

**CLEARWATER UNDERGROUND
WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

**BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
AND
INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT**

SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Directors
Clearwater Underground Water Conservation District
Belton, Texas

We have audited the accompanying financial statements for the governmental activities and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Clearwater Underground Water Conservation District (the District), as of and for the year ended September 30, 2017, 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 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 and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. 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 reasonable basis for our opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the net position of the governmental activities and the aggregate remaining fund information of Clearwater Underground Water Conservation District, as of September 30, 2017, and the respective changes in fund balances in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Report Issued In Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated February 9, 2018, on our consideration of the District's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and other matters. The purpose of that report is 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 internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

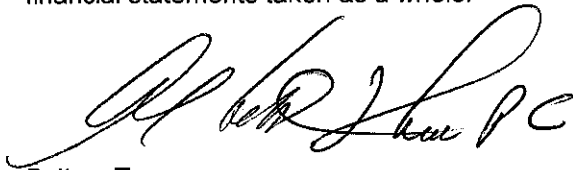
Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis on pages 3 through 5 and budgetary comparison information on page 17 be presented to supplement the financial statements. Such information, although not a required 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 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 Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements that collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements. The Texas Supplementary Information, on pages 18 through 21, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements of the District. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly presented in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.



Belton, Texas
February 9, 2018

**CLEARWATER UNDERGROUND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
SEPTEMBER 30, 2017.**

The management of the Clearwater Underground Water Conservation District (the District), offers readers of the District's annual financial report this narrative overview and analysis of the District's financial performance during the fiscal year ended September 30, 2017. This discussion and analysis is intended to be an easily readable analysis of the District's financial activities based on currently known facts, decisions, and conditions. Please read it in conjunction with the Independent Auditors' Report and the District's basic financial statements and the related notes.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

The District's total net position,	\$ 1,249,737
Cash and investments,	\$ 662,835
Deferred Inflows of Resources	\$ 20,369
Total tax revenues,	\$ 660,854
Operational expenditures,	\$ 563,449

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

This annual financial report consists of, but is not limited to, the following: Management's Discussion and Analysis (this section, which is intended to serve as an introduction to the basic financial statements), the basic financial statements, and the related notes to the financial statements. The District is a governmental entity and follows the accrual basis of fund accounting for a governmental entity. The District is funded primarily by property tax revenue from within the District's boundaries to provide a means by which underground water is controlled and monitored throughout the District.

REPORT LAYOUT

In addition to the Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) (pages 3-5), the report consists of basic financial statements, notes to the financial statements, and supplementary information. The basic financial statements are highly condensed and present a government-wide view of the District's finances.

These *Government-wide Financial Statements* (pages 6-9) are designed to be more corporate-like in that all activities are consolidated into a total for the District. The totals represent the *Statement of Net Position*, which presents the assets, liabilities, with the difference of the two reported as net position and the *Statement of Activities* which presents information on how the District's net position changed during the year.

The *Notes to the Financial Statements* (pages 10-14) provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide basic financial statements.

Required and other supplemental information (pages 16-21) is also provided for additional information and analysis.

**CLEARWATER UNDERGROUND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
SEPTEMBER 30, 2017**

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE DISTRICT

Statement of Net Position: The following table summarizes the net position of the District

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>Change</u>
Assets			
Current Assets	\$ 683,924	\$ 723,246	\$ (39,322)
Capital Assets (Net of Accumulated Depreciation)	<u>586,182</u>	<u>425,143</u>	<u>161,039</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$ 1,270,106</u>	<u>\$ 1,148,389</u>	<u>\$ 121,717</u>
Liabilities	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Deferred Inflows of Resources	<u>\$ 20,369</u>	<u>\$ 20,559</u>	<u>\$ (190)</u>
Net Position:			
Investment in Capital Assets	\$ 586,182	\$ 425,143	\$ 161,039
Unreserved Net Position	<u>663,555</u>	<u>702,687</u>	<u>(39,132)</u>
Total Net Position	<u>1,249,737</u>	<u>1,127,830</u>	<u>121,907</u>
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows, and Net Position	<u>\$ 1,270,106</u>	<u>\$ 1,148,389</u>	<u>\$ 121,717</u>

Statement of Activities: The following table summarizes the changes in net position

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>Change</u>
Tax Revenue	\$660,854	\$640,702	\$ 20,152
Interest and Other Revenues	21,731	12,386	9,345
Expenditures	<u>(563,449)</u>	<u>(568,477)</u>	<u>5,028</u>
Change in Net Position	<u>\$119,136</u>	<u>\$ 84,611</u>	<u>\$ 34,525</u>

As shown in the above information, the District improved financially, overall. However, the District's change in net position increased by \$ 34,525. With the operational expenditures of \$(563,449), part of that was reported as depreciation of \$(27,254). Capital outlay of \$188,293 with the accumulated depreciation, created an increase in the investment in capital assets of \$161,039.

