# WILKES COUNTY, GEORGIA

## ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

For the year ended JUNE 30, 2015

**Wilkes County, Georgia**
**Annual Financial Report**
**June 30, 2015**

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# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Commissioners
Wilkes County, Georgia

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information, and discretely presented component units of Wilkes County, Georgia, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2015, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

## Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation for these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the Unites 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 of 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. We did not audit the financial statements of the Wilkes County Health Department, Georgia, a discrete component unit, which represent less than 1% of the net position and revenues of Wilkes County, Georgia. Those financial statements were audited by other auditors, whose report thereon has been furnished to us, and in our opinion, insofar as it relates to the amounts included for the Wilkes County Health Department, Georgia, is based on the report of the other auditors.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures 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 opinions, based on my audit and the report of other auditors, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of governmental activities, the discretely presented component unit, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Wilkes County, Georgia, as of June 30, 2015, and the respective changes in financial position for the required funds for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United State of America.

## Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information
Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis and budgetary comparison information in the accountant's reports and supplemental information section supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not 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. I have applied *certain limited procedures to* the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the Unites States of America, which consisted of inquires of management regarding the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic

financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

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, which consider it to be a part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economical, or historical context. Our opinion on the basic financial statements is not affected by that missing information.

Other Information

My audit was performed for the purpose of forming opinions on the respective financial statements that collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements. The supplementary information in the table of contents is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements and is the responsibility of the County's management.

**Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards**

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, I have also issued a report dated December 20, 2015, on my consideration of Wilkes County's internal control over financial reporting and my tests of its compliance with laws regulations, contracts, and grant agreements. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Governmental Auditing Standards in considering the County's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

*Steven G Albertson*

Steven G. Albertson, CPA
Washington, Georgia
December 20, 2015

# BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# Government Wide Financial Statements

Wilkes County, Georgia
Statement of Net Position
June 30, 2015

| | Primary Government | Component Units |
|---|---|---|
| | Governmental Activities | Governmental Activities |
| **Assets and Deferred Outflows of Resources** | | |
| **Current Assets** | | |
| Cash and Cash equivalents | 2,383,695 | 630,662 |
| Investments | | |
| Receivables: | | |
| Accounts | | |
| Property taxes | 84,934 | |
| Intergovernmental | 0 | 43,633 |
| Other | | 0 |
| Internal balances | | |
| Component units | | |
| Inventory | | |
| Net pension asset | 220,085 | |
| **Capital Assets** | | |
| Nondepreciable capital assets | 1,354,651 | 511,435 |
| Depreciable capital assets, net | 20,892,760 | 3,046,735 |
| **Total Capital Assets** | 22,247,411 | 3,558,170 |
| **Deferred Outflows of Resources** | 47,238 | 8,918 |
| **Total Assets and Deferred Outflows of Resources** | 24,983,362 | 4,241,383 |
| **Liabilities and Deferred Inflows of Resources** | | |
| **Current Liabilities** | | |
| Pooled cash payable | | |
| Accounts payable | 0 | 16,982 |
| Accrued liabilities (Landfill Postclosure Current period) | 24,750 | |
| Short term loans payable | 0 | |
| Due to primary governments | | |
| Accrued interest | 0 | |
| Unearned revenue | | |
| Compensated absences payable | | 15,977 |
| Bonds payable (current period) | 540,000 | |
| **Total Current Liabilities** | 564,750 | 32,959 |
| **Long Term Liabilities** | | |
| Compensated absences payable (net of current portion) | | |
| Net pension liability | | 316,702 |
| Long Term Notes Payable | | 1,519,020 |
| Landfill Postclosure monitoring | 321,750 | |
| BAN - Bond Liability | 1,125,000 | |
| **Total Long Term Liabilities** | 1,446,750 | 1,835,722 |
| **Deferred Inflows of Resources** | 0 | 0 |
| **Total Liabilities and Deferred Inflows of Resources** | 2,011,500 | 1,868,681 |
| **Net Position** | | |
| Net Invested in capital assets | 20,582,411 | 2,039,150 |
| Restricted for: | | |
| Statutory Purposes | 231,205 | |
| Capital projects | | |
| Project Completion | 1,318,421 | 62,151 |
| Unrestricted | 839,825 | 271,401 |
| **Total Net Postion** | 22,971,862 | 2,372,702 |

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

Wilkes County, Georgia
Statement of Activities
For the Year Ended June 30, 2015

| Functions | Expenses | Program Revenues: Charges for Services, Fines, and Sales | Program Revenues: Capital Grants, Contributions, and Interest | Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Assets: Primary Government: Governmental Activities | Primary Government: Business-Type Activities | Primary Government: Total | Component Units: Governmental Activities | Component Units: Business-Type Activities | Component Units: Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Primary Government** | | | | | | | | | |
| **Governmental Activities** | | | | | | | | | |
| General government | 1,498,826 | 879,370 | 0 | -619,457 | | -619,457 | | | |
| Judicial | 563,983 | | 0 | -563,983 | | -563,983 | | | |
| Public safety | 4,574,254 | 1,664,007 | 1,117 | -2,909,130 | | -2,909,130 | | | |
| Public works | 713,573 | | 0 | -713,573 | | -713,573 | | | |
| Solid Waste Management | 877,879 | | 0 | -877,879 | | -877,879 | | | |
| Health and Welfare | 425,417 | | 0 | -425,417 | | -425,417 | | | |
| Culture and recreation | 236,280 | | 0 | -236,280 | | -236,280 | | | |
| Industrial Development | 117,365 | | 0 | -117,365 | | -117,365 | | | |
| Interest | 5,906 | | 0 | -5,906 | | -5,906 | | | |
| Natural Resources | 99,551 | | 0 | -99,551 | | -99,551 | | | |
| **Total Governmental Activities** | 9,113,036 | 2,543,377 | 1,117 | -6,568,542 | 0 | -6,568,542 | | | |
| **Component Units** | | | | | | | | | |
| Wilkes County Health Department | 319,950 | 80,906 | 253,004 | | | | 13,960 | | 13,960 |
| Washington-Wilkes Payroll Development Authority | 284,909 | 244,738 | 92,030 | | | | 51,859 | | 51,859 |
| Washington-Wilkes Parks And Recreation Department | 230,825 | 11,323 | 205,097 | | | | -14,405 | | -14,405 |
| **Total Component Units** | 835,684 | 336,967 | 550,131 | | | | 51,414 | | 51,414 |
| **General Revenues** | | | | | | | | | |
| Property taxes levied for: | | | | | | | | | |
| General purposes | | | | 5,270,093 | | 5,270,093 | | | |
| Short term borrowings | | | | 0 | | 0 | | | |
| Intergovernmental | | | | 1,789,752 | | 1,789,752 | | | |
| Sales taxes | | | | 1,799,211 | | 1,799,211 | | | |
| Investment earnings | | | | 86 | | 86 | 0 | | 0 |
| Miscellaneous | | | | 70,390 | | 70,390 | 4,249 | | 4,249 |
| **Total General Revenues** | | | | 8,929,532 | | 8,929,532 | 4,249 | 0 | 4,249 |
| Transfers | | | | | | | | | |
| **Total General Revenues and Transfers** | | | | 8,929,532 | | 8,929,532 | 4,249 | 0 | 4,249 |
| **Change in Net Position** | | | | 2,360,990 | | 2,360,990 | 55,663 | 0 | 55,663 |
| **Net Position beginning of year** | | | | 20,610,872 | | 20,610,872 | 2,615,173 | 0 | 2,615,173 |
| **Prior Period adjustment (Note 2)** | | | | 0 | | 0 | | | |
| **Net Postion End of Year** | | | | 22,971,862 | | 22,971,862 | 2,670,836 | 0 | 2,670,836 |

See accompanying notes to the basic finnancial statements

# Fund Financial Statements

Wilkes County, Georgia
Balance Sheet
Governmental Funds
June 30, 2015

| | General | SPLOST 2011 | TSPLOST 2013 | SPLOST 2000 | CDBG Projects | Other Governmental Funds | Total Governmental Funds |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Assets** | | | | | | | |
| Cash | $ 834,077 | $ 594,831 | $ 708,880 | $ 14,701 | $ - | $ 231,205 | $ 2,383,695 |
| Taxes Receivable | $ 84,934 | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ 84,934 |
| Due From Other Funds | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - |
| Due From State of Georgia | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - |
| **Total** | $ 919,011 | $ 594,831 | $ 708,880 | $ 14,701 | $ - | $ 231,205 | $ 2,468,629 |
| **Liabilities** | | | | | | | |
| Accounts Payable | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - |
| Due to Other Funds | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - |
| Due to Other Governments | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - |
| Short term loans | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - |
| Due to Others | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - |
| **Total Liabilities** | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - |
| **Fund Balance:** | | | | | | | |
| Fund Balance: | | | | | | | |
| Restricted for Statutory Purposes | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ 231,205 | $ 231,205 |
| Restricted for Project Completion | $ - | $ 594,831 | $ 708,890 | $ 14,701 | $ - | $ - | $ 1,318,421 |
| Committed for Special Purposes | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - |
| Unassigned | $ 919,011 | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ (0) | $ 919,011 |
| **Total Fund Balance** | $ 919,011 | $ 594,831 | $ 708,890 | $ 14,701 | $ - | $ 231,205 | $ 2,468,637 |
| **Total Liabilities and Fund Balance** | $ 919,011 | $ 594,831 | $ 708,890 | $ 14,701 | $ - | $ 231,205 | $ 2,468,637 |



See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

Wilkes County, Georgia
Reconciliation of the Balance Sheet of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Net Position
June 30, 2015

Amounts Reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:

| | |
|---|---|
| Total Fund balance on Balance Sheet | 2,468,638 |
| Capital Assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds (capital assets net of depreciation: see Note 4-D) | 22,247,411 |
| Change in accrual for NPO: | |
| Net pension obligation asset (due) 2015 | 220,085 |
| Accrual for Landfill post-closure monitoring is not included in the funds. | -346,500 |
| Deferral of pension payments for the next plan year | 47,229 |
| Depreciation rounding | |
| Accrual for bonds | -1,665,000 |
| Net position of governmental activities | 22,971,862 |



