

**NORTH CONEJOS SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1J
LA JARA, COLORADO**

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

June 30, 2021



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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Education
North Conejos School District RE-1J
La Jara, Colorado



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Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the North Conejos School District RE-1J (the District) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021, 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 accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

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

Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the District, as of June 30, 2021, and the respective changes in financial position 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 and budgetary comparison, pension, and other postemployment benefits information, as listed in the table of contents, 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 Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements. The combining and individual fund financial statements, the schedule of expenditures of federal awards, and the Colorado School District Auditor's Integrity Report are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. The schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards*, and is also not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The combining and individual fund financial statements, the schedule of expenditures of federal awards, and the Colorado School District Auditor's Integrity Report are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the combining and individual fund financial statements, the schedule of expenditures of federal awards, and the Colorado School District Auditor's Integrity Report are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by *Government Auditing Standards*

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated January 18, 2022, 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 solely 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 effectiveness of the District's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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Alamosa, Colorado

January 18, 2022

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

**NORTH CONEJOS SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1J
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021**

As management of the North Conejos School District, we offer readers of the District's Financial Statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of North Conejos School District for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021. We encourage readers to consider the information presented here in conjunction with additional information that we have furnished in the financial statements, which immediately follow this section.

COVID 19 Pandemic and funding effects to the NCSD:

In assisting to address the Covid 19 pandemic, legislation has provided relief in the form of CRF, ESSER I, ESSER II, and Esser III Funds, each of which receives its own auditing report to the entities, state or federal, to account for accurate use of the funds, ensuring funds were utilized for the listed purposes of application. These funds are those specifically designated for protective equipment, or PPE, to cleaning supplies to actual needs to address student losses due to quarantines, remote learning, and general loss of instruction to the pandemic. This funding will assist to offset the overall percent reduction to the per pupil base funding attributed to the Budget Stabilization Factor, a chart of which is contained herein.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Financial highlights for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021, are as follows:

The final net position of the district is \$14,350,591 end of year.

State Equalization was \$7,797,278 this fiscal year.

General Revenues, primarily property taxes, and state equalization payments accounted for \$9,412,513 of all revenues.

The District had \$5,865,700 in expenses related to governmental activities.

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

The District has seven governmental funds as determined by Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 34 (GASB 34). The major funds are the General Fund and Building Fund.

The General Fund had \$10,527,949 in revenues and \$8,746,900 in expenditures. The General Fund balance increased from \$7,747,272 to \$9,333,321.

The Building Fund's fund balance remained the same as prior year at \$6,419,082.

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

This annual report consists of three parts: The Management's Discussion and Analysis, the basic financial statements, and supplementary information. The basic financial statements include two kinds of statements that present different views of the District.

The first two statements are government-wide financial statements that provide both short- term and long-term information about the District's overall financial status.

The remaining statements are fund financial statements that focus on individual parts of the District, reporting the District's operations in more detail than the government-wide statements.

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The governmental fund statements tell how basic services such as instruction were financed in the short-term, as well as, what remains for future spending.

Fiduciary Fund statements provide information about the financial relationships in which the District acts solely as a trustee or agent for the benefit of others.

The financial statements also include notes that explain some of the information in the statements and provide more detailed data. The statements are followed by a section of required supplemental information that further explains and supports the financial statements with a comparison of the District's budget for the year.

GOVERNMENT-WIDE STATEMENTS

The government-wide statements report information about the District as a whole using accounting methods similar to those used by private-sector companies. The statement of net position includes all of the District's assets and liabilities. All of the current year's revenues and expenses are accounted for in the statement of activities regardless of when cash is received or paid.

The two government-wide statements report the District's net position and how they have changed. Net position, the difference between the District's assets and liabilities, is one way to measure the District's financial health or position.

Over time, increases or decreases in the District's net position are an indicator of whether its financial position is improving or deteriorating respectively.

To assess the District's overall health, you need to consider additional non-financial factors such as changes in the District's property tax base and the condition of school buildings and other facilities.

Governmental activities: All of the District's basic services are included here, such as; instruction, transportation, maintenance and operations, and administration. The District's nutritional services program is included in government activities. The School Finance Act of 1994, as amended, made up of property taxes and state equalization, finance most of these activities.

FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The fund financial statements provide more detailed information about the District's funds. Focusing on its most significant or "major" funds - not the District as a whole. Funds are accounting devices the District uses to keep track of specific sources of funding and spending on particular programs:

Some funds are required by state law and by bond covenants.

The District establishes other funds to control and manage money for particular purposes (such as repaying its long-term debts) or to show that it is properly using certain revenues (such as federal grants).

The District has two kinds of funds:

Governmental Funds: Most of the District's basic services are included in governmental funds, which generally focus on (1) how cash and other financial assets can readily be converted to cash flow in and out and (2) the balances left at year-end that are available for spending. Consequently, the governmental fund statements provide a detailed short-term view that helps you determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the District's programs. Because this information does not encompass the

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additional long-term focus of the government-wide statements, additional information at the bottom of the governmental funds statements explains the relationship (or differences) between them.

Fiduciary Funds: The District is the agent, or fiduciary, for assets that belong to others such as small scholarship funds and student activity funds. The District is responsible for ensuring that the assets reported in these funds are used only for their intended purposes and by those to whom the assets belong. The District excludes these activities from the government-wide financial statements because it cannot use these assets to finance its operations.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The notes to the financial statements provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the governmental-wide and fund financial statements.

OTHER INFORMATION

In addition to the financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also contains other supplemental information concerning the District's non-major governmental funds. The combining statements of the non-major governmental funds are presented after the notes to the financial statements.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE DISTRICT AS A WHOLE

Government-wide Analysis:

The assets of the District are classified as current assets and capital assets. Cash, investments, receivables, inventories and prepaid expenses are current assets. These assets are available to provide resources for the near-term operations of the District. The majority of the current assets are the result of the property tax collection process, the District receives approximately **60%** of the annual property tax assessment in April, May, and June.

Capital Assets are used in the operation of the District. These assets are land, improvements, buildings, equipment, and vehicles. Capital assets are discussed in detail in the section titled, Capital Assets and Debt Administration, elsewhere in this analysis.

Current and long-term liabilities are classified based on anticipated liquidation either in the near-term or in the future. Current liabilities include accounts payable, accrued salaries and benefits, unearned revenues, and current debt obligations. The liquidation of current liabilities is anticipated to be either from current available resources, current assets or new resources that become available during fiscal year 2021. Long-term liabilities such as compensated absences payable will be liquidated from resources that will become available after fiscal year 2021. A comparative analysis is provided.

The effect of the PERA pension and OPEB expense on the District's total net position for Fiscal Year 2021 and 2020 is summarized below:

	FY 2021	FY 2020
Net position (GAAP Basis)	\$ 14,350,591	\$ (2,656,668)
GASB 68 - Pension	15,968,436	20,389,413
GASB 75 - OPEB	691,824	752,305
Net position excluding Pension and OPEB	<u>\$ 31,010,851</u>	<u>\$ 18,485,050</u>

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The effect of the PERA pension and OPEB expense on the District's unrestricted net position is summarized below:

	FY21	FY20
Unrestricted - Net position (GAAP Basis)	\$ (6,293,965)	\$ (12,400,931)
GASB 68 - Pension	15,968,436	20,389,413
GASB 75 - OPEB	691,824	752,305
Net position excluding Pension and OPEB	<u>\$ 10,366,295</u>	<u>\$ 8,740,787</u>

**Table I
Condensed Statement of Net Position June 30, 2021**

	Governmental Activities	Governmental Activities
	2020	2021
Assets		
Current Assets	\$17,635,176	\$18,283,155
Capital Assets	\$9,086,959	\$19,626,494
Total Assets	\$26,722,135	\$37,909,649
Deferred Outflows of Resources	\$1,507,053	\$3,903,743
Liabilities		
Current	\$2,387,682	\$1,260,382
Long-Term	\$5,805,151	\$5,576,009
Net Pension liability	\$12,091,684	\$13,506,926
Net OPEB Liability	\$594,355	\$491,095
Total Liabilities	\$20,878,872	\$20,834,412
Deferred Inflows of Resources	\$10,006,984	\$6,628,389
Net Position		
Net Investment in Capital Assets	\$9,086,959	\$19,626,494
Tabor reserve	\$370,000	\$634,956
Debt Service	\$287,304	\$383,106
Unrestricted	(\$12,400,931)	(\$6,293,965)
Total Net Position	(\$2,656,668)	\$14,350,591

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**TABLE II
CONDENSED STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES**

	2020	2021
Revenues		
Program Revenues:		
Charges for Services	\$73,123	\$35,125
Operating Grants & Contrib.	\$1,844,574	\$2,566,282
Capital Grants and Contrib.	\$1,197,308	\$10,859,039
General Revenues	\$9,785,388	\$9,321,182
Interest on Investments	\$108,941	\$66,633
Miscellaneous	\$97,721	\$24,698
Total Revenues	\$13,107,055	\$22,872,959
Expenses		
Instructional Program	\$3,879,338	\$3,276,588
Student Supporting Services	\$373,620	\$358,657
Instructional Staff Supporting Services	\$140,009	\$172,117
General Administration Supporting Services	\$331,740	\$383,601
School Administration Supporting Services	\$304,252	\$223,879
Business Supporting Services	\$36,426	\$32,625
Operations and Maintenance of Plant Services	\$630,485	\$484,448
Student Transportation Services	\$211,963	\$208,880
Central Supporting Services	\$233,848	\$212,136
Food Services	\$324,570	\$320,899
Facilities Acquisition & Construction Services	\$58,992	\$18,833
Debt Service	\$85,424	\$173,037
Total Expenses	\$6,610,597	\$5,865,700
Change in Net Position	\$6,496,458	\$17,007,259
Net Position, Beginning of Year	\$9,153,126	\$(2,656,668)
Net Position, End of Year	\$(2,656,668)	\$14,350,591

GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES

The District uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal, federal, and state requirements. The focus of the District's governmental funds is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of spendable resources. Such information is useful in assessing the District's financing requirements. In particular, unreserved fund balance may serve as a useful measure of the net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

The primary source of operation revenue for school districts comes from the School Finance Act of 1994 (SFA). The funded pupil count for fiscal year 2020-2021 was 991, a slight overall drop in enrollment as a small fraction of parents chose homeschool options during the pandemic. Funding for the SFA comes from property taxes, specific ownership, and state equalization. The District received listed state equalization while the remaining amounts came from property taxes and specific ownership tax.

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The statement of activities shows the cost of program services, the charges for services, and grants off-setting those services. Table III shows governmental activities, the total cost of services, and the net cost of services. That is, it identifies the cost of these services supported by unrestricted state equalization and property taxes. PERA is a large factor in the variance from the previous fiscal year and why Net Cost is not relevant.

**Table III
Cost Activities for Fiscal Year 2021
of Services – Governmental**

	Total Cost- 2021	Total Cost-2020	Net Cost – 2021	Net Cost- 2020
Instructional Program	\$3,276,588	\$3,879,338	\$(1,814,112)	\$(3,024,105)
Student Support Service	\$358,657	\$373,620	\$271,064	\$225,106
Instructional Staff Support Service	\$172,117	\$140,009	\$(168,117)	\$(132,539)
General Admin Support Services	\$383,601	\$331,740	\$(383,601)	\$(325,186)
School Admin Support Service	\$223,879	\$304,252	\$(223,879)	\$(294,472)
Business Support Service	\$32,625	\$36,426	\$(32,625)	\$(36,426)
Operation & Maintenance	\$484,448	\$630,485	\$(484,448)	\$(625,991)
Student Transportation	\$208,880	\$211,963	\$(129,666)	\$(127,970)
Central Support Service	\$212,136	\$233,848	\$(212,136)	\$(231,876)
Facility acquisition/construction	\$18,833	\$58,922	\$10,840,206	\$1,138,386
Food Service	\$320,899	\$324,570	\$105,097	\$24,906
Debt Service	\$173,037	\$85,424	\$(173,037)	\$(85,424)
Total Expenses	\$5,865,700	\$6,610,596	\$7,594,746	\$(3,495,591)

GENERAL FUND BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

The NCSD's budget is prepared according to Colorado Law and is based on accounting for certain transactions on the modified accrual basis. Therefore, the District budgets each year for actual salaries for nine and ten month employees based on salaries for the school term of September to May but is paid over a time spanning September to August. The July and August salaries are accrued in the budgeted financial statements.

