MARION COUNTY
GEORGIA
FINANCIAL REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015
AND
INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

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MARION COUNTY OFFICIALS

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CHAIRMAN

LARRY OGAN
VICE-CHAIRMAN

NORMAN ROYAL
COMMISSIONER

STEVE YOUNG
COMMISSIONER

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COMMISSIONER

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June 27, 2016

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Marion County Board of Commissioners
Marion County, Georgia
Buena Vista, Georgia

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying basic financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the aggregate discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Marion County, Georgia, as of and for the year then ended December 31, 2015, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Marion County's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. We did not audit the financial statements of the Marion County Department of Public Health. Those financial statements were audited by other auditors whose report thereon has been furnished to us, and our opinion, insofar as it is related to the amounts included for the Marion County, Georgia, is based solely on the report of their auditors.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for 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 opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United

States of America, and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards,* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Opinions

In our opinion, based on our audit and the report of the other auditors, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the aggregate discretely presented component units, each major fund , and the aggregate remaining fund information of Marion County, Georgia as of December 31, 2015, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued a report dated June 27, 2016 on our consideration of the Marion County, Georgia internal control over financial reporting and on tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal controls over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal controls over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, and should be read in conjunction with the auditor's report on financial statements.

Management has omitted management's discussion and analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require to be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such missing 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. Our opinion on the basic financial statements is not affected by this missing information.

Other Information

Our audit was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Marion County, Georgia, financial statements. The combining and individual other fund financial statements are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements, and the supplemental information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, in our opinion, are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

HERBERT E. ALLEN, CPA

MARION COUNTY, GEORGIA
GOVERNMENT-WIDE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
December 31, 2015

	Component Units		
	Health Department	Hospital Authority	Total
ASSETS			
Cash	$ 108,742	$ 815,136	$ 923,878
Restricted Cash		5,025	5,025
Receivable (Net Where Applicable of Allowance for Uncollectibles):	16,944	113,588	130,532
Taxes, Interest and Penalties		-	-
Capital Assets:			
Land		7,655	7,655
Infrastructure		-	-
Buildings		1,329,121	1,329,121
Vehicles		-	-
Heavy Equipment		360,723	360,723
Plant		-	-
Accumulated Depreciation		(1,481,064)	(1,481,064)
TOTAL ASSETS	$ 125,686	$ 1,150,184	$ 1,275,870
LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION			
Accounts Payable	$ 9,166	$ -	$ 9,166
Customer Deposits	-	-	-
Revenue Bond Payable	-	-	-
Note Payable	9,166	-	9,166
Total Current Liabilities	$ 18,332	$ -	$ 18,332
Long Term Liabilities			
Revenue Bond Payable		$ -	$ -
Note Payable	15,863	-	15,863
Total Long Term Liabilities	$ 15,863	$ -	$ 15,863
TOTAL LIABILITIES	$ 34,195	$ -	$ 34,195
NET POSITION			
Net Investments in Capital Assets	$ -	$ 216,435	$ 216,435
Restricted - Prior Year Program Income	29,036	928,724	957,760
Unassigned	87,484	5,025	92,509
TOTAL NET POSITION	$ 116,520	$ 1,150,184	$ 1,266,704

The accompanying notes to financial statements are an integral part of these statements.

MARION COUNTY, GEORGIA
GOVERNMENT-WIDE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

	Expenses	Program Revenues Charges for Services	Capital Grant	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Total
General Government	$ 982,699	$ 27,317		$ (955,382)	$ 0	$ (955,382)
Judicial	296,095	-		(296,095)	-	(296,095)
Public Safety	1,305,583	338,953		(966,630)	-	(966,630)
Ambulance				-		-
Sheriff				-		-
Fines		119,184		119,184		119,184
Superior Court				-		-
Health and Welfare	413,602	375,345		(38,257)	-	(38,257)
Public Works	482,293			(482,293)	-	(482,293)
Cultural and Recreation	79,755	-		(79,755)		(79,755)
Intergovernmental	137,516	-		(137,516)	-	(137,516)
Total Government Activities	$ 3,697,543	$ 860,799	$ -	$ (2,836,744)	$ 0	$ (2,836,744)
Business-type Activities						
Water	$ 1,028,155	$ 767,489			$ (260,666)	(260,666)
Total Government	$ 4,725,698	$ 1,628,288	$ -	$ (2,836,744)	$ (260,666)	$ (3,097,410)
Component Units						
Hospital Authority of Marion County						
Health Department						
General Revenues:						
Taxes:						
Property Tax				$ 1,862,458	$ -	$ 1,862,458
Splost Taxes				411,917	-	411,917
T Splost				526,013	-	526,013
LMIG				287,774		287,774
Local Option Taxes				213,864	-	213,864
Alcohol Beverage Taxes				39,101	-	39,101
Insurance Premium Taxes				343,190	-	343,190
Interest Earned				40,873	-	40,873
Intergovernmental					-	-
Miscellaneous & Other				180,564	-	180,564
Total General Revenues				$ 3,905,754	$ -	$ 3,905,754
Transfers				-	-	-
Change in Net Position				1,069,010	$ (260,666)	808,344
Net Position at Beginning of Year as Adjusted				5,436,853	5,424,342	10,861,195
Prior Period Adjustment-LMIG		**		51,558		51,558
Net Position at End Of Year				$ 6,557,421	$ 5,163,676.00	$ 11,721,097

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MARION COUNTY, GEORGIA
GOVERNMENT-WIDE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
December 31, 2015

	Component Units		
	Health Deparment	Hospital Authority	Total
General Government	$ -	$ -	$ -
Judicial	-	-	-
Public Safety			
Ambulance	-	-	-
Sheriff	-	-	-
Fines	-	-	-
Superior Court	-	-	-
Health and Welfare	187,307.00	734,360	921,667
Public Works	-	-	-
Cultural and Recreation	-	-	-
Total Government Activities	-	-	-
	$ 187,307	$ 734,360	$ 921,667
Business-type Activities			
Water			
Total Government			
General Revenues:			
Taxes:			
Property Tax	$ -	$ -	$ -
Splost Taxes	-	-	-
Local Option Taxes	-	-	-
Alcohol Beverage Taxes	-	-	-
Insurance Premium Taxes	-	-	-
Interest Earned	-	-	-
Miscellaneous & Other	223,732	703,466	-
Total General Revenues	$ 223,732	$ 703,466	$ -
Transfers	-	-	-
Change in Net Position	$ 36,425	$ (30,894)	$ 5,531
Net Position at beginning of Year as Adjusted	80,095	1,181,078	1,261,173
Net Position at End of Year	$ 116,520	$ 1,150,184	$ 1,266,704

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MARION COUNTY, GEORGIA
BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
December 31, 2015

	General Fund	Special 1% Sales Tax For Road, Water & Emergency Medical	T SPLOST	Sheriff Other Governmental Funds	LMIG	Total Government Funds
ASSETS AND OTHER DEBIT ASSETS						
Cash	$ 2,705,972	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ 2,705,972
Restricted Cash	1,000	473,539	1,267,295	44,753		1,786,587
Receivable(Net Where Applicable		-		-	-	-
of Allowance for Uncollectibles):	66,922					66,922
Taxes, including Interest & Penalt	325,152					325,152
Interfund Receivable	103,244	-		-		103,244
TOTAL ASSETS	$ 3,202,290	$ 473,539	$ 1,267,295	$ 44,753	$ -	$ 4,987,877
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES						
LIABILITIES						
Accounts Payable	$ 5,830	$ -		$ -		$ 5,830
Accrued Expenses	134,268	-		-		134,268
Deferred Revenue	133,786					133,786
TOTAL LIABILITIES	$ 273,884	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ 273,884
FUND BALANCE						
Road & Bridge Maintenance	$ 2,928,406	$ 473,539	$ 1,267,295	$ -	$ -	$ 4,669,240
- Unrestricted		-	-	-		-
- Restricted-Drug Education	-	-	-	14,391	-	14,391
- Restricted-County Jail Construction		-	-	30,362	-	30,362
TOTAL FUND BALANCE	$ 2,928,406	$ 473,539	$ 1,267,295	$ 44,753	$ -	$ 4,713,993
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	$ 3,202,290	$ 473,539	$ 1,267,295	$ 44,753	$ -	$ 4,987,877

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MARION COUNTY, GEORGIA
RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENT FUNDS BALANCE SHEET TO THE GOVERNMENT WIDE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
For Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2015

Total fund balances - total governmental funds	$ 4,713,993
Amounts reported for Governmental Activities in the Statement of Net Assets are different because:	
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not current in the Governmental Funds Balance Sheet	1,871,226
Accrued Pension Cost	5,382
Deferred revenues for Garbage Fees & Taxes	133,786
Accrued Pension Liability	(166,966)
Net Position of Governmental Activities	$ 6,557,421

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MARION COUNTY, GEORGIA
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

