. 8. The District's primary income is from the sale of water to its members in an area around Latta, Oklahoma.

Basis of Accounting

The financial statements are prepared on an accrual basis of accounting which is in compliance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP), which recognizes revenues when earned and expenses as incurred. Interest earnings on certificates of deposits and other investments are recorded when such interest is actually received by the District. Generally accepted accounting principles include all relevant Government Accounting Standards Board (GASB) pronouncements.

Cash

The District's cash accounts are with the First United Bank, Ada, Oklahoma, and are detailed as follows:

	<u>December 31,</u>	
	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Operating Account	\$ 0	1,796,674
Sweep Account	381,313	0
Less: Outstanding checks	<u>(468)</u>	<u>(468)</u>
Balance	<u>\$ 380,845</u>	<u>1,796,206</u>

**PONTOTOC COUNTY RURAL WATER DISTRICT NO. 8**  
**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**DECEMBER 31, 2023**

**Note A – Significant Accounting Policies – cont'd**

Reserved Account

The District's reserve account is a rental deposit account. These funds have been deposited in a checking account at First United Bank in Ada, Oklahoma, which is insured by the federal government. At December 31, 2023, the reserved balance was \$14,433.

Investments

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

Oklahoma Heritage Bank:	
CDARS Account #3452	\$ 1,564,175
Money Market Account #4051	306,667
 First United Bank:	
CD Account #8842	<u>598,098</u>
 Total Investments	<u><u>\$ 2,468,940</u></u>

*Note: The account balance for the First United Bank CD #8842 as of December 31, 2023, was unable to be obtained. This account was later closed and transferred to another bank in 2024. Based upon the bank's estimated interest schedule, the amount above has been calculated as of December 31, 2023.*

Deposits and Investments

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. Additionally, the District can invest in direct debt securities of the United States unless such an investment is expressly prohibited by law.

Bank deposits are held at several financial institutions and are carried at cost. For purposes of the statement of cash flows, the District considers cash and all highly liquid investments with an initial maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

**PONTOTOC COUNTY RURAL WATER DISTRICT NO. 8**  
**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**DECEMBER 31, 2023**

**Note A – Significant Accounting Policies – cont'd**

*Custodial Credit Risk* - At December 31, 2023, the District held deposits of approximately \$2,864,687 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.

*Investment Interest Rate Risk* - The District does not have a formal investment policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates.

*Investment Credit Risk* - The District has no policy that limits its investment choices other than the limitations of state law, as follows:

- a. Direct obligations of the U.S. Government, its agencies and instrumentalities to which the full faith and credit of the U.S. Government is pledged, or obligations to the payment of which the full faith and credit of the State is pledged.
- b. Certificates of deposits or savings accounts that are either insured or secured with acceptable collateral with in-state financial institutions, and fully insured certificates of deposit or savings accounts in out-of-state financial institutions.
- c. With certain limitation, negotiable certificates of deposit, prime bankers acceptances, prime commercial paper and repurchase agreements with certain limitations.
- d. County, municipal or school district tax supported debt obligations, bond or revenue anticipation notes, money judgments, or bond or revenue anticipation notes of public trusts whose beneficiary is a county, municipality or school district.
- e. Notes or bonds secured by mortgage or trust deed insured by the Federal Housing Administrator and debentures issued by the Federal Housing Administrator, and in obligations of the National Mortgage Association.
- f. Money market funds regulated by the SEC and in which investments consist of the investments mentioned in the previous paragraphs (a-d).

**Capital Assets**

Any items purchased or constructed in excess of \$1,000 and a useful life of over two years are considered a capital (fixed) asset by the District and will be depreciated over a specific time. Depreciation of the water system and improvements to the water system is provided using the straight-line method based on a forty-year life. Equipment is depreciated over a 5–7-year life. Depreciation expense for the year is presented as an operating expense and closed, along with other operating expenses, directly to retained earnings.

