

**CATAMOUNT METROPOLITAN DISTRICT**  
**ROUTT COUNTY, COLORADO**

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**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**WITH**  
**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT**

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December 31, 2015



**Crady, Puca & Associates**

*Certified Public Accountants & Consultants*

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Board of Directors  
Catamount Metropolitan District  
Routt County, Colorado

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of the Catamount Metropolitan District (the "District") as of and for the year ended December 31, 2015, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents and the related notes to the financial statements.

### ***Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements***

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with 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 as 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 misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

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

### ***Opinions***

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and each major fund of the Catamount Metropolitan District as of December 31, 2015 and the respective changes in financial position and the respective budgetary comparison for the general fund 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 on pages iii through vi 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 (GASB) who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in 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 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 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.

*Crady, Puca & Associates*

Centennial, Colorado  
May 9, 2016

# Catamount Metropolitan District

## Management's Discussion and Analysis December 31, 2015

As management of Catamount Metropolitan District ("District"), we offer readers of the District's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the District for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2015.

### **Overview of the Financial Statements**

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the District's basic financial statements. The District's basic financial statements are comprised of three components: 1) government-wide financial statements; 2) fund financial statements; and 3) notes to the financial statements.

**Government-wide financial statements:** The government-wide financial statements are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the District's finances, in a manner similar to a private-sector business. Current year to prior year comparisons are presented below to help users evaluate the results of the District over the past two years.

The Statement of Net Position presents information on all of the District's assets, deferred outflows, liabilities, and deferred inflows, with the difference between them reported as net position. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the District is improving or deteriorating.

The Statement of Activities presents information showing how the government's net position changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods.

The governmental activities of the District relate to the operation and maintenance of the roadway, lake, domestic water treatment and certain sewage disposal and septic systems in the District. The government-wide financial statements can be found on pages 1 and 2 of this report.

**Fund financial statements:** A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The District, like other state and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. The District used only a governmental fund for 2015.

**Governmental funds:** Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, governmental fund financial statements focus on near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources, as well as on balances of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating a government's near-term financing requirements.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financing decisions. The governmental funds provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between governmental funds and governmental activities. The Governmental Fund Financial Statements can be found starting on pages 3-5 of this report.

The District adopts an annual appropriated budget for its General Fund. A budgetary comparison statement has been provided for the General Fund to demonstrate compliance with this budget on page 6 of this report.

**Notes to the Financial Statements:** The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements. The Notes to the Financial Statements can be found starting on page 7 of this report.

**Government-wide Financial Analysis:** The following table shows a condensed statement of net position as of December 31, 2015 and December 31, 2014 derived from the government-wide financial statements.

**Catamount Metropolitan District  
Net Position**

	<b>Governmental Activities</b>	
	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>
<b>Assets:</b>		
Current assets	\$ 2,263,507	\$ 2,034,671
Capital and other assets	12,178,030	12,693,058
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>14,441,537</b>	<b>14,727,729</b>
<b>Liabilities and Deferred Inflows:</b>		
Current liabilities	23,783	24,108
Current deferred inflows	584,243	583,960
Long-term and other liabilities	960,000	1,067,000
<b>Total Liabilities and Deferred Inflows</b>	<b>1,568,026</b>	<b>1,675,068</b>
<b>Net Position:</b>		
Net Investment in capital assets	11,218,030	11,626,058
Restricted	290,752	288,792
Unrestricted	1,364,729	1,137,811
<b>Total Net Position</b>	<b>\$ 12,873,511</b>	<b>\$ 13,052,661</b>

The largest portion of the District's net position is reflected in the net investment in capital assets, (i.e. land, buildings, vehicles, equipment, and infrastructure). The District uses these assets to provide services to its citizens. Accordingly, these assets are not an available source for payment of future spending. The District also has restricted net positions for emergencies and future debt service and a remaining balance of \$1,364,729, which is unrestricted.

At the end of the current fiscal year, the District has positive net position in all categories.