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Wilkes County, Georgia
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds
For the year ended June 30, 2015

| | General | SPLOST 2011 | TSPLOST 2013 | Splost 2000 | CDBG Project | Other Governmental Funds | Total Governmental Funds |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Revenues | | | | | | | |
| Taxes | $ 5,270,093 | $ 991,017 | $ 808,194 | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ 7,069,304 |
| Licenses and Permits | $ 11,510 | | | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ 11,510 |
| Intergovernmental Revenues | $ 1,789,752 | | | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ 1,789,752 |
| Charges for Services | $ 644,431 | | | $ - | $ - | $ 223,429 | $ 867,860 |
| Fines and Fees | $ 1,664,007 | | | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ 1,664,007 |
| Miscellaneous | $ 46,771 | $ 334 | $ 632 | $ 66 | $ - | $ 86 | $ 47,889 |
| Total Revenues | $ 9,426,564 | $ 991,351 | $ 808,826 | $ 66 | $ - | $ 223,515 | $ 11,450,322 |
| Current Operating Expenditures | | | | | | | |
| General Government | $ 861,566 | | | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ 861,566 |
| Court System | $ 563,983 | | | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ 563,983 |
| Public Safety | $ 3,998,959 | | | $ - | $ - | $ 64,131 | $ 4,063,090 |
| Highways, Roads, and Bridges | $ 713,573 | | | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ 713,573 |
| Solid Waste Management | $ 877,879 | | | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ 877,879 |
| Health and Welfare | $ 237,494 | | | $ - | $ - | $ 187,923 | $ 425,417 |
| Culture and Recreation | $ 236,280 | | | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ 236,280 |
| Industrial Development | $ 92,883 | | | $ - | $ - | $ 24,482 | $ 117,365 |
| Natural Resources | $ 99,551 | | | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ 99,551 |
| Total Operating Expenditures | $ 7,682,169 | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ 276,537 | $ 7,958,706 |
| Capital Expenditures | | | | | | | |
| General Government | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - |
| Public Safety | $ 23,000 | $ - | $ 36,693 | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ 59,693 |
| Highways, Roads, and Bridges | $ - | $ 78,128 | $ 346,346 | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ 424,474 |
| Solid Waste Management | $ 204,498 | | | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ 204,498 |
| Health and Welfare | $ - | | | $ - | $ - | $ 40,061 | $ 40,061 |
| Culture and Recreation | $ - | | | $ 2,381 | $ - | $ - | $ 2,381 |
| Industrial Development | $ - | | | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - |
| Natural Resources | $ - | | | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - |
| Buildings | $ - | $ 236,826 | | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ 236,826 |
| Total Capital Expenditures | $ 227,498 | $ 314,954 | $ 383,039 | $ 2,381 | $ - | $ 40,061 | $ 967,933 |
| Intergovernmental Expenditures | $ - | $ 360,303 | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ 360,303 |
| Debt Service: | | | | | | | |
| Principle Retirement | $ - | $ (525,000) | $ - | $ - | | $ - | $ (525,000) |
| Interest and fiscal Charges | $ - | $ (5,906) | $ - | $ - | | $ - | $ (5,906) |
| Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over Expenditures | $ 1,516,898 | $ (214,812) | $ 425,787 | $ (2,315) | $ - | $ (93,083) | $ 1,632,474 |
| Other Financing Sources (Uses) | | | | | | | |
| Transfers | $ (81,635) | | $ - | $ - | | $ 81,635 | $ - |
| Short term LOC | $ - | | $ - | | | | $ - |
| Interest on ST LOC | $ - | $ - | | | | | $ - |
| Repayments of ST LOC | $ - | | | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - |
| | | | | | | | $ - |
| Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Financing Sources over Expenditures and Other Uses | $ 1,435,262 | $ (214,812) | $ 425,787 | $ (2,315) | $ - | $ (11,447) | $ 1,632,474 |
| Fund Balance beginning of year | $ (516,250) | $ 809,643 | $ 283,103 | $ 17,016 | $ - | $ 242,653 | $ 836,165 |
| Prior period adj. (STLOC) | $ - | | | | | | $ - |
| Fund Balance end of year | $ 919,012 | $ 594,831 | $ 708,890 | $ 14,701 | $ - | *$ 231,205* | *$ 2,468,638* |



See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

Wilkes County, Georgia
Reconcilitation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund balances of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities
For the year ended June 30, 2015

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Amounts reported for governmental activiies in the statement of activities are different because: | | |
| Net change in Fund balances - total governemental funds | | 1,632,474 |
| Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However in the statement of activities the cost of these assets are allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. Less SPLOST pass-throughs. | | 967,933 |
| Total SPLOST, CDBG and General Fund Capital Expenditures | 967,933 | |
| Capital Assets below $5000 capitalization policy level expensed | | (2,381) |
| Bond principle payments SPLOST 2011 (payment of BAN due 09/1/14) | | 525,000 |
| Bond Payment shown in fund statement already accrued | 525000 | |
| Landfill closure and post-closure care (difference if any between accrual and actual) | | 0 |
| Accrual 2015 | 24,750 | |
| Actual 2015 | 24,750 | |
| Change in Net Pension Benefit previously accrued or net pension obligation | | (14,875) |
| NPB for 2013 | 207,398 | |
| NPB for 2014 | 192,523 | |
| Short-term borrowings accrued/repaid prior year adjustment | | 0 |
| Depreciation for the current year. | | (770,779) |
| Property taxes adjusted for foreclosures and bankruptcy | | 0 |
| Change in net pension asset (liability) | | 23,619 |
| Revenues in the statement of activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the funds.(Prior year property taxes previously accrued) | | 0 |
| Change in net position of governmental activities. | | 2,360,991 |

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

Wilkes County, Georgia
Statement of Fiduciary Assets and Liabilities - Agency Funds
June 30, 2015

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Assets | | |
| | Cash | $ 490,574 |
| | Taxes Receivable, net | $ - |
| | Accounts Receivable | $ - |
| | Due from other Funds | $ - |
| Total Assets | | $ 490,574 |
| | | |
| Liabilities | | |
| | Accounts Payable | $ - |
| | Due to Others | $ 490,574 |
| | Due to other governments | $ - |
| | Due to other funds | $ - |
| Total Liabilities | | $ 490,574 |

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

## NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Wilkes County, Georgia, was organized in 1777 by an act of the Georgia State Legislature. The county operates under a five member Board of Commissioners, and the chairman serves as chief executive officer of the County.

The financial statements of the County have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States (GAAP) as applied government. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for governmental accounting and financial reporting. The more significant accounting policies are described below.

### A. THE REPORTING ENTITY

The reporting entity is comprised of the primary government, and component units and other organizations that are included to ensure that the financial statements are not misleading.

Component units are legally separate organizations for which the County is financially accountable. The County is financially accountable for an organization it the County appoints a voting majority of the organization's governing board and (1) the County is able to significantly influence the programs or services performed or provided by the organization; or (2) the County is legally entitled to or can otherwise access the organization's resources; the County is legally obligated or has otherwise assumed the responsibility to finance the deficits of, or provide financial support to, the organization; or the County is obligated for the debt of the organization.

Discretely presented component units generally are reported only at the government-wide financial reporting level.

The component unit columns included on the government-wide financial statements identifies the financial data of the County's discretely presented component units. They are reported separately to emphasize that they are legally separate from the County.

The county has three component units.

The Washington-Wilkes Parks and Recreation Department: A combined city/county parks and recreation department funded by both the City of Washington and the county to provide recreational and cultural experiences for the residents. The full audited financial statements are available at:

WWPRD
Academy Park Offices
Washington, Georgia 30673

The Washington-Wilkes Payroll Development Authority: A state chartered authority designed to enhance and improve the commercial and industrial base in the County fully funded by the county and state/federal grants. The full audited statements are available at:

Washington-Wilkes Board of Commissioners
Court Street
Washington, Georgia 30673

The Wilkes County Health Department receives the bulk of its funding form the Georgia Department of Human Resources and the full audited statements are available at:

Wilkes County Health Department

B. BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The County's basic financial statements consist of government-wide statements, including a statement of net position and a statement of activities and fund financial statements, which provide a more detailed level of financial information.

**Government-wide Financial Statements** – The government-wide financial statements include a statement of net position and a statement of activities. These statements report financial information for the County as a whole. All funds other than fiduciary activities are included at the government-wide reporting level. Individual funds are not displayed at this reporting level, but the statements distinguish governmental activities, generally supported by taxes and County general revenues, from business-type activities, generally financed in whole or in part with fees charged to external customers.

The statement of net position presents the financial position of the governmental and business-type activities of the County.

The statement of activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each function of the County's governmental activities and for each identifiable activity of the business-type activities of the County. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a function and therefore clearly identifiable to that particular function. The County does not allocate indirect expenses to functions in the statements of activities.

The statement of activities reports the expenses of a given function offset by program revenues directly related to the functional program. A function is an assembly of similar activities and may include portions of a fund or summarize more than one fund to capture the expenses and program revenues associated with a distinct functional activity. Program revenues include: (1) charges for services which report fees and other charges to users of the County's services; (2) operating grants and contributions which finance annual operating activities including restricted investment income; and (3) capital grants and contributions which fund the acquisition, construction, or rehabilitation of capital assets. These revenues are subject to externally imposed restrictions to these program uses. For identifying to which function program revenue pertains, the determining factor for *charges for services* is which function *generates* the revenue. For *grants and contributions,* the determining factor is to which function the revenues are *restricted.*

Taxes and other revenue sources not properly included with program revenues are reported as general revenues of the County. The comparison of direct expenses with program revenues identifies the extent to which each governmental function and each identifiable business activity is self-financing or draws from the general revenues of the County.

**Fund Financial Statements** – During the year, the County segregates transactions related to certain County functions or activities in separate funds in order to aid financial management and to demonstrate legal compliance. Fund financial statements are designed to present financial information of the County at this more detailed level. Fund financial statements are provided for governmental, proprietary, and fiduciary funds.

Major individual governmental and enterprise funds are reported in separate columns with composite columns for non-major funds. The fiduciary finds are reported by type.

**Fund Accounting** – The County uses funds to maintain its financial records during the year. A fund is a fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. The County uses three categories of funds: governmental, proprietary and fiduciary.

**Government Funds** – Governmental funds are those through which most governmental functions typically are financed. Governmental fund reporting focuses on the sources, uses and balances of current financial resources. Expendable assets are assigned to the various governmental funds according to the purposes for which they may or must be used. Fund liabilities are assigned to the fund from which they will be liquidated. The County reports the difference between governmental fund assets and liabilities as net

position. The following are the County's major governmental funds:

**General Fund** – The general fund accounts for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in other funds. The general fund's net position is available to the County for any purpose provided it is expended or transferred according to the general laws of Georgia.

**Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax 2000** – This capital projects fund is used to account for a SPLOST collected through the end of October 2005. The uses of these revenues are specified by a referendum passed by the voters of the County, and are used for road construction and other purposes.

**Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax 2011** – This capital projects fund is used to account for a SPLOST collected starting November 2011. The uses of these revenues are specified by a referendum passed by the voters of the County, and are used for road construction and other purposes.

**Transportation Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax** - This capital projects fund is used to account for a TSPLOST collected starting January 2013. The uses of these revenues are specified by a referendum passed by the voters of the County, and are used for road construction and other purposes.

**CDBG Fund** – This capital projects fund is used to account for a CBDG 11p-y-157-1-5383 collected through the end of 2015. The uses of these revenues are specified by a grant and budget approved by the GA Department of Community Affairs and is used for water line construction and land acquisition purposes.

Other funds that the County has are:

Special Revenue Fund - The Special Revenue Fund is used to account for specific revenue sources, including special services district, grants, and similar trust funds, that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes.

Capital Projects Fund – Capital Projects Funds are used to account for financial resources to be used for the acquisition or construction of major capital facilities (other than those financed by Proprietary Funds, Special Assessment Funds, and Trust Funds).

Fiduciary Fund Types

Agency Funds - Agency Funds are used to account for assets held by the County as an agent for individuals, other governments, and/or other funds. Agency Funds are custodial in nature (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve measurement of results of operations. Agency funds are accounted for on the accrual basis.

The County has no proprietary type funds.

C. BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

Measurement Focus/Basis of Accounting

**Government-wide Financial Statements** – The government-wide financial statements are prepared using the economic resources measurement focus. All assets and all liabilities associated with the operation to the County are included on the statement of net position. The statement of activities reports revenues and expenses, including depreciation.

**Fund Financial Statements** – All government funds are accounted for using a flow of current financial resources measurement focus in these financial statements. With this measurement focus, only current assets and current liabilities generally are included on the balance sheet. The statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in net positions reports the sources (i.e., revenues and other financing sources) and uses (i.e., expenditures and other financing uses) of current financial resources. This approach differs

from the manner in which the governmental activities of the government-wide financial statements are prepared. Governmental fund financial statements therefore include reconciliation with brief explanations to better identify the relationship between the government-wide statements and the governmental fund statements.

