# SOUTH DELAWARE COUNTY REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY Annual Financial Report

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2019

Delaware County, Oklahoma

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Trustees
South Delaware County Regional Water Authority

#### **Report on the Financial Statements**

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, 2019, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Authority's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

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

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

#### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express 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 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 financial position of the business-type activities of the Authority as of June 30, 2019, and the change in financial position and cash flows 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 on pages 4-8 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 Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Authority's basic financial statements. The schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards,* and is not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The schedule of expenditures of federal awards is the responsibility of management and was derived from and is related directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the schedule of expenditures of federal awards is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

#### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

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In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated October 11, 2019 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 11, 2019

#### **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, 2019. Please read it in conjunction with the financial statements which follow this section.

#### **Financial Highlights**

On May 19, 2017 South Delaware County Regional Water Authority (SDCRWA) assumed all debt of Flint Ridge RWD. Excavation work began in June 2017 on the construction of the new plant located near the site of the existing plant. Three separate contracts were approved. Contract #1 for the new plant to Huffman Construction, LLC in the amount of \$7,679,000 and at 6-30-19 is 91.5 % complete. Contract #2 for Transmission line to Cross-Bo Construction LLC \$1,089,515 is now complete. Contract #3 for Tanks and Towers to Circle P Welding \$582,370 and is now complete. Estimated date of completion for all projects is November of 2019. During construction of the new plant, the Authority has been providing water to the Towns of Kansas and Colcord, RWD #11 and the residents of Flint Ridge. The source of funding for the project has been provided by grants from Cherokee Nation/Indian Health Services, loan and grant from USDA Rural Development, and loan and Grant from the Oklahoma Water Resource Board/DEQ Drinking Water State Revolving Fund. A new Equipment Hauling Truck was purchased in January 24th of 2019 that would enable our field technicians to maneuver into closer quarters than they could with our backhoe & excavator. It was financed through Arvest Equipment Financing. A new Auto Meter Read system was approved as a part of the project and was installed in September & October of 2018. Nineteen Master Meters for Flint Ridge main lines have been approved and were installed in November 2018. These two additions to the project have allowed us to read meters more effectively and detect and pinpoint areas that water loss is occurring. A website was developed in September of 2017, SDCRWA.com, that has enabled the Authority to keep our customers updated on the progress of the project and pay their bill online with a credit card. As of 6-30-19, 34% of our customers now use the online payment service.

#### **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)

	FY 2019	FY 2018*	Change
Current and other assets	\$ 347.4	\$ 560.2	\$ (212.8)
Capital assets	17,027.1	13,009.3	4,017.8
Total assets	17,374.5	13,569.5	3,805.0
Long-term debt outstanding	7,902.4	6,761.0	1,141.4
Other liabilities	587.0	804.3	(217.3)
Total liabilities	8,489.4	7,565.3	924.1
Net position			
Net investment in capital assets	8,710.9	5,883.6	2,827.3
Unrestricted	174.2	120.6	53.6
Total net position	\$ 8,885.1	\$ 6,004.2	\$2,880.9
	*restated		

As shown in table 1, total net position increased by \$2,880,841.

Change in Net Position

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

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	FY 2019	FY 2018*	Change
Operating revenues	\$ 780.6	\$ 780.3	0.3
Operating expenses	665.4	615.8	49.6
Operating income before			
depreciation	115.2	164.5	(49.3)
Depreciation	208.8	187.9	20.9
Operating loss	(93.6)	(23.4)	(70.2)
Interest expense	26.7	2.0	24.7
Debt issuance and legal costs	15.4	122.8	(107.4)
Loss before contributions and			
transfer of cash from FRRWD	(135.7)	(148.2)	12.5
Capital contributions	3,016.6	2,591.4	425.2
Transfer of cash from FRRWD		14.9	(14.9)
Change in net position	2,880.9	2,458.1	422.8
Net position - beginning	6,004.2	3,546.1	2,458.1
Net position - ending	\$ 8,885.1	\$ 6,004.2	2,880.9
	*restated		

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 change in net position increased from the prior year by \$2,880,841. This major change is attributable to capital contributions from the Oklahoma Water Resource Board and USDA Rural Development.

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

The Authority had invested \$8,710,945 in capital assets net of related debt (including outstanding retainage and payables expected to be paid by additional loan proceeds) at June 30, 2019.