The changes in net position for the years ended December 31, 2015 and December 31, 2014 are summarized in the following table:

**Catamount Metropolitan District  
Change in Net Position**

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>	
	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
<b>Revenues:</b>		
Charges for services	\$ 175,728	\$ 130,657
Capital contributions	15,000	-
Property taxes	624,016	618,960
Assessments	180,721	181,021
Interest and other income	23,421	10,787
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<u>1,018,886</u>	<u>941,425</u>
<b>Expenses:</b>		
General government	258,306	252,402
Public works	896,248	869,909
Interest expense	43,482	46,374
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<u>1,198,036</u>	<u>1,168,685</u>
<b>Change in Net Position</b>	<u>(179,150)</u>	<u>(227,260)</u>
<b>Net Position- Beginning</b>	<u>13,052,661</u>	<u>13,279,921</u>
<b>Net Position- Ending</b>	<u><u>\$ 12,873,511</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 13,052,661</u></u>

The primary reason for the decrease in net position during both 2015 and 2014 was the depreciation taken on the District infrastructure in excess of operating revenues net of operating expenses.

**Financial Analysis of the District's Funds**

As mentioned early, the District uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

**Governmental funds:** The focus of the District's governmental funds is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of spendable resources. Such information is useful in assessing the District's financing requirements. In particular, unrestricted fund balance may serve as a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

General Fund revenues were \$1,018,886 in 2015 and remained relatively consistent as compared to \$941,425 in 2014, with the primary reason for the increase being water tap fees received in 2015.

General Fund expenditures were \$790,008 in 2015 and \$868,787 in 2014. This decrease was primarily related to decreased capital spending in 2015.

As of the end of 2015, the District's governmental fund reported an ending fund balance of \$1,655,481, an increase of \$228,878 from 2014. These balances are broken down into categories of non-spendable for funds that have already been spent towards the 2016 budget, reserved for emergencies and debt service, assigned for future capital replacements, and unassigned. The increase was primarily used to continue funding of capital replacement reserves for the District.

**Budget variances:** The General Fund ending fund balance finished the year \$144,982 ahead of budget due in large part to unbudgeted revenues from tap fees and a donation from the Catamount Residential Owners Association towards a meter replacement project, savings in expenditures from professional fees and other areas, and starting off 2015 with a higher than expected beginning fund balance due to finishing ahead of forecast in the prior year. A budget to actual statement for the General Fund can be found on page 6 of this report.

**Capital assets:** The District's total net capital assets decreased by \$515,028, as a result of current year depreciation expense being greater than additions. Additional information as well as a detailed classification of the District's net capital assets can be found in the Notes to the Financial Statements on page 14 of this report.

**Long-term debt:** The District retired \$107,000 of debt during 2015. The District still has \$1,075,000 of additional bonds issued but not drawn that it can draw upon, if needed, in future years to complete additional capital projects. Details regarding the District's long-term debt are located in Notes to the Financial Statements on page 15 of this report.

**Request for Information:**

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the District's finances for all those with an interest in the government's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to the Catamount Metropolitan District, c/o Marchetti & Weaver, LLC, 28 Second Street, Suite 213, Edwards, CO 81632, (970) 926-6060.

**GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**CATAMOUNT METROPOLITAN DISTRICT**  
**Statement of Net Position**  
**December 31, 2015**

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	<b>Total Governmental Activities</b>
<b>Assets:</b>	
Cash and investments	\$ 1,322,633
Cash and investments - restricted	265,000
Accounts receivable - water and sewer	42,368
Due from county treasurer	3,841
Other receivables	13,404
Property tax receivable	584,243
Prepaid expenses	32,018
Capital assets:	
Non-depreciable	402,344
Depreciable, net	<u>11,775,686</u>
<b>Total assets</b>	<u>14,441,537</u>
<b>Liabilities:</b>	
Accounts payable	23,783
Bonds payable:	
Due within one year	115,000
Due in more than one year	<u>845,000</u>
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<u>983,783</u>
<b>Deferred inflows of resources:</b>	
Unavailable revenue - property taxes	<u>584,243</u>
<b>Total deferred inflows of resources</b>	<u>584,243</u>
<b>Net position:</b>	
Net investment in capital assets	11,218,030
Restricted for enabling legislation	25,752
Restricted for debt service	265,000
Unrestricted	<u>1,364,729</u>
<b>Total net position</b>	<u><u>\$ 12,873,511</u></u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