	General Fund	Special 1% Sales Tax For Road, Water & Iergency Medi 4/1/2015	T SPLOST	Sheriff Other Governmental Funds	LMIG	Total Government Funds
REVENUES						
Taxes & Special Assessments	$ 2,458,614	$ 411,917	$ 526,013	$ 11,101	$ 287,773	$ 3,695,418
License and Permits	27,317					27,317
Intergovernmental						-
Charges for Service	375,345					375,345
Fines and Forfeitures	119,184					119,184
Public Safety (Sheriff / Fire)	338,953					338,953
Interest Earned	40,873					40,873
Miscellaneous and Other	169,463					169,463
TOTAL REVENUES	$ 3,529,749	$ 411,917	$ 526,013	$ 11,101	$ 287,773	$ 4,766,553
EXPENDITURES						
Current:						
General Government	$ 978,997	$ 12				$ 979,009
Judicial	295,608			487		296,095
Public Safety	1,290,528					1,290,528
Health and Welfare	382,966					382,966
Public Works	280,550	168,969				449,519
Cultural and Recreation	78,712					78,712
Intergovernmental:						-
City of Buena Vista		137,516				137,516
Capital Outlay:						-
Capital Outlay	82,538		66,807		287,773	437,118
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	$ 3,389,899	$ 306,497	$ 66,807	$ 487	$ 287,773	$ 4,051,463
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXP.	$ 139,850	$ 105,420	$ 459,206	$ 10,614	$ -	$ 715,090
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES						
Transfers- Water Department	-	(38,729)		-	-	(38,729)
EXCESS OF EXPENDITURES OVER REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES	139,850	66,691	459,206	10,614	0	676,361
FUND BALANCE-1/31/15	2,383,903	406,848	808,089	34,139	285,678	3,918,657
PRIOR PERIOD ADJUSTMENT	404,654	-		-	(285,678)	118,976
FUND BALANCE-12/31/15	$ 2,928,407	$ 473,539	$ 1,267,295	$ 44,753	$ -	$ 4,713,994

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MARION COUNTY, GEORGIA
Reconciliation of the Government Funds
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund
Balances to the Government-Wide Statement of Activities and
Changes in Net Position
For Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2015

Net change in fund balances - total government funds	$ 676,361
Governmental Funds report capital outlas as expenditures. However, in the Government-Wide Statement of Activities and Changes in Net Assets, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. This is the amoun	437,118
Miscellaneous Adjustments to reconcile Depreciation expense on capital assets is reported in the Government-Wide Statement of Activities and Changes in Net Assets,but they do not require the use of current financial resources. Therefore, depreciation expense on capital is not reported as deferred revenue	(83,198)
Transfer - Water Department	38,729
Changes in Net Position of Goevernmental Activities	$1,069,010

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MARION COUNTY, GEORGIA
GENERAL FUND TYPE
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
BUDGET (GAAP BASIS) AND ACTUAL GENERAL FUND TYPE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

	BUDGET			Variance Favorable
	Original	Final	Actual	Unfavorable
REVENUES				
Taxes	$ 2,806,738	$ 2,806,738	$ 2,458,614	$ (348,124)
License and Permits	38,100	38,100	27,317	(10,783)
Intergovernmental	-	-	0	0
Charges for Service	280,000	280,000	375,345	95,345
Fines and Forfeitures	140,500	140,500	119,184	(21,316)
Public Safety	373,000	373,000	338,953	(34,047)
Interest Earned	1,500	1,500	40,873	39,373
Grants	-	-	24,490	24,490
Miscellaneous and Other	368,935	368,935	144,973	(223,962)
TOTAL REVENUES	$ 4,008,773	$ 4,008,773	$ 3,529,749	$ (479,024)
EXPENDITURES				
General Government	$ 1,100,606	$ 1,100,606	$ 978,997	$ 121,609
Judicial	333,936	333,936	295,608	38,328
Public Safety	1,338,990	1,338,990	1,290,528	48,462
Health & Welfare	361,850	361,850	382,966	(21,116)
Public Works	398,154	398,154	280,550	117,604
Cultural and Recreation	120,737	120,737	78,712	42,025
Capital Outlay	354,500	354,500	82,538	271,962
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	$ 4,008,773	$ 4,008,773	$ 3,389,899	$ 618,874
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES		$ -	$ 139,850	$ 139,850
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)		0	0	0
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES OVER EXPENDITURES		$0	$ 139,850	$ 139,850
FUND BALANCE BEGINNING			2,383,903	
***PRIOR PERIOD ADJUSTMENT-LMIG**			404,654	
FUND BALANCE ENDING			$ 2,928,407	

*JOURNAL ENTRIES WERE MADE TO SET UP A SEPARATE LMIG FUND (DID NOT HAPPEN) REVERSE FROM PRIOR YEAR.

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MARION COUNTY, GEORGIA
STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
FIDUCIARY FUNDS
December 31, 2015

ASSETS	
Cash	$ 123,897
Total Assets	$ 123,897
LIABILITIES	
Fund Equity	
Accounts Payable	$ 123,897
Total Liabilities and Fund Equity	$ 123,897

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MARION COUNTY, GEORGIA
STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS
PROPRIETARY FUNDS
December 31, 2015

ASSETS	Water Fund 2015	Water Fund 2014
Current Assets:		
Cash on Hand & In Banks	$ 4,632	$ 5,360
Restricted Cash	176,432	174,880
Accounts Receivable (Net of Allowances)	56,458	52,525
Total Current Assets	$ 237,522	$ 232,765
Noncurrent Assets:		
Capital Assets:		
Fixed Assets (Net of Accumulated Depreciation where Applicable)	$ 9,765,862	$ 9,747,878
Total Noncurrent Assets	$ 9,765,862	$ 9,747,878
TOTAL ASSETS	$ 10,003,384	$ 9,980,643
LIABILITIES		
Current Liabilities:		
Accounts Payable	$ 29,761	$ 61,504
Payable General Fund	103,244	
Employee Ins Payable	4,103	
Customer Deposits	2,544	2,544
Revenue Bonds Payable - Current	84,552	69,085
Note Payable - Ameris Bank Current	268,546	52,913
Total Current Liabilities	$ 492,750	$ 186,046
Noncurrent Liabilities:		
Revenue Bonds Payable	$ 4,009,772	$ 3,351,339
Notes Payable Ameris Bank	-	1,018,916
Notes Payable- GEFA	337,186	
Total Noncurrent Liabilities	$ 4,346,958	$ 4,370,255
TOTAL LIABILITIES	$ 4,839,708	$ 4,556,301
Net Position		
Net Investment in Capital Assets	$ 5,065,806	$ 5,255,625
Restricted for Bond Debt Service	176,432	174,880
Unassigned	(78,562)	(6,163)
Total Net Position	$ 5,163,676	$ 5,424,342

The accompanying notes to financial statements are an integral part of these statements

MARION COUNTY, GEORGIA
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS
ALL PROPRIETARY FUND TYPES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

	Water Revenue Fund 2015	Water Revenue Fund 2014
OPERATING REVENUE		
Sales and Charges	$ 767,489	$ 764,298
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE	$ 767,489	$ 764,298
OPERATING EXPENSES		
Salaries and Benefits	$ 163,318	$ 162,812
Supplies	113,322	140,665
Repairs and Maintenance	18,037	53,446
Depreciation	319,202	317,899
Office Administrative	33,053	24,000
Utilities & Telephone	120,549	106,511
Insurance	38,537	6,356
Vehicle Expense	20,169	16,767
Contract Labor	19,176	-
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	$ 845,363	$ 828,456
OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)	$ (77,874)	$ (64,158)
NON-OPERATING REVENUE (EXPENSES)		
Interest	(182,792)	(180,584)
SPLOST	-	-
	-	-
TOTAL NON-OPERATING REVENUE (EXPENSE)	$ (182,792)	$ (180,584)
NET INCOME (LOSS) BEFORE TRANSFERS	(260,666)	(244,742)
CHANGE IN NET POSITION	$ (260,666)	$ (244,742)
NET POSITION AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	$ 5,424,342	$ 5,669,084
NET POSITION AT END OF YEAR	5,163,676	5,424,342

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MARION COUNTY, GEORGIA
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
PROPRIETARY FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 30, 2015

	Water Fund 2015	2014
Cash Flow From Operating Activity		
Cash Received from Customers	$ 760,365	$ 771,109
Cash Payment to Suppliers for Materials & Supplies	(113,322)	(246,309)
Cash Payments to Employees for Services	(163,318)	(162,812)
Maintenance, Operating & Contract Services	(170,727)	(53,440)
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities	$ 312,998	$ 308,548
Cash Flows from Non-Capital Financing Activities		
Operating Grants Received (CDBG)	$ -	$ -
Special Option Sales Tax	-	-
Net Cash Provided by Non-Capital	$ -	$ -
Cash Flows From Capital & Related Financing Activities		
Additions to Plant, Net	$ (258,766)	$ -
Principal Paid on Bonds, Notes	(207,803)	(120,160)
Interest Paid on Bonds, Notes	(182,792)	(180,584)
Loan Proceeds	337,186	-
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Capital & Related Financing Activities	$ (312,175)	$ (300,744)
Cash Flows from Investing Activities:		
Investment Income	$ -	$ -
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Investing Activities	$ -	$ -
	$ 823	$ 7,804
Net Increase (Decrease in Cash & Cash Equivalents)		
Cash & Cash Equivalents at December 31, 2014	$ 180,240	$ 172,436
Cash & Cash Equivalents at December 31, 2015	$ 181,063	$ 180,240

For purposes of the statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents include any cash or investments with an original maturity of three months or less.
investments with an original maturity of three months or less.

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MARION COUNTY, GEORGIA
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOW
PROPRIETARY FUNDS
December 31, 2015

	Water Fund 2015	2014
Reconciliation of Operating Income to Net Cash Provided (Used) for operating Activities:	$ (77,874)	$ (64,158)
Operating Income (Loss)		
Adjustments to Reconcile Operating Income (Loss) Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities:		
Depreciation	$ 319,202	$ 317,899
Changes in Assets and Liabilities	(3,933)	
Decrease in Accounts Receivable	75,603	6,811
(Increase) Decrease in other Assets	-	-
Increase (Decrease) in Accounts Payable & Accrued Expenses	-	47,996
Total Adjustments	$ 390,872	$ 372,706
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities	$ 312,998	$ 308,548

For purposes of the statement of cash flows, cash and cash investments with an original maturity of three months or less.