CAPITAL ASSETS AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

On June 30, 2021, the District had \$19,626,494 invested in sites, land improvements, buildings, equipment and vehicles: which was used in governmental activities. Table IV shows the investment in capital assets net of depreciation expense for governmental activities.

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**Table IV
Capital Assets at June 30, 2021
(Net of Depreciation)**

	Total School	
	District	
	2021	2020
Sites (LAND)	\$348,996	\$348,995
CIP	\$11,944,597	\$1,085,558
Land Improvements	\$1,400,178	\$1,400,178
Buildings	\$10,355,340	\$10,355,340
Equipment	\$2,279,198	\$2,261,801
Vehicles	\$1,811,830	\$1,770,070
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	\$(8,513,645)	\$(8,134,984)
Totals	\$19,626,494	\$9,086,958

As of June 30, 2021 the District had \$5,805,151 recorded as long term debt. Table V details this outstanding debt and the portion due within one year for the District. Compensated absences of \$109,245 are considered paid when used or when it is bought back upon an employee retiring or resigning. Table compares that debt to fiscal year 2020.

**Table V Outstanding Debt
Current and Total at June 30, 2021**

	Governmental Activities		Governmental Activities	
	Due Within One Year/Total Debt		Due Within One Year/Total Debt	
	2021		2020	
Compensated Absences	\$1,320	\$109,245	\$0	\$109,245
Bonds Payable	\$227,822	\$5,695,906	\$223,176	\$5,919,082
TOTAL	\$229,142	\$5,805,151	\$223,176	\$6,028,327

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FACTORS BEARING ON THE DISTRICT’S FUTURE

The district was aware of the following

- Maintaining current staff levels and student enrichment programs while encountering a continued declining student
- Enrollment (see below).
- Receiving less in state equalization.
- Maintaining a fund balance in excess of 3 million dollars while adjusting for higher transportation and energy costs, water and sewer payment increase, and employee benefit costs.
- Maintaining a fund balance while adjusting to higher overall maintenance costs due to outside services.

Amendment 23, the citizen’s ballot initiative passed in 2000, mandates that “base” per pupil funding increase each year by the rate of inflation. To determine how much each district will receive under the School Finance Act, that “base” is run through a complex formula that includes variables such as school district size, local cost-of-living, and the number of “at-risk” kids (eligible for free lunch) in a district.

These variables are called “factors” and they substantially increase average per pupil funding received by school districts to reflect the very different costs districts experience. The factors exist to address the increased per pupil costs that result when, for instance, a high percentage of pupils are from at-risk populations or when the necessary costs of running a school and hiring staff are divided among a small student population in a rural district.

In 2009, the legislature reinterpreted Amendment 23 to mean that only the base amount was covered by the mandatory increases — not the factors. Under this interpretation, the legislature could (and did) cut total spending from one year to the next and claim compliance with Amendment 23 — despite voter intent to increase funding.

Starting in 2009, in order to make across-the-board cuts from all districts, the legislature added a new “budget stabilization” or “negative factor” to the School Finance Act formula. In effect, the legislature now decides how much it wants to spend on school finance, and then adjusts the negative factor to meet that funding target.

As seen in the graph below, the NCSD has operated since 2009 on **\$11,524,783** less revenue than ordinarily distributed, and because those cuts are all coming from the factors, which are designed to make school funding more fair, equitable, and responsive to actual costs, these cuts exacerbate inequities in Colorado’s school finance structure, making educational opportunities even more dependent upon a student’s zip code.

The negative factor, now known as the Budget Stabilization F, has resulted in larger class sizes, narrower curriculum, reduced instruction time, and less support and individual attention for students.

Inclusive of mid-year, budget stabilization and negative factor, the below statistics demonstrate the year by year effect of the negative factor to the NCSD through 2021.

2009-10:	(181,708)	2013-14:	(1,221,796)
2010-11:	(813,389)	2014-15:	(1,042,692)
2011-12:	(1,004,175)	2015-16:	(978,913)
2012-13:	(1,276,777)	2016-17:	(950,265)
2017-2018:	(923,880)	2018-19:	(777,774)
2019-2020	(\$927,285)	2020-2021	(1,427,129)

TOTAL: (\$11,524,783)

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To combat the negative factor in Colorado, many districts have sought a mill levy override; however, the ability of the NCSD to recover lost funding via a voter-approved override is nominal.

- School districts have no control of what one mill can raise.
- One mill raises a low of less than \$4,000 to a high of over \$13,000,000 (approx.).
- The average dollars raised by 1 mill is approximately \$500,000.
- The median is approximately \$110,000.

The North Conejos School District would raise approximately \$30,429 per mill approved at the time of this audit.

STUDENT ENROLLMENT

Student enrollment, dictating the state equalization funding, has dipped ('16) and now at a peak ('19) since October of 2010 as follows:

2010: 1033

2011: 998

2012: 1039

2013: 1004

2014: 964

2015: 980

2016: 963

2017: 998.5

2018: 1,028

2019: 1,069

2020: 1,001 *enrollment decline largely in consideration of COVID 19 'homeschool' options, at the time of audit, thirty-two (32) students are engaged in home-school who were counted last year. Due to the nature of the pandemic and resulting shifts in positivity rate, enrollment may be further affected.

2021: 991 (a repeat of homeschool options further declined student enrollment).

SECURE RURAL SCHOOLS (SRS) FUNDS

At the time of this audit, SRS funds have not been approved legislatively for the future. Ranging historically as a revenue of approximately \$150,000 to the district, no bill re-establishing this funding, in lieu of the area being heavily forested by federal land which provides no tax revenue to the district, has been approved.

CONTACTING THE DISTRICT'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide the District's citizen, taxpayers, parents, Investors, and creditors with a general overview of the District's finances and to demonstrate the District's accountability for the money it receives. If you have any questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact the Superintendent's Office at P.O. Box 72 La Jara, CO 81140.

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BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NORTH CONEJOS SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1J
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
June 30, 2021

	<u>Primary Government</u> <u>Governmental</u> <u>Activities</u>
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 17,804,175
Accounts Receivable	17,678
Property Tax Receivable	62,407
Due from Other Governments	397,251
Inventories	1,644
Total Current Assets	<u>18,283,155</u>
Noncurrent Assets	
Capital Assets not being depreciated	12,293,593
Capital Assets net of depreciation	7,332,901
Total Noncurrent Assets	<u>19,626,494</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>37,909,649</u>
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	
Pension	3,873,860
OPEB	29,883
TOTAL DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	<u>3,903,743</u>
LIABILITIES	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	60,036
Accrued Salaries and Benefits	931,651
Unearned Grant Revenue	39,553
Compensated Absences	1,320
General Obligation Bonds	227,822
Total Current Liabilities	<u>1,260,382</u>
Noncurrent Liabilities	
Compensated Absences	107,925
General Obligation Bonds	5,468,084
Net Pension Liability	13,506,926
Net OPEB Liability	491,095
Total Noncurrent Liabilities	<u>19,574,030</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>20,834,412</u>
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	
Pension	6,335,370
OPEB	230,612
Unavailable Revenue- Property Tax	62,407
TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	<u>6,628,389</u>
NET POSITION	
Net Investment in Capital Assets	19,626,494
Restricted for	
TABOR	634,956
Debt Service	383,106
Unrestricted	(6,293,965)
TOTAL NET POSITION	<u>\$ 14,350,591</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

NORTH CONEJOS SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1J
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021

Functions/Programs	Expenses	Program Revenues			Net (Expense)
		Charges for Services	Operating Grants & Contributions	Capital Grants & Contributions	Revenues and Changes in Net Position
Primary Government					Primary Government
Governmental Activities					
Instructional Program	\$ 3,276,588	\$ -	\$ 1,462,476	\$ -	\$ (1,814,112)
Student Supporting Services	358,657	-	629,721	-	271,064
Instructional Staff Supporting Services	172,117	-	4,000	-	(168,117)
General Administration Supporting Services	383,601	-	-	-	(383,601)
School Administration Supporting Services	223,879	-	-	-	(223,879)
Business Supporting Services	32,625	-	-	-	(32,625)
Operations and Maintenance of Plant Services	484,448	-	-	-	(484,448)
Student Transportation Services	208,880	-	79,214	-	(129,666)
Central Supporting Services	212,136	-	-	-	(212,136)
Food Services	320,899	35,125	390,871	-	105,097
Facilities Acquisition and Construction Services	18,833	-	-	10,859,039	10,840,206
Debt Service	173,037	-	-	-	(173,037)
Total Governmental Activities	5,865,700	35,125	2,566,282	10,859,039	7,594,746
Total Primary Government	\$ 5,865,700	\$ 35,125	\$ 2,566,282	\$ 10,859,039	7,594,746
General Revenues					
Taxes					
General Property Taxes - Net					1,290,947
Specific Ownership Taxes					231,272
Other Taxes					1,685
State Equalization					7,797,278
Interest on Investments					66,633
Miscellaneous					24,698
Total General Revenues					9,412,513
Change in Net Position					17,007,259
Net Position, Beginning of Year					(2,656,668)
Net Position, End of Year					\$ 14,350,591

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

NORTH CONEJOS SCHOOL DISTRICT RE -1J
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
BALANCE SHEET
June 30, 2021

	GENERAL FUND	BUILDING FUND	TOTAL NONMAJOR FUNDS	TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
ASSETS				
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 9,889,921	\$ 6,419,082	\$ 1,495,172	\$ 17,804,175
Accounts Receivable	613	-	17,065	17,678
Property Tax Receivable	40,209	-	22,198	62,407
Due from Other Funds	63,945	-	10,951	74,896
Due from Other Governments	211,427	59,861	125,963	397,251
Inventory	-	-	1,644	1,644
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 10,206,115	\$ 6,478,943	\$ 1,672,993	\$ 18,358,051
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND FUND BALANCES				
LIABILITIES				
Accounts Payable	\$ (108)	\$ 59,861	\$ 283	\$ 60,036
Due to Other Funds	10,951	-	63,945	74,896
Accrued Salaries and Benefits	821,742	-	109,909	931,651
Unearned Grant Revenue	-	-	39,553	39,553
TOTAL LIABILITIES	832,585	59,861	213,690	1,106,136
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES				
Unavailable Revenue - Property Tax	40,209	-	22,198	62,407
TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	40,209	-	22,198	62,407
FUND BALANCE				
Nonspendable				
Inventory	-	-	1,643	1,643
Restricted				
TABOR 3% Reserve	634,956	-	-	634,956
Debt Service	-	-	383,106	383,106
Bond Proceeds and Match for Capital Construction	-	6,419,082	-	6,419,082
Committed				
GDPG	-	-	14,150	6,433,232
Food Service	-	-	58,292	58,292
Pupil Activities	-	-	248,103	248,103
Capital Projects	-	-	731,811	731,811
Assigned	-	-	-	-
Unassigned	8,698,365	-	-	8,698,365
TOTAL FUND BALANCE	9,333,321	6,419,082	1,437,105	17,189,508
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 10,206,115	\$ 6,478,943	\$ 1,672,993	\$ 18,358,051