**CATAMOUNT METROPOLITAN DISTRICT**  
**Statement of Activities**  
**For the Year Ended December 31, 2015**

Functions/Programs:	Expenses	Program Revenues			Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position	
		Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	Governmental Activities	Total
<b>Governmental activities:</b>						
General government	\$ 258,306	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (258,306)	\$ (258,306)
Public works	896,248	175,728	-	15,000	(705,520)	(705,520)
Interest on long-term debt	43,482	-	-	-	(43,482)	(43,482)
<b>Total governmental activities</b>	<b>1,198,036</b>	<b>175,728</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>15,000</b>	<b>(1,007,308)</b>	<b>(1,007,308)</b>
<b>General revenues:</b>						
					624,016	624,016
					180,721	180,721
					4,183	4,183
					9,238	9,238
					10,000	10,000
					<u>828,158</u>	<u>828,158</u>
					(179,150)	(179,150)
					13,052,661	13,052,661
					<u>\$ 12,873,511</u>	<u>\$ 12,873,511</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

## **FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**CATAMOUNT METROPOLITAN DISTRICT**  
**Balance Sheet**  
**Governmental Funds**  
**December 31, 2015**

	<b>Total Governmental Funds</b>
<b>Assets:</b>	
Cash and investments	\$ 1,322,633
Cash and investments - restricted	265,000
Accounts receivable - water and sewer	42,368
Due from county treasurer	3,841
Other receivables	13,404
Property tax receivable	584,243
Prepaid expenses	32,018
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>\$ 2,263,507</b>
<b>Liabilities:</b>	
Accounts payable	\$ 23,783
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>23,783</b>
<b>Deferred inflows of resources:</b>	
Unavailable revenue - property taxes	584,243
<b>Total deferred inflows of resources</b>	<b>584,243</b>
<b>Fund balance:</b>	
Nonspendable	32,018
Restricted for enabling legislation	25,752
Restricted for debt service	265,000
Assigned for capital replacements	1,190,517
Unassigned	142,194
<b>Total fund balance</b>	<b>1,655,481</b>
<b>Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and fund balances</b>	<b>\$ 2,263,507</b>
<b>Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:</b>	
Total fund balance - governmental funds	1,655,481
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore, are not reported in the funds.	12,178,030
Long-term liabilities, including earned benefits payable are not due and payable in the current period, and therefore, are not reported in the funds.	(960,000)
<b>Net position of governmental activities</b>	<b>\$ 12,873,511</b>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

**CATAMOUNT METROPOLITAN DISTRICT**  
**Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance**  
**Governmental Funds**  
**For the Year Ended December 31, 2015**

	<b>Total Governmental Funds</b>
<b>Revenues:</b>	
Property and specific ownership tax	\$ 624,016
Special assessments	180,721
Water user fees	121,069
Sewer user fees	54,659
Interest income	4,183
Other income	24,238
<b>Total revenues</b>	<u>1,008,886</u>
<b>Expenditures:</b>	
Current:	
General government	247,165
Public works	207,065
Debt Service:	
Principal	107,000
Interest	43,482
Capital outlay	185,296
<b>Total expenditures</b>	<u>790,008</u>
<b>Excess of revenues over expenditures</b>	<u>218,878</u>
<b>Other financing sources (uses):</b>	
Proceeds from the sale of capital assets	10,000
<b>Total other financing sources (uses)</b>	<u>10,000</u>
<b>Net change in fund balance</b>	228,878
<b>Fund balance, beginning of year</b>	1,426,603
<b>Fund balance, end of year</b>	<u>\$ 1,655,481</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.



**CATAMOUNT METROPOLITAN DISTRICT**  
**Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual**  
**General Fund**  
**For the Year Ended December 31, 2015**

	<b>Original and Final Budget</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Variance Positive (Negative)</b>
<b>Revenues:</b>			
Property and specific ownership tax	\$ 618,998	\$ 624,016	\$ 5,018
Special assessments	180,742	180,721	(21)
Water user fees	94,800	121,069	26,269
Sewer user fees	54,659	54,659	-
Interest income	2,993	4,183	1,190
Other income	6,600	24,238	17,638
<b>Total revenues</b>	<u>958,792</u>	<u>1,008,886</u>	<u>50,094</u>
<b>Expenditures:</b>			
General government:			
Personnel costs	115,304	119,146	(3,842)
Professional fees	76,112	57,012	19,100
Insurance	26,708	26,906	(198)
Building and office	24,388	26,625	(2,237)
Treasurer's fees	17,519	17,476	43
Public works:			
Road repairs and maintenance	12,032	12,459	(427)
Lake and dam maintenance	25,305	23,839	1,466
Streetscape maintenance	26,575	24,692	1,883
Vehicle and equipment maintenance	22,420	18,081	4,339
Water system operations	88,617	86,316	2,301
Sewer system operations	39,659	34,196	5,463
Other	9,515	7,482	2,033
Debt service:			
Principal	107,000	107,000	-
Interest	43,393	43,482	(89)
Capital outlay	182,000	185,296	(3,296)
<b>Total expenditures</b>	<u>816,547</u>	<u>790,008</u>	<u>26,539</u>
<b>Excess of revenues over expenditures</b>	<u>142,245</u>	<u>218,878</u>	<u>76,633</u>
<b>Other financing sources (uses):</b>			
Proceeds from sale of capital assets	8,000	10,000	2,000
<b>Net change in fund balance</b>	150,245	228,878	78,633
<b>Fund balance, beginning of year</b>	<u>1,360,254</u>	<u>1,426,603</u>	<u>66,349</u>
<b>Fund balance, end of year</b>	<u>\$ 1,510,499</u>	<u>\$ 1,655,481</u>	<u>\$ 144,982</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

