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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Adams County Regional Water District Adams County 9203 State Route 136 West Union, Ohio 45693

To the Board of Trustees:

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the business-type activities of the Adams County Regional Water District, Adams County, Ohio (the District), as of and for the year ended December 31, 2015, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for preparing and fairly presenting these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes designing, implementing, and maintaining internal control relevant to preparing and fairly presenting financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to opine on these financial statements based on our audit. We audited in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the financial audit standards in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*. Those standards require us to plan and perform the audit to reasonably assure the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit requires obtaining evidence about financial statement amounts and disclosures. The procedures selected depend on our judgment, including assessing the risks of material financial statement misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. In assessing those risks, we consider internal control relevant to the District's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not to the extent needed to opine on the effectiveness of the District's internal control. Accordingly, we express no opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of management's accounting policies and the reasonableness of their significant accounting estimates, as well as our evaluation of the overall financial statement presentation.

We believe the audit evidence we obtained is sufficient and appropriate to support our audit opinions.

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Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Adams County Regional Water District, Adams County, Ohio, as of December 31, 2015, and the changes in its financial position and its cash flows thereof for the years then ended in accordance with the accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Emphasis of Matter

As discussed in Note 18 to the financial statements, during the year ended December 31, 2015, the District adopted Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 68, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions – an amendment of GASB Statement No. 27 and also GASB Statement No. 71, Pension Transition for Contributions Made Subsequent to the Measurement Date. We did not modify our opinion regarding this matter.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require this presentation to include *Management's discussion and analysis and schedules of net pension liabilities and pension contributions*, listed in the table of contents, to supplement the basic financial statements. Although this information is not part of the basic financial statements, the Governmental Accounting Standards Board considers it essential for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, consisting of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, to the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not opine or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to opine or provide any other assurance.

Supplementary and Other Information

Our audit was conducted to opine on the District's basic financial statements taken as a whole. The Budgetary Comparison Schedule presents additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements.

We did not subject the Budgetary Comparison Schedule to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion or any other assurance on them.

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Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated May 26, 2016, on our consideration of the District's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. That report describes the scope of our internal control testing over financial reporting and compliance, and the results of that testing, and does not opine on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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Columbus, Ohio

May 26, 2016

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR END DECEMBER 31, 2015

The following discussion provides a summary overview of the financial activities of the Adams County Regional Water District ("the District") for the year ended December 31, 2015. The information should be read in conjunction with the basic financial statements included in this report.

The Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) is an element of the new reporting model adopted by the Governmental Accounting Standard Board (GASB) in their Statement No. 34 issued June, 1999. Certain comparative information between the current year and the prior year is required to be presented, and is presented in the MD&A.

Financial Highlights

- Assets exceeded liabilities by \$7,488,143 and \$7,568,053 as of December 31, 2015 and 2014 respectively.
- Net positions decreased by \$50,622 and increased by \$102,204 in 2015 and 2014 respectively.
- Operating revenues increased by \$1,037 (0.02%) and by \$57,419 (1.46%) and operating and maintenance expenses decreased by \$17,798 (0.5%) and increased by \$203,862 (6.18%) in 2015 and 2014 respectively.
- Retirement of debt principal totaled \$993,880 and \$728,499 for 2015 and 2014 respectively and additions to debt principal totaled \$66,808 for 2015 and \$130,920 for 2014.

Overview of the Financial Statements

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the District's basic financial statements. The District's basic financial statements are the Statements of Net Position, the Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position, the Statements of Cash Flows and the accompanying notes to the financial statements. These statements report information about the District as a whole and about its activities. The District is a single enterprise fund using proprietary fund accounting, which means these statements are presented in a manner similar to a private-sector business. The statements are presented using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting.

The Statements of Net Position presents the District's financial position and reports the resources owned by the District (assets), obligations owed by the District (liabilities) and District net position (the difference between assets and liabilities). They provide a way to measure the financial health of the District by providing the basis for evaluating the capital structure of the District and assessing the liquidity and financial flexibility of the District.

The Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position present a summary of how the District's net position changed during the year. Revenue is reported when earned and expenses are reported when incurred. These statements measure the success of the District's operations over the past year and can be used to determine whether the District has successfully recovered all its costs through user fees.

The Statements of Cash Flows provide information about the District's cash receipts and disbursements during the year. They summarize net changes in cash resulting from operating, investing and financing activities.

The notes to the financial statements provide additional information that is essential for a full understanding of the financial statements.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR END DECEMBER 31, 2015 (Continued)

Financial Analysis of the District's Financial Position and Results of Operations

The tables below provide a summary of the District's financial position and operations for 2015, 2014, and 2013 respectively.

December 31,						
		2015		2014		2013
<u>Assets</u>						
Current & other assets	\$	5,840,291	\$	5,515,916	\$	5,156,349
Capital assets, net		13,114,167		13,467,771		14,334,609
Deferred Outflows		43,665		-		-
Total assets		18,998,123		18,983,687		19,490,958
<u>Liabilities</u>						
Current & other liabilities		2,149,712		1,303,174		1,279,889
Long-term debt		9,316,603		10,112,460		10,745,220
Deferred Inflows		14,377				
Total liabilities		11,480,692		11,415,634		12,025,109
<u>Net Position</u> Invested in capital assets, net of related debt		3,039,407		2,372,154		2,607,326
Restricted for debt service		153,310		219,477		219,140
Unrestricted		4,324,714		4,976,422		4,639,383
Total net position	\$	7,517,431	\$	7,568,053	\$	7,465,849

Table 1Condensed Statement of Net PositionDecember 31,

Financial Analysis of the District's Financial Position and Results of Operations

As noted earlier, the net position may serve as a useful indicator of financial position. The District's assets exceeded liabilities by \$7,488,143 as of December 31, 2015 compared to an excess of \$7,568,053 as of December 31, 2014. The net investment in capital assets as of December 31, 2015 was \$3,039,407 in comparison to \$2,372,154 as of December 31, 2014.

The largest portion of the District's net position is reflected in its cash and certificates of deposit, and its capital assets, less accumulated depreciation and related debt outstanding. The District strives to keep adequate cash reserves on hand in order to maintain or expand its facilities to meet the needs of its customers and to comply with regulatory requirements.

For the year ended December 31, 2015 and 2014 respectively, total assets of the District decreased by \$29,299 and by \$507,271 due to additional construction, and depreciation of capital assets. Total liabilities as of December 31, 2015 and 2014 increased by \$50,681 and decreased by \$609,475 respectfully due mainly to recording the net pension liability per GASB 68 guidelines and retirement of debt.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR END DECEMBER 31, 2015 (Continued)

The following table summarizes the changes in revenues and expenses for the District between 2015, 2014, and 2013:

Table 2 Condensed Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position For the Year Ended December 31, 2015

	2015	2014	2013
Operating revenue			
Sales to customers	\$ 3,047,545	\$ 3,082,447	\$ 2,989,270
Sales to public authorities	777,304	768,714	798,897
Other revenues	170,521	143,172	148,747
Total operating revenue	3,995,370	3,994,333	3,936,914
Non-operating revenue			
Tap fee revenue	106,100	74,100	116,500
Grant revenue	565,887	-0-	697,223
Interest income	39,526	39,273	36,837
Insurance Proceeds	-0-	2,289	-0-
Principal forgiveness revenue	6,931	-0-	126,982
Gain on disposal of assets	-0-	3,642	755
Total non-operating revenue	718,444	119,304	978,297
Total revenue	4,713,814	4,113,637	4,915,211
Operating expenses			
Operations	1,781,997	1,816,187	1,697,085
Maintenance	266,888	278,028	215,118
Depreciation	1,437,523	1,409,992	1,388,142
Total operating expenses	3,486,408	3,504,207	3,300,345
Non-operating expense			
Interest expense	\$ 483,157	\$ 517,778	\$ 589,990
Total non-operating expenses	483,157	517,778	589,990
Total expenses	3,969,565	4,021,985	3,890,335
Income (Loss) before contributions	744,249	91,652	1,024,876
Capital contributions	4,992	40,528	23,908
Change in net position	<u>\$ 749,241</u>	\$ 132,180	\$ 1,048,784

