

**LAKE ASBURY MUNICIPAL
SERVICE BENEFIT DISTRICT**

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the Year Ended September 30, 2016



LAKE ASBURY MUNICIPAL SERVICE BENEFIT DISTRICT

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

The Board of District Trustees
Lake Asbury Municipal Service Benefit District
Doctors Inlet, Florida

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities of Lake Asbury Municipal Service Benefit District (the "District") as of and for the year ended September 30, 2016, 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.

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from 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 opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities of the District, as of September 30, 2016, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended in accordance 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, budgetary comparison information on page 11, and trend data on infrastructure condition information on pages 5 and 18 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required 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.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated June 5, 2017 on our consideration of the District's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Magers & Associates, LLC

Magers & Associates, LLC
Orange Park, FL
June 5, 2017

**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION
AND ANALYSIS**

Lake Asbury Municipal Service Benefit District
Management's Discussion and Analysis
September 30, 2016

Within this section of the Lake Asbury Municipal Service Benefit District's report, the District's management provides narrative discussion and analysis of the financial activities of the District for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2016. The District's financial performance is discussed and analyzed within the context of the accompanying financial statements and disclosures following this section.

Significant Matters

Effective for the fiscal year beginning on October 1, 2010, the District increased the assessment per lot from \$100 to \$600 per year and eliminated the ad valorem tax.

These actions have enabled the District to obtain financing for major capital improvement projects. In June 2012, the District borrowed \$840,000, which is restricted for use for capital improvements. In fiscal year 2012, the District entered into a \$695,689 contract for capital improvements to the South Lake spillway. The capital improvements were completed in fiscal year 2014. In January 2016, the District entered into a \$30,405 contract for capital improvements to Lake Ryan. This contract was completed in April 2016.

Financial Highlights

A summary of revenues and expenditures for the years ended September 30 is as follows:

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Special Assessments	\$ 268,800	\$ 268,800
Other	<u>316</u>	<u>500</u>
	<u>269,116</u>	<u>269,300</u>
Repairs & Maintenance	43,443	129,088
Debt Service	161,884	176,886
Other	68,876	55,369
Capital Outlay	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>274,203</u>	<u>361,343</u>
	 <u><u>\$ (5,087)</u></u>	 <u><u>\$ (92,043)</u></u>

The District borrowed \$840,000 during 2012. The proceeds of the loan are restricted, per the loan agreement, to capital improvements. The \$840,000 capital improvement loan's annual installment is payable in June of each year with the first payment due in 2013.

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The special assessment revenue is pledged as collateral on the notes and collections equal to the annual debt, payments are restricted to debt payments. Required debt payments, including interest and principal, will be \$161,884 in the year ending September 30, 2016 compared to estimated special revenue receipts of approximately \$268,200. Excess revenues may be used for other operating expenses.

As of September 30, total net position is comprised of:

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Cash	\$ 195,009	\$ 200,877
Cash Restricted	131,568	131,568
Other	6,269	9,013
Infrastructure	708,432	708,432
Land	<u>6,003</u>	<u>6,003</u>
Total Assets	<u>1,047,281</u>	<u>1,055,893</u>
Accounts Payable	2,921	3,653
Interest Payable	2,845	4,976
Long-term Debt	<u>378,809</u>	<u>540,693</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>384,575</u>	<u>549,322</u>
	 <u>\$ 662,706</u>	 <u>\$ 506,571</u>

Overview of the Financial Statements

Management's Discussion and Analysis introduces the District's basic financial statements. These basic financial statements include: (1) government-wide financial statements, (2) fund financial statements, and (3) notes to the financial statements. The District also includes in this report additional information to supplement the basic financial statements.

The first of these government-wide fund statements is the Statement of Net Position. This is the District's statement of position presenting information that includes all of the District's assets and liabilities, with the difference 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. Evaluation of the overall health of the District would extend to other nonfinancial factors such as diversification of the taxpayer base or the condition of the lakes and dams in addition to the financial information provided in this report.

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Overview of the Financial Statements (cont.)

The second government-wide fund statement is the Statement of Activities which reports how the District's net position changed during the current fiscal year. All current year revenues and expenses are included regardless of when cash was received or paid. An important purpose of the design of the statement of activities is to show the financial reliance of the District's activities or functions on revenues provided by the taxpayers through special assessments.

The District utilizes its general fund to report all of its activities which are principally supported by taxes.