The accompanying notes to financial statements are an integral part of these statements

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

A. Reporting Entity

Marion County, Georgia (hereinafter the County) a political subdivision of the state of Georgia, is governed by a five-member elected board of commissioners.

The accompanying financial statements report on the financial activity for Marion County, Georgia for the year ended December 31, 2015. The financial statements have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applied to governmental units.

The reporting entity consists of (a) the primary government, (b) organizations for which the primary government is financially accountable and (c) other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the primary government are such that exclusion would cause the reporting of Marion County's financial statements to be misleading and incomplete.

For financial reporting purposes, in accordance with the criteria set forth in GASB 14, the County includes all funds over which the County exercises financial accountability. The Criteria used to determine financial accountability is evidenced by the following:

1. Ability to impose will on an organization by being able to significantly influence the programs, projects or activities of, or the level of services performed or provided by, the organization.

2. Financial benefit to or burden on primary government including responsibility for financing debts, entitlements to surpluses and guarantees or moral responsibility for debt.

3. Fiscal dependency for matters including authority over funds and budgetary appropriations.

4. Ability of primary government to appoint a voting majority of an organization's governing body.

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) has issued Statement No. 34. This Statement establishes new financial reporting requirements for state and local governments throughout the United States. Its implementation creates new information and restructures much of the information that governments have presented in the past.

The GASB's intent is to make annual reports more comprehensive and easier to understand.

GASB 34 takes effect for entities the size of Marion County, Georgia during the fiscal year ending December 31, 2004. Some of the more significant changes in GASB Statement 34 incurred:

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

A. Reporting Entity (Continued)

1. The presentation of a government-wide statement of net assets that includes infrastructure (roads, bridges, etc.) and all debt.

2. The presentation of current and accumulated depreciation by activity.

3. The presentation of a government-wide statement of activities using full accrual accounting.

4. The presentation of the original adopted budget as well as the final amended budget in the budgetary comparison statements.

Legally separate entities, over which the County exercises financial accountability, whose operations are, in substance, part of the County's operations are blended or combined with data from the County.

Entities, over which the County exercises financial accountability, whose operations are distinct from those of the County are discretely presented in a separate column in the government-wide financial statements.

Included for financial reporting purposes using these criteria are:

COMPONENT UNITS
In evaluating how to define the County for financial reporting purposes, management has considered all potential component units. The criteria set forth in GAAP and GASB number 14 are used to determine any potential component units. The basic, but not the only, criteria for including a potential component unit within the reporting entity is the governing body's ability to exercise financial accountability is the appointment of a voting majority of the component unit's board (simple accountability). Other criteria used to evaluate potential component units for including or exclusion from the reporting entity is ability to impose its will, the existence of financial benefit or burden, the fiscal dependency and designation of management.

In accordance with the above criteria the County has determined that the Marion County Board of Health and the Marion County Hospital Authority should be included as a discretely presented component unit. It is presented in a separate column to emphasize that it is legally separate from the County and has a fiscal year end of June 30, 2014. Separately audited basic financial statements may be obtained from the County Commissioners office or the Health Department and the Marion County Hospital Authority.

Excluded from financial reporting using this criteria are:

1. River Valley Regional Commission

2. There are various other related organizations for which the County appoints board members but has no further accountability.

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

B. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

Measurement focus is a term used to describe "which" transactions are recorded within the various financial statements. Basis of accounting refers to "when" transactions are recorded regardless of the measurement focus applied.

On the government-wide statement of net assets and statement of activities, both governmental and business-type activities are presented using the economic resources measurement focus. However, in the fund financial statements, the measurement focus differs by fund types as follows:

All governmental funds are accounted for using a current financial resource measurement focus. Within this measurement focus, only current assets and liabilities generally are included on the balance sheet. Operating statements of these funds present sources/increases (i.e., revenues and other financing sources) and uses/decreases (i.e., expenditures and other financing uses) of available spendable financial resources during a given period. These funds used fund balances as their measurement of available spendable financial resources at the end of the period.

Agency funds are not involved in the measurement of results of operations; therefore no measurement focus is applied to agency funds.

In the government-wide statement of net assets and statement of activities, both governmental and business-type activities are presented using the accrual basis of accounting. Under the accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized as soon as they are earned, and expenses are recognized when the liability is incurred or the economic asset used. Revenues, expenses, gains, losses, assets and liabilities resulting from exchange and exchange-like transactions are recognized when the exchange occurs.

In the fund financial statements, governmental funds are presented on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized in the accounting period when they become "measurable and available." Measurable means knowing or being able to reasonably estimate the amount. Available means collectible within the current period or within 60 days after year-end and available to pay obligations of the current period. Expenditures, including capital outlay, are recognized in the accounting period in which the related fund liability is incurred.

Property taxes, sales taxes, franchise taxes, licenses, and interest associated with the current fiscal period are all considered to be susceptible to accrual and so have been recognized as revenues of the current fiscal period. Only the portion of special assessments receivable due within the current fiscal period is considered to be susceptible to accrual as revenue of the current period. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the government.

All proprietary and fiduciary funds are accounted for on the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recognized when incurred.

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

B. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting (Continued)

Differences exist between the governmental activities columns reported in the government-wide statements and the corresponding total columns reported in the fund financial statement. The differences are the result of the use of the two different measurement focuses between these statements. As stated above, the government-wide statements present governmental activities on the economic resources measurement focus while the fund financial statements present governmental funds on the current financial resources measurement focus. Additional detailed information about the reconciling items can be found on pages 6 and 8.

C. Basis of Presentation

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net assets and statement of activities) display information about the reporting government as a whole. They include all funds of the reporting entity except for fiduciary funds. These statements distinguish between governmental and business-type activities. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, intergovernmental revenues and other non exchange revenues. Business-type activities are financed in whole or in part by fees charged to external parties for goods or services.

The fund financial statements reflect the activities of the County's individual funds. Funds are organized into three categories: governmental, special revenue and fiduciary. An emphasis is placed on major funds within the governmental and proprietary categories. A fund is considered major if it is the primary operating fund of the County (i.e., the general fund) or meets the following criteria:

a. Total assets, liabilities, revenues or expenditures/expenses of that individual governmental or enterprise fund are at least 10 percent of the corresponding total for all funds of that category or type; and

b. Total assets, liabilities, revenues or expenditures/expenses of the individual governmental fund or enterprise fund are at least 5 percent of the corresponding total for all governmental and enterprise funds combined.

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The County has elected to apply Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) pronouncements and Accounting Principles Board (APB) opinions issued on or before November 30, 1989 in the government-wide financial statements unless those pronouncements conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements, in which case GASB prevails.

As a general rule, the effects of internal activity have been eliminated from the government-wide statements. Exceptions to this general rule are administrative charges between the County's general fund and special revenue funds. Elimination of these charges would distort the direct costs and program revenues for the various functions concerned.

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

C. Basis of Presentation (Continued)

Program revenues are derived directly from a particular program or from parties outside the County's taxpayers or citizenry. Amounts reported as program revenues include 1) charges to customers or applicants for goods, services or privileges provided, 2) operating grants and contributions and 3) capital grants and contributions. All taxes are included in general revenues.

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from non operating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. Operating expenses include costs of sales and services, administrative expenses and depreciation on capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non operating revenues and expenses and typically include interest revenue and expense.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the County's policy to use restricted first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

Columnar Headings and Description of Funds

The County uses funds to report financial position and the results of operations. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid financial management by segregating transactions related to certain government functions or activities.

The County reports the following major governmental funds:

General Fund- The general fund is the County's primary operating fund and is always classified as a major fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the general governmental, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

Special Sales Tax 2015- On June 25, 2014 voters in Marion County approved an additional special 1% sales tax provision for a special sales tax to be imposed for the purpose of being used for roads, streets and bridges, water and sewer projects and emergency medical services. It is to be imposed for six years. The total is not to exceed $8,000,000. The tax was imposed in April 2015. During 2015, $411,917 was collected; $137,516 was transferred to the City of Buena Vista.

Transportation Investment Act (TIA) -

Special Local Option Sales Tax Fund – to account for revenues derived from specific taxes, grants and other sources which are designated to finance particular activities of the County. The Capital Project funds consist of the Special Use Local Option Tax Fund.

LMIG – to account for revenues derived from specific taxes, grants and other sources which are designated to finance particular activities of the County. The Capital Project funds consist of the LMIG Fund.

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

C. Basis of Presentation (Continued)

The County reports non-major governmental funds:

Other Governmental Funds- Proceeds received from additional fines for certain activities regarding marijuana, controlled substances, and non-controlled substances are restricted for expenditures for drug treatment and education. During 2014, $3,131 was collected and deposited in an interest-bearing account from such fines. These funds are being expended as required by law.

The County reports the following major proprietary fund:

The *Public System Fund* accounts for the water and sewage services provided by the County. Private-sector standards of accounting and financial reporting issued prior to December 1, 1989, generally are followed in both the government-wide and proprietary fund financial statements to the extent that those standards do not conflict with or contradict guidance of the Government Accounting Standards Board. Governments also have the *option* of following subsequent private-sector guidance for their business-type activities and enterprise funds, subject to this same limitation. The County has elected not to follow subsequent private-sector guidance.

Amounts reported as *program revenues* include 1) charges to customers or applicants for goods, services or privileges provided, and 2) operating grants and contributions, including special assessments. Internally dedicated resources are reported as *general revenues* rather than as program revenues. Likewise, general revenues include all taxes.

The proprietary fund distinguishes *operating* revenues and expenses from *non-operating* items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues of the enterprise fund are charges to customers for sales and services. Operating expenses for the enterprises fund includes the cost of sales and services, administrative expenses, and depreciation on capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are report as non-operating revenues and expenses.