**CLEARWATER UNDERGROUND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
SEPTEMBER 30, 2017**

BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

Actual tax revenues received were less than the budgeted tax revenues by \$(13,710) or 2%. However, actual operational expenditures were 15% less than budgeted expenditures. This resulted in an increase in net position of \$119,136. The budget was legally adopted according to established guidelines and the Board of Directors legally adopted amendments to individual budget items during the fiscal year. (See page 17 for details)

CAPITAL ASSETS

During the year, capital expenditures were made, so that at September 30, 2017, the District had a net increase in Capital Assets of \$161,039. The Investment in Capital Assets, net of depreciation and related debt, at fiscal year-end was \$586,182.

Additional information regarding Capital Assets can be found in the notes to the financial statements. (Note-3, page 13)

DEBT OUTSTANDING

The District had no long-term debt as of the fiscal year ended September 30, 2017.

ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGET AND RATES

The District's property tax rate for the 2017/2018 fiscal year (FY18) was lowered to \$0.00385 per \$100 valuation. The estimated taxable property value is 18,091,429,000 for total expected tax revenue of \$696,520. Other Income and delinquent property taxes is estimated at \$28,000. The District's budgeted expenditures for FY18 are expected to be \$724,520 resulting in a balanced budget for the coming fiscal year.

FINANCIAL CONTACT

The District's financial statements are designed to present users (citizens, taxpayers, creditors, and regulatory agencies) with a general overview of the District's finances and to demonstrate the District's accountability. If you have questions about the report or need additional financial information, please contact the District Manager at 700 Kennedy Ct., PO Box 1989, Belton, TX 76513.

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, WITH RELATED NOTES

AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

**CLEARWATER UNDERGROUND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION AND GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET**

SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

	Governmental Funds		Statement of Net Position
	General Fund	Adjustments	
<u>ASSETS</u>			
Cash in Banks	\$ 9,185	\$ -	\$ 9,185
Invested Funds	653,650	-	653,650
Receivables			
Taxes	20,369	-	20,369
Fees	720	-	720
Capital Assets (net of accumulated depreciation)			
Infrastructure		586,182	586,182
Total Assets	\$ 683,924	\$ 586,182	\$ 1,270,106
<u>LIABILITIES</u>			
Liabilities			
Current and Non-current	\$ -	-	\$ -
Total Liabilities	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<u>DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</u>			
Property Tax Revenue	\$ 20,369	\$ -	\$ 20,369
<u>FUND EQUITY</u>			
Fund Balances			
Unreserved	\$ 663,555	\$ (663,555)	\$ -
Total Fund Equity	663,555	(663,555)	-
Total Deferred Inflows, Liabilities, and Fund Equity	\$ 683,924		
<u>NET POSITION</u>			
Investment in Capital Assets		586,182	586,182
Unreserved		663,555	663,555
Total Net Position		\$ 1,249,737	1,249,737
Total Deferred Inflows, Liabilities, and Net Position			\$ 1,270,106

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.
See Independent Auditors' Report.

**CLEARWATER UNDERGROUND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET TO THE
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
SEPTEMBER 30, 2017**

Total Fund Balances for Governmental Funds (Page 6) \$ 663,555

Total Net Position Reported for Governmental Activities in the
Statement of Net Position is Different Because:

Capital assets used in governmental activities are not
financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds.
Those assets consist of:

Land, Infrastructure, and Easements	<u>\$ 586,182</u>	
Total Capital Assets (See p10, Note 1.B.2 and p13 Note 3)		586,182

Total Net Position of Governmental Activities (Page 6) \$ 1,249,737

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**CLEARWATER UNDERGROUND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES AND GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE AND NET POSITION
FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017**