Modified Approach to Infrastructure Assets

Lake Asbury Municipal Services Benefits District (LAMSBD) has elected to use the modified approach for infrastructure reporting and to account for maintenance of the dams in accordance with guidelines for earthen dams recommended by Florida's State Dam Safety Official. This means that, in lieu of reporting depreciation on infrastructure, LAMSBD reports as preservation expense the costs associated with maintaining

1. The earthen dam structures with a Slope Stability Factor of Safety of 1.4.
2. Impoundment capacity to withstand overtopping conditions for a 500-year, 24-hour storm
3. No seepage above the toe of the dam

LAMSBD's District Engineer inspects the dams monthly for maintenance activities such as control of burrowing animals, maintenance of surface grasses, and for erosion. Quarterly inspections are made to the piezometers and to the drawdown valves.

The 2011 Florida Legislature authorized LAMSBD to raise assessments in order to make dam safety improvements.

Pursuant to best management practices LAMSBD plans for 50-year upgrades to the dams to account for changing hydrology in the basins, to correct for settlement in the dam core, to improve slope stability factors of safety, and to expand the hydraulic capacity as needed. The South Dam 50-year improvements were completed in 2012. The Lake Ryan Dam 50-year improvements will be complete in 2018. The horizon for North Dam improvements is being discussed by the Board of Trustees.

Currently, only Lake Ryan does not meet the dam safety criteria outlined above, although this project is scheduled to bid in September 2017, which will correct all deficiencies in this system.

An annual maintenance cost for the dams is \$48,000.

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Fund Financial Statements

A fund is an accountability unit used to maintain control over resources segregated for specific activities or objectives. The District uses its funds to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related laws and regulations. All the governmental operating activities of the District are reflected in the general fund. Likewise, all the governmental capital improvement activities are reported in the capital improvements fund. These statements report short-term fiscal accountability focusing on the use of spendable resources and balances of spendable resources available at the end of the year. They are useful in evaluating annual financing requirements of governmental programs and the commitment of spendable resources for the near term.

Notes to the Financial Statements

The accompanying notes to the financial statements provide information essential to the understanding of the financial statements.

Contacting the District's Financial Management

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the District's finances, comply with finance-related laws and regulations, and demonstrate the District's commitment to public accountability. If you have questions about this report or would like to request additional information, contact the District at Post Office Box 30252, Doctors Inlet, Florida 32030.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

LAKE ASBURY MUNICIPAL SERVICE BENEFIT DISTRICT

Statement of Net Position

September 30, 2016

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>
ASSETS	
Cash	\$ 195,009
Cash, Restricted	131,568
Prepaid Expenses	<u>482</u>
Total Current Assets	<u>327,059</u>
Infrastructure	708,432
Land	6,003
Loan Costs, Net	<u>5,787</u>
Total Noncurrent Assets	<u>720,222</u>
Total Assets	<u><u>\$ 1,047,281</u></u>
LIABILITIES	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	\$ 2,921
Accrued Interest	2,845
Long-Term Debt, Current Portion	<u>123,001</u>
Total Current Liabilities	<u>128,767</u>
Noncurrent Liabilities	
Long-Term Debt, Noncurrent Portion	<u>255,808</u>
Total Liabilities	<u><u>\$ 384,575</u></u>
NET POSITION	
Invested in Capital Assets, net of related debt	\$ 341,413
Cash, Restricted	131,568
Unrestricted	<u>189,725</u>
Total Net Position	<u><u>\$ 662,706</u></u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

LAKE ASBURY MUNICIPAL SERVICE BENEFIT DISTRICT

Statement of Activities and Changes in Net Position

Year ended September 30, 2016

Revenues	
Special Assessments	\$ 268,800
Interest Income	316
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Total Revenue	269,116
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Expenditures	
Personnel Services	2,052
Professional Services	21,052
Accounting and Auditing	6,575
Other Contracted Support	6,288
Travel and Per Diem	429
Communications and Postage	307
Utilities	544
Insurance	7,313
Repairs and Maintenance	43,443
Legal Notices	71
Office Expense	255
Memberships & Subscriptions	175
Amortization	2,793
Other	8,813
Interest Expense	12,870
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Total Expenditures	112,980
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Excess of Revenues over Expenditures	156,136
Net Position, Beginning	<hr/>
	506,570
	<hr/>
Net Position, Ending	<u>\$ 662,706</u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

LAKE ASBURY MUNICIPAL SERVICE BENEFIT DISTRICT

Balance Sheet - Governmental Fund

September 30, 2016

ASSETS

Cash	\$	195,009
Cash, Restricted		131,568
Prepaid Expenses		<u>482</u>
Total Assets	\$	<u><u>327,059</u></u>

