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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Board of Directors Southeastern Colorado Water Conservancy District Pueblo, Colorado

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities and each major fund of the Southeastern Colorado Water Conservancy District (District) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2014, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's 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 United 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 misstatement, 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. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement.

An audit 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 misstatements of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to an entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statement 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 an 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.

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Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, business type activities and each major fund of the District as of December 31, 2014, and the respective change in financial position thereof for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis and budgetary comparison information be presented to supplement the basis 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 supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquires 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 basic 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.

Other Information

The Schedule of Revenue And Expenditure - Water Activity Enterprise Fund – Budget and Actual and the Detail Schedule of Revenue and Expenditure - General Fund are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate 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 financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the Schedule of Revenue and Expenditure - Water Activity Enterprise Fund - Budget and Actual and the Detail Schedule of Revenue and Expenditure - General Fund are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Colorado Springs, Colorado

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May 14, 2015

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

INTRODUCTION

This discussion and analysis is to provide an overview of the Southeastern Colorado Water Conservancy District's financial condition and operating results of the past year and to inform our constituents about the District's financial issues and activities. We encourage readers to consider all of the information presented here including the independent auditors' report, the basic financial statements, notes, and supplementary information.

Government-wide activities and assets include both the Governmental (District) and the Proprietary (Enterprise) Fund. The District functions as a Governmental Fund with one set of standard accounting policies and the Enterprise functions as a business-type proprietary fund with a different set of standard accounting policies both in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. These policies are discussed in the summary of significant accounting policies in Note one to the financial statements. Reconciliations for the Governmental Fund are necessary in order to make a consolidated presentation.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- 1. Government-wide assets exceed its liabilities and deferred inflows by \$114,799,611 at December 31, 2014. The District's ongoing obligations may use the unrestricted net position of the governmental activities totaling \$7,845,105 at December 31, 2014. Unrestricted net position of the business-type activity totals \$9,575,181 at December 31, 2014 and may be used to meet ongoing obligations. The combined total of unrestricted net position available to meet ongoing obligations is \$17,420,286.
- 2. The District's net position (government-wide) increased from \$111,014,521 at December 31, 2013 to \$114,799,611 at December 31, 2014. This is an increase of \$3,785,090 or 3.30 percent during the year ended December 31, 2014.
- 3. The most significant asset of the District is its perpetual water rights that are reported at \$132,237,478. Note Five presents more detail relating to the District's capital assets. To calculate the government-wide Net Position of \$114,799,611, the value of the perpetual water rights and land is combined with other assets and long-term liabilities, along with deferred inflows of resources. The Statement of Net Position clearly illustrates these details.
- 4. The District's debt consists primarily of the amounts due to the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) totaling \$36,241,635 at December 31, 2014. This includes both the obligation related to the Governmental activities Fryingpan-Arkansas Project (Project) construction contract and the Business-type activities Safety of Dams obligation. This represents a net decrease for both of \$4,658,963 during the year ended December 31, 2014. Note six presents the detail of these obligations.

OVERVIEW

This annual report includes a series of financial statements. In addition to this Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A), the report consists of (1) government-wide statements, (2) fund financial statements, (3) the notes to the financial statements, (4) required supplementary information, and (5) additional information.

The first two basic statements present a government-wide view of the District's finances. All District operations are categorized and reported as either governmental or business-type activities. Governmental activities include basic governmental and administrative services, the repayment of primary debt, and the protection of the District's water rights. The District's business-type activities carried out by the proprietary fund include the sale and administration of water from the Fryingpan-Arkansas Project, related surcharges, and return flows. The Safety of Dams repayment obligation is a long-term debt of the business activity. Projects include: (1) The Arkansas Valley Conduit Project and ongoing negotiations regarding the Excess Capacity Master Contract, (2) enlargement of the Pueblo Reservoir and Turquoise Lake (3) a lease of power privilege for Hydroelectric Power at the Pueblo Dam, (4) a regional water conservation program for the Arkansas Valley Conduit, and other water issues and projects as identified by the Board of Directors. These government-wide statements are designed to present both the governmental and business-type activities as a consolidated total for the District.

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

- The Statement of Net Position focuses on resources available for future operations. In simple terms, this statement presents a snapshot view of the assets of the District, the liabilities it owes and it's deferred inflows and the net difference at December 31, 2014. The net difference is further separated into amounts for net investment in capital assets, restricted for specific purposes, and unrestricted amounts. Governmental activities are reported on the accrual basis of accounting. The Statement of Net Position demonstrates that the District is in a solid position for future operations with net position that has steadily increased in recent years.
- The Statement of Activities focuses on the gross and net costs of the District's programs and the extent to which such programs rely upon general revenues. This statement summarizes and simplifies the user's ability to determine the extent to which the programs are self-supporting and/or subsidized by general revenues.
- Fund financial statements focus separately on the governmental fund and the proprietary fund. Governmental fund statements follow the more traditional presentation of financial statements and include a reconciliation of the governmental Fund Balance Sheet to the Statement of Net Position and a reconciliation of the governmental fund Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance to the Statement of Activities. Statements for the District's proprietary fund follow the governmental fund and include a Statement of Net Position, Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Fund Net Position, and Statement of Cash Flows.

• The notes to the financial statements provide additional disclosures required by generally accepted accounting principles and provide information to assist the reader in understanding the District's financial condition.

The MD&A is intended to explain the significant changes in the financial position and differences in operations between current and prior years. The MD&A includes currently known information that management is aware of at the date of the auditor's report. Please read it in conjunction with the District's financial statements that follow this section.

GOVERNMENT-WIDE

The District had a successful year in 2014. We continued to make timely repayments on our long-term debt while maintaining our capital assets and our financial investment reserves. The total Net Position is the best indicator in this presentation of a successful year as it displays the increased net position at December 31, 2014.

Government - Wide
Condensed Statement of Net Position
December 31

	2014	2013	Dollar Change
Current assets	\$ 31,095,890	\$31,940,397	(\$844,507)
Capital Assets, net	132,920,140	132,937,534	(17,394)
Total Assets	164,016,030	164,877,931	(861,901)
Current liabilities	11,569,683	11,448,227	121,456
Long-term liabilities	30,674,497	35,526,140	(4,851,643)
Total Liabilities	42,244,180	46,974,367	(4,730,187)
Deferred inflows of resources	6,972,239	6,889,043	83,196
Net investment in capital assets	97,229,325	92,647,756	4,581,569
Restricted for TABOR	150,000	150,000	0
Unrestricted	17,420,286	18,216,765	(796,479)
Total Net Assets	\$114,799,611	\$111,014,521	\$3,785,090

GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES

The following table compares revenues and expenses for the governmental activities for 2014 and 2013.

Condensed Comparative Statement of Activities Governmental Activities Year Ending December 31

	2014	2013	Dollar Change
Revenues			_
Program revenues –			
Charges for services	\$7,343,203	\$7,061,266	\$281,937
Grants	0	19,996	(19,996)
General Revenues-			
Property taxes	6,858,729	6,811,038	47,691
Specific ownership taxes	697,057	624,340	72,717
Investment earnings	119,816	10,349	109,467
Other	3,256	23	3,233
Total			
Revenues	15,022,061	14,527,012	495,049
Expenses			
General government	11,069,597	10,450,024	619,573
Total Expenses	11,069,597	10,450,024	619,573
Change in net position	3,952,464	4,076,988	(124,524)
Net position, beginning of year	101,271,966	97,194,978	4,076,988
Net position, end of year	\$105,224,430	\$101,271,966	\$3,952,464

The contract between the District and Reclamation stipulates that the District is responsible for repayment of a portion of the costs of the Fryingpan-Arkansas Project. The total estimated repayment obligation for the District in 1981 was \$132,237,478. This represented \$74,348,993 allocated to agriculture and \$57,888,485 allocated to municipal and industrial. Each year the District also incurs operating and maintenance costs.