	<u>Governmental Funds</u>		<u>Statement of Activities</u>
	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Adjustments</u>	
<u>EXPENDITURES</u>			
Operations			
Director Fees	\$ 10,650	\$ -	\$ 10,650
Administrative	28,126	-	28,126
Compensation and Benefits	233,264	-	233,264
Depreciation	-	27,254	27,254
Facilities Costs	23,373	-	23,373
Clearwater Studies	84,620	-	84,620
Legal and Professional	62,950	-	62,950
Collection Fees	7,475	-	7,475
Advertising	1,847	-	1,847
Other Operating Expenditures (net of relevant contributions)	83,890	-	83,890
Capital Outlay	188,293	(188,293)	-
Total Expenditures	<u>724,488</u>	<u>(161,039)</u>	<u>563,449</u>
<u>REVENUES</u>			
General Revenues			
Property Taxes	660,854	-	660,854
Permits, Licenses, and Other Fees	7,767	-	7,767
Interest and Other Income	7,044	-	7,044
Donations Received	6,920	-	6,920
Total Revenues	<u>682,585</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>675,665</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over Expenditures	(41,903)	161,039	119,136
Change in Fund Balance/Net Position	<u>(41,903)</u>	<u>161,039</u>	<u>119,136</u>
<u>NET POSITION</u>			
Adjustments to Fund Balance	2,771	-	2,771
Beginning of Year	<u>702,687</u>	<u>425,143</u>	<u>1,127,830</u>
End of Year	<u>\$ 663,555</u>	<u>\$ 586,182</u>	<u>\$ 1,249,737</u>

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**CLEARWATER UNDERGROUND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
 RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN
 FUND BALANCE AND NET POSITION TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017**

Net Change in Fund Balance - Total Governmental Funds (Page 8)	\$ (41,903)
The Change in Net Position Reported for Governmental Activities in the Statement of Activities is Different Because:	
<p>Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. In the Statement of Activities the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense.</p>	
Capital assets reported as capital outlay in governmental fund statements:	188,293
Depreciation expense reported in statement of activities:	<u>(27,254)</u>
Amount by which capital outlays are greater (less) than depreciation in current period:	161,039
Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities (Page 8)	<u>\$ 119,136</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.
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CLEARWATER UNDERGROUND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

NOTE 1 – SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The basic financial statements of Clearwater Underground Water Conservation District (the District) have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (US GAAP) as applied to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the acceptable standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The significant accounting principles and policies utilized by the District are described below:

A. Reporting Entity

The District was created in 1989 by resolution of the Commissioners Court of Bell County, Texas, pursuant to H.B. 3172, Chapter 524, Acts of the 71st Legislature (1989 Session) (the "Act"). The District is a governmental agency and a body politic and corporate, created by and acting pursuant to the Act as amended by S.B. 404, Chapter 22, Act of the 77th Legislature (2001 Session), S.B. 1755, Chapter 64, Act of the 81st Legislature (2009 Session), and by applicable law including the provisions of Chapters 36 and 49 of the *Texas Water Code*. A five-member group, which constitutes the Board of Directors, is the level of government which has responsibility over all related activities within the jurisdiction of the Clearwater Underground Water Conservation District. The District receives funding from local property taxes; certain well, pump, and transmission fees; and interest resulting from investments of excess funds.

The District is not included in any other governmental reporting entity. The taxpayers within the jurisdiction of the District elect the Board members. The Directors have decision-making authority, the power to designate management, the responsibility of operations, and the primary accountability of fiscal and fiduciary matters.

B. Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements

The accounts of the District are organized on the basis of funds and account groups, each of which is considered a separate accounting entity. Operations of each fund are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues, and expenditures, as appropriate. The government-wide financial statements report all the activities of the District. These activities are primarily supported by property taxes, license, registration, and other fees. The following are descriptions of the fund types and account groups used by the District.

1. Governmental funds

General Fund – All unrestricted financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund are recorded in the general fund. It is the District's general operating fund. Taxes and fees are the major sources of revenue. Expenditures include all costs associated with the daily operations of the District. There are no other governmental funds at this time.

2. Account groups

Capital Assets, account group – All capital assets of the District are accounted for in this group. The account group is not a fund. It only measures financial position and is not involved with measurement of results of activities.

C. Basis of Accounting

All funds of the District use the accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenues are recorded when susceptible to accrual (i.e., both measurable and available). Funds are considered available when they are collectible in the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay current liabilities. All revenues of the District are susceptible to accrual. Expenditures, if measurable, are recognized as incurred.

CLEARWATER UNDERGROUND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

D. Assets, Liabilities, Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources, and Net Position or Fund Balance

1. Cash and Cash Equivalents

The District's cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits, and certificates of deposit.