Additional funds were received from a 10% penalty imposed under the Jail Construction and Staffing Act which authorizes counties to impose a penalty for all fines and forfeited bail or bond for any offense against a state criminal or traffic law. These funds are required to be placed in a jail fund for use in staffing and jail repair as required. During 2014, $8,091 was collected from these funds and placed in an interest bearing account. These funds could be accounted for in the general fund, but the County has elected to account for these funds separately to assure that they are properly expended.

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

C. Basis of Presentation (Continued)

Proprietary Fund Type- Proprietary funds are accounted for using the economic resources measurement focus; the accounting objectives are determination of net income, financial position, and cash flows. All assets and liabilities associated with a proprietary fund's activities are included on its balance sheets. Proprietary fund equity is segregated into contributed capital and retained earnings.

Additionally, the County reports the following fund types:

Fiduciary Funds - Account for assets held, as an agent, for individuals, private organizations, other governments and other funds.

D. Budget and Law Practice

The County Clerk submits an annual budget to the Commissioners prior to the beginning of each fiscal year. The Commissioners adopt annual fiscal year appropriated budgets for County operating funds. These include the General and Special Revenue Funds. Once approved, the Commissioners may amend the legally adopted budget when unexpected modifications are required in estimated revenues and appropriations.

The level of budgetary control is the department level.

The budgets for the operating funds are prepared on the modified accrual basis.

Revenues are budgeted in the year receipt is expected; and expenditures, which include accounts payable are budgeted in the year that the applicable purchase orders are expected to be issued. The budget and actual financial statements are reported on this basis.

Budgetary Control

Each fund's appropriated budget is prepared on a detailed line item basis. Revenues and expenditures are budgeted by source. All budget revisions are subject to final review by the Commissioners.

The budget is not incorporated into the accounting system; however, it is used and compared to actual receipts and disbursements to insure fiscal responsibility.

There were no areas where expenditures were in excess of appropriated budgeted amounts. There are various reasons for this, all of which the County is aware of. The general fund expenditures were below budgeted amounts by $228445. See Financial Statements (page 9).

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

D. Budget and Law Practice (Continued)

The nature of these funds lends itself to budget variances. The excess expenditures were funded with prior year's cash.

County Commissioners are aware and have approved the variances; however, the budget was not formally amended.

E. Encumbrances

Encumbrance accounting is not used by Marion County. As December 31, 2015 there were no material encumbrance type items outstanding.

F. Inventory

Expendable supplies are recorded as expenditures at the time items are purchased. The County does not record inventories of supplies on the books due to immateriality.

G. Accounts Receivable

These are amounts paid by Marion County which are to be reimbursed during the next fiscal year. The amount is considered fully collectible.

H. Property Taxes Receivable and Property Tax Calendar

Property taxes receivable are uncollected property taxes as of December 31, 2015, but were collected by February 28, 2016. Total amount collected from January 1, 2016 to February 28, 2016 is $325,152.

Property taxes attach as an enforceable lien on property. The tax lien date is January 1, taxes are levied on October 1, and payable on December 20. The County bills and collects its own property taxes as well as taxes for the State and County School District. Collections of the county taxes and remittance of them to the County are accounted for in the Tax Commissioners Agency Fund.

I. Accumulated Unpaid Vacation, Sick Pay, and other Employee Benefit Amounts

Accumulated unpaid sick pay and other employee benefit amounts are not accrued in governmental funds (using the modified accrual basis for accounting.) At December 31, 2015 unrecorded liabilities included approximately $-0- in vacation pay.

J. Accounts Payable and Accrued Expense

These are amounts due or accrued as of December 31, 2015.

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

K. Cash and Investments

At December 31, 2015, the bank account balances totaled $4,673,623. Cash and time deposits include amounts in demand deposits, passbook savings as well as certificates of deposits. All cash is separately held and reflected in its respective fund. Cash equivalents are short term, highly liquid investments with a maturity date of three months or less that can be converted to known amounts of cash.

County's deposits policy limits deposit choices to checking accounts, money market accounts and certificates of deposits with local banks. All deposits are to be secured as required by state statutes. The state statutes requires the deposits to be secured at an amount equal to the total deposits less FDIC insurance, and then multiplied by 110 percent.

The County's investment policy limits investment choices to investments complying with state statutes. These investments are limited to obligations of states, obligations issued by the U.S. government, obligations fully insured or guaranteed by the U.S. government, or by a government, the local government investment pool established by state law and obligations of other political subdivisions of the State of Georgia.

The Georgia Fund one state investment pool is managed under the policies included in Georgia Law (O.C.G.A 36-83-4). The entire portfolio, including the Government's pro-rata portion, consists of collateralized certificates of deposit and government or governmental agency securities owned outright and under agreement to resell. The title to all investments, including collateral pledged to secure certificates of deposit, is held in the custody of the Directors Fiscal Division, Office of Treasury and Financial Services, State of Georgia in accordance with Georgia law. This is not a SEC-registered investment pool; the fair value, 28 day weighted average method, of the position in the pool is the same as the value of pool shares. At December 31, 2015, the County had $1,448,110 invested in Georgia Fund One. Standard & Poor's assigns its 'AAAm' money market rating to Georgia Fund 1.

Deposits: Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the County's deposits may not be returned to it. The County has a deposit policy for custodial risk.

L. Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include property, plant, equipment and infrastructure assets (i.e., roads, bridges, sidewalks and similar items), are reported in the applicable governmental or business type activities column in government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the County as assets with an initial cost of $5,000 or more and an estimated life of more than one year. All capital assets (governmental and proprietary) are valued at historical cost or estimated historical cost if actual cost is not available. Donated capital assets are valued at their fair market value when donated. Interest costs on debt incurred for the construction of capital assets are capitalized net of interest earned on the invested proceeds of construction debt over the same period. Major improvements that extend the life of an asset are capitalized.

L. CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset activity for the year ended December 31, 2015 was as follows

	Balance Jan. 1	Additions Completions	Retirements Adjustments	Balance December
Governmental Activities;				
Capital assets not being deprec.				
Land	$ 126,006	$ 0	$ 0	$ 126,006
Total Capital assets not being Depreciated	$ 126,006	$ 0	$ 0	$ 126,006
Capital assets being depreciated				
Infrastructure	$ 495,971	$ 354,580	$ 0	$ 850,551
Building	1,064,785	0	0	1,064,785
Vehicles	399,893	45,242	0	445,135
Equipment	406,098	37,296	0	443,394
Total Capital Assets being Depreciated	$ 2,366,747	$ 437,118	$ 0	$ 2,803,865
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Infrastructure	$ 0	$ 16,532	$ 0	$ 16,532
Buildings	388,229	8,820	0	397,049
Vehicles	478,469	46,876	0	525,345
Equipment	108,749	10,970	0	119,719
Total Accumulated Deprec.	$ 975,447	$ 83,198	$ 0	$ 1,058,645
Total Cap. Assets being depreciated, net	$ 1,391,300	$ 353,920	$ -	$ 1,745,220
Governmental activities capital assets, net	$ 1,517,306	$ 353,920	$ 0	$ 1,871,226
Business-type Activities:				
Captial assets not being deprec.				
Land	$ 12,264	$ 0	$ 0	$ 12,264
Total Capital Assets not being depreciated	$ 12,264	$ 0	$ 0	$ 12,264
Capital assets being depreciated				
Utility Plant in Service	$ 13,732,648	$ 254,559	$ 0	$ 13,987,207
Equipment & Vehicles	102,369	0	0	102,369
Total capital assets being dep.	$ 13,835,017	$ 254,559	$ 0	$ 14,089,576
Less accumulated deprec. for:				
Utility Plant in Service	$ 3,993,082	$ 313,249	$ 0	$ 4,306,331
Equipment and Vehicles	106,321	5,953	0	112,274
Total Accumulated Depreciation	$ 4,099,403	$ 319,202	$ 0	$ 4,418,605
Total capital assets being deprec. net	$ 9,735,614	$ (64,643)	$ 0	$ 9,670,971
Business-type activities assets, net	$ 9,747,878	$ (64,643)	$ 0	$ 9,683,235

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

L. Capital Assets (Continued)

Capital asset activity for the year ended December 31, 2015 was as follows:

Depreciation by Class:		Propriety Fund:	
General Government			
General Government	$ 3,690	Equipment & Vehicles	$ 5,953
Public Safety	15,055	Plant	313,249
Health & Welfare	30,636		
Public Works	16,242		
Infrastructure	16,532		
Cultural and Recreation	1,043		
Total:	$ 83,198		$ 319,202

Normal maintenance and repairs are charged to expense as incurred. Preliminary and interim costs incurred by governmental and proprietary funds for capital projects are reported as "construction in progress." Costs related to abandoned projects are expensed when the project is abandoned.

The County has recorded all infrastructure assets acquired subsequent to October 1, 2003 and is currently reviewing its infrastructure to ensure that all such assets are recorded before the phase-in date for retroactive general infrastructure reporting under Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement.

Capital assets are depreciated over their estimated lives for both General Government and Proprietary fund using the straight-line method as follows:

Asset Class	Estimated Useful Lives
Furniture and Fixtures	5 to 7 Years
Machinery and Equipment	5 to 15 Years
Buildings	20 to 50 Years
Plant	15 to 40 Years
Infrastructure	50 Years

The county made an inventory of its governmental activities capital assets at September 30, 2003. Capital assets were adjusted for this inventory and for a change in its capital asset policy. Because of the above, governmental activities capital assets at December 31, 2003 will not agree with the previously released financial statements for December 31, 2003.