## **NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

The accounting policies of the Catamount Metropolitan District (the District) conform to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as applicable to governments (US GAAP). The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The following is a summary of such significant policies consistently applied in the preparation of the financial statements.

**Reporting Entity**

The District is a quasi-municipal corporation organized by a court order dated February 17, 1989 and operated pursuant to provisions set forth in the Colorado Special District Act. The District was established to fund and assist in the coordination of facilities for water, sanitation, roadway, parks and recreation, transportation, cable television and translation, and mosquito control facilities in Routt County, Colorado.

Originally there were six Catamount Districts. During 1999, all of the land area within Districts No.3 through No.6 was excluded through an order of the District court and simultaneously included into either District No.1 or No.2. During 2004, Lake Catamount District No.1 was dissolved and merged with No.2 to form Catamount Metropolitan District. The District was formed to finance operations and possibly a portion of future infrastructure constructed by District No.1. The District was not responsible for reimbursing District No.1 for any capital outlay related to the initial subdivision infrastructure improvements. These infrastructure improvements were funded by contributions from Catamount Development, Inc. (the Developer).

The District complies with GASB, Statement No. 61, "*The Financial Reporting Entity: Omnibus an amendment of GASB Statements No. 14 and No. 34*" and GASB Statement No. 39, "*Determining Whether Certain Organizations Are Component Units*". These statements establish standards for defining and reporting on the financial reporting entity. It defines component units as legally separate entities for which the officials of the primary government are financially accountable and other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the primary government are such that exclusion would cause the reporting entity's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. The District has no component units as defined by the GASB.

**Basis of Presentation**

While separate government-wide and fund financial statements are presented, they are interrelated. The government-wide financial statements (i.e. the statement of net position and the statement of activities) report information on all of the governmental activities of the District which are financed primarily by property taxes, assessments, and charges for services.

The Statement of Activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segment are offset by general and program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable within a specific function or program. Program revenues include 1) fees or charges to citizens and other governmental entities that receive or directly benefit from services provided by a given function or program, and 2) grants, contributions and other revenues that are restricted to use in the operational or capital requirements of a specific function or program. Other revenues not directly related to a particular function or program, if any, are reported separately as general revenues. The District does not have proprietary or fiduciary funds.

The fund financial statements provide information about the government's funds.

1. **Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)**

**Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation**

The accounting and financial reporting treatment is determined by the applicable measurement focus and basis of accounting. Measurement focus indicates the type of resources being measured such as current *financial resources* or *economic resources*. The basis of accounting indicates the timing of transactions or events for recognition in the financial statements.

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the *economic resources measurement focus* and the *accrual basis of accounting*. 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 revenues in the year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the *current financial resources measurement focus* and the *modified accrual basis of accounting*. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered *available* when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the District considers revenues available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. The exceptions to this general rule are that principal and interest on general long-term debt and expenditures related to compensated absences are recognized when due. General capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds.

The District reports the following governmental fund:

**General Fund** – is the District's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the District.

**Assets, Liabilities, Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources, and Net Position/Fund Balance**

**Deposits and Investments**

Investments are reported at fair value.

**Accounts Receivables**

Accounts receivable consists of water and sewer user fees earned as of December 31, 2015. The District considers all receivables collectible as of December 31, 2015.

**Prepays**

Certain payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as prepaid items in both the government-wide and fund financial statements. The cost of prepaid items is recorded as expenditures/expenses when consumed rather than when purchased.