2. Budgets and Budgetary Accounting

The adoption of an annual budget, for the general fund, is required prior to the beginning of each fiscal year on a basis consistent with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Thirty to sixty days prior to the beginning of each fiscal year, District management will submit a proposed budget for the fiscal year beginning on the following October 1st. The operating budget includes proposed expenditures and the means of financing them. After consideration the Board of Directors will adopt the budget by appropriate board action. Any revisions that alter the budget must also be considered and approved by board action.

3. Accounts Receivable

Accounts receivable are recorded at gross amount with uncollectable amounts recognized under the direct write-off method. No allowance for uncollectible accounts has been provided since it is believed that the amount of such allowance would not be material to the basic financial statements.

4. Capital Assets

Capital Assets have been acquired for general governmental purposes. Assets purchased or constructed are recorded as expenditures in the applicable governmental fund type and capitalized at historical cost in the Capital Asset, account group. Contributed capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the time received. Infrastructure assets are also included in the Capital Asset account group.

The full depreciation of the applicable capital assets is being recognized in compliance with the implementation of GASB Statement 34. Depreciation is calculated on the straight-line basis according to the following useful lives:

Building and Improvements	20 – 40 years
Office and Field Equipment	5 - 15 years

5. Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources

The District is compliant with GASB Statement No. 63, *Financial Reporting of Deferred Outflows of Resources, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Net Position* and GASB Statement No. 65, *Items Previously Reported as Assets and Liabilities*. In addition to assets, the statement of net position will sometimes report a section for deferred outflow of resources. This separate financial statement element represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expenditures) until then. The District currently does not have any items that qualify for reporting in this category.

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 represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The District has one type of item that qualifies for reporting in this category; delinquent property taxes. The amount of this item is deferred and will be recognized as an inflow of resources in the period the amount is collected and remitted to the District.

**CLEARWATER UNDERGROUND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017**

6. Equity Classifications

In the government-wide financial statements, equity is shown as net position and classified into three components; Net Investment in Capital Assets, Restricted, and Unrestricted. The District uses two of these classifications.

- a. *Net Investment in Capital Assets* – Capital Assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by any outstanding debt that poses an encumbrance.
- b. *Unrestricted* – All other assets that do not meet the definition of net investment in capital assets.

The District reports the governmental fund balance as, unassigned; not previously classed as:

Non-spendable – Amounts that cannot be spent because they are either not in a spendable form or, legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.

Restricted – Amounts with restrictions imposed externally by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments, constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Committed – Amounts that can only be used for specific purposes and imposed by formal action of the board of directors.

Assigned – Amounts informally constrained by District management but not formally restricted by the board of directors.

7. Risks, uncertainties, and use of 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 the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenditures during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

NOTE 2 – PROPERTY TAXES

Property taxes are levied October 1 on the assessed property value as of the prior January 1 for all real and business personal property located in the district in conformity with Subtitle E, Texas Property Tax Code. Taxes are due on receipt of the tax bill and are delinquent if not paid before February 1 of the year following the year in which imposed. On January 31 of each year, a tax lien attaches to property to secure the payment of all taxes, penalties, and interest ultimately imposed. The District's property taxes are billed and collected by the Tax Appraisal District of Bell County. Property tax revenues are considered available (1) when they become due or past due and receivable within the current period and (2) when they are expected to be collected during a 60-day period at the close of the District's fiscal year.

The net assessed value after adjustments, based on 100 percent of the assessed valuation of real and personal property within the District on the 2016 tax roll, was \$17,063,799,755. The 2016 tax rate of \$0.0392 per \$100 valuation was assessed and allocated to the General Fund. The resulting tax levy was \$ 668,901.

Deferred tax revenue is reported as deferred inflows of resources (Note 1.D.5 para 2) by the District on its Governmental Funds balance sheet under the General Fund and arises when potential revenue does not meet the "measurable" and "available" criteria for recognition in the current period. In subsequent periods, when both revenue recognition criteria are met, the liability for the deferred tax revenue is removed from the balance sheet and the revenue is recognized. The current Deferred Inflow of Resources is \$20,369.