Like the government-wide statements, all proprietary fund types are accounted for on a flow of economic resources measurements focus on both financial reporting levels. All assets and all liabilities associated with the operation of these funds are included on the statements of net position. The statements of changes in fund net position present increases (i.e., revenues) and decreases (i.e., expenses) in net total assets. The statement of cash flows provides information about how the County finances and meets the cash flow needs of its proprietary activities.

Basis of accounting determines when transactions are recorded in the financial records and reported on the financial statements. Government-wide financial statements are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting. At the fund reporting level, governmental funds use the modified accrual basis of accounting and fiduciary funds use the accrual basis of accounting. Proprietary funds use the accrual basis of accounting at both reporting levels. Differences in the accrual and the modified accrual basis of accounting arise in the recognition of revenue, the recording of deferred revenue, and in the presentation of expenses versus expenditures.

**Revenues – Exchange Transactions** – Revenue resulting from exchange transaction, in which each party gives and receives revenue is recorded when the exchange takes place and in the fiscal year in which the resources are measurable and become available. Available means that the resources will be collected within the current fiscal year or are expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current fiscal year. For the County, phrase "available for exchange transactions" means expected to be received within twelve months of year-end.

**Revenues – Non-Exchange Transactions** – Non-exchange transactions in which the County receives value without directly giving equal value in return, include sales taxes, property taxes, grants, and donation. On an accrual basis, revenue from sales taxes is recognized in the period in which the taxable sale takes place and on the modified accrual basis, it is recognized in the year received (i.e., when considered available). Revenue from grants and donations is recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied. Eligibility requirements include timing requirements, which specify the year when the resources are required to be used or the year when use is first permitted, matching requirements, in which the County must provide local resources to be used for a specified purpose, and expenditure requirements, in which the resources are provide to the County on a reimbursement basis. On a modified accrual basis, revenue from non-exchange transactions also must be available (i.e., collected within 60 days) before it can be recognized.

Under the modified accrual basis, the following revenue sources are considered to be susceptible to accrual: property taxes, sales taxes, interest and federal and state grants.

**Unearned Revenue** – Deferred revenue arises when assets are recognized before revenue recognition criteria have been satisfied.

On governmental fund financial statements and government-wide financial statements revenues are deferred for: Sales taxes collected by the State of Georgia, Department of Revenue, for the May and June sales are reported as deferred revenue at year-end. Property taxes receivable not collected within 60 days of year-end have been recorded as deferred revenue. Grants and entitlements received before the eligibility requirements are met (e.g., cash advances) also are recorded as deferred revenue.

**Expenses/Expenditures** – On the accrual basis of accounting, expenses are recognized at the time they are incurred. On the modified accrual basis, expenditures generally are recognized in the accounting period in which the related fund liability is incurred and due, if measurable.

**D. Assets, Liabilities and Fund Equity**

**1-D-1. Cash, Cash Equivalents, and Investments**

Cash and cash equivalents include amounts in demand deposits as well as short-term investments with a maturity date within three months of the date acquired by the County.
Investments are stated at fair value based on quoted market prices.

Georgia law authorizes the County to invest in the following type of obligations:

- Obligations of the State of Georgia or of any other states
- Obligations of the United States Government
- Obligations fully insured or guaranteed by the government or governmental agency
- Obligations of any corporation of the government
- Prime bankers' acceptances
- The State of Georgia local government pool (i.e., Georgia Fund I)
- Repurchase agreements
- Obligations of the other political subdivisions of the State of Georgia

Any investment or deposit in excess of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) insured amount must be secured by 110% of an equivalent amount of State or U.S, obligations.

**1-D-2. Receivables**

All trade and property tax receivables are reported net of an allowance for uncollectibles, where applicable.

**1-D-3. Interfund Balances**

On the fund financial statements, receivables and payable resulting from short-term interfund loans are classified as "interfund receivables/payables." These amounts are eliminated in the governmental and business-type activities columns of the government-wide statement of net position, except for any net residual amounts due between governmental and business-type activities, which are reclassified and presented as internal balances.

**1-D-4. Consumable Inventories**

On the government-wide financial statements, inventories are presented at cost on a first-in, first-out basis and are expensed when used (i.e., the consumption method).

On the fund financial statement, inventories of governmental funds are stated at cost. For all funds, cost is determined on a first-in, first-out basis. The cost of inventory items is recorded as expenditure in the governmental fund types when consumed.

**1-D-5. Capital Assets**

General capital assets are those assets not specifically related to activities reported in the proprietary funds. These assets generally result from expenditures in governmental funds. The County reports these assets in the governmental activities column of the government-wide statement of net position but does not report these assets in the governmental fund financial statements. Capital assets utilized by enterprise funds are reported both in the business-type activities column of the government-wide statement of net position and in the enterprise funds' statement of net position.

All capital assets are capitalized at cost (or estimated historical cost) and updated for additions and retirements during the year. Donated capital assets are recorded at their fair market value as of the date received. The County maintains a capitalization threshold of five thousand dollars. The County's infrastructure consists of roads, bridges, and water and sewer lines. Improvements (i.e., betterments) to capital assets are capitalized. The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend an asset's life are expensed. Interest incurred during the construction of capital assets utilized by the enterprise funds is capitalized.

All reported capital assets are depreciated except for land, and construction in progress. Improvements are depreciated over the remaining useful lives of the related capital assets. Useful lives for infrastructure were estimated based on the County's historical records of necessary improvements and replacement.

Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the following useful lives:

| | |
|---|---|
| Buildings | 40 years |
| Heavy Equipment | 7 years |
| Vehicles | 7 Years |
| Roads & Bridges | 50 years |

**1-D-6. Compensated Absences**

Vacation benefits are accrued as a liability as the benefits are earned if the employees' rights to receive compensation are attributable to services already rendered and it is probable that the employer will compensate the employee for the benefits though paid time off or some other means.

All compensated absence liabilities include salary-related payments, where applicable.

The total compensated absence liability has not been reported on the government-wide financial statement. Vacation and personal or sick leave can be accumulated, but is paid currently and not upon termination or retirement. The County is changing this policy for the next fiscal year. Governmental funds report the compensated absence liability at the fund reporting level only "when due."

**1-D-7. Accrued Liabilities and Long-term Obligations**

All payables, accrued liabilities and long-term obligations are reported in the government-wide financial statements.

In general, governmental fund payables and accrued liabilities that, once incurred, are paid in a timely manner and in full from current financial resources are reported as obligations of these funds. However, compensated absences that will be paid form governmental funds are reported as a liability in the fund financial statements only to the extent that they are "due for payment" during the current year. Debt service expenditures are recognized as a liability in the governmental fund financial statements when due.

**1-D-8. Bond Premiums, Discount and Issuance Cost**

On the government-wide statement of net position bond premiums and discounts are netted against bonds payable and bond issuance costs are reported as deferred charges. On the government-wide statement of activities, bond premiums and discounts and bond issuance costs are deferred and amortized over the life of the bonds using the effective interest method. Bond issuance costs are recognized as an outflow of resources in the reporting period in which they are incurred. At government fund reporting level, bond premiums and discount are reported as other financing sources and uses, separately from the face amount of the bonds issued. Bond issuance costs are reported as expenditure.

**1-D-9. Fund Equity**

Fund equity at the governmental fund financial reporting level is classified as "net position." Fund equity for all other reporting is classified as "net position."

**Fund Balance** – Generally, fund balance represents the difference between the current assets and current liabilities. In the fund financial statements, governmental funds report fund classifications that comprise a hierarchy based primarily to the extent to which the County is bound to honor constraints on the specific purposes for which the amounts in those funds can be spent. Fund balances are classified as follows:

> Nonspendable – Fund balances are reported as nonspendable when amounts cannot be spent because they are either (a) not in spendable form or (b) legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.
>
> Restricted – Fund balances are reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through enabling legislation adopted by the County or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors, or laws and regulations of other governments.

Committed – Fund balances are reported as committed when they can be used only for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal action of the County. The County may modify or rescind the commitment.

Assigned – Fund balances are reported as assigned when amounts are constrained by the County's intent to be used for specific purposes, but are neither restricted nor committed.

Unassigned – Fund balances are reported as unassigned as the residual amount when the balances do not meet any of the above criterion.

**Net position** – Net position represent the difference between assets and liabilities. Net position invested in capital assets, net of related debt, consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowing used for the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets. The net asset amount also is adjusted by any bond issuance deferred amounts. Net position are reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through the enabling legislation adopted by the County or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors or laws or regulations of governments. All other net position are reported as unrestricted.

**Use of Restricted Resources** - When an expense is incurred that can be paid using either restricted or unrestricted resources (net position) the County applies restricted resources first when an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net position are available. For unrestricted amounts of fund balance, it is the County's policy to use fund balance in the order of Committed, Assigned, and then Unassigned.

### 1-D-11. Interfund Activity

Exchange transactions between funds are reported as revenues in the seller funds and as expenditures/expenses in the purchaser funds. Flows of cash or goods from one fund to another without a requirement for repayment are reported as interfund transfers. Interfund transfers are reported as other financing sources/uses in governmental and the after non-operating revenues/expenses section in proprietary funds. Repayment from funds responsible for particular expenditures/expenses to the funds that initially paid for them are not presented on the financial statements (i.e., they are netted).

Transfers between governmental and business-type activities on the government-wide statement of activities are reported as general revenues. Transfers between funds reported in the governmental activities column are eliminated. Transfers between funds reported in the business type activities column are eliminated.

### 1-D-12. Estimates

The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results may differ from those estimates.

### 1-D-13. Comparative Data

Comparative total data for the prior year have been presented only for individual funds in the fund financial statements in order to provide an understanding of the changes in the financial position and operations of these funds. Also, certain amounts in the prior year data have been reclassified to be consistent with the current year's presentation.

## NOTE 2 **Change in Reporting Model**

In fiscal year 2013, the County implemented *GASB Statement 63, Financial Reporting of Deferred Income Outflows of Resources, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Net Position* and *GASB Statement 65, Items previously reported as Assets and Liabilities.* As a result there are numerous changes in terminology throughout the financial section of this report.

NOTE 3

**3-A. Budgetary Information** – The County adopts an annual operating budget for the general fund and each special revenue fund. A project budget is adopted for each capital projects fund. The budget resolution reflects the total of each department's appropriation in each fund.

The governmental funds budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with GAAP.

The level of legal budgetary control (the level at which expenditures may not exceed appropriations) is the department level with the following provisions:

- The County Administrator may transfer funds from one object or purpose to another within the same department.
- The County Commission may amend the budget by motion during the fiscal year.

Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the year for all budgeted funds.

**3-B. Excess of Expenditures Over Appropriations**

The general fund had no expenditures in excess of appropriations.

**4-A. Deposits and Investments**

**Deposits** – The bank balance is classified into three categories of credit risk: 1) cash that is insured or collateralized with securities held by the County or by its agent in its name, 2) cash collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent in the County's name, and 3) uncollateralized bank accounts including any bank balance that is collateralized with securities held by the pledging institution's trust department or agent but not in the County's name.

The County's deposits are classified as follows at June 30, 2015:

| Credit risk Category | Discrete Comp. Units | Government |
|---|---|---|
| Category 1 | $ 630,662 | $ 3,534,015 |
| Category 2 | | $2,672,721 |
| Category 3 | | 0 |
| Total | $ 630,662 | $ 6,206,736 |

The carrying amount of these deposits was $5,575,068 for all funds including Agency funds but not component units. Component unit carrying amounts are $630,662.