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**Note A – Significant Accounting Policies – cont'd**

The capital asset information for the District is shown below:

	12/31/2022			12/31/2023
	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Land	\$ 40,218	-	-	40,218
Office equipment	32,238	-	-	32,238
Plant and water sys.	6,275,211	20,060	-	6,295,271
Vehicles & equip.	248,167	-	-	248,167
Buildings	607,525	176,837	-	784,362
Water Rights	186,777	-	-	186,777
Total Capital Assets	7,390,136	196,897	-	7,587,033
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(3,014,320)</u>	<u>(184,158)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(3,198,478)</u>
Total	<u>\$ 4,375,816</u>	<u>12,739</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,388,555</u>

**Note B – Accounts Receivable**

Billings for accounts receivable at December 31, 2023 were \$137,198. Allowance for doubtful accounts was not computed on these amounts.

**Note C – Memorandum Totals**

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

**Note D – Long-Term Debt**

During 2019, the District approved a \$1,600,000 loan with First United Bank. The term is for 20 years at an interest rate of 3.75% for 60 months, then interest is adjusted every five years after. The District made interest only payments on this note until all proceeds were paid out, and then begin making principal and interest payments on the note in July 2020.

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**Note D – Long-Term Debt – cont'd**

The notes payable at December 31<sup>st</sup>, are detailed as follows:

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
First United Bank, 20 year term loan, dated 2019, issued for \$1,600,000, at 3.75% interest	<u>\$ 1,413,170</u>	<u>\$ 1,468,607</u>

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

	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>
2024	\$ 58,761	51,991
2025	61,003	49,749
2026	63,330	47,422
2027	65,747	45,005
2028	68,255	42,497
2029-33	377,078	176,682
2034-38	460,012	93,748
2039-41	<u>258,984</u>	<u>12,493</u>
Total	<u>\$ 1,413,170</u>	<u>519,587</u>

The District is required to maintain a minimum Debt Service Coverage Ratio of 1.50:1.00, measured annually. Debt Service Coverage Ratio is defined as the proportion of earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization to the required debt service of the District. Operating results for the year ended December 31, 2023 are summarized below:

Income from operations	\$ 487,809
Add: Interest income	106,482
Depreciation	184,158
Amortization	<u>1,300</u>
Income available for debt service (a)	<u>\$ 779,749</u>
Debt Service for 2024:	
Interest payments	\$ 51,991
Principal payments	<u>58,761</u>
Total debt service (b)	<u>\$ 110,752</u>
Debt service coverage ratio (a/b)	<u>7.04</u>

As of December 31, 2023, the District had met the requirements of the rate covenant as described above.

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**Note E – Employee Benefits**

The District has an approved Simplified Employee Pension (SEP) plan for all employees. The District will contribute 5.0% of compensation. Employees have the option to have additional amounts withheld from their compensation.

**Note F – Subsequent Events**

Management has evaluated subsequent events through May 16, 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.

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**Schedule of Water Rates and Customers**  
**-Unaudited Information-**  
**December 31, 2023**

**Water Rates**

0 – 2,000 gallons	=	\$30.00 minimum bill
2,000 – 3,000 gallons	=	additional \$6.50 per thousand gallons
3,000 – 4,000 gallons	=	additional \$6.75 per thousand gallons
4,000 – 5,000 gallons	=	additional \$7.00 per thousand gallons
5,000 – 10,000 gallons	=	additional \$7.25 per thousand gallons
10,000 – 15,000 gallons	=	additional \$7.50 per thousand gallons
15,000 – 30,000 gallons	=	additional \$7.75 per thousand gallons
30,000 – 50,000 gallons	=	additional \$10.00 per thousand gallons
50,000 – 80,000 gallons	=	additional \$12.00 per thousand gallons
Over 80,000 gallons	=	additional \$14.00 per thousand gallons

**Water Loss**

	<b><u>2023</u></b>	<b><u>2022</u></b>
Total gallons pumped and purchased	163,567,500	169,075,300
Total gallons sold to District customers	<u>(128,056,324)</u>	<u>(139,841,760)</u>
Total water loss	<u>35,511,176</u>	<u>29,233,540</u>
Percentage of water loss	<u>21.71%</u>	<u>17.29%</u>

Source – Monthly Financial Operating Reports

**Customers**

The District had 1,992 customers at the close of the fiscal year.

Current membership/tap fee is \$1,350 per sign up.