Table 3
Capital Assets

(In Thousands of Dollars)

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	FY 2019	FY 2018	Change		
Non-depreciable assets					
Water capacity rights	\$ 60	\$ 60	\$ -		
Construction in progress	10,603.1	7,376.7	3,226.4		
Depreciable assets					
Buildings	25.6	25.6	-		
<b>Equipment and furniture</b>	138.5	73.0	65.5		
Water system	6,616.8	5,682.2	934.6		
Accumlated depreciation	(416.9)	(208.2)	(208.7)		
Totals	\$17,027.1	\$13,009.3	\$4,017.8		

## Table 4 Long-Term Debt

(In Thousands of Dollars)

	FY 2019	FY 2018	Change
Capital lease	\$ 97.6	\$ 53.6	\$ 44.0
Notes payable	7,804.8	6,707.4	1,097.4
	\$ 7,902.4	\$ 6,761.0	\$1,141.4

During the year, the Authority took draws on USDA Rural Development grant in the amount of \$3,162,467 and on the Oklahoma Water Resource Board note of \$945,807 note to finance continuing construction on the new water treatment plan and related distribution lines and storage tanks. The RD note calls for the payments to begin in June of 2020. Also, the Authority secured a ten year note from Communities Unlimited for \$ 112,000 to help fund lines to Cookson Hills School. In addition, the Authority issued a lease to Arvest Equipment in the amount of \$59,801 for the purchase of a 2018 Dodge truck for towing the New Holland excavator and flatbed trailer.

#### **Economic Factors and Next Year's Budget and Rates**

The Board of SDCRWA will continue to use the five-year financial plan prepared by Municipal Financial Services, Inc as a tool in preparation of the annual budget for fiscal year ending June 30, 2020. Historical data from June 30, 2019 was also used in determining the budget. It is anticipated that water usage will increase in the upcoming year. Cookson Hills Christian School Inc. located across Highway 10 from the Flint Ridge Main Gate came online and began buying water in in June 2019. The Cobb-Vantress Three Springs Farm located west of RWD #11 also came online in June 2019. The addition of these two entities

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will result in increased revenues that is also included in the present budget. No change in water rates will occur until completion of the plant expansion.

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, 2019

#### **Assets**

Current assets:	
Unrestricted assets	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 62,492
Accounts receivable from the sale of water	63,637
Prepaid expense	8,248
Inventory	37,912
Total unrestricted current assets	172,289
Restricted assets:	
Grants receivable	92,903
Total current assets	 265,192
Noncurrent assets:	
Cash restricted - utility deposits	22,200
Flint Ridge POA escrow for capital projects	60,000
Construction in progress	10,603,119
Water capacity rights	60,000
Capital assets, depreciable, net	6,363,998
Total noncurrent assets	17,109,317
Total assets	17,374,509
Liabilities	
Current liabilities:	
Accounts payable	29,470
Accrued payroll	7,888
Accrued compensated absences	4,253
Accrued interest payable	23,363
Construction funds accounts payable	498,307
Current portion of long term debt	56,098
Total current liabilities	619,379
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Noncurrent liabilities:	
	23,700
Deposits held for customers	23,700 7.846.349
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See accompanying notes to the financial statements

#### Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Change in Net Position Year Ended June 30, 2019

Service revenues	
Revenue from the sale of water	\$ 736,686
Maintenance services - RWD 11	 43,950
Total service revenues	780,636
Operating expenses	
Salaries and benefits	342,793
Chemicals and supplies	50,086
Repair and maintenance	50,090
License and fees	13,051
Automobile expense	32,349
Utilities	106,210
Insurance	33,216
Office and billing	23,564
Other	14,076
Depreciation	 208,776
Total operating expenses	 874,211
Operating loss	(93,575)
Nonoperating revenues (expenses)	
Capital contributions	2,940,564
Private donations	76,045
Interest income	124
Legal fees and debt issuance costs	(15,493)
Interest expense	 (26,824)
Total nonoperating revenues (expenses)	2,974,416
Change in net position	2,880,841
Net position - beginning*	 6,004,240
Net position - ending	\$ 8,885,081

<sup>\*</sup>restated to recognize amounts paid to Flint Ridge POA as escrow deposit