**4-B. Receivables**

Receivables at June 30, 2015, consisted of taxes, interests, accounts (billing for user charges), and intergovernmental receivables arising from grants.

Receivables and payables are recorded on the County's financial statements to the extent that the amounts are determined to be material and substantiated not only by supporting documentation, but also by a reasonable, systematic method of determining their existence, completeness, valuation, and in the case of receivables, collectibility.

**4-C. Property Taxes**

Normally, property tax levies are set by the County in September of each year for collection in the following December. Taxes are levied annually by the County and for the year ended June 30, 2015, the levy was made for the 2014 tax digest. Taxes were due on January 3, 2015. The 2014 digest has been finalized. Taxes were levied on October 31, 2014 with taxes due on January 2 2015. The Lien date is March 2, 2015. The County has recorded taxes in accordance with Note 1-C above which would include in the fund level statements taxes collected for prior years.

### 4-D. Capital Assets

Capital asset activity for the year ended June 30, 2015 was as follows:

| | Beginning Balance | Additions | Retirements | Ending Balance |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Governmental activities: | | | | |
| Land | 1,354,651 | 0 | 0 | 1,354,651 |
| Other capital assets | | | | |
| Buildings and improvements (WIP incl) | 17,558,600 | 219,009 | 0 | 17,777,609 |
| Equipment | 4,664,214 | 285,375 | 0 | 4,949,589 |
| Infrastructure | 14,680,229 | 370,372 | 0 | 15,050,601 |
| Total other capital assets at historic cost | 36,903,043 | 874,756 | 0 | 37,777,799 |
| Less accumulated depreciation | | | | |
| Buildings and improvements | (8,876,049) | (321,374) | 0 | (9,197,423) |
| Equipment | (4,334,585) | (148,394) | | (4,482,979) |
| Infrastructure | (2,903,626) | (301,012) | | (3,204,638) |
| Total accumulated depreciation | (16,114,260) | (770,779) | 0 | (16,885,039) |
| Other capital assets net | 20,788,783 | 103,977 | 0 | 20,892,760 |
| Governmental activities:capital assets, net | 22,143,434 | 103,977 | 0 | 22,247,411 |

| | |
|---|---|
| Gen Gov | (622,386) |
| Pub safety | (148,394) |
| | (770,779) |

### 4-E. Interfund Balances and Transfers

Historically $1600 of general fund monies was loaned to various agency funds to create bank accounts. These interfund balances were eliminated by closing the amounts due to the general fund for statement purposes. These will eventually be returned when or if the accounts are closed in the future.

Interfund transfers for the year ended June 30, 2015, consisted of the following:

General Fund to the Section 5311 Fund (Special Revenue) $81,635

Transfers are used to report revenues from the fund that statute or budget requires to collect them to the fund that statute or budget requires to expend them and unrestricted revenues collected in the general fund to finance various programs accounted for in other funds in accordance with budgetary authorizations; and to return money to the fund from which it was originally provided, once a project is completed. All County transfers either occur on a regular basis or are consistent with the purpose of the fund making the transfer.

### 4-F. Compensated Absences

The county grants vacation, personal, and sick leave on an as needed basis subject to certain limitations. The county does not pay accumulated sick leave upon termination or retirement. The County has not accrued vacation time, and does not believe the amount to be material.

### 4-G. Long-Term Debt

**Primary Government – Summary of General Obligation Bonds** – The following is a summary of the outstanding general obligation long-term bond issues at June 30, 2015:

BAN Bonds 2011 SPLOST

| Year | Principle | Interest | Payment | Int Rate | Balance |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 9/1/2015 | $ 540,000 | $ 8,100 | $ 548,100 | 3.00% | $1,125,000 |
| 9/1/2016 | $ 555,000 | $ 8,325 | $ 563,325 | 3.00% | $ 570,000 |
| 9/1/2017 | $ 570,000 | $ 9,263 | $ 579,263 | 3.25% | $ - |

| | Bal 7/1/2014 | Additions | Retirements | Balance |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Bonds | $ 2,190,000 | 0 | $ 525,000 | $ 1,665,000 |
| Landfill | $ 371,250 | | $ 24,750 | $ 346,500 |

The long-term debt of Wilkes County also consists of an accrual for the closure and postclosure care associated with the solid waste landfill and is fully described in Note 7.

4-H . RETIREMENT BENEFITS

The following pension and retirement plans are in effect but are not under the direct control of the County:

1. Agricultural Extension Supplemental Teachers Retirement Fund
The County agent and designated employees in this office are partially paid by the County. A contribution to their pension fund is made by the General Fund.

2. Probate Judges' Retirement Fund of Georgia
The Probate Judge is covered under a pension plan which requires that certain sums from marriage licenses and fines or bond forfeitures be remitted to the pension plan before the payment of any costs or other claims.

3. Clerk of Superior Court Retirement Fund
The Clerk of Superior Court is covered under a pension plan which requires that certain sums from fees and fines or bond forfeitures be remitted to the pension plan before the payment of any costs or other claims.

4. Sheriffs' Retirement Fund/Peace Officers' Annuity and Benefit Fund
The Sheriff and Sheriff Deputies are covered under separate pension plans which require that certain sums from fines or bond forfeitures be remitted by the Probate Judge or Clerk of Superior Court to the pension plan before the payment of any costs or other claims.

5. The County joined the ACCG pension plan on September 9, 1999. The County contributes to the Association of County Commissioners of Georgia (ACCG) Defined benefit Plan, an agent multiple-employer public employee retirement system that acts as a common investment and administrative agent for participating counties in Georgia. The specific benefit provisions of the County's plan were established by an adoption agreement executed by the County Board of Commissioners. The Plan provides for benefits upon retirement, death, disablement, and termination of employment, if certain eligibility requirements are met. An outline of plan provisions is noted below.

*Contributions:* The County is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate annually to the plan. 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 Section 47-20 of the Georgia Code. Administrative expenses are based on total covered compensation of active plan participants and are added to the state required annual funding requirement. Employees do not contribute to this plan.

**Required Supplementary Information**

1. Actuarial Present Value of Accumulated Plan Benefits
    a. Vested
        i. Retirees (and others in pay status) $ 563,059

| | |
|---|---|
| ii. Deferred Vested (former employees) | $ 350,343 |
| iii. Vested Active Participants | $ 1,671,511 |
| Total | $ 2,564,913 |
| b. Nonvested | 110,628 |
| Total | $2,675,541 |
| 2. Effect of future salary increases | $ 668,791 |
| 3. Total Actuarial Accrued Liability | $3,364,332 |
| 4. Net assets available for benefits (includes receivables) | $ 2,372,711 |
| 5. Net assets in Excess of Actuarial Present value of Accumulated Plan benefits | ($302,830) |
| 6. Principle Actuarial Assumptions | |
| a. Investment return | 7.75% |
| b. Rate of Future Salary Increases (not applicable to Accumulated Plan benefits calculations) | 3.0%-5.5% (based on age) |

Schedule of Employer Contributions

| Fiscal Year Beginning | Annual Pension Cost | Actual County Contribution | Percentage Contributed | Net Pension Obligation |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1/1/2006 | 149,483 | 186,504 | 125.0% | |
| 1/1/2007 | 153,806 | 189,780 | 123.4% | |
| 1/1/2008 | 162,801 | 193,880 | 119.1% | (129,693) |
| 1/1/2009 | 189,146 | 202,080 | 107.3% | (160,200) |
| 1/1/2010 | 219,566 | 222,170 | 101% | (173,134) |
| 1/1/2011 | 221,203 | 238,550 | 108% | (175,738) |
| 1/1/2012 | 225,687 | 240,000 | 106% | (193,085) |
| 1/1/2013 | 262,419 | 248,669 | 94.8% | (192,523) |

| **Annual Pension Cost** | 2015 | 2014 | 2013 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Derivation of Net Pension Obligation: | | | |
| Net pension obligation as of beginning of prior year | $ (192,523) | $ (207,398) | $ (193,085) |
| Annual pension cost for prior year | $ 261,450 | $ 263,544 | $ 225,687 |
| Actual contributions to plan for prior year | $ 289,012 | $ 248,669 | $ 240,000 |
| Increase (decrease) in Net pension obligation | $ (27,562) | $ 14,875 | $ (14,313) |
| Net pension obligation as of beginning of the year | $ (220,085) | $ (192,523) | $ (207,398) |
| Derivation of Annual Pension Cost | | | |
| Annual required contribution | $ 306,766 | $ 278,774 | $ 262,419 |
| Interest on net pension obligation | $ (34,193) | $ (40,113) | $ (16,073) |
| Amortization of net pension obligation | $ 22,062 | $ 32,094 | $ 17,198 |
| Annual pension cost | $ 294,635 | $ 270,755 | $ 263,544 |

The information presented in the required supplementary schedules was determined as part of the actuarial valuation as of January 1, 2015. The following summarizes the actuarial methods and assumptions used in that valuation:

| | |
|---|---|
| Valuation Date: | 1/1/2015 |
| Actuarial Cost Method: | Projected Unit Credit |
| Asset Valuation Method: | Market Value |

| | |
|---|---|
| Amortization Method: | Level Percent of Pay (closed) |
| Remaining Amortization Period: | 10 years |
| Actuarial assumptions: | |
| Assumed rate of return on assets | 7.75% per year |
| Expected future salary increases | 3.0-5.5% per year |
| Cost of Living adjustments* | 3.0% per year |

*includes expected inflation rate of 3.0% per year

Additional information and the complete annual report of the Plan are available at the County Clerk's office in the Courthouse.

The County also maintains a Section 125 cafeteria plan for its employees, whereby health insurance premiums are treated as pre-tax benefits, in accordance with the provisions of Internal Revenue Code Section 125.

4-I. COMPARATIVE DATA

Comparative totals for the prior year have been not been presented in the accompanying financial statements since their inclusion would make the statements unduly complex and difficult to read. A copy of the prior year's audit is available in the County Clerk's office.

NOTE 5. STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE, AND ACCOUNTABILITY

5-A. COMPLIANCE WITH LEGAL AND CONTRACTUAL PROVISIONS

In the opinion of the County Attorney, Wilkes County, Georgia, is in compliance with all legal and contractual provisions. No violations were observed during the examination of the financial statements of the County.

5-B. DEFICIT FUND BALANCES
The General Fund operated by Wilkes County, Georgia, had deficient balance at June 30, 2014, due to short term borrowings to cover expenses prior to taxes being collected. As of June 30, 2015 the short term borrowings were zero and the fund returned to a positive balance.

NOTE 6. SUMMARY DISCLOSURE OF SIGNIFICANT CONTINGENCIES

6-A. LITIGATIONS
In the opinion of the County Attorney there are no suits pending or unasserted claims that would result in material liabilities to the County.

6-B. CONTINGENCIES
According to the County Attorney, the County has no legal contracts or agreements under which the County has assumed any actual or potential liability for the obligations of any other governmental or private agency, authority or instrumentality.

6-C. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
During the year ended June 30, 2015, Wilkes County expended Federal/State/Private financial assistance in the amount of $125,568 under a variety of grants.