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

NORTH CONEJOS SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1J
RECONCILIATION OF TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCES
TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
June 30, 2021

Total governmental fund balances	\$ 17,189,508
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:	
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds.	19,626,494
Deferred results and contributions to pension and OPEB plans made after the measurement date are recorded as expenditures in the governmental funds but must be deferred in the statement of net position	3,903,743
Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds.	
Bond Payable	(5,695,906)
Compensated Absences	(109,245)
Net pension and OPEB liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and are not reported in the funds.	(13,998,021)
Certain amounts related to the net pension and OPEB liability are deferred and amortized over time. These are not reported in the funds.	<u>(6,565,982)</u>
Net position of governmental activities	<u><u>\$ 14,350,591</u></u>

NORTH CONEJOS SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1J
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN
FUND BALANCES
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

	GENERAL FUND	BUILDING FUND	TOTAL NONMAJOR FUNDS	TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
REVENUES				
Local Sources	\$ 1,122,232	\$ -	\$ 695,545	\$ 1,817,777
Intermediate Sources	-	-	-	-
State Sources	8,443,107	10,859,039	45,261	19,347,407
Federal Sources	962,610	-	745,165	1,707,775
TOTAL REVENUES	10,527,949	10,859,039	1,485,971	22,872,959
EXPENDITURES				
Instructional Program	5,773,460	-	303,050	6,076,510
Student Supporting Services	193,794	-	270,729	464,523
Instructional Staff Supporting Services	245,360	-	23,265	268,625
General Admin. Supporting Services	650,521	-	24,305	674,826
School Admin. Supporting Services	599,888	-	-	599,888
Business Supporting Services	32,625	-	-	32,625
Operations and Maint. of Plant Services	622,318	-	-	622,318
Facilities Acq. and Const. Services	-	10,859,039	18,833	10,877,872
Student Transportation Services	340,123	-	-	340,123
Central Supporting Services	288,811	-	-	288,811
Food Services	-	-	467,535	467,535
Debt Service	-	-	396,213	396,213
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	8,746,900	10,859,039	1,503,930	21,109,869
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures	1,781,049	-	(17,959)	1,763,090
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Transfers from Other Funds	-	-	195,000	195,000
Transfers to Other Funds	(195,000)	-	-	(195,000)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	(195,000)	-	195,000	-
Net Change in Fund Balance	1,586,049	-	177,041	1,763,090
FUND BALANCE, Beginning of Year	7,747,272	6,419,082	1,260,064	15,426,418
FUND BALANCE, End of Year	\$ 9,333,321	\$ 6,419,082	\$ 1,437,105	\$ 17,189,508

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

NORTH CONEJOS SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1J
RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES,
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds **\$ 1,763,090**

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:

Governmental funds report capital outlay 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 difference between capital outlay and depreciation in the current period.

Fixed asset additions	\$ 10,918,196	
Depreciation expense	<u>(378,661)</u>	
		10,539,535

Debt proceeds provide current financial resources to governmental funds, but issuing debt increases long-term liabilities in the statement of net position. Repayment of debt principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the statement of net position.

General Obligation Bond Payment	\$ 223,176	
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Certain items reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources and are not reported as expenditures in the governmental funds. This item consists of the change in pension and OPEB expense.

4,481,458

Change in net position of governmental activities		<u>\$ 17,007,259</u>
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NORTH CONEJOS SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1J
STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
June 30, 2021

	<u>AGENCY FUND</u>
ASSETS	
Cash in Bank	<u>\$ 26,707</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u><u>\$ 26,707</u></u>
LIABILITIES	
Held for Scholarships	<u>\$ 26,707</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u><u>\$ 26,707</u></u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

NORTH CONEJOS SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1J
NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
June 30, 2021

NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accounting and reporting policies of the District reflected in the accompanying financial statements conform to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America applicable to state and local governments. Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America for local governments are those promulgated by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) in *Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards*. The District's significant accounting policies are described below.

REPORTING ENTITY

Primary Government

North Conejos School District RE-1J is a public school as established by Colorado State Statute. The District is declared to be a corporate body with perpetual existence and in its name may hold property, sue and be sued, and be a party to contracts for any purpose authorized by law. Members of the school board are voted on at large by the registered, qualified electors of the District. Taxes are levied upon all taxable property within the District's boundaries by the County Commissioners. The County Treasurer collects the taxes and remits them to the school district. The District also receives State and Federal funds. The school board has the authority to issue bonds up to 20% of the latest assessed valuation of the taxable property in the District. The board also has authority to select the depository of school funds and acquire short-term loans.

Component Units

The District's combined financial statements include the accounts of all District operations. The criteria for including organizations as component units within the District's reporting entity, as set forth in Section 2100 of GASB's *Codification of Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards*, include whether:

- The organization is legally separate (can sue and be sued in their own name)
- The District holds the corporate powers of the organization
- The District appoints a voting majority of the organization's board
- The District is able to impose its will on the organization
- The organization has the potential to impose a financial benefit/burden on the District
- There is fiscal dependency by the organization on the District
- The organization is financially accountable to the District
- The organization receives or holds funds that are for the benefit of the District; and the District has access to a majority of the funds held; and the funds that are accessible are also significant to the District

Based on the aforementioned criteria, the North Conejos School District RE-1J has no component units.

GOVERNMENT-WIDE AND FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The government-wide financial statements include the statement of net position and the statement of activities. Government-wide statements report information on all of the activities of the District, except for District fiduciary activity. The effect of interfund transfers has been removed from the government-wide statements but continues to be reflected on the fund statements. Mainly taxes and intergovernmental revenues support governmental activities.

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June 30, 2021

The statement of activities reflects the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable within a specific function. Program revenues include:

- Charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment and
- Grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment. Taxes and other items not properly included in program revenues are reported as general revenues.

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds and fiduciary funds, even though the fiduciary funds are excluded from the government-wide financial statements. The emphasis of fund financial statements is on major governmental funds each reported as a separate column. All remaining governmental funds are aggregated and reported as nonmajor funds.

MEASUREMENT FOCUS, BASIS OF ACCOUNTING, AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT PRESENTATION

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied. Grants are recognized as revenue when all applicable eligibility requirements, imposed by the provider, are met.

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 available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the District considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures are generally recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recorded only when payment is due.

The District reports the following major governmental funds:

- The **General Fund** is the general operating fund of the District. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.
- The **Building Fund** is used to account for all resources available for acquiring capital sites, buildings, and equipment. Specifically, bond and grant proceeds for the BEST High School construction project.

Fiduciary fund financial statements consist of the Agency Fund. The Agency Fund was established to record transactions relating to assets held by the District as an agent for scholarships. Agency funds are custodial in nature (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve measurement of results of operations.

Certain eliminations have been made as prescribed by GASB Statement No. 34 in regards to interfund activities, payables, and receivables. All internal balances in the statement of net position have been eliminated except those representing balances between governmental activities and business-type activities, which are presented as internal balances and eliminated in the total primary government column.

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June 30, 2021

ASSETS, DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES, LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND NET POSITION/FUND BALANCE

Cash and Cash Equivalents

The District's cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash in bank, certificates of deposit, and liquid investments with maturity of three months or less.

Property Taxes

Property taxes attach as an enforceable lien on property as of January 1 each year. The taxes are payable in two installments on February 28 and June 15 or in full on April 30. The District's property taxes are collected by the County Treasurer who remits monthly receipts to the District. Property tax revenue is recognized when received by the County Treasurer.

Uncollected property taxes that became an enforceable lien January 1, 2021, has been recorded in the financial statements as an asset and a corresponding deferred inflow of resources.

Receivables/Payables From Other District Funds

Balances that originate from current lending/borrowing arrangements between funds are referred to as "Due To/From Other Funds".

Inventories

Purchased inventories are stated at cost and consist of supplies and food to be used within one year. Donated inventory is priced at the U.S. Department of Agriculture established values.

USDA Commodities

The Food Service Fund receives donated commodities to use in meal preparation from the U.S. Department of Agriculture. The value of these commodities received during the year is shown as income, and the value of commodities used is shown as an expenditure.

Prepaid Items

Certain payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as prepaid items in both government-wide and fund financial statements.

Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include land, land improvements, buildings, equipment, vehicles, and construction in progress, are reported in the applicable governmental activities column in the government-wide financial statements. The District defines capital assets as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$5,000. Capital assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date of donation. The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets lives are not capitalized. When assets used in the operation of the governmental fund types are sold, the proceeds of the sale are recorded as revenues in the appropriate fund.

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Capital assets are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

<u>Assets</u>	<u>Years</u>
Land Improvements	5-20
Buildings	5-75
Equipment	3-20
Vehicles	4-15

Long-Term Obligations

Long-term debt and other long-term obligations are recorded as liabilities in the government-wide financial statements. In the fund financial statements for governmental fund types, debt proceeds are reported as an other financing source and debt payments are reported as debt service expenditures. The District records long-term debt of governmental funds at the face value.

Voluntary Early Retirement Bonus Plan

All employees shall be eligible to participate upon completion of 20 years of service, the last 10 of which are to be uninterrupted service to the District. Any employee with fewer than 20 years but at least 15 years of uninterrupted service to the District can elect early retirement with a loss of five percent for each year short of the minimum 20 years.

Compensated Absences

Certified staff of the District receive 10 days each contract year for personal leave and classified staff receive eight days. Personal leave may be accumulated without limit. Upon termination of employment for reasons other than retirement, an employee shall be paid for a maximum of 12 days of accrued personal leave not taken based on the current rate of pay for a substitute. In the event of death, such payment shall be made to the employee's estate. An employee who is eligible for retirement in accordance with the Public Employees' Retirement Association shall be paid for one-fourth of all accrued personal leave not taken on the rate of pay for a substitute not to exceed payment for more than 30 days of accrued personal leave. A liability is accrued in the government-wide financial statements.

Unearned Grant Revenue

Revenues on grants, which are restricted by the grant document for specific purposes, are recognized as revenue only after eligible grant costs have been incurred. Grant funds received in excess of grant expenditures are recorded as unearned revenues.

Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources

In addition to assets, the statement of net position reports a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This represents a consumption of net position that applied to a future period(s) and will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (as either an expense or expenditure) until that period.

In addition to liabilities, the balance sheet reports a separate section of deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred inflows of resources, represents an acquisition of fund balance that applies to future periods and will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time.

Certain amounts related to pensions and OPEB must be deferred.

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Pensions

The District participates in the School Division Trust Fund (SCHDTF), a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the Public Employees' Retirement Association of Colorado ("PERA"). The net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources, and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position (FNP) and additions to/deductions from the fiduciary net position of the SCHDTF have been determined using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

The Colorado General Assembly passed significant pension reform through Senate Bill (SB) 18-200: *Concerning Modifications to the Public Employees' Retirement Association Hybrid Defined Benefit Plan Necessary to Eliminate with a High Probability the Unfunded Liability of the Plan Within the Next Thirty Years*. The bill was signed into law by Governor Hickenlooper on June 4, 2018. SB 18-200 makes changes to certain benefit provisions. Some, but not all, of these changes were in effect as of June 30, 2021.