Operating revenues consist of user charges for water consumption. Operating expenses reflect the cost of providing these services. For the year ended December 31, 2015:

- Operating revenue increased \$1,037 (0.02%) and \$57,419 (1.46%) in 2015 and 2014 respectively.
- Non-operating revenues increased by \$599,140 (502.20%) and decreased by \$858,993 (87.80%) due to an increase and decrease in grant revenue in 2015 and 2014 respectively.
- Operating expenses decreased by \$17,799 (0.51%) and increased by \$203,862 (6.18%) due to a decrease and increase in salaries, utilities, repairs, and insurance in 2015 and 2014 respectively. Total expenses decreased by \$52,420 (1.30%) and increased by \$131,650 (3.38%) in 2015, and 2014 respectively.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR END DECEMBER 31, 2015 (Continued)

Capital contributions from customers decreased by \$35,536 (87.68%) and increased by \$16,620 (69.52%) in 2015 and 2014 respectively. These contributions are provided by customers and grants from various agencies and are used to help cover the costs of line extensions.

Capital Assets

As of December 31, 2015 and 2014 respectively, the District had \$13,114,097 and \$13,248,294 invested in capital assets. This amount represents a net decrease of \$134,197 (1.01%) in 2015 and \$832,750 (5.91%) 2014.

	Capital Assets December 31,		
	2015	2014	2013
Land and improvements Construction in progress Buildings Wells and wellfield improvements Mains, lines, and meters Storage tanks Water treatment & other equipment Less: Accumulated depreciation Totals	\$ 871,073 990,346 634,049 1,626,231 28,888,901 2,432,455 1,670,712 <u>\$ (23,999,670)</u> <u>\$ 13,114,097</u>	\$ 871,073 65,913 614,522 1,554,805 27,614,463 2,432,455 1,657,211 (22,562,148) 13,248,294	\$ 869,073 1,094,611 609,419 1,554,805 27,516,347 2,117,715 1,558,974 (21,239,900) 14,081,044
Major additions in 2015, 2014, and 2013 at cost included:			
GIS system Security system upgrade Line extension Pump and motor rebuilds AMR meters installation (2) 2014 GMC Sierra Trucks Sunshine Ridge Line & Tank 2015 Ford F-350 Utility Truck Meter Change Out Program Security Cameras VFD Installation (Phase I) Pitless Adapters/Install (Wells2&4)	\$-0- -0- -0- -0- -0- -0- -0- 215,807 14,923 -0- 65,943	-0- -0- -0- -0- 50,514 1,158,921 35,925 185,388 -0- 65,638 -0-	\$ 33,155 26,936 24,882 -0- 234,940 -0- -0- -0- -0- -0- -0- -0- -0- -0- -
	<u>\$ 296,673</u>	\$ 1,496,386	<u>\$ 319,913</u>

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Debt Administration

The District finances its construction primarily through the issuance of revenue bonds or through low interest loan programs with the State of Ohio. At December 31, 2015, the District had total debt outstanding of \$10,074,760 compared to \$10,876,140 at December 31, 2014. This represents a net decrease in 2015 of \$801,380 and 2014 of \$597,578 due to principal payments on debt.

Additional information on the District's long-term debt can be found in Note 5 to the financial statements.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR END DECEMBER 31, 2015 (Continued)

Economic Factors for 2015 and Budget for 2016

Adams County Regional Water District increased water rates in January of 2013. The minimum bill was raised to \$20 for the first 1000 gallons and \$6.50 per thousand thereafter for a 5/8" tap. Larger-sized taps increased proportionately. Wholesale rates increased to \$3.35 per thousand in July of 2013. There was no increase in 2015. The District plans to conduct a rate study in 2016 to see if rates need to be increased for the net four-year period.

The number of water taps sold by the District remained minimal as in the last few years. A total of fortyseven taps were sold in 2015 on existing lines and twenty-eight taps on the Bettys Creek/Peach Mountain Water Line Extension. The District anticipates selling approximately fifty taps in 2016.

Improvements made in the District during 2015 included small line extensions on Amason Road and Richter Road and a line upgrade on West Fork Road. Upgrades were made to the District's camera and security system at the office complex and various pieces of computer and office equipment were purchased. All AMR meters are now installed in the District's automatic meter reading system. The second phase of the installation of variable frequency drives (VFD's) on the high service pumps at the water treatment plant was performed. Pitless adapters and new pits were installed for two of the wells in the well field and some additional fencing was installed on the well field property.

The operating budget for 2016 is \$4,051.300. The Bettys Creek/Peach Mountain Water Line Extension will be completed in February 2016, which includes approximately nine miles of water line and a water tank and booster station. Capital improvements scheduled for 2016 include Phase III of the installation of variable frequency drives (VFD's), two additional pitless adapters and new pits for the well field, improvements on existing buildings, upgrades to water lines, and the purchase of two pick-up trucks. Various small tools and office equipment will be purchased as needed.

The District plans to start an upgrade in the Logans Lane/Rigdon Road area in 2016 with District resources and manpower to better serve these areas with bigger lines and to create a redundant feed to the area.

A water storage tank will be installed in the Louisville Road area in 2016. The funding for this will be an Appalachian Regional Commission grant, an Ohio Public Works Commission grant/loan combination, and local funding by the District.

Funding is also being sought for the installation of water lines on several roads in the county that have areas that are not currently served and/or to connect existing lines.

These roads include Willie Stanfield Road, Cutacross Road, Kirkpatrick Road, Mathias Road, Paint Road, Rickey Road, And Barry McFarland Road.

Future plans are to upgrade and replace existing water lines in the Locust Grove area as this area frequently needs maintenance to repair water leaks. Funding is being sought for this upgrade through Ohio Public Works Commission.

Contacting the District's Financial Management

This report is designed to provide the District's customers, bondholders, creditors and other interested parties with an overview of the District's financial operations and financial condition. Should the reader have questions regarding the information included in this report or wish to request additional information, please contact the General Manager, Adams County Regional Water District, 9203 State Route 136, PO Box 427, West Union, OH 45693.