LIABILITIES

Current Liabilities		
Accounts Payable	\$	<u><u>2,921</u></u>

FUND BALANCE

Reserved for:		
Reserved for debt services	\$	132,988
Reserved for prepaids		482
Reserved for capital projects		131,568
Unreserved		
Undesignated		<u>59,100</u>
Total Fund Balance	\$	<u><u>324,138</u></u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

LAKE ASBURY MUNICIPAL SERVICE BENEFIT DISTRICT

Reconciliation of the Balance Sheet of the
Governmental Fund to the Statement of Net Position
September 30, 2016

Fund Balance - Total Governmental Funds \$ 324,138

Amounts reported in 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 funds:

The cost of debt issuance is amortized in the
Statement of Activities over the remaining
life of the debt 5,787

Capital Assets 714,435

Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in
their current period and therefore are not reported
in the governmental funds:

Notes Payable (378,809)

Accrued interest due is not reported as a liability
of the governmental funds (2,845)

Net Position of the Governmental Funds \$ 662,706

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

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Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in
Fund Balance - Budget and Actual - Governmental Fund
Year ended September 30, 2016

	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance Over (Under)</u>
Revenues				
Special Assessments	268,200	268,200	268,800	600
Interest Income	500	500	316	(184)
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Total Revenue	268,700	268,700	269,116	416
Expenditures				
Personnel Services	2,640	2,640	2,052	(588)
Professional Services	30,000	30,000	21,052	(8,948)
Accounting and Auditing	6,800	6,800	6,575	(225)
Other Contracted Support	8,590	8,590	6,289	(2,301)
Travel and Per Diem	500	500	429	(71)
Communications and Postage	200	200	307	107
Utilities	600	600	544	(56)
Insurance	8,325	8,325	7,313	(1,012)
Repairs and Maintenance	58,100	58,100	43,443	(14,657)
Legal Notices	750	750	71	(679)
Office Expense	100	100	255	155
Memberships & Subscriptions	775	775	175	(600)
Commissions & Discounts	9,000	9,000	8,813	(187)
Capital Outlay	260,000	260,000	-	(260,000)
Debt Principal Payments	158,842	158,842	161,884	3,042
Interest	18,043	18,043	15,001	(3,042)
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Total Expenditures	563,265	563,265	274,203	(289,062)
Excess of Revenues over Expenditures	(294,565)	(294,565)	(5,087)	(289,478)
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year	<u>329,225</u>	<u>329,225</u>	<u>329,225</u>	<u>-</u>
		-		
Fund Balance, End of Year	<u>\$ 34,660</u>	<u>\$ 34,660</u>	<u>\$ 324,138</u>	<u>(289,478)</u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

LAKE ASBURY MUNICIPAL SERVICE BENEFIT DISTRICT

Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures
and Changes in Fund Balance of the Governmental Fund
to the Statement of Activities

For the year ended September 30, 2016

Net Change in Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds \$ (5,087)

Amounts reported for Governmental Activities in
the Statement of Net Activities are different because:

Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures.
However, in the statement of activities, the cost of capital
assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and
reported as assets

Capital Expenditures -

Repayment of long-term debt is reported as an expenditure
on the governmental funds, but is a reduction of long-term
liabilities in the statement of net assets. 161,884

Some expenses reported in the Statement of Activities
do not require the use of current financial resources
and therefore are not reported as expenditures in the
Governmental Funds:

Change in accrued loan interest 2,132

Amortization of debt issuance costs (2,793)

Change in Net Position \$ 156,136

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

Lake Asbury Municipal Service Benefit District

Notes to Financial Statements

September 30, 2016

NOTE 1 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The accounting policies of Lake Asbury Municipal Service Benefit District (the "District") conform to generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to governments. The following is a summary of the more significant policies of the District.

Reporting Entity

The District is a special district created by 1986 House Bill 696 of the State of Florida Legislature for the purpose of continuing maintenance of the lakes and dams known as Lake Asbury, South Lake Asbury and Lake Ryan in Clay County, Florida. It is composed of nine members (trustees) residing within the District who are qualified electors of the State of Florida.

The accompanying financial statements include all funds, agencies and boards that are controlled by, or are dependent on, the District.

Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement Number 14, "Financial Reporting Entity", as amended, requires the financial statements of the District (the primary government) to include its component units, if any. A component unit is a legally separate organization for which the officials of the primary government are financially accountable. Based on the criteria established in GASB Statement Number 14, there are no component units required to be included in the District's financial statements.

Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation

The financial statements of the District are prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). The District's reporting entity applies all relevant Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) pronouncements.

The District's governmental fund financial statements report using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when they are both measurable and available. Available means collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay current liabilities. Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred.