OPEB

The District participates in the Health Care Trust Fund (HCTF), a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit OPEB fund administered by the Public Employees' Retirement Association of Colorado ("PERA"). The net OPEB liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB, OPEB expense, information about the fiduciary net position (FNP) and additions to/deductions from the fiduciary net position of the HCTF have been determined using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. For this purpose, benefits paid on behalf of health care participants are recognized when due and/or payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

Net Position

Net position represents the difference between assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources. Net position should be displayed in the following three components:

- *Net investment in capital assets* – consists of capital assets, net accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets. Deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets or related debt should be included in this component of net position.
- *Restricted* – consists of restricted assets reduced by liabilities and deferred inflows of resources related to those assets. Restricted assets consist of assets that have limitations imposed on their use either through the enabling legislation or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors, or laws or regulations of other governments.
- *Unrestricted* – consists of the net amount of assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources that are not included in the determination of net investment in capital assets or the restricted components of net position.

Fund Balance

Fund balances are reported by classification based on the extent to which the District is bound to honor constraints for the specific purposes on which amounts in the fund can be spent. Fund balances are classified in one of the following five categories:

- *Nonspendable Fund Balance* – amounts that cannot be spent because they are not in spendable form, such as inventory and prepaid expenditures.

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- *Restricted Fund Balance* – amounts restricted when constraints placed on the use of resources are either (a) externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments or (b) imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
- *Committed Fund Balance* – amounts that can only be used for specific purposes as a result of constraints imposed through adopted resolution by the Board of Education, the highest level of decision making authority. Committed amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the Board removes those constraints by taking the same type of action. Committed fund balances differ from restricted balances because the constraints on their use do not come from outside parties, constitutional provisions, or enabling legislation.
- *Assigned Fund Balance* – amounts a government intends to use for a specific purpose; intent can be expressed by the Board of Education or by an official or body to which governing body delegates the authority.
- *Unassigned Fund Balance* – amounts that are available for any purpose; these amounts are reported only in the General Fund.

When an expenditure is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net position/fund balance is available, the District considers restricted funds to have been spent first. When an expenditure is incurred for which committed, assigned, and unassigned fund balances are available, the District considers amounts to have been spent first out of committed funds, then assigned funds, and finally unassigned funds, as needed, unless the Board of Education has provided otherwise in its commitment or assignment actions.

Encumbrances

The District records purchase orders in the accounting system. Unfulfilled purchase commitments outstanding at the end of the budget year are rebudgeted in the succeeding year. End of the year fund balance intended to be used in the succeeding year is reported as assigned fund balance.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of the 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 from those estimates.

Reclassifications

Certain amounts from 2020 have been reclassified to conform to the 2021 financial statement presentation.

NOTE 2 STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE, AND ACCOUNTABILITY

Budgets and Budgetary Accounting

North Conejos School District RE-1J follows the procedures set forth in the Colorado School District Budget Law when preparing annual budgets for each fund. Budget procedures include:

- 1) Preparation of budget documents by administrative staff shall be submitted to the Board no later than June 1 of each year.
- 2) Publication of a notice stating that the budget is available for public inspection.
- 3) Discussion of the budget in a meeting open to the public.
- 4) Adoption of the budget in a public meeting by appropriate resolution.

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Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device for all funds of the District. All fund budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP).

The total expenditures for each fund cannot exceed the budgeted amount unless a supplemental appropriation is adopted. All budget amounts presented in the accompanying supplementary information reflect the original budget and the final amended budget, if applicable.

Stewardship

Expenditures in the Building Fund and Debt Service Fund exceeded appropriations by \$1,019,769 and \$1,600 during fiscal year 2021, respectively. This may be a violation of Colorado Revised Statutes 22-44-115(1).

NOTE 3 CASH AND DEPOSITS

A summary of Cash and Deposits for the District are as follows:

Cash in Bank	\$ 16,708,974
Cash on Hand	223
ColoTrust Investments	1,121,685
Less: amounts related to Agency Funds	<u>(26,707)</u>
Total cash and deposits on the Statement of Net Position	<u><u>\$ 17,804,175</u></u>

Cash and Deposits

Colorado State Statutes govern the District's deposits of cash. The statutes specify eligible depositories for public cash deposits, which must be Colorado institutions and must maintain federal insurance (FDIC) on deposits held.

The Colorado Public Deposit Protection Act (PDPA), requires that all units of local government deposit cash in eligible public depositories, determined by state regulators. Amounts on deposit in excess of federal insurance levels must be collateralized in accordance with the PDPA. PDPA allows the institution to create a single collateral pool for all public funds to be maintained by another institution or held in trust for all the uninsured public deposits as a group. The market value of the collateral must be at least equal to the aggregate uninsured deposits.

Custodial Credit Risk – Deposits

Custodial credit risk 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 year-end, \$15,089,259 of the District's bank balance of \$16,851,301 was exposed to custodial credit risk. Deposits exposed to credit risk are collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution through PDPA.

Investments

Colorado Statutes specify investment instruments meeting defined rating and risk criteria in which local governments may invest, which include the following:

- Obligations of the United States and certain U.S. government agency securities
- Certain international agency securities
- General obligation and revenue bonds of U.S. local government entities

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- Banker's acceptance of certain banks
- Commercial paper holding the highest credit rating category and with a maturity within 180 days
- Local government investment pools
- Written repurchase agreements collateralized by certain authorized securities
- Certain money market funds
- Guaranteed investment contracts
- Corporate or bank debt issued by eligible corporations or banks

Fair Value – Fair value investments classified at Level 1 of the fair value hierarchy are valued using prices quoted in active markets for those securities. Fair value investments classified as Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy are valued using the active market rates for the underlying securities. Fair value investments classified as Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy are valued using non-observable inputs.

COLOTRUST is a money market investment vehicle established for local government entities in Colorado to pool surplus funds. The State Securities Commissioner administers and enforces all State statutes governing COLOTRUST. The pool operates similarly to a money market fund and each share is equal in value to \$1.00. Investments consist of U.S. Treasury and U.S. Agency securities and repurchase agreements collateralized by the U.S. Treasury and U.S. Agency securities. A designated custodial bank provides safekeeping and depository services in connection with the direct investment and withdrawal functions. Substantially all securities owned are held by the Federal Reserve Bank in the account maintained for the custodial bank. The custodian's internal records identify the investments owned by the entities. COLOTRUST is rated AAAM by Standard and Poors, and maintains a constant net asset value of \$1 per share. Financial statements for COLOTRUST are available at www.colotrust.com. The total COLOTRUST investment was valued at \$1,121,685 at June 30, 2021 with a credit rating of AAAM by Standard & Poors.

Interest Rate Risk – The District does not have a formal investment policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates.

Credit Risk – The risk that an issuer or other counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligation. State statutes limit investments in U.S. Agency securities to the highest rating issued by National Recognized Statistical Rating Organizations (NRSROs).

Concentration of Credit Risk – The risk of loss attributed to the magnitude of a government's investment in a single issuer. The District has not established a policy limiting the investment in any type of security and deems it unnecessary at this time.

NOTE 4 ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Accounts receivable at June 30, 2021, consisted of the following:

General Fund	\$ 613
Debt Service Fund	17,065
	<u>\$ 17,678</u>

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NOTE 5 DUE FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS

Intergovernmental receivables include amounts due from grantors for specific program grants. Program grants are recorded as receivables and revenues at the time reimbursable project costs are incurred. As of June 30, 2021, the District had \$397,251 due from Federal, State, and Local governments, reflected as due from other governments in the accompanying basic financial statements.

NOTE 6 INTERFUND RECEIVABLES, PAYABLES, AND TRANSFERS

Interfund Receivables/Payables

The District reports interfund balances between many of its funds. The balances resulted from the time lag between the dates that (1) interfund goods and services are provided or reimbursable expenditures occur, (2) transactions are recorded in the accounting system, and (3) payments between funds are made. Interfund balances are generally expected to be repaid within one year of the financial statement date.

Interfund receivable and payable balances at June 30, 2021 were as follows:

Receivable Fund	Payable Fund	Amount
Governmental Designated Purpose Grants Fund	General Fund	\$ 10,951
General Fund	Governmental Designated Purpose Grants Fund	14,598
General Fund	Food Service Fund	49,347
		<u>\$ 74,896</u>

Interfund Transfers

Interfund transfers for the year ended June 30, 2021 were as follows:

Transfer In	Transfer Out	Amount
Food Service Fund	General Fund	\$ 60,000
Student Activity Fund	General Fund	25,000
Capital Reserve Capital Projects Fund	General Fund	110,000
		<u>\$ 195,000</u>

The General Fund transfers were made to subsidize the Food Service Fund, Pupil Activity Fund, and Capital Reserve Capital Projects Fund.

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NOTE 7 CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset activity for the year ended June 30, 2021, was as follows:

	Balance 06/30/2020	Additions	Deletions	Balance 06/30/2021
<i>Governmental Activities</i>				
Capital Assets Not Being Depreciated				
Land	\$ 348,996	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 348,996
Construction in progress	1,085,558	10,859,039	-	11,944,597
Total capital assets not being depreciated	<u>1,434,554</u>	<u>10,859,039</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>12,293,593</u>
Capital Assets Being Depreciated				
Land Improvements	1,400,178	-	-	1,400,178
Buildings	10,355,340	-	-	10,355,340
Equipment	2,261,801	17,397	-	2,279,198
Vehicles	1,770,070	41,760	-	1,811,830
Total Capital Assets Being Depreciated	<u>15,787,389</u>	<u>59,157</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>15,846,546</u>
Less: Accumulated Depreciation For				
Land Improvements	606,624	70,345	-	676,969
Buildings	4,581,271	170,186	-	4,751,457
Equipment	1,588,224	80,349	-	1,668,573
Vehicles	1,358,865	57,781	-	1,416,646
Total Accumulated Depreciation	<u>8,134,984</u>	<u>378,661</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>8,513,645</u>
Net Capital Assets being depreciated	<u>7,652,405</u>	<u>(319,504)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>7,332,901</u>
Total Capital Assets	<u>\$ 9,086,959</u>	<u>\$ 10,539,535</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 19,626,494</u>

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

<i>Governmental Activities</i>	
Instructional Program	\$ 219,341
Student Supporting Services	29,994
General Administration Supporting Services	6,256
Operations and Maintenance of Plant Services	60,598
Student Transportation Services	57,781
Food Services	4,691
Total depreciation expense - governmental activities	<u>\$ 378,661</u>

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NOTE 8 ACCRUED SALARIES AND BENEFITS

The teachers, administrators, and the administrative staff are employed under nine, ten, and eleven month contracts. All District employees are paid on a twelve-month basis, therefore, a difference exists between the actual amount of salaries earned under the contract and the amount paid. The difference between salaries earned and paid, including the District's share of benefits, has been accrued in the financial statements in the amount of \$931,651.

NOTE 9 OPERATING LEASES

The District has entered into an operating lease arrangement for several copy machines. This lease is considered for accounting purposes an operating lease. Lease expenses for the year totaled \$21,013.

NOTE 10 LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

Changes in Long-Term Liabilities

Long-term liability balances for the year ended June 30, 2021, were as follows:

	Balance 06/30/2020	Additions	Deletions	Balance 06/30/2021	Due Within One Year
<i>Governmental Activities</i>					
G.O.Bonds Payable	\$5,919,082	\$ -	\$ 223,176	\$5,695,906	\$ 227,822
Compensated Absences	109,245	-	-	109,245	1,320
Total Governmental Activities	<u>\$6,028,327</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 223,176</u>	<u>\$5,805,151</u>	<u>\$ 229,142</u>

General Obligation Bonds

On December 5, 2019, the District issued general obligation bonds series 2019O in the amount of \$5,919,082 with an interest rate of 2.952% to be paid in full December 1, 2039. The bonds were issued for the District's match for the Building Excellent Schools Today Act (BEST) grant for the construction of a new school.

