

LOST PINES GROUNDWATER  
CONSERVATION DISTRICT

ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED  
DECEMBER 31, 2016



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Independent Auditor's Report

Members of the Board of Directors  
Lost Pines Groundwater Conservation District

**Report on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the business-type activities of the Lost Pines Groundwater Conservation District (the "District") as of and for the year ended December 31, 2016, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

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

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

**Auditor's Responsibility**

Our responsibility is to express 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 from material misstatement.

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

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

**Opinions**

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the business-type activities of the District as of December 31, 2016, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

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## **Other Matters**

### *Required Supplementary Information*

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis section and budgetary comparison information be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

### **Other Reporting Required by *Government Auditing Standards***

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated April 21, 2017 on our consideration of the District's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

*Singleton, Clark & Company, PC*

Singleton, Clark & Company, PC.  
Cedar Park, Texas

April 21, 2017

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LOST PINES GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

As management of the Lost Pines Groundwater Conservation District (the "District"), we offer readers of the District's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the District for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2016.

**Financial Highlights**

- The assets of the District exceeded its liabilities at the close of the most recent fiscal year by \$1,440,757 (net position). Of this amount, \$1,410,599 represents unrestricted net position which may be used to meet the District's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.
  
- The District's total net position increased by \$246,476 related primarily to actual expenses for the year being lower than expected.

**Overview of the Financial Statements**

The discussion and analysis provided here are intended to serve as an introduction to the District's basic financial statements. The District's basic financial statements consist of two components: 1) fund financial statements and 2) the notes to financial statements. This report also includes supplementary information intended to furnish additional detail to support the basic financial statements themselves.

**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 activities or objectives. The District, like other state and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

**Proprietary Funds.** The District has the option of maintaining 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 District uses an enterprise fund to account for groundwater conservation operations. *Internal service funds* are an accounting device used to accumulate and allocate costs internally among a District's functions. The District is not currently utilizing an internal service fund.

The proprietary fund financial statements provide information for the groundwater conservation operation which is considered the only fund of the District.

The basic proprietary fund financial statements can be found on pages 7-9 of this report.

**Notes to the Financial Statements.** The notes provide additional information that is necessary to acquire a full understanding of the data provided in the fund financial statements.

The notes to the financial statements can be found on pages 10-14 of this report.

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS  
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**Overall Financial Analysis**

As noted earlier, net position over time, may serve as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. In the case of the District, assets exceeded liabilities by \$1,440,757 at the close of the most recent fiscal year.

**Lost Pines Groundwater Conservation District's Net Position**

	Business- Type Activities 2016	Business- Type Activities 2015	Change
Current & other assets	\$ 1,433,485	\$ 1,266,467	\$ 167,018
Capital assets	30,158	30,158	-
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>1,463,643</b>	<b>1,296,625</b>	<b>167,018</b>
Current liabilities	22,886	102,344	(79,458)
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>22,886</b>	<b>102,344</b>	<b>(79,458)</b>
<b>Net position</b>			
Net investment in capital assets	30,158	30,158	-
Unrestricted	1,410,599	1,164,123	246,476
<b>Total net position</b>	<b>\$ 1,440,757</b>	<b>\$ 1,194,281</b>	<b>\$ 246,476</b>

A small portion of District's net position, about 2%, reflects its investment in capital assets (e.g., land, buildings, machinery, equipment, vehicles, and infrastructure), less any related outstanding debt (if applicable) that was used to acquire those assets. The District uses these capital assets to provide a variety of services to its citizens. Accordingly, these assets are not available for future spending.

The remaining balance of \$1,410,599 is unrestricted and may be used to meet the District's ongoing obligations to its citizens and creditors. At the end of the current fiscal year, the District is able to report positive balances in all reported categories of net position for business-type activities.

The District's overall net position increased by \$246,476 from the prior fiscal year. The reasons for this overall increase are discussed in the following section for business-type activities.

