# SOUTH DELAWARE COUNTY REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY Annual Financial Report

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2022

Delaware County, Oklahoma

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Trustees
South Delaware County Regional Water Authority

#### **Opinion**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the business-type activities of the South Delaware County Regional Water Authority ("Authority") as of and for the year ended June 30, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Authority's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the business-type activities of the Authority, as of June 30, 2022, and the respective changes in financial position, and where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

# **Basis for Opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Authority, and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

#### **Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements**

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Authority's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

### Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due
  to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such
  procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in
  the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit
  procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an
  opinion on the effectiveness of the Authority's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is
  expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant
  accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the
  financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Authority's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

#### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

Elfrind and associates, PLLC

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated October 7, 2022, on our consideration of the Authority'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 Authority's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Elfrink and Associates, PLLC

Tulsa, Oklahoma October 7, 2022

# **Management Discussion and Analysis**

This section of the South Delaware County Regional Water Authority's ("Authority") annual financial report presents management's analysis of the Authority's financial performance during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022. Please read it in conjunction with the financial statements which follow this section.

# **Financial Highlights**

For this fiscal year ended June 30, 2022, South Delaware County Regional Water Authority experienced an operating revenue of \$1,372,000 an increase of \$277,871 over the \$1,094,129 reported in 2021. The increase is due to three factors 1) an increase of 32,000,000 gallons of total water sold, 2) an increase of the wholesale water rate that was implemented in December of 2021 and 3) the addition of service agreements with two of our wholesale water customers. The operating expenses also increased in a like manner by \$181,800 an increase of 24.8%. The increase was due to increase in productions costs and the addition of new employees. Net effect was the operating loss was decreased by \$92,600 for the year.

The Authority continued to make timely payments on their existing long term loan payments to USDA-RD, OWRB and Communities Unlimited and our short-term loans with Arvest Bank. No new debt was incurred during fiscal year 2022.

Capital Assets increased by \$39,000 for replacement of Short-lived assets and \$33,900 for replacement of Flint Ridge POA main line.

The Demand Project, a residential campus for girls, was added to our wholesale customer base in September of 2021.

The water system improvements for the Chewey Road Area Extension are expected to start in early 2023. Growth of the Authority is projected to continue with the additional customers that will be provided by the new line.

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

This annual report consists of two parts: management's discussion and analysis of the financial statements and the financial statements. The financial statements also include notes that explain the information contained in the financial statements in greater detail.

#### **Required Financial Statements**

The financial statements of the Authority use accounting methods similar to those used by private sector companies. The statement of net position includes all of the Authority's assets and liabilities and provides information about the nature and amounts of investment in resources (assets) and the obligations of the Authority to creditors (liabilities). The assets and liabilities are presented in a classified format, which distinguishes between current and noncurrent assets and liabilities. Current assets are those assets expected to be converted to cash or used to pay current liabilities within 12 months. Conversely, noncurrent assets and liabilities are those expected to extend beyond a 12-month

period. The statement of net position also provides the basis for computing rate of return, evaluating the capital structure of the Authority, and assessing the liquidity and financial flexibility of the Authority. All of the current year's revenues and expenses are accounted for in the statement of revenues, expenses, and change in net position. This statement reports information about the Authority's activities and measures the success of the Authority's operations over the past year.

The final required financial statement is the statement of cash flows. The primary purpose of this statement is to provide information about the Authority's sources and uses of cash during the reporting period. The statement reports cash receipts, cash payments, and net changes in cash resulting from operating, investing, and financing activities and provides answers to such questions as where did cash come from, what was cash used for, and what was the change in the cash balance during the reporting period.

# **Financial Analysis of the Authority**

Our analysis of the Authority begins with a measure of the Authority's financial position or financial health by reporting its assets and liabilities and the difference between them, the "net position". Over time, increases and decreases in the Authority's net position are one indicator of whether its financial health is improving or deteriorating. However, other nonfinancial factors such as new water supply facilities, water demand, economic conditions, population growth, state and federal regulation, and changes in government legislation must also be considered in evaluating the Authority's financial health. The statement of revenues, expenses, and change in net position provides information that is useful in evaluating whether the Authority has successfully recovered all of its costs through its water rates and other charges, as well as its creditworthiness.