Long Term Debt

Phase 1 - Water Fund Construction - Proprietary Fund

The first phase of Marion County Water Fund Project was completed in 1994, in which Marion County received a $400,000.00 grant from the Department of Community Affairs.

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Long Term Debt (Continued)

The United States Department of Agriculture, Farmers' Home Administration, made grants of $1,453,400 during 1994 and 1995 toward Phase 1 of this project. A loan of $558,100 was made by Farmers' Home Administration to finance the construction of the first phase of the water works facility at 5% interest. This loan was financed by the issuance of Marion County Water System Revenue Bonds, Series 1994A, in the principle amount of $505,100 for the acquisition, construction, and installation of the County's water system and the issuance of $53,000 Series 1994B Marion County Water System Revenue Bonds for the purpose of financing the cost of acquisition, construction, and installation of additions to the water system. Balance as of December 31, 2015 is $343,424 and $35,917.

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Balance 12-31-14	$ 354,886	$ 37,128
Payments	(11,462)	(1,211)
Balance 12-31-15	$ 343,424	$ 35,917

Total annual payments are being made to the Farmers' Home Administration as follows:

1994A- Bonds	Principal	Interest	Total
2016	12,341	15,187	27,528
2017	12,908	14,620	27,528
2018	13,501	14,027	27,528
2019	14,121	13,407	27,528
2020	14,770	12,758	27,528
	67,641	69,999	137,640

Principal and interest on remaining years of debt:

1994A- Bonds	Principal	Interest	Total
2021	15,449	12,079	27,528
2022	16,158	11,370	27,528
2023	16,901	10,627	27,528
2024	17,677	9,851	27,528
2025	18,489	9,039	27,528
2026	19,339	8,189	27,528
2027	20,227	7,301	27,528

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Long Term Debt (Continued)
Principal and interest on remaining years of debt:

1994A- Bonds	Principal	Interest	Total
2028	21,156	6,372	27,528
2029	22,128	5,400	27,528
2030	23,145	4,383	27,528
2031	24,208	3,320	27,528
2032	25,320	2,208	27,528
2033	26,483	1,045	27,528
2034	8,768	80	8,848
	290,218	104,022	394,240

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1994A- Bonds	Principal	Interest	Total
2016	1,304	1,588	2,892
2017	1,364	1,528	2,892
2018	1,426	1,466	2,892
2019	1,492	1,400	2,892
2020	1,561	1,331	2,892
	7,147	7,313	14,460

Principal and interest on remaining years of debt:

1994A- Bonds	Principal	Interest	Total
2021	1,632	1,260	2,892
2022	1,707	1,185	2,892
2023	1,786	1,106	2,892
2024	1,868	1,024	2,892
2025	1,954	938	2,892
2026	2,043	849	2,892
2027	2,137	755	2,892
2028	2,235	657	2,892
2029	2,338	554	2,892

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Long Term Debt (Continued)

1994A-Bonds	Principal	Interest	Total
2030	2,445	447	2,892
2031	2,558	334	2,892
2032	2,675	217	2,892
2033	2,798	94	2,892
2034	558	2	560
	30,295	10,753	41,048

Marion County Water System Sinking Fund

A special trust fund to be known as the "Marion County Water System Sinking Fund" is to be created within the water fund. Two accounts will be created in the sinking fund.

(1) A Debt Service Account to which deposits of $2,719.00 are to be made monthly to fund the principal and interest on the bonds coming due in the current sinking fund year on the Series 1994A and B bonds. As parity bonds are issued, this monthly payment will be increased to meet the principal and interest payments on the parity bonds.

(2) A Debt Service Reserve Account of funds of a minimum of ten (10%) percent of monthly installment of principal and interest on the bond must be deposited to the bond reserve fund. This reserve fund monthly deposits are to be made until the fund has accumulated an amount equal to that needed to pay the principal and interest on the bonds for the next succeeding year. This debt service reserve requirement means $32,620 (which consists of $29,520 (the maximum annual principal and interest payments) of the Series 1994A Bonds] and $3,108.00 (the maximum annual principal and interest payments of the Series 1994B Bonds) or from and after the date of issuance of any Parity Bonds, $32,628 plus the maximum annual principal and interest payment on each parity bond issued and outstanding. As of December 31, 2015, the Water Fund has cash funds of $32,628 deposited in the account and $0 shortage.

Phase II -Water Fund Construction

On August 17, 1998, Marion County approved the issuance of Marion County Water System Revenue Bond, Series 1998, in the principal amount of up to $1,236,490 for the purpose of financing the cost of Phase II Construction cost of the County Water System. The bond issued will be payable from a first lien on the net revenue of the County's water system. The bonds were issued in January, 1999, with payments to begin in January of 2000. The first payment was interest only. These bonds were purchased through the United States Department of Agriculture and bear interest at the rate of 4.5%.

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Long Term Debt (Continued)

Phase II - Water Construction

These funds, with federal grants made available through the United States of America, acting through the Rural Development, United States Department of Agriculture for assistance provided through the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 192 et.seq.), as amended, will provide the needed funds for financing of the improvements. A grant of $3,574,470 was received during the construction of this phase of the water fund project from the United States Department of Agriculture, along with a grant from the Department of Community Affairs of $500,000. Phase II of the water fund project was completed in December of 1999.

A Debt Service Fund was created which requires funds to be credited to the sinking fund until $67,368.00- has been credited to the account to cover the principal and interest on the Parity Bonds for one year.

The first payment on the Bonds was made in January 2000, and was for interest only of $55,642.05. All payments thereafter will be made monthly of both principal and interest of $5,614.00.

A payment of $5614 per month is being made to the Debt Service Reserve Account until the Debt Service Fund is fully funded. As of December 31, 2015, $67,368 has been deposited in the account. There is shortage of $0.

The date of closing on the Bonds was January 14, 1999.

The balance as of December 31, 2015 is $964,613.

Balance 12-31-14	$	987,624
Payments		(23,011)
Balance 12-31-15	$	964,613

Total annual payment to be made to Farmer's Home Administration are as follows:

1998 Bond	Principal	Interest	Total
2016	24,478	42,890	67,368
2017	25,604	41,764	67,368
2018	26,779	40,589	67,368
2019	28,009	39,359	67,368
2020	29,296	38,072	67,368
	$ 134,166	$ 202,674	$ 336,840

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Long Term Debt (Continued)

Phase II - Water Construction
Principal and interest on remaining years of debt:

1998 Bond	Principal	Interest	Total
2021	30,641	36,727	67,368
2022	32,049	35,319	67,368
2023	33,521	33,847	67,368
2024	35,061	32,307	67,368
2025	36,672	30,696	67,368
2026	38,357	29,011	67,368
2027	40,119	27,249	67,368
2028	41,962	25,406	67,368
2029	43,890	23,478	67,368
2030	45,906	21,462	67,368
2031	48,015	19,353	67,368
2032	50,221	17,147	67,368
2033	52,528	14,840	67,368
2034	54,941	12,427	67,368
2035	57,465	9,903	67,368
2036	60,105	7,263	67,368
2037	62,866	4,502	67,368
2038	65,738	1,618	67,356
	830,057	382,555	1,212,612

Phase III - Water Fund Construction

On June 12, 2005, Marion County approved the issuance of Marion County Water System Revenue Bond, Series 2005, in the principal amount of up to $2,279,830 for the purpose of financing the cost of Phase III Construction cost of the County Water System. The bond issued will be payable from a first lien on the net revenue of the County's water system. These bonds were purchased through the United States Department of Agriculture and they bear interest at the rate of 4.25%.

These funds were made available through the United States of America, acting through the Rural Development, United States Department of Agriculture for assistance provided through the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 192 et.seq.), as amended, will provide the needed funds for financing of the improvements, a grant from the Department of Community Affairs of $500,000.00. As of December 31, 2006, $500,000 has been received.

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Long Term Debt (continued)

Phase III - Water Fund Construction

A Debt Service Fund was created as required which requires funds to be credited to the sinking fund until $118,740 has been credited to the account to cover the principal and interest on the Parity Bonds for one year. As of December 31, 2015, $76,846 has been deposited in the account. This is a shortage of approximately $42,000.

A payment of $990 per month is being made to the Debt Service Reserve Account until the Debt Service Fund is fully funded.

The first payment on the Bonds was made in January 2006, and was for interest. All payments thereafter will be made monthly of both principal and interest of $9,895.

Interim financing in the amount of $2,051,847 for the Bonds was provided by Columbus Bank and Trust at 70% of prime rate. Interest was charged only on the amount drawn down to finance construction as it progresses. Interest of $29,324.69 was paid on this interim financing. The loan was closed on 12-22-05.

The balance as of December 31, 2015 is $1,999,810.

Balance - 12-31-14	$ 2,040,786
Payments	(40,976)
Balance - 12-31-15	$1,999,810

Phase III - Water Construction
Total annual payments to be made to Farmer's Home Administration are as follows:
Payments will be as follows:

Year	Principal	Interest	Total
2016	34,050	84,690	118,740
2017	35,526	83,214	118,740
2018	37,066	81,674	118,740
2019	38,672	80,068	118,740
2019	40,348	78,392	118,740
	185,662	408,038	593,700

Principal and interest on remaining debt:

2005 Bond	Principal	Interest	Total
2021	42,097	76,643	118,740
2022	43,921	74,819	118,740
2023	45,824	72,916	118,740
2024	47,810	70,930	118,740
2025	49,882	68,858	118,740
2026	52,004	66,696	118,700
2027	54,300	64,440	118,740
2028	56,653	62,087	118,740
2029	59,108	59,632	118,740
2030	61,670	57,070	118,740
2031	64,342	54,398	118,740
2032	67,131	51,609	118,740
2033	70,040	48,700	118,740
2034	73,075	45,665	118,740
2035	76,242	42,498	118,740
2036	79,546	39,194	118,740
2037	82,994	35,746	118,740
2038	86,591	32,149	118,740
2039	90,343	28,397	118,740
2040	94,258	24,482	118,740
2041	98,343	20,397	118,740
2042	102,605	16,135	118,740
2043	107,052	11,688	118,740
2044	111,691	7,049	118,740
2045	96,765	2,185	98,950
2046	8,206	215	8,421
	1,822,493	1,134,598	2,957,091

Phase III - Water Construction
On May 17, 2005 (effective date 12-01-05), Marion County Commissioners signed a note with Jones General Contracting, Inc. in the amount of $579,091.77, 4.5% interest per year. Monthly payments of $4,430.01 beginning 1-1-06 for a total of 180 payments. Purpose of the loan is to expand water works.