1. **Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)**

**Assets, Liabilities, Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources, and Net Position/Fund Balance (continued)**

**Property Taxes**

Property taxes are levied annually and attach as an enforceable lien on property as of January 1. At the option of the taxpayer, property taxes may be paid in full or in two equal installments. The first of such installment is to be paid as of February 28 and the second installment is to be paid no later than June 15. If elected to be paid in full, the amount is to be paid no later than April 30. If payments are not made timely, delinquent interest accrues. If the taxes are not paid within subsequent statutory periods, the property tax lien will be sold at public auction. The County bills and collects the property taxes and remits collections to the District on a monthly basis. No provision has been made for uncollected taxes, as all taxes are deemed collectible.

Property taxes are recorded initially as deferred inflows in the year they are levied and measurable since they are not normally available nor are they budgeted as a resource until the subsequent year. These amounts are recorded as revenue in the subsequent year when they are available or collected.

**Capital Assets**

Capital assets, which include land, buildings and improvements, vehicles and equipment, and infrastructure, are reported in the applicable governmental column in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the District as assets with an initial cost of \$5,000 or more and an estimated useful life in excess of one year. Such assets are recorded at historical cost. Donated capital assets are recorded at the estimated fair value at the date of donation. Capital expenditures for projects are capitalized as constructed.

Normal maintenance and repairs that do not add value to assets or materially extend the life of the assets are not capitalized. Improvements are capitalized and depreciated over the remaining useful lives of the capital assets. Depreciation is reported as a current charge in the statement of activities.

Capital assets are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

<u>Assets</u>	<u>Years</u>
Buildings and improvements	30
Vehicles and equipment	7-10
Infrastructure	30

**Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources**

In addition to assets, the statement of net position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, *deferred outflows of resources*, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will *not* be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. In the current year, the District did not have any items in this reporting category.

1. **Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)**

**Assets, Liabilities, Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources, and Net Position/Fund Balance (continued)**

**Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources (continued)**

In addition to liabilities, the statement of net position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, *deferred inflows of resources*, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will *not* be recognized as inflow of resources (revenue) until that time frame. The District has one item that qualifies for reporting in this category, *unavailable revenue-property taxes*. These amounts are deferred and recognized as an inflow of resources in the period that the amount becomes available.

**Long-Term Obligations**

In the government-wide financial statements, long-term debt is reported as a liability in the applicable governmental activity.

**Net Position Flow Assumption**

Sometimes the government will fund outlays for a particular purpose from both restricted and unrestricted resources. In order to calculate the amounts to report as restricted-net position and unrestricted-net position in the government-wide financial statements, a flow assumption must be made about the order in which resources are considered to be applied. It is the District's policy to consider restricted-net position to have been depleted before unrestricted-net position is applied.

**Fund Balance Policies**

In the fund financial statements, governmental funds report aggregate amounts for five classes of fund balances on the constraints imposed on the use of these resources. The nonspendable fund balance classification includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are either (a) not spendable in form which include items such as prepaid items or inventories; or (b) legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.

The spendable portion of the fund balance comprises the remaining four classifications: restricted, committed, assigned, and unassigned.

*Restricted fund balance.* This classification reflects the constraints imposed on resources either (a) externally by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or (b) imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

*Committed fund balance.* These amounts can only be used for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal resolutions of the District's Board of Directors, the District's highest level of decision making authority. Those committed amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the District's Board of Directors removes the specified use by taking the same type of action imposing the commitment.

*Assigned fund balance.* This classification reflects the amounts constrained by the District's intent to be used for specific purposes, but are neither restricted nor committed. The intended use may be expressed by the Board or other individual's authorized to assign funds to be used for a specific purpose. Unlike commitments, assignments are generally only temporary and do not require a formal action to remove the assignment.

**1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)**

**Assets, Liabilities, Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources, and Net Position/Fund Balance (continued)**

**Fund Balance Policies (continued)**

*Unassigned fund balance.* This fund balance is the residual classification for the General Fund. It is also used to report negative fund balances in other governmental funds.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the District's policy to use externally restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources – committed, assigned, and unassigned-in order as needed.

**Net Position**

Net position represents the difference between assets and deferred outflows of resources, and liabilities and deferred inflows of resources. Net investment in capital assets consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowing used for the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets. Net position is reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through enabling legislation or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors, laws or regulations of other governments.