#### Net Position

A summary of the Authority's statements of net position is presented in Table 1.

Table 1
Condensed Statements of Net Position

(In Thousands of Dollars)

	FY2022	FY 2021	Change
Current and other assets	\$ 566.6	\$ 535.6	\$ 31.0
Capital assets	16,409.6	16,857.4	(447.8)
Total assets	16,976.2	17,393.0	(416.8)
Long-term debt outstanding	7,963.8	8,163.5	(199.7)
Other liabilities	102.2	91.9	10.3
Total liabilities	8,066.0	8,255.4	(189.4)
Net position			
Net investment in capital assets	8,445.8	8,693.9	(248.1)
Restricted	195.1	206.4	(11.3)
Unrestricted	269.3	237.3	32.0
Total net position	\$ 8,910.2	\$ 9,137.6	\$ (227.4)

As shown in table 1, total net position decreased by \$227,400.

Change in Net Position

Table 2
Condensed Statements of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position
(In Thousands of Dollars)

	FY 2022	FY 2021	Change
Operating revenues	\$ 1,372.7	\$ 1,094.1	\$ 278.6
Operating expenses	916.5	734.7	181.8
Operating income before			
depreciation	456.2	359.4	96.8
Depreciation	522.9	518.7	4.2
Operating loss	(66.7)	(159.3)	92.6
Loss on disposition of assets	(1.3)	-	(1.3)
Interest expense	(160.4)	(165.0)	4.6
Interest income	0.1	0.2	(0.1)
Loss before other items	(228.3)	(324.1)	95.8
Capital contributions	0.9	94.0	(93.1)
Change in net position	(227.4)	(230.1)	2.7
Net position - beginning	9,137.6	9,367.7	(230.1)
Net position - ending	\$ 8,910.2	\$ 9,137.6	\$ (227.4)

Table 2 reflects the statements of revenues, expenses, and changes in net position and provides information as to the nature and source of these changes.

As shown in Table 2, the net position decreased from the prior year by \$227,393.

# **Capital Assets and Long-term Debt**

The Authority had invested \$8,445,813 in capital assets net of related debt at June 30, 2022.

Table 3
Capital Assets
(In Thousands of Dollars)

	FY	2022	FY	2021	 Change
Non-depreciable assets					
Water capacity rights	\$	60.0	\$	60.0	\$ -
Construction in progress		127.9		94.0	33.9
Depreciable assets					
Buildings		25.6		25.6	-
Equipment and furniture		182.1		172.2	9.9
Water system	17	7,805.5	1	7,776.4	29.1
Accumlated depreciation	(1	l,791.5)	(	1,270.8)	 (520.7)
Totals	\$ 16	5,409.6	\$ 1	6,857.4	\$ (447.8)

Table 4
Long-Term Debt
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(In Thousands of Dollars)

	FY 2022	FY 2021	Change		
Capital lease	\$ 25.4	\$ 50.6	\$	(25.2)	
Notes payable	7,938.4	8,112.9		(174.5)	
	\$ 7,963.8	\$ 8,163.5	\$	(199.7)	

# Economic Factors and Next Year's Budget and Rates

Historical data from twelve months ending March 31, 2022, was used in determining the budget since we had a full year's actual data. It is anticipated that water usage will increase in the upcoming year. The rates for wholesale customers that were implemented in December of 2021 will be in effect the entire year. Rates for residential customers will be raised in December of 2022 to reflect the rate increase that was incurred by the wholesale customers the prior year. With the projected increase in water usage and the new rates we expect the budgeted revenue for fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, to be \$1,475,000.

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the Authority's finances for those having an interest therein. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional information should be addressed to the South Delaware County Regional Water Authority, PO Box 8, 653 Valley View Road, Kansas, OK 74347-9305.