In the month of July 2009, with a balance of $194,133.30 on the note, an additional principal of $149,481.75 was added to the note to finance a water works project called Buffalo Road Extension. The new balance of $343,615.05, 4.5% interest per annum with monthly payments of $4,430.01 principal and interest for a period of 91 months.

Summary of Significant

On July 15, 2011 The Marion County Commissioner signed a note with Central Bank of Georgia (Now Ameris Bank) in the amount of $435,620.63 and 4.25% interest rate per year. The monthly payment is 4430.00 beginning 8/15/2011 for a total of 36 payments. The purpose of the loan was to expand water works. The balance at December 31, 2015 was $268,546.

Balance 12-31-14	309,385
Payments	(40,839)
Balance 12-31-15	268,546

Payments will be as follows:

	Principal	Interest	Total
2016	268,546	6,363	274,909
	268,546	6,363	274,909

On June 15, 2012 the Marion County Commissioners signed a note with Ameris Bank in the amount of $750,000 and interest rate of 4.250% per year. The maturity date was December 25, 2012. The note was renewed and the outstanding balance was paid in full, February 6, 2013. The balance on February 6, 2013 was $725,698.07. The note balance was paid by USDA. The County signed a note with USDA in the amount of $783,900 and interest rate of 3% and monthly payments of $2,588.44 for a period of 480 months. The beginning balance as of April 1 2013 $783,900 and balance as of December 31, 2014 $762,444.

Balance 12-31-14	762,444
Payments	(11,885)
Balance 12-31-15	750,559

Payments will be as follows:

Year	Principal	Interest	Total
2016	12,379	18,682	31,061
2017	12,692	18,369	31,061
2018	13,013	18,048	31,061
2019	13,341	17,719	31,061
2020	13,678	17,382	31,061
2021	14,024	17,037	31,061
2022	14,378	16,683	31,061
2023	14,741	16,319	31,061
2024	15,114	15,947	31,061
2025	15,496	15,565	31,061
2026	15,887	15,174	31,061
2027	16,288	14,772	31,061
2028	16,700	14,361	31,061
2029	17,122	13,939	31,061
2030	17,554	13,507	31,061

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

USDA note continued:

2031	17,998	13,063	31,061
2032	18,452	12,609	31,061
2033	18,919	12,142	31,061
2034	19,396	11,664	31,061
2035	19,886	11,174	31,061
2036	20,389	10,672	31,061
2037	20,904	10,157	31,061
2038	21,432	9,629	31,061
2039	21,973	9,088	31,061
2040	22,528	8,533	31,061
2041	23,097	7,963	31,061
2042	23,681	7,380	31,061
2043	24,279	6,782	31,061
2044	24,893	6,168	31,061
2045	25,521	5,540	31,061
2046	26,166	4,895	31,061
2047	26,827	4,234	31,061
2048	27,505	3,556	31,061
2049	28,200	2,861	31,061
2050	28,912	2,149	31,061
2051	29,642	1,419	31,061
2052	30,391	670	31,061
2053	6,970	-	6,970
	750,370	405,853	1,156,224

Debt Service on County's debt:

2016	525,870
2017	254,333
2018	255,875
2019	290,682
2020	290,682

On July 7, 2015, the Marion County Commissioner signed a note with Georgia Environmental Finance Authority (GEFA) in the amount of $497,245 and interest rate of 1.52% per year with a maturity date of February 1, 2032. The balance as of December 31, 2015 was $337,186. The balance not drawn is $160,059. There is no principal payments due in the year ending December 31, 2015. Principal payments will start February 1, 2017 for a total of 179 monthly payments. Interest only will be paid until February 1, 2017.

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

S. PENSION PLAN

ACCG Defined Benefit Plan

Plan Description

The County sponsors the Association County Commissioners of Georgia Restated Pension Plan for Dooly County Employees (The Plan), which is a defined benefit pension plan.

The Plan provides retirement, disability and death benefits to plan participants and beneficiaries. The plan, through execution of the adoption agreement, is affiliated with the Association County Commissioners of Georgia Third Restated Defined Benefit Plan (The ACCG Plan), an agent multiple- employer pension plan, administered by GEBCorp. The ACCG, in its role as the Plan Sponsor, has the sole authority to amend the provisions of the ACCG Plan, as provided in Section 19.03 of the ACCG Plan document. The County has the authority to amend the adoption agreement, which defines the specific benefit provisions of the Plan, as provided in Section 19.02 of the ACCG Plan document.

The Association of County Commissioners Deferred Benefit Plan issues a publically available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the statewide plan. That report may be obtained by contacting the Pension Service Company at 1100 Circle 75 Parkway, Suite 320, Atlanta, GA 30339.

All full-time County employees are eligible to participate in the Plan on the employee's employment commencement date. Benefits are fully vested after five years of service. Participants become eligible to retire at age 65 or 5 years of vesting service. Upon eligibility to retire, participants are entitled to an annual benefit in the amount of 1.50% of Average Annual Compensation multiplied by years of Credited Service. The plan also provides benefits in the event of death or disability.

Funding Policy

The County is required to contribute an actuarially determined amount annually to the Plan's trust. The contribution amount is determined using actuarial methods and assumptions approved by the ACCG Plan trustees and must satisfy the minimum contribution requirement contained in the State of Georgia statutes.

Actuarial assumptions

The total pension liability as of September 30, 2015 was determined by an actuarial valuation as of December 31, 2014 using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Cost of living adjustment	2.5%	
Salary increases	4.5%-6%	Adjusted for age
Investment rate of return	7.5%	
Increase in Social Security Wage Base	5.5%	

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

S. PENSION PLAN

Mortality rates were based on the RP-2000 Combined Mortality Table. Disability rates were based on Social Security standard rates. The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investments expense and inflation) 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 and by adding expected inflation.

The Trustees shall rebalance the portfolio at least annually for asset allocation purposes. The guidelines for allocation are: equities shall not exceed 70% of total plan assets, valued at cost. Fixed income shall be targeted at 30% of total plan assets, valued at cost. The guidelines for asset allocation are as follows:

	Target Allocation	Range
Fixed income	30%	25%-35%
Equities:		
Large Cap	30%	25%-35%
Mid Cap	5%	2.5%-10%
Small Cap	5%	2.5%-10%
REIT	5%	2.5%-10%
International	15%	10%-20%
Multi Cap	5%	2.5%-10%
Global allocation	5%	2.5%-10%

Discount Rate

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.50 %. The discount rate is determined through a blend of using a building blocks approach based on 20-year benchmarks (25%) and 30-year benchmarks (25%), as well as the forward-looking capital market assumptions for a moderate asset allocation (50%), as determined by UBS. 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 was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

S. PENSION PLAN

	Total Pension Liability (a)	Fiduciary Net Position (b)	Net Pension Liability (a)-(b)
Balances at December 31, 2013	$781,926	$613,763	$168,163
Changes for the year:			
Service cost	19,191	-	19,191
Interest	56,529	-	56,529
Differences between expected and actual difference	-	-	-
Contributions - employer	-	31,133	(31,133)
Contributions - employee		8,023	8,023
Net investment income	-	42,742	(42,742)
Benefit payments	(56,418)	(56,418)	-
Administrative expense	-	(4,032)	4,032
Other	-	(3,949)	3,949
Net changes	19,302	17,499	17,849
Balances at December 31, 2014	$ 801,228	$ 631,262	$ 186,012

Sensitivity of the net pension liability changes in the discount rate

The following presents the net pension liability of the County, calculated using the discount rate of 7.50%, as well as what the County's net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (6.50%) or 1-percentage-point higher {8.50%) than the current rate:

	6.50%	8.50%
Total pension liability	$887,740	$728,178
Fiduciary net position	631,262	631,262
Net pension liability	256,478	96,916

Pension plan fiduciary net position

Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued GEBCorp financial report.

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

S. PENSION PLAN

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

For the year ended June 30, 2015, the County recognized pension revenue of $17,029. At December 31, 2014, the County reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	$ -	$ -
Changes of assumptions	-	-
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on investments	5,382	-
Total	$ 5,382	$ -

The County's contributions subsequent to the measurement date of $13,263 are reported as deferred outflows of resources and will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended September 30, 2016. There were no other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pension.

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

S. PENSION PLAN

For the year ended December 31, 2014	
Total pension liability	
Service cost	$19,191
Interest	56,529
Differences between expected and actual experience	
Benefit payments	(56,418)
Net change in total pension liability	19,302
Total pension liability, beginning	781,926
Total pension liability, ending (a)	801,228
Plan fiduciary net position Contributions - employer	$31,133
Contributions - employee	8023
Contributions - employer	42,742
Net investment income	(56,418)
Benefit payments	(4,032)
Administrative expense	(3,949)
Other	17,499
Net change in fiduciary net position	613,763
Plan fiduciary net position - beginning	631,262
Plan fiduciary net position - ending (b)	169,966
Net pension liability - ending: (a)-(b)	78.8%
Plan's fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	415,530
Covered-employee payroll	

The schedule of employer contributions is as follows:

Year Ended September 31,	Annual Required Contribution	Percentage Contributed
2009	40,090	111.7%
2010	42,827	108.9%
2011	44,484	104.6%
2012	43,420	104.2%
2013	36,326	100.0%
2014	31,133	100.0%

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Litigation

Marion County is a defendant in some lawsuits and the outcome of those suits, in the opinion of the county's attorney, will not have an adverse effect on the financial condition of the county.