NOTE 7. LANDFILL CLOSURE AND POSTCLOSURE CARE
State and federal laws require the county to place a final cover on its current landfill site when it stops accepting waste and to perform certain maintenance and monitoring functions at the site for thirty years after closure. The closure permit date for the county's SW landfill was July 1, 2001. The county must recognize an estimated liability for the cost of putting the final cover on the landfill and monitoring it in accordance with applicable state and federal laws. These laws are subject to change over time as new technologies are developed, thus making the estimated liability subject to change in future years. Also, inflation or deflation may also change the estimate. The county pays for monitoring out of general fund revenues, but has a $100,000 certificate of deposit in reserve allocated for these costs.

The county must recognize a liability based on the total estimated liability of closure and postclosure care costs. The county has set aside some funds in a special revenue account. The difference in what has been restricted to the closure and postclosure costs and the estimated accrued liability is reported as general long-term debt.

Continuing Costs are estimated as follows:

| | |
|---|---|
| Estimated Postclosure Monitoring | |
| Years 1-5 at $33,500 | $167,500 |
| Years 6-30 at $24,750 | $618,750 |
| Total Estimated Costs | $1,293,749 |

The detail by year is as follows:

| | Estimates | Expended |
|---|---|---|
| Tibble & Richardson Estimate | | |
| Estimated Closure Cost | $ 507,499.00 | $507,499.00 |
| Expended | | |
| Monitoring | | |
| 2000 | $ 33,500.00 | $ 33,500.00 |
| 2001 | $ 33,500.00 | $ 33,500.00 |
| 2002 | $ 33,500.00 | $ 19,331.83 |
| 2003 | $ 33,500.00 | $ 33,500.00 |
| 2004 | $ 33,500.00 | $ 23,312.00 |
| 2005 | $ 24,750.00 | $ 23,312.00 |
| 2006 | $ 24,750.00 | $ 29,648.40 |
| 2007 | $ 24,750.00 | $ 30,761.25 |
| 2008 | $ 24,750.00 | $ 29,957.25 |
| 2009 | $ 24,750.00 | $ 25,946.20 |
| 2010 | $ 24,750.00 | $ 30,000.00 |
| 2011 | $ 24,750.00 | $ 30,000.00 |
| 2012 | $ 24,750.00 | $ 30,000.00 |
| 2013 | $ 24,750.00 | $ 30,000.00 |
| 2014 | $ 24,750.00 | $ 30,000.00 |
| 2015 | $ 24,750.00 | $ 24,750.00 |
| 2016 | $ 24,750.00 | |
| 2017 | $ 24,750.00 | |
| 2018 | $ 24,750.00 | |
| 2019 | $ 24,750.00 | |
| 2020 | $ 24,750.00 | |
| 2021 | $ 24,750.00 | |
| 2022 | $ 24,750.00 | |
| 2023 | $ 24,750.00 | |
| 2024 | $ 24,750.00 | |
| 2025 | $ 24,750.00 | |
| 2026 | $ 24,750.00 | |
| 2027 | $ 24,750.00 | |
| 2028 | $ 24,750.00 | |
| 2029 | $ 24,750.00 | |
| | $ 786,250.00 | |
| Total Estimate | $1,293,749.00 | |
| Estimate Expended | $ 947,249.00 | $965,017.93 |
| Actual Expended | $ 965,017.93 | |
| Amount to be provided | $ 346,500.00 | |
| Acrual adjustment | $ (17,768.93) | |

NOTE 7. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS
The County had no material related party transactions.

NOTE 8. RISK FINANCING ACTIVITIES
The County is exposed to risk of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. During the year, the county carried insurance through participation in a Public Entity Risk Pool sponsored by the Association of County Commissions of Georgia (ACCG). This pool consists of counties throughout the state of Georgia, and provides common risk management and general insurance for its member counties. The pool is designed to be self-sustaining through member's premiums. The County's responsibilities are to contribute a proportionate amount of premium into the pool to keep the pool solvent by the direction of the pool's trustees. The pool's responsibilities include the prompt payment of claims in excess of deductibles and providing professional assistance in risk management.

The county participates in the ACCG Group Self-Insurance Workers' Compensation Fund (Fund), a self-insurance pool cooperative arrangement among its members to finance workers' compensation coverage. The fund is owned by its members and is managed by a seven member Board of Trustees made up of representatives from participating counties. The pool is designed to be self-sustaining through its member's premiums. The County's responsibilities are to contribute a proportional amount of premium and/or assessment into the pool to keep the pool solvent by the direction of the pool's trustees. The County must also cooperate with the pool's attorneys and agents, to follow the loss reduction procedures established by the funds, and to report as promptly as possible, and in accordance with the coverage descriptions issued, all incidents that could result in the funds being required to pay any claim or loss. The County is also to allow the fund's attorneys and agents to represent the County in the investigation, settlement discussions, and all levels of litigation arising out of any claim made against the County within the scope of loss protection provided by the funds.

The funds are to protect and defend the members of the fund against liability or loss as prescribed in the member contract and in accordance with the worker's compensation law of Georgia. The funds are to pay all cost taxed against the members in any legal proceeding defended by the members, all interest accruing after the entry of judgment, and all expenses incurred for investigation, negotiation, or defense.

The levels of insurance for vehicles vary from year to year based on the number of vehicles covered, but policy limits and deductibles have not changed in the past three years. Liability coverage in the amount of $1,000,000 is carried by the county, and has not changed for three years. Workers Compensation is based on a claims history, and has not significantly changed in the past three years. No claims in excess of policy limits have been incurred in the past three years.

NOTE 9. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS
There were no subsequent events of a material nature that would affect the general purpose financial statements.

NOTE 10. JOINT VENTURES
Under Georgia law, the county, in conjunction with other cities and counties in the Central Savannah River District, is a member of the CSRA Regional Commission (CSRARC) and is required to pay annual dues. Membership in the RC is required by the Official Code of Georgia Annotated (OCGA) Section 50-8-34 which provides for the organizational structure of the RC's in Georgia. The RC board members include 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 RC. Separate financial statements may be obtained from:

Central Savannah River Area Rural Commission
2123 Wrightsboro Road
Augusta, Georgia 30914

NOTE 11 HOTEL/MOTEL TAX
Wilkes County has levied a 5% hotel/motel tax. A summary of the transactions for the current fiscal year are as follows: Hotel/Motel Tax Receipts $24,402

| | |
|---|---|
| Other receipts/reimbursements | $0 |
| Disbursements for tourism promotion | (24,402) |
| Net position | $1,000 |

The expenditures were for promotion of tourism as required by OCGA 48-13-51.

NOTE 12 Short-term Debt

The county borrowed on a six-month note to carry the county operations until taxes are collected for 2015. This is a continuation from 2013. Below is a history.

| | Beginning Balance | Additions | Retirements | Ending Balance |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2012 | $ - | $ 1,201,325 | $ - | $ 1,201,325 |
| 2013 | $1,201,325 | $ 1,010,000 | $ (908,469) | $ 1,302,856 |
| 2014 | $1,302,856 | $ 950,000 | $ (1,302,856) | $ 950,000 |
| 2015 | $ 950,000 | $ - | $ (950,000) | $ - |

ACCOUNTANT'S REPORTS AND SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

Wilkes County, Georgia
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Change in Fund Balance - General Fund
For the year ended June 30, 2015

| | Budget | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Original | Final | Actual | Difference |
| Revenues | | | | |
| Taxes | $ 4,510,905 | $ 4,931,344 | $ 5,270,093 | $ 338,749 |
| Licenses and Permits | $ 11,704 | $ 15,900 | $ 11,510 | $ (4,390) |
| Intergovernmental Revenues | $ 1,260,733 | $ 1,266,000 | $ 1,789,752 | $ 523,752 |
| Local option sales tax | $ 660,918 | $ 658,000 | $ 644,431 | $ (13,569) |
| Charges for Services | $ 500,000 | $ 540,000 | $ 613,423 | $ 73,423 |
| Fines and Fees | $ 1,544,650 | $ 1,172,250 | $ 1,050,584 | $ (121,666) |
| Miscellaneous | $ 117,421 | $ 198,901 | $ 46,771 | $ (152,130) |
| Total Revenues | $ 8,606,331 | $ 8,782,395 | $ 9,426,564 | $ 644,169 |
| Expenditures | | | | |
| Operating | | | | |
| General Government | $ 659,645 | $ 861,566 | $ 861,566 | $ - |
| Court System | $ 491,786 | $ 563,983 | $ 563,983 | $ - |
| Public Safety | $ 2,200,584 | $ 3,998,959 | $ 3,998,959 | $ - |
| Highways, Roads, and Bridges | $ 724,213 | $ 713,573 | $ 713,573 | $ - |
| Solid Waste Management | $ 767,672 | $ 877,879 | $ 877,879 | $ - |
| Health and Welfare | $ 384,950 | $ 237,494 | $ 237,494 | $ - |
| Culture and Recreation | $ 204,422 | $ 236,280 | $ 236,280 | $ - |
| Industrial Development | $ 61,106 | $ 92,883 | $ 92,883 | $ - |
| Natural Resources | $ 77,700 | $ 99,551 | $ 99,551 | $ - |
| Total Expenditures | $ 5,572,078 | $ 7,682,169 | $ 7,682,169 | $ - |
| Capital Expenditures | | | | |
| General Government | $ 10,000 | $ - | $ - | $ - |
| Court System | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - |
| Public Safety | $ 85,000 | $ 36,209 | $ 23,000 | $ 13,209 |
| Highways, Roads, and Bridges | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - |
| Solid Waste Management | $ - | $ 205,000 | $ 204,498 | $ 502 |
| Health and Welfare | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - |
| Culture and Recreation | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - |
| Industrial Development | $ 1,200,000 | $ 1,200,000 | $ - | $ 1,200,000 |
| Natural Resources | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - |
| Buildings | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - |
| Total Capital Expenditures | $ 1,295,000 | $ 1,441,209 | $ 227,498 | $ 1,213,711 |
| Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over Expenditures | $ 1,739,253 | $ (340,983) | $ 1,516,898 | $ (569,542) |
| Other Financing Sources (Uses) | | | | |
| Transfers | $ - | $ - | $ (81,635) | |
| Short Term Borrowing | $ - | $ - | $ - | |
| Debt Service Activities | | | | |
| Interest paid on short term loans | | | $ - | |
| Short Term Repayment (Costed) | | | $ - | |
| Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Financing Sources over Expenditures and Other Uses | $ - | $ - | $ 1,435,262 | |
| Fund Balance beginning of year | $ - | $ - | $ (516,250) | $ - |
| Prior year adjustment (STLOC) | | | $ - | |
| Fund Balance end of year | $ - | $ - | $ 919,012 | $ - |