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ADAMS COUNTY REGIONAL WATER DISTRICT STATEMENT OF NET POSITION DECEMBER 31, 2015

	2015
ASSETS	
Current assets:	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 2,170,384
Certificates of deposit	2,330,180
Accounts receivable:	
Customers, net of allowance for doubtful	
accounts of \$11,201	589,460
Other receivables	12,564
Accrued interest receivable	106,271
Inventories	432,785
Prepaid expenses	 45,337
Total current assets	5,686,981
Non current assets:	
Restricted cash and certificates of deposit	153,310
Capital assets (at cost):	
Non depreciable capital assets	
Land	787,396
Construction in progress	 990,416
Total non depreciable assets	1,777,812
Depreciable capital assets	
Land and land improvements	83,677
Buildings	634,049
Wells and wellfield improvements	1,626,231
Mains, lines and meters	28,888,901
Storage tanks	2,432,455
Water treatment and plant equipment	426,294
Trucks, tractors and radio equipment	1,117,328
Office furniture and equipment	127,090
Less: accumulated depreciation	 (23,999,670)
Total depreciable capital assets	 11,336,355
Total capital assets (net of depreciation)	 13,114,167
Total non current assets	 13,267,477
Total assets	\$ 18,954,458
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	
Deferred pension contributions	 43,665
Total deferred outflows of resources	 43,665

ADAMS COUNTY REGIONAL WATER DISTRICT STATEMENT OF NET POSITION DECEMBER 31, 2015

	2015
LIABILITIES	
Current liabilities:	
Accounts payable	\$ 29,234
Accrued expenses	251,125
Accrued interest	229,210
Current portion of long-term debt	758,157
Deferred Principal Forgiveness Revenue	40,389
Customer deposits	 23,250
Total current liabilities	1,331,365
Non current liabilities:	
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Net pension liability	818,347
Long-term debt, less current portion Total noncurrent liabilities	 <u>9,316,603</u> 10,134,950
Total honcurrent liabilities	10,134,950
Total liabilities	 11,466,315
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	
Deferred earnings on pension investments	 14,377
Total deferred inflows of resources	 14,377
NET POSITION	
Net investment in capital assets	3,039,407
Restricted for debt service	153,310
Unrestricted net position	4,324,714
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Total net position	\$ 7,517,431

ADAMS COUNTY REGIONAL WATER DISTRICT STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION FOR THE PERIOD ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2015

OPERATING REVENUES	<u>2015</u>
Sales to customers	\$ 3,047,545
Sales to public authorities	777,304
Other revenues	170,521
Total operating revenues	3,995,370
OPERATING EXPENSES Salaries	920 402
Utilities	829,493 308,983
Depreciation expense	1,437,523
Amortization expense	-
Repairs Truck expense	228,295 38,593
Supplies	38,736
Pension expense	130,572
Payroll taxes	22,327
Insurance - other than health Insurance - health & life	46,710 250,987
Office supplies and postage	31,393
Legal and engineering fees	2,975
Accounting fees Director fees	18,674 34,800
Advertising	1,244
Bank charges	95
Bad debt expense	77
Other expenses Total operating expenses	<u> </u>
OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)	508,961
NON OPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES) Tap fee revenue	106,100
Grant revenue	565,887
Interest income	39,527
Interest expense	(483,157)
Principal Forgiveness Revenue Total non operating revenues (expenses)	<u> </u>
INCOME (LOSS) BEFORE CAPITAL CONTRIBUTIONS	744,249
CAPITAL CONTRIBUTIONS	4,992
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET POSITION	749,241
NET POSITION	
Beginning of year	7,568,053
Prior period adjustment	(799,863)
Beginning of the year, as restated End of year	<u>6,768,190</u> <u>5</u> 7,517,431
Lind of year	<u>\$ 7,517,431</u>

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ADAMS COUNTY REGIONAL WATER DISTRICT STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

Cash receipts from customers	\$ 3,952,703
Cash payments to employees for services	(829,493)
Cash payments to suppliers for goods and services	 (1,228,312)
Net Cash Provided By Operating Activities	1,894,898
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES	
Interest income on investments	 6,662
Net Cash Provided By Investing Activities	6,662
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED	
FINANCING ACTIVITIES	
Acquisition of operating facilities,	
including construction in progress	(1,130,391)
and capitalized interest	
Members' tap fees Borrowings on long term obligations	106,100 66,808
Grant revenue	565,887
Payments on long term debt obligations	(993,880)
Proceeds from construction contributions	4,992
Interest paid on long term debt obligations	(501,699)
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Net Cash Used In Capital and Related Financing Activities	 (1,882,183)
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	19,377
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT BEGINNING OF PERIOD	 4,634,497
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF PERIOD	\$ 4,653,874

ADAMS COUNTY REGIONAL WATER DISTRICT STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING INCOME TO NET CASH FLOWS PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES:

Operating income	\$ 508,962
Adjustments to reconcile operating income to net cash provided by operating activities:	
Depreciation	1,437,523
Changes in assets and liabilities:	
Accounts receivable, customers and other	(42,667)
Inventories	(8,492)
Prepaid expenses	(1,495)
Accounts payable and other accrued expenses	 1,067
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	\$ 1,894,898

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

Note 1. DESCRIPTION OF ENTITY

(a) Description of Operations

Adams County Regional Water District (the "District"), was organized under the provisions of Section 6119 of the Ohio Revised Code on January 1, 1997. Prior to that date, the District was operated as an Ohio not-for-profit corporation known as Adams County Water Co., Inc. The District provides water service to its customers in Adams County and a portion of Brown County. The accounting policies used by the District reflect practices common to the industry.

(b) Reporting Entity

The financial reporting entity consists of the Adams County Regional Water District (the primary government). No component units have been separately organized.

Note 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) Basis of Presentation and Accounting

The District's basic financial statements are presented on the full accrual basis of accounting and conform to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The accounts of the District are organized on the basis of a proprietary fund type, specifically an enterprise fund. The activities of this fund are accounted for with a separate set of selfbalancing accounts that comprise the District's assets, liabilities, net position, revenues and expenses. Enterprise funds account for activities (i) that are financed with debt that is secured solely by a pledge of the net revenues from fees and charges of the activity; or (ii) that are required by laws or regulations that the activity's costs of providing services, including capital costs (such as depreciation or debt service), be recovered with fees and charges, rather than with taxes or similar revenues; or (iii) that the pricing policies of the activity establish fees and charges designed to recover its costs, including capital costs (such as depreciation or debt service).

The accounting and financial reporting treatment applied to the District is determined by its measurement focus. The transactions of the District are accounted for on a flow of economic resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, all assets and all liabilities associated with the operations are included on the statement of net position. Net position (i.e., total assets net of total liabilities) is segregated into invested in capital assets; restricted for debt service; and unrestricted components.

Management of the District has made certain estimates and assumptions relating to the reporting of assets and liabilities and revenues and expenses to prepare these financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. Actual results may differ from those estimates.

(b) Pensions

For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the District's net position of the pension plans and additions to/deductions from the District's net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the pension systems. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. The pension systems report investments at fair value.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015 (Continued)

Note 3. ASSETS, LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION

(a) Cash and Cash Equivalents

For the purposes of the statement of cash flows, the District considers cash in operating bank accounts, money market accounts, and certificates of deposit with an original maturity of three months or less as cash.

(b) Inventories

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost or market using the first-in, first-out method.

(c) Capital Assets

Capital assets are stated at cost. Construction period interest is capitalized as part of construction costs. During the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014, the District capitalized \$24,319 and \$30,496 interest respectively. Depreciation is calculated on the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets. Maintenance and repairs are expensed as incurred; major renewals and betterments, over a \$1,000 threshold, are capitalized.

(d) Depreciation

Provision for depreciation has been made on the basis of estimated lives of assets, using the straight-line method. Depreciable lives for the various assets are as follows:

10-20 Years
45 Years
10-20 Years
20-50 Years
10-50 Years
5-10 Years

(e) Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles 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 revenues and expenses during the reported period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

(f) Customer Accounts Receivable

Customer accounts receivable are stated at face value, less an allowance for doubtful accounts. The allowance for doubtful accounts is established through a provision for doubtful accounts charged to expense. Doubtful accounts are charged against the allowance when management believes the collectability of the account is unlikely.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015 (Continued)

Note 3. ASSETS, LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION (Continued)

(g) Operating Revenues and Expenses

Operating revenues and expenses consist of those revenues that result from the ongoing principal operations of the District. Operating revenues consist primarily of charges for services. Non-operating revenues and expenses consist of those revenues and expenses that are related to financing and investing type of activities and result from non-exchange transactions or ancillary activities. Revenues are recognized when earned and expenses when incurred. When an expense is incurred for purposes for which there are both restricted and unrestricted net position available, it is the District's policy to apply those expenses to unrestricted net position to the extent such are available and then to restricted net position.

