# Bay County FLORIDA

Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2007

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#### **COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT**

OF

#### **BAY COUNTY, FLORIDA**

#### FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2007

PREPARED BY THE OFFICE

OF

HAROLD BAZZEL CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT

> JOSEPH ROGERS FINANCE OFFICER

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### **INTRODUCTORY** SECTION

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April 1, 2008

Honorable Mike Nelson, Chairman and Distinguished Members of the Board of County Commissioners Honorable Frank McKeithen, Sheriff Honorable Mark A. Andersen, Supervisor of Elections Honorable Zane Spitzer, Property Appraiser Honorable Peggy Brannon, Tax Collector Bay County, Florida

Lady and Gentlemen,

We are pleased to present to you and the citizens of Bay County, the accompanying Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) of Bay County, Florida (the "County") for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2007. This report was prepared by the Division of Board Finance within the Office of the Clerk of Circuit Court. Responsibility for the accuracy of the presented data, and completeness and fairness of the presentation including all disclosures, rests with the Clerk as Chief Financial Officer of Bay County. We believe the data, as presented, is accurate in all material respects; that it is presented in a manner designed to present fairly the financial position, results of operations and cash flows of the County as measured by the financial activity of its various funds. We further believe that all disclosures necessary to enable the reader to gain the maximum understanding of the County's financial affairs have been included.

The purpose of this letter is to point out narratively the highlights of the County's financial operations for the fiscal year. The CAFR is designed to meet the needs of a wide range of financial statement users.

A wealth of information is presented in this report and we encourage your careful review to obtain a clear picture of the financial position of Bay County. We would like to recommend that you read the complimentary information offered in the Management's Discussion and Analysis on Page B-3.

#### General

The County has prepared its financial statements to meet the requirements of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 34, *Basic Financial Statements – and Management's Discussion and Analysis – for State and Local Governments* (GASB 34). GASB 34 establishes a reporting model that the County has reported in five parts;

- 1. Management's Discussion and Analysis; a narrative report providing significant information about the County and how the County's financial position has changed from September 30, 2006, to September 30, 2007, and the reasons for the change;
- 2. Government-wide Financial Statements; statements which report on the governmental and business-type assets, liabilities, expenses and revenues of the County;
- 3. Fund Financial Statements; statements which report on the major individual governmental and proprietary funds of the County;
- 4. Budgetary Comparisons for the County's general fund and major special revenue funds, and;
- 5. The notes to the financial statements.

#### Accounting System and Budgetary Control

The accounting records for general governmental operations are maintained on a modified accrual basis with revenue being recorded upon determination that it is both available and measurable. Expenditures for general governmental operations are recorded when the services or goods are received and the liabilities incurred. Accounting records for enterprise and internal service funds are converted to the full accrual basis of accounting at fiscal year end for reporting purposes.

In developing and evaluating the accounting system, consideration is given to the adequacy of the internal control structure. The internal control structure is designed to provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance regarding; (1) the safeguarding of assets against loss from unauthorized use or disposition; and (2) the reliability of financial records for preparing financial statements and maintaining accountability for assets. The concept of reasonable assurance recognizes that; (1) the cost of a control should not exceed the benefits likely to be derived; and (2) the evaluation of costs and benefits requires estimates and judgments by management. All internal control evaluations occur within the above framework.

State law requires counties and their elected officials to develop balanced budgets to provide for the operation of their offices. Details of expenditures to be made and the resources available to meet these proposed obligations must be included in the budget. Upon adoption, the budget document becomes the legal basis for carrying out the activities of the County. Except as noted within the Notes to the Basic Financial Statements, the Board of County Commissioners adopts budgets for all funds. The Property Appraiser and the Tax Collector's budgets are approved by the Florida Department of Revenue. The Sheriff and Supervisor of Elections prepare budgets for their General Funds, which are submitted to and approved by the Board. The Clerk of Circuit Court, as ex-officio Clerk to the Board, prepares and submits a budget for services provided to the Board of County Commissioners for their approval. Budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles, except as noted in the Notes to the Basic Financial Statements. Expenditures cannot exceed the total amount budgeted for each fund. Budget control is maintained by a computerized encumbrance system, which restricts budgetary amounts upon input. Purchase orders that exceed account appropriations are not released until additional appropriations are made available. All appropriations lapse at year-end. If required, encumbrances are reestablished at the beginning of the new fiscal year if the funds are appropriated in the annual budget.

#### The Reporting Entity and Its Services

Bay County is a non-chartered county established under the legal authority of the Constitution and the Laws of the State of Florida. The County provides a full range of services. These include tax assessments and collections, state and county courts, public safety (law enforcement and fire), physical environment, transportation, economic environment, human services and general administrative services. In addition, the County also operates five enterprise activities. The County's Component Units consist of the Panama City Beach Convention & Visitors Bureau, Inc. and the Mexico Beach Community Development Council, Inc. These are included in the County's reporting entity due to the significance of their operational or financial relationship with the County. For more information regarding the Component Units, please refer to Note 1 in the Notes to the Basic Financial Statements.

#### **Cash Management**

The County has a banking service agreement with an area bank. Qualified funds are held in a master concentration account and are invested in an interest bearing account until needed. The day that demand of payment is made at the bank, funds are disbursed through zero balance accounts. Cash temporarily idle during the year was placed into various investments.

To monitor and ensure the safety of the County's capital, the Clerk of Circuit Court as Chief Financial Officer maintains a written investment policy. Occasionally assistance in this area is provided by an investment advisory committee, appointed by the Clerk, whose membership consists of local business people.

#### **Risk Management**

The County's risk management program consolidates insurance activities. The County participates in the Florida Association of Counties Trust for its general and public officials' liability. Liabilities in these areas in excess of \$25,000 are covered by this trust. In addition, the County is self-insured in the area of workers' compensation up to a maximum of \$200,000 per claim. The County purchased commercial insurance for claims in excess of the coverage provided by the workers' compensation fund.

#### **Economic Condition and Outlook**

The base of Bay County's economy is a mix of forestry, tourism, trades, services, manufacturing, construction and commercial fishing. Incorporated in 1913, the County lies within the panhandle of the State of Florida on the Gulf of Mexico. The area serves as home to two major military installations; Tyndall Air Force Base and the Naval Surface Warfare Center. The economic outlook for the County appears to be good with continued economic growth anticipated.

Retail trade and service companies represent the largest sector of employers within the County. Many of these businesses are seasonal in nature, thus resulting in a slightly higher than normal unemployment rate within the County. The County, in cooperation with the Chamber of Commerce, is actively pursuing businesses to locate within this area in an effort to better provide stable employment for its citizenry. Continual implementation of the County's Comprehensive Plan will ensure that any future growth will promote an economically secure and ecologically safe environment in which to live.

#### Major Initiatives

**For the Year** - Fiscal year 2007 proved to be a year of revitalization and infrastructure enhancement for the County. In an effort to encourage economic growth, while protecting its environment, the County and its communities immersed themselves into addressing capital needs. Construction continued on a new jail facility that will house approximately 680 prisoners. This facility will replace the County's current facility which will be demolished upon completion of the new jail. The County's Traffic Engineering Department completed its new 6300 square foot facility. The new facility includes a sign/signal shop plus storage and office space. The County also began construction of a new 60,000 square foot regional library.

The County continued in its efforts to make major renovations to its water system in order to protect and preserve its citizens' drinking water supply. The focus of these projects is to improve the reliability and efficiency of the County's raw water source and treatment plant, as well as maximize treatment and pumping capacity of the existing plant. The Utility Services Department completed construction of a 60MGD plant expansion/enhancement project at a cost of approximately \$35 million. This expansion/enhancement project will enable the County to meet future predicted demands for water treatment and distribution.

Panama City Beach and its pristine beaches continue to attract the attention of individuals from all over the United States. Many of the older hotels/motels are being demolished making way for the construction of new residential and resort facilities.

Leisure Services is continuing to improve and expand recreational facilities within the County. Some of the area boat ramps have been renovated. Several area parks saw the installation of new playground equipment, fitness/hiking trails were completed and parking lot improvements completed that will provide more space to meet the growing needs of the surrounding communities.

*For the Future* - Bay County, along with its municipalities and school district, continues in its endeavors to develop and enhance the area's infrastructure. Stormwater management, transportation and facility enhancements have been identified as critical future needs of Bay County.

Renovations are being planned for many of the County's more traveled bridges. Construction of a new County pier at M.B. Miller Park is also scheduled to begin in fiscal year 2008. The new pier will be constructed of concrete, replacing the old wooden pier, and will be 1500 feet in length. The new pier, as well as, a number of renovations to various County parks, represents efforts being made by the County not only in anticipation of future growth, but to improve the quality of life for Bay County's citizenry, and promote tourism and recreation.

Construction of a new 30,000 square foot Emergency Operations Center will get under way in fiscal year 2008. This facility will house personnel and equipment for day-to-day operations as well as support continuous emergency operations for up to 72 hours when needed. The Emergency Operations Center will meet hurricane safety criteria and will be located outside of the Category 5 Hurricane Storm Surge Zone. Construction is expected to be completed in 2009.

The County purchased approximately 16 acres that will house the new Administrative Complex and County Library. The Administrative building will be a three story office building approximately 122,000 square feet, with construction beginning in fiscal year 2008. The new 60,000 square foot Regional Library will be located on the southeast portion of the property and is expected to be completed in the spring of 2008.

The economic base of the County appears to be changing. New industries are showing interest in Bay County as a place in which to operate. Existing businesses are expanding or beginning to enhance their services. Simon Property Groups, Inc. plans to develop a 300 acre park, called Pier Park, featuring shops, food, and entertainment on the western end of Bay County. The first phase of Pier Park is scheduled to be open in the spring of 2008. Efforts are continuing through the Chamber's Economic Development Council to attract diversified industries to the community. Bay County is encouraging citizen participation in determining its future through development of informative web sights and access to elected officials through e-mail.

#### **Independent Audit**

In compliance with the laws of the State of Florida, Bay County was audited by independent certified public accountants. The opinion of Carr, Riggs & Ingram, LLC may be found on Page B-1 of this report. The reports relating specifically to the single audit are included in the section entitled "Compliance."

#### **Reporting Achievement**

The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) awarded a Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting to Bay County

for its Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2006. The Certificate of Achievement is the highest form of recognition for excellence in state and local government financial reporting.

In order to be awarded a Certificate of Achievement, a government unit must publish an easily readable and efficiently organized CAFR whose contents conform to program standards. A CAFR must satisfy both generally accepted accounting principles and applicable legal requirements.

A Certificate of Achievement is valid for a period of one year only. Bay County has been awarded the Certificate of Achievement for eighteen consecutive years (fiscal years ended September 30, 1989 through 2006). We believe our current report continues to conform to the Certificate of Achievement program requirements and we are submitting it to the GFOA for approval.

#### Acknowledgments

The preparation of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report was made possible by the dedicated service of the entire staff of the Clerk's Division of Board Finance, the Office of Management and Budget, and the various directors of the County departments. The efforts of Lee Rooks – Property Appraiser's Office and Marty Kirkland – Tax Collector's Office are particularly noteworthy.

We would also like to thank the Constitutional Officers; Frank McKeithen, Zane Spitzer, Mark Andersen, Peggy Brannon; County Commissioners: Mike Nelson, George B. Gainer, William T. Dozier, Jerry L. Girvin, Mike Thomas, and County Manager Edwin Smith for their interest and support in administering the financial operations of the County in a responsible and progressive manner during the fiscal year presented. With the oversight and dedication of these individuals, Bay County is an economically secure and environmentally safe place in which to live.

Respectfully submitted,

Harold Bazzel Clerk of Circuit Court

Joseph Rogers Finance Officer

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Mike Nelson Commissioner District I

### County Officials Bay County, Florida

George B. Gainer Commissioner District II





William T. Dozier Commissioner District III

Jerry L. Girvin Commissioner District IV





Mike Thomas Commissioner District V



Mark Andersen Supervisor of Elections

# County Officials Bay County, Florida

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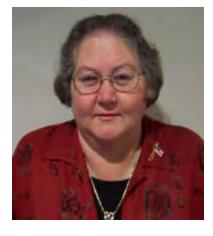


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> Peggy Brannon Tax Collector

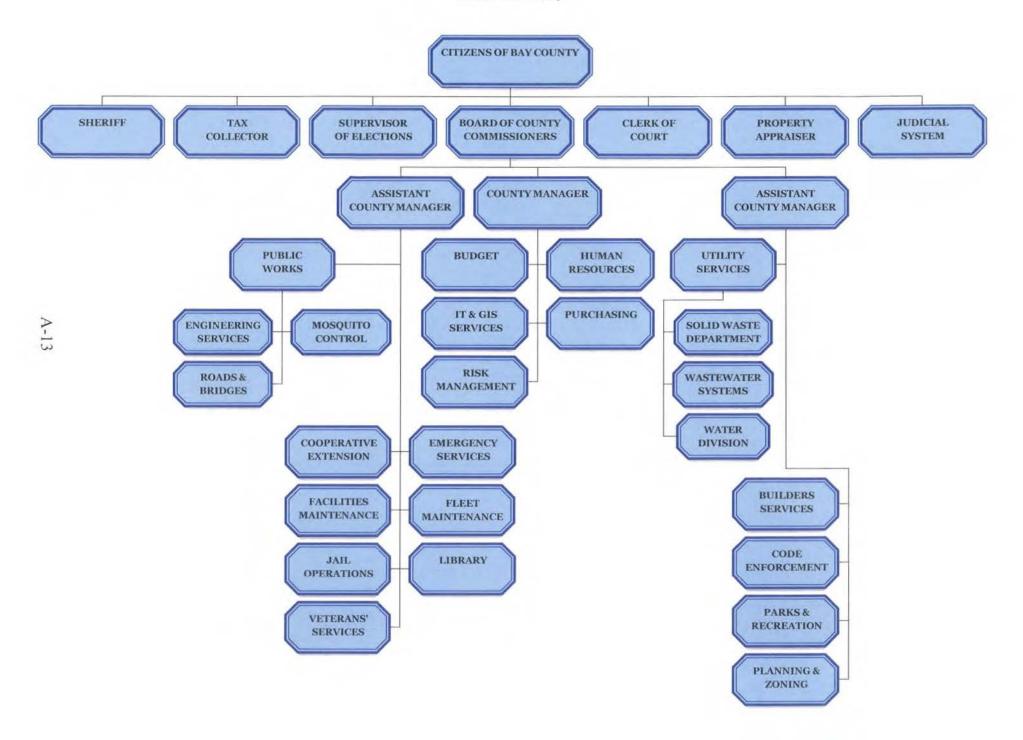


Frank McKeithen Sheriff



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#### BAY COUNTY ORGANIZATIONAL CHART Fiscal Year 2007



# **Certificate of Achievement** for Excellence in **Financial Reporting**

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A Certificate of Achievement is valid for a period of one year only. We believe our current report continues to conform to the Certificate of Achievement Program requirements, and we are submitting it to GFOA to determine its eligibility for another certificate.

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For its Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2006

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### FINANCIAL SECTION



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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

The Honorable County Commissioners Bay County, Florida

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Bay County, Florida (the County), as of and for the year ended September 30, 2007, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the County's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Bay County, Florida, as of September 30, 2007, and the respective changes in financial position, and, where applicable, cash flows thereof and the respective budgetary comparison for the general fund and transportation fund for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated March 31, 2008 on our consideration of Bay County, Florida's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

The Honorable County Commissioners Bay County, Florida Page Two

Management's discussion and analysis on pages B-3 through B-12 is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements. The combining and individual fund statements and schedules listed in the table of contents are presented for the purpose of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards and state financial assistance is presented for the purpose of additional analysis as required by U.S. Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, Audits of States, Local Governments and Non-Profit Organizations, and Chapter 10.550, State of Florida Rules of the Auditor General, and is also not a required part of the basic financial statements of the County. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly presented in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The information identified in the table of contents as the Introductory Section and Statistical Section is presented for the purpose of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements of Bay County, Florida. Such information has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

Can, Rigge & Ingram, L.L.C.

Panama City, Florida March 31, 2008

#### Bay County, Florida MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION and ANALYSIS For the Year Ended September 30, 2007

Management's discussion and analysis provides an objective and easily readable analysis of the County's financial activities. The analysis provides summary financial information for the County and should be read in conjunction with the County's financial statements.

#### FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- Total assets of the County exceeded total liabilities by \$290,990,493 (net assets). Of this amount, \$62,053,258 is unrestricted net assets for governmental activities and \$29,535,560 is unrestricted net assets for business-type activities, while \$19,924,887 is restricted net assets for governmental activities and \$2,999,323 is restricted net assets for business-type activities.
- Total net assets increased by \$21,711,955. Of this amount, an increase of \$27,487,487 is attributable to governmental activities and a decrease of \$5,775,532 is attributable to business-type activities.
- As of September 30, 2007, general fund's unreserved fund balance was \$33,598,429 or 33 percent of total general fund expenditures.
- Governmental activities revenues increased to \$145,671,604 or approximately 5 percent, while governmental activities expenses increased 8 percent to \$118,184,117. Business-type activities revenues decreased to \$33,648,029 or 14 percent, while business-type activities expenses increased 2 percent to \$39,423,561.
- The County's outstanding bonded debt decreased by \$4,866,307 or 3 percent during fiscal year 2007. The key factor contributing to the decrease was the scheduled principal retirements of its bonded debt.

#### **OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the County's basic financial statements. The County's basic financial statements are comprised of three components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements, and 3) notes to the financial statements. The government-wide financial statements present an overall picture of the County's financial position and results of operations. The fund financial statements present financial information for the County's major funds. The notes to the financial statements provide additional information concerning the County's finances that are not otherwise disclosed in the government-wide or fund financial statements.

#### Government-wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements include the statement of net assets and statement of activities. These statements are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the County's financial position in a manner similar to that of private-sector companies. Emphasis is

placed on the net assets of governmental activities and business-type activities, as well as the change in net assets. Governmental activities are primarily supported by property taxes, sales taxes, federal and state grants, and state shared revenues, while business-type activities are supported by charges to the users of those particular activities, such as water, sewer, and solid waste disposal charges.

The *statement of net assets* presents information on all assets and liabilities of the County, with the difference between the two reported as *net assets*. Assets, liabilities and net assets are reported separately for governmental activities and business-type activities. Increases or decreases in net assets over time may serve as a useful indicator of the County's improving or declining financial position.

The *statement of activities* presents information on all revenues and expenses of the County and the change in net assets for the fiscal year. All changes in net assets are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in the statement of activities for some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods (e.g., uncollected taxes and earned, but unused vacation leave).

Expenses are reported by major function, along with program revenues relating to those functions, providing the net cost of all functions provided by the County. In order to better understand the County's operations, governmental activities expenses, include among others, general government services, public safety, culture and recreation, transportation, and economic environment. Business-type activities expenses, which are financed by user fees and charges, include water and sewer services, solid waste disposal and industrial waste treatment and disposal.

The government-wide financial statements include not only the County itself (known as the *primary government*), but also the following legally separate component units: Mexico Beach Community Development Council, Inc. and Panama City Beach Convention and Visitor's Bureau, Inc. Financial information for these component units is reported separately from the County's financial information.

#### Fund Financial Statements

A *fund* is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific purposes or objectives. Individual funds have been established by the County to account for revenues that are restricted to certain uses, comply with legal requirements, or account for the use of Federal and State grants. The three major categories of funds found in the County's *fund financial statements* include: governmental funds, proprietary funds, and fiduciary funds.

*Fund financial statements* provide financial information for the County's major funds and more detailed information about the County's activities. Governmental fund financial statements provide information on the *current* assets and liabilities of the funds, changes in *current* financial resources (revenues and expenditures), and *current* available resources. The proprietary funds financial statements provide information on all assets and liabilities of the funds, changes in the economic resources (revenues and expenses), and total economic resources. The fiduciary funds

statement provides information concerning assets held in trust by the County for the benefit of parties outside the government.

*Fund financial statements* for all governmental funds include a **balance sheet** and a **statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balance**. The County's general fund and major special revenue funds include a **statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balance-budget and actual**. For the proprietary funds, which includes internal service funds in addition to business-type activities, a **statement of net assets**, a **statement of revenues, expenses, and changes in fund net assets**, and a **statement of cash flows** are presented. A **statement of fiduciary net assets** is presented for the County's agency fund.

The County maintains two different types of proprietary funds. *Enterprise funds* are used to report the same functions presented as *business-type activities* in the government-wide financial statements. The enterprise funds account for the fiscal activities relating to solid waste disposal, industrial waste treatment and disposal, and water and sewer utilities. *Internal service funds* are an accounting device used to accumulate and allocate costs internally among the various County functions. Because these services predominantly benefit governmental rather than business-type functions, the internal service funds have been included within *governmental activities* in the government-wide financial statements.

The *government-wide financial statements* and the *fund financial statements* provide different presentations of the County's financial position. Categorized by governmental activities and business-type activities, the government-wide financial statements provide an overall picture of the County's financial standing. These statements, which are comparable to private-sector companies, provide a good understanding of the County's overall financial health and present the means used to pay for various activities, or functions provided by the County. All assets of the County, including buildings, land, roads, and bridges are reported in the **statement of net assets**, as well as all liabilities, including outstanding principal on bonds, capital leases, and future employee benefits obligated but not yet paid by the County. The **statement of activities** includes depreciation on all long lived assets of the County, but all transactions between different functions of the County have been eliminated to avoid "doubling up" the revenues and expenditures.

The *fund financial statements* provide a presentation of the County's major funds, along with a column for all nonmajor funds. In the case of governmental activities, outlays for long lived assets are reported as expenditures and long-term liabilities, such as general obligation bonds, are not included in the fund financial statements. To facilitate a comparison between the *fund financial statements* and the *government-wide financial statements*, a reconciliation is provided.

*Notes to the financial statements* provide additional detail concerning the financial activities and financial balances of the County. Additional information about the accounting practices of the County, investments of the County, and long-term debt are just a few of the items included in the notes to the financial statements.

#### FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE COUNTY

The following schedule provides a summary of the assets, liabilities and net assets of the County. At the end of fiscal year 2007, the County is able to report positive balances in all three categories of net assets, both for the government as a whole, as well as for its governmental and business-type activities.

#### Bay County, Florida Net Assets

	Governmental Activities		<b>Business-type Activities</b>		Total	
	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006
Current and other assets	\$ 129,790,780	\$ 129,133,152	\$ 68,315,337	\$ 86,512,060	\$ 198,106,117	\$ 215,645,212
Capital assets	164,413,211	139,915,261	132,115,431	118,404,313	296,528,642	258,319,574
Total assets	294,203,991	269,048,413	200,430,768	204,916,373	494,634,759	473,964,786
Current and other liabilities	14,883,831	14,773,991	9,684,479	5,450,729	24,568,310	20,224,720
Long-term liabilities	67,310,881	70,111,409	111,765,075	114,708,898	179,075,956	184,820,307
Total liabilities	82,194,712	84,885,400	121,449,554	120,159,627	203,644,266	205,045,027
Net assets invested in capital Assets, net of related debt	130,031,134	109,592,599	46,446,331	37,518,571	176,477,465	147,111,170
Net assets-restricted	19,924,887	18,043,292	2,999,323	7,862,907	22,924,210	25,906,199
Net assets-unrestricted	62,053,258	56,527,122	29,535,560	39,375,268	91,588,818	95,902,390
Total net assets	\$ 212,009,279	\$ 184,163,013	\$ 78,981,214	\$ 84,756,746	\$ 290,990,493	\$ 268,919,759

Investment in capital assets (e.g., land, buildings, and equipment), net of any related outstanding debt used to acquire those assets, represents the County's largest portion of net assets (61 percent). These capital assets are utilized to provide services to citizens; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. It should be noted, that although the County's investment in its capital assets is reported net of related debt, the resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities.

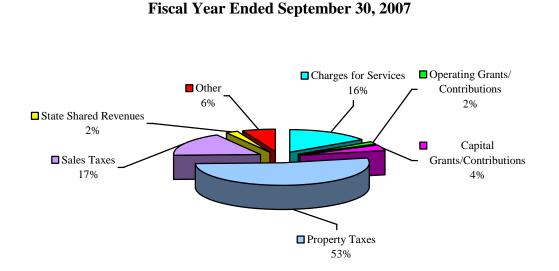
The *restricted net assets*, representing 8 percent of the County's net assets, are subject to external restrictions, and thus are limited as to how they may be used. The remaining balance of *unrestricted net assets* (\$91,588,818) may be used to help meet the government's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.

Governmental activities long-term liabilities, decreased by \$2,800,528 during 2007, while business-type activities long-term liabilities decreased by \$2,943,823. Both were due to principal payments made on existing debt during fiscal year 2007.

The following schedule provides a summary of the changes in net assets.

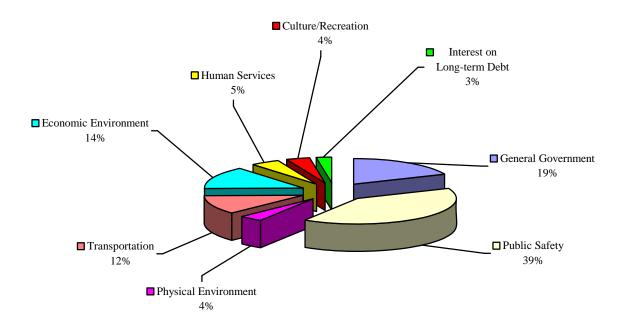
	Government	al Activities	Business-type Activities		Total	
	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006
Program revenues:						
Charges for services	\$ 22,488,551	\$ 21,692,291	\$ 28,405,158	\$ 34,672,393	\$ 50,893,709	\$ 56,397,923
Operating grants/contributions	3,076,826	3,590,815	202,351	7,505	3,279,177	3,598,320
Capital grants/contributions	5,880,132	6,793,674	18,603	-	5,898,735	6,793,674
General revenues:						
Property taxes	77,146,885	73,729,204	-	-	77,146,885	73,729,204
Sales taxes	24,982,006	24,215,778	1,500	1,900	24,983,506	24,217,678
State shared revenues	3,379,522	3,491,084	-	-	3,379,522	3,491,084
Other	8,717,682	4,752,292	5,020,417	4,480,576	13,738,099	9,199,629
Total revenues	145,671,604	138,265,138	33,648,029	39,162,374	179,319,633	177,427,512
Expenses:						
General government	22,123,284	21,899,647	-	-	22,123,284	21,899,647
Public safety	47,595,636	45,667,025	-	-	47,595,636	45,667,025
Physical environment	4,411,573	4,846,055	-	-	4,411,573	4,846,055
Transportation	14,053,021	13,023,819	-	-	14,053,021	13,023,819
Economic environment	16,957,645	14,186,061	-	-	16,957,645	14,186,061
Human services	5,594,624	4,591,809	-	-	5,594,624	4,591,809
Culture and recreation	4,473,399	3,943,961	-	-	4,473,399	3,943,961
Interest on long-term debt	2,974,935	1,691,167	-	-	2,974,935	1,691,167
Wholesale water system	-	-	12,060,032	10,871,172	12,060,032	10,871,172
Retail water and wastewater	-	-	5,808,833	4,135,864	5,808,833	4,135,864
Industrial wastewater	-	-	2,218,595	3,902,819	2,218,595	3,902,819
Solid waste	-	-	17,209,523	17,574,763	17,209,523	17,574,763
Building services			2,126,578	2,011,650	2,126,578	2,011,650
Total expenses	118,184,117	109,849,544	39,423,561	38,496,268	157,607,681	148,345,812
Increase (decrease) in net assets before Transfers	27,487,487	28,415,594	(5,775,532)	666,106	21,711,955	29,081,700
Transfers		8,143		(8,143)		
Increase (decrease) in net assets	27,487,487	28,423,737	(5,775,532)	657,963	21,711,955	29,081,700
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Net assets - beginning Prior paried adjustments	184,163,013	155,448,796	84,756,746	85,102,359	268,919,759	240,551,155
Prior period adjustments Net assets – beginning (restated)	<u> </u>	<u>    290,480    </u> 155,739,276	84,756,746	(1,003,576) 84,098,783	<u>358,779</u> 269,278,538	(713,096) 239,838,059
(restated) Net assets - ending	\$ 212,009,279	\$ 184,163,013	\$ 78,981,214	\$ 84,756,746	\$ 290,990,493	\$ 268,919,759
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#### Bay County, Florida Changes in Net Assets



**Revenues - Governmental Activities** 

#### Expenses-Governmental Activities Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2007



Bay County's overall financial position improved in 2007. As reflected in the changes in net assets, the County's net assets increased by \$21,711,955. One of the more significant factors contributing to the County's improved financial position was the continued appreciation in property values, which in turn, tremendously increased the County's property taxes. New commercial construction in Bay County added to the strengthening of the County's financial position by way of impact fees, which are assessed for water and sewer improvements, parks, libraries, fire services and roads. Even though there was a decrease in charges for services in fiscal year 2007, total revenues increased \$1,892,121 from the previous year. Governmental activities revenues exceeded expenses by \$27,487,487, while business-type activities expenses exceeded revenues by \$5,775,532. Increases in interest income and property tax revenue greatly contributed to the increase in net assets in governmental activities. Total expenses increased Increased spending for public safety (emergency \$9,261,869 from the previous year. management and fire services), along with an increase in spending for economic environment (tourism, beach nourishment, and community redevelopment areas (CRAs)) were primarily responsible for the increase in expenses.

53% of the revenues for governmental activities are generated by property taxes, while most of the governmental resources are expended for public safety (39%), general government (19%), economic environment (14%), and transportation (12%) activities. Charges for services provided 84% of the revenues for business-type activities.

#### FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE COUNTY'S FUNDS

#### Governmental Funds

#### **General Fund**

The main operating fund of the County is the general fund. As of September 30, 2007, total assets were \$83,267,808 and total liabilities were \$12,720,070. At the end of fiscal year 2007, unreserved fund balance of the general fund was \$33,598,429, while total fund balance equaled \$70,547,738.

The general fund's budget was amended during the year to reflect adjustments to construction projects, decreased costs associated with park and recreation improvements, increased grant funding and contributions, as well as, increased costs associated with medical services provided for inmates. Revenues from ad valorem taxes exceeded the budget due to the fact state law requires that the County budget taxes at 95% of the total levy and actual collections were 96% of the total levy. State revenue sharing proceeds and the local government half cent sales tax came in slightly below the budgeted amounts due to the economic slowdown being experienced throughout the state. Interest earnings exceeded the budget due to the greater amount of funds available for investment, as well as, the continued upward climb of interest rates. Actual expenditures for general government services proved to be significantly less than the final budget due to various infrastructure projects budgeted for, but not yet implemented or completed. Actual expenditures for public safety were also less than the final budget due to a decrease in contracted service provided by Corrections Corporation of America (CCA) for inmates, as well as, a decrease in funding for juvenile detention. Excess fees returned to the County from the Clerk of Court and Tax Collector also substantially exceeded the budgeted amounts.

#### **Other Governmental Funds**

The *transportation fund* accounts for the use of gas taxes restricted for transportation improvements, such as roads and bridges. This fund also accounts for the maintenance of the County's roadways, as well as, its road signs and traffic signals. Fund balance decreased \$1,179,745 in fiscal year 2007 due to the fact that more funds were expended on maintenance and improvements to the County's roads and bridges than was collected in gas taxes.

The *tourist development fund* is used to account for the local option three cent sales and use tourism tax, which is utilized to promote tourism in Bay County. These funds are also used to maintain and protect the beaches of the County. Fund balance continued steady growth in fiscal year 2007 due to an increase in the collection of tourist development taxes, which were up 12% over fiscal year 2006.

The *MSTU-fire protection fund* accounts for the provision of fire services throughout the County. Its primary source of revenue is ad valorem taxes, which comprise 88% of its revenues. MSTU's fund balance increased only slightly in 2007 due to the fact that increased revenues were used to update and purchase additional equipment which was needed to maintain quality fire protection for the citizens of Bay County.

#### **Proprietary Funds**

The County's proprietary funds provide the same type of information found in the governmentwide financial statements, but in greater detail. All proprietary funds are reported as major funds.

FUND	2007 Unrestricted Net Assets	2006 Unrestricted Net Assets	
Wholesale water system	\$ 3,632,766	\$ 8,627,119	
Retail water and wastewater	5,930,574	6,790,303	
Industrial wastewater	2,021,934	1,750,561	
Solid waste fund	10,556,534	15,299,374	
Building services	7,393,752	6,907,911	
Total	\$ 29,535,560	\$ 39,375,268	

Unrestricted net assets of proprietary funds at the end of the year are presented below:

The wholesale water system fund is used to account for the operations of the County's wholesale water system. The slight slowdown in development contributed to the decrease in the collection of wholesale water impact fees, which decreased \$858,625 from the previous year. Impact fees charged to and paid by new customers must be used to expand and enhance the water system which provides service to those individuals. Charges for services decreased by \$242,203 over fiscal year 2006. This was due to decreases in demand by local municipalities for wholesale water.

The County's solid waste fund accounts for the operations and maintenance of the County's landfill and incinerator. The current tip fee rates established by the County did not generate sufficient funds to cover the costs of current operations. In fiscal year 2007, \$6,573,801 was generated by tip fees; this represents a decrease of \$847,688 over the previous year's tip fee revenue. As required by the Department of Environmental Protection, the County has set aside for the current fiscal year \$1,995,318 for the long-term care and closure of its landfill. To date, the County has accrued a total liability for postclosure care of \$10,377,703. As of September 30, 2007, total assets were \$75,619,367; total liabilities were \$44,381,344 and net assets were \$31,238,023.

#### CAPITAL ASSETS ACTIVITY

The following schedule provides a summary of the County's capital assets activity. The County's total investment in capital assets for both its governmental and business-type activities as of September 30, 2007, was \$296,528,642 (net of accumulated depreciation). This investment in capital assets includes land, buildings, improvements, machinery and equipment, infrastructure, and construction in process.

Major capital asset events during the current fiscal year included the following:,

- Construction continued in 2007 on a new state of the art Library for Bay County. \$6,388,916 of the total project cost of \$9,869,894 was expensed in the current fiscal year.
- The County completed its new Transportation Sign and Signal Shop in fiscal year 2007 at a cost of \$569,106.
- Enhancements and improvements to the County pier's facilities were completed in fiscal year 2007 at a cost of \$739,816. The improvements included bathroom and shower facilities, along with a pavilion for use by locals as well as visitors to the County's beaches.
- Construction was completed on the 60 MGD water treatment plant expansion and enhancement project; with construction costs totaling \$33,579,216.
- Construction continued in 2007 on a new 680 bed jail facility. Of the total project cost of \$39,772,732, \$11,592,484 was expensed in fiscal year 2007.

	Governmental Activities		Business-type Activities		Total	
	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006
Land	\$ 12,855,446	\$ 12,655,446	\$ 1,017,143	\$ 1,017,143	\$ 13,872,589	\$ 13,672,589
Construction in progress	25,363,946	4,312,345	-	16,557,874	25,363,946	20,870,219
Books	1,120,688	-	-	-	1,120,688	-
Buildings and improvements	36,998,301	36,319,715	1,388,583	1,494,516	38,386,884	37,814,231
Equipment	16,336,730	16,149,219	2,514,935	1,245,872	18,851,665	17,395,091
Infrastructure	71,738,100	70,478,536	127,194,770	98,088,908	198,932,870	168,567,444
Total	\$164,413,211	\$139,915,261	\$132,115,431	\$ 118,404,313	\$ 296,528,642	\$ 258,319,574

# **Capital Assets** (net of depreciation)

Additional information on the County's capital assets can be found in note 8 – Capital Assets, of the notes to the financial statements of this report.

## DEBT MANAGEMENT

At the end of the current fiscal year, the County had total bonded debt outstanding of \$153,885,147. This debt amount represents bonds secured solely by specified revenue sources (i.e., revenue bonds).

## **Outstanding Bonded Debt**

	Governm	nental	Busines	s-type			
	Activi	ties	Activ	ities	Total		
	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	
Revenue Bonds	\$64,215,420	\$67,099,121	\$89,669,727	\$91,652,333	\$153,885,147	\$158,751,454	

The County's total bonded debt outstanding decreased by \$4,866,307 during the fiscal year ended September 30, 2007. The key factor contributing to this decrease was scheduled debt payments.

All of the County's debt maintains a "AAA" rating from Standard & Poor's, a "Aaa" rating from Moody's Investors Service, and/or a "AAA" rating from Fitch. All of the County's issues are rated by one or a combination of two rating agencies.

The Florida Constitution and Bay County set no legal debt limits on revenue bonds. More detailed information about the County's liabilities is presented in notes 12 and 13 of the notes to the financial statements.

# **OTHER FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

The County's economy began to feel the effects of the economic slowdown during the fiscal year ended September 30, 2007. Construction began a downward turn in 2007 with building permits issued on new single and multi-family residential units down 75% from the prior year. Despite, however, the prediction of an active hurricane season and rising gas prices, tourism remained strong with a 12% increase in the local option tourist development tax. The County's unemployment rate increased in 2007, to 4.4%, slightly lower than the State's average unemployment rate of 4.5%. The County will continue to focus on the construction of a new and expanded jail facility in fiscal year 2008. The new Bay County Regional Library should be completed in 2008. The new library will be located on the same site as the new administration complex. The development and construction of the new administration complex will help in meeting the County's space needs, as well as, assist in consolidating local governments services to the citizens of Bay County.

This report was prepared by Board Finance under the direction of the Clerk of the Circuit Court. Questions concerning this report or requests for additional information should be addressed to Bay County Board Finance, P.O. Box 2269, Panama City, Florida 32402, Attention: Joey Rogers.

# BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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#### Bay County, Florida Statement of Net Assets September 30, 2007

		Primary Governmen	t	Component Units			
				Panama City Beach Convention	Mexico Beach Community		
	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total	and Visitors Bureau, Inc.	Development Council, Inc.		
ASSETS							
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 11,019,256	\$ 2,913,667	\$ 13,932,923	\$ 323,400	\$ 22,766		
Investments	63,808,508	28,457,829	92,266,337	-	-		
Accounts receivable (net)	1,491,602	6,117,874	7,609,476	271,931	-		
Special assessments receivable	784,566	-	784,566	-	-		
Accrued interest receivable	-	68,300	68,300	-	-		
Due from other governments	6,366,814	434,069	6,800,883	-	-		
Prepaid expenses	147,862	-	147,862	-	-		
Notes receivable	-	19,856,842	19,856,842	-	-		
Investment in joint venture	-	470,361	470,361	-	-		
Restricted assets							
Cash and cash equivalents	1,392,323	789,674	2,181,997	-	-		
Investments	43,419,259	7,722,557	51,141,816	-	-		
Capital assets	-, -,	.,. ,	- , ,				
Nondepreciable	38,219,392	1,017,143	39,236,535	-	-		
Depreciable, net	126,193,819	131,098,288	257,292,107	_	_		
Unamortized bond costs	1,360,590	1,484,164	2,844,754	-	-		
Total assets	294,203,991	200,430,768	494,634,759	595,331	22,766		
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LIABILITIES							
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	15,303,887	3,220,268	18,524,155	257,544	515		
Internal balances	(5,296,633)	5,296,633	-	-	-		
Due to other governments	1,267,346	373,307	1,640,653	-	-		
Unearned revenues	3,331,624	-	3,331,624	-	-		
Accrued interest payable	237,607	403,220	640,827	-	-		
Customer deposits	40,000	391,051	431,051	-	-		
Long-term liabilities							
Due within one year							
Accrued compensated absences	595,484	137,038	732,522	-	-		
Notes payable	-	867,632	867,632	-	-		
Capital leases	440,147	-	440,147	-	-		
Bonds payable	2,285,000	3,090,000	5,375,000	-	-		
Due in more than one year							
Accrued compensated absences	1,517,067	162,337	1,679,404	-	-		
Notes payable	-	10,550,638	10,550,638	-	-		
Capital leases	542,763	-	542,763	-	-		
Bonds payable	61,930,420	86,579,727	148,510,147	-	-		
Landfill postclosure liability	-	10,377,703	10,377,703	-	-		
Total liabilities	82,194,712	121,449,554	203,644,266	257,544	515		
NET ASSETS	120 021 124	16 116 221	176 177 165				
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	130,031,134	46,446,331	176,477,465	-	-		
Restricted for	206 776	0/1 /7/	100 150				
Debt service	206,776	261,676	468,452	-	-		
Other purposes	1,454,742	1.057.070	1,454,742	-	-		
Impact fees	4,717,744	1,857,870	6,575,614	-	-		
Capital projects	13,545,625	879,777	14,425,402	-	-		
Unrestricted	62,053,258	29,535,560	91,588,818	337,787	\$ 22,251		
Total net assets	\$ 212,009,279	\$ 78,981,214	\$ 290,990,493	\$ 337,787	\$ 22,251		

#### Bay County, Florida Statement of Activities Year Ended September 30, 2007

		Expenses	Charges for Services		Operating Grants and Contributions		-	Capital Grants and Intributions
Functions/Programs								
Primary Government								
Governmental activities	۴	22 122 201	¢	1 4 0 1 0 550	¢	1.0.00.010	<i><b></b></i>	
General government	\$	22,123,284	\$	16,819,772	\$	1,069,218	\$	1,131,474
Public safety		47,595,636		1,953,947		264,369		189,731
Physical environment		4,411,573		1,523,655		953,051		365,993
Transportation		14,053,021		1,541,359		-		1,566,695
Economic environment		16,957,645		-		580,892		227,560
Human services		5,594,624		3,900		18,500		-
Culture and recreation		4,473,399		645,918		190,796		2,398,679
Interest on long-term debt		2,974,935		-		-		-
Total governmental activities		118,184,117		22,488,551		3,076,826		5,880,132
Business-type activities								
Wholesale water system		12,060,032		10,361,087		202,351		-
Retail water and wastewater		5,808,833		4,189,192		-		18,603
Industrial wastewater		2,218,595		2,280,293		-		-
Solid waste		17,209,523		9,475,368		-		-
Building services		2,126,578		2,099,218		-		-
Total business-type activities		39,423,561		28,405,158		202,351		18,603
Total primary government	\$	157,607,678	\$	50,893,709	\$	3,279,177	\$	5,898,735
Component Units								
Panama City Beach Convention								
and Visitors Bureau, Inc.	\$	3,277,959	\$	3,340,451	\$	-	\$	-
Mexico Beach Community								
Development Council, Inc.		175,493		186,645		-		-
Total component units	\$	3,453,452	\$	3,527,096	\$	-	\$	-

General revenues

Taxes

Property taxes, levied for general purposes Sales taxes State shared revenues Interest earnings Miscellaneous Total general revenues Change in net assets

Program Revenues

Net assets - beginning Prior period adjustment Net assets - beginning (restated) Net assets - ending

			Expense) Revenue and anges in Net Assets		
		Primary Government	anges in Net Assets	Compor	nent Units
	overnmental Activities	Business-type Activities	<b>5</b> 1		Mexico Beach Community Development Council, Inc.
\$	(3,102,820) (45,187,589) (1,568,874)	\$ - - -	\$ (3,102,820) (45,187,589) (1,568,874)	\$ - - -	\$ - - -
	(10,944,967) (16,149,193) (5,572,224)	-	(10,944,967) (16,149,193) (5,572,224)	-	-
	(1,238,006) (2,974,935)		(1,238,006) (2,974,935)		
	(86,738,608)		(86,738,608)		
	-	(1,496,594) (1,601,038)	(1,496,594) (1,601,038)	-	-
	- - -	61,698 (7,734,155) (27,360)	61,698 (7,734,155) (27,360)	-	-
	-	(10,797,449)	(10,797,449)	-	-
	(86,738,608)	(10,797,449)	(97,536,057)		
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	114,226,095 27,487,487	5,021,917 (5,775,532)	119,248,012 21,711,955	414 62,906	7,429 18,581
	184,163,013 358,779	84,756,746	268,919,759 358,779	274,881	3,670
	184,521,792	84,756,746	269,278,538	274,881	3,670
\$	212,009,279	\$ 78,981,214	\$ 290,990,493	\$ 337,787	\$ 22,251

# Net (Expense) Revenue and

#### Bay County, Florida Balance Sheet Governmental Funds September 30, 2007

		Conoral			Other Governm		nmental Governmen	
		General	Ir	ansportation		Funds		Funds
ASSETS								
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	3,687,331	\$	540,559	\$	6,205,297	\$	10,433,187
Accounts receivable (net)		759,391		12,703		553,111		1,325,205
Special assessments receivable		-		438,414		346,152		784,566
Investments		28,668,661		5,326,355		24,089,895		58,084,911
Due from other funds		5,219,061		13,159		-		5,232,220
Due from other governments		3,462,788		1,465,506		1,436,921		6,365,215
Prepaid items		4,991		-		22,000		26,991
Restricted assets		,				*		,
Cash and cash equivalents		1,081,918		202,614		107,792		1,392,324
Investments		40,383,667		1,981,449		1,054,143		43,419,259
Total assets	\$	83,267,808	\$	9,980,759	\$	33,815,311	\$	127,063,878
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE								
Liabilities								
Accounts payable	\$	9,469,529	\$	223,655	\$	1,051,055	\$	10,744,239
Deferred revenues	+	2,729,543	-	273,769	Ŧ	328,313	Ŧ	3,331,625
Due to other funds		454,612		52,605		138,689		645,906
Due to other governments		66,386		162		1,242,859		1,309,407
Total liabilities		12,720,070		550,191		2,760,916		16,031,177
Fund balance								
Reserved for								
Debt service		943,158		82,042		470,288		1,495,488
Capital projects		32,220,031		858,827		-		33,078,858
Other purposes		3,786,120		-		12,113,371		15,899,491
Unreserved, reported in								
General fund		28,735,322		-		-		28,735,322
General fund - designated		4,863,107		-		-		4,863,107
Special revenue funds		-		8,489,699		18,470,736		26,960,435
Total fund balance		70,547,738		9,430,568		31,054,395		111,032,701
Total liabilities and fund balance	\$	83,267,808	\$	9,980,759	\$	33,815,311		
Amounts reported for governmental activi net assets are different because Capital assets used in governmental a resources and therefore are not repo Internal service funds are used by ma fleet management, workers compen funds. The assets and liabilities of t included in governmental activities	activities are prted in the f nagement to asation and i he internal s	not financial funds. o charge the costs insurance costs to service funds are	individu	ıal				164,413,211 2,751,265
Long-term liabilities, including bonds in the current period and therefore a			able					(66,187,898)

Net assets of governmental activities

\$ 212,009,279

#### Bay County, Florida Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance Governmental Funds Year Ended September 30, 2007

	 General Fund	Other Transportation Governmental Fund Funds		overnmental	Total Governmental Funds		
REVENUES							
Taxes	\$ 70,011,157	\$	5,230,665	\$	15,065,614	\$	90,307,436
Licenses and permits	1,899		-		-		1,899
Intergovernmental	16,880,245		4,804,385		2,205,283		23,889,913
Charges for services	10,003,719		1,182,161		8,615,972		19,801,852
Fines and forfeitures	63,081		-		-		63,081
Special assessments	-		359,198		-		359,198
Interest	5,115,460		449,298		1,161,166		6,725,924
Contributions and donations	-		-		190,797		190,797
Miscellaneous	 1,298,494		92,087		555,455		1,946,036
Total revenues	 103,374,055		12,117,794		27,794,287		143,286,136
EXPENDITURES							
Current							
General government	25,659,030		-		4,820,415		30,479,445
Public safety	51,800,592		-		7,009,922		58,810,514
Physical environment	197,489		-		5,408,744		5,606,233
Transportation	-		15,071,575		-		15,071,575
Economic environment	11,444,097		-		4,981,515		16,425,612
Human services	4,864,341		-		696,168		5,560,509
Culture and recreation	2,995,577		-		1,245,710		4,241,287
Debt service							
Principal	1,966,879		855,000		1,062,058		3,883,937
Interest and fiscal charges	 2,440,865		131,899		390,575		2,963,339
Total expenditures	 101,368,870		16,058,474		25,615,107		143,042,451
Excess (Deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	 2,005,185		(3,940,680)		2,179,180		243,685
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)							
Transfers in	200,000		2,856,249		4,854,771		7,911,020
Transfers out	(8,561,600)		(95,314)		(200,000)		(8,856,914)
Reversion to State of Florida	-		-		(1,005,046)		(1,005,046)
Issuance of refunding bonds	11,344,764		-		4,758,612		16,103,376
Bond issuance costs	(238,495)		-		(106,450)		(344,945)
Payment to refunded bond escrow agent	(10,437,601)		-		(4,658,328)		(15,095,929)
Discount on debt issued	 (49,596)		-		(22,136)		(71,732)
Total other financing sources (uses)	 (7,742,528)		2,760,935		3,621,423		(1,360,170)
Net change in fund balance	 (5,737,343)		(1,179,745)		5,800,603		(1,116,485)
Fund balance - beginning	76,285,081		10,610,313		24,895,008		111,790,402
Prior period adjustment	 		-		358,784		358,784
Fund balance - beginning (restated)	 76,285,081		10,610,313		25,253,792		112,149,186
Fund balance - ending	\$ 70,547,738	\$	9,430,568	\$	31,054,395	\$	111,032,701

#### Bay County, Florida Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities Year Ended September 30, 2007

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities (page B-17) are different because:	
Net change in fund balance - total governmental funds (page B-19)	\$ (1,116,485)
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated	
useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which	
capital outlays exceeded depreciation in the current period.	21,850,888
The net effect of various transactions involving capital assets	
(i.e., sales, trade-ins, impairments, and donations) is to increase net assets.	2,803,929
Some expenses reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of	
current financial resources and therefore are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds.	(78,506)
Internal service funds are used by management to charge the costs of fleet management, workers compensation and insurance costs to individual	
funds. The net revenue of certain activities of internal service funds is reported with governmental activities.	997,544
The issuance of long-term debt (e.g., bonds, leases) provides current financial	
resources to governmental funds, while the repayment of the principal of long-term	
debt consumes the current financial resources of governmental funds. Neither	
transaction, however, has any effect on net assets. Also, governmental funds	
report the effect of issuance costs, premiums, discounts, and similar items when debt is first issued, whereas these amounts are deferred and amortized in the	
statement of activities. This amount is the net effect of these differences in the	
treatment of long-term debt and related items.	 3,030,117
Change in net assets of governmental activities (page B-17)	\$ 27,487,487

#### Bay County, Florida Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual General Fund

Year Ended September 30, 2007

	Budgeted Amounts			nto	Actual		Variance with Final Budget - Positive	
		Original	Amou	Final		Amounts		(Negative)
		Oliginal		1 mai		Tinounts		(iteguite)
REVENUES								
Taxes	\$	73,377,284	\$	69,467,598	\$	70,011,157	\$	543,559
Licenses and permits		3,499		3,499		1,899		(1,600)
Intergovernmental		22,819,190		23,057,032		16,880,245		(6,176,787)
Charges for services		10,290,079		10,338,118		10,003,719		(334,399)
Fines and forfeitures		149,000		149,000		63,081		(85,919)
Interest		1,906,033		1,906,033		5,115,460		3,209,427
Miscellaneous		385,056		544,448		1,298,494		754,046
Total revenues		108,930,141		105,465,728		103,374,055		(2,091,673)
EXPENDITURES								
Current								
General government		41,514,007		44,423,749		25,659,030		18,764,719
Public safety		64,782,996		65,686,941		51,800,592		13,886,349
Physical environment		205,503		205,503		197,489		8,014
Economic environment		12,928,848		11,688,382		11,444,097		244,285
Human services		4,718,851		5,103,632		4,864,341		239,291
Culture and recreation		6,464,464		5,747,572		2,995,577		2,751,995
Debt service								
Principal		1,904,906		1,901,196		1,966,879		(65,683)
Interest and fiscal charges		2,531,086		2,522,317		2,440,865		81,452
Total expenditures		135,050,661		137,279,292		101,368,870		35,910,422
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures		(26,120,520)		(31,813,564)		2,005,185		33,818,749
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)								
Transfers in		-		200,000		200,000		-
Transfers out		(6,683,571)		(13,517,542)		(8,561,600)		4,955,942
Issuance of refunding bonds		-		-		11,344,764		11,344,764
Bond issuance costs		-		-		(238,495)		(238,495)
Payment to refunded bond escrow agent		-		-		(10,437,601)		(10,437,601)
Discount on debt issued		-		-		(49,596)		(49,596)
Total other financing sources (uses)		(6,683,571)		(13,317,542)		(7,742,528)		5,575,014
Net change in fund balance		(32,804,091)		(45,131,106)		(5,737,343)		39,393,763
Fund balance - beginning		76,285,081		76,285,081		76,285,081		-
Fund balance - ending	\$	43,480,990	\$	31,153,975	\$	70,547,738	\$	39,393,763

#### Bay County, Florida Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual Transportation Fund Year Ended September 30, 2007

		ed Amounts	Actual	Variance with Final Budget - Positive	
	Original	Final	Amounts	(Negative)	
REVENUES					
Taxes	\$ 5,050,246	\$ 5,050,246	\$ 5,230,665	\$ 180.419	
Intergovernmental	7,385,048	13,850,482	4,804,385	(9,046,097)	
Charges for services	1,609,650	1,609,650	1,182,161	(427,489)	
Special assessments	105,381	105,381	359,198	253,817	
Interest	159,775	159,775	449.298	289,523	
Miscellaneous	1,602,472	1,607,172	92,087	(1,515,085)	
Total revenues	15,912,572	22,382,706	12,117,794	(10,264,912)	
EXPENDITURES					
Current					
Transportation	17,781,948	29,342,219	15,071,575	14,270,644	
Debt service	.,,.	- ,- , -	- , ,	, , .	
Principal	855,000	855,000	855,000	-	
Interest	135,600	135,600	131,899	3,701	
Total expenditures	18,772,548	30,332,819	16,058,474	14,274,345	
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	(2,859,976)	(7,950,113)	(3,940,680)	4,009,433	
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)					
Transfers in	2,570,500	2,856,249	2,856,249	-	
Transfers out	(400,000)	, ,	(95,314)	-	
Total other financing sources (uses)	2,170,500	2,760,935	2,760,935	-	
Net change in fund balance	(689,476)	(5,189,178)	(1,179,745)	4,009,433	
Fund balance - beginning	10,610,313	10,610,313	10,610,313		
Fund balance - ending	\$ 9,920,837	\$ 5,421,135	\$ 9,430,568	\$ 4,009,433	

#### Bay County, Florida Statement of Net Assets Proprietary Funds September 30, 2007

			Business-typ Enterpris				Governmental
	Wholesale Water System	Retail Water & Wastewater	Industrial Wastewater	Solid Waste	Building Services	Total	Activities Internal Service Funds
ASSETS							
Current assets							
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 148,133	\$ 428,594	\$ 162,308	\$ 1,475,994	\$ 698,638	\$ 2,913,667	\$ 586,069
Accounts receivable (net)	1,972,321	449,261	578,138	3,039,806	78,348	6,117,874	168,077
Accrued interest receivable	-	68,300	-	-	-	68,300	-
Prepaid expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	120,871
Investments	1,448,664	4,187,499	1,587,279	14,407,976	6,826,411	28,457,829	5,723,598
Due from other funds	15,299	-	-	-	-	15,299	765,261
Due from other governments		434,069				434,069	
Total current assets	3,584,417	5,567,723	2,327,725	18,923,776	7,603,397	38,007,038	7,363,876
Noncurrent assets							
Restricted assets							
Cash and cash equivalents	388,364	189,231	-	212,079	-	789,674	-
Investments	3,797,983	1,850,552	-	2,074,022	-	7,722,557	-
Notes receivable	1,493,572	18,363,270	-	-	-	19,856,842	-
Investment in joint venture	-	470,361	-	-	-	470,361	-
Unamortized bond costs	813,720	-		670,444		1,484,164	
	6,493,639	20,873,414	-	2,956,545		30,323,598	
Capital assets							
Land	261,192	3,500	-	752,451	-	1,017,143	-
Construction in progress	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Buildings	2,373,739	-	134,702	898,720	246,080	3,653,241	-
Improvements	90,985	-	-	41,250	-	132,235	-
Furniture and equipment	965,072	48,197	127,735	3,854,529	790,932	5,786,465	-
Infrastructure	102,560,005	1,494,828	10,577,333	75,584,102	-	190,216,268	-
Less: accumulated depreciation	(30,105,936)	(593,207)	(9,859,653)	(27,392,006)	(739,119)	(68,689,921)	-
Total capital assets, net	76,145,057	953,318	980,117	53,739,046	297,893	132,115,431	-
Total noncurrent assets	82,638,696	21,826,732	980,117	56,695,591	297,893	162,439,029	-
Total assets	86,223,113	27,394,455	3,307,842	75,619,367	7,901,290	200,446,067	7,363,876
LIABILITIES							
Current liabilities							
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	2,086,219	340,588	194,535	558,848	40,078	3,220,268	4,599,649
Due to other funds	5,278,716	20,261	1,313	8,167	3,475	5,311,932	12,962
Due to other governments	-	373,307	-	-	-	373,307	-
Accrued interest payable	199,950	68,300		134,970		403,220	-
Accrued compensated absences - current	42,257	26,350	3,314	22,125	42,992	137,038	-
Notes payable - current	1 275 000	867,632	-	1 570 000	-	867,632	-
Bonds payable - current	1,275,000	245,000	-	1,570,000	-	3,090,000	
Total current liabilities	8,882,142	1,941,438	199,162	2,294,110	86,545	13,403,397	4,612,611
Noncurrent liabilities	100	106.010	100.000	41.004	<b>10</b> 005	201.051	
Customer deposits	100	186,812	100,000	41,234	62,905	391,051	-
Accrued compensated absences	24,528	32,897	6,628	38,089	60,195	162,337	-
Notes payable	48 240 510	10,550,638	-	-	-	10,550,638	-
Bonds payable, net	48,249,519	6,700,000	-	31,630,208	-	86,579,727	-
Landfill postclosure liability	-	-	-	10,377,703	- 100	10,377,703	
Total noncurrent liabilities Total liabilities	48,274,147	17,470,347 19,411,785	106,628 305,790	42,087,234 44,381,344	123,100	108,061,456 121,464,853	4,612,611
Total habilities	57,156,289	19,411,785	305,790	44,381,344	209,645	121,404,855	4,012,011
NET ASSETS							
	23,676,162	953,318	980,118	20,538,840	297,893	46,446,331	
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt Restricted for	23,070,102	955,518	980,118	20,338,840	297,895	40,440,551	-
Debt service	119,027			142,649		261,676	
Impact fee requirements	759,092	1,098,778	-	142,049	-	1,857,870	-
Capital projects	759,092 879,777	1,096,776	-	-	-	879,777	-
Unrestricted	3,632,766	5,930,574	2,021,934	10,556,534	7,393,752	29,535,560	2,751,265
Total net assets	\$ 29,066,824	\$ 7,982,670	\$ 3,002,052	\$ 31,238,023	\$ 7,691,645	\$ 78,981,214	\$ 2,751,265
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#### Bay County, Florida Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Fund Net Assets Proprietary Funds Year Ended September 30, 2007

	Business-type Activities Enterprise Funds							
	Wholesale Water System	Retail Water & Wastewater	Industrial Wastewater	Solid Waste	Building Services	Total	Activities Internal Service Funds	
OPERATING REVENUES								
Charges for services	\$ 9,309,461	\$ 4,189,192	\$ 2,280,293	\$ 9,475,368	\$ 2,099,218	\$ 27,353,532	\$ 6,915,683	
Impact fees	1,051,626	-	-	-	-	1,051,626	-	
Miscellaneous	6,152	42,734	3,239	38,981	31,372	122,478	10,514	
Total operating revenues	10,367,239	4,231,926	2,283,532	9,514,349	2,130,590	28,527,636	6,926,197	
OPERATING EXPENSES								
Personal services	1,422,398	1,221,455	193,529	756,151	1,648,758	5,242,291	1,627,532	
Contracted services	748,319	313,267	477,456	11,122,333	157,072	12,818,447	286,716	
Repairs and maintenance	680,936	32,921	149,452	289,210	30,022	1,182,541	88,491	
Utilities	1,362,520	14,405	998,258	25,897	10,639	2,411,719	28,104	
Depreciation	2,278,238	49,873	172,136	2,647,037	126,147	5,273,431	=	
Amortization	52,061	-	-	42,122	-	94,183	-	
Materials	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,429,957	
Insurance claims	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,189,276	
Other operating expenses	2,429,297	3,516,248	227,764	300,567	153,940	6,627,816	512,778	
Total operating expenses	8,973,769	5,148,169	2,218,595	15,183,317	2,126,578	33,650,428	7,162,854	
Operating income (loss)	1,393,470	(916,243)	64,937	(5,668,968)	4,012	(5,122,792)	(236,657)	
NONOPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)								
Interest income	754,123	1,012,860	87,424	1,383,419	391,872	3,629,698	282,670	
Interest and fiscal charges	(3,086,263)	(660,664)	-	(2,026,206)	-	(5,773,133)	-	
Taxes	-	-	-	1,500	-	1,500	-	
Grants	200,000	-	-	-	-	200,000	-	
Gain (loss) on investments		(130,450)				(130,450)	5,637	
Total nonoperating revenues (expenses)	(2,132,140)	221,746	87,424	(641,287)	391,872	(2,072,385)	288,307	
Income (loss) before contributions and transfers	(738,670)	(694,497)	152,361	(6,310,255)	395,884	(7,195,177)	51,650	
Contributions Transfers in	-	-		1,419,645	-	1,419,645	945,894	
Change in net assets	(738,670)	(694,497)	152,361	(4,890,610)	395,884	(5,775,532)	997,544	
Total net assets - beginning	29,805,494	8,677,167	2,849,691	36,128,633	7,295,761	84,756,746	1,753,721	
Total net assets - ending	\$ 29,066,824	\$ 7,982,670	\$ 3,002,052	\$ 31,238,023	\$ 7,691,645	\$ 78,981,214	\$ 2,751,265	

#### Bay County, Florida Statement of Cash Flows Proprietary Funds Year Ended September 30, 2007

	Business-type Activities Enterprise Funds						
	Wholesale Water System	Retail Water & Wastewater	Industrial Wastewater	Solid Waste	Building Services	Total	Activities Internal Service Funds
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES							
Cash received from customers	\$ 9,431,992	\$ 4,432,587	\$ 3,033,501	\$ 9,209,740	\$ 2,117,165	\$ 28,224,985	\$ 6,688,674
Cash received from miscellaneous operating activities	6,152	42,734	3,239	38,981	31,372	122,478	-
Cash paid to suppliers for goods and services	(4,381,177)	(4,047,152)	(1,815,175)	(14,181,776)	(828,326)	(25,253,606)	(5,241,150)
Cash paid to employees for services	(1,040,557)	(923,228)	(156,629)	(753,280)	(1,198,917)	(4,072,611)	(1,627,532)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	4,016,410	(495,059)	1,064,936	(5,686,335)	121,294	(978,754)	(180,008)
CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES							
Transfers in	-	-	-	-	-	-	945,894
Advance from general fund	5,271,884	-	-	-	-	5,271,884	-
Taxes	-	-	-	1,500	-	1,500	-
Contributions	200,000			385,000		585,000	
Net cash provided by (used in) noncapital financing activities	5,471,884	-	-	386,500	-	5,858,384	945,894
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES							
Interest paid on long-term debt	(2,456,190)	(664,974)	-	(1,678,525)	-	(4,799,689)	-
Principal paid on long-term debt	(1,220,000)	(1,180,934)	-	(1,510,000)	-	(3,910,934)	-
Purchase of capital assets	(17,539,200)	(19,918)	(53,124)	(326,131)	(43,304)	(17,981,677)	
Net cash used in capital and related financing							
activities	(21,215,390)	(1,865,826)	(53,124)	(3,514,656)	(43,304)	(26,692,300)	
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES							
Proceeds from sale and maturities of investment securities	10,440,801	270,061	454,504	10,251,197	130,954	21,547,517	376,618
Purchase of investments	(3,129,306)	(80,943)	(1,516,433)	(3,072,478)	(436,916)	(8,236,076)	(1,237,763)
Return of investment	-	80,973	-	-	-	80,973	-
Interest and dividends on investments	754,123	1,017,170	87,424	1,383,419	391,872	3,634,008	282,670
Collections on loans	39,425	1,180,934	81,966	-		1,302,325	(570, 175)
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	8,105,043	2,468,195	(892,539)	8,562,138	85,910	18,328,747	(578,475)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(3,622,053)	107,310	119,273	(252,353)	163,900	(3,483,923)	187,411
Cash and cash equivalents - beginning	4,158,550	510,515	43,035	1,940,426	534,738	7,187,264	398,658
Cash and cash equivalents - ending	\$ 536,497	\$ 617,825	\$ 162,308	\$ 1,688,073	\$ 698,638	\$ 3,703,341	\$ 586,069
Classified as							
Current assets	\$ 148,133	\$ 428,594	\$ 162,308	\$ 1,475,994	\$ 698,638	\$ 2,913,667	\$ 586,069
Restricted assets	388,364	189,231	<u>+</u> 1(2,200	212,079	\$ 698.638	789,674	- <u>-</u>
Total	\$ 536,497	\$ 617,825	\$ 162,308	\$ 1,688,073	\$ 698,638	\$ 3,703,341	\$ 586,069

#### Bay County, Florida Statement of Cash Flows Proprietary Funds Year Ended September 30, 2007

	Business-type Activities Enterprise Funds						
	Wholesale Water System	Retail Water & Wastewater	Industrial Wastewater	Solid Waste	Building Services	Total	Activities Internal Service Funds
RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING INCOME (LOSS) TO NET CASH PROVIDED BY (USED IN) OPERATING ACTIVITIES Operating income (loss)	\$ 1,393,470	\$ (916,243)	\$ 64,937	\$ (5,668,968)	\$ 4,012	\$ (5,122,792)	\$ (236,657)
Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities							
Depreciation	2,278,238	49,873	172,136	2,647,037	126,147	5,273,431	-
Amortization	52,061	-	-	42,122	-	94,183	-
Loss on disposal of capital assets	5,235	-	-	19,427	7,112	31,774	-
(Increase) decrease in assets							
Accounts receivable	(922,483)	193,089	753,208	(296,229)	22,198	(250,217)	240,347
Prepaid expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	34,163
Due from other funds	(13,101)					(13,101)	(477,870)
Due from other governments	1,255	38,080	-	-	-	39,335	-
Increase (decrease) in liabilities					-		
Accounts payable	1,208,216	134,079	88,967	(2,410,741)	(21,171)	(1,000,650)	274,068
Due to other funds	-	18,063	(11,684)	(8,186)	(847)	(2,654)	(14,059)
Due to other governments	-	(26,929)	-	-	-	(26,929)	-
Customer deposits	-	12,226	-	11,174	(4,251)	19,149	-
Accrued compensated absences	13,519	2,703	(2,628)	2,871	(11,906)	4,559	-
Landfill postclosure liability				(24,842)		(24,842)	
Total adjustments	2,622,940	421,184	999,999	(17,367)	117,282	4,144,038	56,649
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	\$ 4,016,410	\$ (495,059)	\$ 1,064,936	\$ (5,686,335)	\$ 121,294	\$ (978,754)	\$ (180,008)

## NONCASH CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING

ACTIVITIES:							
Contribution of capital assets	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,034,645	\$ -	\$ 1,034,645	\$ -

# Bay County, Florida Statement of Fiduciary Net Assets Agency Funds September 30, 2007

# ASSETS

Cash and cash equivalents Accounts receivable (net) Total assets	\$ \$	6,165,753 13,430 6,179,183
LIABILITIES		
Bank overdraft Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$	13,430 1,481,880
Due to other governments		4,683,873
Total liabilities	\$	6,179,183

## NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements of Bay County, Florida (County) have been prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applied to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the standard-setting body for governmental accounting and financial reporting. In accordance with GASB Statement 20, pronouncements of the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued after November 30, 1989 are not applied in the preparation of the financial statements of the enterprise fund types. The GASB periodically updates its codification of the existing Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards which, along with subsequent GASB pronouncements (Statements and Interpretations), constitutes GAAP for governmental units.

## Reporting Entity

Bay County is a political subdivision of the State of Florida, established under the legal authority of the State's Constitution, and operates under an elected legislative body consisting of five commissioners who are governed by State statutes and regulations. The County provides the following services to its residents: general government, public safety, physical environment, human services, transportation, economic environment and culture and recreation. In addition, the County operates water and sewer systems, sanitation, solid waste and building services.

The Bay County Board of County Commissioners (Board) and the offices of the Clerk of Circuit Court, Sheriff, Supervisor of Elections, Tax Collector and Property Appraiser are operated as separate County agencies in accordance with applicable provisions of Florida Statutes. The offices of the Clerk of Circuit Court and Tax Collector operate on a fee system, whereby the officer retains fees, commissions and other revenue to pay all operating expenditures, including statutory compensation. Any excess income is remitted to the Board of County Commissioners after the end of the fiscal year. The offices of the Sheriff, Supervisor of Elections and the Property Appraiser operate on a budget system, whereby County appropriated funds are received from the Board of County Commissioners and any unexpended appropriations at the end of the year are required to be returned to the Board.

## Component Units

As required by GASB Statement 14, *The Financial Reporting Entity*, the accompanying financial statements present the County (as the primary government composed of the Board of County Commissioners and Constitutional Officers) and the County's component units. Component units are entities for which the County is considered to be financially accountable and are included in the County's reporting entity because of the significance of their operational or financial relationships with the County.

A primary government is financially accountable for the organizations that make up its legal entity. It is also financially accountable for legally separate organizations if its officials appoint a voting majority of an organization's governing body and either it is able to impose

#### NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

its will on that organization or there is a potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefits to, or to impose specific financial burdens on, the primary government.

The primary government may also be financially accountable for governmental organizations that are fiscally dependent on it.

## **Discretely Presented Component Units**

Discretely presented component units are reported in a separate column in the governmentwide financial statements to emphasize that they are legally separate from the County. The following are discretely presented component units of the County:

## Panama City Beach Convention and Visitors Bureau, Inc.

The Panama City Beach Convention and Visitors Bureau, Inc. (Bureau) is a nonprofit corporation organized in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 617, *Florida Statutes*, whose purpose is to provide support for the Bay County Tourist Development Council, the Board of County Commissioners of Bay County, Florida, and where not in conflict with those two, the City of Panama City Beach, Florida. Its capital assets are the property of the County and are included in the County's capital assets. The Bureau is presented as a governmental fund type with a fiscal year end of September 30. Complete financial statements for the Bureau may be obtained from the Bay County Finance Office at Post Office Box 2269, Panama City, Florida 32402.

The Bay County Tourist Development Council board members are each appointed as members of the Bureau's governing body. The majority of the Bay County Tourist Development Council board members are appointed by the Bay County Board of County Commissioners. The Board has the ability to appoint, hire, reassign or dismiss persons responsible for the Bureau's operations. Because the County appoints a voting majority and is able to impose its will on and is obligated to provide specific financial benefits to the Bureau, the Bureau is considered a component unit and the discrete presentation method has been used to report the Bureau's financial position and results of operations.

#### Mexico Beach Community Development Council, Inc.

The Mexico Beach Community Development Council, Inc. (Council) is organized in accordance with provisions of Chapter 617, *Florida Statutes*, as a nonprofit corporation whose purpose is to provide support for the Bay County Tourist Development Council, the Board of County Commissioners of Bay County, Florida, and where not in conflict with those two, the City of Mexico Beach, Florida. Its capital assets are the property of the County and are included in the County's capital assets. The Council is presented as a governmental fund type with a fiscal year of September 30. Complete financial statements for the Council may be obtained from the Bay County Finance Office at Post Office Box 2269, Panama City, Florida 32402.

#### <u>NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)</u>

The Board has the authority to appoint a voting majority of the Council's governing body, and to remove appointed members. The County is also legally obligated or has otherwise assumed the obligation to finance the deficits of or provide financial support to the Council. Because the County appoints a voting majority and is able to impose its will on and is obligated to provide specific financial benefits to the Council, the Council is considered a component unit and the discrete presentation method has been used to report the Council's financial position and results of operations.

#### **Blended Component Units**

Blended component units, although legally separate entities, are in substance, part of the government's operations and data from these units are combined with data of the primary government. There are no blended component units included in the County's financial reporting entity.

## Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

The basic financial statements of the County are composed of the following:

- Government-wide financial statements
- Fund financial statements
- Notes to the financial statements

## Government-wide Financial Statements

Government-wide financial statements display information about the reporting government as a whole, except for its fiduciary activities. These statements include separate columns for the governmental and business-type activities of the primary government (including its blended component units), as well as its discretely presented component units. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. Governmental activities, which normally are supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business-type activities, which rely, to a significant extent, on fees and charges for support. Likewise, the primary government is reported separately from the legally separate component units for which the primary government is financially accountable.

Government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting, as is the proprietary fund financial statements. Under the accrual basis of accounting, revenues, expenses, gains, losses, assets, and liabilities resulting from exchange and exchange-like transactions are recognized when the exchange takes place. Revenues, expenses, gains, losses, assets and liabilities resulting from nonexchange transactions are recognized in accordance with the requirements of GASB Statement 33 – Accounting and Financial Reporting for Nonexchange Transactions.

#### NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Program revenues include charges for services, special assessments, and payments made by parties outside of the reporting government's citizenry, if that money is restricted to a particular program. Program revenues are netted with program expenses in the statement of activities to present the net cost of each program.

Amounts paid to acquire capital assets are capitalized as assets in the government-wide financial statements, rather than reported as expenditures. Proceeds of long-term debt are recorded as liabilities in the government-wide financial statements, rather than as other financing sources. Amounts paid to reduce long-term indebtedness of the reporting government are reported as reductions of the related liabilities, rather than as expenditures.

As a general rule, the effects of interfund activity have been eliminated from the government-wide financial statements. The County eliminates indirect expenses between governmental activities to avoid duplicating revenues and expenditures. Direct expenses are not eliminated from the various functional categories.

## Fund Financial Statements

The underlying accounting system of the County is organized and operated on the basis of separate funds, each of which is considered to be a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues and expenditures or expenses, as appropriate. Governmental resources are allocated to and accounted for in individual funds based upon the purposes for which they are to be spent and the means by which spending activities are controlled.

Fund financial statements for the primary government's governmental, proprietary, and fiduciary funds are presented after the government-wide financial statements. These statements display information about major funds individually and nonmajor funds in the aggregate for governmental and enterprise funds. The fiduciary statement includes financial information for the agency fund. The agency funds of the County primarily represent assets held by the County in a custodial capacity for other individuals or governments.

## **Governmental Funds**

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collected within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the County considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as with accrual accounting. Franchise fees, licenses, sales taxes, gas taxes, operating and capital grants, and interest associated with the current fiscal period are all considered to be susceptible to accrual and so have been recognized

#### NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

as revenues of the current fiscal period. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable only when cash is received by the County.

Under the current financial resources measurement focus, only current assets and current liabilities are generally included on the balance sheet. The reported fund balance is considered to be a measure of "available spendable resources." Governmental funds operating statements present increases (revenues and other financing sources) and decreases (expenditures and other financing uses) in net current assets. Accordingly, they are said to present a summary of sources and uses of available spendable resources during a period.

Because of their spending measurement focus, expenditure recognition for governmental fund types excludes amounts represented by noncurrent liabilities. Since they do not affect net current assets, such long-term amounts are not recognized as governmental fund type expenditures or fund liabilities.

Amounts expended to acquire capital assets are recorded as expenditures in the year that resources were expended, rather than as fund assets. The proceeds of long-term debt are recorded as other financing sources rather than as a fund liability. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recorded only when payment is due.

## Proprietary Funds

The County's enterprise funds and internal service funds are proprietary funds. In the fund financial statements, proprietary funds are presented using the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when they are earned and expenses are recognized when the related goods or services are delivered. In the fund financial statements, proprietary funds are presented using the economic resources measurement focus. This means that all assets and all liabilities (whether current or noncurrent) associated with their activity are included on their balance sheets. Proprietary fund type operating statements present increases (revenues) and decreases (expenses) in total net assets. The Board applies all GASB pronouncements as well as all FASB Statements and Interpretations, APB Opinions and Accounting Research Bulletins, issued on or before November 30, 1989, which do not contradict GASB pronouncements.

Proprietary fund operating revenues, such as charges for services, result from exchange transactions associated with the principal activity of the fund. Exchange transactions are those in which each party receives and gives up essentially equal values. Nonoperating revenues, such as subsidies, taxes, and investment earnings, result from nonexchange transactions or ancillary activities. Operating expenses include the cost of sales and services, administrative expenses, and depreciation on capital assets. Expenses not meeting this definition are reported as nonoperating expenses.

#### NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Amounts paid to acquire capital assets are capitalized as assets in the fund financial statements, rather than reported as expenditures. Proceeds of long-term debt are recorded as a liability in the fund financial statements, rather than as another financing source. Amounts paid to reduce long-term indebtedness are reported as a reduction of the related liabilities, rather than as an expense.

## **Basis of Presentation**

GASB Statement 34 sets forth minimum criteria (percentage of the assets, liabilities, revenues or expenditures/expenses of either fund category and the governmental and enterprise combined) for the determination of major funds. The County has used GASB Statement 34 minimum criteria for major fund determination to determine which funds are required to be reported as major funds, except for the building services and industrial wastewater funds which the County elected to report as a major fund as permitted by GASB Statement 34. The nonmajor funds are combined in a column in the fund financial statements and detailed in the combining section.

## Governmental Major Funds

General Fund – The general fund is the general operating fund of the County. It is used to account for all financial resources, except those accounted for in another fund.

Transportation Fund - The transportation fund is used to account for the operations of the road and bridge departments. Financing is provided principally by ad valorem taxes and gasoline taxes.

## Proprietary Major Funds

Solid Waste Fund – This fund is used to account for activities related to solid waste collection within the County.

Wholesale Water System Fund – This fund is used to account for activities related to the operations of the County's wholesale water system.

Industrial Wastewater Fund – This fund is used to account for activities related to the operations of the industrial waste treatment facility.

Retail Water and Wastewater Fund – This fund is used to account for activities related to the County's retail water and sewer operations.

Building Services Fund – This fund is used to account for the operations of the building department which is financed by fees from permits, licenses and inspections.

#### NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

## Other Fund Types

Internal Service Funds – Internal service funds are used to account for the financing of goods or services provided by one department to other departments of the County on a cost-reimbursement basis. The services provided by these funds are fleet maintenance, facilities, lab, purchasing, workers' compensation and insurance.

Agency Funds – Agency funds are used to account for assets held by the County as an agent for individuals, private organizations, and other governments. The assets are held and disbursed for fines and forfeitures collected pursuant to law, collections related to property foreclosures, documentary stamps and intangible taxes remitted to the State, and other miscellaneous funds collected on behalf of individuals and organizations. Agency funds are custodial in nature (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve the measurement of results of operations. Agency funds are accounted for using the accrual basis of accounting.

## Noncurrent Governmental Assets/Liabilities

GASB Statement 34 requires noncurrent governmental assets, such as land, buildings and equipment and noncurrent governmental liabilities, such as general obligation bonds and capital leases, to be reported in the governmental activities column in the government-wide statement of net assets.

#### **Budgets**

Annual budgets are legally adopted for all governmental funds, except those indicated in note 3, and all proprietary funds. Budgets are prepared and adopted on a basis of accounting consistent with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, except as described in note 3. All annual appropriations lapse at fiscal year end.

The annual budgets serve as the legal authorization for expenditures. Expenditures cannot legally exceed the total amount budgeted for each fund. All budget amendments, which change the legally adopted total appropriation for a fund, are approved by the Board.

Florida Statutes provide that it is unlawful to make expenditures that exceed the total amount budgeted for each fund. Therefore, the fund level is the legal level of control for budget considerations. Chapter 129, Florida Statutes, governs the manner in which the budget may be legally amended once it has been approved. Pursuant to Chapter 129, only the Board of County Commissioners can approve budget amendments that change the total approved budget appropriation of an individual fund. Department managers can transfer appropriations within the budget, but cannot change the total appropriation of an individual fund without the approval of the Board of County Commissioners.

If during the fiscal year additional revenue becomes available for appropriations in excess of those estimated in the budget, the Board by resolution may make supplemental appropriations for the year up to the amount of such excess. During the current fiscal

## NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

year, various supplemental appropriations were approved by the Board in accordance with Florida Statutes.

Budgetary data presented in the accompanying basic financial statements in the final budgeted amounts column represents the final budgetary data. In this column the effects of budget amendments have been applied to original budgetary data.

## Encumbrances

Encumbrances represent commitments related to unperformed contracts for goods or services. Encumbrance accounting, under which purchase orders, contracts and other commitments for the expenditure of resources are recorded to reserve that portion of the applicable appropriation, is used in the governmental funds. However, all encumbrances lapse at year end and, accordingly, a reserve for encumbrances is not reported in the accompanying basic financial statements.

Encumbrances are reestablished at the beginning of the fiscal year if funds are appropriated in the annual budget. Encumbrances do not constitute expenditures or liabilities.

#### Investments

Investments of the County are reported at fair value unless otherwise disclosed.

#### External Investment Pools

Local Government Surplus Funds Trust Fund (pool) – The County maintains deposits in the Local Government Surplus Funds Trust Fund. This external investment pool, which is administered by the State of Florida State Board of Administration (SBA), has adopted operating procedures consistent with the requirements for a "2a-7 like" pool and the fair value of the position in the pool is equal to the value of the pool shares. Pursuant to the provisions of GASB Statement 31, such investments are stated at cost.

The County maintained investments as disclosed in note 5 in the Florida Local Governments Investment Trust Fund (FLGIT). This external investment pool, which is administered by the Florida Association of Court Clerks Service Corporation, has adopted operating procedures consistent with the requirements for external investment pools that are not registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission. The fair value of the position in the FLGIT is equal to the value of the pool shares. Pursuant to the provisions of GASB Statement 31, such investments are reported at fair value, which is determined on a monthly basis based on quoted market prices.

Complete financial statements for the FLGIT may be obtained from the Florida Association of Court Clerks (FACC) Service Corporation, at 3544 Maclay Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32312.

#### NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

## Derivatives and Similar Debt and Investment Items

The County has not directly or indirectly used or written any derivatives or similar debt and investment items during the current year. However, the County did have indirect exposure to similar debt and investment items through the investments held in the Florida Local Governments Investment Trust (FLGIT) and the State of Florida State Board of Administration. The FLGIT invested in various Collateralized Mortgage Obligations (CMOs) in the current year. The FLGIT has been assigned a "S1" Bond Fund Risk Rating, which is the lowest volatility rating listed by Standard and Poor's and a "AAAf" credit rating which is the highest credit rating issued by Standard and Poor's.

Management has adhered to the County's investment policy requirements to monitor such investment activity on a periodic basis.

The articles of incorporation and the by-laws of the Panama City Beach Convention and Visitors Bureau, Inc. (Bureau), do not include investment policies. The Bureau had no investment activity in the current year.

The articles of incorporation and the by-laws of the Mexico Beach Community Development Council, Inc. (Council), do not include investment policies. The Council had no investment activity in the current year.

#### Cash and Cash Equivalents

For the purpose of the statement of cash flows, the County considers all highly liquid investments (including restricted assets) with an original maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

#### Restricted and Unrestricted Resources

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

#### Accounts Receivable

Water and sewer services are billed at various dates throughout the month. This billing method does not capture all amounts receivable by the County at the end of each fiscal year. The unbilled amounts and the variance between such amounts at September 30, 2007 and 2006 are not significant and have not been recorded. Special assessments due from property owners are recorded as receivables when the final assessment role is approved.

Reported accounts receivable and special assessments receivable, including those for the component units, are deemed to be entirely collectible; therefore, an allowance for uncollectible accounts receivable has not been recorded.

#### NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

The County's water and sewer receivables are comprised of wholesale and retail customers within the geographic area of Bay County. A significant portion of revenue is derived from wholesale sales to other governmental units within the County.

The County's special assessments receivable are comprised of amounts due from property owners within Bay County.

## Due to and Due from Other Funds

Interfund receivables and payables arise from interfund transactions and are recorded by all funds affected in the period in which transactions are executed.

## Inventory

Inventory in the proprietary funds is valued at the lower of cost (first-in, first-out) or market. Governmental fund inventory is valued at cost (first-in, first-out). The County accounts for governmental funds inventory using the purchases method.

## Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include property, plant, equipment, and infrastructure assets (e.g. roads, bridges, beach renourishment, water and sewer distribution systems and similar items) are reported in the applicable governmental or business-type activities column in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the County as assets with an initial, individual cost of \$1,000 or more and an estimated useful life in excess of one year. Infrastructure is capitalized when it exceeds \$100,000. The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend its useful life are not capitalized.

Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects are constructed. Interest incurred during the construction phase of capital assets of business-type activities is included as part of the capitalized value of the assets constructed.

The Board holds legal title to the capital assets used in the operations of the Board, Clerk of the Circuit Court, Property Appraiser, Supervisor of Elections and Tax Collector, and is accountable for them by Florida Law.

The Sheriff is accountable for and maintains capital asset records pertaining only to equipment used in his operations. These assets have been combined with the Board's governmental activities capital assets in the statement of net assets.

#### NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Capital assets are stated at cost, except for contributed assets, which are recorded at fair market value on the date received. Depreciation is provided using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the related assets. Estimated useful lives are generally as follows:

Buildings	20-50 Years
Improvements	20-50 Years
Utility Plants	35-50 Years
Equipment	3-15 Years
Infrastructure	10-50 Years

#### Long-term Obligations

The County reports long-term debt of governmental funds at face value in the governmentwide long-term liabilities. Certain other governmental fund obligations not expected to be financed with current available financial resources are also reported in the government-wide long-term liabilities. Long-term debt and other obligations financed by proprietary funds are reported as liabilities in the appropriate funds.

#### Capitalization of Interest

Interest costs related to bond issues are capitalized during the construction period. These costs are netted against applicable interest earnings on construction fund investments in business-type activities. The County does not capitalize interest in governmental activities. During the year ended September 30, 2007, the County had no interest that was capitalized.

#### Unamortized Bond Costs

Bond issuance costs and legal fees associated with the issuance of proprietary fund revenue bonds are amortized over the life of the bonds using the straight-line method.

#### Unamortized Bond Discounts

Bond discounts associated with the issuance of proprietary fund revenue bonds are amortized using the straight-line method. For financial reporting, unamortized bond discounts are netted against the applicable long-term debt.

#### Deferred Revenues

Deferred revenues reported in government-wide financial statements represent unearned revenues. The deferred revenues will be recognized as revenue in the fiscal year they are earned in accordance with the accrual basis of accounting. Deferred revenues reported in governmental fund financial statements represent unearned revenues or revenues which

#### NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

are measurable but not available and, in accordance with the modified accrual basis of accounting, are reported as deferred revenues.

#### Landfill Closure Costs

Under the terms of current state and federal regulations, the County is required to place a final cover on closed landfill areas, and to perform certain monitoring and maintenance functions for a period of up to thirty years after closure. The County recognizes these costs of closure and postclosure maintenance over the active life of each landfill area, based on landfill capacity used during the period. Required obligations for closure and postclosure costs are recognized in the solid waste fund.

## Capital Contributions

The capital contributions accounted for in the proprietary fund types represent contributions from other funds, developers, state and federal grant programs, and impact fees charged to new customers for their anticipated burden on the existing system. The contributions are reported after nonoperating revenues and expenses on the statement of revenues, expenses, and changes in fund assets in accordance with GASB Statement 33.