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Wilkes County, Georgia
Combining Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances - Actual versus Budget - All Special Revenue Funds
For the year ended June 30, 2015

| | Sec. 5311 Transport | | | Drug Abuse Treatment | | | Jail Const. and Staffing | | | Solid Waste Landfill | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Actual | Budget | Variance | Actual | Budget | Variance | Actual | Budget | Variance | Actual | Budget | Variance |
| Revenues | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Receipts | $ 144,265 | $ 144,265 | $ - | $ 20,773 | $ 7,500 | $ 13,273 | $ 24,690 | $ 30,000 | $ (5,310) | $ - | $ - | $ - |
| Interest Earned/Other Receipts | $ - | | $ - | $ 84 | $ 75 | $ 9 | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - |
| Total Revenues | $ 144,265 | $ 144,265 | $ - | $ 20,856 | $ 7,575 | $ 13,281 | $ 24,690 | $ 30,000 | $ (5,310) | $ - | $ - | $ - |
| Expenditures | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Equipment, repairs, and maintenance | $ 7,879 | $ 7,879 | $ - | $ - | | $ - | $ 4,400 | $ 4,400 | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - |
| Fuel, Oil, Grease | $ 43,554 | $ 43,554 | $ - | $ - | | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - |
| Other | $ 134,406 | $ 134,406 | $ - | $ 2,084 | $ 2,084 | $ - | $ 34,288 | $ 34,288 | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - |
| Total Expenditures | $ 185,840 | $ 185,840 | $ - | $ 2,084 | $ 2,084 | $ - | $ 38,688 | $ 38,688 | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - |
| Capital Expeneitures | $ 40,061 | $ 40,061 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over Expenditur | $ (81,635) | $ (81,635) | $ - | $ 18,772 | $ 5,491 | $ 13,281 | $ (13,998) | $ (8,688) | $ (5,310) | $ - | $ - | $ - |
| Transfers From (To) Other Funds | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Transfer From (to) General Fund | $ 81,635 | $ - | $ - | $ - | | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - |
| Fund Balance beginning of year | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ 84,166 | | $ - | $ 22,654 | | $ - | $ 100,000 | | $ - |
| Fund Balance end of year | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ 102,938 | | $ - | $ 8,656 | | $ - | $ 100,000 | | $ - |



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Wilkes County, Georgia
Combining Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances - Actual versus Budget - All Special Revenue Funds
For the year ended June 30, 2015

| | Sheriff Equipment | | | Law Library | | | Indigent Defense | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Actual | Budget | Variance | Actual | Budget | Variance | Actual | Budget | Variance |
| Revenues | | | | | | | | | |
| Receipts | $ 1,161 | $ 1,161 | $ - | $ 8,059 | $ 8,059 | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - |
| Interest Earned/Other Receipts | $ - | | $ - | $ 2 | $ - | $ 2 | $ - | | $ - |
| Total Revenues | $ 1,161 | $ 1,161 | $ - | $ 8,061 | $ 8,059 | $ 2 | $ - | $ - | $ - |
| Expenditures | | | | | | | | | |
| Equipment, repairs, and maintenance | $ 9,126 | $ 9,126 | $ - | $ 12,989 | $ 12,989 | $ - | $ - | | $ - |
| Fuel, Oil, Grease | $ - | | $ - | $ - | | $ - | $ - | | $ - |
| Other | $ 3,329 | $ 3,329 | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ 300 | $ 300 |
| Total Expenditures | $ 12,455 | $ 12,455 | $ - | $ 12,989 | $ 12,989 | $ - | $ - | $ 300 | $ 300 |
| Capital Expeneitures | | | | | | | | | |
| Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over Expenditur | $ (11,294) | $ (11,294) | $ - | $ (4,928) | $ (4,930) | $ 2 | $ - | $ (300) | $ (300) |
| Transfers From (To) Other Funds | | | | | | | | | |
| Transfer From (to) General Fund | $ - | | $ - | $ - | | $ - | $ - | | $ - |
| Fund Balance beginning of year | $ 16,023 | | $ - | $ 18,810 | | $ - | $ - | | $ - |
| Fund Balance end of year | $ 4,729 | | $ - | $ 13,881 | | $ - | $ - | | $ - |

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Wilkes County, Georgia
Combining Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances - Actual versus Budget - All Special Revenue Funds
For the year ended June 30, 2015

| | Hotel/Motel Tax Building | | | Totals | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Actual | Budget | Variance | Actual | Budget | Variance |
| Revenues | | | | | | |
| Receipts | $ 24,482 | $ 27,000 | $ (2,518) | $ 223,429 | $ 217,985 | $ 5,444 |
| Interest Earned/Other Receipts | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ 86 | $ 75 | $ 11 |
| Total Revenues | $ 24,482 | $ 27,000 | $ (2,518) | $ 223,515 | $ 218,060 | $ 5,455 |
| Expenditures | | | | | | |
| Equipment, repairs, and maintenance | $ - | | $ - | $ 34,393 | $ 34,393 | $ - |
| Fuel, Oil, Grease | $ - | | $ - | $ 43,554 | $ 43,554 | $ - |
| Other | $ 24,482 | $ 24,482 | $ - | $ 198,589 | $ 198,889 | $ 300 |
| Total Expenditures | $ 24,482 | $ 24,482 | $ - | $ 276,537 | $ 276,837 | $ 300 |
| Capital Expeneitures | | | | | | |
| Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over Expenditur | $ - | $ 2,518 | $ (2,518) | $ (53,022) | $ (101,356) | $ 5,755 |
| Transfers From (To) Other Funds | | | | | | |
| Transfer From (to) General Fund | $ - | | $ - | $ 81,635 | $ - | $ - |
| Fund Balance beginning of year | $ 1,000 | | $ - | $ 242,653 | $ - | $ - |
| Fund Balance end of year | $ 1,000 | | $ - | $ 231,205 | $ - | $ - |



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# *SPECIAL REVENUE FUND*

Wilkes County, Georgia
Combining Balance Sheet - All Special Revenue Funds
For the year ended June 30, 2015

| | Sec. 5311 Transport | Drug Abuse Treatment | Jail Const. and Staffing | Solid Waste Disposal | Sheriff Equipment | Law Library | Indigent Defense | Hotel/Motel Tax | Totals |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Assets | | | | | | | | | |
| Cash | $ - | $ 102,939 | $ 8,655 | $ 100,000 | $ 4,729 | $ 13,881 | $ - | $ 1,000 | $ 231,205 |
| Due from General Fund | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | | $ - |
| Due From State of Georgia | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | | $ - |
| Total | $ - | $ 102,939 | $ 8,655 | $ 100,000 | $ 4,729 | $ 13,881 | $ - | $ 1,000 | $ 231,205 |
| Liabilities and Fund Balance | | | | | | | | | |
| Accounts Payable | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - |
| Fund Balance: | | | | | | | | | |
| Restricted for Statutory Other Purposes | $ - | $ 102,939 | $ 8,655 | $ 100,000 | $ 4,729 | $ 13,881 | $ - | $ 1,000 | $ 231,205 |
| Total Liabilities and Fund Balance | $ - | $ 102,939 | $ 8,655 | $ 100,000 | $ 4,729 | $ 13,881 | $ - | $ 1,000 | $ 231,205 |

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Wilkes County, Georgia
Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances - All Special Revenue Funds
For the year ended June 30, 2015

| | Sec. 5311 Transport | Drug Abuse Treatment | Jail Const. and Staffing | Solid Waste Landfill | Sheriff Equipment | Law Library | Indigent Defense | Snr. Citizens Building | Hotel/Motel Tax | Totals |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Revenues | | | | | | | | | | |
| Receipts | $ 144,265 | $ 20,773 | $ 24,690 | $ - | $ 1,161 | $ 8,059 | $ - | $ - | $ 24,482 | $ 223,429 |
| Interest Earned/Other Receipts | $ - | $ 84 | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ 2 | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ 86 |
| Total Revenues | $ 144,265 | $ 20,856 | $ 24,690 | $ - | $ 1,161 | $ 8,061 | $ - | $ - | $ 24,482 | $ 223,515 |
| Expenditures | | | | | | | | | | |
| Equipment, repairs, and maintenance | $ 7,879 | $ - | $ 4,400 | $ - | $ 9,126 | $ 12,989 | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ 34,393 |
| Fuel, Oil, Grease | $ 43,554 | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ 43,554 |
| Other | $ 134,406 | $ 2,084 | $ 34,288 | $ - | $ 3,329 | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ 24,482 | $ 198,589 |
| Total Expenditures | $ 185,840 | $ 2,084 | $ 38,688 | $ - | $ 12,455 | $ 12,989 | $ - | $ - | $ 24,482 | $ 276,537 |
| Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over Expenditur | $ (41,574) | $ 18,772 | $ (13,998) | $ - | $ (11,294) | $ (4,928) | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ (53,022) |
| Capital Expenditure | $ 40,061 | | | | | | | | | $ 40,061 |
| Transfers From (To) Other Funds | | | | | | | | | | |
| Transfer From General Fund | $ 81,635 | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ 81,635 |
| Fund Balance beginning of year | $ - | $ 84,166 | $ 22,654 | $ 100,000 | $ 16,023 | $ 18,810 | $ - | $ - | $ 1,000 | $ 242,653 |
| Fund Balance end of year | $ - | $ 102,938 | $ 8,656 | $ 100,000 | $ 4,729 | $ 13,881 | $ - | $ - | $ 1,000 | $ 231,205 |



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Wilkes County, Georgia
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Change in Fund Balance - Section 5311 Program
For the year ended June 30, 2015

| | Budget | Actual | Variance |
|---|---|---|---|
| Revenues | | | |
| State of Georgia: | | | |
| Department of Transportation | $ 66,000 | $ 125,568 | $ 59,568 |
| Department of Medical Assistance | $ - | $ - | $ - |
| | $ 66,000 | $ 125,568 | $ 59,568 |
| Other Purchase of Service Revenue | $ - | $ - | $ - |
| Participant Contributions | $ 15,000 | $ 18,698 | $ 3,698 |
| Total Revenues | $ 81,000 | $ 144,265 | $ 63,265 |
| | | | |
| Expenditures | | | |
| Administrative Expenses: | | | |
| Personal Services | $ - | $ - | $ - |
| Vehicle Insurance | $ 2,250 | $ 2,420 | $ (170) |
| Audit Fees | $ - | $ - | $ - |
| | $ 2,250 | $ 2,420 | $ (170) |
| Operating Expenses: | | | |
| Personal Services | $ 129,176 | $ 129,547 | $ (371) |
| Fuel & Oil | $ 41,000 | $ 43,554 | $ (2,554) |
| Vehicle tires and Maint. | $ 8,500 | $ 7,879 | $ 621 |
| | $ 178,676 | $ 180,980 | $ (2,304) |
| Non-Reimbursable Expenses | $ 2,300 | $ 2,439 | $ (139) |
| Total Operating Expenditures | $ 183,226 | $ 185,840 | $ (2,614) |
| | | | |
| Capital Expenditures (Van) | $ 40,061 | $ 40,061 | $ - |
| | | | |
| Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over Expenditures | $ (142,287) | $ (81,635) | $ 65,879 |
| | | | |
| Other Financing Sources (Uses) | | | |
| Operating transfers from (to) General Fund | $ - | $ 81,635 | $ 81,635 |
| | | | |
| Net Funds Available | $ - | $ - | $ - |
| | | | |
| Fund Balance beginning of year | $ - | $ - | $ - |
| | | | |
| Fund Balance end of year | $ - | $ - | $ - |



The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

Capital Projects Fund

Wilkes County, Georgia
Balance Sheet - SPLOST 2000 Fund
For the year ended June 30, 2015

| | SPLOST 2000 |
|---|---|
| Assets | |
| Cash | $ 14,701 |
| Due from General Fund | $ - |
| Due From State of Georgia | $ - |
| Total | $ 14,701 |
| | |
| Liabilities and Fund Balance | |
| Accounts Payable | $ - |
| | |
| Fund Balance: | |
| Commited For: | |
| Project completion | $ 14,701 |
| Total Liabilities and Fund Balance | $ 14,701 |

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Wilkes County, Georgia
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances - SPLOST 2000 Fund
For the year ended June 30, 2015

| | SPLOST 2000 |
|---|---|
| Revenues | |
| Receipts | $ - |
| Interest Earned/Other Receipts | $ 66 |
| Total Revenues | $ 66 |
| | |
| Expenditures | |
| Equipment, repairs, and maintenance | $ - |
| Fuel, Oil, Grease | $ - |
| Other | $ 2,381 |
| Total Expenditures | $ 2,381 |
| | |
| Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over Expenditures | $ (2,315) |
| | |
| Transfers From (To) Other Funds | |
| Transfer From General Fund | $ - |
| | |
| Fund Balance beginning of year | $ 17,016 |
| | |
| Fund Balance end of year | $ 14,701 |