(h) Net Position

Net position comprises the various net earnings from operating income, non-operating revenues and expenses, and capital contributions. Net position is classified in the following three components:

Net investment in capital assets – This component of net position consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances of any bonds, mortgages, notes or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets. If there are significant unspent related debt proceeds at yearend, the portion of the debt attributable to the unspent proceeds is not included in the calculation of net investment in capital assets. Rather, that portion of the debt is included in the same net position component as the unspent proceeds.

Restricted – This component of net position consists of constraints imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), 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 of net position consists of net assets that do not meet the definition of "restricted" or "net investment in capital assets."

Of the District's \$153,310 in restricted net position, none were restricted by enabling legislation.

(i) Investments and Investment Policy

The District has adopted an investment and depository policy, which states that the District will invest in the following instruments, as provided by Section 135.35 of the Ohio Revised Code.

- Securities of the United States Government
- Federal agency obligations
- Repurchase agreements
- State of Ohio bonds and other obligations
- No-load money market mutual funds
- State Treasurer's investment pool (STAROhio)
- Certain bankers' acceptances and commercial paper notes

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015 (Continued)

Note 4. RESTRICTED CASH AND CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT

Restricted cash and certificates of deposit consist of savings accounts that represent amounts designated as reserved to comply with loan agreements with the U.S. Department of Agriculture Farmers Home Administration (FMHA) described more fully in Note 5.

Note 5. LONG-TERM DEBT

On April 21, 1999, the District issued \$2,639,424, in water revenue refunding bonds with rates of 4.5% to 6.5% in order to refinance the existing notes payable to FMHA. The terms of the bonds are identical to the previously issued notes and, therefore, no economic gain has been recognized by the District. During 2005, the District issued \$144,000 in a water revenue refunding bond to acquire equipment in connection with the District's water supply system. The bond has a rate of 4.25% with a final maturity date in 2015. During 2011, the District entered into two long term debt arrangements related to the Lawshe Road Waterline Extension. The District borrowed \$173,713 from the Ohio Public Works Commission. The loan has a -0-% interest rate and a final maturity in 2041. The District also obtained a Water Resource Revenue Bond from the United States of America Department of Agriculture for \$736,000 at a rate of 2.38% with a maturity of 2050.

During 2012, the United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development reviewed the District's debt and requested that the District use some reserve funds to pay off the set of water revenue refunding bonds with the interest rate of 6.5%, due to the high interest rate of the bonds and the low interest rate on certificates of deposit. After reviewing the set of bonds, the Board of Trustees agreed and authorized a final payment of \$139,196 on November 19, 2012. This early extinguishment of debt will save approximately \$53,000 in interest over the next 11 years.

During 2013, the District entered into one long term debt arrangement related to the Sunshine Ridge Waterline Extension. The District borrowed \$427,718 from the Environmental Protection Agency's Drinking Water Assistance Fund through the Ohio Water Development Authority. Of this amount, \$126,982 of the principal has been forgiven, leaving the loan at \$300,736. The loan has a 1.88% interest rate and a final maturity in 2043.

During 2015, the District obtained a loan through the Ohio Water Development Authority's Drinking Water Fund for the Bettys Creek/Peach Mountain Waterline Extension. The amount of loan proceeds disbursed was \$239,820. Of this amount, \$47,320 of the principal has been forgiven, leaving the loan at \$192,500. 40 payments over 20 years will begin July 1, 2016 with an interest rate of 1.39% and a final maturity in January 1, 2036.

Due to the high interest rate of 4.5% and the low interest rates of certificates of deposit, the Assistant General Manager suggested that the District use some reserve funds to pay off Loan #91-07. The Board of Trustees agreed and authorized a final payment of \$237,800 on October 24, 2015. This early extinguishment of debt will save approximately \$117,000 in interest over the next 19 years.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015 (Continued)

Note 5. LONG-TERM DEBT (Continued)

The original amount of each issue, the maturity date, and interest rates are summarized below:

Amount of Original <u>Issue</u>	Final Maturity <u>Date</u>	Interest <u>Rate</u>
\$ 322,095	2034	4.50%
\$ 242,304	2015	5.00%
\$ 987,342	2019	5.00%
\$ 246,725	2018	5.00%
\$ 195,658	2012	6.50%
\$ 144,000	2015	4.25%
\$ 736,000	2050	2.38%
\$ 300,754	2044	1.88%
\$ 173,713	2041	0.00%
\$ 192,500	2036	1.39%

The annual debt service requirements to maturity, including principal and interest for long-term debt as of December 31, 2015, are as follows:

	Principal	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2016	758,158	479,089	1,237,247
2017	797,995	445,028	1,243,023
2018	837,312	406,079	1,243,391
2019	858,225	364,898	1,223,123
2020	823,757	322,423	1,146,180
2021-2025	4,454,066	947,220	5,401,286
2026-2030	864,873	114,423	979,296
2031-2035	229,631	63,958	293,589
2036-2040	199,361	44,460	243,821
2041-2045	163,110	25,787	188,897
2046-2050	133,800	9,688	143,488
Total	<u>\$ 10,120,288</u> \$	<u>3,223,053</u> <u>\$</u>	13,343,341

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015 (Continued)

Note 5. LONG-TERM DEBT (Continued)

The following is a summary of changes in long-term debt for the year ended December 31, 2015:

	Balance <u>12/31/14</u> <u>Additions</u> Pa		Payments	Balance <u>12/31/15</u>	Due within <u>One Year</u>
1999 water revenue refunding bonds	\$ 662,100	\$-	\$ 335,100	\$ 327,000	\$ 80,200
2005 water revenue refunding bond	17,200	-	17,200	-	-
2011 water resource revenue bond	689,500	-	12,400	677,100	12,600
Note payable OWDA, payable in semiannual Installments of \$342,839 starting January 1, 2002, including interest at 6.39%, due July 2026	5,686,062	-	327,488	5,358,574	348,749
Note payable OWDA, payable in semiannual installments of \$66,981 starting January 1, 2000, including interest at 2%, due July 2024	1,203,355	-	109,895	1,093,460	112,093
Note payable OWDA, Payable in 50 semiannual Installments of \$54,013 starting January 1, 2000, including interest at 5.86%, due July 2024	799,535	-	61,173	738,362	64,758
Note payable OWDA, payable in 50 semiannual installments of \$25,260, starting July 1, 2000, including interest at 5.56%, due January 2025	397,764	-	28,799	368,965	30,422

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015 (Continued)

Note 5. LONG-TERM DEBT (Continued)

	Balance <u>12/31/14</u>	Additions	Payments	Balance I <u>12/31/15</u>	Due within <u>One Year</u>
Note payable OWDA, payable in 50 semiannual installments of \$53,061, starting July 1, 2000, including interest at 2%, due January 2025	995,952	-	86,203	909,749	87,927
Note payable OWDA, payable in 40 semiannual installments of \$1,591, starting July 1, 2003, including interest at 5.15%, due January 2022	20,647	_	2,146	18,501	2,258
Note payable OPW, payable in 60 semiannual installments of \$2,895, starting January 1, 2012, -0-% interest due July 2041	156,342	-	5,790	150,552	5,790
Note payable OWDA, payable in 60 semiannual installments of \$6,581, starting January 1, 2014, including interest at 1.88%, due July 2043	247,683	-	7,686	239,997	7,831
Note payable OWDA, payable in 40 semiannual installments of \$5,529 starting July 1, 2016, including interest at 1.39%, due January 2036	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$239,820</u>	<u>\$ 47,320</u>	<u>\$ 192,500</u>	<u>\$ 5,529</u>
	<u>\$10,876,140</u>	<u>\$239,820</u>	<u>\$1,041,200</u>	<u>\$10,074,760</u>	<u>\$758,157</u>

Capital assets, together with all revenue and service charges which may arise from the operations of the District, are pledged for the payment of revenue bond debt.