#### Accrued Compensated Absences

The County's policy is to grant paid absences for vacation and sick leave. Employees, except those of the Property Appraiser and Tax Collector, are permitted to accumulate a limited amount of earned but unused vacation benefits which will be paid to them upon termination. Proprietary fund types accrue vacation benefits in the period they are earned. Estimated accrued compensated absences amounts for governmental funds represent a reconciling item between the fund and government-wide presentations.

County employees, except for those of the Property Appraiser and Tax Collector, are permitted to accumulate earned but unused sick leave benefits. Employees of the Clerk of Circuit Court are paid for a portion of sick leave benefits upon termination based on years of service with the Clerk. Clerk's office employees with ten to fifteen years of service are paid 60% of accrued sick leave, employees with fifteen to twenty years of service are paid 80% of accrued sick leave, and employees with more than twenty years service are paid 100% of accrued sick leave upon termination, up to a maximum of 240 hours.

Sheriff's office employees who retire with a minimum of six years of service will receive payment for sick leave. Only employees that are designated as retired by the Florida Retirement System are eligible. Eligible employees can accrue ten hours for each year of service to the Sheriff's office, up to a maximum of 240 hours. Employees that leave in good standing, are not retiring, and have ten years of service are eligible to receive payment for sick leave. An accrual has been made in the accompanying financial statements for the sick leave of employees who have in excess of ten years of service.

#### <u>NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)</u>

All other County employees who terminate employment with the County will forfeit all unused sick leave. Employees hired before November 3, 1987, who retire under the County's retirement plan will be paid for the lesser of the amount of sick leave at the time of retirement or the amount of sick leave accumulated as of November 3, 1987, not to exceed 480 hours. An accrual has been made in the accompanying financial statements for the lesser of sick leave hours at November 3, 1987, or current sick leave hours, calculated at current hourly wage for these employees. Any employee hired after November 3, 1987, will not be eligible for payment of unused sick leave upon retirement.

The vacation leave policy of the Panama City Beach Convention and Visitors Bureau, Inc. provides for all full-time employees to earn between eight and twelve hours of vacation leave each month, depending upon the length of employment, for a maximum of 144 hours per calendar year. Vacation time earned but not used is accrued by the Bureau up to 144 hours per employee.

The Bureau's sick leave policy provides for all full-time employees to earn eight hours of sick leave each month. All unused sick leave is forfeited at termination of employment. Earned but unpaid sick leave is not accrued as a liability since the amount does not vest to employees.

The Mexico Beach Community Development Council, Inc.'s vacation policy provides for all full-time employees to earn forty hours of vacation leave after one year of service.

Vacation time earned but not used is accrued by the Council. As of September 30, 2007, no accrual was recorded by the Council.

The Council's sick leave policy provides for all full-time employees to earn thirty-two hours of sick leave on an annual basis. All unused sick leave is forfeited at termination of employment. Earned but unpaid sick leave is not accrued as a liability since the amount does not vest to employees.

The liability for compensated absences is reported in the statement of net assets. Compensated absences are reported in governmental funds only in connection with terminated employees.

#### Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Actual results could differ significantly from those estimates.

#### NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### **Reclassifications**

Certain reclassifications have been made to the 2006 financial statement presentation to conform to the 2007 presentation.

## <u>NOTE 2 – RECONCILIATION OF GOVERNMENT-WIDE AND FUND FINANCIAL</u> <u>STATEMENTS</u>

Explanation of certain differences between the governmental fund balance sheet and the government-wide statement of net assets:

The governmental funds balance sheet includes a reconciliation between *fund balance - total governmental funds* and *net assets - governmental activities* as reported in the government-wide statement of net assets. One element of that reconciliation explains, "long-term liabilities, including bonds payable, are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds." The details of this \$66,187,898 difference are as follows:

Bonds payable	\$ 63,950,000
Less: Deferred charge on refunding (to be amortized	
as interest expense)	(602,806)
Less: Deferred charge for issuance costs (to be amortized	
over life of debt)	(1,360,590)
Plus: Issuance premium (to be amortized as interest	
expense)	868,226
Accrued interest payable	237,607
Capital leases payable	982,910
Compensated absences	 2,112,551
Net adjustment to reduce fund balance - total governmental	
funds to arrive at net assets - governmental activities	\$ 66,187,898

Another element of that reconciliation states, "capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds." The details of this \$164,413,211 difference are as follows:

Cost of capital assets Less: Accumulated depreciation	\$ 316,011,458 (151,598,247)
Net adjustment to increase <i>fund balance - total</i> governmental funds to arrive at net assets - governmental activities	\$ 164,413,211

Explanation of certain differences between the governmental fund statements of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances and the government-wide statement of activities:

## <u>NOTE 2 – RECONCILIATION OF GOVERNMENT-WIDE AND FUND FINANCIAL</u> <u>STATEMENTS (Continued)</u>

The governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances includes a reconciliation between *net change in fund balance - total governmental fund* and *change in net assets of governmental activities* as reported in the government-wide statement of activities. One element of that reconciliation explains, "governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense." The details of this \$21,850,888 difference are as follows:

Capital outlay Depreciation expense	\$ 32,780,705 (10,929,817)
Net adjustment to increase <i>net change in fund balance</i> - total governmental funds to arrive at change in net assets of governmental activities	\$ 21,850,888

Another element of that reconciliation states, "the net effect of various transactions involving capital assets (i.e., sales, trade-ins, impairments, and donations) is to increase net assets." The details of this \$2,803,929 difference are as follows:

\$ (81,804)
2,885,733
\$ 2.803.929
\$

Another element of that reconciliation states, "the issuance of long-term debt (e.g., bonds, leases) provides current financial resources to governmental funds, while the repayment of the principal of long-term debt consumes the current financial resources of governmental funds. Neither transaction, however, has any effect on net assets. Also, governmental funds report the effect of issuance costs, premiums, discounts, and similar items when debt is first issued, whereas these amounts are deferred and amortized in the statement of activities." The details of this \$3,030,117 difference are as follows:

## <u>NOTE 2 – RECONCILIATION OF GOVERNMENT-WIDE AND FUND FINANCIAL</u> <u>STATEMENTS (Continued)</u>

Debt issued or incurred:	
Capital lease financing	\$ (683,376)
Issuance of bonds	(15,420,000)
Plus Premium	(71,733)
Less issuance cost	344,945
Deferred loss on refunding	554,737
Principal repayments:	
Bonds	17,660,000
Capital leases	763,938
Amortization of deferred charge on refunding	(25,927)
Amortization of issuance costs	(65,677)
Amortization of bond premium	 (26,790)
Net adjustment to increase net change in fund balance -	
total governmental funds to arrive at change in net assets of	
governmental activities	\$ 3,030,117

Another element of that reconciliation states, "some expenses reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources and therefore are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds." The details of this \$(78,506) difference are as follows:

Compensated absences Accrued interest	\$ (111,859) 33,353
Net adjustment to decrease <i>net change in fund balance</i> - total governmental funds to arrive at change in net assets of governmental activities	\$ (78,506)

## NOTE 3 – BUDGETS

The County adopts budgets on a basis consistent with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) except as follows:

Special Revenue Funds

The following special revenue funds in the Sheriff's office were not budgeted:

Crime Prevention Fund Law Enforcement Training Fund Special Law Enforcement Trust Fund Special Contribution Fund Federal Seizure Account Seizure Trust

#### NOTE 3 - BUDGETS (Continued)

The following special revenue funds in the Clerk's office were not budgeted:

Records Modernization-Court Records Modernization-Records Family Mediation Fund 10/6/3 Fund

## NOTE 4 – RESTRICTED ASSETS

Certain assets of the various funds are required by resolution and ordinance to be set aside and used for specific purposes and are not available to be used for general operations. These assets consist of the following:

	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total
Cash and cash equivalents Investments	\$ 1,392,323 43,419,259 \$ 44,811,582	\$ 789,674 7,722,557 \$ 8,512,231	\$ 2,181,997 51,141,816 \$ 53,323,813

The following amounts are payable from restricted assets:

	ernmental ctivities	Wholesale Water System		Sol	lid Waste	 Total
Accrued interest payable Current maturities of bonds	\$ 237,607 268,333	\$	199,950 106,250	\$	134,970 130,833	\$ 572,527 505,416
Payable from restricted assets	\$ 505,940	\$	306,200	\$	265,803	\$ 1,077,943

## NOTE 5 – DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

#### **Deposits Policies**

All cash resources of the County are placed in banks that qualify as public depositories, as required by law (Florida Security for Public Deposits Act). Every qualified public depository is required by this law to deposit with the State Treasurer eligible collateral equal to, or in excess of, an amount to be determined by the State Treasurer. The State Treasurer is required to ensure that the County's funds are entirely collateralized throughout the fiscal year. In the event of failure by a qualified public depository, losses in excess of federal depository insurance and proceeds from the sale of the securities pledged by the defaulting depository are assessed against the other qualified public depositories are assessed additional amounts, they are assessed on a pro-rata basis.

#### NOTE 5 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (Continued)

The County's cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, demand deposits, and shortterm investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition.

**Investments Policies** 

Florida Statutes, Section 218.415, authorizes the County to invest surplus funds in the following:

The Local Government Surplus Funds Trust Fund (State Board of Administration) or any intergovernmental investment pool authorized pursuant to the Florida Interlocal Cooperation Act as provided in s. 163.01. The

Securities and Exchange Commission registered money market funds with the highest credit quality rating from a nationally recognized rating agency.

Interest – bearing time deposits or savings accounts in state-certified qualified public depositories as defined in s. 280.02.

Direct obligations of the United States Treasury.

Federal agencies and instrumentalities.

Securities of, or other interests in, any open-end or closed-end management-type investment company or investment trust registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, 15 U.S.C. ss. 80a-1 et. seq., as amended from time to time, provided that the portfolio of such investment company or investment trust is limited to obligations of the United States Government or any agency or instrumentality thereof and to repurchase agreements fully collateralized by such United States Government obligations, and provided that such investment company or investment trust takes delivery of such collateral either directly or through an authorized custodian.

In addition, the County is authorized by law or by County ordinance to invest funds in the following securities:

Commercial Paper of U.S. Corporations having a rating of at least two of the following three ratings: A-1, P-1, and F-1, as rated by Standard & Poors, Moody's, and Fitch Investors Service rating services.

Bankers' Acceptances that are eligible for purchase by the Federal Reserve Banks and have a Letter of Credit rating of A or better.

Obligations, rated A+ or better, of the State of Florida and its various local governments, including Bay County.

Overnight repos (repurchase agreement) and term repos with maturities of less than 30 days.

## NOTE 5 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (Continued)

## Corporate Securities rated AA/Aa by Standard & Poors and Moody's.

Qualified purchaser funds (3(c)(7)funds) securities of an open-end management type investment company or investment fund advised by a registered advisor under rule 3(c)(7) of the Federal Investment Company Act of 1940, provided that the funds' investment guidelines state that the fund will seek to maintain a \$1 per share net asset value.

Auction Rate Securities rated AAA/aaa.

Florida Statutes provides that funds awaiting clearing may be invested. Pursuant to an agreement with a local financial institution, cash on deposit, including the County's float, was invested overnight in United States Treasury Obligations per the repurchase agreement.

The Florida Local Government Investment Trust Fund (FLGIT) is a professionally managed fund available only to public entities in Florida. The investment policy of FLGIT restricts investments to direct obligations of or securities fully guaranteed by the United States; obligations of certain federal agencies, including collateralized obligations; repurchase agreements; and commercial paper. FLGIT has a Standard & Poors credit rating of "AAAf."

As of September 30, 2007, the County had the following investments:

Investment Type	Fair Value	Weighted Average Maturity (months)
U.S. Government Securities	\$11,003,614	Demand
Commercial Paper	32,700,771	3.08
Asset-back Securities	26,917,369	2.25
Florida Local Government Investment Trust	9,586,915	Demand
Local Government Surplus Trust Fund Investment Pool	63,157,094	Demand
Other	42,390	Time Deposit
Total fair value	\$143,408,153	_

#### Interest Rate Risk

In accordance with its investment policy, the County manages its exposure to declines in fair market value by limiting investments beyond one year to 25% of the investment portfolio. The weighted average maturity is disclosed in months in order to achieve this policy objective.

#### Credit Risk

The County has established an investment policy that all commercial paper purchased is required to be a rated investment as established by a nationally recognized statistical rating organization at the end of the fiscal year. The commercial paper listed below is from U.S. corporations and is denominated in U.S. currency. The Local Government Surplus Trust

#### NOTE 5 – DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (Continued)

Fund is not rated by statistical rating organizations. As of September 30, 2007, the County had the following investments as rated by Standard and Poors, Moody's and/or Fitch Investor Services:

		Percentage of Investments in
Commercial Paper	Rating	Commercial Paper
Anglesea Funding	A1, P1	6%
Beethoven Funding	A1, P1	9%
Cortland Capital	A1, P1	9%
Hudson-Thames	A1, P1	9%
Klio Funding Group	A1, P1	3%
Kommunalkredit	P1, F1	15%
Kora Development Bank of New York	A1, P1, F1	6%
La Fayette Asset	A1, P1, F1	12%
McKinley II Funding	A1, P1	9%
Rhineland Funding	P1, F1	3%
Romulus Funding	A1, P1	6%
TSL	A1, P1	13%

## Custodial Risk

For a deposit or an investment there is a risk that in the event of failure of the counterparty, the government will not be able to recover the value of the investment. See note 24 for more information on custodial risk.

## Concentration of Credit Risk

The County's investment policy limits investments in commercial paper to 25% of the total investment portfolio. The County's investment portfolio (which excludes bank deposits for the purpose of this disclosure) did not include any investments held with a single commercial paper issuer that exceeded 5% of the County's total investments.

## NOTE 6 – PROPERTY TAXES

Property tax revenue is recognized when received. The property tax calendar is as follows:

Lien date	January 1
Levy date	October 1
Tax bills mailed	November 30
Payments due by	March 31
Delinquent date	April 1
Tax Sale - delinquent property taxes	June 1

#### NOTE 7 – NOTES RECEIVABLE

Notes receivable recorded by the County at September 30, 2007 are as follows:

#### **Enterprise Funds**

Note receivable from the joint venture (Military Point Advanced Wastewater Treatment Facility). Principal and interest based upon the 2004 Wastewater System Revenue Refunding Bonds and State Revolving Fund Note. Reduction of the principal balance mirrors the principal reduction of the bonds payable and note payable. Interest varies from 2.59% to 3.07%.

\$

\$

18,363,270

1,288,206

205,366

19,856,842

Note receivable from Stone Container Corporation. Principal and interest based upon the 1997 Water System Revenue Bonds. Reduction of the principal balance of the note receivable is equivalent to 8.85% of the principal balance and reductions for the bonds payable.

Note receivable from Arizona Chemical Company. Principal and interest based upon the 1997 Water System Revenue Bonds. Reduction of the principal balance of the note receivable is equivalent to 1.41% of the principal balance and reductions for the bonds payable.

Total notes receivable – enterprise funds

#### NOTE 8 – CAPITAL ASSETS

Changes in capital assets of the governmental activities funds are summarized as follows:

	September 30, 2006	Increases	Decreases	September 30, 2007		
Capital assets, not being depreciated						
Land	\$ 12,655,446	\$ 200,000	\$ -	\$ 12,855,446		
Construction in progress	4,312,345	23,528,989	(2,477,388)	25,363,946		
Total capital assets, not being depreciated	16,967,791	23,728,989	(2,477,388)	38,219,392		
Capital assets, being depreciated						
Books	-	1,289,223	-	1,289,223		
Buildings and improvements	51,974,648	2,120,210	-	54,094,858		
Furniture and equipment	37,333,473	4,648,325	(1,697,507)	40,284,291		
Infrastructure	175,766,615	6,357,079		182,123,694		
Total capital assets, being depreciated	265,074,736	14,414,837	(1,697,507)	277,792,066		
Less accumulated depreciation						
Books	-	(168,535)	-	(168,535)		
Buildings and improvements	(15,654,933)	(1,441,626)	-	(17,096,559)		
Furniture and equipment	(21,184,254)	(4,363,857)	1,600,552	(23,947,559)		
Infrastructure	(105,288,079)	(5,097,515)	-	(110,385,594)		
Total accumulated depreciation	(142,127,266)	(11,071,533)	1,600,552	(151,598,247)		
Total capital assets, being depreciated, net	122,947,470	3,343,304	(96,955)	126,193,819		
Total governmental-type activities capital assets, net	\$ 139,915,261	\$ 27,072,293	\$ (2,574,343)	\$ 164,413,211		

The increase in accumulated depreciated of \$11,071,533 includes \$141,716 that was transferred to the County for the Public Library capital assets.

## NOTE 8 - CAPITAL ASSETS (Continued)

The following schedules summarize the capital assets of the County's business-type activities at September 30, 2007:

	Wholesale Water System	Retail Water & Wastewater	Industrial Wastewater	Solid Waste	Building Services	Total
Land	\$ 261,192	\$ 3,500	\$-	\$ 752,451	\$-	\$ 1,017,143
Buildings	2,373,739	-	134,702	898,720	246,080	3,653,241
Improvements	90,985	-	-	41,250	-	132,235
Furniture and equipment	965,072	48,197	127,735	3,854,529	790,932	5,786,465
Infrastructure	102,560,005	1,494,828	10,577,333	75,584,102		190,216,268
Total	106,250,993	1,546,525	10,839,770	81,131,052	1,037,012	200,805,352
Less: accumulated						
depreciation						
Buildings	(1,764,129)	-	(77,091)	(193,762)	(246,080)	(2,281,062)
Improvements	(75,403)	-	-	(40,428)	-	(115,831)
Furniture and equipment	(723,162)	(6,643)	(71,844)	(1,976,842)	(493,039)	(3,271,530)
Infrastructure	(27,543,242)	(586,564)	(9,710,718)	(25,180,974)		(63,021,498)
Total accumulated						
depreciation	(30,105,936)	(593,207)	(9,859,653)	(27,392,006)	(739,119)	(68,689,921)
Business-type activities						
capital assets, net	\$ 76,145,057	\$ 953,318	\$ 980,117	\$53,739,046	\$ 297,893	\$ 132,115,431

	September 30, 2006		Increases		Decreases		September 30, 2007	
Capital assets, not being depreciated								
Land	\$	1,017,143	\$	-	\$	-	\$	1,017,143
Construction in progress		16,557,874		-		(16,557,874)		-
Total capital assets, not being depreciated		17,575,017				(16,557,874)		1,017,143
Capital assets, being depreciated								
Buildings		3,678,841		-		(25,600)		3,653,241
Improvements		132,235		-		-		132,235
Furniture and equipment		4,284,656		1,609,289		(107,479)		5,786,466
Infrastructure		156,325,257		33,964,907		(73,897)		190,216,267
Total capital assets, being depreciated		164,420,989		35,574,196		(206,976)		199,788,209
Less accumulated depreciation								
Buildings		(2,202,673)		(84,789)		6,400		(2,281,062)
Improvements		(113,887)		(1,944)		-		(115,831)
Furniture and equipment		(3,038,784)		(327,732)		94,986		(3,271,530)
Infrastructure		(58,236,349)		(4,858,966)		73,817		(63,021,498)
Total accumulated depreciation		(63,591,693)		(5,273,431)		175,203		(68,689,921)
Total capital assets, being depreciated, net Total business-type activities		100,829,296		30,300,765		(31,773)		131,098,288
Capital assets, net	\$	118,404,313	\$	30,300,765	\$	(16,589,647)	\$	132,115,431

#### NOTE 8 - CAPITAL ASSETS (Continued)

Depreciation expense was charged to functions/programs of the primary government as follows:

Governmental activities	
General government	\$ 1,514,330
Public safety	2,985,182
Physical environment	446,702
Transportation	4,765,055
Economic environment	555,222
Human services	58,772
Culture and recreation	 604,554
Total depreciation expense - governmental activities	\$ 10,929,817
Business-type activities	
Wholesale water system	\$ 2,278,238
Retail water & wastewater	49,873
Industrial wastewater	172,136
Solid waste	2,647,037
Building services	126,147
Total depreciation expense - business-type activities	\$ 5,273,431

## NOTE 9 – CAPITAL LEASES

The County has entered into lease agreements to finance vehicles and equipment. These lease agreements qualify as capital leases for accounting purposes and have been recorded at the present value of their future minimum lease payments as of the inception date.

The cost of assets acquired through capital leases are as follows:

Vehicles	\$ 1,331,484
Equipment	 198,361
Total	1,529,845
Less: accumulated depreciation	 (407,767)
Net	\$ 1,122,078

The future minimum lease obligations and the net present value of these minimum lease payments as of September 30, 2007 were as follows:

Year ending September 30,	
2008	\$ 478,501
2009	393,524
2010	167,562
2011	3,606
Total minimum lease payments	 1,043,193
Less amount representing interest	 (60,283)
Present value of minimum	
lease payments	\$ 982,910

#### NOTE 10 – DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN

<u>Plan Description</u> – The County participates in the Florida Retirement System (System), a cost sharing, multiple-employer defined pension plan administered by the State of Florida Department of Administration, Division of Retirement. The System provides retirement, disability benefits, and death benefits to plan members or their designated beneficiaries. Chapter 121, Florida Statutes, established the authority for participant eligibility, contribution requirements, vesting eligibility and benefit provisions. Chapter 121 of the Florida Statutes assigns the authority to establish and amend benefits provisions to the Florida Retirement System. However, Article X, Section 14 of the State of Florida Constitution and Part VII, Chapter 112 of the Florida Statutes require that any increase in retirement benefits must be funded concurrently on an actuarially sound basis. The Florida Retirement System issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the System. That report may be obtained by writing to the State of Florida Division of Retirement, 1317 Winewood Boulevard, Building 8, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-6570 or by calling 850-414-6346.

<u>Funding Policy</u> – The System provides vesting of benefits after six years of creditable service. Members are eligible for normal retirement after six years of service and attaining age sixty-two, or thirty years of service regardless of age. Early retirement may be taken any time after completing six years of service; however, there is a five-percent benefit reduction for each year prior to normal retirement. Generally, membership is compulsory for all full-time and part-time employees, except for elected county officials who may elect not to participate in the System. Retirement coverage is employee noncontributory. The rates effective for the fiscal year were 9.85% and 16.53% for regular employees and elected officials, respectively. The rates for eligible employees who elected to participate in the Deferred Retirement Option Program (DROP) were 10.91% effective for the entire fiscal year. The County's contributions for the years ended September 30, 2007, 2006, and 2005 were \$4,593,291, \$3,801,294 and \$3,396,580 respectively, and are equal to the required contributions for each year.

#### NOTE 11 – OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB)

The County provides health insurance to its active and retired employees (the OPEB Plan). Pursuant to Section 112.0801, Florida Statutes, the County is required to permit participation in the health insurance program by retirees and their eligible dependents at a cost to the retiree that is no greater than the cost at which coverage is available for active employees.

Currently, the County funds the OPEB Plan on a pay-as-you-go basis as a current operating expense, and reflects the expense in its financial statements in the fiscal year in which the payments are made. Pursuant to the provisions of GASB 45, *Accounting and Financial Reporting by Employers for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions*, governments who provide post employment benefits other than pensions will be required to begin showing all or a portion of the liabilities associated with their OPEB Plans in their financial statements and whether, and to what extent, progress is being made in funding those liabilities.

#### NOTE 11 – OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB) (Continued)

The County intends to implement the requirements of GASB 45 in the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008 and is in the process of obtaining an actuarial valuation of the OPEB liability as of October 1, 2007.

#### NOTE 12 - LONG-TERM LIABILITIES - BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES

Notes payable, in the enterprise funds at September 30, 2007, are summarized below:

State Revolving Fund Program (SRF #1) consists of approved loans in the original amount of \$30,481,500 payable to the State of Florida Department of Environmental Protection State Revolving Fund Program. Interest rates range from 2.59% to 3.07% per annum. The semi-annual loan payment is \$1,000,240, including interest and principal. Payments began on September 15, 1999, and continue thereafter until all amounts have been fully paid. The loan is collateralized by the anticipated net system revenues of MPAWTF. Bay County is liable for one-half of the total obligation and semi-annual loan payment amount. \$

State Revolving Fund Program (SRF #2) consists of approved loans in the original amount of \$4,411,200 payable to the State of Florida Department of Environmental Protection State Revolving Fund Program. The interest rate is 3.03% per annum. The semi-annual loan payment is \$132,319 and the loan matures on November 15, 2019. The loans are collateralized by the anticipated net system revenues of MPAWTF. Bay County is liable for the total obligation.

for the total obligation.	 2,750,055
Total notes payable-enterprise funds	 11,418,270
Less: current portion	(867,632)
Long-term portion of enterprise funds	
notes payable	\$ 10,550,638

8,681,617

2.736.653

Minimum debt service requirements to maturity on the notes are as follows:

Year ending			
September 30,	Principal	Interest	Total
2008	\$ 867,632	\$ 286,362	\$ 1,153,994
2009	850,932	303,062	1,153,994
2010	876,038	277,956	1,153,994
2011	901,886	252,108	1,153,994
2012	928,496	225,498	1,153,994
2013-2017	5,069,944	700,027	5,769,971
2018-2020	1,923,342	65,167	1,988,509
Total	\$ 11,418,270	\$ 2,110,180	\$ 13,528,450

#### NOTE 12 - LONG-TERM LIABILITIES - BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES (Continued)

	W	Wholesale ater System eries 1997	Wa	Vholesale ater System eries 2000	Wa	Vholesale ater System eries 2005	 Vastewater System eries 2004		olid Waste eries 1998		Total
Current portion	\$	435,000	\$	725,000	\$	115,000	\$ 245,000	\$	1,570,000	\$ 3	3,090,000
Long-term portion		575,000		1,890,000	4	6,520,000	 6,700,000	3	3,815,000	89	9,500,000
		1,010,000		2,615,000	4	6,635,000	6,945,000	3	5,385,000	92	2,590,000
Deferred amounts on:											
Issuance											
(discounts) and											
premiums		(20,800)		(47,995)		2,092,510	-		(726,936)	1	1,296,779
Refunding		-		-	(	(2,759,196)	 -	(	1,457,856)	(4	4,217,052)
Total bonds payable	\$	989,200	\$	2,567,005	\$4	5,968,314	\$ 6,945,000	\$3	3,200,208	\$ 89	9,669,727

#### Enterprise Funds Bonds Payable:

#### Water System Refunding Revenue Bonds – Series 1997

Authorized and issued \$18,885,000, interest from 3.75% to 5.125%, principal payable annually on September 1, commencing September 1, 1998. Interest payable semiannually on March 1 and September 1. The principal and interest are payable solely from and secured by a junior, subordinate and inferior lien upon the net revenue derived from the operation of the County's water system. \$14,275,000 was refunded on April 28, 2005 by the Water System Revenue Refunding Bonds – Series 2005. Average remaining annual debt service is \$364,007.

These bonds were issued to provide funds which, along with other available funds of the County, were used to acquire and construct improvements to the System (the 1997 Project), to purchase, for deposit to the reserve account, a surety bond in an amount equal to the Series 1997 reserve requirements and to pay expenses incurred in issuing the Series 1997 Bonds.

989,200

\$

#### Wastewater System Revenue Refunding Bonds - Series 2004

On December 1, 2004, the City of Callaway and Bay County issued \$15,155,000 Wastewater System Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2004, with interest rates of 3% to 5% to advance refund \$15,350,000 of outstanding 1996 Series bonds with interest rates from 3.7% to 5.7%. The net proceeds plus an additional \$1,871,504 of 1996 bonds sinking fund monies were used to purchase U.S. government securities. Those securities were deposited in an irrevocable trust with an escrow agent to provide for all future debt service payments on the 1996 Series bonds. As a result, the 1996 Series bonds are considered to be defeased and the County's liability associated with those bonds has been removed from the financial statements.

#### NOTE 12 - LONG-TERM LIABILITIES - BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES (Continued)

Principal is payable annually on September 1, commencing on September 1, 2005. Interest is payable semiannually on March 1 and September 1. The bonds are collateralized by the net revenues of the joint venture (Military Point Advanced Wastewater Treatment Facility). Average annual debt service is \$1,115,145. Bay County is liable for one half of the total obligation.

\$ 6,945,000

#### Solid Waste Sales Tax Revenue Bonds - Series 1998

Authorized and issued \$47,700,000, interest from 3.0% to 4.75%, principal payable annually on September 1, commencing September 1, 1999. Interest payable semiannually on March 1 and September 1. The principal and interest are secured by a prior lien upon and pledge of the proceeds of the Local Government Half-Cent Sales Tax and by a lien on the net revenues of the solid waste fund. Average annual debt service is \$3,189,917.

These bonds were issued to provide funds which, along with other available funds of the County, were used to acquire the Resource Recovery Facility, to refund the Solid Waste Resource Recovery Revenue Refunding Bonds – Series 1992, to purchase a reserve account insurance policy, and to pay expenses incurred in issuing the Series 1998 bonds.

33,200,208

#### Water System Revenue Bonds - Series 2000

Authorized and issued \$38,120,000, interest from 4.1% to 5.45%, principal payable annually on September 1, commencing September 1, 2000. Interest payable semiannually on March 1 and September 1. The principal and interest are payable solely from and secured by a lien on the net revenues to be derived from the operation of the County's wholesale water system and impact fees, to the extent approved by the County. \$31,520,000 was refunded on April 28, 2005 by the Water System Revenue Refunding Bonds – Series 2005. Average remaining annual debt service is \$728,617.

These bonds were issued to provide funds which, along with other available funds of the County, were used to acquire and construct improvements to the County's water system, finance the cost of refunding all of the County's outstanding Water System Revenue Bonds, Series 1979 and Water System Refunding Revenue Bonds, Series 1992, to capitalize interest on a portion of the Series 2000 Bonds for twenty-four months, to purchase a surety bond for deposit to the reserve account, and to pay expenses incurred in issuing the Series 2000 Bonds.

2,567,005

#### NOTE 12 - LONG-TERM LIABILITIES - BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES (Continued)

#### Water System Revenue Refunding Bonds - Series 2005

On April 28, 2005 the County issued \$46,985,000 of Water System Revenue Refunding Bonds – Series 2005 at a premium of \$2,308,756. The proceeds of the bonds were used to partially refund the outstanding Water System Refunding Revenue Bonds – Series 1997 (refunded \$14,275,000) and Water System Revenue Bonds – Series 2000 (refunded \$31,520,000), and to pay the cost of issuing the bonds. The advance refunding resulted in a difference between the reacquisition price and the net carrying amount of the old debt of \$4,425,281. This difference is reported as a deferred amount on refunding. The County completed the refunding to reduce its debt service payments over the next twenty-five years by \$4,895,093 and obtain an economic gain of \$3,075,645.

The bonds are special obligation bonds of the County payable solely from and secured by, a) the net revenues of the wholesale water system, b) impact fees charged by the wholesale water system, c) all cash and investments held in accordance with Ordinance No. 00-04, Resolution No. 2219 and Resolution No. 2625.

The bonds are issued on a parity with the County's outstanding Water System Revenue Bonds – Series 1997 and Water System Revenue Bonds – Series 2000.

Interest varies from 3.0% to 5.0%, principal payable annually on September 1, commencing September 1, 2005, interest payable semi-annually on March 1 and September 1, commencing on September 1, 2005.

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Total bonds payable – business-type activities	89,669,727
Less: current portion	 (3,090,000)
Long-term portion of business-type activities bonds payable	\$ 86,579,727

45,968,314

The annual debt service requirements to maturity for bonds payable at September 30, 2007 are as follows:

Year ending			
September 30,	Principal	Interest	Total
2008	\$ 3,090,000	\$ 4,330,841	\$ 7,420,841
2009	3,222,500	4,200,548	7,423,048
2010	3,360,000	4,062,389	7,422,389
2011	3,505,000	3,917,915	7,422,915
2012	3,647,500	3,775,662	7,423,162
2013-2017	20,682,500	16,416,965	37,099,465
2018-2022	26,125,000	10,977,063	37,102,063
2023-2027	18,877,500	4,914,674	23,792,174
2028-2031	10,080,000	957,100	11,037,100
Total	\$ 92,590,000	\$ 53,553,157	\$ 146,143,157

	Balance September 30, 2006	September 30,		Balance September 30, 2007	Due Within One Year	
Bonds payable	\$ 95,560,000	\$ -	\$ (2,970,000)	\$ 92,590,000	\$ 3,090,000	
Adjusted for deferred amounts						
on						
Issuance discounts/premiums	1,320,778	-	(23,999)	1,296,779	-	
Refunding	(5,228,445)	-	1,011,393	(4,217,052)	-	
Total bonds payable	91,652,333	-	(1,982,606)	89,669,727	3,090,000	
Notes payable	12,359,204	-	(940,934)	11,418,270	867,632	
Accrued compensated absences	294,816	128,170	(123,611)	299,375	137,038	
Business-type activity-						
long-term liabilities	\$ 104,306,353	\$ 128,170	\$ (3,047,151)	\$ 101,387,372	\$ 4,094,670	

## NOTE 12 - LONG-TERM LIABILITIES - BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES (Continued)

Arbitrage provisions of the Internal Revenue Tax Act of 1986 require the County to rebate excess arbitrage earnings from bond proceeds to the Federal Government. As of September 30, 2007 there was no arbitrage liability.

## NOTE 13 – LONG-TERM LIABILITIES - GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES

Changes in long-term liabilities for governmental activities are summarized as follows:

	Balance September 30, 2006	Additions	Deductions	Balance September 30, 2007	Due Within One Year
Bonds payable Adjusted for deferred amounts on	\$ 66,190,000	\$ 15,420,000	\$ (17,660,000)	\$ 63,950,000	\$ 2,285,000
Issuance discounts/premiums Refunding Total bonds payable	983,117 (73,996) 67,099,121	(71,733) (554,738) 14,793,529	(43,158) 25,928 (17,677,230)	868,226 (602,806) 64,215,420	2,285,000
Capital leases payable	1,011,596	735,251	(763,937)	982,910	440,147
Accrued compensated absences	2,000,692 \$ 70,111,409	620,936 \$ 16,149,716	(509,077) \$ (18,950,244)	2,112,551 \$ 67,310,881	595,484 \$ 3,320,631

Accrued compensated absences for governmental activities are generally liquidated by the fund that pays the related payroll costs.

Governmental activity revenue bonds consist of the following at September 30, 2007:

#### Sales Tax Revenue Bonds - Series 2002

Authorized and issued \$18,140,000, interest varying from 3.00% to 5.125%, principal is payable annually on September 1 beginning in 2003, interest payable semi-annually on March 1 and September 1 beginning September 1, 2002. The bonds are special obligations of the County and are payable solely from and secured on a parity equally and ratably with the Bay County, Florida Sales Tax Revenue Bonds, Series 1998 by a

#### NOTE 13 - LONG-TERM LIABILITIES - GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES (Continued)

prior lien and pledge of a) the proceeds of the local government half-cent sales tax distributed to the County pursuant to Chapter 218, Part VI, Florida Statutes, and b) until applied in accordance with the provisions of the resolution, all cash, including investments thereof, in certain funds and accounts established under the resolution.

The Series 2002 Bonds were issued to; a) acquire, construct and equip a new State Attorney and Public Defender office, a new Juvenile Justice Courthouse and three new fire stations within the County; b) fully fund the reserve account; and c) pay costs of issuance of the Series 2002 Bonds, including a municipal bond insurance premium.

1,960,000

\$

## Transportation Improvement Revenue Refunding Bonds - Series 2003

On July 1, 2003 the County issued \$6,290,000 of Transportation Improvement Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2003 at a premium of \$65,471. The proceeds of the bonds were used to refund the outstanding Transportation Improvement Revenue Bonds, Series 1994, and to pay the cost of issuing the bonds. The current refunding resulted in a difference between the reacquisition price and the net carrying amount of the old debt of \$120,400. This difference is reported as a deferred amount on refunding. The County completed the refunding to reduce its debt service payments over the next eight years by \$400,263 and obtain an economic gain of \$348,353.

The bonds are special obligation bonds of the county payable solely from and secured by a) a prior lean and pledge of the first, second, third and fourth cents of the Local Option Gas Tax levied and received by the County pursuant to the provisions of Ordinance No.90-10 and b) the Constitutional Gas Tax distributed to the County pursuant to Chapter 206, Part I, Florida Statutes.

The bonds are issued on a parity with the County's Transportation Improvement Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 1993.

Interest varies from 2.0% to 3.125%, principal payable annually on September 1, commencing September 1, 2004, interest payable semiannually on March 1 and September 1, commencing on September 1, 2003.

3,638,118

#### Capital Improvement Revenue Bonds, Series 2003A

Authorized and issued \$7,170,000, interest at 2.7%, principal payable semi-annually on September 1 and March 1, commencing September 1, 2004, interest payable semi-annually on September 1 and March 1, commencing on March 1, 2004. The bonds and interest are payable from

#### NOTE 13 - LONG-TERM LIABILITIES - GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES (Continued)

and secured by the covenant of the County to budget and appropriate non-ad valorem funds under Resolution No. 2486.

The bonds are to be used to refinance certain outstanding obligations for equipment and infrastructure of the County and to pay issuance costs of the Series 2003A Bonds.

## Taxable Capital Improvement Revenue Bonds, Series 2003B

Authorized and issued \$710,000, interest at 4.0%, principal payable semi-annually on September 1 and March 1, commencing September 1, 2004, interest payable semi-annually on September 1 and March 1, commencing on March 1, 2004. The bonds and interest are payable from and secured by the covenant of the County to budget and appropriate non-ad valorem funds under Resolution No. 2486.

The bonds are to be used to, a) refinance certain outstanding obligations for equipment and infrastructure of the County, b) to acquire and construct a fire station, and c) pay issuance costs of the Series 2003B Bonds.

#### Sales Tax Revenue Bonds, Series 2006

Authorized and issued \$38,215,000, interest from 4.0% to 5.0%, principal payable annually on September 1, commencing September 1, 2007, interest payable semi-annually on September 1 and March 1, commencing on March 1, 2006. The bonds are special obligations of the County and are payable solely from and secured on parity equally and ratably with the Bay County, Florida Sales Tax Revenue Bonds, Series 1998 and Bay County, Florida Sales Tax Revenue Bonds, Series 2002 by a prior lien and pledge of a) the proceeds of the local government half-cent sales tax distributed to the County pursuant to Chapter 218, Part VI, Florida Statutes, and b) until applied in accordance with the provisions of Resolution No. 2123, all moneys, including investments thereof, in certain funds and accounts established under the resolution.

The Series 2006 Bonds were issued primarily to provide funds to construct an addition to the County's criminal justice facility.

#### Sales Tax Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2007

On April 10, 2007, the County issued \$15,420,000 of Sales Tax Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2007 at a premium of \$71,733. A portion of the proceeds were used to refund \$14,540,000 of the outstanding Sales Tax Revenue Bonds - Series 2002, plus an additional \$554,738 of proceeds were used to purchase U.S Government Securities. Those securities were deposited in an irrevocable trust with an escrow agent to provide for all

\$ 4,465,000

390,000

39,051,489

#### NOTE 13 - LONG-TERM LIABILITIES - GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES (Continued)

future debt service payments on the 2002 Series Refunded Bonds. As a result, \$14,540,000 of the 2002 series bonds are considered to be defeased, and the County's liability associated with those bonds has been removed from the financial statements.

The current refunding resulted in a difference between the reacquisition price and the net carrying amount of the old debt of \$554,738. The difference is reported as a deferred amount on refunding. The County completed the refunding to reduce its debt service over the next 25 years by \$967,941 and obtain an economic gain of \$489,145.

The bonds are special obligations of the County and are payable solely from and secured on parity equally and ratably with the Bay County, Florida Sales Tax Revenue Bonds, Series 1998, Bay County, Florida Sales Tax Revenue Bonds, Series 2002, and Bay County, Florida Sales Tax Revenue Bonds, Series 2006 by a prior lien and pledge and pledge of a) the proceeds of the local government half-cent sales tax distributed to the County pursuant to Chapter 218, Part VI, Florida Statutes, and b) until applied in accordance with the provisions of the resolution, all cash, including investments thereof, in certain funds and accounts established under the resolution.

Interest varies from 3.6% to 4.4%, principal payable annually on September 1, commencing September 1, 2007, interest payable semiannually on September 1 and March 1, commencing on March 1, 2008.

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ually on September 1 and March 1, commencing on March 1, 2008.	\$ 14,710,813
Total bonds payable – governmental activities	 64,215,420
Less: current portion	 (2,285,000)
Long-term portion governmental activities bonds payable	\$ 61,930,420

The annual debt service requirements to maturity for the governmental activities revenue bonds payable at September 30, 2007 are as follows:

Year ending September 30,	Principal	Interest	Total
2008	\$ 2,285,000	\$ 2,843,906	\$ 5,128,906
2009	2,360,000	2,769,804	5,129,804
2010	2,445,000	2,695,661	5,140,661
2011	2,525,000	2,617,180	5,142,180
2012	1,505,000	2,536,742	4,041,742
2013-2017	3,170,000	12,174,975	15,344,975
2018-2022	3,885,000	11,442,069	15,327,069
2023-2027	18,510,000	9,547,904	28,057,904
2028-2032	27,265,000	3,899,161	31,164,161
Total	\$ 63,950,000	\$ 50,527,402	\$ 114,477,402

#### NOTE 13 - LONG-TERM LIABILITIES - GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES (Continued)

Arbitrage provisions of the Internal Revenue Tax Act of 1986 require the County to rebate excess arbitrage earnings from bond proceeds to the Federal government. As of September 30, 2007 there was no arbitrage liability.

## NOTE 14 - COMPENSATED ABSENCES

The County's compensated absences at September 30, 2007 are as follows:

	Governmental Business-type					
	ŀ	Activities		Activities		Total
Current	\$	595,484	\$	137,038	\$	732,522
Long-term		1,517,067		162,337		1,679,404
Total	\$	2,112,551	\$	299,375	\$	2,411,926

## NOTE 15 - INTERFUND RECEIVABLES AND PAYABLES, AND INTERFUND TRANSFERS

Interfund receivables and payables result primarily from the normal operations of the internal service funds. Interfund transfers during the year ended September 30, 2007 were as follows:

		Transfer in				
	General Fund	Transportation Fund	Nonmajor Governmenta 1 Funds	Internal Service Funds	Total	
Transfer out						
General fund	\$ -	\$ 2,760,935	\$ 4,854,771	\$ 945,894	\$ 8,561,600	
Transportation fund	-	95,314	-	-	95,314	
Nonmajor governmental funds	200,000				200,000	
Total	\$ 200,000	\$ 2,856,249	\$ 4,854,771	\$ 945,894	\$ 8,856,914	

The County's routine transfers include transfers to, (a) match for special revenue grant requirements, (b) to other funds based on budgetary requirements, and (c) revenues from a fund that by statute or budgetary authority must collect them for funds that are required by statute or budgetary authority to expend them.