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Wilkes County, Georgia
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances - Actual versus Budget - SLPOST 2000 Fund
For the year ended June 30, 2015

SPLOST 2000

| | Actual | Budget | Variance |
|---|---|---|---|
| Revenues | | | |
| Receipts | $ - | $ - | $ - |
| Interest Earned/Other Receipts | $ 66 | $ - | $ 66 |
| Total Revenues | $ 66 | $ - | $ 66 |
| | | | |
| Expenditures | | | |
| Equipment, repairs, and maintenance | $ - | $ - | $ - |
| Fuel, Oil, Grease | $ - | $ - | $ - |
| Other | $ 2,381 | $ 2,381 | $ - |
| Total Expenditures | $ 2,381 | $ 2,381 | $ - |
| | | | |
| Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over Expenditur | $ (2,315) | $ (2,381) | $ 66 |
| | | | |
| Transfers From (To) Other Funds | | | |
| Transfer From General Fund | $ - | | $ - |
| | | | |
| Fund Balance beginning of year | $ 17,016 | | $ - |
| | | | |
| Fund Balance end of year | $ 14,701 | | $ - |



The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

Wilkes County, Georgia
Balance Sheet - Capital Project Fund - SPLOST 2011
June 30, 2015

| | |
|---|---|
| Assets | |
| Cash | $ 594,831 |
| Due from State of Georgia | $ - |
| Due from General Fund | $ - |
| Total Assets | $ 594,831 |
| | |
| Liabilities | |
| Accounts Payable | $ - |
| | |
| BAN - Bonds Payable | $ - |
| Total Liabilities | $ - |
| Fund Balance | |
| Restricted for Project Completion | $ 594,831 |
| | |
| Fund Equity | $ 594,831 |

Wilkes County, Georgia
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Fund Balance - Budget and Actual - SPLOST 2011 Fund
For the year and project to date June 30, 2015

| | SPLOST 2011 | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Actual | Prior Years | Project Budget | Difference |
| Revenues | | | | |
| Receipts | $ 991,017 | $ 3,023,302 | $ 6,500,000 | $ (2,485,681) |
| Interest Earned/Other Receipts | $ 334 | $ 5,098 | $ 100,000 | $ (94,568) |
| Total Revenues | $ 991,351 | $ 3,028,400 | $ 6,600,000 | $ (2,580,249) |
| Expenditures | | | | |
| Capital Equipment | $ - | $ 564,994 | $ 1,002,750 | $ 437,756 |
| Buildings | $ 236,826 | $ 2,198,884 | $ 1,578,920 | $ (856,790) |
| Intergovernmental | $ 360,303 | $ 790,991 | $ 2,399,554 | $ 1,248,260 |
| Road | $ 78,128 | $ 312,171 | $ 1,118,776 | $ 728,477 |
| Other Items | $ - | $ 42,494 | $ 500,000 | $ 457,506 |
| Total Expenditures | $ 675,257 | $ 3,909,534 | $ 6,600,000 | $ 2,015,209 |
| Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over Expenditu | $ 316,094 | $ (881,134) | $ - | $ (565,040) |
| Debt Service | | | | |
| BAN - Bond Proceeds (LTD) | $ - | $ 3,210,366 | $ 3,220,000 | $ (9,634) |
| BAN - Bond Principle (LTD) | $ (525,000) | $ (510,000) | $ (3,220,000) | $ 2,185,000 |
| BAN - Bond Interest | $ (5,906) | $ (5,200) | $ 41,894 | $ (53,000) |
| Total other Financing Sources (Uses) | $ (530,906) | $ 2,695,166 | $ 41,894 | $ 2,122,366 |
| Net Funds Available | $ (214,812) | | | |
| Fund Balance beginning of year | $ 809,643 | | | |
| Fund Balance end of year | $ 594,831 | | | |

Wilkes County, Georgia
Balance Sheet - Capital Project Fund - TSPLOST 2013
June 30, 2015

| | |
|---|---|
| Assets | |
| Cash | $ 708,880 |
| Due from State of Georgia | $ - |
| Due from General Fund | $ - |
| Total Assets | $ 708,880 |
| | |
| Liabilities | |
| Accounts Payable | $ - |
| | |
| BAN - Bonds Payable | $ - |
| Total Liabilities | $ - |
| Fund Balance | |
| Restricted for Project Completion | $ 708,890 |
| | |
| Fund Equity | $ 708,890 |

Wilkes County, Georgia
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Fund Balance - Budget and Actual - TSPLOST 2013 Fund
For the year and project to date June 30, 2015

| | TSPLOST 2013 | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Actual | Prior Years | Project Budget (Amended) | Difference |
| Revenues | | | | |
| Receipts | $ 808,194 | $ - | $ 6,500,000 | $ (5,691,806) |
| Interest Earned/Other Receipts | $ 632 | $ - | $ 1,500,000 | $ (1,499,368) |
| Total Revenues | $ 808,826 | $ - | $ 8,000,000 | $ (7,191,174) |
| Capital Expenditures | | | | |
| Capital Equipment | $ 36,693 | $ - | $ 800,000 | $ 763,307 |
| Buildings | $ - | $ - | $ 2,000,000 | $ 2,000,000 |
| Intergovernmental | $ - | $ - | $ 1,341,000 | $ 1,341,000 |
| Other | $ - | $ - | $ 883,000 | $ 883,000 |
| Road | $ 346,346 | $ - | $ 2,142,799 | $ 1,796,453 |
| Total Expenditures | $ 383,039 | $ - | $ 7,166,799 | $ 6,783,760 |
| Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over Expenditu | $ 425,787 | $ - | $ 833,201 | $ (407,414) |
| Debt Service | | | | |
| BAN - Bond Proceeds (LTD) | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - |
| BAN - Bond Principle (LTD) | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - |
| BAN - Bond Interest | $ - | $ - | $ (297,201) | $ 297,201 |
| Total other Financing Sources (Uses) | $ - | $ - | $ (297,201) | $ 297,201 |
| Net Funds Available | $ 425,787 | | $ 536,000 | |
| Fund Balance beginning of year | $ 283,103 | | | |
| Fund Balance end of year | $ 708,890 | | | |

*AGENCY FUNDS*

Wilkes County, Georgia
Statement of Fiduciary Assets and Liabilities
June 30, 2015

| | Clerk of Superior Court | Tax Commissioner | Probate Court | Sheriff | Magistrate Court | Totals |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Assets** | | | | | | |
| Cash and Cash Equivalents | $ 78,851 | $ 385,552 | $ 22,477 | $ 1,160 | $ 2,535 | $ 490,574 |
| **Total** | $ 78,851 | $ 385,552 | $ 22,477 | $ 1,160 | $ 2,535 | $ 490,574 |
| **Liabilities** | | | | | | |
| Due to State of Georgia | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - |
| Due to Other Funds | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - |
| Due to Other Local Governments | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - |
| Due to Other | $ 78,851 | $ 385,552 | $ 22,477 | $ 1,160 | $ 2,535 | $ 490,574 |
| **Total Liabilities** | $ 78,851 | $ 385,552 | $ 22,477 | $ 1,160 | $ 2,535 | $ 490,574 |
| **Fund Balance** | | | | | | |
| Fund Balance | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ (0) | $ - | $ (0) |
| **Total Fund Balance** | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ (0) | $ - | $ (0) |
| **Total** | $ 78,851 | $ 385,552 | $ 22,477 | $ 1,160 | $ 2,535 | $ 490,574 |

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

Wilkes County, Georgia
Combining Statement of Receipts, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances - All Agency Funds
For the year ended June 30, 2015

| | Clerk of Superior Court | Tax Commissioner | Probate Court | Sheriff | Magistrate Court | Totals |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Receipts | $ 271,635 | $ 12,537,822 | $ 293,317 | $ 85,515 | $ 173,505 | $ 13,361,794 |
| Expenditures | | | | | | |
| Wilkes County | $ 85,526 | $ 4,857,387 | $ 164,615 | $ 32,294 | $ 27,865 | $ 5,167,686 |
| Bonds | $ - | $ - | $ 13,830 | $ 17,485 | $ - | $ 31,315 |
| Other | $ 186,109 | $ 7,680,435 | $ 114,872 | $ 35,735 | $ 145,640 | $ 8,162,791 |
| Total Expenditures | $ 271,635 | $ 12,537,822 | $ 293,317 | $ 85,515 | $ 173,505 | $ 13,361,794 |
| Excess (Deficiency) of revenues over expenditures | $ 0 | $ 0 | $ 0 | $ (0) | $ 0 | $ 0 |
| Beginning Fund Balance | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - |
| Ending Fund Balance | $ 0 | $ 0 | $ 0 | $ (0) | $ 0 | $ 0 |

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*SPECIAL PURPOSE LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX*

Wilkes County, Georgia
Project Report - Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax
For the year ended June 30, 2015

| Num | Project | Original Estimated Cost | Expenditures Prior Years | Expenditures Current Year | Total | Estimated Percentage of Completion |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | **For Roads & Bridges, Hospital, Fire Equipment, and Recreation (Effective (11/1/2000-10/31/2005)** | | | | | |
| | Budgeted Breakout | | | | | |
| | Capital Buildings | $ 735,100 | $ 794,252 | $ - | $ 794,252 | 108.0% |
| | Fire Vehicles/Buildings | $ 400,000 | $ 394,754 | | $ 394,754 | 98.7% |
| | Hospital | $ 600,000 | $ 959,306 | | $ 959,306 | 159.9% |
| | Recreation | $ 150,000 | $ 476,932 | $ 2,381 | $ 479,313 | 319.5% |
| | City of Washington - Water/Sewer | $ 600,000 | $ 1,322,047 | $ - | $ 1,322,047 | 220.3% |
| | City of Tignall - Recreation | $ 42,000 | $ 41,264 | | $ 41,264 | 98.2% |
| | City of Tignall - Water/Sewer | $ 62,000 | $ 83,737 | | $ 83,737 | 135.1% |
| | City of Rayle - Water | $ 25,000 | $ 16,699 | | $ 16,699 | 66.8% |
| | Subtotal | $ 2,614,100 | $ 4,088,991 | $ 2,381 | $ 4,091,372 | 156.5% |
| | Roads & Bridges | $ 1,710,000 | $ 1,399,097 | $ - | $ 1,399,097 | 81.8% |
| | Interest | $ 671,163 | $ 671,163 | $ - | $ 671,163 | 100.0% |
| | Bond cost Recovery | $ 4,737 | $ 4,737 | $ - | $ 4,737 | 100.0% |
| | Subtotal | $ 675,900 | $ 675,900 | $ - | $ 675,900 | 100.0% |
| | Grand Total | $ 5,000,000 | $ 6,163,988 | $ 2,381 | $ 6,166,369 | 123.3% |
| 2 | **For Roads & Bridges, Courthouse, EMS Equipment, and Recreation (Effective (11/1/2005-06/30/2011)** | | | | | |
| | Budgeted Breakout | | | | | |
| | Capital Buildings | $ 1,260,000 | $ 2,682,736 | $ - | $ 2,682,736 | 212.9% |
| | City of Washington | $ 1,000,000 | $ 1,260,064 | $ - | $ 1,260,064 | 126.0% |
| | City of Tignall | $ 70,000 | $ 191,562 | $ - | $ 191,562 | 273.7% |
| | City of Rayle | $ 15,000 | $ 40,829 | $ - | $ 40,829 | 272.2% |
| | EMS Equipment | $ 200,000 | $ 593,154 | $ - | $ 593,154 | 296.6% |
| | Hospital | $ 800,000 | $ 800,000 | $ - | $ 800,000 | 100.0% |
| | Fire Equipment | $ 300,000 | $ 289,812 | $ - | $ 289,812 | 96.6% |
| | Subtotal | $ 3,645,000 | $ 5,858,157 | $ - | $ 5,858,157 | 160.7% |
| | Roads & Bridges | $ 2,142,799 | $ 1,266,106 | $ - | $ 1,266,106 | 59.1% |
| | Total Before Interest and bond Costs | $ 5,787,799 | $ 7,124,263 | $ - | $ 7,124,263 | 123.1% |
| | Interest | $ 297,201 | $ 304,939 | $ - | $ 304,939 | 102.6% |
| | Bond cost Recovery | $ - | | $ - | $ - | 0.0% |
| | Subtotal | $ 297,201 | $ 304,939 | $ - | $ 304,939 | 102.6% |
| | Grand Total | $ 6,085,000 | $ 7,429,202 | $ - | $ 7,429,202 | 122.1% |
| | Bond Payments | $ 2,500,000 | $ 2,500,000 | $ - | $ 2,500,000 | 100.0% |