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**Lost Pines Groundwater Conservation District's Changes in Net Position**

	Business- Type Activities 2016	Business- Type Activities 2015	Change
Revenues:			
Program revenues:			
Charges for services	\$ 1,006,591	\$ 1,010,815	\$ (4,224)
Other	6,331	165,858	(159,527)
Total revenue	<u>1,012,922</u>	<u>1,176,673</u>	<u>(163,751)</u>
Expenses:			
Personnel services	247,176	242,938	4,238
Purchased professional and technical services	465,130	708,528	(243,398)
Other operating expenses	54,140	54,375	(235)
Depreciation expense	-	802	(802)
Total expenses	<u>766,446</u>	<u>1,006,643</u>	<u>(240,197)</u>
Increase (decrease) in net position	246,476	170,030	76,446
Net position - beginning	<u>1,194,281</u>	<u>1,024,251</u>	<u>170,030</u>
Net position - ending	<u>\$ 1,440,757</u>	<u>\$ 1,194,281</u>	<u>\$ 246,476</u>

**Financial Analysis of Proprietary Funds**

As noted earlier, the District uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

***Proprietary Funds***

Unrestricted net position of the District at the end of the year was \$1,410,599. The total change in net position for the fund was an increase of \$246,476. The increase for the Operating Fund resulted primarily from increase in pumping income more than expected.

**Capital Assets and Debt Administration**

**Capital assets.** The District's investment in capital assets for its business-type activities as of December 31, 2016, amounts to \$30,158 net of accumulated depreciation. This investment in capital assets consists of land.

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LOST PINES GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS  
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**Lost Pines Groundwater Conservation District's Capital Assets**

	Business-Type Activities 2016	Business-Type Activities 2015	Change
Land	\$ 30,158	\$ 30,158	\$ -
Capital assets	\$ 30,158	\$ 30,158	\$ -

Additional information on the District's capital assets can be found in Note III.C on page 14 of this report.

**Long-term Debt.** At the end of the current fiscal year, the District did not have any outstanding debt.

**Economic Factors and Next Year's Budgets and Rates**

There are no significant changes planned to the operations of the District for next year. As a result, the District's budget is similar to the District's prior year adopted budget. The main difference being the adopted budget for next year estimates expenditures of approximately \$1.3 million while the prior year adopted budget estimated expenses of approximately \$960,000.

**Requests for Information**

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the Lost Pines Groundwater Conservation District finances for all those with an interest in the District's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to the Lost Pines Groundwater Conservation District, 908 N. West Loop 230, Smithville, Texas 78957, or by calling (512) 360-5088.

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FUND BASIS FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

LOST PINES GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
 STATEMENT OF NET POSITION  
 PROPRIETARY FUNDS  
 DECEMBER 31, 2016

	Business-Type Activities
	Operating Fund
<b>ASSETS</b>	
Current assets:	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 370,766
Investments	1,050,097
Accounts receivable	12,622
Total current assets	1,433,485
Noncurrent assets:	
Land	30,158
Total noncurrent assets	30,158
Total assets	1,463,643
<b>LIABILITIES</b>	
Current liabilities:	
Accounts payable	19,586
Permit deposits	3,300
Total liabilities	22,886
<b>NET POSITION</b>	
Net investment in capital assets	30,158
Unrestricted	1,410,599
Total net position	\$ 1,440,757

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

LOST PINES GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION  
PROPRIETARY FUNDS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

	<u>Business-Type Activities</u>
	<u>Operating Fund</u>
Operating revenues:	
Charges for services:	
Pumping charges	\$ 1,006,591
Miscellaneous revenue	1,901
Total operating revenues	<u>1,008,492</u>
Operating expenses:	
Personnel services	247,176
Purchased professional and technical services	465,130
Other operating expenses	54,140
Total operating expenses	<u>766,446</u>
Operating income (loss)	242,046
Nonoperating revenues (expenses)	
Investment earnings	4,430
Total nonoperating revenues (expenses)	<u>4,430</u>
Change in net position	246,476
Net position-beginning	1,194,281
Net position-ending	<u>\$ 1,440,757</u>