Lake Asbury Municipal Service Benefit District

Notes to Financial Statements

September 30, 2016

NOTE 1 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (cont.)

Fund Types and Major Funds

Governmental Funds

General Fund – The general fund is the general operating fund of the District. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

Budgets and Budgetary Accounting

The District prepares a budget for its General Fund - Statement of Revenues and Expenditures on a consistent basis, which does not differ materially from generally accepted accounting principles. The budget and amendments are approved by the District.

Infrastructure Assets

The District has elected to use the “modified approach” to account for certain infrastructure assets, as provided in GASB Statement No. 34, Basic Financial Statements-and Management’s Discussion and Analysis-for State and Local Governments.

Under this process, the District is not required to record depreciation expense as long as certain requirements are met. Utilization of this approach requires the District to: 1) commit to maintaining and preserving affected assets at or above a condition level established by the government, 2) maintain an inventory of the assets and perform periodic condition assessments to ensure that the condition level is being maintained, and 3) make annual estimates of the amounts that must be expended to maintain and preserve assets at the predetermined condition levels.

Dams and spillways maintained by the District are accounted for using the modified approach.

Encumbrances

Encumbrance accounting is not used by the District.

Lake Asbury Municipal Service Benefit District

Notes to Financial Statements

September 30, 2016

NOTE 2 Cash

All cash resources of the District are entirely covered by Federal Depository Insurance or by collateral pursuant to the Florida Security For Public Deposits Act (Florida Statutes Chapter 280).

NOTE 3 Fixed Assets

The District's property, plant and equipment with useful lives of more than one year are stated at historical cost and are reported in the financial statements. The cost of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the asset value or materially extend useful lives is not capitalized. The District's capital assets consist of land and infrastructure.

NOTE 4 Intangible Assets

The District has incurred loan costs which are being amortized over the loans. Amortization expense was \$2,793 for 2016.

Vacation and Sick Pay

The District has one part-time employee and has no formal vacation and/or sick pay policy which would require accumulation of these benefits.

NOTE 5 Changes in Capital Assets

A summary of changes in capital assets follows:

	<u>Balance 9/30/2015</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	<u>Balance 9/30/2016</u>
Infrastructure	\$708,432	\$ -	\$ -	\$708,432
Land	<u>6,003</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,003</u>
Total Capital Assets	<u><u>\$714,435</u></u>	<u><u>\$ -</u></u>	<u><u>\$ -</u></u>	<u><u>\$714,435</u></u>

Lake Asbury Municipal Service Benefit District

Notes to Financial Statements

September 30, 2016

NOTE 6 Special Assessments

The Clay County Tax Collector bills and collects special assessments for the District as well as property taxes for all of Clay County, Florida. Special assessments are recognized when levied, to the extent that they result in current receivables. At September 30, 2016, there was no special assessment taxes receivable by the District.

Real property taxes, special assessment taxes, and tangible personal property taxes are assessed by the Clay County Property Appraiser according to just values on January 1st of each year. Taxes, including special assessments are due and payable on November 1st of each year or as soon thereafter as the assessment roll comes into the hands of the Clay County Tax Collector. Taxes and special assessments on real property may be prepaid in four quarterly installments beginning not later than June 30th of the year in which assessed. Taxes, including special assessments, become delinquent on April 1st following the year in which assessed.

Delinquent taxes and special assessments are subject to collection through the sale of tax certificates on real property and the issuance of warrants for seizure and sale of tangible personal property. If there is no sale of tax certificates, a certificate is issued in the name of the County.

NOTE 7 Notes Payable

Note payable to Ameris Bank secured by special assessments and subordinate to the note payable to Wachovia Bank. Annual installments of \$132,988 due in June of each year with final payment due in June 2019. Interest rate is fixed at 2.6% for five years and then adjusts to prime minus ½%.

378,809

Less: Current Portion

(123,001)
\$ 255,808

Lake Asbury Municipal Service Benefit District
Notes to Financial Statements
September 30, 2016

NOTE 7 Notes Payable (cont.)