At September 30, 2007, interfund receivables and payables are as follows:

## <u>NOTE 15 – INTERFUND RECEIVABLES AND PAYABLES, AND INTERFUND</u> <u>TRANSFERS (Continued)</u>

Receivable Fund	Payable Fund		
General	Other nonmajor governmental funds Solid waste fund Retail water and wastewater	\$ 31,037 3,333 4,999	
	Wholesale water system	5,179,693	
			5,219,062
Transportation	Other nonmajor governmental funds	70	
-	Other transportation funds	162	
	Solid waste fund	116	
	Internal service funds	12,812	
			13,160
Wholesale water system	Industrial Wastewater	36	
	Solid Waste	1	
	Retail water and wastewater	15,262	
			15,299
Internal service funds	General fund	452,412	
	Transportation	52,605	
	Other nonmajor governmental funds	107,582	
	Wholesale water system	99,023	
	Solid waste fund	4,717	
	Industrial wastewater	1,277	
	Building services	3,425	
	Other internal service funds	201	
			721,242
	Total		\$ 5,968,763

# NOTE 16 – EQUITY

## Restricted Net Assets

The County has established certain restrictions within the net assets section of the enterprise funds. Restricted net assets at September 30, 2007, consisted of the following:

## NOTE 16 - EQUITY (Continued)

	Wholesale Water System	Retail Water & Wastewater	Solid Waste	Total Enterprise Funds
Restricted for debt service	\$ 119,027	\$ -	\$ 142,649	\$ 261,676
Restricted for impact fee requirements	759,092	1,098,778	-	1,857,870
Restricted for capital projects	879,777	-	-	879,777
Total	\$ 1,757,896	\$ 1,098,778	\$ 142,649	\$ 2,999,323

## Reserved Fund Balances

The County has established certain reserves within the fund equity section of the governmental funds. Reserved fund balances at September 30, 2007, consist of the following:

General fund:	
Reserved for debt service	\$ 943,158
Reserved for capital projects	\$ 32,220,031
Reserved for other purposes	
Reserved for drug court	\$ 209,969
Reserved for boating improvement	260,524
Reserved for law enforcement	126,104
Reserved for innovative court programs	272,496
Reserved for legal aid	44,079
Reserved for law library	44,806
Reserved for teen court	18,380
Reserved for public records	788,928
Reserved for crime prevention	85,286
Reserved for library impact	458,173
Reserved for park impact	1,477,375
Total reserved for other purposes	\$ 3,786,120
Special revenue funds:	
Reserved for debt service	\$ 552,330
Reserved for capital projects	\$ 858,827
Reserved for other purposes	
Reserved for fire impact	\$ 685,066
Reserved for beach nourishment	10,570,160
Reserved for tourism promotion	858,145
Total reserved for other purposes	\$ 12,113,371

#### NOTE 16 – EQUITY (Continued)

## **Designated Fund Balance**

The County has established certain designations within the unreserved fund balance section of the governmental funds. Designated fund balance at September 30, 2007 consists of the following:

General fund:

Designated for insurance claims and emergency contingency \$ 4,863,107

## NOTE 17 - COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

## Bond Commitment

Bay County entered into an interlocal agreement for airport support with the City of Panama City and the Panama City-Bay County Airport and Industrial District. \$5,150,000 Airport Revenue Bonds, Series 1993 were issued by the Panama City-Bay County Airport and Industrial District and are primarily payable from and secured by a lien on the net revenues of the airport facilities. The County and the City of Panama City have covenanted in the agreement to appropriate in their annual budgets amounts that are sufficient to satisfy any deficiency in the required deposits to the bond fund. The County does not anticipate that any material appropriations will be required. The referenced bonds were defeased pursuant to an Escrow Deposit Agreement dated December 12, 2007. They were redeemed on January 14, 2008.

## Landfill Costs

The County has two landfills. The Majette Landfill closed in September 1987. The Steelfield Road Phase I Landfill is currently estimated to have sufficient capacity at current waste generation disposal rates to accept waste through 2018. State and federal laws and regulations require that the County place a final cover on its landfills when closed and to perform certain maintenance and monitoring functions at the landfill sites for 30 years after closure. Management currently estimates that the cost to close the Steelfield Landfill will be approximately \$1,469,712 and the postclosure costs to maintain and monitor the Steelfield and Majette landfills will be approximately \$525,606 per year. Although closure and postclosure care costs will be paid only near or after the date that the landfill stops accepting waste, the County reports a portion of these closure and postclosure care costs as an operating expense in each period based on landfill capacity used as of each balance sheet date. Included in the liabilities of the enterprise funds is a \$10,377,703 landfill closure and postclosure care liability at September 30, 2007, which represents the cumulative amount reported to date based on 100% usage (filled) capacity of the landfill. These amounts are based on what it would cost to perform all closure and post-closure care in 2007. Actual cost may be higher due to inflation, deflation, changes in technology, or changes in applicable laws and regulations.

#### NOTE 17 – COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES (Continued)

The County is required by state and federal laws and regulations to make annual contributions to a trust to finance closure and postclosure care. The County was in compliance with these requirements and at September 30, 2007, \$2,008,482 was held for these purposes. These are reported as restricted assets on the balance sheet. The County expects that future inflation costs will be paid from interest earnings on these annual contributions. However, if interest earnings are inadequate or additional postclosure care requirements are determined to be necessary, these costs may need to be covered by charges to future landfill users or from future tax revenue.

## Legal Contingencies

*General.* The County is involved in certain litigation and claims, as a defendant or plaintiff, arising in the ordinary course of operations. Legal counsel has indicated that the facts of the cases and the law are not sufficiently developed to allow an accurate prediction of the ultimate outcome of the litigation. As such, no estimate of losses, if any, can be determined.

During the course of normal operations, the County entered into various other contractual agreements for which the County would be liable in the event of default. The actual potential amount of loss liability associated with a default for these contracts cannot be reasonably estimated at this time.

## Military Point Advanced Wastewater Treatment Facility

The County entered into debt financing agreements with the City of Callaway on behalf of the Military Point Advanced Wastewater Treatment Facility. As a result, Bay County is contingently liable for bonds payable and notes payable guaranteed by the City of Callaway. As of September 30, 2007, the County was contingently liable for the following amounts:

State Revolving Fund Loan Program – City of Callaway's		
portion of note payable	\$	8,681,617
Related interest expense		1,583,341
Wastewater System Revenue Refunding Bonds Series 2004		
(see note 12)		6,945,000
Related interest expense		3,648,878
	¢	20.050.026
Total contingent liability – joint venture	\$	20,858,836

#### NOTE 17 - COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES (Continued)

#### **Construction Commitments**

Bay County has open contract commitments for its governmental activities as follows:

Project	Contract Amount	Expended to Date	Remaining Commitment
	Timount	10 Dute	Communent
Jail Facility	\$ 39,772,732	\$ 12,907,153	\$ 26,865,579
Library	9,869,894	6,821,867	3,048,027
Total contract commitments	\$ 49,642,626	\$ 19,729,020	\$ 29,913,606

## NOTE 18 - CONDUIT DEBT OBLIGATIONS

During the course of normal operations, the County entered into various conduit debt obligations. Conduit debt obligations are certain limited-obligation revenue bonds, certificates of participation, or similar debt instruments issued by a state or local governmental entity for the express purpose of providing capital financing for a specific third party that is not a part of the issuer's financial reporting entity. Bay County, Florida has no responsibility for the payment of these debt issues except for the payments received on the underlying lease or loan agreement. The County's conduit debt obligations at September 30, 2007 are summarized as follows:

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Issue	Date of Issue		Amount Outstanding at otember 30, 2007
Bay County, Florida Variable/Fixed Rate Revenue Bonds, Series 2000 (Mothedist Homas for the Aging Project)	October 1, 2001	\$	7,120,000
(Methodist Homes for the Aging Project) Bay County, Florida 5.10% Pollution Control Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 1998A	October 1, 2001	φ	7,120,000
(International Paper) Bay County, Florida Educational Facilities Revenue Bonds	March 1, 1998	\$	7,250,000
(Bay Haven Charter Academy)	July 26, 2004	\$	11,415,000

## NOTE 19 - WORKERS' COMPENSATION - SELF INSURANCE

During fiscal year 1990, the County established a workers' compensation fund (an internal service fund) to account for and finance its uninsured risks of loss relating to workers' compensation claims. Under this program, the workers' compensation fund provides coverage for up to a maximum of \$200,000 for each workers' compensation claim through September 30, 2007. The County purchases commercial insurance for claims in

#### NOTE 19 - WORKERS' COMPENSATION - SELF INSURANCE (Continued)

excess of coverage provided by the workers' compensation fund. Settled claims have not exceeded this commercial coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

All funds, except those which include certain volunteer fire department personnel of the County, participate in the program and make payments to the workers' compensation fund based on estimates of the amounts needed to pay prior and current year claims. The claims liability of \$4,195,507 reported in the workers' compensation fund at September 30, 2007 is based on the requirements of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement Number 10, which requires that a liability for claims be reported if information prior to the issuance of the basic financial statements indicates that it is probable that a liability has been incurred at the date of the basic financial statements and the amount of the loss can be reasonably estimated. The liability includes an estimate of incurred but not reported losses based on historical experience. Changes in the workers' compensation fund's claims liability amount in fiscal years 2006 and 2007 were as follows:

	Beginning of	Claims and		Balance at
	Fiscal-Year	Changes in	Claim	Fiscal
	Liability	Estimates	Payments	Year-End
October 1, 2005 -				
September 30, 2006	<u>\$ 3,721,031</u>	<u>\$ 512,975</u>	<u>\$ (371,127)</u> <u></u>	3,862,879
October 1, 2006 -				
September 30, 2007	<u>\$ 3,862,879</u>	<u>\$ 524,358</u>	<u>\$ (191,730)</u> <u></u>	4,195,507

## NOTE 20 – INSURANCE

The County is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts, theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets, errors and omissions, injuries to employees and natural disasters. The County accounts for its uninsured risk of loss with regard to workers' compensation as explained in Note 19. Other types of insurance coverage are explained in the following paragraphs.

The County is a member of the Florida Association of Counties Trust (FACT), a public entity risk pool, which provides general liability insurance coverage. The County pays an annual premium to the Trust and remains liable for the deductible of \$25,000 per claim. The claims liability of \$250,000 reported in the self-insurers' fund is based on the requirements of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement Number 10.

Changes in the self-insurers' fund's claims liability amount in fiscal years 2006 and 2007 were as follows:

## NOTE 20 - INSURANCE (Continued)

	Beginning of Fiscal-Year Liability	Claims and Changes in Estimates	Claim Payments	Balance at Fiscal Year-End
October 1, 2005 - September 30, 2006 October 1, 2006 -	<u>\$ 250,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,136,456</u>	<u>\$ (1,136,456)</u>	<u>\$ 250,000</u>
September 30, 2007	<u>\$ 250,000</u>	<u>\$ 2,057,436</u>	<u>\$ (2,057,436)</u>	<u>\$ 250,000</u>

The County also purchases commercial insurance for other risks of loss, such as automobile liability, not covered by the Florida Association of Counties Trust. Settled claims have not exceeded this commercial coverage during the past three fiscal years.

## NOTE 21 – JOINT VENTURE

Bay County, Florida entered into an interlocal agreement with the cities of Callaway, Parker, Springfield and the Town of Cedar Grove on September 27, 1996 to supply existing and expanded wastewater treatment and disposal services. The mission of this joint venture is to provide these services in an economical, efficient and environmentally appropriate manner to their respective citizenry. This joint venture, known as the Military Point Advanced Wastewater Treatment Facility (MPAWTF or System), assumed ownership of the existing wastewater treatment plant and then completed construction of a new seven million gallon per day advanced wastewater treatment facility which was placed in service on July 20, 1999. Funding for the new facility came through a combination of conventional borrowing and State Revolving Fund loans.

The joint venture is owned and governed by Bay County, Florida; the cities of Callaway, Parker, and Springfield; and the Town of Cedar Grove. One owner is selected by the others to be responsible for operating the System. The owner designated to be the Operator is Bay County, Florida. The Operator of the System, in accordance with the interlocal agreement, prepares the system's annual budget, sets treatment rates and collects funds sufficient to pay debt service, cost of operations and maintenance, renewal and replacement, and any enhancements to reserves. The results of operations and cash flows are accounted for in total within the financial statements of the joint venture. The County's interest in equity is reported within the County's Retail Water and Wastewater Fund. As of September 30, 2007, the County's investment in the joint venture was \$470,361. Complete financial statements for the joint venture may be obtained from the Operator at P.O. Box 2269, Panama City, Florida 32402.

#### NOTE 21 – JOINT VENTURE (Continued)

Summary financial statements for the Military Point Advanced Wastewater Treatment Facility are as follows:

Statement of Net Assets September 30, 2007

Assets	<u>\$ 41,327,595</u>
Liabilities	33,348,689
Net assets	
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	3,668,898
Restricted	4,146,017
Unrestricted	163,991
Total net assets	7,978,906
Total liabilities and net assets	<u>\$ 41,327,595</u>
Statement of Activities	
Year Ended September 30, 2007	
Revenues	\$ 5,781,315
Expenses	(4,198,835)
Operating income	1,582,480
Nonoperating revenues (expenses), net	(806,008)
Net income before distributions	776,472
Distribution to owners	(1,659,987)
Net income	(883,515)
Net assets, beginning of year	8,862,421
Net assets, end of year	<u>\$ 7,978,906</u>

As of September 30, 2007 the County's portion of contributions and net assets in the joint venture is as follows:

County investment, beginning of year	\$ 681,784
Add: 2007 County share of net income	(130,450)
Less: 2006 distributions to owners	 (80,973)
County investment in joint venture at September 30, 2007	\$ 470,361

## NOTE 22 – RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

During the year ended September 30, 2007 the MPAWTF provided services to Bay County's Retail Water and Wastewater Fund. For the year ended September 30, 2007, billings for these services totaled \$2,047,154.

As described in note 21, Bay County is an owner of the Military Point Advanced Wastewater Treatment Facility. Bay County, Florida incurs operational expenses on behalf

#### NOTE 22 - RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (Continued)

of the joint venture. Reimbursement for these expenses amounted to \$2,070,891 for the year ended September 30, 2007. In addition, during the current year the County recognized \$660,664 in interest income from the joint venture, which was subsequently used to satisfy interest expense of \$660,664, related to the State Revolving Fund Loan Program as discussed in note 12.

## NOTE 23 – PRIOR PERIOD ADJUSTMENT

## Capitalization of Capital Assets

During 2007, the County determined that expenses incurred during the prior year for drainage projects in the stormwater management fund should have been recorded as construction in progress and therefore capitalized instead of expensed. As a result, an increase of \$358,779 has been made to the beginning net assets on the County's governmental statement of activities.

## <u>NOTE 24 – SUBSEQUENT EVENTS</u>

As discussed in note 5, at September 30, 2007, the County had \$63,157,094 invested in the State Board of Administration's Local Government Surplus Funds Trust Fund Investment Pool (Pool). On November 29, 2007, the State Board of Administration implemented a temporary freeze on the assets held in the Pool due to an unprecedented amount of withdrawals from the Fund coupled with the absence of market liquidity for certain securities in the Pool. The significant amount of withdrawals followed reports that the Pool held assetbacked commercial paper that was subject to subprime mortgage risk. On December 4, 2007, based on recommendations from an outside financial advisor, the State Board of Administration restructured the Pool into two separate pools. Pool A consisted of all money market appropriate assets, which was approximately \$12 billion or 86% of Pool assets. Pool B consisted of all assets that defaulted on a payment, paid more slowly than expected, and/or had any significant credit and liquidity risk, which was approximately \$2 billion or 14% of Pool assets. At the time of the restructuring, all current Pool participants had their existing balances proportionately allocated into Pool A and Pool B.

Pool A participants may withdraw 37% of their balance or \$4 million, whichever is greater without penalty. Withdrawals from Pool A in excess of the above limit are subject to a 2% redemption fee. New investments in Pool A are not subject to the redemption fee or withdrawal restrictions. Future withdrawal provisions from Pool A will be subject to further evaluation based on the maturities of existing investments and the liquidity requirements of the Pool. On December 21, 2007, Standard and Poor's Ratings Service assigned its "AAAM" principal stability fund rating to Pool A.

Pool B participants are prohibited from withdrawing any amount from the Pool. However, cash holdings are being distributed to participants as they become available from maturities and sales as well as received income. Market valuations of the assets held in Pool B are not

## NOTE 24 - SUBSEQUENT EVENTS (Continued)

readily available. In addition, full realization of the principal value of Pool B assets is not readily determinable. On December 5, 2007, the County had \$33,600,834 and \$5,645,303 invested in Pool A and Pool B, respectively. Additional information regarding the Local Government Surplus Funds Trust Fund may be obtained from the State Board of Administration.

On October 16, 2007, the County closed on a \$30,000,000 Capital Improvement Revenue Bond Issue, Series 2007. The proceeds of the bonds will be used for certain capital improvements within the County including the construction of a new administration building and a public pier.

On December 12, 2007, the County closed on a \$21,000,000 Utility System Revenue Bond Anticipation Note, Series 2007. The proceeds of the note were used to purchase the water and wastewater utility systems of Gulf Coast Electric Cooperative on March 31, 2008.

## NOTE 25 – DEFICIT FUND BALANCE

The Utility Regulatory Authority nonmajor special revenue fund had a deficit fund balance as of September 30, 2007 in the amount of \$16,958.

# COMBINING AND INDIVIDUAL FUND STATEMENTS AND SCHEDULES

## Nonmajor Governmental Funds Special Revenue Funds

Special revenue funds are used to account for specific revenues that are legally restricted to expenditures for particular purposes.

Stormwater Management – to account for the operations utilized in the management of stormwater operations. Funding is provided by the County's share of state gasoline taxes and stormwater assessment.

Public Library – to account for the operations of the public library system in Bay and surrounding counties.

Tourist Development – to account for the Local Option Tourist Development Tax and the operations of the Tourist Development Council.

Public Safety – to account for the operations of the 911 emergency telephone system in the County. Funding is provided from telephone user charges.

Intergovernmental Radio Communications – to account for fees collected for the operation of an intergovernmental radio communications network. Funding is provided by traffic surcharges and charges to users of the system.

District Mosquito Control – to account for the operations of the mosquito control department. Funding is provided by ad valorem taxes and state funds.

Municipal Services Tax Unit (MSTU) Fire Protection – to account for the operations of the fire departments within the County. Funding is provided by ad valorem taxes.

Municipal Services Benefit Unit (MSBU) Fund – to account for County and citizen participation in neighborhood infrastructure and improvement projects. Funding is provided by transfers from the general fund and special assessments.

Utility Regulatory Authority – to account for funds designated for the Bay County Utility Regulatory Authority.

Court – to account for court related activities as provided for in Article V section 14(b) of the Florida State Constitution.

10/6/3 Fund – to account for funds to be used as reimbursement for expenses in administering traffic regulations. Funding is provided by Florida Statute 318.18 and Administrative Order 86-12.

Family Mediation – to account for funds to be utilized to defray the costs of family mediation services. Funding is provided by Florida Statute 44.108 and Ordinance 99-09.

Records Modernization - Records – to account for funds to be used for modern technology for the storage, retrieval and public access of valuable court and government public records. Funding is provided by Florida Statute 28.24(15)(d).

# Nonmajor Governmental Funds Special Revenue Funds

Records Modernization - Court – to account for funds to be used for modern technology for the storage, retrieval and public access of valuable court and government public records. Funding is provided for in Article V of the Florida State Constitution.

Law Enforcement Training – to account for law enforcement training projects funded by fines collected on traffic violations.

Special Law Enforcement Trust – to account for law enforcement related projects, funded by the proceeds from confiscated property forfeitures.

Special Contribution – to account for special projects and activities, funded by private sector donations.

Crime Prevention – to account for expenditures to fund crime prevention programs in the county in accordance with Florida Statute 775.083, funded through fines paid by offenders.

Federal Seizure Account – to account for law enforcement related projects, funded by the proceeds from federal confiscated property forfeitures.

Seizure Trust – to account for law enforcement related projects, funded by the proceeds from nonfederal confiscated property forfeitures.

## Bay County, Florida Combining Balance Sheet Nonmajor Governmental Funds September 30, 2007

Special Revenue

	Stormwater Management		 Public Library	D	Tourist evelopment	 Public Safety		governmental Radio munications
ASSETS								
Cash and cash equivalents Accounts receivable (net) Special assessments receivable	\$	217,434 10,214	\$ 39,419 39,947	\$	999,984 413,640	\$ 63,767 885	\$	98,078 21,088
Investments Prepaid items		2,126,377	381,484		14,006,760	623,604		959,147
Due from other governments Restricted assets		365,993	-		822,898	236,230		-
Cash and cash equivalents Investments		-	-		-	-		6,226 60,879
Total assets	\$	2,720,018	\$ 460,850	\$	16,243,282	\$ 924,486	\$	1,145,418
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY Liabilities								
Accounts payable	\$	69,063	\$ 46,367	\$	350,914	\$ 5,200	\$	2,446
Deferred revenue Due to other funds		29,643	20,532		-	- 14,111		-
Due to other governments Total liabilities		98,706	 66,899		350,914	 19,311	_	2,446
Fund balance								
Reserved for Debt service		-	-		-	-		65,062
Other purposes Unreserved		2,621,312	 393,951		11,428,305 4,464,063	 905,175		- 1,077,910
Total fund balance Total liabilities and fund balance	\$	2,621,312 2,720,018	\$ 393,951 460,850	\$	15,892,368 16,243,282	\$ 905,175 924,486	\$	1,142,972 1,145,418

				Special	Revenue			
]	District Mosquito Control	1	MSTU Fire Protection	 MSBU Fund	Re	Jtility gulatory uthority	 Court Fund	 10/6/3 Fund
\$	136,834 8,120 1,338,162	\$	437,187 38,538 4,270,554 11,800	\$ 39,144 346 346,152 382,807	\$	102	\$ 1,485,711 20,333 - -	\$ 448,733
\$	1,483,116	\$	101,566 993,264 5,852,909	\$ 768,449	\$	1,102	\$ 1,506,044	\$ 448,733
\$	14,257 3,953 	\$	258,867 53,450 312,317	\$ 106 328,313 - - 328,419	\$	1,060 - 17,000 - 18,060	\$ 263,185 1,242,859 1,506,044	\$ 17,987 - - 17,987
\$	1,464,906 1,464,906 1,483,116	\$	405,226 685,066 4,450,300 5,540,592 5,852,909	\$ 440,030 440,030 768,449	\$	(16,958) (16,958) 1,102	\$ 1,506,044	\$ 430,746 430,746 448,733

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#### Bay County, Florida Combining Balance Sheet Nonmajor Governmental Funds September 30, 2007

					Spec	ial Revenue				
		Family Mediation		Records ernization - Court	Mod	Records ernization - Records	Enfe	Law orcement raining	Enf	pecial Law orcement Trust
ASSETS										
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	44,691	\$	818,332	\$	855,663	\$	3,918	\$	2,763
Accounts receivable (net)		-		-		-		-		-
Special assessments receivable		-		-		-		-		-
Investments		-		-		-		-		-
Prepaid items		-		-		22,000				
Due from other governments		-		-		-		-		-
Restricted assets										
Cash and cash equivalents		-		-		-		-		-
Investments	¢	-	¢	010 222	¢	-	¢	2 0 1 9	¢	2762
Total Assets	\$	44,691	\$	818,332	\$	877,663	\$	3,918	\$	2,763
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY										
Liabilities										
Accounts payable	\$	1,900	\$	-	\$	19,703	\$	-	\$	-
Deferred revenue		-		-		-		-		-
Due to other funds		-		-		-		-		-
Due to other governments		-		-		-		-		-
Total liabilities		1,900		-		19,703		-		-
Fund balance										
Reserved for										
Debt service		-		-		-		-		-
Other purposes		-		-		-		-		-
Unreserved		42,791		818,332		857,960		3,918		2,763
Total fund balance		42,791		818,332		857,960		3,918		2,763
Total liabilities and fund balance	\$	44,691	\$	818,332	\$	877,663	\$	3,918	\$	2,763

			Speci	al Revenue				
pecial ribution	Crime Prevention		5	Federal Seizure Account	Seizure Trust	Total Nonmaj Governmenta Funds		
\$ 409 - - -	\$	426,097 - - - -	\$	66,036 - - -	\$ 20,995	\$	6,205,297 553,111 346,152 24,089,895 22,000 1,436,921	
\$ 409	\$	426,097	\$	66,036	\$ 20,995	\$	107,792 1,054,143 33,815,311	
\$ - - - - -	\$	- - - - -	\$	- - - - -	\$ - - - - -	\$	1,051,055 328,313 138,689 1,242,859 2,760,916	
\$ 409 409 409	\$	426,097 426,097 426,097	\$	66,036 66,036 66,036	\$ 20,995 20,995 20,995	\$	470,288 12,113,371 18,470,736 31,054,395 33,815,311	

#### Bay County, Florida Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance Nonmajor Governmental Funds Year Ended September 30, 2007

Special Revenue

	stormwater Ianagement	 Public Library	D	Tourist evelopment	 Public Safety	governmental Radio nmunications
REVENUES						
Taxes	\$ 1,491,694	\$ -	\$	6,438,193	\$ -	\$ -
Intergovernmental	365,993	225,536		856,474	-	-
Charges for services	-	432,484		-	1,029,141	735,134
Interest	80,824	3,910		483,045	32,347	62,031
Contributions and donations	-	190,797		-	-	-
Miscellaneous	 5,632	 482		240,109	 6,613	 234,729
Total revenues	 1,944,143	 853,209		8,017,821	 1,068,101	 1,031,894
EXPENDITURES						
Current						
General government	-	-		-	-	-
Public safety	-	-		-	563,696	557,976
Physical environment	5,303,967	-		-	-	-
Culture and recreation	-	1,245,710		-	-	-
Economic environment	-	-		4,981,515	-	-
Human services	-	-		-	-	-
Debt service						
Principal	-	14,731		-	-	670,560
Interest	-	13,200		-	-	111,538
Total expenditures	 5,303,967	 1,273,641		4,981,515	 563,696	 1,340,074
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over						
(under) expenditures	 (3,359,824)	 (420,432)		3,036,306	 504,405	 (308,180)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)						
Transfers in	3,520,378	814,383		-	-	438,268
Transfers out	-	-		-	(200,000)	-
Bond issuance costs	-	-		-	-	-
Premium on debt issued	-	-		-	-	-
Issuance of refunding bonds	-	-		-	-	-
Payment to refunded bond escrow agent	-	-		-	-	-
Reversion to State of Florida	-	-		-	-	-
Total other financing sources (uses)	 3,520,378	 814,383		-	 (200,000)	 438,268
Net change in fund balance	 160,554	 393,951		3,036,306	 304,405	 130,088
Fund balance - beginning	2,101,974	-		12,856,062	600,770	1,012,884
Prior period adjustment	 358,784	 		-	 -	 -
Fund balance - beginning (restated)	 2,460,758	 		12,856,062	 600,770	 1,012,884
Fund balance - ending	\$ 2,621,312	\$ 393,951	\$	15,892,368	\$ 905,175	\$ 1,142,972

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					Special R	levenue					
Ν	District Mosquito Control		MSTU Fire Protection		MSBU Regula		Utility egulatory uthority	Court Fund	10/6/3 Fund		
\$	1,132,851	\$	6,002,876	\$	-	\$	-	\$-	\$	-	
	18,500 3,900 77,330		27,790 363,289 375,039		- 31,961 46,640		-	5,291,260		-	
	3,249		- 19,642				-	5 201 260		21,455	
	1,235,830		6,788,636		78,601		<u> </u>	5,291,260		21,455	
	-		-		-		-	4,286,214		79,704	
	-		5,639,452		- 6,077		- 98,700	-		-	
	-		-		-		-	-			
	- 696,168		-		-		-	-			
	-		376,767		-		-	-			
	- 696,168		265,837 6,282,056		6,077		- 98,700	4,286,214		79,704	
	539,662		506,580		72,524		(98,700)	1,005,046		(58,249	
	-		-		-		81,742				
	-		-		-		-	-			
	-		(106,450) (22,136)		-		-	-			
	-		4,758,612		-		-	-			
	-		(4,658,328)		-		-	- (1.005.046)			
	-		(28,302)		-		81,742	(1,005,046) (1,005,046)	. <u> </u>		
	539,662		478,278		72,524		(16,958)			(58,249	
	925,244		5,062,314		367,506		-	-		488,995	
					-		-				
	925,244		5,062,314		367,506					488,995	
\$	1,464,906	\$	5,540,592	\$	440,030	\$	(16,958)	\$ -	\$	430,746	

#### Bay County, Florida Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance Nonmajor Governmental Funds Year Ended September 30, 2007

#### Special Revenue

	Family Mediation	Records Modernization Court	- Mode	ecords ernization - ecords	Law Enforcement Training	La Enford	ecial aw cement ust
REVENUES							
Taxes	\$ -	\$	- \$	-	\$ -	\$	-
Intergovernmental	-		-	-	65,683		37,345
Charges for services	-	177,0	70	551,733	-		-
Interest	-		-	-	-		-
Contributions and donations	-		-	-	-		-
Miscellaneous	471	9,0		13,809			-
Total revenues	471	186,0	75	565,542	65,683		37,345
EXPENDITURES							
Current							
General government	4,775	92,7	79	356,943	-		-
Public safety	-		-	-	63,232		46,536
Physical environment	-		-	-	-		-
Culture and recreation	-		-	-	-		-
Economic environment Human services	-		-	-	-		-
Debt service	-		-	-	-		-
Principal Interest	-		-	-	-		-
Total expenditures	4,775	92.7	79	356.943	63,232		46,536
i otal expenditales				550,745	03,232		40,000
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over							
(under) expenditures	(4,304)	93,2	96	208,599	2,451		(9,191)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)							
Transfers in	-		-	-	-		-
Transfers out	-		-	-	-		-
Bond issuance costs	-		-	-	-		-
Premium on debt issued	-		-	-	-		-
Issuance of refunding bonds	-		-	-	-		-
Payment to refunded bond escrow agent	-		-	-	-		-
Reversion to State of Florida				-	-		-
Total other financing sources (uses)							-
Net change in fund balance	(4,304)	93,2	96	208,599	2,451		(9,191)
Fund balance - beginning	47,095	725,0	36	649,361	1,467		11,954
Prior period adjustment		<u> </u>			<u> </u>		-
Fund balance - beginning (restated)	47,095	725,0	36	649,361	1,467		11,954
Fund balance - ending	\$ 42,791	\$ 818,3	32 \$	857,960	\$ 3,918	\$	2,763

pecial ttribution	P	Crime revention	Federal Seizure Account	 Seizure Trust		tal Nonmajor overnmental Funds
\$ 5,156	\$	- 461,641	\$ - 111,603	\$ - 29,562	\$	15,065,614 2,205,283
-		-	-	-		8,615,972
-		-	-	-		1,161,166
-		-	-	-		190,797
 5,156		461,641	 208	 <u>51</u> 29,613		555,455 27,794,287
 3,130		401,041	 111,011	 		21,194,201
-		-	-	-		4,820,415
9,508		35,544	48,842	45,136		7,009,922
-		-	-	-		5,408,744
-		-	-	-		1,245,710
-		-	-	-		4,981,515
-		-	-	-		696,168
-		-	-	-		1,062,058
 -		-	 -	 -		390,575
 9,508		35,544	 48,842	 45,136		25,615,107
 (4,352)		426,097	 62,969	 (15,523)		2,179,180
-		_	_	-		4,854,771
-		-	-	-		(200,000)
-		-	-	-		(106,450)
-		-	-	-		(22,136)
-		-	-	-		4,758,612
-		-	-	-		(4,658,328)
 -		-	 -	 -		(1,005,046) 3,621,423
 -		-	 -	 -		3,021,425
 (4,352)		426,097	 62,969	 (15,523)		5,800,603
4,761		-	3,067	36,518		24,895,008
 -		-	 -	 -		358,784
 4,761		-	 3,067	 36,518		25,253,792
\$ 409	\$	426,097	\$ 66,036	\$ 20,995	\$	31,054,395

#### Bay County, Florida Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual Stormwater Management Year Ended September 30, 2007

		Budgeted	Amou	nts		Actual		ariance with nal Budget - Positive
		Original		Final		Amounts	(	Negative)
REVENUES	<b>^</b>		â		¢		<b>^</b>	
Taxes	\$	1,330,000	\$	1,330,000	\$	1,491,694	\$	161,694
Intergovernmental		750,000		750,000		365,993		(384,007)
Interest Miscellaneous		24,470		24,470		80,824		56,354
Total revenues		250,000 2,354,470		1,272,371 3,376,841		5,632		(1,266,739) (1,432,698)
Total levenues		2,334,470		3,370,841		1,944,145		(1,432,098)
EXPENDITURES								
Physical environment		6,051,470		6,897,219		5,303,967		1,593,252
Total expenditures		6,051,470		6,897,219		5,303,967		1,593,252
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures		(3,697,000)		(3,520,378)		(3,359,824)		160,554
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)								
Transfers in		3,697,000		3,520,378		3,520,378		-
Total other financing sources (uses)		3,697,000		3,520,378		3,520,378		-
Net change in fund balance		-				160,554		160,554
Fund balance - beginning		2,101,974		2,101,974		2,101,974		-
Prior period adjustment						358,784		358,784
Fund balance - beginning (restated)		2,101,974		2,101,974		2,460,758		358,784
Fund balance - ending	\$	2,101,974	\$	2,101,974	\$	2,621,312	\$	519,338

#### Bay County, Florida Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual Public Library Year Ended September 30, 2007

	Budget	ed Amounts	Actual	Variance with Final Budget - Positive
	Original	Final	Amounts	(Negative)
REVENUES				
Intergovernmental	323,235	323,235	225,536	\$ (97,699)
Charges for services	251,434	251,434	432,484	\$ (97,099) 181,050
Interest	231,434	251,454	3,910	3,910
Contributions and donations	189,001	189,001	190,797	1,796
Miscellaneous	20	20	482	462
Total revenues	763,690	763,690	853,209	89,519
EXPENDITURES				
Culture and recreation	1,550,142	1,550,142	1,245,710	304,432
Debt service	, ,			,
Principal	14,731	14,731	14,731	-
Interest	13,200	13,200	13,200	-
Total expenditures	1,578,073	1,578,073	1,273,641	304,432
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	(814,383)	(814,383)	(420,432)	393,951
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Transfers in		814,383	814,383	
Total other financing sources (uses)		814,383	814,383	
Net change in fund balance	(814,383)	) -	393,951	393,951
Fund balance - beginning				
Fund balance - ending	\$ (814,383)	<u>\$                                    </u>	\$ 393,951	\$ 393,951

# Bay County, Florida Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual Tourist Development Year Ended September 30, 2007

		Budgeted	Amou	ints		Actual	Fir	uriance with nal Budget - Positive	
	Original			Final		Amounts		(Negative)	
REVENUES									
Taxes	\$	5,501,059	\$	5,501,059	\$	6,438,193	\$	937,134	
Intergovernmental		167,609		167,609		856,474		688,865	
Interest		69,138		69,138		483,045		413,907	
Miscellaneous		39,563		39,563		240,109		200,546	
Total revenues		5,777,369		5,777,369		8,017,821		2,240,452	
EXPENDITURES Economic environment Total expenditures		4,557,979		4,936,499		4,981,515		(45,016)	
Total expenditures		4,337,777		4,750,477		4,901,915		(43,010)	
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures		1,219,390		840,870		3,036,306		2,195,436	
Fund balance - beginning		12,856,062		12,856,062		12,856,062		-	
Fund balance - ending	\$	14,075,452	\$	13,696,932	\$	15,892,368	\$	2,195,436	

## Bay County, Florida Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual Public Safety Year Ended September 30, 2007

	(	Budgeted Amounts Original Final				Actual Amounts	Fina	iance with al Budget - Positive Negative)
REVENUES								
Charges for services	\$	802,795	\$	859.082	\$	1,029,141	\$	170,059
Interest	Ψ	6,155	Ψ	6,155	Ψ	32,347	Ψ	26,192
Miscellaneous		-		-		6,613		6,613
Total revenues		808,950		865,237		1,068,101		202,864
EXPENDITURES								
Public safety		1,108,950		965,237		563.696		401,541
Total expenditures		1,108,950		965,237		563,696		401,541
France (1-fining) of more and								
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures		(300,000)		(100,000)		504,405		604,405
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)								
Transfers out		_		(200,000)		(200,000)		_
Total other financing sources (uses)		-		(200,000)		(200,000)		-
Net change in fund balance		(300,000)		(300,000)		304,405		604,405
Fund balance - beginning		600,770		600,770		600,770		
Fund balance - ending	\$	300,770	\$	300,770	\$	905,175	\$	604,405

# Bay County, Florida Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual Intergovernmental Radio Communications Year Ended September 30, 2007

	Budgeted	Amour	ts		Actual	Fina	iance with Il Budget - Positive
	 Original		Final		Amounts		legative)
REVENUES							
Charges for services	\$ 678,955	\$	662,949	\$	735,134	\$	72,185
Interest	24,225		24,225		62,031		37,806
Miscellaneous	969,673		933,029		234,729		(698,300)
Total revenues	 1,672,853		1,620,203		1,031,894		(588,309)
EXPENDITURES							
Public safety	1,434,999		1,276,330		557,976		718,354
Debt service							
Principal	589,463		670,563		670,560		3
Interest	 99,378		111,578		111,538		40
Total expenditures	 2,123,840		2,058,471		1,340,074		718,397
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over							
(under) expenditures	 (450,987)		(438,268)		(308,180)		130,088
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)							
Transfers in	450,987		438,268		438,268		-
Total other financing sources (uses)	 450,987		438,268		438,268		-
Net change in fund balance	-		-		130,088		130,088
Fund balance - beginning	 1,012,884		1,012,884		1,012,884		-
Fund balance - ending	\$ 1,012,884	\$	1,012,884	\$	1,142,972	\$	130,088

## Bay County, Florida Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual District Mosquito Control Year Ended September 30, 2007

		Budgeted	Amoun	ts		Actual	Fin	iance with al Budget - Positive
	Original		Final		Amounts		(Negative)	
REVENUES								
Taxes	\$	1,154,509	\$	1,119,938	\$	1,132,851	\$	12,913
Intergovernmental		18,513		18,513		18,500		(13)
Charges for services		3,380		3,380		3,900		520
Interest		-		-		77,330		77,330
Miscellaneous		407,579		407,579		3,249		(404,330)
Total revenues		1,583,981		1,549,410		1,235,830		(313,580)
EXPENDITURES								
Human services		1,583,981		1,549,410		696,168		853,242
Total expenditures		1,583,981		1,549,410		696,168		853,242
Excess of revenues over expenditures		-		-		539,662		539,662
Fund balance - beginning		925,244		925,244		925,244	. <u> </u>	-
Fund balance - ending	\$	925,244	\$	925,244	\$	1,464,906	\$	539,662

### Bay County, Florida Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual MSTU Fire Protection Year Ended September 30, 2007

		Budgeted	Amour	ıts		Actual	Fir	riance with nal Budget - Positive
		Original		Final	Amounts		(Negative)	
REVENUES	¢	6 227 200	¢	5 072 527	¢	6 002 076	¢	20.240
Taxes	\$	6,327,298	\$	5,972,527	\$	6,002,876	\$	30,349
Intergovernmental		303,833		303,833		27,790		(276,043)
Charges for services		426,264		433,287		363,289		(69,998)
Interest		44,046		44,046		375,039		330,993
Miscellaneous		-		-		19,642		19,642
Total revenues		7,101,441		6,753,693		6,788,636		34,943
EXPENDITURES								
Public safety		7,157,336		7,773,431		5,639,452		2,133,979
Debt service								
Principal		341,183		344,893		376,767		(31,874)
Interest		291,092		300,861		265,837		35,024
Total expenditures		7,789,611		8,419,185		6,282,056		2,137,129
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures		(688,170)		(1,665,492)		506,580		2,172,072
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)								
Bond issuance costs		-		(12,860)		(106,450)		(93,590)
Discount on bonds issued		-		-		(22,136)		(22,136)
Issuance of refunding bonds		-		-		4,758,612		4,758,612
Payment to refunded bond escrow agent		-		-		(4,658,328)		(4,658,328)
Total other financing sources (uses)		-		(12,860)		(28,302)		(15,442)
Net change in fund balance		(688,170)		(1,678,352)		478,278		2,156,630
Fund balance - beginning		5,062,314		5,062,314		5,062,314		
Fund balance - ending	\$	4,374,144	\$	3,383,962	\$	5,540,592	\$	2,156,630

### Bay County, Florida Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual MSBU Fund Year Ended September 30, 2007

		Budgeted	Amounts			Actual	Fina F	iance with al Budget - Positive
	(	Original Final		Amounts		(Negative)		
REVENUES								
Charges for services	\$	84,354	\$	84,354	\$	31,961	\$	(52,393)
Interest Miscellaneous		8,000		8,000		46,640		38,640
Total revenues		92,354		92,354		78,601		(13,753)
EXPENDITURES								
Physical environment		6,300		6,300		6,077		223
Total expenditures		6,300		6,300		6,077		223
Excess of revenues over expenditures		86,054		86,054		72,524		(13,530)
Net change in fund balance		86,054		86,054		72,524		(13,530)
Fund balance - beginning		256,267		256,267		367,506		111,239
Fund balance - ending	\$	342,321	\$	342,321	\$	440,030	\$	97,709

### Bay County, Florida Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual Utility Regulatory Authority Fund Year Ended September 30, 2007

		Budgeted			Actual	Fina P	ance with l Budget - ositive
	0	Driginal	 Final	Amounts		(Negative)	
REVENUES							
Charges for services	\$	8,400	\$ 8,400	\$	-	\$	(8,400)
Interest		500	 500		-		(500)
Total revenues	. <u> </u>	8,900	 8,900		-	·	(8,900)
EXPENDITURES							
Physical environment		40,000	 90,642		98,700		(8,058)
Total expenditures		40,000	90,642		98,700		(8,058)
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures		(31,100)	 (81,742)		(98,700)		(16,958)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)							
Transfers in		31,100	81,742		81,742		-
Total other financing sources (uses)		31,100	 81,742		81,742		-
Net change in fund balance		-	-		(16,958)		(16,958)
Fund balance - beginning			 				
Fund balance - ending	\$	-	\$ -	\$	(16,958)	\$	(16,958)

## Bay County, Florida Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual Court Fund Year Ended September 30, 2007

	 Budgetec	l Amou			Actual	Fin	riance with al Budget - Positive	
	 Original	Final		Amounts		(Negative)		
<b>REVENUES</b> Charges for services	\$ 4,655,133	\$	4,655,133	\$	5,291,260	\$	636,127	
Total revenues	 4,655,133		4,655,133		5,291,260		636,127	
EXPENDITURES General government Total expenditures	 -		4,655,133 4,655,133		4,286,214 4,286,214		368,919 368,919	
Excess of revenues over expenditures	 4,655,133				1,005,046		1,005,046	
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</b> Reversion to State of Florida Total other financing sources (uses)	 		-		(1,005,046) (1,005,046)		(1,005,046) (1,005,046)	
Net change in fund balance	4,655,133		-		-		-	
Fund balance - beginning	 -		-					
Fund balance - ending	\$ 4,655,133	\$		\$		\$		

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# Internal Service Funds

Internal service funds are used to account for the financing of goods or services provided by one department or agency to other departments or agencies of the government and to other government units, on a cost reimbursement basis.

Other Internal Services Fund – to account for the costs of providing a maintenance facility and other goods and services used by other departments.

Workers' Compensation Fund – to account for the costs of providing a workers compensation program for the payment of workers compensation claims.

Insurance Fund – to account for the costs of providing a self-insured program for the payment of general liability claims.