See accompanying notes to the financial statements

#### Statement of Cash Flows Year Ended June 30, 2019

Operating activities	
Receipts from customers	\$ 788,692
Payments for goods and services	(350,637)
Payments to employees	(342,097)
Net cash provided by operating activities	95,958
Capital and related financing activities	
Proceeds from capital debt	1,159,169
Receipts from grant agreements	3,206,507
Receipts from private donations	76,045
Purchases of capital assets	(4,451,759)
Principal paid on capital debt	(17,737)
Interest paid on capital debt	(14,904)
Deposits to Flint Ridge POA escrow account	(30,000)
Legal fees and other debt issuance costs	(15,493)
Net cash used by capital and related financing activities	(88,172)
Investing activites	
Interest and dividends	 124
Net change in cash and cash equivalents	7,910
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	76,782
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	\$ 84,692
Reconciliation of operating income to net cash	
provided by operating activities	
Operating loss	\$ (93,575)
Adjustments to reconcile operating loss to net cash	
provided by operating activities:	
Depreciation expense	208,776
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:	
Increase in accounts receivable	(344)
Decrease in prepaid expense and claims receivable	8,032
Increase in inventory	(37,912)
Increase in accounts payable	1,885
Increase in deposits held for customers	8,400
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Increase in other accrued liabilities	696

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, 2019.

#### **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 2019.

#### **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.

#### **Capital Contributions**

Capital contributions represent capital grants from the Cherokee Nation, Indian Health Services, and the U.S. Department of Agriculture - Rural Development. Contributions are recognized when all applicable eligibility requirements of the grant have been met, pursuant to GASB Statement No. 33, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Nonexchange Transactions*. The Authority had \$2,940,564 in capital contributions during the year ended June 30, 2019.

#### 3. Rate-Making Policies and Procedures

As part of an agreement for the transfer of assets from the Flint Ridge Rural Water Authority, 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. The Authority is currently in the process of significantly expanding the System. Effective upon completion of the System expansion (currently estimated to be in the Summer of 2019), the Authority has agreed to implement a specified reduced rate schedule, however the rates and fees may be reviewed at least annually to determine adequacy.

#### 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

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 in excess of the percentage rate adjustment applied to the wholesale customers of the Authority.

#### 5. Transfer of Operations – Flint Ridge Rural Water District

On May 19, 2017, the Authority entered into an Assignment and Assumption of Second Amended Lease Agreement that effectively transferred a water filtration and treatment plant, water collection and distribution system, associated improvements, and easements and water capacity rights from the Flint Ridge Rural Water District for Adair and Delaware Counties, Oklahoma, an Oklahoma Rural Water District ("FRRWD"). The transaction has been accounted for by the Authority as a transfer of operations pursuant to GASB Statement No. 69, *Government Combinations and Disposals of Government Operations*. Capital assets were transferred at the net book value as of the date of the transaction.

#### 6. 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, 2019 the Authority deposited \$30,000 with the POA, bringing the total amount in escrow to \$60,000. To date, no funds have been spent from this account.

#### 7. Operation and Maintenance Service Agreement

On May 25, 2017, the Authority entered into an agreement with the Rural Water, Sewer Gas, and Solid Waste Management District No. 11, Delaware County, Oklahoma (RWD 11). Under the agreement, the Authority will provide personnel for assistance with the operation and maintenance of the water system serving the customers of the RWD 11. In return, the RWD 11 will pay the Authority \$5,500 per month. In addition, RWD 11 will reimburse all costs incurred by the Authority in performing the services, including repairs and maintenance of the RWD 11 portion of the System. The Authority received \$43,950 in the year ended June 30, 2019 under this agreement.

#### 8. Restricted Assets

Restricted funds are established to the extent required by debt covenants for the Authority's debt and other contractual arrangements. At June 30, 2019, grant receivables were restricted for the payment of construction project payables. The Authority had no restricted net assets.

#### 9. Deposits and Investments

As of June 30, 2019, the total carrying amount of the Authority's deposits was \$84,692, which were fully insured by the FDIC. The Authority had no investments.

#### 10. Grants Receivable and Capital Contributions

On August 30, 2016, the Authority entered into an agreement with the Cherokee Nation in concert with the Indian Health Services through the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services to provide a grant for the Flint Ridge Water Treatment Plant expansion in the amount of \$1,500,000. At June 30, 2019, the Authority had expended \$30,190 of which \$5,190 was the remaining amount on this grant as well as an additional Cherokee Nation discretionary grant award of \$25,000.