Maturities of the notes payable are as follows:

	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
Year ending September 30			
2017	123,001	9,986	132,987
2018	126,244	6,744	132,988
2019	129,564	3,416	132,980
2020	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total	<u>\$ 378,809</u>	<u>\$ 20,146</u>	<u>\$ 398,955</u>

NOTE 8 Changes in Long-Term Debt

A summary of changes in long-term debt follows:

	Balance 9/30/2015	Borrowings	Payments	Balance 9/30/2016
Note Payable	\$540,693	\$ -	\$161,884	\$378,809

NOTE 9 Subsequent Events

Subsequent events have been evaluated through June 5, 2017 the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

**REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY
INFORMATION**

Lake Asbury Municipal Service Benefit District
 Infrastructure Assets Reported Using the Modified Approach
 September 30, 2016

For the year ended September 30, 2016, Lake Asbury Municipal Service Benefit District estimated the cost of maintaining and preserving its dams and spillways in good or better condition to be \$58,000. The actual costs incurred to keep these infrastructure assets in good or better condition was \$43,000. The District uses the services of an engineering firm to assess the infrastructure conditions at least four times a year. The engineering firm specifically looks for distress indicators such as damage from burrowing animals, damage to surface grasses, and erosion. Based on visual and mechanical tests designed to assess the conditional level, the engineering firm assesses if the dams are in good or better condition. The results of the last three completed inspections are as follows:

	Percentage of dams and spillways in good or better condition		
	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
Overall system	100%	100%	100%

The budget-to-actual expenditures for infrastructure maintenance for the past five years are as follows:

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>
2016	58,100	43,000
2015	74,500	129,000
2014	74,500	16,500
2013	74,000	8,500
2012	81,850	78,500

AUDITOR GENERAL REQUIREMENTS



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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' MANAGEMENT LETTER

The Board of District Trustees
Lake Asbury Municipal Service Benefit District
Doctors Inlet, Florida

Report on Financial Statements

We have audited the financial statements of Lake Asbury Municipal Service Benefit District (the "District"), as of and for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2016, and have issued our report thereon dated June 5, 2017.

Auditor's Responsibility

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in the *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Florida Auditor General.

Other Reports and Schedule

We have issued our Independent Auditors' Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of the Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*. Disclosures in that report, if any, which is dated June 5, 2017, should be considered in conjunction with this management letter.

Prior Audit Findings

Section 10.554(1)(i)1., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we determine whether or not corrective actions have been taken to address findings and recommendations made in the preceding annual financial audit report. There were no recommendations made in the preceding annual financial audit report.

Official Title and Legal Authority

Section 10.554(1)(i)4., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that the name or official title and legal authority for the primary government and each component unit of the reporting entity be disclosed in this management letter, unless disclosed in the notes to the financial statements. The District is a special district created by 1986 House Bill 696 of the State of Florida Legislature for the purpose of continuing maintenance of the lakes and dams known as Lake Asbury, South Lake Asbury and Lake Ryan in Clay County, Florida. It is composed of nine members (trustees) residing within the District who are qualified electors of the State of Florida.

Financial Condition

Section 10.554(1)(i)5.a. and 10.556(7), Rules of the Auditor General, require that we apply appropriate procedures and report the results of our determination as to whether or not the District has met one or more of the conditions described in Section 218.503(1), Florida Statutes, and identification of the specific condition(s) met. In connection with our audit, we determined that the District did not meet any of the conditions described in Section 218.503(1), Florida Statutes.

Pursuant to Sections 10.554(1)(i)5.c. and 10.556(8), Rules of the Auditor General, we applied financial condition assessment procedures. It is management's responsibility to monitor the District's financial condition, and our financial condition assessment was based in part on representations made by management and the review of financial information provided by same.

Annual Financial Report

Section 10.554(1)(i)5.b. and 10.556(7), Rules of the Auditor General, require that we report the results of our determination as to whether the annual financial report for the District for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2016, filed with the Florida Department of Financial Services pursuant to Section 218.32(1)(a), Florida Statutes, is in agreement with the annual financial audit report for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2016. In connection with our audit, we determined that these two reports were in agreement.

Other Matters

Section 10.554(1)(i)2., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we address in our management letter any recommendations to improve financial management. In connection with our audit, we did not have any such recommendations.

Section 10.554(1)(i)3., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we address noncompliance with provisions of contracts or grant agreements, or abuse, that have occurred, or are likely to have occurred, that have an effect on the financial statements that is less than material but which warrants the attention of those charged with governance. In connection with our audit, we did not have any such findings.

Purpose of this Letter

Our management letter is intended solely for the information and use of the Legislative Auditing Committee, members of the Florida Senate and the Florida House of Representatives, the Florida Auditor General, Federal and other granting agencies, and applicable management, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL
OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND COMPLIANCE AND OTHER
MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH
GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS**

The Board of District Trustees
Lake Asbury Municipal Service Benefit District
Doctors Inlet, Florida

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Governmental Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of Lake Asbury Municipal Service Benefit District (the "District"); as of and for the year ended September 30, 2016, and the related notes to the financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated June 5, 2017.

Internal Control over Financial Reporting

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

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

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the District's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards in considering the District's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

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