The notes payable OWDA and OPW are secured by operating facilities.

Bond indentures contain significant requirements for debt reserve and flow of funds through restricted accounts. The District is required to accumulate over a ten year period a reserve balance equal to one annual installment including principal and interest. The reserve balance at December 31, 2015 and 2014 was \$153,309 and \$219,477 respectively. This amount equaled the required reserve.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015 (Continued)

Note 6. CONTRIBUTIONS IN AID OF CONSTRUCTION

Contributions in aid of construction consist of contributions from customers and grants from FMHA and various government agencies for the construction of water mains to serve customers.

Note 7. EQUITY IN POOLED CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

State statutes classify monies held by the District into three categories.

Active deposits are public deposits necessary to meet current demands on the treasury. Such monies must be maintained either as cash in the District treasury, in commercial accounts payable or withdrawable on demand, including negotiable order of withdrawal (NOW) accounts, or in money market deposit accounts.

Inactive deposits are public deposits that the Board of Trustees has identified as not required for use within the current five-year period of designation of depositories. Inactive deposits must either be evidenced by certificates of deposit maturing not later than the end of the current period of designation of depositories, or by savings or deposit accounts, including, but not limited to, passbook accounts.

Interim deposits are deposits of interim monies. Interim monies are those monies that are not needed for immediate use but will be needed before the end of the current period of designation of depositories.

State statute permits interim monies to be deposited or invested in the following securities:

- 1. United States treasury notes, bills, bonds, or any other obligations or securities issued by the United States treasury or any other obligation guaranteed as to principal and interest by the United States;
- Bonds, notes, debentures, or any other obligations or securities issued by any federal government agency or instrumentality, including, but not limited to: Federal National Mortgage Association, Federal Home Loan Bank, Federal Farm Credit Bank, Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, Government National Mortgage Association, and Student Loan Marketing Association. All federal agency securities shall be direct issuances of federal government agencies or instrumentalities;
- Written repurchase agreements in the securities listed above provided that the market value of the securities subject to the repurchase agreement must exceed the principal value of the agreement by at least two percent and be marked to market daily, and that the term of the agreement must not exceed thirty days;
- 4. Bonds and other obligations of the State of Ohio, its political subdivisions, or other units or agencies of this State or its political subdivisions;
- 5. Time certificates of deposit or savings or deposit accounts, including, but not limited to, passbook accounts;
- No-load money market mutual funds consisting exclusively of obligations described in items (1) and (2) of this footnote and repurchase agreements secured by such obligations, provided that investments in securities described in this division are made only through eligible institutions;

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015 (Continued)

Note 7. EQUITY IN POOLED CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS (Continued)

- 7. The State Treasurer's investment pool (STAROhio)
- 8. Securities lending agreements in which the District lends securities and the eligible institution agrees to exchange either securities described in division (1) or (2), or cash, or both securities and cash, equal value for equal value;
- 9. High grade commercial paper in an amount not to exceed five percent of the District's total average portfolio; and
- 10. Bankers acceptances for a period not to exceed 270 days and in an amount not to exceed ten percent of the District's average portfolio.

Protection of the District's deposits is provided by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, by eligible securities pledged by the financial institution as security for repayment, by surety company bonds deposited with the Treasurer by the financial institution, or by a single collateral pool established by the financial institution to secure the repayment of all public monies deposited with the institution.

Investments in stripped principal or interest obligations, reverse repurchase agreements and derivatives are prohibited. The issuance of taxable notes for the purpose of arbitrage, the use of leverage and short selling are also prohibited. Investments must mature within five years from the date of purchase unless matched to a specific obligation or debt of the District, and must be purchased with the expectation that it will be held to maturity.

Investments may only be made through specified dealers and institutions. Payment for investments may be made only upon delivery of the securities representing the investments to the Treasurer or, if the securities are not represented by a certificate, upon receipt of confirmation of transfer from the custodian.

<u>Cash on Hand:</u> At December 31, 2015 and 2014, the District had \$184 and \$149 respectively, in undeposited cash on hand which is included on the statement of net position of the District as part of "cash and cash equivalents".

<u>Deposits:</u> Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the government's deposits may not be returned to it. The District's policy for deposits is any balance not covered by depository insurance will be collateralized by the financial institutions with pledged securities. The District is required to categorize deposits and investments according to GASB Statement

No. 3, *Deposits with Financial Institutions, Investments, and Reverse Repurchase Agreements.* The bank balances of the District's deposits at December 31, 2015 and 2014 were \$4,653,690 and \$4,634,342 respectively.

Of the bank balances at December 31, 2015 and 2014, all were covered either by federal depository insurance or collateral held by the pledging bank's trust department but not in the District's name pursuant to Section 135.181 Ohio Revised Code, in collateral pools securing all public funds on deposit with specific depository institutions.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015 (Continued)

Note 7. EQUITY IN POOLED CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS (Continued)

Although the pledging bank has an investment and securities pool used to collateralize all public deposits, which are held in the financial institution's name, noncompliance with federal requirements could potentially subject the District to a successful claim by the FDIC. The deposits not covered by federal depository insurance are considered uninsured and uncollateralized under the provisions of GASB Statement No. 3 and subject to custodial credit risk.

<u>Concentration of Credit Risk</u>: Concentration of credit risk is the risk of loss attributed to the magnitude of the government's investments in a single issuer. The District's investment policy does not address concentration of credit risk.

Note 8. PENSION BENEFITS

Statement No. 68 of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB), Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions - An Amendment of GASB Statement No. 27 which requires public employers to provide detailed disclosure of pension information in financial statements and accompanying information.

- (a) Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS) administers three separate pension plans as described below:
 - 1. The Traditional Pension Plan-a cost sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan.
 - 2. The Member-Directed Plan-a defined contribution plan in which the member invests both member and employer contributions (employer contributions vest over five years at 20% per year). Under the Member-Directed Plan, members accumulate retirement assets equal to the value of member and (vested) employer contributions plus any investment earnings.
 - 3. The Combined Plan-a cost sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan. Under the Combined Plan, OPERS invests employer contributions to provide a formula retirement benefit similar in nature to, but less than, the Traditional Pension Plan benefit. Member contributions, the investment of which is self-directed by the members, accumulate retirement assets in a manner similar to the Member-Directed Plan.
- (b) OPERS provides retirement, disability, survivor and death benefits and annual cost-of living adjustments to members of the Traditional Pension and Combined Plans. Members of the Member-Directed Plan do not qualify for ancillary benefits.
- (c) Authority to establish and amend benefits is provided in Chapter 145 of the Ohio Revised Code.
- (d) OPERS issues a stand-alone financial report. Interested parties may obtain a copy by visiting https://www.opers.org/investments/cafr.shtml, by writing to OPERS, 277 East Town Street, Columbus, OH 43215-4642, or by calling 614-222-5601 or 800-222-7377.
- (e) The Ohio Revised Code provides statutory authority for member and employer contributions. For 2015, member and employer contribution rates were consistent across all three plans. While members in the state and local divisions may participate in all three plans, law enforcement and public safety officers participate in only the Traditional Pension Plan.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015 (Continued)

Note 8. PENSION BENEFITS (Continued)

- (f) The 2015 member contribution rates were 10.00% of earnable salary for members in state and local classifications. Public safety and law enforcement members contributed 12.00% and 13.00% respectively.
- (g) The 2015 employer contribution rate for state and local employers was 14.00% of earnable salary. The law enforcement and public safety division, employer contribution rate was 18.10% of earnable salary.
- (h) The District contributed \$118,875, \$116,455, and \$114,490 to the plan for 2015, 2014, and 2013, respectively.