## Bay County, Florida Combining Statement of Net Assets Internal Service Funds September 30, 2007

	Other Internal Services	Workers' Compensation	Insurance	Total
ASSETS				
Current assets				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 115,994	\$ 444,654	\$ 25,421	\$ 586,069
Accounts receivable (net)	167,764	60	253	168,077
Prepaid expenses	-	50,000	70,871	120,871
Investments	1,126,533	4,348,465	248,600	5,723,598
Due from other funds	301,839		463,422	765,261
Total current assets	1,712,130	4,843,179	808,567	7,363,876
Total assets	1,712,130	4,843,179	808,567	7,363,876
LIABILITIES				
Current liabilities				
Accounts payable and				
accrued liabilities	136,639	4,205,180	257,830	4,599,649
Due to other funds	12,812	75	75	12,962
Total current liabilities	149,451	4,205,255	257,905	4,612,611
Total liabilities	149,451	4,205,255	257,905	4,612,611
NET ASSETS				
Unrestricted	1,562,679	637,924	550,662	2,751,265
Total net assets	\$ 1,562,679	\$ 637,924	\$ 550,662	\$ 2,751,265

#### Bay County, Florida Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Fund Net Assets Internal Service Funds Year Ended September 30, 2007

	Other Internal Services	Workers' Compensation	Insurance	Total
OPERATING REVENUES				
Charges for services	\$ 4,461,810	\$ 542,392	\$ 1,911,481	\$ 6,915,683
Miscellaneous	8,600	25	1,889	10,514
Total operating revenues	4,470,410	542,417	1,913,370	6,926,197
OPERATING EXPENSES				
Personal services	1,479,341	92,986	55,205	1,627,532
Contracted services	260,076	24,654	1,986	286,716
Repairs and maintenance	84,363	1,359	2,769	88,491
Utilities	25,434	1,335	1,335	28,104
Materials	2,429,957	-	-	2,429,957
Insurance claims	-	131,840	2,057,436	2,189,276
Other operating expenses	186,407	277,399	48,972	512,778
Total operating expenses	4,465,578	529,573	2,167,703	7,162,854
Operating income (loss)	4,832	12,844	(254,333)	(236,657)
NONOPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)				
Interest income	44,285	238,385	-	282,670
Gain (loss) on investment	2,655	5,332	(2,350)	5,637
Total nonoperating revenues (expenses)	46,940	243,717	(2,350)	288,307
Income (loss) before transfers	51,772	256,561	(256,683)	51,650
TRANSFERS				
Transfers in	333,984	-	611,910	945,894
Net transfers	333,984	-	611,910	945,894
Change in net assets	385,756	256,561	355,227	997,544
Total net assets - beginning	1,176,923	381,363	195,435	1,753,721
Total net assets - ending	\$ 1,562,679	\$ 637,924	\$ 550,662	\$ 2,751,265

#### Bay County, Florida Combining Statement of Cash Flows Internal Service Funds Year Ended September 30, 2007

	 her Internal Services	Workers' Compensation		Insurance		 Total
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES Cash received from customers and others	\$ 4,544,448	\$	569,993	\$	1,574,233	\$ 6,688,674
Cash paid to suppliers for goods and services Cash paid to employees for services	 (2,996,578) (1,479,341)		(113,472) (92,986)		(2,131,100) (55,205)	 (5,241,150) (1,627,532)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	 68,529		363,535		(612,072)	 (180,008)
CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES						
Transfers in	 333,984		-		611,910	 945,894
Net cash provided by (used in) noncapital financing activities	 333,984		-		611,910	 945,894
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES						
Proceeds from sale and maturities of investment securities	171,392		210,570		(5,344)	376,618
Purchase of investments	(562,983)		(684,769)		9,989	(1,237,763)
Interest and dividends on investments	 44,285		238,385		-	 282,670
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	 (347,306)		(235,814)		4,645	 (578,475)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	55,207		127,721		4,483	187,411
Cash and cash equivalents - beginning	 60,787		316,933		20,938	 398,658
Cash and cash equivalents - ending	\$ 115,994	\$	444,654	\$	25,421	\$ 586,069

#### Bay County, Florida Combining Statement of Cash Flows Internal Service Funds Year Ended September 30, 2007

	Other Internal Services	Workers' Compensation	Insurance	Total
RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING INCOME (LOSS) TO NET CASH PROVIDED BY (USED IN) OPERATING ACTIVITIES Operating income (loss)	\$ 4,832	\$ 12,844	\$ (254,333)	\$ (236,657)
Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities				
(Increase) decrease in assets Accounts receivable Prepaid expenses	189,989	27,576	22,782 34,163	240,347 34,163
Due from other funds Increase (decrease) in liabilities Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(115,951) 3,386	- 323,281	(361,919)	(477,870) 274,068
Due to other funds	(13,727)	(166)	(166)	(14,059)
Total adjustments Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	63,697 \$ 68,529	350,691 \$ 363,535	(357,739) \$ (612,072)	56,649 \$ (180,008)

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# Fiduciary Funds Agency Funds

Fines, Forfeitures & Other Fees – To account for funds collected and disbursed pursuant to statutes, administrative orders and ordinances.

Jury and Witness – This fund accounts for the receipt and disbursement of funds to jurors and witnesses on behalf of county and state agencies.

Tax Deed Assets – To account for the collections and disbursements related to property foreclosures.

Support – To account for the collection of child support payments, which are disbursed to the State Depository Unit (SDU).

Court Registry – This fund accounts for the collection and disbursement of deposits required by circuit and county court legal actions.

Cash Bond – Accounts for funds received from defendants of criminal and civil arrests required to assure that the defendant would meet the requirement to appear in court. Disposition of these bond funds is made as ordered by the court.

Restitution – To account for the collections and disbursements related to court ordered restitution.

Property Tax - To account for the assets held by the Tax Collector as an agent for individuals, private organizations and other governments.

Tax Certificate – To account for collection and disbursement of funds from the sale of tax certificates.

Tag – This fund accounts for the receipt and distribution of collections such as vehicle tags, titles, sales tax and registration fees on behalf of various state agencies.

Other Suspense – Accounts for the receipt and disbursement of funds received from various sources such as purges from child support, transportation restitution, miscellaneous contracts, proceeds from court ordered sale of abandoned property, etc. Disbursement of these funds is made in accordance with the purpose of the receipt.

Individual Depositors – Accounts for fees charged for the service of process in civil cases.

	es, Forfeitures Other Fees	Jury andTax DeedWitnessAssets			S	Support		
ASSETS								
Cash and cash equivalents Accounts receivable (net)	\$ 1,818,244	\$ 37,456	\$	100,703	\$	4,260		
Total assets	\$ 1,818,244	\$ 37,456	\$	100,703	\$	4,260		
LIABILITIES								
Bank overdraft Accounts payable and	\$ -	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-		
accrued liabilities	-	-		100,703		4,260		
Due to other governments	 1,818,244	 37,456						
Total liabilities	\$ 1,818,244	\$ 37,456	\$	100,703	\$	4,260		

	 Court Registry	C	ash Bond	Re	stitution
ASSETS					
Cash and cash equivalents Accounts receivable (net)	\$ 1,365,740	\$	903,984	\$	7,189
Total assets	\$ 1,365,740	\$	903,984	\$	7,189
LIABILITIES					
Bank overdraft Accounts payable and	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-
accrued liabilities	1,365,740		-		7,189
Due to other governments	 -		903,984		-
Total liabilities	\$ 1,365,740	\$	903,984	\$	7,189

	P1	operty Tax	Tax rtificate	Tag		
ASSETS						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	1,924,189	\$ 2,714	\$	-	
Accounts receivable (net)		-	 -		13,430	
Total assets	\$	1,924,189	\$ 2,714	\$	13,430	
LIABILITIES						
Bank overdraft	\$	-	\$ -		13,430	
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities		-	2,714		-	
Due to other governments		1,924,189	-		-	
Total liabilities	\$	1,924,189	\$ 2,714	\$	13,430	

	Other Suspense		lividual positors	 Total
ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents Accounts receivable (net)	\$ -	\$	1,274	\$ 6,165,753 13,430
Total assets	\$ -	\$	1,274	\$ 6,179,183
LIABILITIES				
Bank overdraft Accounts payable and	\$ -	\$	-	\$ 13,430
accrued liabilities	-		1,274	1,481,880
Due to other governments	 -	_	-	 4,683,873
Total liabilities	\$ -	\$	1,274	\$ 6,179,183

	Balance September 30, 2006 Additions		Deductions	Balance September 30, 2007
FINES, FORFEITURES, & OTHER FR	EES			
ASSETS*				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,630,891	\$ 38,915,890	\$ 38,728,536	\$ 1,818,245
Total assets	\$ 1,630,891	\$ 38,915,890	\$ 38,728,536	\$ 1,818,245
LIABILITIES				
Due to other governments	1,630,891	\$ 38,915,890	\$ 38,728,536	\$ 1,818,245
Total liabilities	\$ 1,630,891	\$ 38,915,890	\$ 38,728,536	\$ 1,818,245
JURY AND WITNESS ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 20,623	\$ 117,252	\$ 100,419	\$ 37,456
Total assets	\$ 20,623	\$ 117,252	\$ 100,419	\$ 37,456
LIABILITIES				
Due to other governments	\$ 20,623	\$ 117,252	\$ 100,419	\$ 37,456
Total liabilities	\$ 20,623	\$ 117,252	\$ 100,419	\$ 37,456
TAX DEED ASSETS ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 90,846	\$ 186,553	\$ 176,696	\$ 100,703
Total assets	\$ 90,846	\$ 186,553	\$ 176,696	\$ 100,703
LIABILITIES Accounts payable and				
accrued liabilities	\$ 90,846	\$ 186,553	\$ 176,696	\$ 100,703
Total liabilities	\$ 90,846	\$ 186,553	\$ 176,696	\$ 100,703

\*Fines, Forfeitures, Doc Stamps, and Intangible Tax Funds reported separately in prior years have been combined in the current year.

	Balance September 30, 2006	Additions	Deductions	Balance September 30, 2007
SUPPORT ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 4,410	\$ 883,475	\$ 883,625	\$ 4,260
Total assets	\$ 4,410	\$ 883,475	\$ 883,625	\$ 4,260 \$ 4,260
LIABILITIES				
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 4,410	\$ 883,475	\$ 883,625	\$ 4,260
Total liabilities	\$ 4,410	\$ 883,475	\$ 883,625	\$ 4,260
COURT REGISTRY ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,596,271	\$ 19,612,397	\$ 19,842,928	\$ 1,365,740
Total assets	\$ 1,596,271	\$ 19,612,397	\$ 19,842,928	\$ 1,365,740 \$ 1,365,740
<b>LIABILITIES</b> Accounts payable and accrued liabilities Total liabilities	\$ 1,596,271 \$ 1,596,271	\$ 19,612,397 \$ 19,612,397	\$ 19,842,928 \$ 19,842,928	\$ 1,365,740 \$ 1,365,740
CASH BOND ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents Total assets	\$ 726,755 \$ 726,755	\$ 1,630,979 \$ 1,630,979	\$ 1,453,750 \$ 1,453,750	\$ 903,984 \$ 903,984
LIABILITIES				
Due to other governments Total liabilities	\$ 726,755 \$ 726,755	\$ 1,630,979 \$ 1,630,979	\$ 1,453,750 \$ 1,453,750	\$ 903,984 \$ 903,984

	Balance September 30, 2006	Additions	Deductions	Balance September 30, 2007
RESTITUTION ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 3,592	\$ 252,229	\$ 248,632	\$ 7,189
Total assets	\$ 3,592	\$ 252,229	\$ 248,632	\$ 7,189
LIABILITIES				
Accounts payable and				
accrued liabilities	\$ 3,592	\$ 252,229	\$ 248,632	\$ 7,189
Total liabilities	\$ 3,592	\$ 252,229	\$ 248,632	\$ 7,189
PROPERTY TAX ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,646,899	\$ 414,310,929	\$ 414,033,639	\$ 1,924,189
Total assets	\$ 1,646,899	\$ 414,310,929	\$ 414,033,639	\$ 1,924,189
LIABILITIES				
Due to other governments	\$ 1,646,899	\$ 414,310,929	\$ 414,033,639	\$ 1,924,189
Total liabilities	\$ 1,646,899	\$ 414,310,929	\$ 414,033,639	\$ 1,924,189
TAX CERTIFICATE ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 128	\$ 7,582,514	\$ 7,579,928	\$ 2,714
Total assets	\$ 128	\$ 7,582,514	\$ 7,579,928	\$ 2,714
LIABILITIES				
Due to others	\$ 128 \$ 128	\$ 7,582,514 \$ 7,582,514	\$ 7,579,928 \$ 7,579,928	<u>\$ 2,714</u> \$ 2,714
Total liabilities	<u>\$ 128</u>	\$ 7,582,514	\$ 7,579,928	\$ 2,714
TAG ASSETS				
Accounts receivable	\$ 14,530	\$ 10,015	\$ 11,115	\$ 13,430
Total assets	\$ 14,530	\$ 10,015	\$ 11,115	\$ 13,430
LIABILITIES				
Bank overdraft	\$ 14,530	\$ (17,850,071)	\$ (17,848,971)	\$ 13,430
Due to other governments Total liabilities	\$ 14,530	17,860,086 \$ 10,015	17,860,086 \$ 11,115	\$ 13,430
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Balance September 30, 2006	Additions	Deductions	Balance September 30, 2007
<u>\$ 1,999</u>	<u>\$ 124,000</u>	<u>\$ 125,999</u>	<u>\$</u>
\$ 1,999	<u>\$ 124,000</u>	<u>\$ 125,999</u>	
\$ 1,999	\$ 124,000	\$ 125,999	<u>\$</u>
\$ 1,999	\$ 124,000	\$ 125,999	
\$ 19,545	\$ 245,032	\$ 263,303	\$ 1,274
\$ 19,545	\$ 245,032	\$ 263,303	\$ 1,274
\$ 19,545	\$ 245,032	\$ 263,303	\$ 1,274
\$ 19,545	\$ 245,032	\$ 263,303	\$ 1,274
\$ 5,741,959	\$ 483,861,249	\$ 483,437,454	\$ 6,165,754
14,530	10,015	<u>11,115</u>	<u>13,430</u>
\$ 5,756,489	\$ 483,871,264	\$ 483,448,569	\$ 6,179,184
\$ 14,530 1,714,664 4,027,167 128	\$ (17,850,071) 21,179,685 472,959,136 7,582,514	\$ (17,848,971) 21,415,183 472,302,429 7,579,928	\$ 13,430 1,479,166 4,683,874 2,714 \$ 6,179,184
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# SECTION

# BAY COUNTY, FLORIDA STATISTICAL SECTION

This part of Bay County's comprehensive annual financial report presents detailed information as a context for understanding what the information in the financial statements, note disclosures, and required supplementary information says about the County's overall financial health.

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# Bay County, Florida Net Assets by Component Last Five Fiscal Years (modified accrual basis of accounting) (Unaudited)

	Fiscal Year							
		<u>2003</u>		<u>2004</u>		<u>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>
Governmental activites								
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	\$	90,510,753	\$	88,282,722	\$	97,194,417	\$ 109,592,599	\$ 130,031,134
Restricted		11,518,294		10,792,988		11,577,502	18,043,292	19,924,887
Unrestricted		44,432,855		43,677,556		46,676,877	56,527,122	62,053,258
Total governmental activities net assets	\$	146,461,902	\$	142,753,266	\$	155,448,796	\$ 184,163,013	\$ 212,009,279
Business-type activities								
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	\$	29,979,786	\$	32,065,577	\$	40,706,567	\$ 37,518,571	\$ 46,446,331
Restricted		2,462,812		3,619,366		6,121,869	7,862,907	2,999,323
Unrestricted		52,944,531		47,753,741	_	38,273,923	 39,375,268	 29,535,560
Total business-type activities net assets	\$	85,387,129	\$	83,438,684	\$	85,102,359	\$ 84,756,746	\$ 78,981,214
Primary Government								
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	\$	120,490,539	\$	120,348,299	\$	137,900,984	\$ 147,111,170	\$ 176,477,465
Restricted		13,981,106		14,412,354		17,699,371	25,906,199	\$ 22,924,210
Unrestricted		97,377,386		91,431,297		84,950,800	 95,902,390	\$ 91,588,818
Total primary government net assets	\$	231,849,031	\$	226,191,950	\$	240,551,155	\$ 268,919,759	\$ 290,990,493

#### Bay County, Florida Changes in Net Assets Last Five Fiscal Years (modified accrual basis of accounting) (Unaudited)

	Fiscal Year									
		2003		<u>2004</u>		<u>2005</u>		<u>2006</u>		2007
Expenses										
Governmental activities:										
General government	\$	21,005,446	\$	22,435,565	\$	22,524,334	\$	21,899,647	\$	22,123,284
Public safety		35,938,773		39,270,923		41,633,533		45,667,025		47,595,636
Physical environment		544,977		4,700,201		5,095,942		4,846,055		4,411,573
Transportation		17,638,208		14,833,934		14,988,586		13,023,819		14,053,021
Economic environment		8,244,138		15,321,819		9,736,560		14,186,061		16,957,645
Human services		3,575,234		4,052,299		3,866,283		4,591,809		5,594,624
Culture/recreation		3,214,651		3,323,501		3,589,770		3,943,961		4,473,399
Interest on long-term debt		1,881,976		1,734,120		1,343,382		1,691,167		2,974,935
Total governmental activities expenses		92,043,403		105,672,362		102,778,390		109,849,544		118,184,117
Business-type activities:										
Wholesale water system		9,645,198		10,072,475		10,600,450		10,871,172		12,060,032
Retail water and wastewater		3,863,782		4,232,074		4,034,030		4,135,864		5,808,833
Industrial wastewater		3,836,251		4,335,269		4,043,172		3,902,819		2,218,595
Solid waste fund		14,720,170		14,690,237		16,688,055		17,574,763		17,209,523
Building services		1,243,934		1,413,981		1,800,906		2,011,650		2,126,578
Total business-type activities expenses		33,309,335		34,744,036		37,166,613		38,496,268		39,423,561
Total primary government expenses	\$	125,352,738	\$	140,416,398	\$	139,945,003	\$	148,345,812	\$	157,607,678
Governmental activities: Charges for services:										
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General governement	\$	12,652,133	\$	13,390,686	\$	16,923,030	\$	16,455,481	\$	16,819,772
General governement Public safety	\$	1,421,733	\$	13,390,686 1,464,439	\$	1,585,880	\$	2,041,634	\$	1,953,947
General governement Public safety Physical environment	\$	1,421,733 73,015	\$	1,464,439	\$	1,585,880 134,478	\$	2,041,634 1,602,888	\$	1,953,947 1,523,655
General governement Public safety Physical environment Transportation	\$	1,421,733 73,015 171,945	\$	· · ·	\$	1,585,880 134,478 779,026	\$	2,041,634 1,602,888 764,439	\$	1,953,947 1,523,655 1,541,359
General governement Public safety Physical environment Transportation Human services	\$	1,421,733 73,015	\$	1,464,439	\$	1,585,880 134,478 779,026 3,250	\$	2,041,634 1,602,888 764,439 3,640	\$	1,953,947 1,523,655 1,541,359 3,900
General governement Public safety Physical environment Transportation Human services Culture and recreation	\$	1,421,733 73,015 171,945 520	\$	1,464,439 - 479,848 -	\$	1,585,880 134,478 779,026 3,250 641,744	\$	2,041,634 1,602,888 764,439 3,640 824,209	\$	1,953,947 1,523,655 1,541,359 3,900 645,918
General governement Public safety Physical environment Transportation Human services Culture and recreation Operating grants and contributions	\$	1,421,733 73,015 171,945 520 2,932,602	\$	1,464,439 - 479,848 - - 4,722,923	\$	1,585,880 134,478 779,026 3,250 641,744 3,720,822	\$	2,041,634 1,602,888 764,439 3,640 824,209 3,590,815	\$	1,953,947 1,523,655 1,541,359 3,900 645,918 3,076,826
General governement Public safety Physical environment Transportation Human services Culture and recreation Operating grants and contributions Capital grants and contributions	\$	1,421,733 73,015 171,945 520 2,932,602 3,308,285	\$	1,464,439 479,848 479,848 4,722,923 6,176,365	\$	1,585,880 134,478 779,026 3,250 641,744 3,720,822 8,764,930	\$	2,041,634 1,602,888 764,439 3,640 824,209 3,590,815 5,602,631	\$	1,953,947 1,523,655 1,541,359 3,900 645,918 3,076,826 5,880,132
General governement Public safety Physical environment Transportation Human services Culture and recreation Operating grants and contributions Capital grants and contributions Total governmental activities program revenue	\$	1,421,733 73,015 171,945 520 2,932,602	\$	1,464,439 - 479,848 - - 4,722,923	\$	1,585,880 134,478 779,026 3,250 641,744 3,720,822	\$	2,041,634 1,602,888 764,439 3,640 824,209 3,590,815	\$	1,953,947 1,523,655 1,541,359 3,900 645,918 3,076,826
General governement Public safety Physical environment Transportation Human services Culture and recreation Operating grants and contributions Capital grants and contributions Total governmental activities program revenue <b>Business-type activities:</b>	\$	1,421,733 73,015 171,945 520 2,932,602 3,308,285	\$	1,464,439 479,848 479,848 4,722,923 6,176,365	\$	1,585,880 134,478 779,026 3,250 641,744 3,720,822 8,764,930	\$	2,041,634 1,602,888 764,439 3,640 824,209 3,590,815 5,602,631	\$	1,953,947 1,523,655 1,541,359 3,900 645,918 3,076,826 5,880,132
General governement Public safety Physical environment Transportation Human services Culture and recreation Operating grants and contributions Capital grants and contributions Total governmental activities program revenue <b>Business-type activities:</b> Charges for services:	\$	1,421,733 73,015 171,945 520 2,932,602 3,308,285 20,560,233	\$	1,464,439 479,848 4,722,923 6,176,365 26,234,261	\$	1,585,880 134,478 779,026 3,250 641,744 3,720,822 8,764,930 32,553,160	\$	2,041,634 1,602,888 764,439 3,640 824,209 3,590,815 5,602,631 30,885,737	\$	1,953,947 1,523,655 1,541,359 3,900 645,918 3,076,826 5,880,132 31,445,509
General governement Public safety Physical environment Transportation Human services Culture and recreation Operating grants and contributions Capital grants and contributions Total governmental activities program revenue <b>Business-type activities:</b> Charges for services: Water system revenue	\$	1,421,733 73,015 171,945 520 2,932,602 3,308,285 20,560,233 7,428,648	\$	1,464,439 479,848 4,722,923 6,176,365 26,234,261 8,691,509	\$	1,585,880 134,478 779,026 3,250 641,744 3,720,822 8,764,930 32,553,160 11,298,515	\$	2,041,634 1,602,888 764,439 3,640 824,209 3,590,815 5,602,631 30,885,737	\$	1,953,947 1,523,655 1,541,359 3,900 645,918 3,076,826 5,880,132 31,445,509
General governement Public safety Physical environment Transportation Human services Culture and recreation Operating grants and contributions Capital grants and contributions Total governmental activities program revenue <b>Business-type activities:</b> Charges for services: Water system revenue Retail water and wastewaer	\$	1,421,733 73,015 171,945 520 2,932,602 3,308,285 20,560,233 7,428,648 3,413,244	\$	1,464,439 479,848 4,722,923 6,176,365 26,234,261 8,691,509 3,630,909	\$	1,585,880 134,478 779,026 3,250 641,744 3,720,822 8,764,930 32,553,160 11,298,515 3,808,241	\$	2,041,634 1,602,888 764,439 3,640 824,209 3,590,815 5,602,631 30,885,737 11,461,915 3,863,260	\$	1,953,947 1,523,655 1,541,359 3,900 645,918 3,076,826 5,880,132 31,445,509 10,361,087 4,189,192
General governement Public safety Physical environment Transportation Human services Culture and recreation Operating grants and contributions Capital grants and contributions Total governmental activities program revenue <b>Business-type activities:</b> Charges for services: Water system revenue Retail water and wastewaer Industrial wastewater	\$ 	1,421,733 73,015 171,945 520 2,932,602 3,308,285 20,560,233 7,428,648 3,413,244 3,826,186	\$	1,464,439 479,848 4,722,923 6,176,365 26,234,261 8,691,509 3,630,909 4,259,480	\$	1,585,880 134,478 779,026 3,250 641,744 3,720,822 8,764,930 32,553,160 11,298,515 3,808,241 3,939,556	\$	2,041,634 1,602,888 764,439 3,640 824,209 3,590,815 5,602,631 30,885,737 11,461,915 3,863,260 3,826,936	\$	1,953,947 1,523,655 1,541,359 3,900 645,918 3,076,826 5,880,132 31,445,509 10,361,087 4,189,192 2,280,293
General governement Public safety Physical environment Transportation Human services Culture and recreation Operating grants and contributions Capital grants and contributions Total governmental activities program revenue <b>Business-type activities:</b> Charges for services: Water system revenue Retail water and wastewaer Industrial wastewater Solid waste fund	\$	1,421,733 73,015 171,945 520 2,932,602 3,308,285 20,560,233 7,428,648 3,413,244 3,826,186 9,029,767	\$	1,464,439 479,848 4,722,923 6,176,365 26,234,261 8,691,509 3,630,909 4,259,480 10,306,832	\$	1,585,880 134,478 779,026 3,250 641,744 3,720,822 8,764,930 32,553,160 11,298,515 3,808,241 3,939,556 11,481,814	\$	2,041,634 1,602,888 764,439 3,640 824,209 3,590,815 5,602,631 30,885,737 11,461,915 3,863,260 3,826,936 12,217,568	\$	1,953,947 1,523,655 1,541,359 3,900 645,918 3,076,826 5,880,132 31,445,509 10,361,087 4,189,192 2,280,293 9,475,368
General governement Public safety Physical environment Transportation Human services Culture and recreation Operating grants and contributions Capital grants and contributions Total governmental activities program revenue <b>Business-type activities:</b> Charges for services: Water system revenue Retail water and wastewaer Industrial wastewater Solid waste fund Building services	\$	1,421,733 73,015 171,945 520 2,932,602 3,308,285 20,560,233 7,428,648 3,413,244 3,826,186 9,029,767 1,566,572	\$	1,464,439 479,848 4,722,923 6,176,365 26,234,261 8,691,509 3,630,909 4,259,480	\$	1,585,880 134,478 779,026 3,250 641,744 3,720,822 8,764,930 32,553,160 11,298,515 3,808,241 3,939,556	\$	2,041,634 1,602,888 764,439 3,640 824,209 3,590,815 5,602,631 30,885,737 11,461,915 3,863,260 3,826,936 12,217,568 3,335,953	\$	1,953,947 1,523,655 1,541,359 3,900 645,918 3,076,826 5,880,132 31,445,509 10,361,087 4,189,192 2,280,293 9,475,368 2,099,218
General governement Public safety Physical environment Transportation Human services Culture and recreation Operating grants and contributions Capital grants and contributions Total governmental activities program revenue <b>Business-type activities:</b> Charges for services: Water system revenue Retail water and wastewaer Industrial wastewater Solid waste fund Building services Operating grants and contributions	\$	1,421,733 73,015 171,945 520 2,932,602 3,308,285 20,560,233 7,428,648 3,413,244 3,826,186 9,029,767 1,566,572 78,648	\$	1,464,439 479,848 4,722,923 6,176,365 26,234,261 8,691,509 3,630,909 4,259,480 10,306,832	\$	1,585,880 134,478 779,026 3,250 641,744 3,720,822 8,764,930 32,553,160 11,298,515 3,808,241 3,939,556 11,481,814	\$	2,041,634 1,602,888 764,439 3,640 824,209 3,590,815 5,602,631 30,885,737 11,461,915 3,863,260 3,826,936 12,217,568	\$	1,953,947 1,523,655 1,541,359 3,900 645,918 3,076,826 5,880,132 31,445,509 10,361,087 4,189,192 2,280,293 9,475,368 2,099,218 202,351
General governement Public safety Physical environment Transportation Human services Culture and recreation Operating grants and contributions Capital grants and contributions Total governmental activities program revenue <b>Business-type activities:</b> Charges for services: Water system revenue Retail water and wastewaer Industrial wastewater Solid waste fund Building services Operating grants and contributions Capital grants and contributions	\$	1,421,733 73,015 171,945 520 2,932,602 3,308,285 20,560,233 7,428,648 3,413,244 3,826,186 9,029,767 1,566,572 78,648 372,770	\$	1,464,439 479,848 4,722,923 6,176,365 26,234,261 8,691,509 3,630,909 4,259,480 10,306,832 2,593,891	\$	1,585,880 134,478 779,026 3,250 641,744 3,720,822 8,764,930 32,553,160 11,298,515 3,808,241 3,939,556 11,481,814 3,595,984	\$	2,041,634 1,602,888 764,439 3,640 824,209 3,590,815 5,602,631 30,885,737 11,461,915 3,863,260 3,826,936 12,217,568 3,335,953 7,505	\$	1,953,947 1,523,655 1,541,359 3,900 645,918 3,076,826 5,880,132 31,445,509 10,361,087 4,189,192 2,280,293 9,475,368 2,099,218 202,351 18,603
General governement Public safety Physical environment Transportation Human services Culture and recreation Operating grants and contributions Capital grants and contributions Total governmental activities program revenue <b>Business-type activities:</b> Charges for services: Water system revenue Retail water and wastewaer Industrial wastewater Solid waste fund Building services Operating grants and contributions	\$   \$	1,421,733 73,015 171,945 520 2,932,602 3,308,285 20,560,233 7,428,648 3,413,244 3,826,186 9,029,767 1,566,572 78,648	\$	1,464,439 479,848 4,722,923 6,176,365 26,234,261 8,691,509 3,630,909 4,259,480 10,306,832	\$	1,585,880 134,478 779,026 3,250 641,744 3,720,822 8,764,930 32,553,160 11,298,515 3,808,241 3,939,556 11,481,814	\$ 	2,041,634 1,602,888 764,439 3,640 824,209 3,590,815 5,602,631 30,885,737 11,461,915 3,863,260 3,826,936 12,217,568 3,335,953	\$ 	1,953,947 1,523,655 1,541,359 3,900 645,918 3,076,826 5,880,132 31,445,509 10,361,087 4,189,192 2,280,293 9,475,368 2,099,218 202,351

	Fiscal Year									
		2003		2004		2005		2006		2007
Net (Expense)Revenue										
Governmental activities	\$	(71,483,170)	\$	(79,438,101)	\$	(70,225,230)	\$	(78,963,807)	\$	(86,738,608)
Business-type activities		(7,593,500)		(5,261,415)		(3,042,503)		(3,783,131)		(10,797,449)
Total primary government net expenses		(79,076,670)		(84,699,516)		(73,267,733)		(82,746,938)		(97,536,057)
General Revenue and Other Changes in Net Assets										
Governmental activities:										
Taxes										
Property taxes		42,615,587		47,569,663		53,349,589		73,729,204		77,146,885
Sales taxes		21,094,586		22,032,957		23,223,423		24,215,778		24,982,006
State shared revenues		2,831,535		3,120,133		3,290,582		3,491,084		3,379,522
Interest earnings		1,117,194		870,213		1,543,058		3,262,306		7,007,059
Other contributions		2,534,775		-		-		-		-
Miscellaneous		1,262,098		1,986,499		990,038		2,681,029		1,710,623
Transfers		(123,129)		150,000		(52,333)	_	8,143		-
Total governmental activities		71,332,646		75,729,465		82,344,357		107,387,544		114,226,095
Business-type activities:										
Sales tax		7,525,384		3,700		2,200		1,900		1,500
State shared revenues		-		-		-		-		-
Interest earnings		2,452,356		2,154,632		2,609,228		3,366,297		3,629,698
Miscellaneous		689,419		1,304,638		2,042,417		1,081,040		1,390,719
Transfers		123,129		(150,000)		52,333		(8,143)		-
Total business-type activities		10,790,288		3,312,970		4,706,178		4,441,094		5,021,917
Total primary government	\$	82,122,934	\$	79,042,435	\$	87,050,535	\$	111,828,638	\$	119,248,012
Change in Net Assets										
Governmental activities	\$	(150,524)	\$	(3,708,636)	\$	12,119,127	\$	28,423,737	\$	27,487,487
Business-type activities		3,196,788		(1,948,445)		1,663,675		657,963	-	(5,775,532)
Total primary government	\$	3,046,264	\$	(5,657,081)	\$	13,782,802	\$	29,081,700	\$	21,711,955

# Bay County, Florida Fund Balance, Governmental Funds Last Five Fiscal Years (modified accrual basis of accounting) (Unaudited)

					I	iscal Year				
		<u>2003</u>		<u>2004</u>		<u>2005</u>		<u>2006</u>		<u>2007</u>
General Fund										
Reserved	\$	9,371,988	\$	5,570,545	\$	4,706,248	\$	44,351,137	\$	36,949,309
Unreserved		17,433,083		20,467,296		24,261,074		31,933,944		33,598,429
Total general fund	\$	26,805,071	\$	26,037,841	\$	28,967,322	\$	76,285,081	\$	70,547,738
All Other Governmental Funds										
Reserved	\$	17,977,555	\$	10.698.530	\$	10,837,255	\$	17,404,849	\$	13,524,528
Unreserved:	Ψ	1,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	Ψ	10,070,000	Ψ	10,007,200	Ψ	17,101,019	Ψ	10,02 ,020
Special revenue funds		17,756,167		18,464,781		17,608,253		18,100,472		26,960,435
Total all other governmental funds	\$	35,733,722	\$	29,163,311	\$	28,445,508	\$	35,505,321	\$	40,484,963

### Schedule 4

# Bay County, Florida Changes in Fund Balance, Governmental Funds Last Five Fiscal Years (modified accrual basis of accounting) (Unaudited)

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	<u>2003</u>		<u>2004</u>		<u>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>		<u>2007</u>
Revenues								
Taxes	\$ 51,921,256	\$	57,136,660	\$	63,186,101	\$ 85,896,879	\$	90,307,436
Licenses and permits	3,965		2,840		2,390	2,230		1,899
Intergovernmental revenue	21,614,035		25,922,701		25,365,652	24,673,396		23,889,913
Charges for services	12,469,323		14,287,418		19,689,697	19,781,978		19,801,852
Fines and forfeitures	892,312		790,062		157,495	137,019		63,081
Special assessments	378,649		170,651		367,096	254,505		359,198
Interest	1,027,868		863,064		1,445,604	3,079,818		6,725,924
Contributions and Donations	-		-		-	-		190,797
Miscellaneous	 1,919,556		3,443,934		1,568,016	 3,078,727		1,946,036
Total revenues	 90,226,964		102,617,330		111,782,051	 136,904,552		143,286,136
Expenditures								
General government	18,494,302		22,531,969		21,472,908	20,262,747		6,967,890
Public safety	35,492,011		37,281,629		39,787,836	43,970,630		57,386,591
Physical environment	3,922,018		4,322,124		4,662,334	4,363,508		3,967,883
Transportation	9,968,297		11,285,504		10,759,085	8,686,780		9,306,583
Economic environment	7,671,623		8,023,780		9,169,691	13,618,153		16,404,349
Human services	3,530,404		4,005,771		3,808,169	4,516,240		5,538,168
Culture and recreation	2,898,414		3,001,093		3,247,079	3,604,503		3,843,006
Capital Outlay	19,975,254		8,826,066		11,349,510	17,619,434		32,780,705
Debt service	19,975,251		0,020,000		11,519,510	17,017,151		52,700,705
Principal retirement	3,096,446		9,070,909		3,224,333	3,601,370		3,883,937
Interest and fiscal charges	1,911,428		1,910,439		1,339,802	1,532,684		2,963,339
Total expenditures	 106,960,197		110,259,284		108,820,747	 121,776,049		143,042,451
Excess of revenues over								
(under) expenditures	 (16,733,233)		(7,641,954)		2,961,304	 15,128,503		243,685
Other Financing Sources (Uses)								
Operating transfers in	8,056,538		7,615,705		7,837,156	9,247,671		7,911,020
Operating transfers out	(8,108,487)		(7,764,251)		(8,425,713)	(9,820,775)		(8,856,914)
Debt issuance	16,149,931		452,859		-	39,666,217		16,103,376
Premium on bonds issued	65,470		-		-	951,964		(71,732)
Bond issuance costs	(63,673)		-		-	-		(344,945)
Payment to refunded bond escrow agent	(6,298,195)		-		-	-		(15,095,929)
Reversion to State of Florida	-		-		(608,687)	(796,010)		(1,005,046)
Total other financing sources (uses)	 9,801,584	_	304,313	_	(1,197,244)	 39,249,067	_	(1,360,170)
Net change in fund balance	\$ (6,931,649)	\$	(7,337,641)	\$	1,764,060	\$ 54,377,570	\$	(1,116,485)
Debt service as a percentage of								
noncapital expenditures	6.11%		12.14%		4.91%	5.18%		6.62%

#### Bay County, Florida Assessed Value and Estimated Actual Value of Taxable Property Last Ten Fiscal Years (in thousands of dollars) (Unaudited)

Fiscal <u>Year</u>	Residential <u>Property</u>	Commercial <u>Property</u>	Personal <u>Property</u>	Industrial <u>Property</u>	Agricultural <u>Property</u>	Centrally Assessed <u>Property</u>	Other <u>Property</u>	Less: Tax-Exempt <u>Property</u>	Total Taxable Assessed <u>Value</u>	Total Direct Tax <u>Rate</u>	Estimated Actual Taxable <u>Value</u>	Taxable Assessed Value as a Percentage of <u>Actual Taxable Value</u>
1998	4,082,699	831,176	1,281,557	110,998	80,429	10,578	1,236,233	(2,544,869)	5,088,801	6.3172	8,167,456	62.31%
1999	4,516,464	923,663	1,333,077	120,992	75,880	10,206	1,277,687	(2,666,533)	5,591,436	6.8472	8,884,747	62.93%
2000	4,839,335	954,030	1,319,396	125,853	73,113	11,176	1,297,138	(2,637,189)	5,982,852	6.8472	9,191,339	65.09%
2001	5,319,662	1,079,668	1,394,849	143,233	73,391	10,332	1,325,974	(2,742,410)	6,604,699	6.8472	10,064,385	65.62%
2002	5,749,943	1,127,089	1,446,838	147,128	72,076	9,800	1,379,666	(2,836,284)	7,096,256	6.8472	10,613,817	66.86%
2003	6,429,166	1,332,950	1,606,266	162,493	59,602	10,998	1,497,816	(3,163,380)	7,935,911	6.8472	11,934,440	66.50%
2004	7,328,829	1,423,465	1,573,208	163,550	54,000	9,311	1,654,940	(3,309,402)	8,897,901	6.8472	13,160,126	67.61%
2005	10,185,034	1,902,775	1,634,977	195,568	54,312	10,456	1,984,503	(3,629,221)	12,338,404	6.8472	17,707,803	69.68%
2006	14,408,485	2,718,772	1,657,889	249,844	58,838	13,941	2,616,869	(4,155,251)	17,569,387	5.0972	25,446,471	69.04%
2007	14,751,997	3,028,134	1,697,022	291,470	64,117	22,516	2,708,292	(4,299,941)	18,263,607	4.6678	26,379,351	69.23%

Source: Bay County Property Appraiser

Notes: Property in Bay County is reassessed once every three years on average.

Schedule 5

# Bay County, Florida Direct and Overlapping Property Tax Rates Last Ten Fiscal Years (Unaudited)

	<u>1998</u>	<u>1999</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>2001</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2003</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>
County Direct Rates:										
General	5.6320	5.6620	5.6620	5.6620	5.6620	5.6620	5.6620	5.6620	4.1620	3.7915
Mosquito Control	0.1852	0.1852	0.1852	0.1852	0.1852	0.1852	0.1852	0.1852	0.1852	0.1525
MSTU	0.5000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	0.7500	0.7238
Total Direct Rate	6.3172	6.8472	6.8472	6.8472	6.8472	6.8472	6.8472	6.8472	5.0972	4.6678
Municipalities:										
City of Panama City	5.0000	5.0000	5.0000	5.0000	5.0000	5.0000	5.0000	5.0000	4.7122	3.7610
Panama City Downtown										
Improvement Board	3.0000	3.0000	3.0000	3.0000	3.0000	3.0000	3.0000	3.0000	3.0000	2.4700
City of Lynn Haven	2.9000	4.0000	4.0000	4.0000	4.0000	4.0000	4.0000	4.0000	3.2500	2.8266
City of Mexico Beach	4.3400	4.3100	4.9100	4.8500	4.6000	4.5500	4.5000	4.3500	3.7900	3.7200
City of Callaway							2.0000	2.0000	2.0000	2.0000
Town of Cedar Grove								1.5000	1.5000	1.5000
School Districts	9.2690	8.9180	8.6690	8.5300	8.6550	8.5690	8.1480	7.9350	6.8080	6.4710
Northwest Florida Water Management District	0.0500	0.0500	0.0500	0.0500	0.0500	0.0500	0.0500	0.0500	0.0500	0.0450
Special District: Beach Mosquito Control	0.3930	0.3930	0.3544	0.2675	0.2990	0.2990	0.2590	0.2365	0.1410	0.1438

Source: Bay County Property Appraiser

# Bay County, Florida Principal Property Taxpayers Current Year and Nine Years Ago (Unaudited)

	Fiscal Year 2007					Fiscal Year 1998				
		Assessed Value	Rank	Percentage of Total Taxable Assessed Value		Assessed Value	Rank	Percentage of Total Taxable Assessed Value		
St. Joe Land & Development	\$	408,738,491	1	2.24%	\$	54,501,344	4	1.07%		
Gulf Power Company		352,137,450	2	1.93%		131,205,349	1	2.58%		
Peoples First/Resort Hospitality		118,913,902	3	0.65%		-	-	-		
Charles Faircloth		77,204,557	4	0.42%		-	-	-		
Hilton Companies		70,157,831	5	0.38%		-	-	-		
BellSouth Telecommunications		63,888,899	6	0.35%		77,754,072	-	1.53%		
Smurfit-Stone/Southwest Forest		57,371,221	7	0.31%		80,212,121	2	1.58%		
Wal-Mart Stores		38,626,978	8	0.21%		24,085,142	6	0.47%		
Gulf Coast Electric Co-Op		36,934,426	9	0.20%		16,151,724	10	0.32%		
Arizona Chemical Company		35,402,054	10	0.19%		41,765,554	5	0.82%		
Hospital Corp. of America		-	-	-		23,176,414	7	0.46%		
Berg Pipe		-	-	-		16,648,408	8	0.33%		
Bay Point/Marriott		-	-	-		16,431,104	9	0.32%		

Total	\$ 1,259,375,809	6.90%	\$ 481,931,232	9.47%

Total Taxable Assessed Value 2007	18,263,607,000
Total Taxable Assessed Value 1998	5,088,801,000

Source: Bay County Property Appraiser

### Bay County, Florida Property Tax Levies and Collections Last Ten Fiscal Years (Unaudited)

	Taxes Levied for the			Collected Fiscal Year		Collections in	Total Colle	ctions to Date
Fiscal Year	Fiscal Year (Original Levy)	Adjustments	Total Adjusted Levy	Amount	Percentage of Original Levy	Subsequent Years	Amount	Percentage of Original Levy
1998	\$ 73,992,595	\$ (2,940)	\$ 73,989,655	\$ 71,004,578	96%	\$ 513,748	\$ 71,518,326	97%
1999	79,027,496	15,165	79,042,661	75,952,712	96%	507,956	76,460,668	97%
2000	86,309,925	10,212	86,320,137	83,246,543	96%	260,565	83,507,108	97%
2001	90,563,069	11,686	90,574,755	87,286,096	96%	330,330	87,616,426	97%
2002	99,015,005	115,798	99,130,803	95,333,989	96%	525,284	95,859,273	97%
2003	107,970,150	129,147	108,099,297	104,078,973	96%	414,482	104,493,455	97%
2004	122,087,952	112,191	122,200,143	117,751,743	96%	333,634	118,085,377	97%
2005	132,865,168	150,304	133,015,472	127,948,406	96%	563,634	128,512,040	97%
2006	181,985,021	245,875	182,230,896	175,190,140	96%	599,402	175,789,542	97%
2007*	80,546,305	56,610	80,602,915	76,972,250	96%	192,603	77,164,853	96%

Source: Tax Collector's Office

\*2007 represents Bay County Property Tax Levies and Collections only.