**CLEARWATER UNDERGROUND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017**

NOTE 3 – CHANGES IN CAPITAL ASSETS

A summary of changes in capital assets is as follows:

2017	Primary Government			Ending Investment
	Beginning investment	Increase	Retirements	
Capital Assets not Depreciated				
Land	\$ 59,981	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 59,981
Total not Depreciated Capital Assets	59,981	-	-	59,981
Depreciated				
Land Improvements	19,000	-	-	19,000
Buildings	304,470	104,382	-	408,852
Monitor Wells	50,238	-	-	50,238
Mobile Classroom	-	76,990	-	76,990
Field Equipment	17,244	-	-	17,244
District Vehicles	-	6,920	-	6,920
Office Equipment	59,939	-	-	59,939
Total Depreciated	450,891	188,292	-	639,183
Total Capital Assets	510,872	188,292	-	699,164
Accumulated Depreciation	(85,729)	(27,253)	-	(112,982)
Net Investment in Capital Assets	\$ 425,143	\$ 161,039	\$ -	\$ 586,182

NOTE 4 – CASH DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS WITH FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

The District's checking deposits were fully covered by federal depository insurance and Texas Treasury Safekeeping Trust Company (TexPool) investments at September 30, 2017, were not covered by federal depository insurance or pledged securities. In accordance with GASB Statement No. 31, *Accounting and Reporting for Certain Investments and External Investment Pools*, the District reports all investments at fair value.

The District's cash and invested funds at September 30, 2017, were as follows:

	<u>General Fund</u>
First State Bank of Central Texas	
Operating account	\$ 9,185
TexPool Accounts	
LGI Pool	326,070
Prime	327,580
Total TexPool accounts	653,650
Total cash and invested funds	\$ 662,835

The market value for the above listed accounts is not materially different from the carrying value of the accounts.

**CLEARWATER UNDERGROUND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017**

Policies, Governing Deposits and Investments

The District has implemented an investment policy and is authorized, according to the *Public Funds Investment Act* (PFIA) (Government Code Chapter 2256), to invest any and all of its funds in certificates of deposit, direct debt securities of the United States of America or the State of Texas, fully collateralized repurchase agreements, certain types of commercial paper, certain types of municipal bonds and local government investment pools created under the Interlocal Cooperation Act, wherein all funds were invested as listed above.

In compliance with the Public Funds Investments Act, the District has adopted a deposit and investment policy where that policy addresses the following risks:

Custodial Credit Risk – Deposits: This is the risk that in the event of bank failure, the District's deposits may not be returned to it. The District was not exposed to custodial credit risk since deposits, in the bank during the year ended September 30, 2017, were covered by depository insurance.

Custodial Credit Risk – Investments: This is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the District will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. Investments are subject to custodial credit risk only if they are evidenced by securities that exist in physical or book entry form. Thus, positions in external investment pools are not subject to custodial credit risk because they are not evidenced by securities that exist in physical or book entry form.

NOTE 5 – EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

A. Annual Leave

Annual leave (vacation) is a benefit provided to eligible, full-time, employees of the District. A full-time employee is one who is regularly scheduled to work thirty to forty hours per week. Annual leave is accrued at eight hours per pay period immediately upon employment but cannot be taken until the employee has reached the one hundred eighty (180) day probationary period. The accrual maximum is twelve days for an employee with up to five years of continuous service. After five years, an employee is entitled to accrue an additional three days for a total of fifteen days per year. An employee may carry-over leave up to a maximum of twenty-four days per fiscal year. Remaining accrued leave is payable upon separation. Accrual at fiscal year-end was not material to these financial statements.

B. Sick Leave

A full-time employee, as previously defined, is entitled to six days per year. Accrual of sick leave is at four hours per pay period and a full-time employee can accumulate up to twelve days with carry-over. Upon termination of employment, no accumulated sick leave will be paid.

C. Retirement Plan

The District has established a Governmental 457 Deferred Compensation Plan as their retirement plan for full-time eligible employees. UMB Bank, N.A. is designated as trustee and Security Financial Resources, Inc. is the plan service provider. The District agrees to match employee contributions at 100% of the first 3% and 50% of the next 3% for a maximum match of up to 4.5% depending on the contribution of the employee. As of September 30, 2017, the employer match was \$ 7,825.

NOTE 6 - SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

District management has evaluated subsequent events as of the date of the *Independent Auditors' Report*, the date the financial statements were available to be issued. No change to the financial statements for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2017 is deemed necessary as a result of this evaluation.

REQUIRED AND OTHER SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

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

Board of Directors
Clearwater Underground Water Conservation District
700 Kennedy Ct.
Belton, TX, 76513

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of governmental activities and the aggregate remaining fund balance information of Clearwater Underground Water Conservation District (the District) as of and for the year ended September 30, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated February 9, 2018.