Contingent Liabilities

(A) Risk Management

The County is exposed to various risks of losses related to torts; thefts of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The County maintains commercial insurance coverage insuring each of the above risks of loss. Management believes that the coverage is adequate to preclude any significant uninsured risk exposure to the County. Marion County carries its liability insurance with the Baldwin Agency with policy issued by National Union Fire Insurance Company of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Pursuant to Title 34, Chapter 9, Article 5 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, Marion County became a member of the Georgia Municipal Association Workers' Compensation Self Insurance Fund. The effective date of membership was December 1, 1982.

The County of Marion carries its workman Compensation Insurance with the Workman Comprehensive Self Insurance Fund.
The County of Marion has the following responsibilities:

To pay all contributions, assessments or other sums due to WCSIS at such times and in such amounts as shall be established by WCSIS.

To select a person to serve as a Member representative.

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To allow WCSIS and its agent's reasonable access to all facilities of the County and all records, including but not limited to financial records, which relate to the purposes of WCSIS.

To allow attorneys appointed by WCSIS to represent the County in investigation, settlement discussions and all levels of litigation arising out of any claim made against the County within the scope of loss protection furnished by the Fund or Funds established by WCSIS.

To assist and cooperate in the defense and settlement of claims against the County.

To furnish full cooperation to WCSIS's attorneys claims adjusters, Service Company, and any agent, employee, officer or independent contractor of WCSIS relating to the purposes of WCSIS.

To furnish to WCSIS such budget, operating and underwriting information as may be requested.

To report as promptly as possible, and in accordance with any coverage description issued, all incidents which could result in WCSIS or any Fund established by WCSIS being required to pay claim for loss or injuries to municipal property or injuries to persons or property when such loss or injury is within the scope to the protection of a Fund or Funds in which the County participates.

The Fund is to defend, in the name of and on half of the members, any suites or other proceedings which may at any time be instituted against them on account of injuries or death within the preview of the Worker's Compensation Law of Georgia, or on the basis of employer's liability, including suits or other proceedings alleging such injuries and demanding compensation therefore, although such suits, other proceedings, allegations or demands be wholly groundless, false, or fraudulent.

The Fund is to pay all costs taxed against members in any legal proceeding defended by the members, all interest accruing after entry of judgment, and all expenses incurred for investigation, negotiation or defense. Marion County must pay all contributions, assessments, and other sums due and in such amounts as shall be established by the Georgia Municipal Association Worker's Compensation Self Insurance Fund.

Settled claims in the past three years have not exceeded the coverage.

Amounts received or receivable from grantor agencies are subject to audit and adjustment by grantor agencies. Any disallowed claims, including amounts already collected, may constitute a liability of the applicable funds. The amount, if any, of expenditures which may be disallowed by the grantor cannot be determined at this time although the government expects such amounts, if any, to be immaterial.

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Contingent Liabilities (continued)

(B) Marion County Landfill

The use of the Marion County Landfill was discontinued June 28, 1991, and is no longer in operation. The Marion County Board of Commissioners determined at that time the future cost of monitoring, maintaining and closing the landfill to meet the new regulations imposed by the State and Federal agencies would not be cost-efficient to the citizens of Marion County.

Marion County now contracts with Southern States Environmental Service to dispose of solid wastes.

Marion County is in the Post Closure Care Phase. Since Marion County ceased to accept waste before October 8, 1993, a five-year post closure care was authorized by the Georgia Department of Natural Resources. The Director of the Division has the authority to extend the post-closure period when necessary. On March 12, 2008, the Director extended the post-closure period. During 2015, $3,512 was expended to monitor the groundwater.

(C) Marion County Hospital Authority

In prior years, the Authority received Hill-Burton funds to be applied toward the construction and additions to the Hospital. These agreements state that, if at any time within twenty years after completion of the construction of the facilities, the facilities are sold or transferred to any person, agency, or organization, which is not qualified to file an application under the Hospital Survey and Construction Act, or is not approved as a transferor by the Georgia Board of Health, or has ceased to be a nonprofit Hospital, the United States shall be entitled to recover from either the transferor (or, in case the Authority ceases to be a nonprofit organization, from the owner thereof) the contributed percentage of the then value the Authority as determined by agreement of the parties or by action brought in the District Court of the United States for the District in which the Authority is located.

However, under the lease agreement with the Marion Community Hospital, Inc., expenses incurred by the Authority because of the lease contract are to be paid by the Marion Community Hospital, Inc.

(D) Jointly Venture

The Georgia Department of Audits has determined that the River Valley Regional Commission is a joint venture under Georgia Law, O.C.G.A. 20-5-40.

Marion County participates in the support of the River Valley Regional Commission. Marion County contributed to the River Valley Regional Commission operating budget in 2015. Membership in an RVRC is required by the Official Code of Georgia Annotated (OCGA) Section 50-8-34 which provides for the organizational structure of the RVRC in Georgia. Marion County

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Contingent Liabilities (continued)

has one commissioner and an appointed citizen of the County to represent Marion County on the board of River Valley Regional Commission who assist the counties and governments in grants and loan applications to support government capital improvements and operating projects within the counties and cities. The RVRC membership included the chief elected official of each county and municipality of the area. OCGA 50-8-39.1 provides that the member governments are liable for any debts or obligations of an RVRC.

The major source of the Development Corporation operational costs is financed through administration charges for grants and loan applications.

Complete financial statements for the River Valley Regional Commission may be obtained from the River Valley Regional Commission, 228 W. Lamar St. Americus, Georgia, 31709.

Subsequent Events

Subsequent events have been evaluated through June 27, 2016, which is the date these financial statements were available to be issued.

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

Marion County Board of Commissioners
Marion County, Georgia
Buena Vista, Georgia

We have audited the governmental activities, the business type activities, the aggregate discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information as of and for the year ended December 31, 2015, and have issued our report thereon dated June 27, 2016. We did not audit the financial statements of the Marion County Department of Public Health which was audited by other auditors whose report has been furnished to us and our opinion as it relates to those amounts is based solely on the reports of other auditors. This report does not include the results of the other auditors' testing of internal control over financial reporting or compliance and other matters that are reported on separately by those auditors.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered Marion County, Georgia's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our auditing procedures 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 Marion County, Georgia's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Marion County, Georgia's internal control over financial reporting.

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

control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

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

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Marion County Georgia's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed one instance of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards.*

Marion County, Georgia has not made adequate deposits to bond sinking funds as required in the Farmers Home Administration bond agreements. As of December 31, 2015, the shortfall totaled approximately $42,000. Marion County, Georgia is making monthly deposits into the bond sinking fund.

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, the communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

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MARION COUNTY, GEORGIA
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RESPONSES
DECEMBER 31, 2015

I. Executive Summary

a. Compliance

The County will continue to make monthly deposits into the bond sinking fund.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

MARION COUNTY, GEORGIA
COMBINING BALANCE SHEET – OTHER GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
December 31, 2015

	County Drug Education	County Jail Const. & Staffing	Total Funds
Assets			
Cash - Restricted	$ 14,391	$ 30,362	$ 44,753
Loans & Notes Rec.	-	-	-
Investments -			-
Land at Cost	-	-	-
Total Assets	$ 14,391	$ 30,362	$ 44,753
Liabilities & Fund Equity			
Liabilities			
Loan Payable	$ -	$ -	$ -
Total Liabilities	$ -	$ -	$ -
Fund Equity			
Reserve for Co. Drug & Educ.	$ 14,391	$ 30,362	$ 44,753
Reserve for Jail Const.& Staffing	-	-	-
Total Fund Equity	$ 14,391	$ 30,362	$ 44,753
Total Liabilities and Fund Equity	$ 14,391	$ 30,362	$ 44,753

MARION COUNTY, GEORGIA
OTHER GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS - COMBINING SCHEDULE OF
REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES TO FUND BALANCE
December 31, 2015

	County Drug Education	County Jail Const.	Total Funds
Revenue:			
Intergovernmental	$ 3,445	$ 7,656	$ 11,101
Fines & Forfeitures	-	-	-
Interest	-	-	-
Total Revenue	$ 3,445	$ 7,656	$ 11,101
Expenditures:			
Judicial	$ 487	$ -	$ 487
Total Expenditures	$ 487	$ -	$ 487
Excess (Deficit) of Revenue Over Expenditures	$ 2,958	$ 7,656	$ 10,614
Fund Balance Beginning of Year	11,433	22,706	34,139
Fund Balance End of Year	$ 14,391	$ 30,362	$ 44,753

MARION COUNTY, GEORGIA
BALANCE SHEET –CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND
December 31, 2015

Assets	Special 1% Sales Tax for Road, Water & Emergency Medical 4/1/2009 2015	2014
Cash - Restricted	$ 473,539	$ 406,848
Receivable- General Fund		
Total Assets	$ 473,539	$ 406,848
Liabilities & Fund Equity		
Loan Payable	$ -	$ -
Total Liabilities	$ -	$ -
Fund Equity		
Reserve for Road & Bridge Maintenance	$ 473,539	$ 406,848
Total Fund Equity	$ 473,539	$ 406,848
Total Liabilities and Fund Equity	$ 473,539	$ 406,848