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

**3 For Roads & Bridges, Courthouse, EMS Equipment, and Recreation (Effective (07/1/2011-06/30/2017)**

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Budgeted Breakout | | | | | |
| Courthouse | $ 1,409,100 | $ 2,260,732 | $ 219,009 | $ 2,479,741 | 176.0% |
| Animal Shelter | $ 149,820 | $ 152,715 | $ - | $ 152,715 | 101.9% |
| City of Washington | $ 2,025,960 | $ 979,428 | $ 304,206 | $ 1,283,634 | 63.4% |
| City of Tignall | $ 308,010 | $ 145,034 | $ 46,249 | $ 191,283 | 62.1% |
| City of Rayle | $ 65,584 | $ 35,576 | $ 9,848 | $ 45,424 | 69.3% |
| EMS Equipment | $ 352,750 | $ 306,780 | $ 17,816 | $ 324,596 | 92.0% |
| Hospital | $ 500,000 | $ 420,444 | $ - | $ 420,444 | 84.1% |
| Fire Equipment | $ 500,000 | $ 425,000 | $ - | $ 425,000 | 85.0% |
| Solid Waste Equipment | $ 150,000 | $ - | $ - | $ - | 0.0% |
| Library Building | $ 20,000 | $ 16,773 | $ - | $ 16,773 | 83.9% |
| Roads & Bridges | $ 1,118,776 | $ 336,197 | $ 24,026 | $ 360,223 | 32.2% |
| Subtotal | $ 6,600,000 | $ 5,078,679 | $ 621,155 | $ 5,699,834 | 86.4% |
| Interest | $ 41,894 | $ 10,300 | $ 5,906 | $ 16,206 | 38.7% |
| Bond cost Recovery | $ - | | $ - | $ - | 0.0% |
| Subtotal | $ 41,894 | $ 10,300 | $ 5,906 | $ 16,206 | 38.7% |
| Grand Total | $ 6,641,894 | $ 5,088,979 | $ 627,061 | $ 5,716,040 | 86.1% |
| Bond payments | $ 3,220,000 | $ 1,030,000 | $ 525,000 | $ 1,665,000 | 51.7% |



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*COMBINING STATEMENTS*
*DISCRETELY PRESENTED COMPONENT UNITS*

Wilkes County Georgia
Combining Statement of Net Position - All Discretely Presented Component Units
June 30, 2015

| | Payroll Development Authority | Health Department | Parks & Recreation Commission | Totals |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Assets** | | | | |
| **Current Assets** | | | | |
| Cash | $ 215,153 | $ 244,246 | $ 171,263 | $ 630,662 |
| Due From Other Funds | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - |
| Due From State of Georgia | $ - | $ 43,633 | $ - | $ 43,633 |
| Due from Others | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - |
| Total Current Assets | $ 215,153 | $ 287,879 | $ 171,263 | $ 674,295 |
| Capital Assets | | | | |
| Nondepreciable capital assets | $ 511,435 | | | $ 511,435 |
| Depreiable capital assets, net | $ 2,969,922 | | $ 76,813 | $ 3,046,735 |
| **Total** | $ 3,696,510 | $ 287,879 | $ 248,076 | $ 4,232,465 |
| **Deferred outflows of resources** | | | | |
| reltaed to pension contributions | | $ 8,918 | | $ 8,918 |
| **Liabilities** | | | | |
| **Current Liabilities** | | | | |
| Accounts Payable | $ - | $ 16,982 | $ - | $ 16,982 |
| Total Current Laiblities | $ - | $ 16,982 | $ - | $ 16,982 |
| Noncurrent Liabilities | | | | |
| Compensated Absences payable | $ - | $ 15,977 | $ - | $ 15,977 |
| Net pension Liability | $ - | $ 316,702 | $ - | $ 316,702 |
| Long Term Notes/Bonds payable | $ 1,519,020 | $ - | $ - | $ 1,519,020 |
| Total Noncurrent Liabilities | $ 1,519,020 | $ 332,679 | $ - | $ 1,851,699 |
| **Total Liabilities** | $ 1,519,020 | $ 349,661 | $ - | $ 1,868,681 |
| **Net Position** | | | | |
| Net Position | | | | |
| Restricted for Statutory Purposes | $ - | $ 62,151 | $ - | $ 62,151 |
| Net Invested in capital assets | $ 1,962,337 | $ - | $ 76,813 | $ 2,039,150 |
| Unrestricted | $ 215,153 | $ (115,015) | $ 171,263 | $ 271,401 |
| **Total Net Postion** | $ 2,177,490 | $ (52,864) | $ 248,076 | $ 2,372,702 |

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

Wilkes County Georgia
Combining Statement of Activities - All Discretely Presented Component Units
For the year ended June 30, 2015

| | Payroll Development Authority | Health Department | Parks & Recreation Commission | Totals |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Revenues | | | | |
| Intergovernmental Revenues | $ 92,030 | $ 252,371 | $ 202,125 | $ 546,526 |
| Charges for Services | $ 244,738 | $ 80,906 | $ 11,323 | $ 336,967 |
| Miscellaneous | $ 4,249 | $ 633 | $ 2,972 | $ 7,854 |
| Total Revenues | $ 341,017 | $ 333,910 | $ 216,420 | $ 891,347 |
| Expenses | | | | |
| Culture and Recreation | $ - | $ - | $ 230,825 | $ 230,825 |
| Health and Welfare | $ - | $ 319,950 | $ - | $ 319,950 |
| Industrial Development | $ 284,909 | $ - | $ - | $ 284,909 |
| Total Expenses | $ 284,909 | $ 319,950 | $ 230,825 | $ 835,684 |
| Change in Net Postion | $ 56,108 | $ 13,960 | $ (14,405) | $ 55,663 |
| Net Position beginning of the year | $ 2,121,383 | $ 231,308 | $ 262,482 | $ 2,615,173 |
| Prior period adjustment | | $ (298,132) | | |
| Net Position end of the year | $ 2,177,491 | $ (52,864) | $ 248,077 | $ 2,372,704 |

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

Wilkes County, Georgia
Schedule of Federal and State Agency Financial Assistance
For the year ended June 30, 2015

| Federal Grantor/Pass through Grantor/Program Title | Federal CDFA Number | Pass-Through Grantor Number | Program or Award Amount | Beginning Balance 7/1/2014 | Revenues Recognized | Expenditures | Ending Balance 6/30/2015 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **GA Department of Community Affairs** | | | | | | | |
| Community Block Grant | | | | | | | |
| Public Facilities - Wa | 16.803 | B82-8-295 | $ 500,000 | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - |
| | 16.803 | 11p-y-157-1-5383 | | | | | |
| **U.S. Department of Transportation** | | | | | | | |
| State of Georgia: Department of Transportation/Urban mass transportation, Section 5311 - Funding for non-urbanized areas | 20.509 | GA-86-X001 | $ 125,568 | $ - | $ 125,568 | $ 125,568 | $ - |
| Airport Grant | | | $ 1,200,000 | $ - | $ - | $ - | $ - |
| **GEMA** | | | | | | | |
| Emergency performance grant | OEM13-159 | | $ - | | $ - | $ - | |
| **Georgia Trauma Commission** | | | | | | | |
| Uncompensated Care Reimb. Program | | | $ - | | $ - | $ - | |
| **Local Housing Authority** | | | | | | | |
| Payment in Lieu of Property Taxes | LHA | | $ 19,052 | $ - | $ 19,543 | $ 19,543 | $ - |
| TOTALS | | | $ 1,844,620 | $ - | $ 145,111 | $ 145,111 | $ - |

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

Steven G. Albertson, CPA, PC
Certified Public Accountant

# REPORT ON COMPLIANCE AND INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH *GOVERNMENTAL AUDITING STANDARDS*

To the Board
Wilkes County, Georgia

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of governmental activities, each major fund, the aggregate remaining fund information, and discretely presented component unit of Wilkes County, Georgia, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2015, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents and have issued my report thereon dated December 20, 2015. These financial statements are the responsibility of Wilkes County, Georgia's, management. My report was modified to include a reference to other auditors. We did not audit the financial statements of the Wilkes County Health Department, Georgia, as described in our report of Wilkes County, Georgia's financial statements. This report does not include the result of the other auditor's 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, I considered Wilkes County, Georgia's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, I do not express any opinions on the effectiveness of the County'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 misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the County'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 than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

My consideration of internal control over financial reporting 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 deficiencies, significant deficiencies, or material weaknesses. I noted no deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above. However material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

## Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Wilkes County, Georgia's financial statements are free of material misstatement, I performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing opinions on compliance with those provisions were not an objective of my audit and, accordingly, I do not express such opinions. The results of my tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance that are required to be reported under Government Auditing Standards.

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, which consider it to be a part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economical, or historical context. Our opinion on the basic financial statements is not affected by that missing information.

## Purpose of this Report

This 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 County's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

*Steven G Albertson*

Steven G. Albertson, CPA
Washington, Georgia
December 20, 2015

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON THE PROJECT REPORT - SPECIAL PURPOSE SALES AND USE TAX

Board of Commissioners
Wilkes County, Georgia

I have audited the accompanying Project Report - Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax of the Wilkes County, Georgia, prepared on the modified accrual basis, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2015, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents and have issued my report thereon dated December 20, 2015. I conducted my 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.

I conducted my 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 I plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the general purpose financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall general purpose financial statement presentation. I believe that my audit provides a reasonable basis for my opinion. In the conduct of my audit, I verified and tested expenditures for the uses of funds, as identified in the resolution or ordinance calling for the imposition of the special purpose sales and use tax authorized by Section 48-8-110 OCGA.

In my opinion the accompanying Project Report - Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax, which lists each identified project and information required by Section 48-8-121 OCGA presents fairly the original estimated cost of each project, expenditures incurred and the estimated percentage of completion of each project through June 30, 2015, the end of the fiscal year covered by this audit in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

This report is intended for the information and use of the audit committee, management, others within the organization, County Commissioners, and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

*Steven G Albertson*
Steven G. Albertson, CPA
Washington, Georgia
December 20, 2015