**Use of Estimates**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with US GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amount of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

**2. Stewardship, Compliance, and Accountability**

**Budgets and Budgetary Accounting**

Budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with US GAAP. State law requires the District to adopt annual appropriated budgets for all funds.

The District conforms to the following procedures, in compliance with Colorado Revised Statutes, in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements:

On or before October 15 of each year, the District's accountant submits to the Board of Directors a recommended budget which details the necessary property taxes needed along with other available revenues to meet the District's operating requirements.

After a required publication of "Notice of Proposed Budget" and a public hearing, the District adopts the proposed budget and an appropriating resolution, which legally appropriates expenditures for the upcoming year.

**2. Stewardship, Compliance, and Accountability (continued)**

**Budgets and Budgetary Accounting (continued)**

Prior to December 15, the District computes and certifies to the County Commissioners a rate of levy that derived the necessary property taxes as computed in the proposed budget.

The budget and the appropriating resolution were adopted prior to December 31.

After adoption of the budget resolution, the District may make the following changes: (a) it may transfer appropriated monies between funds or between spending agencies within a fund, as determined by the original appropriation level; (b) it may approve supplemental appropriations to the extent of revenues in excess of the estimated revenues in the budget; (c) it may approve emergency appropriations; and (d) it may approve the reduction of appropriations for which originally estimated revenues are insufficient. The budget is only amended in conformity with Colorado Revised Statutes which allows the District to amend the budget and adopt a supplementary appropriation if money for a specific purpose, other than ad valorem taxes, becomes available to meet a contingency.

The level of control in the budget at which expenditures exceeded appropriations is at the fund level. All appropriations lapse at year end.

**TABOR Amendment - Revenue and Spending Limitation Amendment**

In November 1992, Colorado voters amended Article X of the Colorado Constitution by adding Section 20 commonly known as the Taxpayer's Bill of Rights ("TABOR"). TABOR contains revenue, spending, tax and debt limitations that apply to the State of Colorado and local governments. Spending and revenue limits are determined based upon inflation and local growth. Fiscal Year Spending is generally defined as expenditures plus reserve increases with certain exceptions. Revenue in excess of the Fiscal Year Spending limit must be refunded unless the voters approve retention of such revenue.

TABOR also requires local governments to establish emergency reserves to be used for declared emergencies only. Emergencies, as defined by TABOR, exclude economic conditions, revenue shortfalls, or salary or fringe benefit increases. These reserves must be at least 3% of Fiscal Year Spending (excluding bonded debt service, federal grants and sales of assets). The District has reserved a portion of its December 31, 2015 year-end fund balance in the General Fund for emergencies as required under TABOR of \$25,752 which is the approximate required reserve at December 31, 2015.

On May 2, 2006, a majority of the District's electors authorized the District to collect and spend or retain in a reserve all current levied taxes and fees of the District without regard to any limitations under Article X, Section 20 of the Colorado Constitution.

The District's management believes it is in compliance with the provisions of TABOR, as it is currently understood. However, TABOR is complex and subject to interpretation. Many of the provisions may not become fully understood without judicial review.

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**3. Detailed Notes on the Funds**

**Deposits and Investments**

At December 31, 2015, cash and investments are classified in the accompanying financial statements as follows:

Cash and investments	\$ 1,322,633
Cash and investments - restricted	<u>265,000</u>
	<u>\$ 1,587,633</u>

The following is a summary of deposits and investments held by the District at December 31, 2015:

<u>Type</u>	<u>Ratings per Standards &amp; Poor's</u>	<u>Fair Value as of December 31, 2015</u>
Deposits with financial institutions		\$ 792,497
COLOTRUST PLUS+	AAAm	<u>795,136</u>
Total		<u>\$ 1,587,633</u>

**Cash Deposits**

The Colorado Public Deposit Protection Act (PDPA) requires that all units of local government deposit cash in eligible public depositories. State regulators determine eligibility. Amounts on deposit in excess of federal insurance levels must be collateralized. The eligible collateral is determined by the PDPA. PDPA allows the institution to create a single collateral pool for all public funds. The pool is to be maintained by another institution, or held in trust for all the uninsured public deposits as a group. The market value of the collateral must be at a minimum of 102% of the aggregate uninsured deposits.

The State Commissioners for banks and financial services are required by state statute to monitor the naming of eligible depositories and reporting the uninsured deposits and assets maintained in collateral pools.