Strategically the District analyzes the primary debt of the Fryingpan-Arkansas Project and the rate that the debt is retired. Reclamation estimates that the primary debt will be paid by 2019. Due to the acceleration of payments, negotiations with Reclamation and other related parties ensued to maximize the financial soundness of the entire Project including all related elements.

In July of 2014 the District and Reclamation signed the tenth amendment to the Fryingpan-Arkansas Project for the Safety of Dams construction at Twin Lakes Dam. The Safety of Dams at Twin Lakes will be funded by ad valorem tax revenue and will not affect the future operating revenue of the District.

Reclamation applies miscellaneous revenues collected by Reclamation to the District's repayment contract for the Fryingpan-Arkansas Project. It was determined that other features might also be paid off with the revenue. These features include the South Outlet construction on the Pueblo Dam, Ruedi Reservoir and the Fountain Valley Authority primary debt. A smaller portion of collected miscellaneous revenue continues to be used towards the primary debt of the Fryingpan-Arkansas Project. The future use of these funds will be applied towards the Arkansas Valley Conduit, a feature that has not yet been completed, but part of the original Fryingpan - Arkansas authorization. It is estimated the repayment of this project will begin when final construction of the project is completed.

An increase in property tax revenues reflects a slight growth in the local economy. Assessments are done in the year prior to receipt of ad valorum tax. This increased the revenue by \$47,691 that is used to repay the primary debt. The Specific Ownership taxes also increased in 2014 by \$72,717, which reflects the ongoing economic recovery.

The increases in general government expense is mainly attributable to the second and final payment for the 10,825 project. In 1999, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service issued a programmatic biological opinion for a critical reach of the Colorado River in Colorado related to recovery efforts for four endangered fish species. As a part of the programmatic biological opinion, the District and other participants have acquired 10,825 acre-feet/year of water as a permanent source of water for the endangered fish. In 2013, the cost share to the District was determined to be 10.19 percent. The total cost to the District was \$2,018,606. The amount of \$1,011,025 was paid in 2013 and the remainder of \$1,007,581 was paid in full in 2014. The District also purchased two vehicles and an office copy machine totaling \$51,088 in 2014.

BUSINESS TYPE ACTIVITIES

The Business Activity Enterprise (Enterprise) functions from a solid financial base; however, the success of the proprietary fund is more accurately measured by the impact that it has facilitating projects within the District that benefit our constituents. The enlargement program continued to progress in 2014. The newest development within the Enterprise is the hydroelectric power project. The development of hydroelectric power as an additional revenue source will significantly increase the future financial activity within the proprietary fund.

Progress continues to be made in serving as a leader for community water development projects. Participants in the Arkansas Valley Conduit and the long-term Excess Capacity Master Storage Contract programs signed a Memorandum of Agreement with the District and Reclamation in 2011, to complete the National Environmental Protection Act Environmental Impact Study on the development of both projects. The final Environmental Impact Study was released at the end of September 2013. In 2014 the Environmental Impact Study Record of Decision was awarded, which continues the progression of these two projects.

There is an increase in charges for services and Project water sales within the business activities of the Enterprise. This indicates that the 2014 Enterprise funded projects are steadily progressing and water sales have increased from prior years.

In 2012, Colorado's drought had a direct impact on Project water sales. In 2011, Project water sales totaled \$556,000. Project water sales were only \$69,000 in 2012. Project water sales totaled \$262,458 in 2013. In 2014 water sales produced \$477,574. This also has a direct effect on related surcharges including the Safety of Dams for Pueblo Dam and Water Activity Enterprise, and on the return flow and well augmentation water sales that the Enterprise normally collects.

In 2013 the Board of Directors approved an Environmental Stewardship Surcharge to be implemented in 2014 chargeable on all water types. This additional surcharge is directly related to the 10,825 project among other items. In 2014 the Environmental Stewardship Surcharge produced \$183,672 of the total surcharge revenue of \$701,176.

The following table compares revenues and expenses for the business-type activities for 2014 and 2013.

Comparative Statement of Activities Business-Type Activities Year Ending December 31

	2014	2013	Change
Revenues			
Program Revenues			
Charges for services & sales	\$1,644,840	\$1,230,611	\$414,229
Intergovernmental revenue	200,510	177,309	23,201
General Revenues			
Investment earnings	206,056	(85,476)	120,580
Total Revenues	2,051,406	1,322,444	558,010
Expenses			
Water Activity Enterprise	2,218,780	1,715,279	503,501
Total Expenses	2,218,780	1,715,279	503,501
Change in net position	(167,374)	(392,835)	54,509
Net position, January 1	9,742,555	10,135,390	392,835
Net position, December 31	\$9,575,181	\$9,742,555	\$167,374

BUDGET ANALYSIS

In December 2013, the District's Board of Directors adopted a budget for the Governmental fund for the calendar year 2014 following a public hearing as required by state law. The original budgeted appropriation for the year ended December 31, 2014 totaled \$15,404,954. The District chose not to modify the expenditures by amendment in 2014. Actual expenditures for 2014 totaled \$14,876,647. The variance in the budget analysis is mainly due to the major expenditure which included \$1,007,430 for the purpose of participating in the east slope water entities efforts to acquire water to fulfill the District's proportionate obligation under the final programmatic biological opinion for Bureau of Reclamation's operations and depletions. The final payment of the contractual agreement was paid in 2014. The required supplementary information schedule details the general fund budgetary comparison.

Located in the Additional Information portion is a budgetary comparison of the Business Activities of the Enterprise. In December 2013, the Enterprise's Board of Directors adopted a budget for the Business Activities fund for the calendar year 2014 following a public hearing as required by state law. The original budgeted appropriations for the year ended December 31, 2014 totaled \$2,819,807. The District chose not to modify the expenditures by amendment in 2014. Actual expenditures for 2014 totaled \$2,388,780.

CAPITAL ASSETS AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

At December 31, 2014, the District had \$132,237,478 invested in perpetual water rights and land classified as a non-depreciable capital asset. Office furniture and equipment was inventoried and obsolete items removed from the asset list. Note five details the capital assets.

Capital Assets

as of December 31			
	2014	2013	
Nondepreciable Assets			
Perpetual water rights	\$132,237,478	\$132,237,478	
Land	20,092	20,092	
	132,257,570	132,257,570	
Depreciable Assets Buildings and			
Improvements	1,192,649	1,192,649	
Furniture & Equipment	389,135	404,674	
	1,581,784	1,597,323	
Accumulated Depreciation	(919,214)	(917,359)	
Capital Assets, Net	\$132,920,140	\$132,937,534	

The District utilizes the collection of ad valorum property tax and Winter Water storage charges to retire the debt. Reclamation credits miscellaneous revenue to the repayment of the Project debt based on contracts for use of Fryingpan-Arkansas facilities for storage and delivery of non-Project water.