On May 19, 2017, the Authority entered into an agreement with the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, to provide a grant of \$3,886,000. During the year ended June 30, 2019, the Authority incurred an additional \$2,910,374 in expenditures of these grant funds which included a receivable at June 30, 2019 of \$92,903 leaving an unspent remaining grant entitlement of \$630,630.

#### 11. Capital Assets

The following is a summary of capital asset changes for the year ended June 30, 2019:

	Balance July 1, 2018	Additions	Deletions	Balance June 30, 2019
Capital assets not being depreciated:				
Water capacity rights	\$ 60,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 60,000
Construction in progress	7,376,684	3,969,604	743,169	10,603,119
Total capital assets not being depreciated	7,436,684	3,969,604	743,169	10,663,119
Depreciable assets				
Buildings and improvements	25,632	-	-	25,632
Equipment and furniture	72,983	65,551	-	138,534
Water system	5,682,175	934,609		6,616,784
Total depreciable assets	5,780,790	1,000,160	-	6,780,950
Less accumulated depreciation	208,176	208,776	-	416,952
Capital assets, net	\$13,009,298	\$4,760,988	\$ 743,169	\$ 17,027,117

Depreciation expense was \$208,776 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019.

#### 12. Long-Term Debt

Long-term debt at June 30, 2019 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	\$	42,107
Arvest Equipment Finance lease issued January 7, 2019 in the amount of \$59,808, bearing interest at the rate of 4.15%, payable at \$1,127 for 63 months, and secured by a 2018 Dodge truck, maturing in December 2023		55,475
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.	6,	,747,059
OWRB DWSRF Note issued May 19, 2017 in the amount of \$1,163,857, with \$945,807 advanced as of 6/30/2019, bearing interest at the rate of 2.96%, payable over 30 years with a final payment due March 15, 2049.		945,807

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, beginning April 21, 2019, with no payments made in the current year.

112,000

Total long-term debt at June 30, 2019

\$ 7,902,447

The Authority's changes in long-term liabilities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019 were as follows:

		Balance	Amo	ounts Due						
	July 1, 2018		July 1, 2018 Additions		<u>Retirements</u>		June 30, 2019		in One Year	
Capital leases payable	\$	53,570	\$	59,808	\$	15,796	\$	97,582	\$	22,839
Notes payable		6,707,445		1,099,361		1,941		7,804,865		33,259
Total long term debt	\$	6,761,015	\$	1,159,169	\$	17,737	\$	7,902,447	\$	56,098

Annual debt service requirements to maturity for long-term debt as of June 30, 2019 are as follows:

Year Ending		Notes F	Payab	le	Capital Leases Payable				Total			
<u>June 30</u>	Pr	incipal	<u>Ir</u>	terest	Pr	incipal	<u>Ir</u>	terest	<u>P</u>	rincipal	1	nterest
2020	\$	33,259	\$	33,407	\$	22,839	\$	4,552	\$	56,098	\$	37,959
2021		161,756		148,838		24,017		3,374		185,773		152,212
2022		165,130		145,464		25,255		2,138		190,385		147,602
2023		168,584		142,010		17,487		943		186,071		142,953
2024		172,120		138,474		7,984		161		180,104		138,635
2025 to 2029		916,663		636,278		-		-		916,663		636,278
2030 to 2034		940,775		542,550		-		-		940,775		542,550
2035 to 2039	1,	,036,361		446,964		-		-		1,036,361		446,964
2040 to 2044	1,	,142,213		341,112		-		-		1,142,213		341,112
2045 to 2049	1,	,259,515		223,810		-		-	-	1,259,515		223,810
2050 to 2054	1,	,141,262		109,628		-		-	-	1,141,262		109,628
2055 to 2059		667,227		16,674		-				667,227		16,674
Total	\$ 7,	,804,865	\$ 2	,925,209	\$	97,582	\$	11,168	\$ 7	7,902,447	\$ 2	2,936,377

#### 13. 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, 2019 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.