# Statement of Net Position June 30, 2022

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Assets	
Current assets:	
Unrestricted assets	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 50,779
Accounts receivable from the sale of water	151,461
Prepaid expense	11,819
Inventory	118,032
Total current assets	332,091
Noncurrent assets:	
Cash restricted - utility deposits	39,380
Cash restricted - reserve requirements	104,763
Cash restricted - debt service	14,008
Flint Ridge POA escrow for capital projects	76,330
Construction in progress	127,845
Water capacity rights	60,000
Capital assets, depreciable, net	16,221,742
Total noncurrent assets	16,644,068
Total assets	16,976,159
Liabilities	
Current liabilities:	
Accounts payable	41,077
Accrued payroll	922
Accrued compensated absences	7,180
Accrued interest payable	12,562
Current portion of long term debt	197,418
Total current liabilities	259,159
Noncurrent liabilities:	
Deposits held for customers	40,449
Long-term debt	7,766,356
Total noncurrent liabilities	7,806,805
Total liabilities	8,065,964
Net position	
Net investment in capital assets	8,445,813
Restricted for debt covenants	118,771
Restricted for capital projects	76,330
Unrestricted	269,281
Total net position	\$ 8,910,195
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See accompanying notes to the financial statements

# Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Change in Net Position Year Ended June 30, 2022

Maintenance services18Total service revenues1,377Operating expenses384Chemicals and benefits384Chemicals and supplies105Repair and maintenance123License and fees4Automobile expense35Training2Utilities156Insurance42Office and billing27Legal fees16Other13Depreciation522Total operating expenses1,435Operating loss(66Nonoperating revenues (expenses)(66Private donations(67Gain/loss on disposition of assets(3Interest income(160Interest expense(160Total nonoperating revenues (expenses)(160Change in net position(227Net position - beginning9,137	rvice revenues						
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·	ange in net position			(227,393)			
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See accompanying notes to the financial statements

# Statement of Cash Flows Year Ended June 30, 2022

Operating activities	
Receipts from customers	\$ 1,319,146
Payments for goods and services	(544,344)
Payments to employees	 (384,817)
Net cash provided by operating activities	389,985
Capital and related financing activities	
Receipts from private donations	904
Purchases of capital assets	(78,424)
Principal paid on capital debt	(199,704)
Interest paid on capital debt	(160,680)
Deposits to Flint Ridge POA escrow account	(30,000)
Draws on Flint Ridge POA escrow account for water lines	32,995
Proceeds from sale of assets	 2,000
Net cash used by capital and related financing activities	 (432,909)
Investing activites	
Interest and dividends	 106
Net change in cash and cash equivalents	(42,818)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	251,748
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	\$ 208,930
Reconciliation of operating income to net cash	
provided by operating activities	
Operating loss	\$ (66,743)
Adjustments to reconcile operating loss to net cash	
provided by operating activities:	
Depreciation expense	522,948
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:	
Increase in accounts receivable	(64,170)
Increase in prepaid expense	(573)
Increase in inventory	(11,955)
Increase in accounts payable	64
Increase in deposits held for customers	10,649
Decrease in other accrued liabilities	(1,480)
Increase in compensated absences	1,245
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 389,985

See accompanying notes to the financial statements

#### **Notes to the Financial Statements**

#### 1. Organization

The South Delaware Regional Water Authority (the Authority) was created on November 12, 2013 pursuant to Title 60, Oklahoma Statutes 2011, section 176 to 180.4, to promote, develop, and operate public works projects or facilities related to the provision of potable drinking water. The trust is governed by a five-member Board of Trustees with the County of Delaware, Oklahoma as beneficiary.

On May 19, 2017, the Flint Ridge Rural Water District transferred its entire operations to the South Delaware Regional Water Authority. Prior to that time, the Authority was in a development or planning stage.

#### 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

#### **Operating Revenue and Expense**

The Authority considers all revenue and expense associated with the delivery of water to customers to be operating activities. All other revenue and expense are considered to be nonoperating activities.

# **Net position**

Net position is classified into three components:

- Net Investment in Capital Assets This component of net position consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of bonds, mortgages, notes, or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets. Deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets or related debt are also included in this component of net position. If there are significant unspent related debt proceeds or deferred inflows of resources at the end of the reporting period, the portion of the debt or deferred inflows of resources attributable to the unspent amount is not included in the calculation of net investment in capital assets. Instead, that portion of the debt or deferred inflows of resources in included in the same net position component as the unspent proceeds.
- Restricted This component consists of net position whose use is subject to external
  constraints (such as through debt covenants) by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or
  regulations of other governments or constraints imposed by law through constitutional
  provisions or enabling legislation.
- Unrestricted Net Position This component consists of net position elements that do not meet the definition of restricted or net investment in capital assets.