MARION COUNTY, GEORGIA
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND -COMBINING SCHEDULE OF
REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES TO FUND BALANCE
December 31, 2015

	Special 1% Sales Tax for Road, Water & Emergency Medical 4/1/2009	
	2015	2014
Revenue:		
Taxes	$ 411,917	$ 408,033
Intergovernmental	-	-
Interest	-	-
DOT Funds	-	-
Total Revenue	$ 411,917	$ 408,033
Expenditures		
Public Works	$ 168,969	$ 806,761
Capital Outlay	-	-
Marion County Water Department	38,729	-
To the City of Bunena Vista, GA	137,516	154,604
Airport	12	-
Total Expenditures	$ 345,226	$ 961,365
Excess (Deficit) of Revenues Over Expenditures	$ 66,691	$ (553,332)
Fund Balance Beginning of Year	$ 406,848	$ 960,180
Fund Balance End of Year	$ 473,539	$ 406,848

MARION COUNTY, GEORGIA
AGENCY FUNDS
COMBINING BALANCE SHEET
December 31, 2015

ASSETS	Tax Commissioner	Clerk of Superior Court	Sheriff	Probate Court	Magistrate Court	Total
Cash	$ 80,512	$ 4,235	$ 34,318	$ 1,927	$ 2,905	$ 123,897
Total Assets	$ 80,512	$ 4,235	$ 34,318	$ 1,927	$ 2,905	$ 123,897
LIABILITIES						
Accounts Payable	$ 80,512	$ 4,235	$ 34,318	$ 1,927	$ 2,905	$ 123,897
Accounts Payable & Fund Equity	$ 80,512	$ 4,235	$ 34,318	$ 1,927	$ 2,905	$ 123,897

MARION COUNTY, GEORGIA
AGENCY FUNDS
COMBINING STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
December 31, 2015

	Balance 12/31/14	Additions	Deductions	Eliminations	Balance 12/31/15
Assets:					
Cash	$ 422,177	$ 6,706,499	$ 6,670,188	$ 334,591	$ 123,897
Liabilities:					
Due to General Fund	$ 3,287,288	$ 2,137,649	$ 1,813,014	$ 334,591	$ 3,277,332
Due to Others	(2,865,111)	4,568,850	4,857,174	$ -	(3,153,435)
	$ 422,177	$ 6,706,499	$ 6,670,188	$ 334,591	$ 123,897

MARION COUNTY, GEORGIA
AGENCY FUNDS
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
December 31, 2015

	Balance 12/31/14	Additions	Deductions	Eliminations	Balance 12/31/15
Clerk of Superior Court					
Assets:					
Trust Funds	$ 1,649	$ 21,033	$ 18,865	$ -	$ 3,817
Cash - Superior Court	(5,203)	174,097	162,716	5,760	$ 418
Total Assets	$ (1,080)	$ 195,130	$ 181,581	$ 5,760	$ 4,235
Liabilities:					
Accounts Payable	$ (1,080)	$ 119,728	$ 114,413	$ -	$ 4,235
Due to General Fund	-	75,402	69,642	5,760	-
Total Liabilities	$ (1,080)	$ 195,130	$ 181,581	$ 5,760	$ 4,235
Probate Judge					
Assets:					
Cash	$ 7,584	$ 107,896	$ 106,941	$ 6,612	$ 1,927
Total Assets	$ 7,584	$ 107,896	$ 106,941	$ 6,612	$ 1,927
				$0	
Liabilities:					
Accounts Payable	$ 7,584	$ 41,297	$ 46,954	$ -	$ 1,927
Due to general fund	-	66,599	59,987	6,612	-
Total Liabilities	$ 7,584	$ 107,896	$ 106,941	$ 6,612	$ 1,927
			0		
Magistrate Court					
Assets:					
Cash	$ 999	$ 55,540	$ 52,267	$ 1,367	$ 2,905
Total Assets	$ 999	$ 55,540	$ 52,267	$ 1,367	$ 2,905
Liabilities:					
Accounts Payable	$ 999	$ 50,564	$ 48,658		$ 2,905
Due to general fund		4,976	3,609	1,367	
Total Liabilities:	$ 999	$ 55,540	$ 52,267	$ 1,367	$ 2,905

MARION COUNTY, GEORGIA
AGENCY FUNDS
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
December 31, 2015

	Balance 12/31/14	Additions	Deductions	Eliminations	Balance 12/31/15
Tax Commissioner					
Assets:					
Cash	$ 398,762	$ 6,269,108	$ 6,262,206	$ 325,152	80,512
Total Assets	$ 398,762	$ 6,269,108	$ 6,262,206	$ 325,152	$ 80,512
Liabilities:					
Due to others	$ 398,762	$ 4,299,288	$ 4,617,538	$ -	$ 80,512
Due to General Fund	-	1,969,820	1,644,668	325,152	
Total Liabilities	$ 398,762	$ 6,269,108	$ 6,262,206	$ 325,152	$ 80,512
Sheriff					
Assets:					
Cash Courthouse	$ 15,640	$ 37,045	$ 35,061	$ 700	$ 16,924
Special Account	10,202	21,894	14,702		$ 17,394
Total Assets	$ 25,842	$ 58,939	$ 49,763	$ 700	$ 34,318
Liabilities:					
Accounts Payable	$ 25,842	$ 38,087	$ 29,611		$ 34,318
Due to General Fund		20,852	20,152	700	
Total Liabilities	$ 25,842	$ 58,939	$ 49,763	$ 700	$ 34,318

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON THE SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX

We have audited the accompanying Schedule of Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax for Marion County, Georgia for the year ended December 31, 2015. This schedule is the responsibility of Marion County, Georgia's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Schedule of Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax 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 Schedule of Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax is free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the Schedule of Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the Schedule of Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

The accompanying Schedule of Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax was prepared for the purpose of complying with the Official Code of Georgia Annotated 48-8-121 on the modified accrual basis of accounting and is not intended to be a complete presentation of Marion County, Georgia's revenues and expenditures.

In our opinion, the Schedule of Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the original estimated cost, the current estimated cost, and the current and prior year expenditures for each project in Marion County, Georgia's resolution or ordinance calling for the tax for the year ended December 31, 2015, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

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MARION COUNTY, GEORGIA
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF SPECIAL PURPOSE LOCAL OPTION
SALES TAX PROCEEDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014

PROJECT	ESTIMATED COST		EXPENDITURES			ESTIMATED % OF COMPLETION
	ORIGINAL	CURRENT	PRIOR YEARS	CURRENT YEAR	TOTAL	
4/1/2009 Roads, Streets & Bridges Water & Sewer & Emergency Medical Services	5,200,000	5,200,000	1,831,245	207,710	2,038,955	28.39%
City-Buena Vista	2,800,000	2,800,000	943,023	137,516	1,080,539	29.69%
TOTAL	8,000,000	8,000,000	2,774,268	345,226	3,119,494	28.84%

MARION COUNTY, GEORGIA
BALANCE SHEET -OTHER GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
December 31, 2015

	LMIG	
	2015	2014
Assets		
Cash - Restricted	$ -	$ -
Receivable-General Fund	0	285678
Land at Cost	-	-
Total Assets	$ -	$ 285,678
Liabilities & Fund Equity		
Liabilities		
Loan Payable	$ -	$ -
Total Liabilities	$ -	$ -
Fund Equity		
Reserve for Roads & Bridges Maintenance	$ -	$ 285,678
Reserve for Jail Const.& Staffing	-	-
Total Fund Equity	$ -	$ 285,678
Total Liabilities and Fund Equity	$ -	$ 285,678

MARION COUNTY, GEORGIA
OTHER GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS -SCHEDULE OF
REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES TO FUND BALANCE
December 31, 2015

	LMIG	
	2015	2014
Revenue:		
Intergovernmental	$ 287,773	$ 290,210
Interest	-	-
Total Revenue	$ 287,773	$ 290,210
Expenditures:		
Public Works	$ 287,773	$ 242,689
Total Expenditures	$ 287,773	$ 242,689
Excess (Deficit) of Revenue Over Expenditures	$ -	$ 47,521
Fund Balance Beginning of Year	0	238,157
Fund Balance End of Year	$ -	$ 285,678

MARION COUNTY, GEORGIA
BALANCE SHEET -OTHER GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
December 31, 2015

	T-SPLOST	
	2015	2014
Assets		
Cash - Restricted	$ -	$ -
Receivable-General Fund	1,267,295	808,089
Land at Cost	-	-
Total Assets	$ 1,267,295	$ 808,089
Liabilities & Fund Equity		
Liabilities		
Loan Payable	$ -	$ -
Total Liabilities	$ -	$ -
Fund Equity		
Reserve for Roads & Bridges Maintenance	$ 1,267,295	$ 808,089
Reserve for Jail Const.& Staffing	-	-
Total Fund Equity	$ 1,267,295	$ 808,089
Total Liabilities and Fund Equity	$ 1,267,295	$ 808,089

MARION COUNTY, GEORGIA
OTHER GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS -SCHEDULE OF
REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES TO FUND BALANCE
December 31, 2015

	T-SPLOST	
	2015	2014
Revenue:		
Intergovernmental	$ 526,013	$ 509,643
Interest	-	-
Total Revenue	$ 526,013	$ 509,643
Expenditures:		
Public Works		
Capital Outlay	$ 66,807	$ 134,533
Total Expenditures	$ 66,807	$ 134,533
Excess (Deficit) of Revenue Over Expenditures	$ 459,206	$ 375,110
Fund Balance Beginning of Year	808,089	432,979
Fund Balance End of Year	$ 1,267,295	$ 808,089