The repayment contract period is for 40 years with an extension of ten years. The District is well within this time period with an estimated principal balance owed at December 31, 2014 of \$35,690,815. Because the balance owed is less than the original cost allocated to municipal and industrial users, future payments will be applied to operating and maintenance cost first, and then to the agriculture portion of the original construction which is free of interest.

In addition to the obligation for the original reimbursable construction costs, another contract was entered into on July 15, 1998 with Reclamation for the repayment of funds expended for a federally performed Safety of Dams modification program. The proprietary fund pays \$60,000 per year from surcharge fees collected on water activities within the District boundaries for the agricultural portion of debt. The municipal portion was paid off in 2010. The balance of this contract obligation at December 31, 2014 totals \$550,820.

FINANCIAL CONTACT

The District's financial statements are designed to present users with a general overview of the District's finances and to demonstrate the District's accountability. Any questions should be directed to the staff at the Southeastern Colorado Water Conservancy District office at 31717 United Avenue, Pueblo, Colorado, 81001.



SOUTHEASTERN COLORADO WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT STATEMENT OF NET POSITION DECEMBER 31, 2014

	Primary Government			
	Governmental			
	Activities	Activities	<u>Total</u>	
ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 172,303	\$ 1,407,532	\$ 1,579,835	
Investments	7,009,938	9,841,728	16,851,666	
Receivables	7,053,423	219,461	7,272,884	
Internal balances	894,375	(894,375)		
Prepaid contract obligation and other assets	5,391,505	-	5,391,505	
Capital assets -				
Land and nondepreciable capital assets	132,257,570	2	132,257,570	
Other capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	662,570	•	662,570	
Total Capital Assets	132,920,140		132,920,140	
TOTAL ASSETS	153,441,684	10,574,346	164,016,030	
TOTAL ASSETS	155,441,064	10,574,540	101,010,030	
LIABILITIES				
Accounts payable	14,625	59,149	73,774	
Advance on contract obligation	5,352,960	*	5,352,960	
Outside agency deposits	9	389,196	389,196	
Long-term liabilities -				
Due within one year -				
Contracts	5,609,464	60,000	5,669,464	
Compensated absences	84,289	•	84,289	
Due in more than one year -			00.550.151	
Contracts	30,081,351	490,820	30,572,171	
Compensated absences	102,326		102,326	
TOTAL LIABILITIES	41,245,015	999,165	42,244,180	
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES				
Property taxes	6,972,239	2	6,972,239	
NET POSITION				
Net investment in capital assets	97,229,325	_	97,229,325	
Restricted for tabor	150,000	_	150,000	
Unrestricted	7,845,105	9,575,181	17,420,286	
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TOTAL NET POSITION	\$ 105,224,430	\$ 9,575,181	\$ 114,799,611	

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

SOUTHEASTERN COLORADO WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014

		Program Revenues		
Functions/Programs	<u>Expenses</u>	Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	
Governmental activities -				
General government	\$ 11,069,597	\$ 7,343,203	\$ -	
Total governmental				
activities	11,069,597	7,343,203	(4)	
Business-type activities -				
Water activity	2,218,780	1,644,840	200,510	
Total business-type activities	2,218,780	1,644,840	200,510	
TOTAL	\$ 13,288,377	\$ 8,988,043	\$ 200,510	

General revenues -

Property taxes levied for general government purposes Property taxes levied for specific purposes Specific ownership taxes Unrestricted investment earnings Other

Total general revenues

Change in net position

Net position, January 1

Net position, December 31

Net (Expense) Revenue and Change in Net Assets

Governmental	Business-Type	
<u>Activities</u>	<u>Activities</u>	<u>Total</u>
\$ (3,726,394)	\$ -	\$ (3,726,394)
(3,726,394)		(3,726,394)
	(373,430) (373,430)	(373,430) (373,480)
(3,726,394)	(373,430)	(4,099,824)
255,628 6,603,101 697,057 119,816 3,256 7,678,858	206,056	255,628 6,603,101 697,057 325,872 3,256 7,884,914
3,952,464	(167,374)	3,785,090
101,271,966	9,742,555	_111,014,521
\$105,224,430	\$ 9,575,181	\$114,799,611

SOUTHEASTERN COLORADO WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUND DECEMBER 31, 2014

ASSETS	General Fund
Cash and cash equivalents Investments Receivables Due from other fund Prepaid contract obligation and other prepaid items	\$ 172,303 7,009,938 7,053,423 894,375 5,391,505
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 20,521,544</u>
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES	
Liabilities - Accounts payable Advance on contract obligation Total Liabilities	\$ 14,625 5,352,960 5,367,585
Deferred inflows of resources - Property taxes Total deferred inflows of resources Total liabilities and deferred inflows of resources	6,972,239 6,972,239 12,339,824
Fund balances - Nonspendable Restricted Committed Assigned Unassigned Total fund balances	920,768 150,000 7,000,000 1,043 109,909 8,181,720
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 20,521,544

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

SOUTHEASTERN COLORADO WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCE SHEET TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION DECEMBER 31, 2014

Total fund balance - governmental fund		\$ 8,181,720
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 governmental fund. The cost of these assets is capitalized and expensed over their estimated useful lives in the statement of net position and the statement of activities Cost of capital assets Accumulated depreciation	\$ 133,839,354 (919,214)	132,920,140
Liabilities that are not due and payable in the current period are not reported in the governmental fund but are reported in the statement of net position as follows: Contract payable Compensated absences	(35,690,815) (186,615)	(35,877,430)

\$ 105,224,430

Total net position - governmental activities

SOUTHEASTERN COLORADO WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE GOVERNMENTAL FUND YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014

	General Fund
REVENUES	
Property taxes	\$ 6,858,729
Specific ownership taxes	697,057
Fountain Valley Authority contract revenue	5,352,751
Winter water storage	90,426
Charges for services	1,217,218
Investment revenue	119,816
Other	 3,256
TOTAL REVENUES	 14,339,253
EXPENDITURES	
Current -	
Outside services	347,334
Personnel expense	1,274,142
Travel and related expenses	46,441
Office and administrative expenses	196,326
Collection fees	114,262
Legislative and water education	20,000
Winter water storage	90,426
Fountain Valley Authority contract payments	5,352,751
Bureau operations, maintenance and repairs	2,574,403
10825 project	1,007,581
Capital outlay	51,088
Debt service -	
Principal	 3,916,155
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	 14,990,909
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	(651,656)
FUND BALANCE, January 1	 8,833,376
FUND BALANCE, December 31	\$ 8,181,720

SOUTHEASTERN COLORADO WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUND STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014

Net change in fund balance - governmental fund		\$ (651,656)
Accounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:		
Capital outlays are reported in the governmental fund as expenditures; however, these costs are reported in the statement of net position and allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which depreciation expense exceeds capital outlay Depreciation expense Capital outlay	\$ (68,482) 51,088	(17,394)
In the statement of activities, revenues received by the Bureau of Reclamation from other entities are reported as program revenues since these revenues reduce the District's contract obligation. However, these amounts do not represent current financial resources and thus are not reported in the fund		682,808
The governmental fund reports the principal repayment of the contract obligation as an expenditure		3,916,155
In the statement of activities, compensated absences are measured by the amounts earned during the year. In the governmental fund, however, expenditures for these items are measured by the amounts actually paid. This year the amount earned \$(84,289) was less than the amount paid \$(106,840)		22,551
Change in net position - governmental activities		\$ 3,952,464