**Investments**

The District has not adopted a formal investment policy; however, it follows state statutes regarding investments.

As of December 31, 2015, the District invested in the Colorado Local Governmental Liquid Asset Trust (COLOTRUST), a local government investment vehicle established for local governmental entities in Colorado to pool surplus funds. As an investment pool, COLOTRUST operates under the Colorado Revised Statutes (24-75-701) and is overseen by the Colorado Securities Commissioner. COLOTRUST PLUS+ invests in U.S. Treasuries, government agencies, and in the highest-rated commercial paper. They operate similar to a money market mutual fund with a share value equal to \$1.00. A designated custodial bank provides safekeeping and depository services to COLOTRUST in connection with the direct investment and withdrawal function of COLOTRUST. Substantially all securities owned by COLOTRUST are held by the Federal Reserve Bank in the account maintained for the custodial bank.

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**3. Detailed Notes on the Funds (continued)**

**Investments (continued)**

**Custodial Credit Risk:** At December 31, 2015, all of the District's deposits and investments were insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or held in eligible public depositories as required by PDPA.

**Interest Rate Risk:** Colorado Revised Statutes (CRS) limit investment maturities to five years or less unless formally approved by the Board. In accordance with CRS, the District manages its exposure to declines in fair value by limiting the weighted average maturity of its investments.

**Credit Risk:** Generally, credit risk is the risk that an issuer of an investment will not fulfill its obligation to the holder of the investment. The District follows the general provisions of the Colorado Revised Statutes (CRS) which limits the District's exposure to credit risk. CRS specify investment instruments meeting defined rating and risk criteria in which local governmental entities may invest. The allowed investments may include but are not limited to the following:

- Certain money market funds
- Certain certificates of deposit
- Local government investment pools

**Capital Assets**

Capital asset activity for the year ended December 31, 2015 was as follows:

	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Increases</u>	<u>Decreases</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>
Capital assets not being depreciated:				
Land	\$ 402,344	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 402,344
Total capital assets, not being depreciated	<u>402,344</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>402,344</u>
Capital assets being depreciated:				
Buildings and improvements	1,310,753	-	-	1,310,753
Vehicles and equipment	227,260	51,352	(31,730)	246,882
Infrastructure	18,554,923	121,078	-	18,676,001
Total capital assets being depreciated	<u>20,092,936</u>	<u>172,430</u>	<u>(31,730)</u>	<u>20,233,636</u>
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Buildings and improvements	(225,952)	(43,692)	-	(269,644)
Vehicles and equipment	(170,744)	(21,582)	31,730	(160,596)
Infrastructure	(7,405,526)	(622,184)	-	(8,027,710)
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>(7,802,222)</u>	<u>(687,458)</u>	<u>31,730</u>	<u>(8,457,950)</u>
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	<u>12,290,714</u>	<u>(515,028)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>11,775,686</u>
<b>Capital assets, net</b>	<u>\$ 12,693,058</u>	<u>\$ (515,028)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 12,178,030</u>

Depreciation expense of \$687,458 was charged to public works.

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**3. Detailed Notes on the Funds (continued)**

**Long-Term Obligations**

Changes in long-term obligations for the year ended December 31, 2015 are as follows:

	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>	<u>Due Within One Year</u>
Series 2006	187,000	-	(92,000)	95,000	95,000
Series 2009	880,000	-	(15,000)	865,000	20,000
Governmental activities long-term debt	\$ 1,067,000	\$ -	\$ (107,000)	\$ 960,000	\$ 115,000

***General Obligation Bonds***

On February 15, 2006, the District issued \$650,000 of General Obligation Water Bonds Series 2006 ("Series 2006") to construct two water treatment facilities. The Series 2006 bonds mature June 30, 2016 and bear interest of 4.25%, interest is payable semiannually on each June 30 and December 31. Pledged revenue consists of ad valorem taxes and specific ownership taxes. In connection with the bond issuance, the District established a reserve account of \$65,000 which was equal to 10% of the par amount outstanding upon issuance to be used only to prevent default in the payment of principal or interest on the bonds.