The annual debt service for the General Obligation Bond is as follows:

	Principal	Interest	Totals
FY 2022	\$ 227,822	\$ 164,780	\$ 392,602
FY 2023	234,548	157,956	392,504
FY 2024	241,472	150,930	392,402
FY2025	248,600	143,696	392,296
FY2026	255,938	136,249	392,188
FY 2027-2031	1,397,583	561,617	1,959,200
FY 2032-2036	1,616,410	339,560	1,955,970
FY 2037-2040	1,473,534	88,579	1,562,113
	<u>\$ 5,695,906</u>	<u>\$ 1,743,368</u>	<u>\$ 7,439,274</u>

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NOTE 11 DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN

General Information about the Pension Plan

Plan description. Eligible employees of the District are provided with pensions through the SCHDTF—a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by PERA. Plan benefits are specified in Title 24, Article 51 of the Colorado Revised Statutes (C.R.S.), administrative rules set forth at 8 C.C.R. 1502-1, and applicable provisions of the federal Internal Revenue Code. Colorado State law provisions may be amended from time to time by the Colorado General Assembly. PERA issues a publicly available comprehensive annual financial report (Annual Report) that can be obtained at www.copera.org/investments/pera-financial-reports.

Benefits provided as of December 31, 2020. PERA provides retirement, disability, and survivor benefits. Retirement benefits are determined by the amount of service credit earned and/or purchased, highest average salary, the benefit structure(s) under which the member retires, the benefit option selected at retirement, and age at retirement. Retirement eligibility is specified in tables set forth at C.R.S. § 24-51-602, 604, 1713, and 1714.

The lifetime retirement benefit for all eligible retiring employees under the PERA Benefit Structure is the greater of the:

- Highest average salary multiplied by 2.5 percent and then multiplied by years of service credit
- The value of the retiring employee's member contribution account plus a 100 percent match on eligible amounts as of the retirement date. This amount is then annuitized into a monthly benefit based on life expectancy and other actuarial factors.

In all cases the service retirement benefit is limited to 100 percent of highest average salary and also cannot exceed the maximum benefit allowed by federal Internal Revenue Code.

Members may elect to withdraw their member contribution accounts upon termination of employment with all PERA employers; waiving rights to any lifetime retirement benefits earned. If eligible, the member may receive a match of either 50 percent or 100 percent on eligible amounts depending on when contributions were remitted to PERA, the date employment was terminated, whether 5 years of service credit has been obtained and the benefit structure under which contributions were made.

As of December 31, 2020, benefit recipients who elect to receive a lifetime retirement benefit are generally eligible to receive post-retirement cost-of-living adjustments, referred to as annual increases in the C.R.S., once certain criteria are met. Pursuant to SB 18-200, eligible benefit recipients under the PERA benefit structure who began membership before January 1, 2007, and all eligible benefit recipients of the DPS benefit structure will receive an annual increase of 1.25 percent unless adjusted by the automatic adjustment provision (AAP) pursuant to C.R.S. §24-51-413. Eligible benefit recipients under the PERA benefit structure who began membership on or after January 1, 2007, will receive the lesser of an annual increase of 1.25 percent or the average of the Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers for the prior calendar year, not to exceed 10 percent of PERA's Annual Increase Reserve (AIR) for the SCHDTF. The AAP may raise or lower the aforementioned annual increase by up to 0.25 percent based on the parameters specified in C.R.S. §24-51-413.

Disability benefits are available for eligible employees once they reach five years of earned service credit and are determined to meet the definition of disability. The disability benefit amount is based on the lifetime retirement benefit formula(s) shown above considering a minimum 20 years of service credit, if deemed disabled.

Survivor benefits are determined by several factors, which include the amount of earned service credit, highest average salary of the deceased, the benefit structure(s) under which service credit was obtained, and the qualified survivor(s) who will receive the benefits.

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Contributions provisions as of June 30, 2021. Eligible employees of, the District and the State are required to contribute to the SCHDTF at a rate set by Colorado statute. The contribution requirements for the SCHDTF are established under C.R.S. § 24-51-401, *et seq.* and § 24-51-413. Eligible employees are required to contribute 10.00 percent of their PERA-includable salary during the period of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021. Employer contribution requirements are summarized in the table below:

	July 1, 2020 Through June 30, 2021
Employer Contribution Rate	10.90%
Amount of Employer Contribution apportioned to the Health Care Trust Fund as specified in C.R.S. § 24-51-208(1)(f)	-1.02%
Amount Apportioned to the SCHDTF	9.88%
Amortization Equalization Disbursement (AED) as specified in C.R.S. § 24-51-411	4.50%
Supplemental Amortization Equalization Disbursement (SAED) as specified in C.R.S. § 24-51-411	5.50%
Total employer contribution rate to the SCHDTF	19.88%

*Contribution rates for the SCHDTF are expressed as a percentage of salary as defined in C.R.S. § 24-51-101(42).

As specified in C.R.S. § 24-51-414, the State is required to contribute \$225 million (actual dollars) each year to PERA starting on July 1, 2018. A portion of the direct distribution payment is allocated to the SCHDTF based on the proportionate amount of annual payroll of the SCHDTF to the total annual payroll of the SCHDTF, State Division Trust Fund, Judicial Division Trust Fund, and Denver Public Schools Division Trust Fund. House Bill (HB) 20-1379 suspended the \$225 million (actual dollars) direct distribution payable on July 1, 2020 for the State's 2020-21 fiscal year.

Employer contributions are recognized by the SCHDTF in the period in which the compensation becomes payable to the member and the District is statutorily committed to pay the contributions to the SCHDTF. Employer contributions recognized by the SCHDTF from the District were \$952,309, for the year ended June 30, 2021.

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

The net pension liability for the SCHDTF was measured as of December 31, 2020, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of December 31, 2019. Standard update procedures were used to roll forward the total pension liability to December 31, 2020. The District's proportion of the net pension liability was based on the District contributions to the SCHDTF for the calendar year 2020 relative to the total contributions of participating employers and the State as a nonemployer contributing entity.

Due to the aforementioned suspension of the July 1, 2020, direct distribution payment, the nonemployer contributing entity's proportion is zero percent. Pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-51-414, the direct distribution payment from the State of Colorado is to recommence annually starting on July 1, 2021. For purposes of GASB 68 paragraph 15, a circumstance exists in which a nonemployer contributing entity is legally responsible for making contributions to the SCHDTF and is considered to meet the definition of a special funding situation.

At June 30, 2021, the District reported a liability of \$13,506,926 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability that reflected a reduction for support from the State as a nonemployer contributing entity. The amount recognized by the District as its proportionate share of the net pension liability, the related support from the State as

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a nonemployer contributing entity, and the total portion of the net pension liability that was associated with the District were as follows:

North Conejos School District's proportionate share of the net position liability	\$ 13,506,926
The State's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a nonemployer contributing entity associated with the North Conejos School District	-
Total	<u>\$ 13,506,926</u>

At December 31, 2020, the District's proportion was 0.0893 percent, which was an increase of 0.0084 percent from its proportion measured as of December 31, 2019.

For the year ended June 30, 2021, the District recognized pension expense of (\$4,420,977) and revenue of \$0 for support from the State as a nonemployer contributing entity. At June 30, 2021 the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Difference between expected and actual experience	\$ 742,138	\$ -
Changes of assumptions or other inputs	1,299,324	2,270,400
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	-	2,973,182
Changes in proportion and differences between contributions recognized and proportionate share of contributions	1,346,904	1,091,788
Contributions subsequent to the measurement date	485,494	-
Total	<u>\$ 3,873,860</u>	<u>\$ 6,335,370</u>

\$485,494 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions, resulting from contributions subsequent to the measurement date, will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2022. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year Ended June 30,	
2022	\$ (2,827,523)
2023	684,552
2024	(334,997)
2025	(469,036)
2026	-
Thereafter	

Actuarial assumptions. The total pension liability in the December 31, 2019 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions and other inputs:

Actuarial cost method	Entry age
Price inflation	2.40%
Real wage growth	1.10%
Wage inflation	3.50%

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Salary increases, including wage inflation	3.50 – 9.70%
Long-term investment Rate of Return, net of pension plan investment expenses, including price inflation	7.25%
Discount rate	7.25%
Post-retirement benefit increases:	
PERA Benefit Structure hired prior to 1/1/07 and DPS benefit structure (compounded annually)	1.25%
PERA Benefit Structure hired after 12/31/06 ¹	Financed by the AIR

¹ Post-retirement benefit increases are provided by the AIR, accounted separately within each Division Trust Fund, and subject to moneys being available; therefore, liabilities related to increases for members of these benefit tiers can never exceed available assets.

Healthy mortality assumptions for active members were based on the RP-2014 White Collar Employee Mortality Table, a table specifically developed for actively working people. To allow for an appropriate margin of improved mortality prospectively, the mortality rates incorporate a 70 percent factor applied to male rates and a 55 percent factor applied to female rates.

Post-retirement non-disabled mortality assumptions were based on the RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table, adjusted as follows:

- Males: Mortality improvement projected to 2018 using the MP-2015 projection scale, a 93 percent factor applied to rates for ages less than 80, a 113 percent factor applied to rates for ages 80 and above, and further adjustments for credibility.
- Females: Mortality improvement projected to 2020 using the MP-2015 projection scale, a 68 percent factor applied to rates for ages less than 80, a 106 percent factor applied to rates for ages 80 and above, and further adjustments for credibility.

The mortality assumption for disabled retirees was based on 90 percent of the RP-2014 Disabled Retiree Mortality Table.

The actuarial assumptions used in the December 31, 2019, valuations were based on the results of the 2016 experience analysis for the periods January 1, 2012, through December 31, 2015, as well as, the October 28, 2016, actuarial assumptions workshop and were adopted by the PERA Board during the November 18, 2016, Board meeting.

Based on the 2020 experience analysis, dated October 28, 2020, for the period January 1, 2016, through December 31, 2019, revised economic and demographic assumptions were adopted by PERA's Board on November 20, 2020, and were effective as of December 31, 2020. The assumptions shown below were reflected in the roll forward calculation of the total pension liability from December 31, 2019, to December 31, 2020.

Actuarial cost method	Entry age
Price inflation	2.30%
Real wage growth	0.7 0%
Wage inflation	3.00%
Salary increases, including wage inflation	3.40 – 11.00%
Long-term investment Rate of Return, net of pension plan investment expenses, including price inflation	7.25%
Discount rate	7.25%
Post-retirement benefit increases:	
PERA Benefit Structure hired prior to 1/1/07	

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and DPS benefit structure (compounded annually)	1.25%
PERA Benefit Structure hired after 12/31/06 ¹	Financed by the AIR

¹ Post-retirement benefit increases are provided by the AIR, accounted separately within each Division Trust Fund, and subject to moneys being available; therefore, liabilities related to increases for members of these benefit tiers can never exceed available assets.

Salary scale assumptions were revised to align with revised economic assumptions and to more closely reflect actual experience.

Rates of termination/withdrawal, retirement, and disability were revised to more closely reflect actual experience.

The pre-retirement mortality assumptions were based upon the PubT-2010 Employee Table with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

Post-retirement non-disabled mortality assumptions were based upon the PubT-2010 Healthy Retiree Table, adjusted as follows:

- **Males:** 112 percent of the rates prior to age 80 and 94 percent of the rates for ages 80 and older, with generational projection using scale MP-2019.
- **Females:** 83 percent of the rates prior to age 80 and 106 percent of the rates for ages 80 and older, with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

Post-retirement non-disabled beneficiary mortality assumptions were based upon the Pub-2010 Contingent Survivor Table, adjusted as follows:

- **Males:** 97 percent of the rates for all ages, with generational projection using scale MP-2019.
- **Females:** 105 percent of the rates for all ages, with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

Disabled mortality assumptions were based upon the PubNS-2010 Disabled Retiree Table using 99 percent of the rates for all ages with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

The mortality tables described above are generational mortality tables on a benefit-weighted basis.