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

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LOST PINES GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS  
PROPRIETARY FUNDS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

	<u>Business-Type Activities</u>
	<u>Operating Fund</u>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>	
Receipts from user charges	\$ 1,170,646
Payments to suppliers and service providers	(598,728)
Payments to employees for salaries and benefits	(247,176)
Net cash provided by (used for) operating activities	<u>324,742</u>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>	
Purchase of investments	(252,435)
Interest on investments	4,430
Net cash provided by investing activities	<u>(248,005)</u>
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	76,737
Cash and cash equivalents-beginning	<u>294,029</u>
Cash and cash equivalents-ending	<u>\$ 370,766</u>
<b>Reconciliation of operating income (loss) to net cash provided (used for) operating activities:</b>	
Operating income (loss)	<u>\$ 242,046</u>
Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to net cash provided by (used for) operating activities:	
(Increase) decrease in accounts receivable	162,154
(Decrease) increase in accounts payable	(40,239)
(Decrease) increase in accrued liabilities	(5,919)
(Decrease) increase in customer deposits	(33,300)
Total adjustments	<u>82,696</u>
Net cash provided by (used for) operating activities	<u>\$ 324,742</u>

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

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LOST PINES GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
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**I. Summary of significant accounting policies**

**A. Reporting entity**

The Lost Pines Groundwater Conservation District (the "District") was created by an act of the Texas legislature with the sole purpose of protecting the water supply for the residents of Bastrop County and Lee County. The District is governed locally by ten citizens, five from each respective county, who have been appointed by their respective county commissioners courts to serve as directors for a term of four years. Their charge is to determine how to best protect the underground aquifer from over-pumping so that there will be enough water for everyone, now and in the future.

The financial statements of the District have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as applied to enterprise funds of governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing accounting and financial reporting principles. The significant accounting principles and policies utilized by the District are described in the notes that follow.

**B. Basis of presentation – fund financial statements**

The fund financial statements provide information about the District's sole fund. The emphasis of fund financial statements is on major funds. Major individual enterprise funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

The District reports the following major enterprise fund:

The *Operating Fund* accounts for the activities of the groundwater conservation district.

**C. Measurement focus and basis of accounting**

The accounting and financial reporting treatment is determined by the applicable measurement focus and basis of accounting. Measurement focus indicates the type of resources being measured such as *current financial resources* or *economic resources*. The basis of accounting indicates the timing of transactions or events for recognition in the financial statements.

Enterprise funds (proprietary funds) are reported using the *economic resources measurement focus* and the *accrual basis of accounting*.

**D. Budgetary information**

**1. Budgetary basis of accounting**

The District follows these procedures in establishing data reflected in the financial statements:

The general manager submits to the board of directors the proposed budget. The directors may insert new items or may increase or decrease items of the budget, except items in proposed expenditures fixed by law, but where it increases the total proposed expenditures, it also provides for an increase in the total anticipated revenue to at least equal such total proposed expenditures.

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The budget is adopted by a majority vote of the board of directors. The general manager may at any time transfer any unencumbered appropriation balance or portion thereof between general classifications of expenditures. Therefore, expenditures should not exceed appropriations. The directors may transfer any unencumbered appropriation balance or portion thereof through formal budget amendments. Unencumbered appropriations lapse at year-end.

Budget amounts are as originally adopted prior to the beginning of the year or as amended by the board of directors during the year. Annual budgets are prepared for the proprietary fund on the generally accepted accounting principles basis.

**E. Assets, liabilities, deferred outflows/inflows of resources, and net position/fund balance**

***1. Cash and cash equivalents***

The District's cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits, and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition.