Within the Traditional Pension Plan, OPERS classifies employees into four divisions: State, Local, Law Enforcement and Public Safety. The Public Safety and Law Enforcement divisions have different contribution rates, benefit formulas, and retirement eligibility requirements than those of the State and Local members. The member and employer contribution rates are set in statute. Both the member and employer contribution rates for Public Safety and Law Enforcement members are higher than those of the State and Local members to recognize the higher cost of these benefits. Accordingly, for the Traditional Pension Plan both member and employer contributions are used to calculate the proportionate share for employers in OPERS Schedule of Employer Allocations.

Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, Deferred Outflows of Resources, and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions

At December 31, 2015, the District reported a liability of \$818,347 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of December 31, 2014, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The District's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of the District's long-term share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating districts, actuarially determined. At December 31, 2014, the District's proportion was .006785%.

<u>Actuarial Methods and Assumptions</u>: The total OPERS pension liability in the December 31, 2014 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015 (Continued)

Note 8. PENSION BENEFITS (Continued)

Valuation Date	December 31,2014
Experience Study	5-Yr Pd - Ended December 31, 2014
Actuarial Cost Method	Individual entry age
Actuarial Assumptions	-
Investment Rate of Return	8.00%
Wage Inflation	3.75%
Projected Salary Increases	4.25% – 10.05% (includes wage inflation at
	3.75%)
Cost-of-Living Adjustments	3.00% Simple

Mortality rates were based on the RP-2000 mortality table projected 20 years using Projection Scale AA. For males, 105% of the combined healthy male mortality rates were used. For females, 100% of the combined healthy female mortality rates were used. The mortality rates used in evaluating disability allowances were based on the RP-2000 mortality table with no projections. For males, 120% of the disabled female mortality rates were used, set forward two years. For females, 100% of the disabled female mortality rates were used.

The discount rate used to measure the OPERS total pension liability was 8.0% for both the Traditional Pension Plan and the Combined Plan. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members and those of the contributing employers are made at the statutorily required rates. Based on those assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments for both the Traditional Pension Plan and the Combined Plan was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

The allocation of investment assets within the Defined Benefit portfolio is approved by the OPERS Board as outlined in the annual investment plan. Plan assets are managed on a total return basis with a long-term objective of achieving and maintaining a fully funded status for the benefits provided through the defined benefit pension plans. The following table displays the OPERS Board-approved asset allocation policy for 2014 and the long-term expected real rates of return:

Asset Class	Target Allocation For 2014	Weighted Average Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
Fixed Income	23.00%	2.31%
Domestic Equities	19.90	5.84
Real Estate	10.00	4.25
Private Equity	10.00	9.25
International Equities	19.10	7.40
Other Investments	18.00	4.59
TOTAL	100.00%	5.28%

The long term expected rate of return on defined benefit investment assets was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage, adjusted for inflation.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015 (Continued)

Note 8. PENSION BENEFITS (Continued)

<u>Deferred Inflows and Deferred Outflows</u>: As noted in OPERS Schedule of Collective Pension Amounts, the deferred inflows and outflows do not include the layer of amortization that is recognized in current year pension expense and represents the balances of deferred amounts as of December 31, 2014. The table below discloses the original amounts of the deferred inflows and outflows, calculated by OPERS external actuaries, and the current year amortization on those amounts included in pension expense (after applying the District's proportionate share percentage to these amounts) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2014, then. This information is included to assist with tracking the amortization tiers for each year to be recognized in future pension expense:

For the year ended December 31, 2015, the District recognized pension expense of \$130,572. At December 31, 2015, the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

Deferred Inflows/(Outflows)	Total Deferred Inflows/(Outflows) Arising in Current Reporting Period	2014 Amortization Period	First Year of Amortization Recognized in Pension Expense	Balance of Deferred Inflows/(Outflows) in Current Reporting Period
Difference Between Expected and Actual Experience Net Difference Between Projected and Actual Investment Earnings on Pension Plan Investments	\$21,010 (\$21,250)	3.1673 years	\$6,633 (\$10,916)	\$14,377 (\$43,665)

Deferred Inflows and Outflows Arising From the Current Reporting Period As of and for the year ended December 31, 2014

As of December 31, 2015, the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

Deferred Outflows of Resources

Net difference between projected and Actual earnings on pension plan investments	(\$ 43.665)	
District contributions subsequent to the		
Measurement date		
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources		(\$ <u>,43,665)</u>
Deferred Inflows of Resources		
Differences between expected and		
Actual experience		\$ <u>14,377</u>

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015 (Continued)

Note 8. PENSION BENEFITS (Continued)

\$43,665, reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pension resulting from District contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ending December 31, 2016. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pension will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year Ending December 31	Traditional Pension Plan Net Deferred Outflows Of Resources	Traditional Pension Plan Net Deferred Inflows Of Resources
2016	(\$10,916)	6,633
2017	(\$10,916)	1,110
2018	(\$10,916)	-
2019	-	-
Total	(\$32,748)	7,743

Deferred (Outflows)/Inflows by Resources by Year to be recognized in Future Pension Expenses

Additional Financial and Actuarial Information: Additional information supporting the preparation of OPERS Schedules of Collective Pension Amounts and Employer Allocations (including the disclosure of the net pension liability/(asset), required supplementary information on the net pension liability/(asset), and the unmodified audit opinion on the combined financial statements) is located in OPERS 2014 CAFR. This CAFR is available at www.opers.org or by contacting OPERS at: OPERS, 277 East Town Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-4642 or by calling (800) 222-7377.

Note 9. POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

Statement 45 of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB), Accounting and Financial Reporting by Employers for Post-employment Benefits other than Pension, establishes standards for disclosure of information on post-employment benefits other than pension benefits by all state and local government employers.

(a) Plan Description

Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS) administers three separate pension plans: The Traditional Pension Plan-a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan; the Member-Directed Plan-a defined contribution plan; and the Combined Plan-a cost sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan that has elements of both a defined benefit and defined contribution plan.

OPERS maintains a cost-sharing multiple employer defined benefit post-employment health care plan, which includes a medical plan, prescription drug program and Medicare Part B premium reimbursement, to qualifying benefit recipients of both the Traditional Pension and the Combined Plans. Members of the Member-Directed Plan do not qualify for ancillary benefits, including post-employment health care coverage.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015 (Continued)

Note 9. POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (Continued)

In order to qualify for post-employment health care coverage, age-and-service retirees under the Traditional Pension and Combined Plans must have 10 or more years of qualifying Ohio service credit. Health care coverage for disability benefit recipients and qualified survivor benefit recipients is available. The health care coverage provided by OPERS meets the definition of an Other Post Employment Benefit (OPEB) as described in GASB Statement 45. OPERS' eligibility requirements for post-employment health care coverage changed for those retiring on and after January 1, 2015. Please see the Plan Statement in the OPERS 2014 CAFR for details.