When the Authority incurs an expenditure where it can use both restricted and unrestricted funds the Authority will first use restricted funds.

The accounting policies and practices of the Authority confirm to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States applicable to an enterprise fund of a government unit.

#### **Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting**

The Authority is accounted for on the flow of economic resources measurement focus and uses the accrual basis of accounting in the preparation of financial statements. The accounting and reporting policies of the Authority conform to the accounting rules prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). The Authority follows private sector guidance contained in GASB Statement No. 62, Codification of Accounting and financial Reporting guidance contained in pre-November 30, 1989 FASB and AICPA pronouncements.

#### **Cash Equivalents**

For purposes of the statement of cash flows, cash equivalents are defined as short-term, highly liquid investments that are both readily convertible to known amounts of cash and have original maturities of 91 days or less.

#### **Investments**

Investments are reported at fair value in the statement of net position, except for money market funds and U.S. government obligations with original maturities less than one year, which are reported at amortized cost as permitted by GASB Statement No. 31, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Certain Investments and for External Investment Pools*. All changes in the fair value of investments are recognized as gains or losses in the statement of revenues, expenses, and change in net position.

#### **Materials and Supplies Inventories**

Inventory consists of spare meters, parts, and chemicals and is valued at actual cost.

#### **Capital Assets**

It is the Authority's policy to capitalize property and equipment having an original cost in excess of \$1,000 and a useful life longer than one year. Capital assets are stated at cost. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets as follows:

Water distribution system 5 – 40 years
Field equipment 5 – 7 years
Buildings 40 years
Office equipment and furnishings 3-5 years
Vehicles 5-10 years

Maintenance, repairs, and minor renewals are charged to expense as incurred. Expenditures that materially increase value, increase capacity, or expend useful lives are capitalized. Capital assets are removed (net of accumulated depreciation) upon retirement or disposition. Related gains or losses are charged to nonoperating activities.

### **Water Capacity Rights**

Water capacity rights represent the Authority's rights related to system rights-of-way, licenses, easements, and permits to take and use water. The Authority accounts for the water capacity rights in accordance with the provisions of GASB Statement No. 51, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Intangible Assets*. This statement requires that indefinite-lived intangible assets not be amortized, but instead be tested for impairment at least annually and whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value may not be recoverable. The Authority has not identified any indicators of impairment relative to the water capacity rights at June 30, 2022.

#### **Impairment of Capital Assets and Insurance Recoveries**

The Authority accounts for impairment of capital assets and insurance recoveries in accordance with the provisions of GASB Statement No. 42, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Impairment of Capital Assets and for Insurance Recoveries. This statement requires that capital assets be reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the service utility of the asset has declined significantly and unexpectedly. Impaired capital assets that will no longer be used are reported at the lower of carrying value or fair value. Impairment losses on capital assets that will continue to be used are measured using the method that best reflects the diminished service utility of the asset: restoration cost approach, service units approach, or deflated depreciated replacement cost approach. Insurance recoveries related to impairment losses are netted against the impairment loss if received in the same year; otherwise the recovery is reported as revenue in the year received. No impairment losses were recognized in 2022.

#### **Capitalization of Interest**

Interest costs incurred are capitalized as part of the cost of constructing capital assets. In instances where proceeds of the related debt are externally restricted to financing the construction, the interest earned on funds restricted for construction are offset against the interest costs capitalized.

#### **Debt Issue Costs**

The Authority accounts for debt issuance costs in accordance with the provisions of GASB Statement No. 65, *Items Previously Reported as Assets and Liabilities*. Debt issuance costs are expensed as incurred.

#### **Commitments and Contingencies**

Liabilities for loss contingencies arising from claims, assessments, litigation, fines and penalties, and other sources are recorded when it is probable that a liability has been incurred and the amount can be reasonably estimated.

### 3. Rate-Making Policies and Procedures

As part of an agreement for the transfer of assets from the Flint Ridge Rural Water District, the Authority has agreed to fix a schedule of uniform and non-discriminatory rates, fees and charges for the use of the System and for services supplied by the System such as will provide in any year revenues sufficient to pay monthly debt service requirements including the principal and interest on all indebtedness incurred by the Authority including the establishment and maintenance of any funds, reserves, or accounts required pursuant to any indenture or other instrument securing such indebtedness. As part of the agreement for the transfer of assets from the Flint Ridge Rural Water District, the Authority has agreed that it will not raise or lower rates for retail customers more than the percentage rate adjustment applied to the wholesale customers of the Authority. Wholesale rates were raised December 1, 2021, however residential rates will not be raised until December 2022.