#### 14. 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.

### Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards Year Ended June 30, 2019

Fodoval Cyantay/Dasa Thyanah Asaman	Federal	Pass-through	Fadaval
Federal Grantor/Pass Through Agency Grantor/Program Title	CFDA Number	Identifying Number	Federal Expenditures
Grantor/Program ritle	Number	Nullibel	Expenditures
FEDERAL AWARDS:			
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE			
Water and Waste Disposal Systems for Rural			
Communities (Loan)	10.760	91-02	\$6,749,000
Water and Waste Disposal Systems for Rural			
Communities (Grant)	10.760	91-02	1,541,004
Water and Waste Disposal Systems for Rural			
Communities (Grant)	10.760	91-03	1,369,370
Total Water and Wast Disposal Systems for Rura	l Communitie	S	9,659,374
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVI	<u>CES</u>		
Passed through the Cherokee Nation:			
Indian Health Service Sanitation Facilities			
Construction Program	93.210	OK15T98	5,190
	55.225	G.N.20.000	3,233
U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY			
Passed through the Oklahoma Water Resources Board:			
Safe Drinking Water State Revolving Fund	66.468	ORF-16-0004-DW	945,807
TOTAL FEDERAL EXPENDITURES			\$10,610,371

#### Note 1 – Basis of Presentation

This schedule includes the federal grant activity of the South Delaware County Regional Water Authority ("Authority") under programs of the federal government for the year ended June 30, 2019. The information in this schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 *U.S. Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Because the schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of the Authority, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net position or cash flows of the Authority.

#### Note 2 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Expenditures reported on the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards are reported on the accrual basis of accounting (U.S. GAAP) which may be different from other information contained in the Authority's financial statements.

**Note 3** – The above awards did not include an indirect cost rate in the allowable costs and consequently the Authority did not use the 10% de minimis indirect cost rate allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

**Note 4** – The Authority's USDA loan had an outstanding balance of \$6,707,445 at the beginning of the year, issued an additional \$41,555 during the year, and had an outstanding balance of \$6,747,059 at the end of the year.

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, 2019, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise Authority's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated October 11, 2019.

#### **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.

Elfrind and associates, PLLC Elfrink and Associates, PLLC

Tulsa, Oklahoma October 11, 2019



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE

To the Board of Trustees
South Delaware County Regional Water Authority

#### Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

We have audited the South Delaware County Regional Water Authority's ("Authority") compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *OMB Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the Authority's major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2019. The Authority's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

#### Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for compliance with federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of its federal awards applicable to its federal programs.

#### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for each of the Authority's major federal programs based on our audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above. We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Those standards and the Uniform Guidance require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the Authority's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of the Authority's compliance.

#### Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

In our opinion, the Authority complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2019.

#### **Other Matters**

The results of our auditing procedures disclosed no instances of noncompliance, which are required to be reported in accordance with the Uniform Guidance.

#### **Report on Internal Control over Compliance**

Management of the Authority is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and

performing our audit of compliance, we considered the Authority's internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each major federal program to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion on compliance for each major federal program and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Authority's internal control over compliance.

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

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

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

Elfrink and Associates, PLLC

Elfrind and associates, PLLC

Tulsa, Oklahoma

October 11, 2019

# SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS SOUTH DELAWARE COUNTY REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY, OKLAHOMA Year ended June 30, 2019

#### <u>Section I – Summary of Auditor's Results</u>

#### Financial Statements

Type of auditor's report issued: unmodified

Internal control over financial reporting:

- Material weakness(es) identified? No
- Significant deficiencies identified that are considered to be material weaknesses? No
- Noncompliance material to financial statements noted? No

#### Federal Awards

Internal control over major programs:

- Material weakness(es) identified? No
- Significant deficiencies identified that are not considered to be material weaknesses? No

Type of auditor's report issued on compliance for major programs: unmodified

Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with *Uniform Guidance? No* Identification of major programs:

<u>CFDA Number</u> <u>Federal Program</u>

10.760 Water and Waste Disposal Systems for Rural Communities

66.468 Capitalization Grants for Drinking Water State Revolving Funds

Dollar threshold used to distinguish between type A and type B programs: \$750,000

The auditee was not considered to be a low-risk auditee.

Note: The Authority has not prepared a <u>Summary Schedule of Prior Audit Findings and Corrective Action</u> Plan as there were no findings in the prior year.

#### <u>Section II – Financial Statement Finding</u>

No matters to report.

#### **Section III – Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs**

No matters to report.