The Ohio Revised Code permits, but does not require, OPERS to provide the OPEB benefits to its eligible benefit recipients. Authority to establish and amend health care coverage is provided in Chapter 145 of the Ohio Revised Code.

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(b) Funding Policy

The Ohio Revised Code provides the statutory authority requiring public employers to fund post-retirement health care through their contributions to OPERS. A portion of each employer's contribution to OPERS is set aside for the funding of post-retirement health care coverage.

Employer contribution rates are expressed as a percentage of the earnable salary of active members. In 2015, state and local employers contributed at a rate of 14.00% of earnable salary and public safety and law enforcement employers contributed at 18.10%. These are the maximum employer contribution rates permitted by the Ohio Revised Code. Active member contributions do not fund the OPEB Plan.

OPERS' Post Employment Health Care plan was established under, and is administrated in accordance with, Internal Revenue Code 401(h). Each year, the OPERS Board of Trustees determines the portion of the employer contribution rate that will be set aside for funding of post-employment health care. The portion of employer contributions allocated to health care for members in the Traditional Plan and Combined Plan was 2.00% during the calendar year 2015. Effective January 1, 2015, the portion of employer contributions allocated to health care remains at 2.0% for both plans, as recommended by OPERS' actuary. The OPERS Board of Trustees is also authorized to establish rules for the retiree, or their surviving beneficiaries, to pay a portion of the health care benefits provided. Payment amounts vary depending on the number of covered dependents and the coverage selected.

(c) District Contributions

The district's contributions to OPERS to fund post-employment benefits were \$16,975 \$16,630, and \$8,175 for 2015, 2014, and 2013, respectively.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015 (Continued)

Note 9. POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (Continued)

(d) OPERS Board of Trustees Adopt Changes to the Health Care Plan

Changes to the health care plan were adopted by the OPERS Board of Trustees on September 19, 2012, with a transition plan commencing January 1, 2014. With the recent passage of pension legislation under SB 343 and the approved health care changes, OPERS expects to be able to consistently allocate 4% of the employer contributions toward the health care fund after the end of the transition period.

Note 10. TERMINATION BENEFITS

The District's liabilities for benefits upon termination of employment are not estimable and, therefore, have not been recognized in the financial statements.

Note 11. CAPITAL ASSETS

The balance of capital assets at December 31, 2015 consists of the following:

	<u>.</u>	Balance <u>12/31/2014</u>		<u>dditions</u>	Dispositions			Balance <u>12/31/2015</u>
Land and land improvements	\$	871,073	\$	_	\$	_	\$	871,073
Accumulated depreciation	Ŧ	(40,701)	Ŧ	(3,496)	Ŧ	-	Ŧ	(44,197)
Buildings		614,522 [´]		19,527		-		634,049
Accumulated depreciation		(370,591)		(20,673)		-		(391,264)
Wells and wellfield improve-								
Ments		1,554,805		71,426		-		1,626,231
Accumulated depreciation		(1,326,248)		(36,656)		-		(1,362,904)
Mains, lines and meters		28,614,463		274,438		-		28,888,901
Accumulated depreciation		(17,989,474)		(1,213,794)		-		(19,203,268)
Storage tanks		2,432,455		-		-		2,432,455
Accumulated depreciation		(1,610,107)		(78,567)		-		(1,688,674)
Water treatment and plant equipment		426,293		-		-		426,293
Accumulated depreciation Trucks, tractors and radio		(294,772)		(14,761)		-		(309,533)
equipment		1,117,328		_		_		1,117,328
Accumulated depreciation		(825,517)		(64,089)		_		(889,606)
Office furniture and equipment		113,589		13,501		_		127,090
Accumulated depreciation		(104,737)		(5,486)		_		(110,223)
Construction in progress		65,913		924,503				990,416
Total	\$	13,248,294	\$		\$		\$	13,114,167

Note 12. COMPENSATED ABSENCES

Full-time, permanent employees of the District are granted vacation benefits in varying amounts based on specified maximums depending on tenure with the District. Sick leave accrues to all employees to specified maximums. Upon termination, employees are entitled to one-half of unused sick hours up to 75 days and all accrued vacation leave. Accrued compensated absences, included in accrued expenses, as of December 31, 2015 and 2014 were \$224,107 and \$204,206 respectively.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015 (Continued)

Note 13. ECONOMIC DEPENDENCY

Adams County Regional Water District's customer base consists of villages and individuals in Adams County, Ohio and a small portion of Brown County, Ohio.

Note 14. RISK MANAGEMENT

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts, theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets, errors and omissions, inquiries to employees and natural disasters. Significant risk of losses is covered by commercial insurance.

Note 15. CONTINGENCIES

The District is involved in various open workers' compensation cases. The ultimate resolution of these matters is not ascertainable at this time. No provision has been made in the financial statements related to these claims.

Note 16. ADVERTISING COSTS

The District expenses advertising costs as incurred. Advertising expenses amounted to \$1,244 and \$2,585 in 2015 and 2014 respectively.

Note 17. DEFERRED PRINCIPAL FORGIVENESS REVENUE

Deferred Principal Forgiveness Revenue represents the amount of the OWDA loan for the Bettys creek/Peach Mountain Waterline Extension that is to be forgiven, but was not recorded until February, 2016. The District signed a Certificate of Commitment and Encumbrance on April 13, 2015, which reflects the amount of the loan, net of the principal forgiveness. \$6,931 of this principal forgiveness occurred and was recorded in 2015. \$40,389 is deferred until 2016.

Note 18. CHANGE IN ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLE

Net position as of December 30, 2014, has been restated as follows for the implementation of GASB Statement No. 68, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions, as amended by GASB Statement No. 71, Pension Transition for Contributions Made Subsequent to the Measurement Date.

Net position, as previously reported	Net Position
at December 31, 2014:	\$ 7,568,053
Prior period adjustment implementation of GASB 68: Net pension liability (measurement date as of December 31, 2014)	(799,863)
Net position, as restated at December 31, 2014	\$ 6,768,190

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015 (Continued)

Note 19. SUBSEQUENT EVENT (1)

During 2015, the District began a waterline extension for Betty's Creek/Peach Mountain. The total funding for the project as of December 31, 2015 includes: \$239,820 Ohio Environmental Protection Agency Ioan; \$220,726 Appalachian Regional Commission Grant; \$27,600 Formula Grant; and \$387,000 Community Development Block Grant Funds.

Final disbursement of proceeds from the EPA loan occurred on February 4, 2016. This is also the project completion date. According to the Certificate of Commitment, the District begins repayment of the loan in the amount of \$239,820 on July 1, 2016. Of this amount, \$47,320 of the principal has been forgiven, leaving the loan at \$192,500. There will be 40 payments over 20 years with an interest rate of 1.39% and a final maturity in January 1, 2036.

According to the District Assistant General Manager, some of the expenditures incurred during the Bettys Creek/Peach Mountain Project will be reimbursed in 2016 with additional loan and grant money.

Note 20. SUBSEQUENT EVENT (2)

Because of the new GASB Statement 68 requirements, we have become aware of some reporting methods and additional schedules that we feel gives better clarity to the financial statements. First, we have issued non-comparative financial statements in 2015, as it is permitted in the year of implementation. In 2016, the financial statements will go back to a comparative format, as it has in years past. We have also made changes to Note 8 in order to be in compliance with GASB 68 requirements. And lastly, we have added two additional supplementary schedules to the end of the report, also to be in better compliance and give more clarity to the financial statements.