### State of Florida and Bay County Total Historical Half-Cent Sales Tax Distributions For Ten Year Period 1998-2007 (Unaudited)

The following table shows the historical sales tax collection and their annual percentage increases for the State of Florida and Bay County.

<b>Total Distributions</b>	Percentage	<b>Total Distributions</b>	Percentage
<u>To Cities and Counties</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Bay County</u>	<u>Change</u>
\$1,095,517,351	8.59%	\$6,610,424	5.70%
\$1,165,863,783	6.42%	\$7,203,193	8.97%
\$1,264,423,146	8.45%	\$7,570,459	5.10%
\$1,317,612,342	4.21%	\$7,598,116	0.37%
\$1,369,026,910	3.90%	\$7,815,575	2.86%
\$1,427,172,904	4.25%	\$8,204,756	4.98%
\$1,542,503,903	8.08%	\$9,076,524	10.63%
\$1,613,474,991	4.60%	\$9,241,000	1.81%
\$1,750,220,913	8.48%	\$9,943,501	7.60%
\$1,770,078,126	1.13%	\$10,050,492	1.08%
	To Cities and Counties           \$1,095,517,351           \$1,165,863,783           \$1,264,423,146           \$1,317,612,342           \$1,369,026,910           \$1,427,172,904           \$1,542,503,903           \$1,613,474,991           \$1,750,220,913	To Cities and CountiesChange\$1,095,517,3518.59%\$1,165,863,7836.42%\$1,264,423,1468.45%\$1,317,612,3424.21%\$1,369,026,9103.90%\$1,427,172,9044.25%\$1,542,503,9038.08%\$1,613,474,9914.60%\$1,750,220,9138.48%	To Cities and CountiesChangeBay County\$1,095,517,3518.59%\$6,610,424\$1,165,863,7836.42%\$7,203,193\$1,264,423,1468.45%\$7,570,459\$1,317,612,3424.21%\$7,598,116\$1,369,026,9103.90%\$7,815,575\$1,427,172,9044.25%\$8,204,756\$1,542,503,9038.08%\$9,076,524\$1,613,474,9914.60%\$9,241,000\$1,750,220,9138.48%\$9,943,501

Source: Florida Department of Revenue

#### Distribution of Half-Cent Sales Tax in Bay County, Florida For Ten Year Period 1998 - 2007 (Amounts in Thousands) (Unaudited)

Fiscal Year 1998 - 2007 distribution of Sales Tax Revenues is represented in the following chart.

Fiscal Year <u>Ending</u>	Distributions <u>To The County</u>	Percentage Of <u>County to Total</u>	Distributions <u>To The Cities</u>	Percentage Of <u>Cities to Total</u>
1998	\$6,610,424	57%	\$4,959,520	43%
1999	\$7,203,193	57%	\$5,367,373	43%
2000	\$7,570,459	57%	\$5,624,302	43%
2001	\$7,598,116	57%	\$5,645,875	43%
2002	\$7,815,575	57%	\$5,985,916	43%
2003	\$8,204,756	57%	\$6,294,203	43%
2004	\$9,076,524	57%	\$6,920,821	43%
2005	\$9,241,000	57%	\$7,040,308	43%
2006	\$9,943,501	57%	\$7,565,014	43%
2007	\$10,050,492	57%	\$7,639,745	43%

Source: Florida Department of Revenue

#### Bay County, Florida Ratios of Outstanding Debt by Type Last Ten Fiscal Years (Unaudited)

			Fiscal	Y	ear		
		<u>1998</u>	<u>1999</u>		<u>2000</u>		<u>2001</u>
Governmental Activities							
Revenue bonds	\$	17,550,000	\$ 16,190,000	\$	14,770,000	\$	13,290,000
Capital leases		612,588	694,257		554,369		534,467
Notes payble		1,013,035	910,427		807,819		6,591,931
Total Governmental Activites	_	19,175,623	 17,794,684	_	16,132,188	_	20,416,398
Business-type Activities							
Revenue bonds	\$	81,135,660	\$ 75,207,959	\$	105,262,005	\$	103,674,310
Notes payable		4,715,544	 13,505,181		16,128,833		16,053,027
Total Business-type Activities	_	85,851,204	 88,713,140		121,390,838		119,727,337
Total Primary Government	\$	105,026,827	\$ 106,507,824	\$	137,523,026	\$	140,143,735
Debt as a Percentage of Personal Income		3.1%	3.1%		2.6%		2.6%
Amount of Debt per Capita	\$	677	\$ 713	\$	608	\$	643

\*Information not available

**Note:** Details regarding the County's debt can be found in Note 12 of the financial statements. See Schedule 15 for personal income and population data.

Fiscal Year													
	<u>2002</u>		<u>2003</u>		<u>2004</u>		<u>2005</u>		<u>2006</u>		<u>2007</u>		
\$	29,880,000	\$	36,100,000	\$	33,610,000	\$	30,835,000	\$	66,190,000	\$	63,950,000		
	643,076		750,190		757,759		301,748		1,011,596		982,910		
	6,862,216		7,585,259		-		-		-		-		
	37,385,292		44,435,449		34,367,759		31,136,748		67,201,596		64,932,910		
\$	99,764,967 15,522,266 115,287,233	\$	97,801,087 14,701,885 112,502,972	\$	95,744,707 13,885,513 109,630,220	\$	93,512,439 13,012,811 106,525,250	\$	91,652,333 12,359,204 104.011,537	\$	89,669,727 11,418,271 101,087,998		
	115,207,255		112,302,972		109,030,220		100,525,250		104,011,337		101,087,998		
\$	152,672,525	\$	156,938,421	\$	143,997,979	\$	137,661,998	\$	171,213,133	\$	166,020,908		
	2.5%		2.6%		3.2%		3.6%		*		*		
\$	645	\$	699	\$	910	\$	1,076		*		*		

### Bay County, Florida Pledged Revenue Coverage Last Ten Fiscal Years

(Unaudited)

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			Fiscal	Y	ear	
		<u>1998</u>	<u>1999</u>		<u>2000</u>	<u>2001</u>
Revenue Bonds - Wholesale Water System Fund						
Revenue - sale of goods and services	\$	6,346,894	\$ 7,147,504	\$	9,199,931	\$ 9,600,558
Less: Operating expenses		(2,905,846)	(3,010,926)		(3,104,938)	<u>(3,346,549)</u>
Net available revenue	\$	3,441,048	\$ 4,136,578	\$	6,094,993	\$ 6,254,009
Debt service		_	 _		_	
Principal	\$	490,000	\$ 512,000	\$	540,000	\$ 565,000
Interest	\$	1,208,307	\$ 1,183,240	\$	1,893,202	\$ 2,987,818
Coverage*		2.0	2.4		2.5	1.8
Revenue Bonds - Solid Waste Fund						
Revenue - sale of goods and services	\$	21,562,843	\$ 20,642,196	\$	20,799,363	\$ 22,125,343
Less: Operating expenses		(14,025,001)	<u>(6,911,344)</u>		(8,044,600)	(13,832,064)
Net available revenue	\$	7,537,842	\$ 13,730,852	\$	12,754,763	\$ 8,293,279
Debt service						
Principal	\$	1,950,000	\$ 1,640,000	\$	1,180,000	\$ 1,215,000
Interest	\$	3,182,607	\$ 2,911,030	\$	2,012,861	\$ 1,973,923
Coverage*		1.5	3.0		4.0	2.6

\*Coverage equals net available revenue divided by debt service.

Fiscal Year												
<u>2002</u>		<u>2003</u>		<u>2004</u>		<u>2005</u>		<u>2006</u>		<u>2007</u>		
\$ 9,384,080	\$	9,056,785	\$	10,120,295	\$	12,075,741	\$	12,433,674	\$	11,121,362		
<u>(4,431,741)</u>		(4,362,444)		<u>(4,746,910)</u>		<u>(4,995,463)</u>		(5,232,544)		(6,643,470)		
\$ 4,952,339	\$	4,694,341	\$	5,373,385	\$	7,080,278	\$	7,201,130	\$	4,477,892		
\$ 840,000	\$	925,000	\$	965,000	\$	(135,000)	\$	1,160,000	\$	1,220,000		
\$ 2,964,563	\$	2,927,531	\$	2,885,745	\$	2,845,516	\$	2,509,436	\$	2,456,190		
1.3		1.2		1.4		2.6		2.0		1.2		
\$ 22,260,841	\$	17,919,069	\$	11,146,302	\$	12,923,035	\$	13,942,477	\$	10,899,268		
(9,074,477)		(8,876,738)		(8,907,434)		(10,994,809)		(13,409,193)		(12,494,158)		
\$ 13,186,364	\$	9,042,331	\$	2,238,868	\$	1,928,226	\$	533,284	\$	(1,594,890)		
\$ 1,260,000	\$	1,305,000	\$	1,350,000	\$	1,400,000	\$	1,455,000	\$	1,510,000		
\$ 1,931,398	\$	1,886,037	\$	1,838,732	\$	1,788,106	\$	1,734,906	\$	1,678,525		
4.1		2.8		0.7		0.6		0.2		(0.5)		
		2.0		017		0.0		0.2		(0.0)		

#### Bay County, Florida Wholesale Water System Historical Revenues, Expenses and Debt Service Coverage Last Five Fiscal Years (Unaudited)

	 2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Operating Revenues	\$ 8,224,208	\$ 9,661,749	\$ 11,312,823	\$ 11,517,885	\$ 10,367,239
Interest	\$ 507,827	\$ 458,546	\$ 762,918	\$ 915,789	\$ 754,123
Other Revenue	\$ 324,750	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 200,000
<b>Gross Revenues</b>	\$ 9,056,785	\$ 10,120,295	\$ 12,075,741	\$ 12,433,674	\$ 11,321,362
Operating Expenses (less depreciation and					
amortization)	\$ 4,362,444	\$ 4,746,910	\$ 4,995,463	\$ 5,232,544	\$ 6,643,470
Net Revenue	\$ 4,694,341	\$ 5,373,385	\$ 7,080,278	\$ 7,201,130	\$ 4,677,892
Debt Service 1979 Issue	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Debt Service 1992 Issue	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Debt Service 1997 Issue	\$ 1,209,747	\$ 1,209,697	\$ 1,027,068	\$ 485,260	\$ 482,260
Debt Service 2000 Issue	\$ 2,642,784	\$ 2,641,048	\$ 2,196,541	\$ 852,965	\$ 860,870
Debt Service 2005 Issue	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 759,375	\$ 2,331,210	\$ 2,333,060
Total Debt Service	\$ 3,852,531	\$ 3,850,745	\$ 3,982,984	\$ 3,669,435	\$ 3,676,190
Coverage Factor	 1.219	1.395	1.778	1.962	1.272

#### Historical Coverage of Projected Maximum Annual Debt Service By Sales Tax Revenues Last Five Fiscal Years (Unaudited)

Fiscal Year Ending	<u>2003</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>
Half-Cent Sales Tax Receipts <sup>1</sup>	\$ 8,423,968	\$ 8,968,674	\$ 9,689,458	\$ 10,066,787	\$ 9,886,165
Series 1998 Bond <sup>2</sup>	\$ 3,194,875	\$ 3,194,875	\$ 3,194,875	\$ 3,194,875	\$ 3,194,875
Series 2002 Bond <sup>3</sup>	1,178,701	1,178,701	1,178,701	1,178,701	445,495
Series 2006 Bond <sup>4</sup>	-	-	-	5,134,488	5,134,488
Series 2007 Bond <sup>5</sup>	-	-	-	-	1,141,450
Total Maximum Annual Debt Service	\$ 4,373,576	\$ 4,373,576	\$ 4,373,576	\$ 9,508,064	\$ 9,916,308
Coverage of Maximum Annual Debt Service by Sales Tax Revenues	 1.93	2.05	2.22	1.06	1.00

<sup>1</sup> Source: Bay County Finance Department.

<sup>2</sup> Maximum debt service is in year 2023

<sup>3</sup> Maximum debt service is in year 2011. Partially refunded by Series 2007 Bond.

<sup>4</sup> Maximum debt service is in year 2030

<sup>5</sup> Maximum debt service is in year 2018

# Bay County, Florida Demographic and Economic Statistics Last Ten Fiscal Years (Unaudited)

Year	Estimated Population	 Personal Income <sup>1</sup>	Р	r Capita ersonal ncome²	Unemployment Rate <sup>3</sup>
1998	147,496	\$ 3,234,088	\$	21,999	6.7%
1999	150,119	3,353,267		22,634	6.1%
2000	148,217	3,521,822		23,754	5.8%
2001	150,287	3,675,638		24,526	5.9%
2002	152,186	3,870,336		25,438	5.9%
2003	154,827	4,119,403		26,623	5.4%
2004	158,437	4,545,721		28,836	4.5%
2005	161,721	4,887,759		30,298	3.6%
2006	165,515	*		*	3.1%
2007	167,631	*		*	*

\* Information not yet available

<sup>1</sup> In thousands of dollars

<sup>2</sup> 2000, 2002-2004 data revised.

<sup>3</sup> 2005 data revised.

Source: Florida Statistical Abstract 2007

#### Bay County, Florida Principal Employers Current Year and Nine Years Ago (Unaudited)

		2007			1998				
<u>Employer</u>	Employees	Rank	Percentage of Total County Employment	Employees	Rank	Percentage of Total County Employment			
Tyndall Air Force Base	5,191	1	5.94%	6,743	1	10.31%			
Naval Support Activity	3,816	2	4.37%	2,455	3	3.75%			
Bay County School Board	3,370	3	3.86%	3,500	2	5.35%			
Bay Medical Center	2,174	4	2.49%	1,850	4	2.83%			
Wal-Mart	1,240	5	1.42%	-	-	-			
Sallie Mae	1,200	6	1.37%	977	5	1.49%			
Gulf Coast Medical Center	850	7	0.97%	800	6	1.22%			
Trane Manufacturing Corp.	750	8	0.86%	-	-	-			
Smurfit-Stone Container	650	9	0.74%	585	7	0.89%			
Eastern Shipbuilding	601	10	0.69%	400	10	0.61%			
Paradise Found Resort & Hotel	-	-	-	522	8	0.80%			
Arizona Chemical		-		500	9	0.76%			
	19,842		22.70%	18,332		28.04%			
Total Bay County Labor Force	87,417			65,388					

Source: Bay County Economic Development Alliance

#### Bay County, Florida Full-time Equivalent County Employees by Function Last Ten Fiscal Years (Unaudited)

	Full-time Equivalent Employees as of December 31												
Function/Program	<u>1998</u>	<u>1999</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>2001</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2003</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>			
General Government	52	56	53	61	67	64	62	59	63	74			
Public Safety	52 50	50 51	55 62	71	07 77	04 86	02 92		109	123			
Physical Environment	81	86	93	99	101	114	112	109	111	118			
Transportation	122	115	122	122	125	120	118	121	124	128			
Economic Environment	2	1	3	3	3	2	2	2	3	2			
Human Services	7	7	7	9	10	10	10	9	10	9			
Culture/Recreation	18	20	19	17	18	18	18	18	20	81			
Judicial System	12	11	11	11	11	11	9	10	9	9			
Total	344	347	370	393	412	425	423	427	449	544			

Source: County personnel department

#### Bay County, Florida Operating Indicators by Function Last Ten Fiscal Years (Unaudited)

Function/Program	<u>1998</u>	<u>1999</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>2001</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2003</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>
General Government										
Assessed properties	87,982	89,131	90,617	92,173	93,478	95,709	98,044	103,104	107,007	110,279
Court cases:										
Circuit Criminal	2,315	3,147	3,753	3,886	4,719	5,230	4,718	4,461	4,449	4,846
County Criminal	11,164	10,118	10,760	11,547	12,554	12,522	12,153	9,824	8,882	11,882
Public Safety										
E-911 calls	*	88,031	112,108	100,000	105,000	108,846	115,000	113,548	118,000	124,977
Building permits issued**										
Commercial	*	*	139	293	352	393	345	435	274	256
Residential	*	*	479	1,263	1,576	1,421	2,192	2,213	1,424	1,018
Physical Environment										
Tons burned at Incinerator	207,294	209,527	209,939	214,185	220,965	219,413	213,468	223,462	237,825	238,506
Transportation										
Roads miles maintained	891.00	705.50	710.20	709.20	710.40	712.67	714.79	711.25	712.72	712.07
Economic Environment Tourist Development Tax										
Registrants	210	225	264	298	344	394	500	632	843	1109
Human Services										
Baker Act admissions	333	271	236	302	279	279	328	377	348	372

\* Information not available

\*\* Permits include new construction, additions, renovations and alterations

Sources: County finance office and individual county departments

### Bay County, Florida Capital Asset Statistics by Function Last Five Fiscal Years (Unaduited)

<b>Function/Program</b>	<u>2003</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>
Public Safety					
Correction facility capacities	662	662	662	662	662
Fire stations	13	13	13	13	13
Culture & Recreation					
Parks	29	29	30	30	30
Park acreage	378	378	413	413	413
Boat ramps	19	19	19	19	19
Transportation					
Road miles	712.67	714.79	711.25	712.72	712.07
Bridges	14	14	14	14	14
Traffic signals	18	18	18	18	17
Physical Environment					
Water mains (miles)	*	*	*	105	108

\*Information not available

Sources: County finance office and individual county departments

# COMPLIANCE SECTION



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## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' MANAGEMENT LETTER

The Honorable County Commissioners Bay County, Florida

We have audited the basic financial statements of Bay County, Florida, as of and for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2007, and have issued our report thereon dated March 31, 2008.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*. We have issued our Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance With *Government Auditing Standards*, our Report on Compliance With Requirements Applicable to Each Major Federal Program and State Project and on Internal Control over Compliance in Accordance with OMB Circular A-133 and Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General, and the Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs. Disclosures in those reports and schedule, which are dated March 31, 2008, should be considered in conjunction with this management letter.

Additionally, our audit was conducted in accordance with Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General, which govern the conduct of local governmental entity audits performed in the State of Florida and, unless otherwise required to be reported in the report on compliance and internal controls or schedule of findings and questioned costs, this letter is required to include the following information.

The Rules of the Auditor General (Section 10.554(1)(i)1.) require that we address in the management letter, if not already addressed in the auditors' reports on compliance and internal controls or schedule of findings and questioned costs, whether or not corrective actions have been taken to address significant findings and recommendations made in the preceding annual financial audit report. All prior year findings have been corrected.

As required by the Rules of the Auditor General (Section 10.554(1)(i)2.), the scope of our audit included a review of the provisions of Section 218.415., Florida Statutes, regarding the investment of public funds. In connection with our audit, we determined that Bay County, Florida complied with Section 218.415, Florida Statutes.

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The Rules of the Auditor General (Section 10.554(1)(i)3.), require that we address in the management letter any findings and recommendations to improve financial management, accounting procedures, and internal controls. In connection with our audit, we did not have any such findings.

The Rules of the Auditor General (Section 10.554(1)(i)4.) require that we address violations of provisions of contracts and grant agreements or abuse that have an effect on the financial statements that is less than material but more than inconsequential. In connection with our audit, we did not have any such findings.

The Rules of the Auditor General (Section 10.554(1)(i)5.) requires, based on professional judgment, the reporting of the following matters that are inconsequential to the financial statements, considering both quantitative and qualitative factors: (1) violations of laws, rules, regulations, and contractual provisions or abuse that have occurred, or were likely to have occurred and would have an immaterial effect on the financial statements; (2) improper expenditures or illegal acts that would have an immaterial effect on the financial statements; and (3) control deficiencies that are not significant deficiencies, including, but not limited to; (a) improper or inadequate accounting procedures (e.g., the omission of required disclosures from the financial statements); (b) failures to properly record financial transactions; and (c) other inaccuracies, shortages, defalcations, and instances of fraud discovered by, or that come to the attention of, the auditor. In connection with our audit, we have the following finding:

### Property Appraiser

07-1. Section 193.023(2), Florida Statutes states:

In making his or her assessment of the value of real property, the property appraiser is required to physically inspect the property at least once every 5 years, and may review image technology, as the property appraiser deems necessary, to ensure that the tax roll meets all the requirements of law. However, the property appraiser shall physically inspect any parcel of taxable real property upon the request of the taxpayer or owner.

Current year audit procedures determined that there are five parcels of real property that have not been inspected physically within the last five years. We recommend that the Property Appraiser take the necessary actions to become compliant with Florida Statutes. The financial statements were not materially misstated as a result of this instance of noncompliance.

#### Management's Response

Management has reviewed their procedures for assessing the value of property required by Florida Statutes, Section 193.023(2) and inspected the five parcels upon notification of the noncompliance. Management expects to be in compliance with this requirement in future years.

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As required by the Rules of the Auditor General (Section 10.554(1)(i)7.a.), a statement must be included as to whether or not the local government entity has met one or more of the conditions described in Section 218.503(1), Florida Statutes. In connection with our audit, we determined that Bay County, Florida did not meet any of the conditions described in Section 218.503(1), Florida Statutes.

As required by the Rules of the Auditor General (Section 10.554(1)(h)7.b.), we determined that the annual financial report for Bay County, Florida for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2007, filed with the Florida Department of Financial Services pursuant to Section 218.32(1)(a), Florida Statutes, is in agreement with the County's annual financial audit report for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2007.

As required by the Rules of the Auditor General (Sections 10.554(h)7.c. and 10.556(7), we applied financial assessment procedures. It is management's responsibility to monitor the County's financial condition, and our financial condition assessment was based in part on representations made by management and the review of financial information provided by the same.

This management letter is intended solely for the information of the Board of County Commissioners; management; and the State of Florida Office of the Auditor General, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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

The Honorable County Commissioners Bay County, Florida

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the aggregate discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Bay County, Florida (the County), as of and for the year ended September 30, 2007, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated March 31, 2008. 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.

### Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered Bay County, Florida's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the basic financial statements and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting.

Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. However, as discussed below, we identified certain deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be significant deficiencies.

A control deficiency 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 significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the County's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with general accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the County's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the County's internal control. We consider the deficiencies described in the findings listed in section II of the accompanying Schedule of findings and Questioned Costs to be significant deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting.

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A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by the County's internal controls.

Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. However, we believe that none of the significant deficiencies is a material weakness.

### Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the County's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

We have included the responses to the findings identified in our audit in the Schedule of findings and Questioned Costs. We did not audit the responses and accordingly, we express no opinion on them.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Board of County Commissioners; management; and certain federal and state awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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Panama City, Florida March 31, 2008



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### REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO EACH MAJOR FEDERAL PROGRAM/STATE PROJECT AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH OMB CIRCULAR A-133 AND CHAPTER 10.550, RULES OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL

The Honorable County Commissioners Bay County, Florida

Compliance

We have audited the compliance of Bay County, Florida (the County) with the types of compliance requirements described in the U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement, and the requirements described in the State of Florida's Executive Office of the Governor's State Projects Compliance Supplement, that are applicable to each of its major federal programs and state projects for the year ended September 30, 2007. The County's major federal programs and state projects are identified in the summary of auditors' results section of the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs. Compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable to each of its major federal programs and state projects is the responsibility of the County's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on Bay County, Florida's compliance based on our audit.

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*; and Chapter 10.550, State of Florida Rules of the Auditor General. Those standards, OMB Circular A-133, and Chapter 10.550 require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program or state project occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the County's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion. Our audit does not provide a legal determination on the County's compliance with those requirements.

In our opinion, the County complied, in all material respects, with the requirements referred to above that are applicable to each of its major federal programs and state projects for the year ended September 30, 2007.

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### Internal Control Over Compliance

The management of the County is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable to federal programs and state projects. In planning and performing our audit, we considered the County's internal control over compliance with the requirements that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program or state project in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on compliance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the County's internal control over compliance.

A control deficiency in an entity's internal control over compliance 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 noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal or state project on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the entity's ability to administer a federal program or state project such that there is more than a remote likelihood that noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program or state project that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program or state project will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Board of County Commissioners; management; and certain federal and state awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Can, Rigge & Ingram, L.L.C.

Panama City, Florida March 31, 2008

### Bay County, Florida Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance Year Ended September 30, 2007

### Section I - Summary of Auditors' Results

### Financial Statements

Type of auditors' report issued		Unqua	lified
Internal control over financial repor	ting:		
Material weaknesses identifie	d?	Yes	<u>_√</u> No
Significant deficiencies identi material weaknesses?	fied not considered to be	_√_Yes	None reported
Noncompliance material to fin	nancial statements noted?	Yes	No
Federal Awards and State Financia	ul Assistance		
Internal control over major program	s:		
Material weaknesses identifie	d?	Yes	No
Significant Deficiences identi material weaknesses?	fied not considered to be	Yes	$_{_{_{_{_{}}}}}$ None reported
Type of auditors' report issued on coprograms and state projects:	ompliance for major federa	al Unqual	ified
Any audit findings disclosed that are in accordance with Circular A-133, Section 10.557, Rules of the Audito	Section .510(a) or	Yes	_√_No
Identification of major programs / st	tate projects:		
CFDA Number	Name of Federal Agency/	<u>Program</u>	
	U.S Department of Transp	portation	

Florida Department of Transportation

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### Bay County, Florida Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance (Continued) Year Ended September 30, 2007

CSFA Number	Name of State Agency/Projects
45.020	Department of State and Secretary of State Public Library Construction
37.003	Florida Department of Environmental Protection Panama City Beach Renourishment Project
52.037	Department of Community Affairs Emergency Operations Center Building

Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B programs:	<u>Federal</u> \$ 300,000	<u>State</u> \$ 300,000
Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee for Federal Single Audit?	$\_$ Yes	No

Section II - Financial Statement Findings

### Tax Collector

07-1. Certain types of adjustments were required that reflect corrections of material misstatements not initially identified in the Tax Collector's internal controls.

<u>Management's Response</u> Procedures are currently being implemented to identify and record these types of adjustments in the future.

### <u>Sheriff</u>

07-1. There is no policy for approval of non-standard journal entries before they are entered into the general ledger.

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### Bay County, Florida Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance (Continued) Year Ended September 30, 2007

### Recommendation

We recommend that the Comptroller indicate her approval of the nonstandard journal entries that are prepared by her staff before they are entered into the general ledger by signing the journal entry form.

### Management's Response

The comptroller will immediately begin approving all non-standard journal entries as recommended.

07-2. The Sheriff's Office policy for the disposal of capital assets requires a written authorization by the Sheriff or Major. We noticed that several of the dispositions didn't have the proper authorization.

### Recommendation

We recommend that the policy be followed and proper written authorization be obtained prior to disposition.

### Management's Response

The Sheriff has already begun complying with the policy by authorizing all dispositions.

07-3. Several capital assets were not included as additions during the year. Some of these assets were located in special revenue funds.

### Recommendation

We recommend that the Comptroller and her staff review the additions reported in the general ledger with the additions as reported by the Property Specialist for completeness. This review should take place at least on a quarterly basis.

### Management's Response

The Comptroller is implementing the review as recommended.

Section III – Findings and Questioned Costs – Major Federal Award Programs and State Financial Assistance Projects

There were no findings.

Bay County, Florida Summary Schedule of Prior Year Audit Findings Year Ended September 30, 2007

There were no prior year audit findings.

#### Bay County, Florida Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance Year Ended September 30, 2007

Federal/State Agency Pass-through Entity Federal Program/State Project	CFDA CSDA No.	Contract/ Grant No.	Expenditures
U.S. Department of Justice			
Passed through Florida Department of Law Enforcement	16 500	2004 DI DV 0515	¢ 20.051
School Resource Officer Program	16.738	2006-DJ-BX-0515	\$ 30,851
Courthouse Security Enhancement	16.738	2005-DJ-BX-1382	10,184
State Homeland Security Grant Program	97.004	2007-SHSP-BAY-2-Q5-001	25,000
State Homeland Security Grant Program	97.004	2007-SHSP-BAY-2-Q5-002	1,340
Passed through State of Florida Office of Attorney General			
Victims of Crime Act	16.575	V6045	26,398
Total U.S. Department of Justice			93,773
Federal Election of Assistance Commission			
Passed through Florida Department of State and Secretary of State			
Pollworker Recruitment 06	90.401		2,917
Voter Education Grant 07	39.011		17,193
Total Federal Election of Assistance Commission			20,110
U.S. Department of Transportation			
Passed through Florida Department of Transportation			
Grand Lagoon Bridge	20.205	AN013	382,208
CR 390 at Transmitter Rd Construction Project	20.205	AOJ81	590,802
C.R. 390 Widening	20.205	AOM66	162
Total U.S. Department of Transportation			973,172
U.S. Department of Homeland Security			
Passed through Florida Department of Community Affairs			
Emergency Management Preparedness & Assistance	97.042	07-BG-04-02-41-01-239	35,604
State Homeland Security Grant Program	97.067	07DS-5N-01-13-01-465	13,000
Passed through Florida Department of Financial Services			
State Homeland Security Grant Program	97.073	FM223	57,220
Total U.S. Department of Homeland Security			105,824
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services			
Passed through Florida Department of Community Affairs			
Community Service Block Grant	93.569	07SB-5Z-12-00-01-001	170,976
Total U.S. Department of Health and Human Services			170,976
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TOTAL EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS			\$ 1,363,855

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#### Bay County, Florida Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance Year Ended September 30, 2007

Federal/State Agency Pass-through Entity	CFDA CSDA	Contract/ Grant	
Federal Program/State Project	No.	No.	Expenditures
	- <u> </u>		
STATE OF FLORIDA			
Department of Juvenile Justice			
Drug Court	20.013		\$ 54,260
Total Department of Juvenile Justice			54,260
Department of Corrections			
Drug Court	20.013		28,162
Total Department of Corrections			28,162
Department of Environmental Protection			
Carillon Beach/Pinnacle Port Dune Restoration Project	97.004	H6BA1	385,699
Deer Point Lake Dirt Road Stabilization	37.022		350,397
Groundwater and Aquifer Testing	37.022	07-067	200,000
Panama City Beach Renourishment Project	37.003	05BA2	227,560
Total Department of Environmental Protection			1,163,656
Department of Health			
Emergency Medical Services	52.008		55,500
Total Department of Health			55,500
Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services			
Mosquito Control	42.003		18,500
Total Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services			18,500
Department of Community Affairs			
Haney Retrofit Project	52.024	07SR-4P-01-13-01-054	5,853
Emergency Management Preparedness Grant	52.008	07-BG-04-02-41-01-239	102,959
Emergency Operations Building	52.037	06-CP-4Y-01-13-01-210	470,503
Total Department of Community Affairs			579,315
Department of State and Secretary of State			
Public Library Construction	45.020	06-SP-01	1,091,799
Total Department of State and Secretary of State			1,091,799
Department of Transportation			
Bridge Street Project	55.008	AM039	328,000
Traffic Signals Grant	55.013	AOS05	76,231
Total Department of Transportation			404,231
Department Law Enforcement			
Violent Crime and Drug Control	71.005		8,095
Operation Butter and Onions	71.005		74,452
Total Department of Law Enforcement			82,547
Florida Housing Finance Corporation			
State Housing Initiatives Partnership Program	52.901		50,931
Total Florida Housing Finance Corporation			50,931
TOTAL EXPENDITURES OF STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE			\$ 3,528,901
TO THE EM EQUITORES OF STATE FIGHTORE ASSISTANCE			φ 5,526,701

#### Notes to Schedule

1. The County follows the modified accrual basis of accounting in preparing this schedule. This method is consistent with the preparation of the County's financial statements.

# FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND COMPLIANCE REPORTS BAY COUNTY CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS

# **BAY COUNTY, FLORIDA**

# September 30, 2007

### SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS

Mark Andersen

### CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT

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Peggy Brannon

**SHERIFF** 

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## SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS



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## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

The Honorable Mark Andersen Bay County Supervisor of Elections Bay County, Florida

We have audited the accompanying special-purpose financial statements of the Bay County Supervisor of Elections as of and for the year ended September 30, 2007, as listed in the table of contents. These special-purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the Supervisor of Elections' management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the special-purpose financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As discussed in Note 1, the special-purpose financial statements referred to above have been prepared for the purpose of complying with, and on the basis of, accounting practices specified by the Rules of the State of Florida Office of the Auditor General, and are not intended to be a complete presentation under Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 34, *Basic Financial Statements - and Management's Discussion and Analysis-for State and Local Governments.* Additionally, the special-purpose financial statements present only the Supervisor of Elections and are not intended to present fairly the financial position and changes in financial position of Bay County, Florida, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States.

In our opinion, the special-purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Supervisor of Elections as of September 30, 2007, and the results of his operations for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The Honorable Mark Andersen Bay County Supervisor of Elections Page Two

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued a report dated March 31, 2008 on our consideration of the Bay County Supervisor of Elections' internal control over financial reporting and our tests of his compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, grants and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audit.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Supervisor of Elections, management, the Board of County Commissioners and the State of Florida Office of the Auditor General, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Can, Rigge & Ingram, L.L.C.

Panama City, Florida March 31, 2008

#### Bay County Supervisor of Elections Special-Purpose Balance Sheet Governmental Fund September 30, 2007

	General Fund				
ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents	\$	187,793			
Total assets	\$	187,793			
LIABILITIES					
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$	59,224			
Due to other governments		32,205			
Deferred revenue		96,364			
Total liabilities		187,793			
FUND BALANCE					
Unreserved					
Total liabilities and fund balance	\$	187,793			

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these special-purpose financial statements

#### Bay County Supervisor of Elections Special-Purpose Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance Governmental Fund Year Ended September 30, 2007

General Fund	
\$	15,684
	1,678
	8,337
	6,872
	32,571
	1,040,419
	1,040,419
(	(1,007,848)
	1,039,974
	(32,126)
	1,007,848
	-
\$	-
	(

#### Bay County Supervisor of Elections Special-Purpose Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and

Changes in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual General Fund

Year Ended September 30, 2007

-	Budgeted Original			Positive
		Final	Actual	(Negative)
REVENUES	+			+
6	\$ 49,948	\$ 49,948	\$ 15,684	\$ (34,264)
Charges for services	1,800	1,800	1,678	(122)
Miscellaneous	700	10,103	8,337	(1,766)
Interest	4,000	4,000	6,872	2,872
Total revenues	56,448	65,851	32,571	(33,280)
EXPENDITURES				
Current				
General government	1,096,422	1,105,825	1,040,419	65,406
Total expenditures	1,096,422	1,105,825	1,040,419	65,406
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Excess (deficit) of expenditures over (under) revenues	(1,039,974)	(1,039,974)	(1,007,848)	32,126
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Budget appropriations from Board				
of County Commissioners	1,039,974	1,039,974	1,039,974	-
Reversion to Board of County Commissioners	-	-	(32,126)	(32,126)
Total other financing sources (uses)	1,039,974	1,039,974	1,007,848	(32,126)
Net change in fund balance				
Net enange in fund balance	-	-	-	-
Fund balance - beginning				
Fund balance - ending	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these special-purpose financial statements

## Bay County Supervisor of Elections Notes to Special-Purpose Financial Statements September 30, 2007

#### NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

<u>Reporting Entity</u> – The Bay County Supervisor of Elections is an integral part of Bay County, Florida and is an elected Constitutional Officer who is governed by state statutes and regulations. The financial statements of the Supervisor of Elections are included in Bay County, Florida's basic financial statements. The Supervisor of Elections operates on a budgetary system, whereby appropriated funds are received from the Board of County Commissioners and unexpended appropriations are required to be returned to the Board of County Commissioners after the end of the fiscal year.

The special-purpose financial statements presented include the General Fund of the Supervisor's office. The accompanying special-purpose financial statements were prepared for the purpose of complying with Section 10.557, *Rules of the Auditor General for Local Government Entity Audits*, and are not intended to be a complete presentation of the financial position of the County, or the changes in financial position or cash flows, where applicable, thereof in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

<u>Basis of Presentation – Fund Accounting</u> – Accounts are organized on the basis of fund types each of which is considered to be a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund balance, revenues, and expenditures as appropriate. Government resources are allocated to and accounted for in individual funds based upon the purposes for which they are to be spent and the means by which spending activities are controlled. The following fund type is used by the Supervisor of Elections:

#### Governmental Fund Type

<u>General Fund</u> – The General Fund is the general operating fund of the Supervisor of Elections. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

<u>Basis of Accounting</u> – The accounting and financial reporting treatment applied to a fund is determined by its measurement focus. All governmental funds are accounted for using a current financial resources measurement focus. This means that only current assets and current liabilities generally are included on the balance sheet. Fund balance (net current assets) is considered a measurement of "available spendable resources." Governmental fund operating statements present increases (revenues and other financing sources) and decreases (expenditures and other financing uses) in net current assets. Accordingly, they present a summary of sources and uses of "available spendable resources" during a period.

## Bay County Supervisor of Elections Notes to Special-Purpose Financial Statements September 30, 2007

### NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenditures are recognized in the accounts and reported in the special purpose financial statements. Accordingly, it relates to the timing of the measurements made, regardless of the measurement focus applied.

All governmental fund types are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenue is recognized in the accounting period in which it becomes both measurable and available to pay current liabilities. Expenditures are recognized in the accounting period in which the fund liability is incurred, if measurable, except for principal and interest on long-term obligations, which is recorded when due.

<u>Budgets</u> – The preparation, adoption, and amendment of the Supervisor of Elections' budget is governed by Chapter 129, Florida Statutes. The budget is prepared and adopted on a basis of accounting consistent with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. Budgetary data presented in the accompanying special-purpose financial statements in the final budgeted amounts column represent the final budgetary data. In this column, the effects of budget amendments have been applied to original budgetary data. All budget appropriations lapse after the end of the fiscal year.

<u>Employee Leave Benefits</u> – It is the Supervisor of Elections' policy to grant paid absences for vacation and sick leave. Employees are permitted to accumulate a limited amount of earned but unused sick and vacation benefits which will be paid to them upon termination. Governmental fund types accrue benefits in the period they are earned; however, only the current portion of the accrued benefits is recorded in the governmental fund types. The long-term portion is recorded in the long-term liabilities of the Bay County Board of County Commissioners.

<u>Capital Assets</u> – Capital assets of the Supervisor of Elections are accounted for by the Board of County Commissioners and are included in the Board's basic financial statements. Under Florida law, the Board holds legal title and is accountable for these assets.

<u>Cash and Cash Equivalents</u> – The Supervisor of Elections considers all highly liquid investments with an original maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

<u>Estimates</u> – The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ significantly from these estimates.

## Bay County Supervisor of Elections Notes to Special-Purpose Financial Statements September 30, 2007

#### NOTE 2 – DEPOSITS

<u>Custodial Risk</u> – All cash resources of the Supervisor of Elections are placed in banks that qualify as public depositories, as required by law (Florida Security for Public Deposits Act). Every qualified public depository is required by this law to deposit with the State Treasurer eligible collateral equal to, or in excess of, an amount to be determined by the State Treasurer. The State Treasurer is required by this law to ensure that the Supervisor of Elections' funds are entirely collateralized throughout the fiscal year. In the event of failure by a qualified public depository, losses, in excess of federal depository insurance and proceeds from the sale of the securities pledged by the defaulting depository, are assessed against the other qualified public depositories of the same type as the depository in default. When other qualified public depositories are assessed additional amounts, they are assessed on a pro-rata basis.

#### NOTE 3 – DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN

<u>Plan Description</u> – The Bay County Supervisor of Elections contributes to the Florida Retirement System (System), a cost sharing, multiple-employer defined pension plan administered by the State of Florida, Department of Administration, Division of Retirement. The System provides retirement, disability benefits, and death benefits to plan members or their designated beneficiaries. Chapter 121, Florida Statutes, establishes the authority for participant eligibility, contribution requirements, vesting eligibility and benefit provisions. Chapter 121 of the Florida Statutes assigns the authority to establish and amend benefit provisions to the Florida Retirement System. However, Article X, Section 14 of the State of Florida Constitution and Part VII, Chapter 112 of the Florida Statutes require that any increase in retirement benefits must be funded concurrently on an actuarially sound basis. The Florida Retirement System issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the System. That report may be obtained by writing to the State of Florida Division of Retirement, 1317 Winewood Boulevard, Building 8, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-6570 or by calling 850-414-6346.

<u>Funding Policy</u> – The System provides vesting of benefits after six years of creditable service. Members are eligible for normal retirement after six years of service and attaining age sixtytwo, or thirty years of service regardless of age. Early retirement may be taken any time after completing six years of service; however, there is a five-percent benefit reduction for each year prior to normal retirement. Generally, membership is compulsory for all full-time and part-time employees, except for elected county officials who may elect not to participate in the System. Retirement coverage is employee noncontributory. Rates effective for the fiscal year are 9.85% and 16.53% for regular employees and elected county officials, respectively. The rate for eligible employees who elected to participate in the Deferred Retirement Option Program (DROP) was 10.91% effective for the fiscal year. The Supervisor of Elections' contributions for the years ended September 30, 2007, 2006 and 2005 were \$44,712, \$37,389, and \$31,286, respectively, and are equal to the required contributions for each year.



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### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' MANAGEMENT LETTER

The Honorable Mark Andersen Bay County Supervisor of Elections Bay County, Florida

We have audited the special-purpose financial statements of the Bay County Supervisor of Elections as of and for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2007, and have issued our report thereon dated March 31, 2008.

We conducted our audit in accordance with United States generally accepted auditing standards, and *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. We have issued our Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*. Disclosures in that report, which is dated March 31, 2008, should be considered in conjunction with this management letter.

Additionally, our audit was conducted in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General, which govern the conduct of local government entity audits performed in the State of Florida and require that certain items be addressed in this letter.

The Rules of the Auditor General (Section 10.554(1)(i)1.) require that we address in the management letter, if not already addressed in the auditors' reports on compliance and internal controls or schedule of findings and questioned costs, whether or not corrective actions have been taken to address significant findings and recommendations made in the preceding annual financial audit report. There were no findings or recommendations made in the preceding annual financial audit report.

As required by the Rules of the Auditor General (Section 10.554(1)(i)2.), the scope of our audit included a review of the provisions of Section 218.415., Florida Statutes, regarding the investment of public funds. In connection with our audit, we determined that the Bay County Supervisor of Elections complied with Section 218.415, Florida Statutes.

The Rules of the Auditor General (Section 10.554(1)(i)3.) require that we address in the management letter any findings and recommendations to improve financial management, accounting procedures, and internal controls. In connection with our audit, we did not have any such findings.

The Honorable Mark Andersen Bay County Supervisor of Elections Page Two

The Rules of the Auditor General (Section 10.554(1)(i)4.) require that we address violations of provisions of contracts and grant agreements or abuse that have an effect on the financial statements that is less than material but more than inconsequential. In connection with our audit, we did not have any such findings.

The Rules of the Auditor General (Section 10.554(1)(i)5.) requires, based on professional judgment, the reporting of the following matters that are inconsequential to the financial statements, considering both quantitative and qualitative factors: (1) violations of laws, rules, regulations, and contractual provisions or abuse that have occurred, or were likely to have occurred and would have an immaterial effect on the financial statements; (2) improper expenditures or illegal acts that would have an immaterial effect on the financial statements; and (3) control deficiencies that are not significant deficiencies, including, but not limited to; (a) improper or inadequate accounting procedures (e.g., the omission of required disclosures from the financial statements); (b) failures to properly record financial transactions; and (c) other inaccuracies, shortages, defalcations, and instances of fraud discovered by, or that come to the attention of, the auditor. Our audit disclosed no matters pursuant to Section 10.554(1)(i)5., Rules of the Auditor General.

The Rules of the Auditor General (Section 10.554(1)(i)6.) also require that the name or official title and legal authority for the primary government and each component unit of the reporting entity be disclosed in the management letter, unless disclosed in the notes to the financial statements. The Bay County Supervisor of Elections was established by the Constitution of the State of Florida, Article VIII, Section 1(d). The Bay County Supervisor of Elections has no component units.