***2. Investments***

Investments for the government are reported at fair value (generally based on quoted market prices) except for positions in local government investment pools when applicable. In accordance with state law, these investment pools operate in conformity with all of the requirements of the Securities and Exchange Commission's (SEC) Rule 2a7 as promulgated under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended. Accordingly, the pools qualify as 2a7-like pools and are reported at the net asset value per share (which approximates fair value) even though it is calculated using the amortized cost method. The pools are subject to regulatory oversight by the State Treasurer, although it is not registered with the SEC.

***3. Inventories and prepaid items***

The District does not report inventories of supplies items due to the unused items being on hand at any given time being deemed immaterial. Certain payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as prepaid items in both the government-wide and fund financial statements. The cost of prepaid items is recorded as expenditures/expenses when consumed rather than when purchased.

***4. Capital assets***

Capital assets (which include property, plant, equipment, and infrastructure assets e.g. roads, bridges, sidewalks, and similar items) are defined by the government as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$5,000 and an estimated useful life of more than one year.

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As the District constructs or acquires additional capital assets each period, including infrastructure assets, they are capitalized and reported at historical cost. The reported value excludes normal maintenance and repairs which are essentially amounts spent in relation to capital assets that do not increase the capacity or efficiency of the item or increase its estimated useful life. Donated capital assets are recorded at their estimated fair value at the date of donation.

Land and construction in progress are not depreciated. The other property, plant, equipment, and infrastructure of the primary government are depreciated using the straight line method over the estimated useful lives. The district does not have any depreciable asset as of year end.

**5. *Net position flow assumption***

Sometimes the District will fund outlays for a particular purpose from both restricted (e.g., restricted bond or grant proceeds) and unrestricted resources. In order to calculate the amounts to report as restricted – net position and unrestricted – net position in the proprietary fund financial statements, a flow assumption must be made about the order in which the resources are considered to be applied. It is the District's policy to consider restricted – net position to have been depleted before unrestricted – net position is applied.

**F. Revenues and expenditures/expenses**

**1. *Proprietary funds operating and nonoperating revenues and expenses***

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

**II. Stewardship, compliance and accountability**

**A. Violations of legal or contractual provisions**

There were no expenses reported in excess of appropriations for the year ended December 31, 2016.

**B. Deficit net position**

For the year ended December 31, 2016, the District did not report deficit net position.

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 NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
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**III. Detailed notes on all activities and funds**

**A. Cash deposits with financial institutions**

*Custodial credit risk-deposits.* In the case of deposits, this is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the District's deposits may not be returned to it. The District does not have a deposit policy for custodial credit risk. As of December 31, 2016, the District's bank balance was \$370,766 and fully covered by FDIC and pledged collateral.

**B. Investments**

The state treasurer's investment pool (the "Pool") operates in accordance with state law, which requires it to meet all of the requirements of Rule 2a-7 of the Securities and Exchange Commission. See note I.E.2, *Investments*, for a discussion of how the shares in the Pool are valued. Local government investment pools in this rating category meet the highest standards for credit quality, conservative investment policies, and safety of principal. The Pool invests in a high quality portfolio of debt securities investments legally permissible for municipalities and school districts in the state. The government utilizes a pooled investment concept for all its funds to maximize its investment program. Investment income from this internal pooling is allocated to the respective funds based upon the sources of funds invested. State statutes authorize the District to invest in obligations of the U.S. Treasury, commercial paper, corporate bonds, repurchase agreements, and the state treasurer's investment pool.

As of December 31, 2016, the District had the following investments:

Investment Type	Maturity Time in Years			
	Less than 1	1-5	6-10	More Than 10
TexPool Investment Pool	\$1,050,097	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Total Investments	\$1,050,097	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

*Interest rate risk.* In accordance with its investment policy, the District manages its exposure to declines in fair values by limiting the weighted average maturity of its investment portfolio to less than ten months.

*Credit risk.* State law limits investments in commercial paper and corporate bonds to the top two ratings issued by nationally recognized statistical rating organizations (NRSROs). It is the District's policy to limit its investments in these investment types to the top rating issued by NRSROs. As of December 31, 2016, the District's investment in the TexPool Investment Pool was rated AAAM by Standard & Poor's.