SOUTHEASTERN COLORADO WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT STATEMENT OF NET POSITION PROPRIETARY FUND DECEMBER 31, 2014

	Enterprise Fund
ASSETS	
CURRENT ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents Accounts receivable Accrued interest receivable TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	\$ 1,407,532 194,399 25,062 1,626,993
OTHER ASSETS Investments TOTAL OTHER ASSETS	9,841,728 9,841,728
TOTAL NONCURRENT ASSETS	9,841,728
TOTAL ASSETS	11,468,721
LIABILITIES	
CURRENT LIABILITIES Accounts payable Contract with Bureau of Reclamation Outside agency deposits Due to other fund TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	59,149 60,000 389,196 894,375 1,402,720
NONCURRENT LIABILITIES Contract with Bureau of Reclamation TOTAL NONCURRENT LIABILITIES	490,820 490,820
TOTAL LIABILITIES	1,893,540
NET POSITION Unrestricted TOTAL NET POSITION	9,575,181 \$ 9,575,181

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

SOUTHEASTERN COLORADO WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN FUND NET POSITION PROPRIETARY FUND YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014

	Enterprise Fund
OPERATING REVENUES	
Charges for services	\$ 1,644,840
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	1,644,840
OPERATING EXPENSES	
Outside services	750,859
Office and administrative expenses	1,217,830
Travel and related expenses	5,387
Legislative and water education	244,704
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	2,218,780
OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)	(573,940)
NONOPERATING REVENUES	
Intergovernmental revenue	200,510
Interest revenue	206,056
TOTAL NONOPERATING REVENUES	406,566
CHANGE IN NET POSITION	(167,374)
NET POSITION, January 1	9,742,555
NET POSITION, December 31	\$ 9,575,181

SOUTHEASTERN COLORADO WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS PROPRIETARY FUND YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014	Ι	Enterprise Fund
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES Cash received from customers Cash paid for goods and services Receipts for interfund services	\$	1,627,674 (2,262,273) 434,084
NET CASH PROVIDED (USED) BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	_	(200,515)
CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES Intergovernmental revenue received NET CASH PROVIDED BY NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES		280,510 280,510
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES Payment on contract obligation		(60,000)
NET CASH PROVIDED (USED) BY CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES		(60,000)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES Acquisition of investments Maturity and sales of investments Investment revenue received		(1,213,000) 1,000,000 100,543
NET CASH PROVIDED (USED) BY INVESTING ACTIVITIES		(112,457)
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		(92,462)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, January 1		1,499,994
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, December 31	\$	1,407,532
RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING INCOME (LOSS) TO NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES Operating income (loss) Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to net cash provided by operating activities -	\$	(573,940)
Change in assets and liabilities - Accounts receivable Prepaid expenses Accounts payable Due to other funds		(17,166) 2,000 (45,493) 434,084
NET CASH PROVIDED (USED) BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	\$	(200,515)
SCHEDULE OF NONCASH INVESTING, CAPITAL AND FINANCING ACTIVITIES Change in fair value of investments	\$	101,039



NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Southeastern Colorado Water Conservancy District (the District) was created in 1958 under Colorado statutes to manage water resources of the Arkansas River Basin and to function as the legal taxing agency for the administration of the Fryingpan-Arkansas project and contracting agent with the federal government for reimbursable costs of the project.

The financial statements of the District have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as applicable to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The more significant accounting and reporting practices used by the District are described below.

A. REPORTING ENTITY

As required by generally accepted accounting principles, the District (the primary government) includes, if applicable, component units in its financial statements based upon financial accountability. Inasmuch as no component unit meets the criteria for inclusion, no component unit financial statements have been included.

B. GOVERNMENT-WIDE AND FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The basic financial statements include both government-wide (based on the District as a whole) and fund financial statements. The government-wide financial statements, which include the statement of net position and the statement of activities, report information on all of the activities of the District. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. Governmental activities, which normally are supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business-type activities, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for support.

The government-wide statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a functional category or activity are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a function or activity. Program revenues include, if applicable, (1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use or directly benefit from goods, services or privileges provided by a given function or activity; (2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational requirements of a particular function or activity; and (3) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the capital requirements of a particular function or activity. Taxes and other internally dedicated resources are reported as general revenues rather than program revenues. The net cost by function or business-type activity is normally covered by general revenues such as property taxes, specific ownership taxes or other unrestricted revenues.

Separate fund financial statements are provided for the major governmental fund and the major proprietary fund.

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Cont'd.)

The government-wide focus is more on the sustainability of the District as an entity and the change in aggregate financial position resulting from the activities of the fiscal period. The focus of the fund financial statements is on the major individual funds of the governmental and business-type categories. Each presentation provides valuable information that can be analyzed and compared to enhance the usefulness of the information.

C. MEASUREMENT FOCUS, BASIS OF ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT PRESENTATION

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting, as are the fund financial statements for the proprietary fund. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of the related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenue in the year for which they are levied, while grants and similar items are recognized as revenue when all eligibility requirements are met.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collected within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the District considers revenue to be available if collected within 60 days of the end of the fiscal year. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred as is the case with accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recorded only when the liability has matured and payment is due. General capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in the governmental fund, while proceeds of long-term debt and acquisitions under capital leases are reported as other financing sources.

Property taxes, specific ownership taxes, interest and charges for services are considered revenues susceptible to accrual. Contributions and miscellaneous revenue are recorded as revenues when received in cash because they are not generally measurable until received in cash.

Business-type activities and the proprietary fund are accounted for using the flow of economic resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, all assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities and deferred inflows of resources associated with the operation of the activity or fund are included on the statement of net position. The proprietary fund-type operating statement presents increases (revenues) and decreases (expenses) in net position. The proprietary fund distinguishes operating revenues and expenses from nonoperating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with the proprietary funds' principal ongoing operation. The principal operating revenues of the District's water activity enterprise are charges to customers for sales and services. Operating expenses for the enterprise fund include the cost of sales and services, along with administrative expenses. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as nonoperating revenues and expenses.

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Cont'd.)

GOVERNMENTAL FUND

The District reports the following major governmental fund:

• The general fund is the primary operating fund of the District and is always classified as a major fund. The general fund is used to account for all financial resources of the District except those required to be accounted for in a separate fund. Major revenue sources include property taxes, specific ownership taxes, and contractual revenue. Primary expenditures include general government and debt service.

PROPRIETARY FUND

The following is a description of the major proprietary fund of the District:

• The water activity fund includes the sale and administration of water for the Fryingpan-Arkansas project, related surcharges and return flows. In addition, this fund is responsible for the safety of dams repayment obligation. Other projects accounted for in this fund include (1) the environmental impact study and water conservation program for the Arkansas Valley Conduit; (2) an excess capacity water contract; (3) possible enlargement of the Pueblo Reservoir and Turquoise Lake and (4) a lease of power privilege for hydroelectric power at the Pueblo Dam. This fund also may include other water related issues and projects as identified by the board of directors.

As a general rule, the effect of interfund activity has been eliminated from the government-wide financial statements. An exception to this rule is the administrative charge imposed on the water activity enterprise fund by the general fund. Elimination of this charge would distort the direct costs and program revenues reported for the functions affected.