On April 1, 2009, the District issued \$2,000,000 of General Obligation Bonds Series 2009 ("Series 2009") to construct water and road improvements. At December 31, 2015, the District has drawn \$925,000 of the available balance and can draw the remaining \$1,075,000 in future periods. The Series 2009 bonds mature June 30, 2028 or upon repayment of the drawn amount and bears interest of 4.25% until April 1, 2019 at which time the holder may reprice the bonds. Interest is payable semiannually on each June 30 and December 31. Pledged revenue consists of ad valorem taxes and specific ownership taxes. In connection with the bond issuance, the District established a reserve account of \$200,000 which was equal to 10% of the par amount outstanding upon issuance to be used only to prevent default in the payment of principal or interest on the bonds.

Debt service requirements to maturity for the bonds are as follows:

<u>Year Ending December 31,</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2016	\$ 115,000	\$ 38,781	\$ 153,781
2017	120,000	35,913	155,913
2018	125,000	30,813	155,813
2019	130,000	25,500	155,500
2020	140,000	19,975	159,975
2021 - 2023	330,000	23,375	353,375
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 960,000</b>	<b>\$ 174,357</b>	<b>\$ 1,134,357</b>

At December 31, 2015, the District had total authorized debt of \$32,000,000 of which \$3,250,000 has been issued, leaving an authorized but unissued balance of \$28,750,000.

**4. Other Information**

**Risk Management**

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to workers compensation, general liability, unemployment, torts, theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets, and errors and omissions. The District has elected to participate in the Colorado Special Districts Property and Liability Pool ("the Pool"). The Pool is an organization created by intergovernmental agreement to provide common liability and casualty insurance coverage to its members at a cost that is considered economically appropriate. Settled claims have not exceeded this commercial coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

The District pays annual premiums to the Pool for auto, public official's liability, property and general liability coverage. In the event aggregated losses incurred by the Pool exceed its amounts recoverable from reinsurance contracts and its accumulated reserves, the District may be called upon to make additional contributions to the Pool on the basis proportionate to other members. Any excess funds which the Pool determines are not needed for purposes of the Pool may be returned to the members pursuant to a distribution formula. During the year ended December 31, 2015, the Pool has made no distributions nor required additional contributions from the District.

**Retirement Plans**

The District provides a defined benefit contribution money purchase pension plan and trust (the Plan) administered by ICMA Retirement Corporation. All full-time, year-round employees of the District are eligible for the Plan. Under the terms of the Plan, the District and each participant are required to contribute 6.2% of the participant's earnings. Contributions are fully vested immediately and loans to participants are allowed.

District contributions to the Plan during the year ended December 31, 2015 were \$7,700.

**Intergovernmental Agreements**

***Catamount Ranch Pipeline Project***

In July 2000, the District entered into an agreement with Routt County, Colorado authorizing the District to construct a water pipeline to transport water from the Yampa River to Catamount Ranch. Catamount Ranch may use the water for irrigation, recreation, fishing, and aesthetic purposes. The District may also provide water by exchange to neighboring landowners for irrigation.

***Agreement with City of Steamboat Springs***

In May 2001, the District entered into an agreement with the Developer and the City of Steamboat Springs (the "City") to deliver supplemental irrigation water to the City. Delivery is to include only water rights owned or leased by the City in accordance with the administration of Yampa River water rights. The District agrees to make available to the City one cubic foot out of the total ten cubic feet of the capacity within the District's pipeline. The City will reimburse the District for electrical and pumping costs for delivery of the water.

5. **Reconciliation of Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements**

**Explanation of Differences between the Governmental Funds Balance Sheet and the Government-Wide Statement of Net Position**

The governmental funds balance sheet includes reconciliation between fund balance-total governmental funds and net position-governmental activities as reported in the government-wide statement of net position. Explanation of the reconciling items is as follows:

Capital assets of \$20,635,980, less accumulated depreciation of \$8,457,950 or a net book value of \$12,178,030 are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds.

Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the funds. Bonds payable amounted to \$960,000.

**Explanation of Differences between the Governmental Funds Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances and the Government-Wide Statement of Activities**

The governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances includes a reconciliation between net changes in fund balances – total governmental funds and changes in net position of governmental activities as reported in the government-wide statement of activities. Explanation of the reconciling items is as follows:

Governmental funds report capital outlay as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. The details of this difference are as follows:

Depreciation expense – public works	\$ (687,458)
Capital outlay	172,430
Net adjustment	<u>\$ (515,028)</u>

The issuance of long-term debt (e.g. bonds payable) provides current financial resources to governmental funds, while the repayment of the principal of long-term debt consumes the current financial resources of governmental funds. Neither transaction, however, has any effect on net position. Principal payments on bonds payable were \$107,000.