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 a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

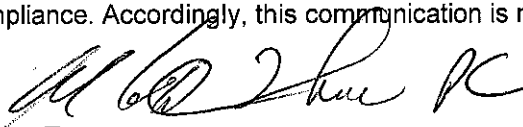
Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or, significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not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

Compliance

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, and contracts, 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 that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Purpose of this Report

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


Belton, Texas
February 9, 2018

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**CLEARWATER UNDERGROUND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
INDEX OF SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULES INCLUDED IN THIS REPORT
SEPTEMBER 30, 2017**

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**CLEARWATER UNDERGROUND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION - BUDGET TO
ACTUAL
FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017**

	General Fund			Statement of Activities Actual	VARIANCE Positive (Negative)
	Adopted Budget	Amendments	Final Budget		
REVENUES					
Property taxes	\$ 674,564	-	\$ 674,564	\$ 660,854	\$ (13,710)
Application fee	20,000	-	20,000	6,400	(13,600)
Transport fee	1,000	-	1,000	1,367	367
Interest	2,000	-	2,000	7,044	5,044
Other income (expense)	-	-	-	6,920	6,920
Total revenues	<u>697,564</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>697,564</u>	<u>682,585</u>	<u>(14,979)</u>
EXPENDITURES					
Administrative expenses	92,714	(41,040)	51,674	44,776	6,898
Compensation and benefits	239,975	(6,711)	233,264	233,264	-
Clearwater studies	84,550	70	84,620	84,620	-
Educational outreach/marketing	82,000	(69,443)	12,557	12,557	-
Spring flow gage	16,000	(550)	15,450	15,450	-
Computer systems	24,500	7,374	31,874	31,874	-
Legal fees	68,000	(11,050)	56,950	56,950	-
Reserve for uncollected taxes*	20,000	(1,796)	18,204 *	-	18,204
Other operating expenses (net)	46,650	(15,623)	31,027	33,331	(2,304)
Depreciation	-	-	-	27,254	(27,254)
Capital expenditures*	-	104,890	104,890 *	-	104,890
Net loss of capital assets	-	-	-	-	-
Facility costs	11,575	3,173	14,748	15,722	(974)
Utilities	11,600	(3,949)	7,651	7,651	-
Total expenditures	<u>697,564</u>	<u>(34,655)</u>	<u>662,909</u>	<u>563,449</u>	<u>99,460</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	<u>-</u>		<u>34,655</u>	<u>119,136</u>	<u>84,481</u>
Change in net position				119,136	
NET POSITION					
Adjustment to fund balance				2,771	
Beginning of fiscal year				<u>1,127,830</u>	
End of fiscal year				<u>1,249,737</u>	

* Budget reserves for balance sheet items

Reserve for uncollected taxes*	20,000	(1,796)	18,204	20,369	(2,165)
Capital expenditures*	-	104,890	104,890	181,880	(76,990)

Note: For clarification, the General Fund Budget is presented compared to the Statement of Activities in general.

**CLEARWATER UNDERGROUND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
SCHEDULE OF GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017**

Current

Compensation and benefits	\$	233,264	
(Number of persons employed by the District: 4 - Full-time)			
Professional Services			
Auditing		6,000	
Legal		56,950	
Clearwater studies		84,620	
Utilities		7,651	
Facility costs		15,722	
Administrative expenses (including director fees)		38,776	
Capital outlay			
Acquisition of capital assets		188,293	
Net loss of capital assets (theft)		-	
Educational outreach/marketing		12,557	
Computer systems		31,874	
Other operating expenses		48,781	
Other expenditures		-	
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TOTAL	\$	<u>724,488</u>	(see page 8)
Depreciation	\$	<u>27,254.00</u>	

**CLEARWATER UNDERGROUND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
 SCHEDULE OF TEMPORARY INVESTMENTS
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017**

Governmental Funds	Pool / Type	Interest Rate	Maturity Date	Balance at End of Year
General Fund				
Local Government				
Investment Pools				
TexPool	449	1.0270%	Demand	\$ 326,070
TexPool - Prime	590	1.2719%	Demand	<u>327,580</u>
TOTAL				<u>653,650</u>
Other accounts				
First State Bank of Central Texas -				
Operations Account	Transaction	N/A	Demand	<u>9,185</u>
TOTAL				<u>9,185</u>
TOTAL ALL ACCOUNTS				<u><u>\$ 662,835</u></u>

**CLEARWATER UNDERGROUND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
ANALYSIS OF TAXES LEVIED AND RECEIVABLE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017**