D. BUDGETARY PRINCIPLES

The District adheres to the following procedures in establishing its budgets:

On or before October 15 of each year, the finance manager submits to the board of directors a proposed budget for the fiscal year commencing the following January 1. The budget includes proposed expenditures and the means of financing them. Public hearings are conducted by the board of directors to obtain taxpayer comments and the District adopts budgets for all funds. All funds, including the enterprise fund, use the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting in preparing the budgets.

Expenditure estimates in the annual budget are enacted into law through the passage of appropriation resolutions. Budgetary control exists at the total fund level and the budget amounts reported reflect all amendments, if any, enacted by the District.

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Cont'd.)

E. CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND INVESTMENTS

Cash and cash equivalents consist of interest and non-interest-bearing demand deposits and money market mutual funds held at a brokerage. Investments include U.S. agency securities that are reported at fair value based on quoted market prices. Any related unrealized gain or loss is included as part of investment revenue.

F. PROPERTY TAXES

Property taxes are levied by December 15 of each year based on the assessed value of property as certified by the County Assessor in each county within the District's boundaries by the previous December 10th. Assessed values are a percentage of actual values and a reevaluation of all property must be made every two years. The last reevaluation date was January 1, 2012 for the 2010 base year specified by state law.

The taxes levied by December 15, 2014 reflect 2014 property taxes that will be collected in 2015 by the County Treasurer in each county within the District's boundaries. Taxes collected by each Treasurer are remitted to the District on a monthly basis. These taxes are due January 2, 2015 and may be paid in two installments (February 28 and June 15) or they may be paid in full April 30. Taxes not paid in accordance with this schedule accrue interest and penalty charges and are subject to liens if not paid by November.

G. INTERFUND RECEIVABLES/PAYABLES

During the course of operations, numerous transactions occur between individual funds for goods provided or services rendered. These receivables and payables are classified, if applicable, as "due from other funds" and "due to other funds" in the fund financial statements.

H. PREPAID ITEMS

Prepaid items represent payments made for expenditures to be charged to a future accounting period and are recognized using the consumption method. The prepaid contract obligation reported in the governmental activities and the general fund are also reported as a liability since the collection of the funds occurs prior to the accounting period for which it is effective and is characterized as an exchange transaction under generally accepted accounting principles.

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Cont'd.)

I. CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital assets, which include perpetual water rights, land, buildings and improvements, along with furniture and equipment are reported in the governmental activity column of the government-wide financial statements. The District previously established a capitalization threshold of \$5,000. This level was set so as to maintain a balance between accountability and managing the costs of recording and tracking these assets. Capital assets are defined as assets with an initial individual cost or estimated cost that equals or exceeds the limit identified above and have a useful life greater than one year. Capital assets are recorded at cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Contributed capital assets are recorded at estimated fair value at the time received. Normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend the useful life of the asset are not capitalized.

Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects are constructed. Interest incurred during the construction phase of capital assets for business-type activities is included as part of the capitalized value of assets constructed when material. No interest was capitalized during the year ended December 31, 2014.

Capital assets of the District, except for land and perpetual water rights, are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

•	Governmental Activities
Buildings and improvements	5-30
Furniture and equipment	3-10

Perpetual water rights represent the District's share of the original costs of construction and are not depreciated or amortized. The original contract between the United States Bureau of Reclamation and the District grants the District perpetual rights to use water made available by the project. Project property and all related facilities remain in the exclusive control, possession and ownership of the United States.

J. COMPENSATED ABSENCES

It is the District's policy to permit employees to accumulate earned but unused vacation and sick pay benefits. Employees are allowed to accumulate vacation and sick pay benefits up to predetermined maximums and are compensated for these accumulated vacation and sick pay benefits either through paid time off or at termination or retirement.

Accumulated vacation and sick leave is accrued when earned in the government-wide financial statements. A liability for these amounts is reported in the governmental fund only if they have matured; for example, as a result of employee resignations and retirements.

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Cont'd.)

K. LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

In the government-wide financial statements and the fund financial statements for the enterprise fund, the safety of dams contract obligation to the Bureau of Reclamation is reported as a liability in the applicable statement of net position. No imputed interest is considered in relation to this obligation.

L. FUND EQUITY

The governmental fund reports fund balance classifications based primarily on the extent to which the District is bound to honor constraints on the specific purposes for which amounts in the funds can be spent. Fund balance for the District's governmental fund consists of the following:

- Nonspendable includes amounts that are (a) not in spendable form or (b) legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. The "not in spendable form" criterion includes items that are not expected to be converted to cash such as inventories, prepaid items and long-term fund advances.
- <u>Restricted</u> includes amounts that are restricted for specific purposes stipulated by external resource providers constitutionally or through enabling legislation.
- Committed includes amounts that can only be used for the specific purposes determined by the passage of a resolution of the District's board of directors. Commitments may be modified or changed only by the District's board of directors approving a new resolution. Commitments also include contractual obligations to the extent that existing resources have been specifically committed for use in satisfying those contractual requirements.
- Assigned includes amounts intended to be used by the District for specific purposes that are neither restricted nor committed. Intent is expressed by the District's board of directors to which the assigned amounts are to be used for specific purposes. Assigned amounts include appropriations of existing fund balance to eliminate a projected budgetary deficit in the subsequent year's budget.
- <u>Unassigned</u> this is the residual classification for the general fund.

In circumstances where an expenditure is incurred for a purpose for which amounts are available in multiple fund balance classifications, fund balance is reduced in the order of restricted, committed, assigned and unassigned.

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Cont'd.)

In the government-wide financial statements, net position is classified in the following categories:

- Net investment in capital assets this classification consists of capital assets net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by outstanding related debt that is attributed to the acquisition, construction or improvement of capital assets.
- <u>Restricted net position</u> this classification consists of restrictions created by external creditors, grantors, contributors, laws or regulations of other governments, enabling legislation and constitutional provisions.
- <u>Unrestricted net position</u> this classification represents the remainder of net position that does not meet the definition of "net investment in capital assets" or "restricted net position".

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for net position use, it is the District's policy to use restricted resources first and then use unrestricted resources as they are needed.

M. INTERFUND TRANSACTIONS

Interfund transactions are accounted for as revenues, expenditures or expenses. Transactions that constitute reimbursements to a fund for expenditures/expenses initially made from it that are properly applicable to another fund are recorded as expenditures/expenses in the reimbursing fund and as a reduction of expenditures/expenses in the fund that is reimbursed. All other interfund transactions are reported as interfund transfers.

N. ESTIMATES

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

NOTE 2 – CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND INVESTMENTS

Cash, cash equivalents and investments are summarized as follows:

Cash and cash equivalents Demand deposits Money market mutual funds held at brokerages	\$ 239,386 1,340,449
	<u>\$ 1,579,835</u>
Investments U.S. agency securities, at fair value	<u>\$ 16,851,666</u>
	<u>\$ 16,851,666</u>

NOTE 2 – CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND INVESTMENTS (Cont'd.)

DEPOSITS

At December 31, 2014, the carrying amount of the District's deposits was \$239,386 and the bank balance was \$271,738. Of the bank balance, \$253,193 was covered by federal depository insurance and \$18,545 was collateralized in single financial institution collateral pools maintained by the individual financial institutions that hold these deposits. Colorado law requires that depository institutions must apply for and be designated as an eligible public depository before the institution can accept public fund monies. The depository institution must pledge eligible collateral as security for all public deposits held by that institution that are not insured by depository insurance. The market value of the collateral that each institution pledges as security must equal at least 102% of the total uninsured deposits held by that institution. Generally, the eligible collateral in the collateral pools is held by the depository institution or its agent in the name of the depository institution.

Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of a bank failure, the District's deposits may not be returned to it. The District's policy for custodial credit risk parallels Colorado statutes as described above. At December 31, 2014, deposits with a bank balance of \$18,745 are not insured but are not exposed to custodial credit risk because they are collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's agent in the District's name.

INVESTMENTS

The District is subject to the provisions of Colorado Revised Statues 24-75-601 which is entitled "Concerning Investment in Securities by Public Entities". This law, among other things, outlines the types of securities that public entities in Colorado may acquire and hold as investments. These include U.S. government and agency securities, certain bonds of political subdivisions, bankers acceptances, commercial paper, local government investment pools, repurchase agreements, money market funds, guaranteed investment contracts, and U.S. dollar-denominated corporate or bank debt. The statute also includes a provision limiting any investment to a five year maturity unless the governing body authorizes a longer period.

At December 31, 2014, the District had the following investments and maturities:

	Fair	Investment Maturity (in years)		
	Value	Less than 1	1-5	
Money market mutual funds	\$ 1,340,449	\$ 1,340,449	\$ -	
U.S. agency securities	16,851,666		<u>16,851,666</u>	
	<u>\$ 18,192,115</u>	<u>\$ 1,340,449</u>	<u>\$ 16,851,666</u>	

NOTE 2 – CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND INVESTMENTS (Cont'd.)

The investment maturity tabulation presented above for the U.S. agency securities is based on each security's stated maturity date.

Interest rate risk – The Authority does not have a formal policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates.

Credit risk – State law limits investments in money market funds to funds that are registered as an investment company; the fund investment policies must seek to maintain a constant price and no sales or bond fee can be added to the purchase or redemption price. The Authority has no investment policy that would further limit its investment choices. As of December 31, 2014, the District's investment in money market funds is rated Aaa-mf by Moody's, while the U.S. agency securities are rated Aaa by Moody's.

NOTE 3 – RECEIVABLES

Receivables at December 31, 2014 consist of the following:

Receivables at December 51, 2014 consist of the following.	General Fund
Property taxes Accounts Interest	\$ 6,972,239 56,565 24,619 \$ 7,053,423
	Water Activity Enterprise Fund
Accounts Interest	\$ 194,399 25,062 \$ 219,461

The amount reported above for property taxes totaling \$6,972,239 is also reported as a deferred inflow of resources as required under generally accepted accounting principles.

NOTE 4 – INTERFUND RECEIVABLES/PAYABLES

The amounts reported as due from other funds and due to other funds are reflective of the time lag between the dates that (1) interfund goods and services are provided or reimbursable expenditures/expenses occur, (2) transactions are recorded in the accounting system, and (3) payments between funds are made. The interfund receivable/payable totaling \$894,375 includes \$882,224 which represents the District's expenses for the proposed hydroelectric power project. It is presently anticipated that this amount will be paid subsequent to December 31, 2015.

NOTE 5 – CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital assets activity for the year ended December 31, 2014 was as follows:

	Balance January 1, <u>2014</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	Balance December 31, 2014
Governmental activities –				
Nondepreciable assets –				
Intangible assets -				
Perpetual water rights	\$132,237,478	\$	\$	\$132,237,478
Land	20,092			20,092
Total capital assets				
not being depreciated	132,257,570			132,257,570
Depreciable assets –				
Buildings and improvements	1,192,649	_	-	1,192,649
Furniture and equipment	404,674	51,088	(66,627)	389,135
Total capital assets				
being depreciated	1,597,323	51,088	(66,627)	1,581,784
Less: accumulated depreciation –		· · ·		
Buildings and improvements	(576,868)	(39,231)	390	(616,099)
Furniture and equipment	(340,491)	(29,251)	66,627	(303,115)
Total accumulated				
depreciation	(917,359)	(68,482)	66,627	(919,214)
uopi viimion	(327,1003)	(334,1==)		/
Capital assets being depreciated, net	679,964	(17,394)	_	662,570
m . i				
Total governmental activities capital assets, net	<u>\$132,937,534</u>	\$ (17,394)	\$ -	<u>\$132,920,140</u>

Depreciation expense of \$68,482 was charged to the general government function.

NOTE 6 - LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

The following is a summary of changes in long-term liabilities in the government-wide financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2014:

	Balance January 1, 2014	<u>Increases</u>	Decreases	Balance December 31, 2014	Due Within One Year
Governmental activities –					
Contract obligation –					
Bureau of					
Reclamation	\$ 40,289,778	\$ 2,574,403	\$ 7,173,366	\$ 35,690,815	\$ 5,609,464
Compensated absences	209,166	84,289	106,840	186,615	84,289
Total governmental activities	<u>\$ 40,498,944</u>	\$ 2,658,692	\$ 7,280,206	<u>\$ 35,877,430</u>	\$ 5,693,753

Payments on the contract obligation to the Bureau of Reclamation and the compensated absences liability are recorded in the general fund.

_	Balance January 1, 2014	Increases	Decreases	Balance December 31, 2014	Due Within One Year
Business-type activities - Safety of dams contract obligation	<u>\$ 610,820</u>	\$	\$ 60,000	\$ 550,820	\$ 60,000

The above obligation is serviced by the District's water activity enterprise fund.

The following is a description of each individual issue for the governmental activities:

The original contract obligation to the Bureau of Reclamation totaled \$132,237,478 and represents the District's share of the original costs of construction. The agreement with the Bureau of Reclamation included an agricultural component totaling \$74,348,993 with no interest provision and a municipal and industrial component totaling \$57,888,485 that carried an interest rate of 3.0460% and was completely paid effective September 30, 2009. Principal payments are due in annual installments ranging from \$5,609,464 to \$9,090,281. The agreement allows the Bureau of Reclamation to charge operations, maintenance and repairs incurred by the Bureau of Reclamation to the obligation and also provides for reductions in the obligation for contract revenues collected by the Bureau of Reclamation on behalf of the project.

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NOTE 6 - LONG-TERM LIABILITIES (Cont'd.)

Due to fiscal year and timing differences between the Bureau of Reclamation and the District, the District estimates the changes in the obligation based on reports provided by the Bureau. The estimated principal balance of the obligation at December 31, 2014 was \$35,690,815.

The estimated debt service requirements for the governmental activities contract obligation with the Bureau of Reclamation is as follows:

Year Ended December 31	Principal	Interest	Total
2015 2016 2017 2018 2019	\$ 5,609,464 5,770,748 5,971,656 6,136,654 6,304,622	\$	\$ 5,609,464 5,770,748 5,971,656 6,136,654 6,304,622
2020	5,897,671 \$ 35,690,815	\$ <u>-</u>	5,897,671 \$ 35,690,815

The safety of dams contract obligation to the Bureau of Reclamation represents the District's share of the agricultural portion of repair costs incurred for the dam. The obligation is due in annual installments of \$60,000 through 2023 with a final payment of \$10,820 due in 2024. There is no provision for interest on this contract.