ADAMS COUNTY REGIONAL WATER DISTRICT REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

Variance with

				Final Budget
		<u> Amounts</u>	Actual	Positive
	Original	<u>Final</u>	<u>Amounts</u>	(Negative)
RECEIPTS/REVENUES				
Sales to rural customers	\$ 3,000,000	\$ 3,000,000	\$3,047,545	\$ 47,545
Sales to public authorities	750,000	750,000	777,304	27,304
Interest income	35,000	35,000	39,526	4,526
Other revenue	137,000	137,000	170,521	33,521
Tap fees collected	78,000	78,000	106,100	28,100
Grant revenue		-	565,887	565,887
Contributions revenue	-	-	4,992	4,992
Principal forgiveness	-	-	6,931	6,931
Proceeds from sale of			,	,
assets	-	-	-	-
Transfer from savings	58,540	298,442		
Total receipts	4,058,540	4,298,442	4,718,806	718,806
DISBURSEMENTS/EXPENDIT	URES			
Salaries	825,000	825,000	829,493	(4,493)
Utilities	305,000	325,000	297,302	27,698
Repairs and inventories	300,000	300,000	240,335	59,665
Truck expense	60,000	60,000	38,593	21,407
Supplies	42,000	42,000	38,736	3,264
Pension expense	144,000	144,000	141,376	2,624
Payroll taxes	29,000	29,000	21,970	7,030
Insurance	317,000	317,000	298,061	18,939
Office supplies & postage	40,000	40,000	32,599	7,401
Legal and engineering	6,000	6,000	2,975	3,025
Accounting	20,000	20,000	18,674	1,326
Trustee fees	34,800	34,800	34,800	-
Other expenses	75,000	75,000	66,083	8,917
Debt service	1,300,000	1,519,902	1,519,902	-
Capital expenditures	560,740	560,740	*1,039,269	(478,529)
Total disbursements	4,058,540	4,298,442	4,620,168	(321,726)
Excess receipts over				
Disbursements	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$ 98,638</u>	

*Bettys Creek/Peach Mountain project figures were not originally included in the 2015 budget, but are reflected in the final Budget comparison

See accountants' compilation report and the notes to the financial statements

ADAMS COUNTY REGIONAL WATER DISTRICT REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF DISTRICT'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF NET PENSION LIABILITY OHIO PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM LAST TWO YEARS

	2014	2013
District's Proportion of the Net Pension Liability	0.006785%	0.006785%
District's Proportionate Share of the Net		
Pension Liability	\$ 818,347	\$ 799,863
District's Covered-Employee Payroll	\$ 831,824	\$ 817,787
District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability as a Percentage		
of its Covered-Employee Payroll	98.38%	97.81%
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension		
Liability	86.45%	86.36%

Notes to Schedule

- (1) Amounts presented as of the District's measurement date which is the prior fiscal year end.
- (2) Information prior to 2013 is not available.

Wage inflation	Remaining amoruzation period Asset valuation method	Amortization method	Actuarial cost method	Methods and assumptions used to determine contribution rates:	Valuation date: The actuarial information presented is based on the System's most current actuarial valuation data as of December 31, 2014.	Notes to Schedule	Contributions as a percentage of Covered-employee payroll	Covered-employee payroll	Contribution deficiency (excess)	Contributions in relation to the Contractually required contributions	Contractually required contributions	
and assumed than 12%. ⁵ 3.75%	21 For actuarial p	Level percenta	Individual Entry Age	e contribution rat	d on the System's		14.00%	\$ 849,109	دی ۱	118,875	\$ 118,875	2015
and assumed investment returns are phased in over a closed four-year period. The funding value than 12%. 3.75%	21 For actuarial purposes, the Funding Value of Defined Benefit Assets recognizes assumed investment returns fully each year. Differences between ac	Level percentage of payroll contributions	y Age	les:	s most current a		14.00%	\$ 831,824	\$ '	116,455	\$ 116,455	2014
ns are phased	inding Value of	ontributions			ctuarial valuatio	,	14.00%	\$ 817,787	ب	114,490	\$ 114,490	2013
in over a close	Defined Benef				n data as of De		14.00%	\$ 863,442	ب	120,882	\$ 120,882	2012
d four-year per	īt Assets recog				ecember 31, 20		14.00%	\$ 858,357	ب	120,170	\$ 120,170 \$ 115,728	2011
iod. The fundir	jnizes assume				014.		14.00%	\$ 826,631	ب	115,728	\$ 115,728	2010
	d investment re						14.00%	\$ 793,405	ک ۱	111,077	\$ 111,077	2009
permitted to de	turns fully each						14.00%	\$ 784,884 \$ 769,838	ک ۱	109,921	\$ 109,921 \$ 106,623	2008
is not permitted to deviate from market value by mo	year. Differen						13.85%	\$ 769,838	دی ۱	106,623	\$ 106,623	2007
ket value	ces betv						-	\$ 730,783	÷	10	\$ 100,117	2006
e by moi	veen ac						13.70%	30,783	,	100,117)0,117	06

ADAMS COUNTY REGIONAL WATER DISTRICT REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF WATER DISTRICT CONTRIBUTIONS OHIO PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM LAST TEN YEARS

Remaining amortization period ⁵ 21	For actuarial humoses, the Funding Value of Defined Renefit Assets recognizes assumed in

4.25-10.05%, average, including inflation **3**.0%

Projected salary increases

Mortality

Retirement age Investment rate of return Price inflation

The tables used in evaluation age-and-service and survivor benefit allowances to be paid were based on the RP-2000 mortality table projected 20 ye: using Projection Scale AA. varying provisions of the law applicable to each group. These groups are broken down in the tables listed on pages 149-156 of the OPERS 2014 CA 8.0%, net of administrative expenses, including inflation Senate Bill 343 was enacted into law with an effective date of January 7, 2013. In the legislation, members were categorized into three groups with This page intentionally left blank.



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS REQUIRED BY GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Adams County Regional Water District Adams County 9203 State Route 136 West Union, Ohio 45693

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States and the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*, the financial statements of the Adams County Regional Water District, Adams County, (the District) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2015, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated May 26, 2016, wherein we noted the District adopted Governmental Accounting Standard No. 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions – an amendment of GASB Statement No. 27 and Statement No. 71, Pension Transition for Contributions Made Subsequent to the Measurement Date.*

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

As part of our financial statement audit, we considered the District's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures appropriate in the circumstances to the extent necessary to support our opinion on the financial statements, but not to the extent necessary to opine on the effectiveness of the District's internal control. Accordingly, we have not opined on it.

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, when performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and timely correct misstatements. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or combination of internal control deficiencies resulting in a reasonable possibility that internal control will not prevent or detect and timely correct a material misstatement of the District's financial statements. 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 internal control deficiencies that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider material weaknesses. However, unidentified material weaknesses may exist.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of reasonably assuring whether the District's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we tested its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could directly and materially affect the determination of financial statement amounts. However, opining on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and accordingly, we do not express an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters we must report under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Adams County Regional Water District Adams County Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Required by *Government Auditing Standards* Page 2

Purpose of this Report

This report only describes the scope of our internal control and compliance testing and our testing results, and does not opine on the effectiveness of the District's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed under *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the District's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

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Dave Yost Auditor of State

Columbus, Ohio

May 26, 2016



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ADAMS COUNTY REGIONAL WATER DISTRICT

ADAMS COUNTY

CLERK'S CERTIFICATION

This is a true and correct copy of the report which is required to be filed in the Office of the Auditor of State pursuant to Section 117.26, Revised Code, and which is filed in Columbus, Ohio.

Susan Babbett

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

CERTIFIED JUNE 9, 2016

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