This management letter is intended solely for the information of the Bay County Supervisor of Elections, management, the Bay County Board of County Commissioners, the State of Florida Office of the Auditor General, and appropriate federal and state awarding agencies and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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Panama City, Florida March 31, 2008



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

The Honorable Mark Andersen Bay County Supervisor of Elections Bay County, Florida

We have audited the special-purpose financial statements of the Bay County Supervisor of Elections as of and for the year ended September 30, 2007, and have issued our report thereon dated March 31, 2008. 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. Our report on the financial statements included a paragraph explaining that the Supervisor of Elections is an integral part of Bay County, the primary government for financial reporting purposes.

#### Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Bay County Supervisor of Elections' internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the special-purpose financial statements but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Supervisor of Elections' internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Supervisor of Elections' internal control over financial reporting.

A control deficiency 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 significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the Supervisor of Elections' ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with general accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the Supervisor of Elections' financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the Supervisor of Elections' internal control. The Honorable Mark Andersen Bay County Supervisor of Elections Page Two

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by the Supervisor of Elections' internal control.

Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. As defined above, we noted no deficiencies involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses.

### Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Bay County Supervisor of Elections' special-purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of his compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Bay County Supervisor of Elections, management, the Board of County Commissioners, and appropriate federal and state agencies and pass-through entities, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Can, Rigge & Ingram, L.L.C.

Panama City, Florida March 31, 2008

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

The Honorable Harold Bazzel Bay County Clerk of Circuit Court Bay County, Florida

We have audited the accompanying special-purpose financial statements of the Bay County Clerk of Circuit Court as of and for the year ended September 30, 2007, as listed in the table of contents. These special-purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the Bay County Clerk of Circuit Court's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As discussed in Note 1, the special-purpose financial statements referred to above have been prepared for the purpose of complying with, and on the basis of, accounting practices specified by the Rules of the State of Florida Office of, the Auditor General, and are not intended to be a complete presentation under Government Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 34, *Basic Financial Statements – Management's Discussion and Analysis – for State and Local Governments.* Additionally, the special-purpose financial statements present only the Clerk and are not intended to present fairly the financial position and changes in financial position of Bay County, Florida, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States.

In our opinion, the special-purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Clerk as of September 30, 2007, and the results of his operations for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The Honorable Harold Bazzel Bay County Clerk of Circuit Court Page Two

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued a report dated March 31, 2008 on our consideration of the Bay County Clerk of Circuit Court's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of his compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, grants and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audit.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Bay County Clerk of Circuit Court, management, the Board of County Commissioners, and the State of Florida Office of the Auditor General, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Can, Riggs & Ingram, L.L.C.

Panama City, Florida March 31, 2008

#### Bay County Clerk of Circuit Court Special-Purpose Balance Sheet Governmental Funds September 30, 2007

	General Fund		Court Fund		Other Governmental Funds		Total Governmental Funds	
ASSETS								
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	894,911	\$	1,485,711	\$	2,167,419	\$	4,548,041
Accounts receivable, net		49,176		20,333		-		69,509
Prepaid expenses		-		-		22,000		22,000
Total assets	\$	944,087	\$	1,506,044	\$	2,189,419	\$	4,639,550
LIABILITIES								
Accounts payable and	<i>•</i>	150 0 44	<b>•</b>		<i><b></b></i>		<i><b></b></i>	150 100
accrued liabilities	\$	150,364	\$	263,185	\$	39,590	\$	453,139
Deferred revenue		10,114		-		-		10,114
Due to state-bond estreature		-		237,813		-		237,813
Due to other governments		783,609		1,005,046		-		1,788,655
Total liabilities		944,087		1,506,044		39,590		2,489,721
FUND BALANCE								
Unreserved		-		-		2,149,829		2,149,829
Total liabilities and fund balance	\$	944,087	\$	1,506,044	\$	2,189,419	\$	4,639,550

#### Bay County Clerk of Circuit Court Special-Purpose Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Governmental Funds Year Ended September 30, 2007

	General Fund Cou		Court Fund	Other Governmental Funds		Total Governmental Funds		
REVENUES								
Intergovernmental revenue	\$	211,549	\$	-	\$	-	\$	211,549
Charges for services		1,749,706		5,291,260		728,803		7,769,769
Miscellaneous		58,041		-		44,740		102,781
Total revenues		2,019,296		5,291,260		773,543		8,084,099
EXPENDITURES								
General government		2,345,140		4,286,214		534,201		7,165,555
Total expenditures		2,345,140		4,286,214		534,201		7,165,555
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over								
(under) expenditures		(325,844)		1,005,046		239,342		918,544
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)								
Budget appropriations from Board of								
County Commissioners		1,109,453		-		-		1,109,453
Reversion to Board of County								
Commissioners		(783,609)		-		-		(783,609)
Reversion to State of Florida		-		(1,005,046)		-		(1,005,046)
Total other financing sources (uses)		325,844		(1,005,046)		-		(679,202)
Net change in fund balance		-		-		239,342		239,342
Fund balance - beginning				-		1,910,487		1,910,487
Fund balance - ending	\$		\$	-	\$	2,149,829	\$	2,149,829

#### Bay County Clerk of Circuit Court Special-Purpose Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual General Fund Year Ended September 30, 2007

	Budgeted	Amounts		Variance with Final Budget -	
	Original	Final	Actual	Positive (Negative)	
REVENUES					
Intergovernmental revenue	\$ 211,000	\$ 211,000	\$ 211,549	\$ 549	
Charges for services	1,830,915	1,830,840	1,749,706	(81,134)	
Miscellaneous	35,600	35,600	58,041	22,441	
Total revenues	2,077,515	2,077,440	2,019,296	(58,144)	
EXPENDITURES					
General government	3,153,206	3,153,131	2,345,140	807,991	
Total expenditures	3,153,206	3,153,131	2,345,140	807,991	
Excess (deficiency) of revenues					
over (under) expenditures	(1,075,691)	(1,075,691)	(325,844)	749,847	
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</b>					
Budget appropriations from Board of					
County Commissioners	1,075,691	1,075,691	1,109,453	33,762	
Reversion to Board of County					
Commissioners			(783,609)	(783,609)	
Total other financing sources (uses)	1,075,691	1,075,691	325,844	(749,847)	
Net change in fund balance	-	-	-	-	
Fund balance - beginning		<u> </u>			
Fund balance - ending	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	<u>\$</u>	

#### Bay County Clerk of Circuit Court Special-Purpose Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual Court Fund Year Ended September 30, 2007

							Va	riance with
	Budgeted Amounts						Fir	nal Budget -
		Original		Final		Actual	Positive (Negative)	
REVENUES								
Charges for services	\$	4,655,133	\$	4,655,133	\$	5,291,260	\$	636,127
Total revenues		4,655,133		4,655,133		5,291,260		636,127
EXPENDITURES								
General government		4,655,133		4,655,133		4,286,214		368,919
Total expenditures		4,655,133		4,655,133		4,286,214		368,919
Excess of revenues								
over expenditures		-		-		1,005,046		1,005,046
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	1							
Reversion to State of Florida		-		-		(1,005,046)		(1,005,046)
Total other financing sources (uses)		-		-		(1,005,046)		(1,005,046)
Net change in fund balance		-		-		-		-
Fund balance - beginning		-		-		-		-
Fund balance - ending	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-

## Bay County Clerk of Circuit Court Special-Purpose Statement of Fiduciary Net Assets Agency Funds September 30, 2007

ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents Total assets	\$ \$	4,237,577 4,237,577
<b>LIABILITIES</b> Accounts payable and accrued liabilities Due to other governments Total liabilities	\$	1,477,892 2,759,685 4,237,577

#### NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

<u>Reporting Entity</u> – The Bay County Clerk of Circuit Court (Clerk) is an integral part of Bay County, Florida and is an elected Constitutional Officer who is governed by state statutes and regulations. The financial statements of the Clerk are included in Bay County, Florida's basic financial statements. The Clerk operates on a fee and budgetary system. Under the fee system, the officer retains fees, commissions, and other revenue to pay all operating expenditures, including statutory compensation. Under the budgetary system appropriated funds are received from the Board of County Commissioners and any unexpended appropriations are remitted to the Board of County Commissioners after the end of the fiscal year.

The special-purpose financial statements presented include the General Fund of the Clerk's office. The accompanying special-purpose financial statements were prepared for the purpose of complying with Section 10.557, *Rules of the Auditor General for Local Government Entity Audits*, and are not intended to be a complete presentation of the financial position of the County, or the changes in financial position or cash flows, where applicable, thereof in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

<u>Basis of Presentation - Fund Accounting</u> – Accounts are organized on the basis of fund types each of which is considered to be a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund balance, revenues, and expenditures as appropriate. Government resources are allocated to and accounted for in individual funds based upon the purposes for which they are to be spent and the means by which spending activities are controlled. The following fund types are used by the Clerk:

#### Governmental Fund Types

<u>General Fund</u> – The General Fund is the general operating fund of the Clerk. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in other funds.

<u>Special Revenue Funds</u> – Special revenue funds are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources (other than expendable trusts or major capital projects) that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes.

#### Fiduciary Fund Type

<u>Agency Funds</u> –Agency funds are used to account for assets held by the Clerk as an agent for individuals, private organizations, other governments, or other funds. Agency funds are custodial in nature (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve measurement of the results of operations.

#### NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

<u>Basis of Accounting</u> – The accounting and financial reporting treatment applied to a fund is determined by its measurement focus. All governmental funds are accounted for using a current financial resources measurement focus. This means that only current assets and current liabilities generally are included on the balance sheet. Fund balance (net current assets) is considered a measurement of "available spendable resources." Governmental fund operating statements present increases (revenues and other financing sources) and decreases (expenditures and other financing uses) in net current assets. Accordingly, they present a summary of sources and uses of "available spendable resources" during a period.

Basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenditures are recognized in the accounts and reported in the special-purpose financial statements. Accordingly, it relates to the timing of the measurements made, regardless of the measurement focus applied.

All governmental fund types and agency funds are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenue is recognized in the accounting period in which it becomes both measurable and available to pay current liabilities. Expenditures are recognized in the accounting period in which the fund liability is incurred, if measurable, except for principal and interest on long-term obligations, which is recorded when due.

<u>Budgets</u> – The preparation, adoption, and amendment of the Clerk's budget is governed by Chapter 129, Florida Statutes. The budget is prepared and adopted on a basis of accounting consistent with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. Budgetary data presented in the accompanying special-purpose financial statements represents the final budgetary data in the final budgeted amounts column. In this column the effects of budget amendments have been applied to original budgetary data. All budget appropriations lapse at the end of the fiscal year.

<u>Cash and Cash Equivalents</u> – The Clerk considers all highly liquid investments with an original maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

<u>Accounts Receivable</u> – All receivables are reported at their gross value and, where appropriate, are reduced by the estimated portion that is expected to be uncollectible.

<u>Employee Leave Benefits</u> – It is the Clerk's policy to grant paid absences for vacation and sick leave. Employees are permitted to accumulate a limited amount of earned but unused vacation benefits which will be paid to employees in good standing upon termination. A portion of accrued sick leave is paid to employees who terminate based on length of service with the Clerk's office. Employees who have ten to fifteen years of service will receive 60% of accrued sick leave upon termination, employees with fifteen to twenty years of service will receive 80% of accrued sick leave, and employees with more than twenty years of service will receive 100% of their accrued sick leave balance up to a maximum of 240 hours.

#### NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Governmental fund types accrue benefits in the period they are earned; however, only the current portion of the accrued benefits is recorded in the governmental fund types. The long-term portion is recorded in the long-term liabilities of the Board of County Commissioners.

<u>Capital Assets</u> – Capital assets of the Clerk are accounted for by the Board of County Commissioners and are included in the Board's basic financial statements. Under Florida law, the Board holds legal title and is accountable for these assets.

<u>Estimates</u> – The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ significantly from these estimates.

#### NOTE 2 – DEPOSITS

<u>Custodial Risk</u> – All cash resources of the Clerk are placed in banks that qualify as public depositories, as required by law (Florida Security for Public Deposits Act). Every qualified public depository is required by this law to deposit with the State Treasurer eligible collateral equal to, or in excess of, an amount to be determined by the State Treasurer. The State Treasurer is required to ensure that the Clerk's funds are entirely collateralized throughout the fiscal year. In the event of failure by a qualified public depository, losses, in excess of federal depository insurance and proceeds from the sale of the securities pledged by the defaulting depository in default. When other qualified public depositories are assessed additional amounts, they are assessed on a pro-rata basis.

At September 30, 2007, the Clerk has pooled funds in the amount of \$87,802 on deposit in a "2a-7" like pool, with the Florida State Board of Administration Local Government Surplus Funds Trust Fund which are stated at amortized cost. The fair value of the Clerk's position in the pool is the same as the value of the pool shares (account balance at amortized cost). The pool is not a registrant with the Securities and Exchange Commission; regulatory oversight of the Pool is governed by Ch.19-7 of the Florida Administrative Code which identifies the Rules of the Pool, and the operating procedures adopted by the Pool which are consistent with the requirements for a "2a-7" like fund. In addition, the State of Florida Office of the Auditor General performs the operational audit of the activities and investments of the Pool.

#### NOTE 3 – ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

At September 30, 2007, accounts receivable is summarized as follows:

Total accounts receivable	\$69,509
Less: allowance for doubtful accounts	
Accounts receivable, net	<u>\$69,509</u>

The Clerk considers all amounts collectible, therefore there is no provision for doubtful accounts at September 30, 2007.

#### NOTE 4 – DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN

<u>Plan Description</u> – The Clerk contributes to the Florida Retirement System (System), a cost sharing, multiple-employer defined pension plan administered by the State of Florida, Department of Administration, Division of Retirement. The System provides retirement, disability benefits, and death benefits to plan members or their designated beneficiaries. Chapter 121, Florida Statutes, establishes the authority for participant eligibility, contribution requirements, vesting eligibility and benefit provisions. Chapter 121 of the Florida Statutes assigns the authority to establish and amend benefit provisions to the Florida Retirement System. However, Article X, Section 14 of the State of Florida Constitution and Part VII, Chapter 112 of the Florida Statutes require that any increase in retirement benefits must be funded concurrently on an actuarially sound basis. The Florida Retirement System issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the System. That report may be obtained by writing to the State of Florida Division of Retirement, 1317 Winewood Boulevard, Building 8, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-6570 or by calling 850-414-6346.

<u>Funding Policy</u> – The System provides vesting of benefits after six years of creditable service. Members are eligible for normal retirement after six years of service and attaining age sixty-two, or thirty years of service regardless of age. Early retirement may be taken any time after completing six years of service; however, there is a five-percent benefit reduction for each year prior to normal retirement. Generally, membership is compulsory for all full-time and part-time employees, except for elected county officials who may elect not to participate in the System. Retirement coverage is employee noncontributory. Rates effective for the fiscal year are 9.85% and 16.53% for regular employees and elected county officials, respectively. The rate for eligible employees who elected to participate in the Deferred Retirement Option Program (DROP) was 10.91%. The Clerk's contributions for the years ended September 30, 2007, 2006 and 2005 were \$392,640, \$303,877 and \$250,700, respectively, and all are equal to the required contributions for each year.

#### NOTE 5 – COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

The Clerk leased office and parking space for a one year period ended September 30, 2007, which represented the last year in the three year lease period. A new 36 month lease agreement was entered into on October 1, 2007. This lease includes an annual escalation clause with the increase based on the Bureau of Labor Statistic's Consumer Price Index for All Consumers. The future minimum rental payments, as determined by the base rental payment under this operating lease, are as follows:

Year Ending		
September 30,		
2008	\$ 40,94	44
2009	40,94	44
2010	40,94	44
Total	<u>\$ 122,83</u>	32

Rental and lease expense for the year ended September 30, 2007 totaled \$87,288.

#### <u>NOTE 6 – SUBSEQUENT EVENT</u>

As discussed in note 2, at September 30, 2007, the Clerk had \$87,802 invested in the State Board of Administration's Local Government Surplus Funds Trust Fund Investment Pool (Pool). On November 29, 2007, the State Board of Administration implemented a temporary freeze on the assets held in the Pool due to an unprecedented amount of withdrawals from the Fund coupled with the absence of market liquidity for certain securities in the Pool. The significant amount of withdrawals followed reports that the Pool held asset-backed commercial paper that was subject to subprime mortgage risk. On December 4, 2007, based on recommendations from an outside financial advisor, the State Board of Administration restructured the Pool into two separate pools. Pool A consisted of all money market appropriate assets, which was approximately \$12 billion or 86% of Pool assets. Pool B consisted of all assets that defaulted on a payment, paid more slowly than expected, and/or had any significant credit and liquidity risk, which was approximately \$2 billion or 14% of Pool assets. At the time of the restructuring, all current Pool participants had their existing balances proportionately allocated into Pool A and Pool B.

Currently, Pool A participants may withdraw 37% of their balance or \$4 million, whichever is greater without penalty. Withdrawals from Pool A in excess of the above limit are subject to a 2% redemption fee. New investments in Pool A are not subject to the redemption fee or withdrawal restrictions. Future withdrawal provisions from Pool A will be subject to further evaluation based on the maturities of existing investments and the liquidity requirements of the Pool. On December 21, 2007, Standard and Poor's Ratings Service assigned its "AAAM" principal stability fund rating to Pool A.

#### NOTE 6 - SUBSEQUENT EVENT (Continued)

Currently, Pool B participants are prohibited from withdrawing any amount from the Pool. However, cash holdings are being distributed to participants as they become available from maturities and sales as well as received income. Market valuations of the assets held in Pool B are not readily available. In addition, full realization of the principal value of Pool B assets is not readily determinable. On December 5, 2007, the Clerk had \$75,531 and \$12,690 invested in Pool A and Pool B, respectively. Additional information regarding the Local Government Surplus Funds Trust Fund may be obtained from the State Board of Administration.

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NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

#### Bay County Clerk of Circuit Court Combining Balance Sheet Nonmajor Governmental Funds September 30, 2007

	10/6/3	Family Mediation	Records Modernization - Records	Records Modernization - Court	Total
ASSETS					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 448,733	\$ 44,691	\$ 855,663	\$ 818,332	\$ 2,167,419
Prepaid expenses	-	-	22,000	-	22,000
Total assets	\$ 448,733	\$ 44,691	\$ 877,663	\$ 818,332	\$ 2,189,419
<b>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE</b> Liabilities Accounts payable and accrued liabilities Total liabilities	<u>\$ 17,987</u> 17,987	\$ 1,900 1,900	\$ 19,703 19,703	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$ 39,590</u> <u>39,590</u>
Fund balance Unreserved Total fund balance Total liabilities and fund balance	430,746 430,746 \$ 448,733	42,791 42,791 \$ 44,691	857,960 857,960 \$ 877,663	818,332 818,332 \$ 818,332	2,149,829 2,149,829 \$ 2,189,419

#### Bay County Clerk of Circuit Court Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance Nonmajor Governmental Funds Year Ended September 30, 2007

	10/6/3	Family Mediation	Records Modernization - Records	Records Modernization - Court	Total	
REVENUES						
Charges for services	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 551,733	\$ 177,070	\$ 728,803	
Miscellaneous	21,455	471	13,809	9,005	44,740	
Total revenues	21,455	471	565,542	186,075	773,543	
EXPENDITURES Current General government Total expenditures	79,704 79,704	4,775	<u> </u>	<u>92,779</u> 92,779	<u>534,201</u> 534,201	
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over						
(under) expenditures	(58,249)	(4,304)	208,599	93,296	239,342	
Fund balance - beginning	488,995	47,095	649,361	725,036	1,910,487	
Fund balance - ending	\$ 430,746	\$ 42,791	\$ 857,960	\$ 818,332	\$ 2,149,829	

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## AGENCY FUNDS

#### Bay County Clerk of Circuit Court Combining Statement of Changes in Assets and Liabilities All Agency Funds Year Ended September 30, 2007

	Balance September 30, 2006	Additions	Deductions	Balance September 30, 2007
FINES AND FORFEITURES ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents Total assets	\$ 1,630,891 \$ 1,630,891	\$38,915,890 \$38,915,890	\$38,728,536 \$38,728,536	\$ 1,818,245 \$ 1,818,245
LIABILITIES				
Due to other governments Total liabilities	\$ 1,630,891 \$ 1,630,891	\$38,915,890 \$38,915,890	\$38,728,536 \$38,728,536	\$ 1,818,245 \$ 1,818,245
JURY AND WITNESS ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents Total assets	\$ 20,623 \$ 20,623	\$ 117,252 \$ 117,252	\$ 100,419 \$ 100,419	\$ 37,456 \$ 37,456
LIABILITIES				
Due to other governments Total liabilities	\$ 20,623 \$ 20,623	\$ 117,252 \$ 117,252	\$ 100,419 \$ 100,419	\$ 37,456 \$ 37,456
TAX DEED ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 90,846	\$ 186,553	\$ 176,696	\$ 100,703
Total assets	\$ 90,846	\$ 186,553	\$ 176,696	\$ 100,703
LIABILITIES Accounts payable and				
Accrued liabilities	\$ 90,846	\$ 186,553	\$ 176,696	\$ 100,703
Total liabilities	\$ 90,846	\$ 186,553	\$ 176,696	\$ 100,703

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## Bay County Clerk of Circuit Court

Combining Statement of Changes in Assets and Liabilities All Agency Funds (Continued) Year Ended September 30, 2007

Balance

September 30, September 30, 2006 2007 Additions Deductions SUPPORT ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents \$ 4.410 \$ 883,475 \$ 883.625 \$ 4.260 Total assets \$ 4,410 \$ 883,475 \$ 883,625 \$ 4,260 LIABILITIES Accounts payable and accrued liabilities \$ 4,410 \$ 883,475 \$ 883,625 \$ 4,260 Total liabilities \$ 4,410 \$ 883,475 \$ 883,625 \$ 4,260 COURT REGISTRY ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents \$ 1,596,271 \$ 19,612,397 \$ 19,842,928 \$ 1,365,740 Total assets 1,596,271 \$ 19,612,397 \$ 19,842,928 \$ 1,365,740 \$ LIABILITIES Accounts payable and accrued liabilities 1,596,271 \$ 19,612,397 \$ 19,842,928 \$ 1,365,740 \$ 19,842,928 Total liabilities 1,596,271 \$ 19,612,397 \$ \$ 1,365,740 \$ **CASH BOND** ASSETS 903.984 Cash and cash equivalents \$ 726,755 \$ 1,630,979 \$ 1,453,750 \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ 903,984 726,755 1,630,979 1,453,750 Total assets LIABILITIES Due to other governments \$ 726,755 \$ 1,630,979 \$ 1,453,750 \$ 903,984 \$ \$ \$ Total liabilities 726,755 \$ 1,630,979 1,453,750 903,984

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Balance

## Bay County Clerk of Circuit Court

Combining Statement of Changes in Assets and Liabilities All Agency Funds (Continued)

Year Ended September 30, 2007

	Balance September 3 2006	0, Additions	Deductions	Balance September 30, 2007
RESTITUTION				
ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 3,592		\$ 248,632	\$ 7,189
Total assets	\$ 3,592	2 \$ 252,229	\$ 248,632	\$ 7,189
LIABILITIES				
Accounts payable and				
accrued liabilities	\$ 3,592	2 \$ 252,229	\$ 248,632	\$ 7,189
Total liabilities	\$ 3,592		\$ 248,632	\$ 7,189
TOTAL - ALL AGENCY FUNDS ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 4,073,388	8 \$ 61,598,774	\$ 61,434,585	\$ 4,237,577
Total assets	\$ 4,073,388		\$ 61,434,585	\$ 4,237,577
LIABILITIES Accounts payable and				
accrued liabilities	\$ 1,695,119	9 \$ 20,934,653	\$ 21,151,880	\$ 1,477,892
Due to other governments	2,378,269		40,282,705	2,759,685
Total liabilities	\$ 4,073,388		\$ 61,434,585	\$ 4,237,577



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## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' MANAGEMENT LETTER

The Honorable Harold Bazzel Bay County Clerk of Circuit Court Bay County, Florida

We have audited the special-purpose financial statements of the Bay County Clerk of Circuit Court as of and for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2007, and have issued our report thereon dated March 31, 2008.

We conducted our audit in accordance with United States generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. We have issued our Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*. Disclosures in that report, which is dated March 31, 2008, should be considered in conjunction with this management letter.

Additionally, our audit was conducted in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General, which govern the conduct of local governmental entity audits performed in the State of Florida and require that certain items be addressed in this letter.

The Rules of the Auditor General (Section 10.554(1)(i)1.) require that we address in the management letter, if not already addressed in the auditors' reports on compliance and internal controls or schedule of findings and questioned costs, whether or not corrective actions have been taken to address significant findings and recommendations made in the preceding annual financial audit report. There were no findings or recommendations made in the preceding annual financial audit report.

As required by the Rules of the Auditor General (Section 10.554(1)(i)2.), the scope of our audit included a review of the provisions of Section 218.415., Florida Statutes, regarding the investment of public funds. In connection with our audit, we determined that the Bay County Clerk of Circuit Court complied with Section 218.415, Florida Statutes.

The Rules of the Auditor General (Section 10.554(1)(i)3.) require that we address in the management letter any findings and recommendations to improve financial management, accounting procedures, and internal controls. In connection with our audit, we did not have any such findings.

The Honorable Harold Bazzel Bay County Clerk of Circuit Court Page Two

The Rules of the Auditor General (Section 10.554(1)(i)4.) require that we address violations of provisions of contracts and grant agreements or abuse that have an effect on the financial statements that is less than material but more than inconsequential. In connection with our audit, we did not have any such findings.

The Rules of the Auditor General (Section 10.554(1)(i)5.) requires, based on professional judgment, the reporting of the following matters that are inconsequential to the financial statements, considering both quantitative and qualitative factors: (1) violations of laws, rules, regulations, and contractual provisions or abuse that have occurred, or were likely to have occurred and would have an immaterial effect on the financial statements; (2) improper expenditures or illegal acts that would have an immaterial effect on the financial statements; and (3) control deficiencies that are not significant deficiencies, including, but not limited to; (a) improper or inadequate accounting procedures (e.g., the omission of required disclosures from the financial statements); (b) failures to properly record financial transactions; and (c) other inaccuracies, shortages, defalcations, and instances of fraud discovered by, or that come to the attention of, the auditor. Our audit disclosed no matters pursuant to Section 10.554(1)(i)5., Rules of the Auditor General.

The Rules of the Auditor General (Section 10.554(1)(i)6.) require that the name or official title and legal authority for the primary government and each component unit or the reporting entity be disclosed in the management letter, unless disclosed in the notes to the financial statements. The Bay County Clerk of Circuit Court was established by the Constitution of the State of Florida, Article VIII, Section 1(d). The Bay County Clerk of Circuit Court has no component units.

Section 10.554(1)(i)8., Rules of the Auditor General, requires a statement as to whether or not the Clerk of Court complied with Section 28.35, Florida Statutes, regarding the budget and performance standards certified by the Florida Clerk of Courts Operations Corporation. In connection with our audit, we determined that the Clerk complied with the budget and performance standards pursuant to Section 28.35, Florida Statutes.

This management letter is intended solely for the information of the Bay County Clerk of Circuit Court, management, the Bay County Board of County Commissioners, the State of Florida Office of the Auditor General, and appropriate federal and state agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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Panama City, Florida March 31, 2008



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

The Honorable Harold Bazzel Bay County Clerk of Circuit Court Bay County, Florida

We have audited the special-purpose financial statements of the Bay County Clerk of Circuit Court as of and for the year ended September 30, 2007, and have issued our report thereon dated March 31, 2008. 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. Our report on the financial statements included a paragraph explaining that the Clerk of the Circuit Court is an integral part of Bay County, the primary government for financial reporting purposes.

#### Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Bay County Clerk of Circuit Court's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the special-purpose financial statements but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Clerk of Circuit Court's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Clerk of Circuit Court's internal control over financial reporting.

A control deficiency 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 significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the Clerk of Circuit Court's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with general accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the Clerk of Circuit Court's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the Clerk of Circuit Court's internal control.

The Honorable Harold Bazzel Bay County Clerk of Circuit Court Page Two

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by the Clerk of Circuit Court's internal control.

Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. As defined above, we noted no deficiencies involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses.

## Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Bay County Clerk of Circuit Court's special-purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of his compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Bay County Clerk of Circuit Court, management, the Board of County Commissioners, and appropriate federal and state agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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Panama City, Florida March 31, 2008

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

The Honorable Zane Spitzer Bay County Property Appraiser Bay County, Florida

We have audited the accompanying special-purpose financial statements of the Bay County Property Appraiser as of and for the year ended September 30, 2007, as listed in the table of contents. These special-purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the Property Appraiser's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the special-purpose financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As discussed in Note 1, the special-purpose financial statements referred to above have been prepared for the purpose of complying with, and on the basis of, accounting practices specified by the Rules of the State of Florida Office of the Auditor General, and are not intended to be a complete presentation under Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 34, *Basic Financial Statements - and Management's Discussion and Analysis - for State and Local Governments.* Additionally, the special-purpose financial statements present only the Property Appraiser and are not intended to present fairly the financial position and changes in financial position of Bay County, Florida, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States.

In our opinion, the special-purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Bay County Property Appraiser as of September 30, 2007, and the results of his operations for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The Honorable Zane Spitzer Bay County Property Appraiser Page Two

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued a report dated March 31, 2008 on our consideration of the Bay County Property Appraiser's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of his compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, grants and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audit.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Bay County Property Appraiser, management, the Board of County Commissioners, and the State of Florida Office of the Auditor General, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Can, Rigge & Ingram, L.L.C.

Panama City, Florida March 31, 2008

## Bay County Property Appraiser Special-Purpose Balance Sheet Governmental Fund September 30, 2007

	General Fund	
ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents	\$	7,731
Total assets	\$	7,731
LIABILITIES Accounts payable and accrued liabilities Due to other governments Total liabilities	\$	5,876 1,855 7,731
FUND BALANCE Unreserved		
Total liabilities and fund balance	\$	7,731

## Bay County Property Appraiser Special-Purpose Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance Governmental Fund Year Ended September 30, 2007

	Ge	neral Fund
REVENUES		
Charges for services	\$	36,020
Interest income		14,755
Total revenues		50,775
EXPENDITURES		
Current		
General government		2,359,958
Debt service		
Principal retirement		37,233
Interest and fiscal charges		7,483
Total expenditures		2,404,674
Excess (deficit) of expenditures over (under) revenues		(2,353,899)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)		
Budget appropriations from Board		
of County Commissioners		2,355,754
Reversion to Board of County Commissioners		(1,855)
Total other financing sources (uses)		2,353,899
Net change in fund balance		-
Fund balance - beginning		-
Fund balance - ending	\$	

#### Bay County Property Appraiser Special-Purpose Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual General Fund Year Ended September 30, 2007

	Budgetee	d Amounts		Variance with Final Budget -	
	Original Final		Actual	Positive (Negative)	
REVENUES					
Charges for services	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 36,020	\$ 36,020	
Interest income	ψ -	φ -	<sup>\$</sup> 30,020 14,755	<sup>\$</sup> 50,020 14,755	
Total revenues	-		50,775	50,775	
EXPENDITURES					
Current					
General government	2,340,614	2,311,038	2,359,958	(48,920)	
Debt service					
Principal retirement	37,233	37,233	37,233	-	
Interest and fiscal charges	7,483	7,483	7,483	-	
Total expenditures	2,385,330	2,355,754	2,404,674	(48,920)	
Excess (deficit) of expenditures over (under) revenues	(2,385,330)	(2,355,754)	(2,353,899)	1,855	
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)					
Budget appropriations from Board					
of County Commissioners	2,385,330	2,355,754	2,355,754	-	
Reversion to Board of County Commissioners	-	-	(1,855)	(1,855)	
Total other financing sources (uses)	2,385,330	2,355,754	2,353,899	(1,855)	
Net change in fund balance	-	-	-	-	
Fund balance - beginning					
Fund balance - ending	\$-	\$	\$-	\$-	

### NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

<u>Reporting Entity</u> – The Bay County Property Appraiser is an integral part of Bay County, Florida and is an elected Constitutional Officer who is governed by state statutes and regulations. The financial statements of the Property Appraiser are included in Bay County, Florida's basic financial statements. The Property Appraiser operates on a budgetary system, whereby appropriated funds are received from the Board of County Commissioners and any unexpended appropriations are remitted to the Board of County Commissioners after the end of the fiscal year.

The special-purpose financial statements presented include the General Fund of the Property Appraiser's office. The accompanying special-purpose financial statements were prepared for the purpose of complying with Section 10.557, *Rules of the Auditor General for Local Government Entity Audits*, and are not intended to be a complete presentation of the financial position of the County, or the changes in financial position or cash flows, where applicable, thereof in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

<u>Basis of Presentation - Fund Accounting</u> – Accounts are organized on the basis of fund types, each of which is considered a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund balance, revenues, and expenditures as appropriate. Government resources are allocated to and accounted for in individual funds based upon the purposes for which they are to be spent and the means by which spending activities are controlled. The following fund type is used by the Property Appraiser:

#### Governmental Fund Type

<u>General Fund</u> – The General Fund is the general operating fund of the Property Appraiser. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

<u>Basis of Accounting</u> – The accounting and financial reporting treatment applied to a fund is determined by its measurement focus. All governmental funds are accounted for using a current financial resources measurement focus. This means that only current assets and current liabilities generally are included on the balance sheet. Fund balance (net current assets) is considered a measurement of "available spendable resources." Governmental fund operating statements present increases (revenues and other financing sources) and decreases (expenditures and other financing uses) in net current assets. Accordingly, they present a summary of sources and uses of "available spendable resources" during a period.

Basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenditures are recognized in the accounts and reported in the special-purpose financial statements. Accordingly, it relates to the timing of the measurements made, regardless of the measurement focus applied.

## NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

All governmental funds are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenue is recognized in the accounting period in which it becomes both measurable and available to pay current liabilities. Expenditures are recognized in the accounting period in which the fund liability is incurred, if measurable, except for principal and interest on long-term obligations, which is recorded when due.

<u>Budgets</u> – Florida Statues, Chapter 195.087 governs the preparation, adoption and administration of the annual budget of the Property Appraiser. The budget and subsequent budget amendments of the Property Appraiser are submitted to the Florida Department of Revenue for approval. A copy of the budget is also provided to the Board. The budget is prepared and adopted on a basis of accounting consistent with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. Budgetary data presented in the accompanying special-purpose financial statements in the final budgeted amounts column represents the final budgetary data. In this column, the effects of budget amendments have been applied to original budgetary data. All budget appropriations lapse at the end of the fiscal year.

<u>Employee Leave Benefits</u> – Employee sick and vacation leave is not accumulated. Therefore, no corresponding accrual has been made in the accompanying special-purpose financial statements.

<u>Capital Assets</u> – Capital assets of the Property Appraiser are accounted for by the Board of County Commissioners and are included in the Board's basic financial statements. Under Florida law, the Board holds legal title and is accountable for these assets.

<u>Cash and Cash Equivalents</u> – The Property Appraiser considers all highly liquid investments with an original maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

<u>Estimates</u> – The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U. S. generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ significantly from these estimates.

#### NOTE 2 – DEPOSITS

<u>Custodial Risk</u> – All cash resources of the Property Appraiser are placed in banks that qualify as public depositories, as required by law (Florida Security for Public Deposits Act). Every qualified public depository is required by this law to deposit with the State Treasurer eligible collateral equal to, or in excess of, an amount to be determined by the State Treasurer. The State Treasurer is required to ensure that the Property Appraiser's funds are entirely collateralized throughout the fiscal year. In the event of failure by a qualified public depository, losses, in excess of federal depository insurance and proceeds from the sale of the securities pledged by the defaulting depository, are assessed against the other qualified

#### NOTE 2 – DEPOSITS (Continued)

public depositories of the same type as the depository in default. When other qualified public depositories are assessed additional amounts, they are assessed on a pro-rata basis.

#### NOTE 3 – LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

The following is a summary of changes in long-term liabilities for the year ended September 30, 2007:

	Balance September 30 2006		Deductions	Balance September 30, 2007
Capital Leases Payable	<u>\$ 139,557</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$ 37,233</u>	<u>\$ 102,324</u>

Capital leases payable consists of lease purchase agreements on vehicles and equipment. The leased vehicles and equipment are capitalized at the present value of the minimum lease payments in the capital assets of the Bay County Board of County Commissioners. The related obligations are accounted for in the County's long-term liabilities.

The total cost of vehicles and equipment purchased under lease purchases is \$264,080. Total principal maturities are as follows:

Year Ended September 30,	
2008	\$ 38,389
2009	39,726
2010	29,583
2011	 3,606
Total	111,304
Less: amount representing interest	 (8,980)
Total	\$ 102,324

#### NOTE 4 – DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN

<u>Plan Description</u> – The Bay County Property Appraiser contributes to the Florida Retirement System (System), a cost sharing, multiple-employer defined pension plan administered by the State of Florida Department of Administration, Division of Retirement. The System provides retirement, disability benefits, and death benefits to plan members or their designated beneficiaries. Chapter 121, Florida Statutes, establishes the authority for participant eligibility, contribution requirements, vesting eligibility and benefit provisions.

#### NOTE 4 – DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (Continued)

Chapter 121 of the Florida Statutes assigns the authority to establish and amend benefit provisions to the Florida Retirement System. However, Article X, Section 14 of the State of Florida Constitution and Part VII, Chapter 112 of the Florida Statutes requires that any increase in retirement benefits must be funded concurrently on an actuarially sound basis. The Florida Retirement System issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the System. That report may be obtained by writing to the State of Florida Division of Retirement, 1317 Winewood Boulevard, Building 8, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-6570 or by calling 850-414-6346.

<u>Funding Policy</u> – The System provides vesting of benefits after six years of creditable service. Members are eligible for normal retirement after six years of service and attaining age sixty-two, or thirty years of service regardless of age. Early retirement may be taken any time after completing six years of service; however, there is a five-percent benefit reduction for each year prior to normal retirement. Generally, membership is compulsory for all full-time and part-time employees, except for elected county officials who may elect not to participate in the System. Retirement coverage is employee noncontributory. Rates effective for the fiscal year were 9.85% and 16.53% for regular employees and elected county officials, respectively. The rate for eligible employees who elected to participate in the Deferred Retirement Option Program (DROP) was 10.91% for the fiscal year. The Property Appraiser's contributions for the years ended September 30, 2007, 2006 and 2005 were \$161,909, \$139,229 and \$117,418, respectively, and are equal to the required contributions for each year.

## NOTE 5 – BUDGETARY DATA

The Property Appraiser had actual expenditures that exceeded budgeted amounts in the general fund during the year. These amounts were offset by excess revenues earned, and the net result was an excess of revenues over expenditures to be reverted to the Board of County Commissioners.

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' MANAGEMENT LETTER

The Honorable Zane Spitzer Bay County Property Appraiser Bay County, Florida

We have audited the special-purpose financial statements of the Bay County Property Appraiser as of and for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2007, and have issued our report thereon dated March 31, 2008.

We conducted our audit in accordance with United States generally accepted auditing standards, and *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. We have issued our Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*. Disclosures in that report, which is dated March 31, 2008, should be considered in conjunction with this management letter.

Additionally, our audit was conducted in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General, which govern the conduct of local governmental entity audits performed in the State of Florida and require that certain items be addressed in this letter.

The Rules of the Auditor General (Section 10.554(1)(i)1.) require that we address in the management letter, if not already addressed in the auditors' reports on compliance and internal controls or schedule of findings and questioned costs, whether or not corrective actions have been taken to address significant findings and recommendations made in the preceding annual financial audit report. There were no findings or recommendations made in the preceding annual financial audit report.

As required by the Rules of the Auditor General (Section 10.554(1)(i)2.), the scope of our audit included a review of the provisions of Section 218.415., Florida Statutes, regarding the investment of public funds. In connection with our audit, we determined that the Bay County Property Appraiser complied with Section 218.415, Florida Statutes.

The Rules of the Auditor General (Section 10.554(1)(i)3.) require that we address in the management letter any findings and recommendations to improve financial management, accounting procedures, and internal controls. In connection with our audit, we did not have any such findings.

The Honorable Zane Spitzer Bay County Property Appraiser Page Two

The Rules of the Auditor General (Section 10.554(1)(i)4.) require that we address violations of provisions of contracts and grant agreements or abuse that have an effect on the financial statements that is less than material but more than inconsequential. In connection with our audit, we did not have any such findings.

The Rules of the Auditor General (Section 10.554(1)(i)5.) requires, based on professional judgment, the reporting of the following matters that are inconsequential to the financial statements, considering both quantitative and qualitative factors: (1) violations of laws, rules, regulations, and contractual provisions or abuse that have occurred, or were likely to have occurred and would have an immaterial effect on the financial statements; (2) improper expenditures or illegal acts that would have an immaterial effect on the financial statements; and (3) control deficiencies that are not significant deficiencies, including, but not limited to; (a) improper or inadequate accounting procedures (e.g., the omission of required disclosures from the financial statements); (b) failures to properly record financial transactions; and (c) other inaccuracies, shortages, defalcations, and instances of fraud discovered by, or that come to the attention of, the auditor. During the current fiscal year, the Bay County Property Appraiser had the following instance of noncompliance which existed:

07-1. Section 193.023(2), Florida Statutes states:

In making his or her assessment of the value of real property, the property appraiser is required to physically inspect the property at least once every 5 years, and may review image technology, as the property appraiser deems necessary, to ensure that the tax roll meets all the requirements of law. However, the property appraiser shall physically inspect any parcel of taxable real property upon the request of the taxpayer or owner.

Current year audit procedures determined that there are five parcels of real property that have not been inspected physically within the last five years. We recommend that the Property Appraiser take the necessary actions to become compliant with Florida Statutes. The financial statements were not materially misstated as a result of this instance of noncompliance.

## Management's Response

Management has reviewed their procedures for assessing the value of property required by Florida Statutes, Section 193.023(2) and inspected the five parcels upon notification of the noncompliance. Management expects to be in compliance with this requirement in future years.

The Rules of the Auditor General (Section 10.554(1)(i)6.) require that the name or official title and legal authority for the primary government and each component unit or the reporting entity be disclosed in the management letter, unless disclosed in the notes to the financial statements. The

The Honorable Zane Spitzer Bay County Property Appraiser Page Three

Bay County Property Appraiser was established by the Constitution of the State of Florida, Article VIII, Section 1(d). The Bay County Property Appraiser has no component units.

This management letter is intended solely for the information of the Bay County Property Appraiser, management, the Bay County Board of County Commissioners, the State of Florida Office of the Auditor General, and appropriate federal and state awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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Panama City, Florida March 31, 2008

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

The Honorable Zane Spitzer Bay County Property Appraiser Bay County, Florida

We have audited the special-purpose financial statements of the Bay County Property Appraiser as of and for the year ended September 30, 2007, and have issued our report thereon dated March 31, 2008. 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. Our report on the financial statements included a paragraph explaining that the Property Appraiser is an integral part of Bay County, the primary government for financial reporting purposes.

#### Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Bay County Property Appraiser's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the special-purpose financial statements but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Property Appraiser's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Property Appraiser's internal control over financial reporting.

A control deficiency 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 significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affect the Property Appraiser's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the Property Appraiser's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the Property Appraiser's internal control.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by the Property Appraiser's internal control.

The Honorable Zane Spitzer Bay County Property Appraiser Page Two

Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. As defined above, we noted no deficiencies involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses.

## **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Bay County Property Appraiser's special-purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of his compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*. However, we noted certain matters that we have reported to the Property Appraiser's management in a separate letter dated March 31, 2008.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Bay County Property Appraiser, management, the Board of County Commissioners, and appropriate federal and state awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Can, Rigge & Ingram, L.L.C.