NOTE 7 – NET POSITION

Restricted net position represents the District's net position whose uses are subject to constraints that are either (1) legally imposed by creditors (such as debt covenants), grantors, or laws or regulations of other governments, or (2) imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. Restricted net position for governmental activities is as follows:

Tabor <u>\$ 150,000</u>

Restricted for tabor – This represents an amount that exceeds the 3% minimum requirement as outlined in the Colorado constitution. Under provisions of the Colorado constitution, a portion of the District's net position can be used for declared emergencies only and the District must maintain 3% or more of its fiscal year spending in this restricted account.

SOUTHEASTERN COLORADO WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2014

NOTE 8 – FUND BALANCES

As of December 31, 2014, fund balances are composed of the following:

As of December 51, 2014, faile balances are composed of the following.		General Fund
Nonspendable –		
Prepaid items	\$	38,544
Long-term fund advances		882,224
Restricted –		
Tabor		150,000
Committed –		
Repayment obligation		5,000,000
Development of enlargement space		2,000,000
Assigned –		
Subsequent year's budget		1,043
Unassigned	_	109,909
Total fund balances	<u>\$</u>	8,181,720

NOTE 9 - RISK MANAGEMENT

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts, property and casualty, errors and omissions, injuries to employees and health claims. Risks of loss from property and liability coverage are covered by the District's participation in the Colorado Special District's property and liability pool which is a separate and independent governmental public entity risk pool formed through intergovernmental agreement by member special districts to provide defined liability and property coverage. The aggregate limit of losses paid by the pool for property claims is limited to \$1,000,000 with commercial company reinsurance covering any losses in excess of that amount up to \$2,000,000. All other risks of loss are handled by the purchase of commercial insurance. Settled claims from the liability pool and commercial policy have not exceeded the insurance coverage in any of the past three years.

NOTE 10 - EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

The District maintains a qualified defined contribution plan covering all its existing employees. The plan was formed under Section 401(a) of the Internal Revenue Code. The District is the plan administrator but has designated administration of the plan to Equitable Life Assurance. The plan provides for employer contributions of up to 16% of compensation and the District contributed \$117,300 to the plan during 2014. The plan is administered under the terms outlined in the plan document and may be modified or amended as outlined by the plan document.

SOUTHEASTERN COLORADO WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2014

NOTE 10 - EMPLOYEE BENEFITS (Cont'd.)

In conjunction with the above described plan, the District also maintains an Internal Revenue Code Section 457 plan which provides for employee contributions and a District match of up to 5% of employee's base pay. During the year ended December 31, 2014, employees contributed \$74,018 to the plan and the District contributed \$40,768.

NOTE 11 – COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

Colorado voters passed an amendment to the state constitution which contains several limitations, including revenue raising, spending abilities and other specific requirements affecting state and local governments. The amendment, commonly known as the Tabor amendment, is complex and subject to judicial interpretation; however, the District believes it is in compliance with the requirements of the amendment. The District has made certain interpretations of the amendment's language in order to determine its compliance.

The District has contracted with the U.S. government to repay approximately \$63 million of costs incurred by the U.S. government in the construction of the Fountain Valley conduit which is operated by the Fountain Valley Authority (the Authority). A related contract with the Authority provides that the Authority will pay an annual conveyance service charge to the District in an amount equal to the payment due the U.S. government. Terms of the contract provide that the District is not responsible for repayment in the event of default by the Authority. The 2014 charge and related revenue totals \$5,352,751. The present value of the future minimum lease payments at December 31, 2014 is \$42,103,442.

In December 2011, the Bureau of Reclamation (BOR) issued a preliminary permit to a partnership consisting of the District, Colorado Springs Utilities (CSU), and the Board of Water Works of Pueblo (PBWW) to plan and study the possibility of hydropower generation at Pueblo Dam River Outlet. The preliminary permit issued by BOR has been extended to August, 2015.

In July, 2014, the BOR and the District approved an amendment to the existing repayment contract whereby the District will be responsible for a portion of the costs for the safety of dams modification on Twin Lakes Dam. It is presently estimated that the District's share of those costs will range between \$68,000 and \$102,200.



SOUTHEASTERN COLORADO WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE GENERAL FUND YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014

	Budgeted Original	Amounts Final	Actual Budget Basis	Variance With Final Budget Favorable (Unfavorable)
REVENUES	¢ 6007600	<u>ቀ ረ 997 ረሰ</u> ሰ	\$ 6,858,729	\$ (28,871)
Property taxes	\$ 6,887,600	\$ 6,887,600 (111,000)		(3,262)
Collection fees	(111,000)	, , ,	(114,262) 697,057	71,308
Specific ownership taxes	625,749	625,749	90,426	(21,574)
Winter water storage	112,000	112,000	•	
Charges for services	1,217,370	1,217,370	1,217,218	(152)
Intergovernmental	100,000	100,000	5 0 50 551	(100,000)
Fountain Valley Authority contract revenue	5,352,760	5,352,760	5,352,751	(9)
Interest revenue	135,395	135,395	119,816	(15,579)
Other			3,256	3,256
TOTAL REVENUES	14,319,874	14,319,874	14,224,991	(94,883)
EXPENDITURES Current -				
Outside services	408,375	408,375	347,334	61,041
Personnel	1,445,921	1,445,921	1,274,142	171,779
Travel and related expenditures	65,925	65,925	46,441	19,484
Office and administrative	252,450	252,450	196,326	56,124
Legislative and water education	20,000	20,000	20,000	_
Winter water storage	112,000	112,000	90,426	21,574
Fountain Valley Authority	112,000	112,000	2 2, 1 = 2	,_
contract payments	5,352,760	5,352,760	5,352,751	9
Contingency and other	150,000	150,000	(±0	150,000
10825 project	1,007,430	1,007,430	1,007,581	(151)
Capital outlay	70,000	70,000	51,088	18,912
Debt service	6,520,093	6,520,093	6,490,558	29,535
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	15,404,954	15,404,954	14,876,647	528,307
TOTAL EXIENDITURES				
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES				
OVER EXPENDITURES	(1,085,080)	(1,085,080)	(651,656)	433,424
FUND BALANCE, January 1	1,085,080	1,085,080	8,833,376	7,748,296
FUND BALANCE, December 31	\$ -	\$ 127	\$ 8,181,720	\$ 8,181,720

SOUTHEASTERN COLORADO WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT RECONCILIATION OF THE BUDGETARY BASIS OF ACCOUNTING TO GAAP BASIS OF ACCOUNTING GENERAL FUND YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014

BUDGETARY BASIS

Explanation of differences between budgetary revenues and GAAP revenues

REVENUES Actual amounts (budgetary basis) of revenues from budgetary comparison schedule Differences - budget to GAAP - Classification of collection fees	\$ 14,224,991
GAAP BASIS REVENUE EXPENDITURES	\$ 14,339,253
Actual amounts (budgetary basis) of expenditures from budgetary comparison schedule Differences - budget to GAAP - Classification of collection fees	\$ 14,876,647 114,262
GAAP BASIS EXPENDITURES	\$ 14,990,909

SOUTHEASTERN COLORADO WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION DECEMBER 31, 2014

BUDGETARY INFORMATION

Southeastern Colorado Water Conservancy District (the District) adheres to the following procedures in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the budgetary comparison schedule.

On or before October 15, the executive director and the finance manager submits to the board of directors a proposed budget for the fiscal year commencing the following January 1. The budget includes proposed expenditures and the means of financing them. Public hearings are conducted by the board of directors to obtain taxpayer comments. The District adopts budgets for all funds. The general fund uses the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting in preparing the budgets.