	<u>Maintenance Taxes</u>		
Taxes receivable at October 1, 2016	\$ 20,559		
2016 Original tax roll, net of adjustments	<u>660,664</u>		
Total to be accounted for	<u>681,223</u>		
Tax Collections:			
Current year	(647,470)		
Prior years	<u>(13,384)</u>		
Total collections	<u>(660,854)</u>		
Taxes receivable, September 30, 2017	<u>\$ 20,369</u>		
Taxes receivable by years:			
2010 and years prior to	\$ 5,049		
2011	1,136		
2012	1,270		
2013	1,594		
2014	2,028		
2015	2,967		
2016	<u>6,325</u>		
Taxes receivable, September 30, 2017	<u>\$ 20,369</u>		
	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
Property Valuations	\$ 17,063,799,755	\$ 16,526,207,088	\$ 15,564,029,000
Tax rates per \$100 valuation:			
Debt service tax rates	N/A	N/A	N/A
Maintenance tax rates	0.00392	0.00395	0.004
Total tax rates per \$100 valuation:	<u>0.00392</u>	<u>0.00395</u>	<u>0.004</u>
Gross Original tax levy	<u>\$ 668,901</u>	<u>\$ 652,785</u>	<u>\$ 622,561</u>
Percent of taxes collected to taxes levied**	98.80%	98.15%	97.91%

** Calculated as taxes collected from current and previous years divided by the original tax levy.

**CLEARWATER UNDERGROUND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
SCHEDULE OF BOARD MEMBERS, CONSULTANTS, AND KEY PERSONNEL
SEPTEMBER 30, 2017**

Complete District Mailing Address: PO Box 1989, Belton, TX 76513

District Business Telephone Number: (254) 933-0120

Submission Date of the most recent District Registration Form: N/A
(TWC Sections 36.054 and 49.054)

Limit on Fees of Office that a Director may receive during a fiscal year: \$9,000
(TWC Section 36.060) Fee: \$150 per day while on District business

Name and addresses	Precinct and Terms of Office 4-year terms	Fees Paid as of 09/30/2016	Expense Reimbursement	Title as of 09/30/2016	Property owner within the District
<u>Board Members</u>					
Leland Gersbach 7872 Hackberry Holland, TX 76534	Precinct 1 2016 to 2020	Waived	-	President	Yes
Gary Young 1314 Creek View, Salado, TX 76571	Precinct 2 Dec. 2014 to 2018	\$2,550	\$754	Director	Yes
Wallace Biskup PO Box 265 Troy, TX 76579	Precinct 3 2016 to 2020	\$2,100	-	Vice President	Yes
Judy Parker 1235 River Ridge Ranch Road Killeen, TX	Precinct 4 2014 to 2018	\$3,300	\$613	Secretary	Yes
David Cole 2401 Brown Circle Killeen, TX 76543	At-Large 2014 to 2018	\$2,700	\$754	Director	Yes
<u>Consultants</u>					
Lloyd Gosselink Attorneys at Law 816 Congress Ave Suite 1900 Austin, TX 78701- 4071	N/A	\$60,781	N/A	Attorney	N/A
Alton D Thiele, P.C. P.O. Box 808 Belton, TX 76513	N/A	\$6,000	N/A	Auditor	N/A
<u>Key Personnel</u>					
Dirk Aaron	N/A	\$76,000		District Manager	
Shelly Chapman	N/A	\$45,840		District Administrative Assistant	

CLEARWATER UNDERGROUND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

**COMMUNICATION OF SIGNIFICANT DEFICIENCIES
AND MATERIAL WEAKNESSES AS REQUIRED BY
STATEMENT ON AUDITING STANDARDS NO. 115**

SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

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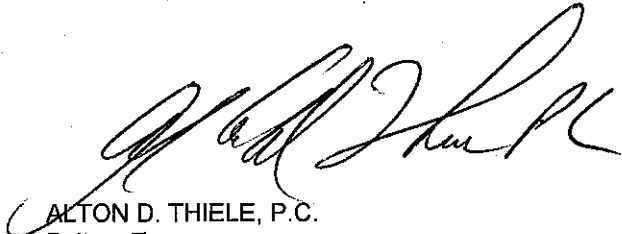
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In planning and performing our audit of the basic financial statements of Clearwater Underground Water Conservation District (the District) as of and for the year ended September 30, 2017, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, we considered the District's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing our auditing 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 a material misstatement of the District's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, in a timely basis.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph 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 or significant deficiencies. However, material weaknesses and other deficiencies may exist that have not been identified.

This communication is intended solely for the information and use of management, the Board of Directors and others within the District, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.