Panama City, Florida March 31, 2008

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

The Honorable Peggy Brannon Bay County Tax Collector Bay County, Florida

We have audited the accompanying special-purpose financial statements of the Bay County Tax Collector as of and for the year ended September 30, 2007 as listed in the table of contents. These special-purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the Tax Collector's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the special-purpose financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As discussed in Note 1, the special-purpose financial statements referred to above have been prepared for the purpose of complying with, and on the basis of, accounting practices specified by the Rules of the State of Florida Office of the Auditor General, and are not intended to be a complete presentation under Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 34, *Basic Financial Statements - and Management's Discussion and Analysis - for State and Local Governments*. Additionally, the special-purpose financial statements present only the Tax Collector and are not intended to present fairly the financial position and changes in financial position of Bay County, Florida, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States.

In our opinion, the special-purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Tax Collector as of September 30, 2007, and the results of her operations for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The Honorable Peggy Brannon Bay County Tax Collector Page Two

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued a report dated March 31, 2008 on our consideration of the Bay County Tax Collector's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of her compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audit.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Bay County Tax Collector, management, the Board of County Commissioners, and the State of Florida Office of the Auditor General, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Can, Rigge & Ingram, L.L.C.

Panama City, Florida March 31, 2008

#### Bay County Tax Collector Special-Purpose Balance Sheet Governmental Fund September 30, 2007

	General Fund	
ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents	\$	3,297,477
	ψ	3,297,477
Total assets	\$	3,297,477
LIABILITIES	\$	2 207 477
Due to other governments Total liabilities	φ	3,297,477 3,297,477
FUND BALANCE Unreserved		
Total liabilities and fund balance	\$	3,297,477

#### Bay County Tax Collector Special-Purpose Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance Governmental Fund Year Ended September 30, 2007

	General Fund
REVENUES	
Charges for services	\$ 1,832,483
Total revenues	1,832,483
EXPENDITURES	
Current	
General government	2,463,364
Total expenditures	2,463,364
Excess (deficit) of expenditures over (under) revenues	(630,881)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	
Budget appropriations from Board	
of County Commissioners	3,881,718
Reversion to Board of County Commissioners	(3,250,837)
Total other financing sources (uses)	630,881
Net change in fund balance	-
Fund balance - beginning	
Fund balance - ending	\$ -

#### Bay County Tax Collector Special-Purpose Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual General Fund Year Ended September 30, 2007

	Budgeted Amounts			Variance with Final Budget -	
	Original	Final	Actual	Positive (Negative	
REVENUES					
Charges for services	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,832,483	\$ 1,832,483	
Total revenues	-		1,832,483	1,832,483	
EXPENDITURES					
Current					
General government	2,505,360	2,505,360	2,463,364	41,996	
Total expenditures	2,505,360	2,505,360	2,463,364	41,996	
Excess (deficit) of expenditures over (under) revenues	(2,505,360)	(2,505,360)	(630,881)	1,874,479	
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)					
Budget appropriations from Board					
of County Commissioners	2,505,360	2,505,360	3,881,718	1,376,358	
Reversion to Board of County Commissioners			(3,250,837)	(3,250,837)	
Total other financing sources (uses)	2,505,360	2,505,360	630,881	(1,874,479)	
Net change in fund balance	-	-	-	-	
Fund balance - beginning					
Fund balance - ending	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$-	

#### Bay County Tax Collector Special-Purpose Statement of Fiduciary Net Assets Agency Funds September 30, 2007

ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents Accounts receivable, net Total assets	\$ 1,926,903 13,430 1,940,333
<b>LIABILITIES</b> Bank overdraft Due to other governments Due to others Total liabilities	\$ 13,430 1,924,189 2,714 1,940,333

### NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

<u>Reporting Entity</u> – The Bay County Tax Collector is an integral part of Bay County, Florida and is an elected Constitutional Officer who is governed by state statutes and regulations. The financial statements of the Tax Collector are included in Bay County, Florida's basic financial statements. The Tax Collector operates on a budgetary and fee system. Under the fee system, the officer retains fees, commissions, and other revenue to pay all operating expenditures, including statutory compensation. Under the budgetary system, appropriated funds are received from the Board of County Commissioners and any unexpended appropriations are remitted to the Board of County Commissioners after the end of the fiscal year.

The special-purpose financial statements presented include the General Fund of the Tax Collector's office. The accompanying special-purpose financial statements were prepared for the purpose of complying with Section 10.557, *Rules of the Auditor General for Local Government Entity Audits*, and are not intended to be a complete presentation of the financial position of the County, or the changes in financial position or cash flows, where applicable, thereof in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

<u>Basis of Presentation - Fund Accounting</u> – Accounts are organized on the basis of fund types, each of which is considered a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund balance, revenues, and expenditures as appropriate. Government resources are allocated to and accounted for in individual funds based upon the purposes for which they are to be spent and the means by which spending activities are controlled. The following fund types are used by the Tax Collector:

#### Governmental Fund Type

<u>General Fund</u> – The General Fund is the general operating fund of the Tax Collector. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

#### Fiduciary Fund Type

<u>Agency Funds</u> – Agency funds are used to account for assets held by the Tax Collector as an agent for individuals, private organizations, other governments, and other funds. Agency funds are custodial in nature (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve measurement of the results of operations.

### NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

<u>Basis of Accounting</u> – The accounting and financial reporting treatment applied to a fund is determined by its measurement focus. All governmental funds are accounted for using a current financial resources measurement focus. This means that only current assets and current liabilities generally are included on the balance sheet. Fund balance (net current assets) is considered a measurement of "available spendable resources." Governmental fund operating statements present increases (revenues and other financing sources) and decreases (expenditures and other financing uses) in net current assets. Accordingly, they present a summary of sources and uses of "available spendable resources" during a period.

Basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenditures are recognized in the accounts and reported in the special-purpose financial statements. Accordingly, it relates to the timing of the measurements made, regardless of the measurement focus applied.

All governmental fund types and agency funds are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenue is recognized in the accounting period in which it becomes both measurable and available to pay current liabilities. Expenditures are recognized in the accounting period in which the fund liability is incurred, if measurable, except for principal and interest on long-term obligations, which is recorded when due.

<u>Budgets</u> – The preparation, adoption, and amendment of the Tax Collector's budget is governed by Chapter 129, Florida Statutes. The budget is prepared and adopted on a basis of accounting consistent with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. Budgetary data presented in the accompanying special-purpose financial statements represent the original and final budgetary data. All budget appropriations lapse at the end of the fiscal year.

<u>Employee Leave Benefits</u> – Employee sick and vacation leave is not accumulated. Therefore, no accrual has been made in the accompanying special-purpose financial statements.

<u>Capital Assets</u> – Capital assets of the Tax Collector are accounted for by the Board of County Commissioners and are included in the Board's basic financial statements. Under Florida law, the Board holds legal title and is accountable for these assets.

<u>Cash and Cash Equivalents</u> – The Tax Collector considers all highly liquid investments with an original maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

<u>Accounts Receivable</u> – All receivables are reported at their gross value and, where appropriate, are reduced by the estimated portion that is expected to be uncollectible.

#### NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

<u>Money Market Investments</u> - The Tax Collector has adopted Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement 31, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Certain Investments and for External Investment Pools. GASB Statement 31 allows for money market investments that mature within one year of their acquisition date to be reported at amortized cost rather than fair value. A money market investment is defined as a short-term, highly liquid debt instrument, including commercial paper, banker's acceptances, and U.S. treasury and agency obligations. The Tax Collector's investments that qualify as money market investments under GASB Statement 31 are reported at amortized cost.

Estimates – The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ significantly from these estimates.

#### NOTE 2 – DEPOSITS

<u>Custodial Risk</u> – All cash resources of the Tax Collector are placed in banks that qualify as public depositories, as required by law (Florida Security for Public Deposits Act). Every qualified public depository is required by this law to deposit with the State Treasurer eligible collateral equal to, or in excess of, an amount to be determined by the State Treasurer. The State Treasurer is required by this law to ensure that the Tax Collector's funds are entirely collateralized throughout the fiscal year. In the event of failure by a qualified public depository, losses, in excess of federal depository insurance and proceeds from the sale of the securities pledged by the defaulting depository in default. When other qualified public depositories are assessed additional amounts, they are assessed on a pro-rata basis.

The Tax Collector is authorized to invest surplus funds in the investments allowed by Florida Statutes, Section 218.415. At September 30, 2007, the Tax Collector had pooled funds in the amount of \$3,151,983 on deposit in a 2a7-like pool, with the Florida State Board of Administration Local Government Surplus Funds Trust Fund which are stated at amortized cost. The fair value of the Tax Collector's position in the pool is the same as the value of the pool shares (account balance at amortized cost). The pool is not a registrant with the Securities and Exchange Commission; regulatory oversight of the Pool is governed by Ch.19-7 of the Florida Administrative Code which identifies the Rules of the Pool, and the operating procedures adopted by the Pool which are consistent with the requirements for a 2a7-like fund. In addition, the State of Florida Office of the Auditor General performs the operational audit of the activities and investments of the Pool.

#### NOTE 3 – ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

At September 30, 2007, accounts receivable in the agency funds is summarized as follows:

Total accounts receivable	\$13,430
Less: allowance for doubtful accounts	
Accounts receivable, net	<u>\$13,430</u>

The Tax Collector considers all amounts collectible, therefore there is no provision for doubtful accounts at September 30, 2007.

#### NOTE 4 – PROPERTY TAXES

Property tax revenue is recognized when levied to the extent that it results in current receivables. The property tax calendar is as follows:

Lien date	January 1
Levy date	October 1
Tax bills mailed	November 30
Payments due by	March 31
Delinquent date	April 1
Tax sales – delinquent property taxes	June 1

#### NOTE 5 – BANK OVERDRAFT

On September 30, 2007 the Tax Collector had a negative cash balance in an agency fund. This overdraft was due to returned checks deposited and satisfactory payments were not received. The checks are held or put on collection with the State Attorney's Office until paid. Also, there is a hold placed on the individual's ability to renew tags and licenses. They are required to pay the returned check before they are allowed to renew.

#### NOTE 6 – DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN

<u>Plan Description</u> – The Bay County Tax Collector contributes to the Florida Retirement System (System), a cost sharing, multiple-employer defined pension plan administered by the State of Florida, Department of Administration, Division of Retirement. The System provides retirement, disability benefits, and death benefits to plan members or their designated beneficiaries. Chapter 121, Florida Statutes, establishes the authority for participant eligibility, contribution requirements, vesting eligibility and benefit provisions. Chapter 121 of the Florida Statutes assigns the authority to establish and amend benefit provisions to the Florida Retirement System. However, Article X, Section 14 of the State of Florida Constitution and Part VII, Chapter 112 of the Florida Statutes require that any increase in retirement benefits must be funded concurrently on an actuarially sound basis.

#### NOTE 6 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (Continued)

The Florida Retirement System issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the System. That report may be obtained by writing to the State of Florida Division of Retirement, 1317 Winewood Boulevard, Building 8, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-6570 or by calling 850-414-6346.

<u>Funding Policy</u> – The System provides vesting of benefits after six years of creditable service. Members are eligible for normal retirement after six years of service and attaining age sixty-two, or thirty years of service regardless of age. Early retirement may be taken any time after completing six years of service; however, there is a five-percent benefit reduction for each year prior to normal retirement. Generally, membership is compulsory for all full-time and part-time employees, except for elected county officials who may elect not to participate in the System. Retirement coverage is employee noncontributory. Rates effective during the fiscal year were 9.85% and 16.53% for regular employees and elected county officials, respectively. The rate for eligible employees who elected to participate in the Deferred Retirement Option Program (DROP) was 10.91% throughout the fiscal year. The tax collector contributions for the years ended September 30, 2007, 2006 and 2005 were \$154,200, \$123,979 and \$106,403, respectively, and are equal to the required contributions for each year.

#### <u>NOTE 7 – SUBSEQUENT EVENT</u>

As discussed in Note 2, at September 30, 2007, the Tax Collector had \$3,151,983 invested in the State Board of Administration's Local Government Surplus Funds Trust Fund Investment Pool (Pool). On November 29, 2007, the State Board of Administration implemented a temporary freeze on the assets held in the Pool due to an unprecedented amount of withdrawals from the Fund coupled with the absence of market liquidity for certain securities in the Pool. The significant amount of withdrawals followed reports that the Pool held asset-backed commercial paper that was subject to subprime mortgage risk. On December 4, 2007, based on recommendations from an outside financial advisor, the State Board of Administration restructured the Pool into two separate pools. Pool A consisted of all money market appropriate assets, which was approximately \$12 billion or 86% of Pool assets. Pool B consisted of all assets that defaulted on a payment, paid more slowly than expected, and/or had any significant credit and liquidity risk, which was approximately \$2 billion or 14% of Pool assets. At the time of the restructuring, all current Pool participants had their existing balances proportionately allocated into Pool A and Pool B.

Currently, Pool A participants may withdraw 37% of their balance or \$4 million, whichever is greater without penalty. Withdrawals from Pool A in excess of the above limit are subject to a 2% redemption fee. New investments in Pool A are not subject to the redemption fee or

## NOTE 7 - SUBSEQUENT EVENT (Continued)

withdrawal restrictions. Future withdrawal provisions from Pool A will be subject to further evaluation based on the maturities of existing investments and the liquidity requirements of the Pool. On December 21, 2007, Standard and Poor's Ratings Service assigned its "AAAM" principal stability fund rating to Pool A.

Currently, Pool B participants are prohibited from withdrawing any amount from the Pool. However, cash holdings are being distributed to participants as they become available from maturities and sales as well as received income. Market valuations of the assets held in Pool B are not readily available. In addition, full realization of the principal value of Pool B assets is not readily determinable. On December 5, 2007, the Tax Collector had \$2,283,576 and \$383,665 invested in Pool A and Pool B, respectively. Additional information regarding the Local Government Surplus Funds Trust Fund may be obtained from the State Board of Administration.

## AGENCY FUNDS

## Bay County Tax Collector Combining Statement of Changes in Assets and Liabilities All Agency Funds Year Ended September 30, 2007

	Balance September 30, 2006	Additions	Deductions	Balance September 30, 2007
PROPERTY TAX FUND ASSETS				
	¢ 1.646.900	¢ 414 210 020	¢ 414.022.620	¢ 1.004.190
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,646,899	\$ 414,310,929	\$ 414,033,639	\$ 1,924,189
Total assets	\$ 1,646,899	\$ 414,310,929	\$ 414,033,639	\$ 1,924,189
LIABILITIES				
Due to other governments	\$ 1,646,899	\$ 414,310,929	\$ 414,033,639	\$ 1,924,189
Total liabilities	\$ 1,646,899	\$ 414,310,929	\$ 414,033,639	\$ 1,924,189
TAX CERTIFICATE FUND ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 128	\$ 7,582,514	\$ 7,579,928	\$ 2,714
Total assets	\$ 128	\$ 7,582,514	\$ 7,579,928	\$ 2,714
LIABILITIES				
Due to others	\$ 128	\$ 7,582,514	\$ 7,579,928	\$ 2,714
Total liabilities	\$ 128	\$ 7,582,514	\$ 7,579,928	\$ 2,714
TAG FUND ASSETS				
Accounts receivable, net	\$ 14,530	\$ 10,015	\$ 11,115	\$ 13,430
Total assets	\$ 14,530	\$ 10,015	\$ 11,115	\$ 13,430
LIABILITIES				
Bank overdraft	\$ 14,530	\$ (17,850,071)	\$ (17,848,971)	\$ 13,430
Due to other governments	-	17,860,086	17,860,086	-
Total liabilities	\$ 14,530	\$ 10,015	\$ 11,115	\$ 13,430

# Bay County Tax Collector Combining Statement of Changes in Assets and Liabilities All Agency Funds Year Ended September 30, 2007

	Balance September 30, 2006 Additions		Deductions	Balance September 30, 2007
TOTAL-ALL AGENCY FUNDS ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,647,027	\$ 421,893,443	\$ 421,613,567	\$ 1,926,903
Accounts receivable, net	14,530	10,015	11,115	13,430
Total assets	\$ 1,661,557	\$ 421,903,458	\$ 421,624,682	\$ 1,940,333
LIABILITIES				
Bank overdraft	\$ 14,530	\$ (17,850,071)	\$ (17,848,971)	\$ 13,430
Due to other governments	1,646,899	432,171,015	431,893,725	1,924,189
Due to others	128	7,582,514	7,579,928	2,714
Total liabilities	\$ 1,661,557	\$ 421,903,458	\$ 421,624,682	\$ 1,940,333

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# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' MANAGEMENT LETTER

The Honorable Peggy Brannon Bay County Tax Collector Bay County, Florida

We have audited the special-purpose financial statements of the Bay County Tax Collector as of and for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2007, and have issued our report thereon dated March 31, 2008.

We conducted our audit in accordance with United States generally accepted auditing standards, and *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. We have issued our Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*. Disclosures in that report, which is dated March 31, 2008, should be considered in conjunction with this management letter.

Additionally, our audit was conducted in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General, which govern the conduct of local governmental entity audits performed in the State of Florida and require that certain items be addressed in this letter.

The Rules of the Auditor General (Section 10.554(1)(i)1.) require that we address in the management letter, if not already addressed in the auditors' reports on compliance and internal controls or schedule of findings and questioned costs, whether or not corrective actions have been taken to address significant findings and recommendations made in the preceding annual financial audit report. There were no findings or recommendations made in the preceding annual financial audit report.

As required by the Rules of the Auditor General (Section 10.554(1)(i)2.), the scope of our audit included a review of the provisions of Section 218.415., Florida Statutes, regarding the investment of public funds. In connection with our audit, we determined that the Bay County Tax Collector complied with Section 218.415, Florida Statutes.

The Rules of the Auditor General (Section 10.554(1)(i)3.) require that we address in the management letter any findings and recommendations to improve financial management, accounting procedures, and internal controls. In connection with our audit, we did not have any such findings.

The Honorable Peggy Brannon Bay County Tax Collector Page Two

The Rules of the Auditor General (Section 10.554(1)(i)4.) require that we address violations of provisions of contracts and grant agreements or abuse that have an effect on the financial statements that is less than material but more than inconsequential. In connection with our audit, we did not have any such findings.

The Rules of the Auditor General (Section 10.554(1)(i)5.) requires, based on professional judgment, the reporting of the following matters that are inconsequential to the financial statements, considering both quantitative and qualitative factors: (1) violations of laws, rules, regulations, and contractual provisions or abuse that have occurred, or were likely to have occurred and would have an immaterial effect on the financial statements; (2) improper expenditures or illegal acts that would have an immaterial effect on the financial statements; and (3) control deficiencies that are not significant deficiencies, including, but not limited to; (a) improper or inadequate accounting procedures (e.g., the omission of required disclosures from the financial statements); (b) failures to properly record financial transactions; and (c) other inaccuracies, shortages, defalcations, and instances of fraud discovered by, or that come to the attention of, the auditor. Our audit disclosed no matters pursuant to Section 10.554(1)(i)5., Rules of the Auditor General.

The Rules of the Auditor General (Section 10.554(1)(i)6.) require that the name or official title and legal authority for the primary government and each component unit of the reporting entity be disclosed in the management letter, unless disclosed in the notes to the financial statements. The Bay County Tax Collector was established by the Constitution of the State of Florida, Article VIII, Section 1(d). The Bay County Tax Collector has no component units.

This management letter is intended solely for the information of the Bay County Tax Collector, management, the Bay County Board of County Commissioners, the State of Florida Office of the Auditor General, and appropriate federal and state awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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Panama City, Florida March 31, 2008



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

The Honorable Peggy Brannon Bay County Tax Collector Bay County, Florida

We have audited the special-purpose financial statements of the Bay County Tax Collector as of and for the year ended September 30, 2007, and have issued our report thereon dated March 31, 2008. 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. Our report on the financial statements included a paragraph explaining that the Tax Collector is an integral part of Bay County, the primary government for financial reporting purposes.

#### Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Bay County Tax Collector's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the special-purpose financial statements but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Tax Collector's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Tax Collector's internal control over financial reporting.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. However, as discussed below, we identified certain deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be significant deficiencies.

A control deficiency 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 significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the Tax Collector's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with general accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the Tax Collector's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the Tax Collector's internal control. We consider the following deficiency to be a significant deficiency in

The Honorable Peggy Brannon Bay County Tax Collector Page Two

internal control over financial reporting:

07-1. Certain types of adjustments were required that reflect corrections of material misstatements not initially identified in the Tax Collector's internal controls.

<u>Management's Response</u> Procedures are currently being implemented to identify and record these types of adjustments in the future.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by the Tax Collector's internal control.

Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies and, accordingly, would not necessarily disclose all significant deficiencies that are also considered to be material weaknesses. However, we believe that the significant deficiency described above is not a material weakness.

### Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Bay County Tax Collector's special-purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of her compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

We have included the Tax Collector's response to the finding identified in our audit above. We did not audit the Tax Collector's response and accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Bay County Tax Collector, management, the Board of County Commissioners, and appropriate federal and state awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Can, Rigger & Ingram, L.L.C.

Panama City, Florida March 31, 2008

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# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

The Honorable Frank McKeithen Bay County Sheriff Bay County, Florida

We have audited the accompanying special-purpose financial statements of the Bay County Sheriff as of and for the year ended September 30, 2007, as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Bay County Sheriff's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As discussed in Note 1, the special-purpose financial statements referred to above have been prepared for the purpose of complying with, and on the basis of accounting practices specified by the Rules of the State of Florida Office of the Auditor General, and are not intended to be a complete presentation under Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 34, *Basic Financial Statements - and Management's Discussion and Analysis - for State and Local Governments.* Additionally, the special-purpose financial statements present only the Sheriff and are not intended to present fairly the financial position and changes in financial position of Bay County, Florida, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States.

In our opinion, the special-purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Bay County Sheriff as of September 30, 2007, and the results of his operations for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The Honorable Frank McKeithen Bay County Sheriff Page Two

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued a report dated March 31, 2008 on our consideration of the Bay County Sheriff's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of his compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audit.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Bay County Sheriff, management, the Board of County Commissioners, and the State of Florida Office of the Auditor General, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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Panama City, Florida March 31, 2008

# Bay County Sheriff Special-Purpose Balance Sheet Governmental Funds September 30, 2007

	General Fund		Other Governmental Funds		Total Governmental Funds	
ASSETS						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	177,548	\$	520,218	\$	697,766
Accounts receivable, net		25,861				25,861
Total assets	\$	203,409	\$	520,218	\$	723,627
LIABILITIES						
Accounts payable and						
accrued liabilities	\$	87,324	\$	-	\$	87,324
Due to other governments		116,085		-		116,085
Total liabilities		203,409		-		203,409
FUND BALANCE						
Unreserved		-		520,218		520,218
Total liabilities and fund balance	\$	203,409	\$	520,218	\$	723,627

# Bay County Sheriff Special-Purpose Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Governmental Funds Year Ended September 30, 2007

		General Fund	Other Governmental Funds		Go	Total vernmental Funds
REVENUES						
Intergovernmental revenue	\$	222,193	\$	710,990	\$	933,183
Interest income		102,224		-		102,224
Miscellaneous		43,153		259		43,412
Total revenues		367,570		711,249		1,078,819
EXPENDITURES						
Current						
Public safety		19,847,831		248,798		20,096,629
Debt service						
Principal retirement		711,973		-		711,973
Interest		47,674		-		47,674
Total expenditures		20,607,478		248,798		20,856,276
Excess (deficiency) of revenues						
over (under) expenditures	(	(20,239,908)		462,451	(	19,777,457)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)						
Budget appropriations from						
Board of County Commissioners		19,672,617		-		19,672,617
Debt issuance		683,376		-		683,376
Reversion to Board of						
County Commissioners		(116,085)		-		(116,085)
Total other financing						
sources (uses)		20,239,908		-		20,239,908
Net change in fund balance		-		462,451		462,451
Fund balance - beginning		-		57,767		57,767
Fund balance - ending	\$	-	\$	520,218	\$	520,218

#### Bay County Sheriff Special-Purpose Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual General Fund Year Ended September 30, 2007

Variance with

							Fin	al Budget-	
		Budgetee					Positive		
	Or	ginal		Final		Actual	(Negative)		
REVENUES									
Intergovernmental revenue	\$	139,471	\$	139,471	\$	222,193	\$	82,722	
Interest income		-		-		102,224		102,224	
Miscellaneous		-		-		43,153		43,153	
Total revenues		139,471		139,471		367,570		228,099	
EXPENDITURES									
Current									
Public safety	19,	052,441	1	9,052,441		19,164,455		(112,014)	
Debt service									
Principal retirement		711,973		711,973		711,973		-	
Interest and fiscal charges		47,674		47,674		47,674		-	
Total expenditures	19,	812,088	1	9,812,088		19,924,102		(112,014)	
Excess (deficiency) of revenues									
over (under) expenditures	(19,	672,617)	(1	9,672,617)	(	19,556,532)		116,085	
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USE	S)								
Budget appropriations from Board of									
County Commissioners	19,	672,617	1	9,672,617		19,672,617		-	
Reversion to Board of									
County Commissioners		-		-		(116,085)		(116,085)	
Total other financing									
sources (uses)	19,	672,617	1	9,672,617		19,556,532		(116,085)	
Net change in fund balance		-		-		-		-	
Fund balance - beginning						-			
Fund balance - ending	\$		\$		\$	_	\$	-	

Note:

The budgetary basis used by the Bay County Sheriff differs from the basis of presentation of the Special-Purpose Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Change in Fund Balance required by generally accepted accounting principles. Capital leases executed during the year are not reported as expenditures for budgetary purposes, but are reported as program expenditures and proceeds from debt issuance for financial reporting purposes. This results in a change of \$683,376 to public safety expenditures and debt issued for the comparison of budget to actual. For budgetary comparison purposes the actual column has been adjusted to the same basis as the budget column.

# Bay County Sheriff Special-Purpose Statement of Fiduciary Net Assets Agency Funds September 30, 2007

#### ASSETS

Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,274
Total assets	\$ 1,274
LIABILITIES	
Accounts payable	\$ 1,274
Total liabilities	\$ 1,274

## NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

<u>Reporting Entity</u> – The Bay County Sheriff is an integral part of Bay County, Florida and is an elected Constitutional Officer who is governed by state statutes and regulations. The financial statements of the Sheriff are included in Bay County, Florida's basic financial statements. The office of the Sheriff operates on a budgetary system, whereby appropriated funds are received from the Board of County Commissioners and unexpended appropriations are required to be returned to the Board of County Commissioners after the end of the fiscal year.

The special-purpose financial statements presented include the General Fund of the Sheriff's office. The accompanying special-purpose financial statements were prepared for the purpose of complying with Section 10.557, *Rules of the Auditor General for Local Government Entity Audits*, and are not intended to be a complete presentation of the financial position of the County, or the changes in financial position and cash flows, where applicable, thereof in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United State of America.

<u>Basis of Presentation - Fund Accounting</u> – Accounts are organized on the basis of fund types, each of which is considered to be a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund balance, revenues, and expenditures as appropriate. Government resources are allocated to and accounted for in individual funds based upon the purposes for which they are to be spent and the means by which spending activities are controlled. The following fund types are used by the Sheriff:

### **Governmental Fund Types**

<u>General Fund</u> – The General Fund is the general operating fund of the Sheriff. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

<u>Special Revenue Funds</u> – Special revenue funds are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources (other than expendable trusts or major capital projects) that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes.

### Fiduciary Fund Type

<u>Agency Funds</u> – Agency funds are used to account for assets held by the Sheriff as an agent for individuals, private organizations, other governments, and other funds. Agency funds are custodial in nature (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve the measurement of results of operations.

## NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

<u>Basis of Accounting</u> – The accounting and financial reporting treatment applied to a fund is determined by its measurement focus. All governmental funds are accounted for using a current financial resources measurement focus. This means that only current assets and current liabilities generally are included on the balance sheet. Fund balance (net current assets) is considered a measurement of "available spendable resources." Governmental fund operating statements present increases (revenues and other financing sources) and decreases (expenditures and other financing uses) in net current assets. Accordingly, they present a summary of sources and uses of "available spendable resources" during a period.

Basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenditures are recognized in the accounts and reported in the special-purpose financial statements. Accordingly, it relates to the timing of the measurements made, regardless of the measurement focus applied.

All governmental fund types and agency funds are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenue is recognized in the accounting period in which it becomes both measurable and available to pay current liabilities. Expenditures are recognized in the accounting period in which the fund liability is incurred, if measurable, except for principal and interest on long-term obligations, which is recorded when due.

<u>Budgets</u> – The preparation, adoption, and amendment of the Sheriff's budget is governed by Chapters 30 and 129, Florida Statutes. The Sheriff does not budget for proceeds from capital leases, otherwise the budget is prepared and adopted on a basis of accounting consistent with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. Budgetary data presented in the accompanying special-purpose financial statements in the final budgeted amounts column represent the final budgetary data. In this column the effects of budget amendments have been applied to original budgetary data. All budget appropriations lapse at the end of the fiscal year.

<u>Employee Leave Benefits</u> – It is the Sheriff's policy to provide vacation and sick leave. A limited amount of accumulated sick leave is paid upon termination of employment with the Sheriff to those employees that are retiring after at least six years of employment or have been employed a minimum of ten years and meet certain criteria. Employees may accrue compensatory time for overtime worked up to a maximum of 120 hours. Upon termination or retirement, unused compensatory time is paid at the employees' regular rate.

Employees are permitted to accumulate a limited amount of earned but unused vacation benefits which will be paid to employees upon termination or retirement.

#### <u>NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)</u>

<u>Capital Assets</u> – Capital assets of the Sheriff used in governmental fund type operations are reported in the governmental activities column in the Bay County, Florida's government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined as assets with an initial, individual cost of \$750 or more and an estimated useful life in excess of one year. Donated fixed assets are recorded at estimated fair market value on the date received.

<u>Cash and Cash Equivalents</u> – The Sheriff considers all highly liquid investments with an original maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

<u>Accounts Receivable</u> – All receivables are reported at their gross value and, where appropriate, are reduced by the estimated portion that is expected to be uncollectible.

<u>Estimates</u> – The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ significantly from these estimates.

### NOTE 2 – DEPOSITS

<u>Custodial Risk</u>– All cash resources of the Sheriff are placed in banks that qualify as public depositories, as required by law (Florida Security for Public Deposits Act). Every qualified public depository is required by this law to deposit with the State Treasurer eligible collateral equal to, or in excess of, an amount to be determined by the State Treasurer. The State Treasurer is required to ensure that the Sheriff's funds are entirely collateralized throughout the fiscal year. In the event of failure by a qualified public depository, losses, in excess of federal depository insurance and proceeds from the sale of the securities pledged by the defaulting depository in default. When other qualified public depositories are assessed additional amounts, they are assessed on a pro-rata basis.

#### NOTE 3 – ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

At September 30, 2007, accounts receivable is summarized as follows:

Total accounts receivable Less: allowance for doubtful accounts	\$25,861
Accounts receivable, net	<u>\$25,861</u>

The Sheriff considers all amounts collectible; therefore there is no provision for doubtful accounts at September 30, 2007.

#### NOTE 4 – CAPITAL ASSETS

Changes in the capital assets accounted for and maintained by the Sheriff for the year ended September 30, 2007 are summarized as follows:

	Balance September 30, 2006	Transfers	Increases	Decreases	Balance September 30, 2007
Vehicles, furniture and equipment	\$ 7,458,265	\$ 1,831,823	\$ 520,332	\$ 363,408	\$ 9,447,012
Property held under capital leases	2,370,839	(1,831,823)	683,376		1,222,392
Total	\$ 9,829,104	\$ -	\$ 1,203,708	\$ 363,408	\$ 10,669,404

Transfers include \$1,831,823 of property that is no longer held under capital lease and has been reclassified under vehicles, furniture and equipment.

#### NOTE 5 – LONG-TERM DEBT

The following is a summary of changes in long-term debt for the year ended September 30, 2007:

	Balance September						Balance eptember	
	30, 2006		Additions		Deductions		30, 2007	
Capital leases payable	\$ 872,03	9 \$	683,376	\$	711,973	\$	843,442	
Compensated absences	691,46	2	41,082		-		732,544	
Total	\$ 1,563,50	1 \$	724,458	\$	711,973	\$	1,575,986	

Capital leases payable consist of lease purchase agreements on automobiles and office equipment. The leased automobiles are accounted for at the present value of the minimum lease payments. Future minimum lease payments at September 30, 2007, are summarized as follows:

Year Ending		
September 30,		
2008	\$	409,746
2009		344,918
2010		129,840
Total		884,504
Less: amount representing interest		(41,062)
Balance	<u>\$</u>	843,442

#### NOTE 6 – DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN

<u>Plan Description</u> – The Bay County Sheriff contributes to the Florida Retirement System (System), a cost sharing, multiple-employer defined pension plan administered by the State of Florida, Department of Administration, Division of Retirement. The System provides retirement, disability benefits, and death benefits to plan members or their designated beneficiaries. Chapter 121, Florida Statutes, establishes the authority for participant eligibility, contribution requirements, vesting eligibility and benefit provisions. Chapter 121 of the Florida Statutes assigns the authority to establish and amend benefit provisions to the Florida Retirement System. However, Article X, Section 14 of the State of Florida Constitution and Part VII, Chapter 112 of the Florida Statutes require that any increase in retirement benefits must be funded concurrently on an actuarially sound basis. The Florida Retirement System issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the System. That report may be obtained by writing to the State of Florida Division of Retirement, 1317 Winewood Boulevard, Building 8, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-6570 or by calling 850-414-6346.

<u>Funding Policy</u> – The System provides vesting of benefits after six years of creditable service. Regular employees are eligible for normal retirement after six years of service and attaining age sixty-two, or thirty years of service regardless of age. Special risk employees are eligible for normal retirement after six years of service and attaining age fifty-five, or twenty-five years of service regardless of age. Early retirement may be taken any time after completing six years of service; however, there is a five-percent benefit reduction for each year prior to normal retirement. Generally, membership is compulsory for all full-time and part-time employees, except for elected county officials who may elect not to participate in the System. Retirement coverage is employee noncontributory. Rates effective for the fiscal year are 7.83% and 20.92% for regular employees and special risk employees, respectively. The rate for eligible employees who elected to participate in the Deferred Retirement Option Program (DROP) was 10.91% for the fiscal year. Contributions for the years ended September 30, 2007, 2006 and 2005 were \$2,009,377, \$1,731,691 and \$1,648,559, respectively, and are equal to the required contributions for each year.

### NOTE 7 – BUDGETARY DATA

The Sheriff had actual expenditures that exceeded budgeted amount in the general fund during the year. These amounts were offset by excess revenues earned, and the net result was an excess of revenues over expenditures to be reverted to the Board of County Commissioners.

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NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

# Bay County Sheriff

# Combining Balance Sheet Nonmajor Governmental Funds September 30, 2007

Special Revenue								
		S	pecial					
	Law		Law					
Enf	orcement	Enfe	orcement	Sp	pecial			
T	raining		Trust		ribution			
\$	3,918	\$	2,763	\$	409			
\$	3,918	\$	2,763	\$	409			
\$	-	\$		\$				
	3,918		2,763		409			
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\$	3,918	\$	2,763	\$	409			
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Special Revenue										
P	Federal Crime Seizure Prevention Account		rime Seizure Seizure		e Seizure Seizure				Total	
\$ \$	426,097 426,097	\$ \$	66,036 66,036	\$ \$	20,995 20,995	\$ \$	520,218 520,218			
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	426,097		66,036 66,036		20,995 20,995		520,218 520,218			
\$	426,097	\$	66,036	\$	20,995	\$	520,218			

# Bay County Sheriff Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance Nonmajor Governmental Funds Year Ended September 30, 2007

	Special Revenue							
	Law Enforcement Training		Special Law Enforcement Trust			pecial tribution		
REVENUES								
Intergovernmental	\$	65,683	\$	37,345	\$	5,156		
Miscellaneous		-		-		_		
Total revenues		65,683		37,345		5,156		
EXPENDITURES Current Public safety Total expenditures		63,232 63,232		46,536 46,536		<u>9,508</u> 9,508		
Net change in fund balance		2,451		(9,191)		(4,352)		
Fund balance - beginning		1,467		11,954		4,761		
Fund balance - ending	\$	3,918	\$	2,763	\$	409		

Crime Prevention		Federal Seizure Account		Seizure Trust		Total	
\$	461,641	\$	111,603 208 111,811	\$	29,562 51 29,613	\$	710,990 259 711,249
	35,544 35,544		48,842 48,842		45,136 45,136		248,798 248,798
\$	426,097	\$	62,969 3,067 66,036	\$	(15,523) 36,518 20,995	\$	462,451 57,767 520,218

Special Revenue

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# AGENCY FUNDS

# Bay County Sheriff Combining Statement of Changes in Assets and Liabilities All Agency Funds Year Ended September 30, 2007

	Balance September 30, 2006	Additions	Deductions	Balance September 30, 2007
OTHER SUSPENSE				
ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents Total assets	\$ 1,999 \$ 1,999	\$ 124,000 \$ 124,000	\$ 125,999 \$ 125,999	\$ - \$ -
LIABILITIES				
Due to other governments Total liabilities	\$ 1,999 \$ 1,999	\$ 124,000 \$ 124,000	\$ 125,999 \$ 125,999	<u>\$-</u> \$-
INDIVIDUAL DEPOSITORS				
ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents Total assets	\$ 19,545 \$ 19,545	\$ 245,032 \$ 245,032	\$ 263,303 \$ 263,303	\$ 1,274 \$ 1,274
LIABILITIES				
Accounts payable Total liabilities	\$ 19,545 \$ 19,545	\$ 245,032 \$ 245,032	\$ 263,303 \$ 263,303	\$ 1,274 \$ 1,274

# Bay County Sheriff Combining Statement of Changes in Assets and Labilities All Agency Funds Year Ended September 30, 2007

	Balance September 30, 2006	Additions	Deductions	Balance September 30, 2007	
TOTAL - ALL AGENCY FUNDS					
ASSETS					
Cash and cash equivalents Total assets	\$ 21,544 \$ 21,544	\$ 369,032 \$ 369,032	\$ 389,302 \$ 389,302	\$ 1,274 \$ 1,274	
LIABILITIES					
Accounts payable Due to other	\$ 19,545	\$ 245,032	\$ 263,303	\$ 1,274	
governments Total liabilities	1,999 \$ 21,544	124,000 \$ 369,032	125,999 \$ 389,302	\$ 1,274	

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# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' MANAGEMENT LETTER

The Honorable Frank McKeithen Bay County Sheriff Bay County, Florida

We have audited the special-purpose financial statements of the Bay County Sheriff as of and for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2007, and have issued our report thereon dated March 31, 2008.

We conducted our audit in accordance with United States generally accepted auditing standards, and *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. We have issued our Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*. Disclosures in that report, which is dated March 31, 2008, should be considered in conjunction with this management letter.

Additionally, our audit was conducted in accordance with Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General, which govern the conduct of local governmental entity audits performed in the State of Florida and require that certain items be addressed in this letter.

The Rules of the Auditor General (Section 10.554(1)(i)1.) require that we address in the management letter, if not already addressed in the auditors' reports on compliance and internal controls or schedule of findings and questioned costs, whether or not corrective actions have been taken to address significant findings and recommendations made in the preceding annual financial audit report. All prior year findings have been corrected.

As required by the Rules of the Auditor General (Section 10.554(1)(i)2.), the scope of our audit included a review of the provisions of Section 218.415., Florida Statutes, regarding the investment of public funds. In connection with our audit, we determined that the Bay County Sheriff complied with Section 218.415, Florida Statutes.

The Rules of the Auditor General (Section 10.554(1)(i)3.) require that we address in the management letter any findings and recommendations to improve financial management, accounting procedures, and internal controls. In connection with our audit, we did not have any such findings.

The Honorable Frank McKeithen Bay County Sheriff Page Two

The Rules of the Auditor General (Section 10.554(1)(i)4.) require that we address violations of provisions of contracts and grant agreements or abuse that have an effect on the financial statements that is less than material but more than inconsequential. In connection with our audit, we did not have any such findings.

The Rules of the Auditor General (Section 10.554(1)(i)5.) requires, based on professional judgment, the reporting of the following matters that are inconsequential to the financial statements, considering both quantitative and qualitative factors: (1) violations of laws, rules, regulations, and contractual provisions or abuse that have occurred, or were likely to have occurred and would have an immaterial effect on the financial statements; (2) improper expenditures or illegal acts that would have an immaterial effect on the financial statements; and (3) control deficiencies that are not significant deficiencies, including, but not limited to; (a) improper or inadequate accounting procedures (e.g., the omission of required disclosures from the financial statements); (b) failures to properly record financial transactions; and (c) other inaccuracies, shortages, defalcations, and instances of fraud discovered by, or that come to the attention of, the auditor. Our audit disclosed no matters pursuant to Section 10.554(1)(i)5., Rules of the Auditor General.

The Rules of the Auditor General (Section 10.554(1)(i)6.) require that the name or official title and legal authority for the primary government and each component unit or the reporting entity be disclosed in the management letter, unless disclosed in the notes to the financial statements. The Bay County Sheriff was established by the Constitution of the State of Florida, Article VIII, Section 1(d). The Bay County Sheriff has no component units.

This management letter is intended solely for the information of the Bay County Sheriff, management, the Bay County Board of County Commissioners, the State of Florida Office of the Auditor General, and appropriate federal and state awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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Panama City, Florida March 31, 2008



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

The Honorable Frank McKeithen Bay County Sheriff Bay County, Florida

We have audited the special-purpose financial statements of the Bay County Sheriff as of and for the year ended September 30, 2007, and have issued our report thereon dated March 31, 2008. 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. Our report on the financial statements included a paragraph explaining that the Sheriff is an integral part of Bay County, the primary government for financial reporting purposes.

### Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Bay County Sheriff's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the special-purpose financial statements but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Sheriff's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Sheriff's internal control over financial reporting.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. However, as discussed below, we identified certain deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be significant deficiencies.

A control deficiency 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 significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the Sheriff's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with general accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the Sheriff's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the Sheriff's internal control.

The Honorable Frank McKeithen Bay County Sheriff Page Two

We consider the following deficiencies to be significant deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting:

07-1. The Sheriff's Office has no policy for approval of non-standard journal entries before they are entered into the general ledger.

#### Recommendation

We recommend that the Comptroller indicate her approval of the non-standard journal entries that are prepared by her staff before they are entered into the general ledger by signing the journal entry form.

#### Management's Response

The comptroller will immediately begin approving all non-standard journal entries as recommended.

07-2. The Sheriff's Office policy for the disposal of capital assets requires a written authorization by the Sheriff or Major. We noticed that several of the dispositions didn't have the proper authorization.

#### Recommendation

We recommend that the policy be followed and proper written authorization be obtained prior to disposition.

#### Management's Response

The Sheriff has already begun complying with the policy by authorizing all dispositions.

07-3. Several capital assets were not included as additions during the year. Some of these assets were located in special revenue funds.

### **Recommendation**

We recommend that the Comptroller and her staff review the additions reported in the general ledger with the additions as reported by the Property Specialist for completeness. This review should take place at least on a quarterly basis.

### Management's Response

The Comptroller is implementing the review as recommended.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by the Sheriff's internal control.

The Honorable Frank McKeithen Bay County Sheriff Page Three

Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies and, accordingly, would not necessarily disclose all significant deficiencies that are also considered to be material weaknesses. However, we believe that none of the significant deficiencies described above is a material weakness.

### **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Bay County Sheriff's specialpurpose financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of his compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

We have included the Sheriff's response to the findings identified in our audit above. We did not audit the Sheriff's response and accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Bay County Sheriff, management, the Board of County Commissioners, and appropriate federal and state awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Can, Rigge & Ingram, L.L.C.

Panama City, Florida March 31, 2008