The long-term expected return on plan assets is reviewed as part of regular experience studies prepared every four or five years for PERA. Recently, this assumption has been reviewed more frequently. The most recent analyses were outlined in the Experience Study report dated October 28, 2020. As a result of the November 20, 2020 PERA Board meeting, the following economic assumptions were changed, effective December 31, 2020:

- Price inflation assumption decreased from 2.40 percent per year to 2.30 percent per year.
- Real rate of investment return assumption increased from 4.85 percent per year, net of investment expenses to 4.95 percent per year, net of investment expenses.
- Wage inflation assumption decreased from 3.50 percent per year to 3.00 percent per year.

Several factors were considered in evaluating the long-term rate of return assumption for the SCHDTE, including long-term historical data, estimates inherent in current market data, and a log-normal distribution analysis in which

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best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected return, net of investment expense and inflation) were developed for each major asset class. These ranges were combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentages and then adding expected inflation.

The PERA Board first adopted the 7.25 percent long-term expected rate of return as of November 18, 2016. Following an asset/liability study, the Board reaffirmed the assumed rate of return at the Board's November 15, 2019, meeting, to be effective January 1, 2020. As of the most recent reaffirmation of the long-term rate of return, the target asset allocation and best estimates of geometric real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the table as follows:

Asset Class	Target Allocation	30 Year Expected Geometric Real Rate of Return
Global Equity	54.00%	5.60%
Fixed Income	23.00%	1.30%
Private Equity	8.50%	7.10%
Real Estate	8.50%	4.40%
Alternatives ¹	6.00%	4.70%
Total	100.00%	

¹ The Opportunity Fund's name changed to Alternatives, effective January 1, 2020.

In setting the long-term expected rate of return, projections employed to model future returns provide a range of expected long-term returns that, including expected inflation, ultimately support a long-term expected rate of return assumption of 7.25 percent.

Discount rate. The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.25 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate applied the actuarial cost method and assumptions shown above. In addition, the following methods and assumptions were used in the projection of cash flows:

- Total covered payroll for the initial projection year consists of the covered payroll of the active membership present on the valuation date and the covered payroll of future plan members assumed to be hired during the year. In subsequent projection years, total covered payroll was assumed to increase annually at a rate of 3.00 percent.
- Employee contributions were assumed to be made at the current member contribution rates in effect for each year, including the scheduled increases in SB 18-200. Employee contributions for future plan members were used to reduce the estimated amount of total service costs for future plan members.
- Employer contributions were assumed to be made at rates equal to the fixed statutory rates specified in law for each year, including the scheduled increase in SB 18-200. Employer contributions also include the current and estimated future AED and SAED, until the Actuarial Value Funding Ratio reaches 103 percent, at which point, the AED and SAED will each drop 0.50 percent every year until they are zero. Additionally, estimated employer contributions reflect reductions for the funding of the AIR and retiree health care benefits. For future plan members, employer contributions were further reduced by the estimated amount of total service costs for future plan members not financed by their member contributions.
- As specified in law, the State, as a nonemployer contributing entity, will provide an annual direct distribution of \$225 million (actual dollars), which commenced July 1, 2018, that is proportioned between

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the State, School, Judicial, and DPS Division Trust Funds based upon the covered payroll of each Division. The annual direct distribution ceases when all Division Trust Funds are fully funded. HB 20-1379 suspended the \$225 million (actual dollars) direct distribution payable on July 1, 2020, for the State's 2020-21 fiscal year.

- Employer contributions and the amount of total service costs for future plan members were based upon a process to estimate future actuarially determined contributions assuming an analogous future plan member growth rate.
- The AIR balance was excluded from the initial fiduciary net position, as, per statute, AIR amounts cannot be used to pay benefits until transferred to either the retirement benefits reserve or the survivor benefits reserve, as appropriate. AIR transfers to the fiduciary net position and the subsequent AIR benefit payments were estimated and included in the projections.
- Benefit payments and contributions were assumed to be made at the middle of the year.

Based on the above assumptions and methods, the projection test indicates the SCHDTF's FNP was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return of 7.25 percent on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability. The discount rate determination does not use the municipal bond rate, and therefore, the discount rate is 7.25 percent. There was no change in the discount rate from the prior measurement date.

Sensitivity of the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability to changes in the discount rate. The following presents the proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.25 percent, as well as what the proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (6.25 percent) or 1-percentage-point higher (8.25 percent) than the current rate:

	1% Decrease (6.25%)	Current Discount Rate (7.25%)	1% Increase (8.25%)
Proportionate share of the net pension liability	<u>\$ 18,424,554</u>	<u>\$ 13,506,926</u>	<u>\$ 9,408,922</u>

Pension plan fiduciary net position- Detailed information about the SCHDTF's fiduciary net position is available in PERA's Annual Report which can be obtained at www.copera.org/investments/pera-financial-reports.

NOTE 12 OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

General Information about the OPEB Plan

Plan description. Eligible employees of the District are provided with OPEB through the HCTF—a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit OPEB plan administered by PERA. The HCTF is established under Title 24, Article 51, Part 12 of the Colorado Revised Statutes (C.R.S.), as amended. Colorado State law provisions may be amended from time to time by the Colorado General Assembly. Title 24, Article 51, Part 12 of the C.R.S., as amended, sets forth a framework that grants authority to the PERA Board to contract, self-insure, and authorize disbursements necessary in order to carry out the purposes of the PERACare program, including the administration of the premium subsidies. Colorado State law provisions may be amended from time to time by the Colorado

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General Assembly. PERA issues a publicly available comprehensive annual financial report (Annual Report) that can be obtained at www.copera.org/investments/pera-financial-reports.

Benefits provided. The HCTF provides a health care premium subsidy to eligible participating PERA benefit recipients and retirees who choose to enroll in one of the PERA health care plans, however, the subsidy is not available if only enrolled in the dental and/or vision plan(s). The health care premium subsidy is based upon the benefit structure under which the member retires and the member's years of service credit.

C.R.S. § 24-51-1202 et seq. specifies the eligibility for enrollment in the health care plans offered by PERA and the amount of the premium subsidy. The law governing a benefit recipient's eligibility for the subsidy and the amount of the subsidy differs slightly depending under which benefit structure the benefits are calculated. All benefit recipients under the PERA benefit structure are eligible for a premium subsidy, if enrolled in a health care plan under PERACare.

Enrollment in the PERACare is voluntary and is available to benefit recipients and their eligible dependents, certain surviving spouses, and divorced spouses and guardians, among others. Eligible benefit recipients may enroll into the program upon retirement, upon the occurrence of certain life events, or on an annual basis during an open enrollment period.

PERA Benefit Structure

The maximum service-based premium subsidy is \$230 per month for benefit recipients who are under 65 years of age and who are not entitled to Medicare; the maximum service-based subsidy is \$115 per month for benefit recipients who are 65 years of age or older or who are under 65 years of age and entitled to Medicare. The maximum service-based subsidy, in each case, is for benefit recipients with retirement benefits based on 20 or more years of service credit. There is a 5 percent reduction in the subsidy for each year less than 20. The benefit recipient pays the remaining portion of the premium to the extent the subsidy does not cover the entire amount.

For benefit recipients who have not participated in Social Security and who are not otherwise eligible for premium-free Medicare Part A for hospital-related services, C.R.S. § 24-51-1206(4) provides an additional subsidy. According to the statute, PERA cannot charge premiums to benefit recipients without Medicare Part A that are greater than premiums charged to benefit recipients with Part A for the same plan option, coverage level, and service credit. Currently, for each individual PERACare enrollee, the total premium for Medicare coverage is determined assuming plan participants have both Medicare Part A and Part B and the difference in premium cost is paid by the HCTF on behalf of benefit recipients not covered by Medicare Part A.

Contributions. Pursuant to Title 24, Article 51, Section 208(1)(f) of the C.R.S., as amended, certain contributions are apportioned to the HCTF. PERA-affiliated employers of the State, School, Local Government, and Judicial Divisions are required to contribute at a rate of 1.02 percent of PERA-includable salary into the HCTF.

Employer contributions are recognized by the HCTF in the period in which the compensation becomes payable to the member and the District is statutorily committed to pay the contributions. Employer contributions recognized by the HCTF from the District were \$48,861 for the year ended June 30, 2021.

OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB

At June 30, 2021, the District reported a liability of \$491,095 for its proportionate share of the net OPEB liability. The net OPEB liability for the HCTF was measured as of December 31, 2020, and the total OPEB liability used to calculate the net OPEB liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of December 31, 2019. Standard update procedures were used to roll-forward the total OPEB liability to December 31, 2020. The District's

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proportion of the net OPEB liability was based on the District's contributions to the HCTF for the calendar year 2020 relative to the total contributions of participating employers to the HCTF.

At December 31, 2020, the District's proportion was 0.0517 percent, which was a decrease of 0.0012 from its proportion measured as of December 31, 2019.

For the year ended June 30, 2021 the District recognized OPEB expense of (\$60,480). At June 30, 2021, the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Difference between expected and actual experience	\$ 1,304	\$ 107,966
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on OPEB plan investments	-	20,067
Changes of assumptions or other inputs	3,669	30,114
Changes in proportion and differences between contributions recognized and proportionate share of contributions	-	72,465
Contributions subsequent to the measurement date	24,910	-
Total	<u>\$ 29,883</u>	<u>\$ 230,612</u>

\$24,910 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB, resulting from contributions subsequent to the measurement date, will be recognized as a reduction of the net OPEB liability in the year ended June 30, 2022. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

Year Ended June 30,	
2022	\$ (59,088)
2023	(56,281)
2024	(54,598)
2025	(38,999)
2026	(15,664)
Thereafter	(1,010)

Actuarial assumptions. The total OPEB liability in the December 31, 2019 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial cost method, actuarial assumptions and other inputs:

Actuarial cost method	Entry age
Price inflation	2.40%
Real wage growth	1.10%
Wage inflation	3.50%
Salary increases, including wage inflation	3.505% in aggregate
Long-term investment rate of return, net of OPEB plan investment expenses, including price inflation	7.25%
Discount rate	7.25%
Health care cost trend rates	
PERA benefit structure:	
Service-based premium subsidy	0.00%

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PERACare Medicare plans	8.10% in 2020, gradually Decreasing to 4.50 percent in 2029
Medicare Part A premiums	3.50% in 2020, gradually increasing to 4.50 percent in 2029

In determining the additional liability for PERACare enrollees who are age sixty-five or older and who are not eligible for premium-free Medicare Part A in the December 31, 2019, valuation, the following monthly costs/premiums are assumed for 2020 for the PERA Benefit Structure:

Medicare Plan	Initial Costs for Members without Medicare Part A		
	Monthly Cost	Monthly Premium	Monthly Cost Adjusted to Age 65
Medicare Advantage/Self-Insured Rx	\$588	\$227	\$550
Kaiser Permanente Medicare Advantage HMO	621	232	586

The 2020 Medicare Part A premium is \$458 (actual dollars) per month.

All costs are subject to the health care cost trend rates, as discussed below.

Health care cost trend rates reflect the change in per capita health costs over time due to factors such as medical inflation, utilization, plan design, and technology improvements. For the PERA benefit structure, health care cost trend rates are needed to project the future costs associated with providing benefits to those PERACare enrollees not eligible for premium-free Medicare Part A.