#### 4. Wholesale Water Contracts

The Authority has entered into contracts to provide water on a wholesale basis to the following entities:

- Rural Water, Sewer, Gas, and Solid Waste Management District No. 11, Delaware County, Oklahoma
- Kansas Public Works Authority an Oklahoma Public Trust existing for the use and benefit of the Town of Kansas, Oklahoma
- West Siloam Springs Municipal Authority an Oklahoma Public Trust existing for the use and benefit of the Town of West Siloam Springs, Oklahoma
- Cookson Hills a home and school for at-risk children in Northeast Oklahoma
- The Demand Project a non-profit organization providing emergency residency for women

#### 5. Flint Ridge Property Owners Association, Inc.

On May 19, 2017, the Flint Ridge Property Owners Association, Inc. ("POA") consented to the assignment of a lease from FRRWD to the Authority for the water system. The lease will expire on September 30, 2045 with a provision for an additional forty-year term upon mutual agreement of the parties. There is no rent payable under the lease, however, the Authority is required to establish and make an annual \$30,000 payment on December 15 each year to a "POA Fund", under the control of the POA, to be used for future line extensions and development for residential customers of the Authority. The contribution amount is adjusted annually by the same percentage as rates are adjusted by the Authority. By contract, the funds are required to be deposited into a separate account of the POA, and are not to be comingled with any other funds of the POA, and plans for any use of the funds must be submitted to the Authority for review. Consequently, the Authority has elected to record the payments made as an escrow deposit. In the year ending June 30, 2022 the Authority deposited \$30,000 with the POA and utilized \$32,995 for water line expansions, bringing the total amount in escrow to \$76,330.

#### 6. Restricted Assets

Restricted funds are established to the extent required by debt covenants for the Authority's debt and other contractual arrangements as follows:

#### USDA-RD

As a condition of the USDA-RD loans, the Authority is required to deposit 10% of the monthly payment until one annual installment is accumulated as a debt service reserve. In addition, a depreciation reserve for short-lived assets must be established by depositing \$34,650 per year, or \$2,887.50 monthly. The requirement became effective when the new system came online. At June 30, 2022 the Authority had deposited \$104,763 to meet both reserve requirements.

The remaining balance of restricted cash includes \$14,008 for debt service on the OWRB note and \$39,380 for customer deposits held by the Authority.

#### 7. Deposits and Investments

As of June 30, 2022, the Authority's deposits of \$208,930 were held in demand accounts and fully insured by the FDIC. The Authority had no investments.

# 8. Capital Assets

The following is a summary of capital asset changes for the year ended June 30, 2022:

	_	alance <u>/ 1, 2021</u>	<u>A</u>	additions	<u>De</u>	<u>letions</u>	<u>Ju</u>	Balance ne 30, 2022
Capital assets not being depreciated:								
Water capacity rights	\$	60,000	\$	-	\$	-	\$	60,000
Construction in progress		94,000		33,845		-		127,845
Total capital assets not being depreciated		154,000		33,845		-		187,845
Depreciable assets								
Buildings and improvements		25,632		-		-		25,632
Equipment and furniture		172,203		15,439		5,500		182,142
Water system	17	7,776,380		29,140		-		17,805,520
Total depreciable assets	17	7,974,215		44,579		5,500		18,013,294
Less accumulated depreciation		1,270,865		522,948		2,261		1,791,552
Capital assets, net	\$ 16	5,857,350	\$	(444,524)	\$	3,239	\$	16,409,587

Depreciation expense was \$522,948 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022.

# 9. Long-Term Debt

Long-term debt at June 30, 2022 consisted of:

Arvest Equipment Finance lease issued July 15, 2017 in the amount of \$63,941, bearing interest at the rate of 4.15%, payable at \$1,127 for 63 months, and secured by an excavator and flatbed trailer, maturing in October 2022. In the event of a default, the equipment may be forfeited.