ALTON D. THIELE, P.C.
Belton, Texas
February 9, 2018

**CLEARWATER UNDERGROUND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
COMMUNICATIONS WITH THOSE CHARGED WITH GOVERNANCE**

SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

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February 9, 2018

To the Board of Directors
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We have audited the basic financial statements of Clearwater Underground Water Conservation District (the District) as of and for the year ended September 30, 2017. Professional standards require that we provide you with information about our responsibilities under generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards*, as well as certain information related to the planned scope and timing of our audit. We have communicated such information in our letter dated August 2, 2017. Professional standards also require that we communicate to you the following information related to our audit.

Significant Audit Findings

Qualitative Aspects of Accounting Practices

Management is responsible for the selection and use of appropriate accounting policies. The significant accounting policies used by Clearwater Underground Water Conservation District are described in NOTE 1 to the financial statements. The application of existing policies was not changed during the fiscal year ended September 30, 2017. We noted no transactions entered into by the District during the year for which there is a lack of authoritative guidance or consensus. All significant transactions, we are aware of, have been recognized in the financial statements in the proper period.

Accounting estimates are an integral part of the financial statements prepared by management and are based on management's knowledge and experience about past and current events and assumptions about future events. Certain accounting estimates are particularly sensitive because of their significance to the financial statements and because of the possibility that future events affecting them may differ significantly from those expected. The two most sensitive estimates affecting the financial statements were:

Management's estimate of the useful lives of its capital assets is significant due to the very nature of determining how long an item might last. We evaluated the key factors and assumptions used to develop these estimates in determining that it is reasonable in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

Management's estimate of the budget of the District is significant due to the changing needs of the district and the changing property tax base within the District boundaries. We evaluated the key factors and assumptions used to develop these estimates in determining their reasonableness in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

Certain financial statement disclosures are particularly sensitive because of their significance to financial statement users. The most sensitive disclosure affecting the financial statements was:

The disclosure of the expense of the compensation and benefits since this expense is estimated to be over one third of the total annual budget comparatively.

The financial statement disclosures are neutral, consistent, and clear.

Difficulties Encountered in Performing the Audit

We encountered no significant difficulties in dealing with management in performing and completing our audit

Corrected and Uncorrected Misstatements

Professional standards require us to accumulate all known and likely misstatements identified during the audit, other than those that are trivial, and communicate them to the appropriate level of management. Management has corrected all such misstatements. In addition, none of the misstatements detected as a result of audit procedures and corrected by management were material, either individually or in the aggregate, to the financial statements taken as a whole.

Disagreements with Management

For purposes of this letter, professional standards define a disagreement with management as a financial accounting, reporting or auditing matter, whether or not resolved to our satisfaction that could be significant to the financial statements or the auditor's report. We are pleased to report that no such disagreements arose during the course of our audit.

Management Representations

We have requested certain representations from management that are included in the Management Representation Letter dated February 9, 2018.

Management Consultations with Other Independent Accountants

In some cases, management may decide to consult with other accountants about auditing and accounting matters, similar to obtaining a "second opinion" on certain situations. If a consultation involves application of an accounting principle to the District's financial statements or a determination of the type of auditor's opinion that may be expressed on those statements, our professional standards require the consulting accountant to check with us to determine that the consultant has all the relevant facts. To our knowledge, there were no such consultations with other accountants.

Other Audit Findings or Issues

We generally discuss a variety of matters, including the application of accounting principles and auditing standards, with management each year prior to retention as the District's auditors. However, these discussions occurred in the normal course of our professional relationship and our responses were not a condition of retention.

One issue of note pertains to the District's investment in TexPool. While TexPool complies implicitly with the Texas Public Funds Investment Act, TexPool still disclaims the security of funds invested with the entity as subject to loss. The District has a fiduciary responsibility to safeguard the public funds it receives. Governmental Investment Pools are not subject to the custodial risk provision as stated in the *Notes to the Financial Statements*, page 14; however, the risk of loss still exists.

Other Matters

With respect to the supplementary information accompanying the financial statements, we made certain inquiries of management and evaluated the form, content, and methods of preparing the information to determine that the information complies with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the method of preparing it has not changed from the prior period, and the information is appropriate and complete in relation to our audit of the financial statements. We compared and reconciled the supplementary information to the underlying accounting records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves.

This information is intended solely for the use of the Board of Directors and Management of Clearwater Underground Water Conservation District and is not intended to be, and should not be, used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Very truly yours,



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