Health care cost trend rates for the PERA benefit structure are based on published annual health care inflation surveys in conjunction with actual plan experience (if credible), building block models and industry methods developed by health plan actuaries and administrators. In addition, projected trends for the Federal Hospital Insurance Trust Fund (Medicare Part A premiums) provided by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services are referenced in the development of these rates. Effective December 31, 2019, the health care cost trend rates for Medicare Part A premiums were revised to reflect the current expectation of future increases in rates of inflation applicable to Medicare Part A premiums.

The PERA benefit structure health care cost trend rates that were used to measure the total OPEB liability are summarized in the table below:

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Year	PERACare Medicare Plans	Medicare Part A Premiums
2020	8.10%	3.50%
2021	6.40%	3.75%
2022	6.00%	3.75%
2023	5.70%	3.75%
2024	5.50%	4.00%
2025	5.30%	4.00%
2026	5.10%	4.00%
2027	4.90%	4.25%
2028	4.70%	4.25%
2029+	4.50%	4.50%

Mortality assumptions used in the December 31, 2019 valuation for the determination of the total pension liability for each of the Division Trust Funds as shown below are applied, as applicable, in the determination of the total OPEB liability for the HCTF. Affiliated employers of the State, School, Local Government, and Judicial Divisions participate in the HCTF.

Healthy mortality assumptions for active members were based on the RP-2014 White Collar Employee Mortality Table, a table specifically developed for actively working people. To allow for an appropriate margin of improved mortality prospectively, the mortality rates incorporate a 70 percent factor applied to male rates and a 55 percent factor applied to female rates.

Post-retirement non-disabled mortality assumptions for the School and Judicial Divisions were based on the RP-2014 White Collar Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table, adjusted as follows:

- Males: Mortality improvement projected to 2018 using the MP-2015 projection scale, a 93 percent factor applied to rates for ages less than 80, a 113 percent factor applied to rates for ages 80 and above, and further adjustments for credibility.
- Females: Mortality improvement projected to 2020 using the MP-2015 projection scale, a 68 percent factor applied to rates for ages less than 80, a 106 percent factor applied to rates for ages 80 and above, and further adjustments for credibility.

The mortality assumption for disabled retirees was based on 90 percent of the RP-2014 Disabled Retiree Mortality Table.

The actuarial assumptions used in the December 31, 2019, valuation were based on the results of the 2016 experience analysis for the period January 1, 2012, through December 31, 2015, as well as the October 28, 2016, actuarial assumptions workshop and were adopted by PERA's Board during the November 18, 2016, Board meeting.

Based on the 2020 experience analysis, dated October 28, 2020, and November 4, 2020, for the period of January 1, 2016, through December 31, 2019, revised economic and demographic assumptions were adopted by PERA's Board on November 20, 2020, and were effective as of December 31, 2020. The assumptions shown below were reflected in the roll forward calculation of the total OPEB liability from December 31, 2019, to December 31, 2020.

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	<u>Trust Fund</u>
	<u>School Division</u>
Actuarial cost method	Entry age
Price inflation	2.30%
Real wage growth	0.70%
Wage inflation	3.00%
Salary increases, including wage inflation:	
Members other than State Troopers	3.40%-11.00%

The long-term rate of return, net of OPEB plan investment expenses, including price inflation and discount rate assumptions were 7.25 percent.

Rates of termination/withdrawal, retirement, and disability were revised to more closely reflect actual experience.

Mortality assumptions used in the roll forward calculations for the determination of the total pension liability for each of the Division Trust Funds as shown below were applied, as applicable, in the roll forward calculation for the HCTF, using a headcount-weighted basis.

The pre-retirement mortality assumptions for the School Division were based upon the PubT-2010 Employee Table with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

Post-retirement non-disabled mortality assumptions for the School Division were based upon the PubT-2010 Healthy Retiree Table, adjusted as follows:

- **Males:** 112 percent of the rates prior to age 80 and 94 percent of the rates for ages 80 and older, with generational projection using scale MP-2019.
- **Females:** 83 percent of the rates prior to age 80 and 106 percent of the rates for ages 80 and older, with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

Post-retirement non-disabled beneficiary mortality assumptions were based upon the Pub-2010 Contingent Survivor Table, adjusted as follows:

- **Males:** 97 percent of the rates for all ages, with generational projection using scale MP-2019.
- **Females:** 105 percent of the rates for all ages, with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

Disabled mortality assumptions for Members were based upon the PubNS-2010 Disabled Retiree Table using 99 percent of the rates for all ages with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

The mortality tables described above are generational mortality tables on a head-count weighted basis.

The following health care costs assumptions were updated and used in the roll forward calculation for the HCTF:

- Initial per capita health care costs for those PERACare enrollees under the PERA benefit structure who are expected to attain age 65 and older ages and are not eligible for premium-free Medicare Part A benefits were updated to reflect the change in costs for the 2020 plan year.

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- The health care cost trend rates for Medicare Part A premiums were revised to reflect the then-current expectation of future increases in rates of inflation applicable to Medicare Part A premiums.

Actuarial assumptions pertaining to per capita health care costs and their related trend rates are analyzed and updated annually by the Board's actuary, as discussed above.

The long-term expected return on plan assets is reviewed as part of regular experience studies prepared every four to five years for PERA. Recently this assumption has been reviewed more frequently. The most recent analyses were outlined in the Experience Study report dated October 28, 2020. As a result of the November 20, 2020, PERA Board meeting, the following economic assumptions were changed, effective December 31, 2020:

- Price inflation assumption decreased from 2.40 percent per year to 2.30 percent per year.
- Real rate of investment return assumption increased from 4.85 percent per year, net of investment expenses to 4.95 percent per year, net of investment expenses.
- Wage inflation assumption decreased from 3.50 percent per year to 3.00 percent per year.

Several factors are considered in evaluating the long-term rate of return assumption, including long-term historical data, estimates inherent in current market data, and a log-normal distribution analysis in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected return, net of investment expense and inflation) were developed for each major asset class. These ranges were combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentages and then adding expected inflation.

The PERA Board first adopted the 7.25 percent long-term expected rate of return as of November 18, 2016. Following an asset/liability study, the Board reaffirmed the assumed rate of return at the Board's November 15, 2019, meeting, to be effective January 1, 2020. As of the most recent reaffirmation of the long-term rate of return, the target asset allocation and best estimates of geometric real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the table as follows:

Asset Class	Target Allocation	30 Year Expected Geometric Real Rate of Return
Global Equity	54.00%	5.60%
Fixed Income	23.00%	1.30%
Private Equity	8.50%	7.10%
Real Estate	8.50%	4.40%
Alternatives ¹	6.00%	4.70%
Total	100.00%	

¹ The Opportunity Fund's name changed to Alternatives, effective January 1, 2020

In setting the long-term expected rate of return, projections employed to model future returns provide a range of expected long-term returns that, including expected inflation, ultimately support a long-term expected rate of return assumption of 7.25 percent.

Sensitivity of the District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability to changes in the Health Care Cost Trend Rates. The following presents the net OPEB liability using the current health care cost trend rates applicable to the PERA benefit structure, as well as if it were calculated using health care cost trend rates that are one percentage point lower or one percentage point higher than the current rates:

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	1% Decrease in Trend Rates	Current Trend Rates	1% Increase in Trend Rates
Initial PERACare Medicare trend rate	7.10%	8.10%	9.10%
Ultimate PERACare Medicare Part A trend rate	3.50%	4.50%	5.50%
Initial Medicare Part A trend rate	2.50%	3.50%	4.50%
Ultimate Medicare Part A trend rate	3.50%	4.50%	5.50%
Net OPEB Liability	\$478,402	\$491,095	\$505,871

Discount rate. The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability was 7.25 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate applied the actuarial cost method and assumptions shown above. In addition, the following methods and assumptions were used in the projection of cash flows:

- Updated health care cost trend rates for Medicare Part A premiums as of the December 31, 2020, measurement date.
- Total covered payroll for the initial projection year consists of the covered payroll of the active membership present on the valuation date and the covered payroll of future plan members assumed to be hired during the year. In subsequent projection years, total covered payroll was assumed to increase annually at a rate of 3.00 percent.
- Employer contributions were assumed to be made at rates equal to the fixed statutory rates specified in law and effective as of the measurement date.
- Employer contributions and the amount of total service costs for future plan members were based upon a process to estimate future actuarially determined contributions assuming an analogous future plan member growth rate.
- Estimated transfers of dollars into the HCTF representing a portion of purchase service agreements intended to cover the costs associated with OPEB benefits.
- Benefit payments and contributions were assumed to be made at the middle of the year.

Based on the above assumptions and methods, the projection test indicates the HCTF's FNP was projected to make all projected future benefit payments of current members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return of 7.25 percent on OPEB plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total OPEB liability. The discount rate determination does not use the municipal bond index rate, and therefore, the discount rate is 7.25 percent.

Sensitivity of the District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability to changes in the discount rate. The following presents the proportionate share of the net OPEB liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.25 percent, as well as what the proportionate share of the net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (6.25 percent) or 1-percentage-point higher (8.25 percent) than the current rate:

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	1% Decrease (6.25%)	Current Discount Rate (7.25%)	1% Increase (8.25%)
Proportionate share of the net OPEB liability	<u>\$ 562,558</u>	<u>\$491,095</u>	<u>\$ 430,035</u>

OPEB plan fiduciary net position. Detailed information about the HCTF's fiduciary net position is available in PERA's (Annual Report) which can be obtained at www.copera.org/investments/pera-financial-reports.

NOTE 13 DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PENSION PLAN

Voluntary Investment Program

Plan Description - Employees of the District that are also members of the SCHDTF may voluntarily contribute to the Voluntary Investment Program, an Internal Revenue Code Section 401(k) defined contribution plan administered by PERA. Title 24, Article 51, Part 14 of the C.R.S., as amended, assigns the authority to establish the Plan provisions to the PERA Board of Trustees. PERA issues a publicly available comprehensive annual financial report which includes additional information on the Voluntary Investment Program. That report can be obtained at www.copera.org/investments/pera-financial-reports.

Funding Policy – The Voluntary Investment Program is funded by voluntary member contributions up to the maximum limits set by the Internal Revenue Service, as established under Title 24, Article 51, Section 1402 of the C.R.S., as amended. Employees are immediately vested in their own contributions, employer contributions, and investment earnings. For the year ended June 30, 2021, program members contributed \$17,110 for the Voluntary Investment Program.

NOTE 14 JOINT VENTURES

The District participates in the following entities. These joint ventures do not meet the criteria for inclusion within the reporting entity because the following entities:

- are financially independent and responsible for its own financing deficits and entitled to its own surpluses,
- have a separate governing board from that of the District,
- have a separate management which is responsible for day-to-day operations and is accountable to the separate governing board,
- have governing boards and management with the ability to significantly influence operations by approving budgetary requests and adjustments, signing contracts, hiring personnel, exercising control over facilities and determining the outcome for disposition of matters affecting the recipients of services provided, and
- have absolute authority over all funds and fiscal responsibility including budgetary responsibility and reporting to state agencies and controls fiscal management.

San Luis Valley Board of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES)

The BOCES is an organization that provides member districts educational services at a shared lower cost per district. The Board of the BOCES is selected from the elected members of the District Boards. The District has one

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member on the Board. This Board has final authority for all budgeting and financing of the joint venture. The District's share of the joint venture is approximately 7% at June 30, 2021. Complete separate financial statements may be obtained from BOCES.