4,471

\$

Arvest Equipment Finance lease issued January 7, 2019 in the amount of \$59,808, bearing interest at the rate of 4.15%, payable at \$1,155 for 63 months, and secured by a 2018 Dodge truck, maturing in December 2023. In the event of a default, the truck may be forfeited.

20,896

USDA-RD Note issued May 19, 2017 in the amount of \$6,749,000 bearing interest at the rate of 1.75% and is payable over 40 years with monthly payments of \$20,720 beginning June 19, 2020. Upon default, the government at its option may declare all or any part of the debt immediately due and payable.

6,472,408

USDA-RD Note issued October 30, 2019 in the amount of \$371,000 bearing interest at the rate of 2.35% and is payable over 40 years with monthly payments of \$1,199 beginning November 30, 2019. Upon default, the government at its option may declare all or any part of the debt immediately due and payable.

352,953

OWRB DWSRF Note issued May 19, 2017 in the amount of \$1,163,857 bearing interest at the rate of 2.96%, payable over 30 years with a final payment due March 15, 2049. In the event of a default, the OWRB may sue for specific performance of any or all of the debt covenants, accelerate the payment of principal and interest, appoint a temporary trustee to take over, operate, and maintain the system on a profitable basis or sue to enforce or enjoin the action or inaction of parties under the provisions of the loan agreement.

1,031,427

Note payable to Communities Unlimited, Inc. issued March 17, 2019 in the amount of \$112,000, bearing interest at 4.5%, payable in 120 monthly installments of \$1,161.

81,619

Total long-term debt at June 30, 2022

\$ 7,963,774

The Authority's changes in long-term liabilities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022 were as follows:

		Balance	Amounts Due							
	July 1, 2021			<u>ldditions</u>	Re	tirements	<u>Jun</u>	e 30, 2022	in One Year	
Capital leases payable	\$	50,558	\$	-	\$	25,192	\$	25,366	\$	17,432
Notes payable		8,112,920				174,512		7,938,408		179,986
Total long term debt	\$	8,163,478	\$	-	\$	199,704	\$	7,963,774	\$	197,418

Annual debt service requirements to maturity for long-term debt as of June 30, 2022 are as follows:

Year Ending		Notes I	Payal	ole	Capital Leases Payable				Total			
<u>June 30</u>	<u>P</u>	rincipal		<u>Interest</u>	Pı	rincipal	<u>Ir</u>	nterest_		<u>Principal</u>		Interest
2023	\$	179,986	\$	154,297	\$	17,432	\$	940	\$	197,418	\$	155,237
2024		183,825		150,459		7,934		160		191,759		150,619
2025		187,755		146,528		-		-		187,755		146,528
2026		191,780		142,503		-		-		191,780		142,503
2027		195,903		138,380		-		-		195,903		138,380
2028 to 2032		997,506		629,644		-		-		997,506		629,644
2033 to 2037		1,074,466		527,305		-		-		1,074,466		527,305
2038 to 2042		1,186,893		414,878		-		-		1,186,893		414,878
2043 to 2047		1,311,804		289,967		-		-		1,311,804		289,967
2048 to 2052		1,201,609		164,159		-		-		1,201,609		164,159
2053 to 2057		1,201,199		55,925		-		-		1,201,199		55,925
2058 to 2059		25,682		586		-		-		25,682		586
Total	\$	7,938,408	\$	2,814,631	\$	25,366	\$	1,100	\$	7,963,774	\$	2,815,731

# **10.** Commitments and Contingencies

# Litigation

The Authority may be party to various legal proceedings, which normally occur in the ordinary course of business. Management has deemed that no accrual or provision is required at June 30, 2022 related to legal proceedings.

# **Grant Program Involvement**

The Authority is subject to audit examinations by funding agencies to determine compliance with grant conditions. In the event that expenditures would be disallowed, repayment could be required.

# 11. Subsequent Events

Management has evaluated subsequent events through the date of this report and determined that no additional information needs to be added to the financial statements.

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

To the Board of Trustees South Delaware County Regional Water Authority

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 *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States the financial statements of the business-type activities of the South Delaware County Regional Water Authority ("Authority"), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise Authority's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated October 7, 2022.

### **Internal Control over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Authority'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 opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Authority's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Authority'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 and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Authority's financial statements are free from 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 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.

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Tulsa, Oklahoma October 7, 2022