*Concentration of credit risk.* The District's investment policy does not allow for an investment in any one issuer that is in excess of 5 percent of the government's total investments. This restriction however does not apply to government investment pools due to the low risk nature of this type of investment.

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*Custodial credit risk-investments.* For an investment, this is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the government will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party.

**C. Capital Assets**

Capital assets activity for the year ended December 31, 2016, was as follows:

**Business-Type Activities:**

	Balance 1/1/16	Increases	Decreases	Balance 12/31/16
Capital assets, not being depreciated:				
Land	\$ 30,158	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 30,158
Total capital assets, not being depreciated	30,158	-	-	30,158
Business-type activities capital assets	\$ 30,158	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 30,158

**D. Risk management**

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts, theft, damage, or destruction of assets, errors and omissions, injuries to employees, and natural disasters. During fiscal year 2016, the District purchased commercial insurance to cover general liabilities. There were no significant reductions in coverage in the past fiscal year and there were no settlements exceeding insurance coverage for each of the past three fiscal years.

**E. Commitments and Contingencies**

The District was not involved in any litigation at year end which would require recording/disclosure.

**F. Subsequent Events**

The District has evaluated subsequent events through April 21, 2017 which represents the date this report was available to be issued; and as a result, no events were noted which require recording and/or disclosure.

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LOST PINES GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION-  
BUDGET VERSUS ACTUAL  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance With Final Budget
	Original	Final		
<b>OPERATING REVENUES</b>				
Pumping charges	\$ 964,708	\$ 964,708	\$ 1,006,591	\$ 41,883
Miscellaneous revenue	-	-	1,901	1,901
Total operating revenues	964,708	964,708	1,008,492	43,784
<b>OPERATING EXPENSES</b>				
Current:				
Personnel services	258,220	258,220	247,176	11,044
Purchased professional and technical services	632,000	632,000	465,130	166,870
Other operating expenses	74,200	74,200	54,140	20,060
Total expenditures	964,420	964,420	766,446	197,974
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	288	288	242,046	241,758
<b>NON-OPERATING REVENUE (EXPENSES)</b>				
Investment earnings	600	600	4,430	3,830
Total non-operating revenue (expenses)	600	600	4,430	3,830
Net change in net position	888	888	246,476	245,588
Net position - beginning	1,194,281	1,194,281	1,194,281	-
Net position - ending	\$ 1,195,169	\$ 1,195,169	\$ 1,440,757	\$ 245,588

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL  
REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF  
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH  
*GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS*

To the Board of Directors  
Lost Pines Groundwater Conservation District:

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the business-type activities of Lost Pines Groundwater Conservation District (the "District"), as of and for the year ended December 31, 2016, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated April 21, 2017.

**Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the District's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of District's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of District's internal control.

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

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

**Compliance and Other Matters**

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

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## **Purpose of this Report**

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

*Singleton, Clark & Company, PC*

Singleton, Clark & Company, PC.  
Cedar Park, Texas

April 21, 2017

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LOST PINES GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

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**SECTION I – SUMMARY OF AUDITOR’S RESULTS**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

Type of auditor’s report issued:

Unmodified

Internal control over financial reporting:

- Material weakness(es) identified?  Yes  No
- Significant deficiencies identified that are not considered to be material weaknesses?  Yes  None reported

Noncompliance material to financial statements noted?  Yes  No

**FEDERAL AWARDS**

Under the guidelines of federal Uniform Guidance, a Single Audit was not required due to expenditures of federal awards being below \$750,000.

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**SECTION II – FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS**

Findings Related to Financial Statements Which are Required to be Reported in Accordance with Government Auditing Standards:

No findings or questioned costs required to be reported in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* for the years ended December 31, 2016 and 2015.

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**SECTION III – FEDERAL AWARDS FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS**

Findings Related to Federal Awards Which are Required to be Reported in Accordance with Federal Uniform Guidance:

Not Applicable.

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