Expenditure estimates in the annual budget are enacted into law by the passage of appropriation resolutions. Budgetary control exists at the total fund level and encumbrance accounting is not employed as a part of the budgetary process.



SOUTHEASTERN COLORADO WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES WATER ACTIVITY ENTERPRISE FUND BUDGET AND ACTUAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014

		Final Budget	Actual (Non-GAAP <u>Basis)</u>	Variance With Final Budget Positive (Negative)
REVENUES				
Charges for services	\$ 1	1,529,454	\$ 1,644,840	115,386
Intergovernmental	•	252,980	200,510	(52,470)
Revenue collected on behalf of others		110,000	110,000	
Interest		110,682	206,056	95,374
TOTAL REVENUES		2,003,116	2,161,406	158,290
EXPENDITURES				
Current -				
Outside services	1	1,100,533	860,859	239,674
Personnel services		754,808	766,946	(12,138)
Office and administrative expenses		462,321	450,884	11,437
Travel and related expenses		25,255	5,387	19,868
Legislative and water education		254,580	244,704	9,876
Contingency		52,310		52,310
Capital outlay		110,000	•	110,000
Debt service		60,000	60,000	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		2,819,807	2,388,780	431,027
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF				
REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	\$	(816,691)	\$ (227,374)	\$ 589,317
GAAP ADJUSTMENTS				
Principal payment on contract obligation		-	60,000	
CHANGE IN NET POSITION		() =	\$ (167,374)	

SOUTHEASTERN COLORADO WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES GENERAL FUND

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014

REVENUES		
Property taxes -		
Contract mill levy collection	\$	6,560,024
Operating tax revenue		255,628
Abatement and refund of tax collections		39,988
Prior year tax		3,089
Total property taxes		6,858,729
Specific ownership taxes		697,057
Fountain Valley Authority contract revenue		5,352,751
Winter water storage		90,426
Charges for services -		
Xeriscape tour and material sales and other rentals		1,114
Enterprise administration reimbursement	_	1,216,104
Total charges for services		1,217,218
Investment revenue -		
Interest income		13,552
Income to fair value adjustment		1,748
Interest on bonds		104,516
Total investment revenue		119,816
Other -		
Sundry		3,256
Total other		3,256
TOTAL REVENUES	\$	14,339,253
EXPENDITURES		
Outside services -		
Annual audit	\$	14,024
Legal representation		307,072
Consulting/lobbying services		23,764
Sponsorships and exhibits		1,825
Web hosting		649
Total outside services		347,334

SOUTHEASTERN COLORADO WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES (Cont'd.) GENERAL FUND

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014

EXPENDITURES (Cont'd.)	
Personnel expenditures -	
Staff payroll	\$ 868,573
Incentive/performance capacity	24,258
Directors' payroll	36,000
Payroll taxes	60,317
HSA contributions	26,975
401 retirement contribution	107,921
457 retirement contribution	40,768
Health insurance	75,388
Reimburse health insurance	5,032
Life insurance - staff and directors	7,065
Medical reimbursement	849
Long-term disability insurance	4,931
Employee assistance program	625
Dental insurance	6,273
Vision insurance	1,338
Worker's compensation insurance	3,998
Administration fees for human resources	 3,831
Total personnel expenditures	 1,274,142
Travel and related expenditures -	
Directors - other travel (tip, fax, parking, telephone, etc.)	834
Directors - other transportation (taxi, shuttle, rental)	443
Directors airfare	1,674
Directors hotels	7,225
Directors meals	1,657
Directors mileage reimbursement	10,167
Executive - airfare	1,382
Executive - district vehicle gas	1,449
Executive - hotels	4,818
Executive - meals	565
Executive - other travel expense	651
Staff business - airfare	1,955
Staff business - district vehicle gas	1,950
Staff business - hotels	4,950
Staff business - meals	1,400
Staff business - other travel	1,927
Staff education - hotels	892
Staff education - meals	76
Staff education - other travel	107

SOUTHEASTERN COLORADO WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES (Cont'd.) GENERAL FUND

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014

EXPENDITURES (Cont'd.)	
Travel and related expenditures (cont'd.) -	
Staff certification - airfare	238
Staff certification - hotels	500
Staff certification - meals	30
Staff certification - other expense	139
Vehicle repair and maintenance - Envoy	10
Vehicle repair and maintenance - LeSabre	10
Vehicle repair and maintenance - Prius and RAV4	1,392
Total travel and related expenditures	46,441
Office and administrative expenditures -	
Bank fees	669
Board awards/gifts	529
Board coffee snacks	257
Board memberships/subscriptions	12,902
Board printing	167
Board room accessories	329
Board/committee meals	3,041
Building other/misc. maintenance	1,622
Building plumbing & electrical	1,707
Building heating/cooling	2,115
Computer - hardware	2,292
Computer - general contracts	12,426
Computer - supplies	332
Computer - software and licenses	8,289
Conservation	48
Directors meeting registrations	5,718
Executive meeting registrations	2,844
Fry Ark tours	6,851
Landscape maintenance - garden tools	79
Landscape - mower maintenance & fuel	250
Insurance - automobile	2,032
Insurance - excess liability	2,685
Insurance - general liability	12,388
Insurance - property & liability	4,504
Insurance - public official liability	1,292
Legal notices	2,840

SOUTHEASTERN COLORADO WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES (Cont'd.) GENERAL FUND

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014

EXPENDITURES (Cont'd.)

AFENDITORES (Cont. d.)	
Office and administrative expenditures (cont'd.)	
Maintenance - backflow testing	\$ 110
Maintenance - fire extinguisher	68
Maintenance - janitorial services	3,180
Maintenance - pest control	303
Maintenance - waste disposal	1,442
Maintenance - security	2,020
Maintenance - snow removal	1,940
Maintenance - window cleaning	800
Maintenance - blacktop	1,500
Meeting expenditures and meals	1,992
Office - coffee/snacks	350
Office - equipment maintenance	164
Office - copy machine color	4,293
Office - general/staff memberships	8,182
Awards & gifts - other	2,056
Office - printing	1,286
Office - publications & subscriptions	632
Phone - cell	4,086
Phone - equipment maintenance	2,169
Phone - land	11,031
Postage & shipping	3,854
Staff awards and gifts	153
Staff business - meeting registrations	6,048
Staff certification - registrations	975
Staff education - registrations	15,853
Supplies - janitorial	353
Supplies - office	2,768
Supplies - paper	759
Supplies - toner	723
Utilities	15,806
Utilities - airport fee	900
Water festival	1,200
Web contracts	3,450
Landscape - aeration & weed control	502
Landscape - fertilizer & chemicals	625
Landscape maintenance contracts	3,000
Landscape - mulch, soil amendments	361
Xeriscape - plants and other	2,949
Landscape - sprinkler system repair & maintenance	235
Total office and administrative expenditures	196,326
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SOUTHEASTERN COLORADO WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES (Cont'd.) GENERAL FUND YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014

EXPENDITURES (Cont'd.)	
Collection fees	<u>\$ 114,262</u>
Legislative and water education	
AVC matching contribution	20,000
Total legislative and water education	20,000
Winter water storage	90,426
Fountain Valley Authority contract payments	5,352,751
Bureau operations, maintenance & repairs	2,574,403
10825 project	1,007,581
Capital outlay - acquisition of capital assets	51,088
Debt service principal	3,916,155
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 14,990,909