Colorado School Districts' Self-Insurance Pool

The District belongs to the Colorado School Districts' Self-Insurance Pool. The Pool was established by the Colorado Association of School Boards (CASB) to provide insurance coverage to participants in the areas of General Liability, Errors and Omissions, Automobile Liability, Auto Physical Damage, Auto Personal Injury Protection, Real and Personal Property, Crime, and other coverage. The Board of Directors is composed of eight persons, several of who are appointed by the Board of Directors of CASB and the Executive Director of CASB.

The pool is managed by an independent manager chosen by the Board of Directors. Each member's initial contribution and subsequent contributions are determined by the Pool based on factors including, but not limited to, the aggregate Pool claims, the cost of administrative and other operating expenses, the number of participants, the adequacy of both Operating and Reserve Funds and other factors touching on the status of the Pool or an individual participant, and as approved by the Colorado Insurance Commissioner.

As the District did not exercise oversight responsibility nor have sufficient control over Pool activities, the Pool is not a component unit of the District and only the District's share of contributions to the Pool is recorded as expenditures in the General Fund. The District's share in the Pool is not determinable from current information, but is estimated to be less than 1%. The District's share, if calculated, would not be material to the Pool's financial information at June 30, 2021. Complete separate financial statements may be obtained from the Colorado School Districts' Self-Insurance Pool.

NOTE 15 TABOR EMERGENCY RESERVE

Colorado voters passed an amendment to the State constitution, Article X, Section 20, which has several limitations, including revenue raising, spending abilities, and other specific requirements of state and local governments. The amendment is complex and subject to judicial interpretation. The District believes it is in compliance with the requirements of the amendment.

Fiscal year spending and revenue limits are determined based on the prior year's spending adjusted for inflation and local growth. Revenue in excess of the limit must be refunded unless the voters approve retention of such revenue.

On November 6, 2001 voters approved a ballot measure authorizing the District to collect, retain and expend all revenues including grants and other funds collected during 2000-01 budget year and each subsequent year from any source, notwithstanding the limitations of Article X, Section 20 of the Colorado constitution, provided, however, that no property tax mill levy be increased at any time nor shall any new tax be imposed without the prior approval of the voters.

The amendment also requires that Emergency Reserves be established. These reserves must be at least three percent of fiscal year spending. This Emergency Reserve has been presented as restricted fund balance in the General Fund balance sheet and a restricted net position in the government-wide statement of net position. The entity is not allowed to use the Emergency Reserve to compensate for economic conditions, revenue shortfalls, or salary or benefit increases.

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NOTE 16 RISK MANAGEMENT

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. These risks are covered by Colorado School District's Self Insurance Pool. There have been no significant reductions in insurance coverage. Settled claims from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage for the current year or the three prior years.

Level funding Health Plan

Effective July 1, 2014, the District established a self-funded health benefit program for its employees. The benefit program administrator, CIGNA, is responsible for the approval, processing, and payment of claims. The District remits monthly payments to the Administrator for claims, administrative fees, and stop-loss costs. The benefit program reports on a fiscal year ending June 30, 2021. The program is accounted for in the General Fund of the District. The District has purchased stop-loss coverage for amounts in excess of \$40,000 per individual and aggregate coverage subject to a 120% corridor and cumulative attachment limits calculated each month. Effective July 1, 2022, the District's benefit program administrator is Anthem Blue Cross Blue Shield.

The costs associated with the health plan are reported as health insurance expenses for the employee paid premiums and a payroll deduction for the employees. The District does not report a liability based on the requirements of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 10, as the plan is a level-funding health plan in which monthly payments to the Third Party Administrator are fixed.

NOTE 17 AGENCY FUND BUDGET AND ACTUAL

The District is required by the Colorado School District Budget Law to budget for the District's Agency Fund. In accordance with GAAP, however, there is not a statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net position for agency funds to report the budget information, because agency funds do not recognize revenues, expenses or net position in accordance with GAAP. Therefore, the budget and actual amounts for agency funds received and disbursed for the year ended June 30, 2021, are presented below:

	Budget		Actual	Variance
	Original	Final		
Beginning Balance	\$ 26,707	\$ 26,707	\$ 26,707	\$ -
Agency Fund Receipts	25,000	25,000	-	(25,000)
Agency Fund Disbursements	(25,000)	(25,000)	-	25,000
Ending Balance	<u>\$ 26,707</u>	<u>\$ 26,707</u>	<u>\$ 26,707</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

NOTE 18 COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

Grants

The District participates in federal grant programs subject to program compliance audits by the grantors or their representatives. The amount, if any, of expenses which may be disallowed by the granting agencies cannot be determined at this time although the District expects such amounts, if any, to be immaterial.

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COVID-19

In March of 2020, the COVID-19 virus was declared a global pandemic. Business continuity could be severely impacted for months or more, as significant and unprecedented measures to mitigate the consequences of the pandemic are undertaken. The Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) and Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) funding has been awarded to the District to mitigate some of the costs/losses as a result of the pandemic. However, no adjustments have been made to these financial statements as the potential impact is unknown at this time.

Construction Projects

During fiscal year 2022, the District will be continuing work on the BEST construction project with construction estimated to be completed in Spring 2022. The cost of the old high school building was \$1,090,730 and the net book value at June 30, 2021, was \$325,970. Estimated total cost of the new building is \$31,143,158. Construction costs incurred through June 30, 2021, were \$11,944,597. The District is using bond proceeds and BEST grant funds for the project.

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REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

A budgetary comparison schedule is required for the General Fund. In addition, pension and OPEB plan contributions and the District's proportionate share of the net pension and OPEB liability is required to supplement the basic financial statements.

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SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN
FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL
GENERAL FUND
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

	BUDGETED AMOUNTS			VARIANCE WITH FINAL BUDGET POSITIVE (NEGATIVE)
	ORIGINAL	FINAL	ACTUAL	
REVENUES				
Local Sources	\$ 789,026	\$ 1,103,321	\$ 1,122,232	\$ 18,911
Intermediate Sources	-	-	-	-
State Sources	8,090,676	8,207,791	8,443,107	235,316
Federal Sources	-	407,501	962,610	555,109
TOTAL REVENUES	8,879,702	9,718,613	10,527,949	809,336
EXPENDITURES				
Instructional Program	5,583,907	6,325,127	5,773,460	551,667
Student Supporting Services	196,399	196,399	193,794	2,605
Instructional Staff Supporting Services	177,895	177,895	245,360	(67,465)
General Administration Supporting Services	641,943	667,692	650,521	17,171
School Administration Supporting Services	584,969	596,911	599,888	(2,977)
Business Supporting Services	53,750	53,750	32,625	21,125
Operations and Maintenance of Plant Services	644,984	644,984	622,318	22,666
Student Transportation Services	428,847	428,847	340,123	88,724
Central Supporting Services	362,008	362,008	288,811	73,197
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	8,674,702	9,453,613	8,746,900	706,713
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	205,000	265,000	1,781,049	1,516,049
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Transfers to Other Funds	(205,000)	(265,000)	(195,000)	70,000
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	(205,000)	(265,000)	(195,000)	70,000
Net Change in Fund Balance	-	-	1,586,049	1,586,049
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year	-	-	7,747,272	7,747,272
Fund Balance, End of Year	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 9,333,321	\$ 9,333,321

Notes to Required Supplementary Information

The basis of budgeting is the same as GAAP.

This schedule is presented on the GAAP basis.

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SCHEDULE OF THE DISTRICT'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE
OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY
PERA PENSION PLAN
For the Years Ended June 30,

	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
District's proportion of the net pension liability (asset)	0.0893434409%	0.0809361448%	0.0825823900%	0.1049663718%	0.1098023733%	0.1139017026%	0.1204665369%
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset)	\$ 13,506,926	\$ 12,091,684	\$ 14,622,908	\$ 33,942,394	\$ 32,692,413	\$ 17,420,461	\$ 16,327,262
State's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) associated with the District	-	1,533,676	1,999,480	-	-	-	-
Total	<u>\$ 13,506,926</u>	<u>\$ 13,625,360</u>	<u>\$ 16,622,388</u>	<u>\$ 33,942,394</u>	<u>\$ 32,692,413</u>	<u>\$ 17,420,461</u>	<u>\$ 16,327,262</u>
District's covered payroll	\$ 4,779,269	\$ 4,754,625	\$ 4,559,924	\$ 4,841,973	\$ 4,928,124	\$ 4,969,663	\$ 5,046,683
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) as a percentage of its covered payroll	283%	254%	321%	701%	663%	351%	324%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	66.99%	64.52%	57.01%	43.96%	43.1%	59.2%	62.8%

*The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the calendar year-end that occurred within the fiscal year.

**This schedule is presented to illustrate the requirement to show information for 10 years. However, until a full 10 year trend is compiled the District presents information for those years for which information is available.

See Notes to the Required Supplementary Information.

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SCHEDULE OF DISTRICT CONTRIBUTIONS
PERA PENSION PLAN
For the Years Ended June 30,

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Contractually required contribution	\$ 952,309	\$ 957,148	\$ 835,170	\$ 908,251	\$ 901,605	\$ 877,676	\$ 847,190
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	<u>(952,309)</u>	<u>(957,148)</u>	<u>(835,170)</u>	<u>(908,251)</u>	<u>(901,605)</u>	<u>(877,676)</u>	<u>(847,190)</u>
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
District's covered payroll	\$ 4,790,286	\$ 4,938,834	\$ 4,365,759	\$ 4,809,692	\$ 4,904,788	\$ 4,949,235	\$ 5,018,478
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	19.88%	19.38%	19.13%	18.88%	18.38%	17.73%	16.88%

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for which information is available.

See Notes to the Required Supplementary Information.

NORTH CONEJOS SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1J
SCHEDULE OF THE DISTRICT'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE
OF THE NET OPEB LIABILITY
PERA HEALTHCARE TRUST FUND
For the Years Ended June 30,

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
District's proportion of the net OPEB liability	0.0516819572%	0.0528786174%	0.0536726933%	0.0596414661%	0.0624129499%
District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability (asset)	\$ 491,095	\$ 594,355	\$ 730,240	\$ 775,100	\$ 809,205
District's covered payroll	\$ 4,779,269	\$ 4,754,625	\$ 4,559,924	\$ 4,841,973	\$ 4,928,124
District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability (asset) as a percentage of its covered payroll	10%	13%	16%	16%	16%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total OPEB liability	32.78%	24.49%	17.03%	17.53%	20.07%

*The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the calendar year-end that occurred within the fiscal year.

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NORTH CONEJOS SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1J
SCHEDULE OF DISTRICT CONTRIBUTIONS
PERA HEALTHCARE TRUST FUND
For the Years Ended June 30,

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
Contractually required contribution	\$ 48,861	\$ 50,376	\$ 44,531	\$ 49,059	\$ 50,029
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	<u>(48,861)</u>	<u>(50,376)</u>	<u>(44,531)</u>	<u>(49,059)</u>	<u>(50,029)</u>
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
District's covered payroll	\$ 4,790,286	\$ 4,938,834	\$ 4,365,759	\$ 4,809,692	\$ 4,904,788
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	1.02%	1.02%	1.02%	1.02%	1.02%

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NORTH CONEJOS SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1J
NOTES TO THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
CHANGES IN BENEFIT TERMS AND ACTUARIAL ASSUMPTIONS
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

NOTE 1 NET PENSION LIABILITY

Changes in assumptions or other inputs effective for the December 31st measurement period for the following years ended:

2020

- Price inflation assumption decreased from 2.40 percent per year to 2.30 percent per year.
- Real rate of investment return assumption increased from 4.85 percent per year, net of investment expenses to 4.95 percent per year, net of investment expenses.
- Wage inflation assumption decreased from 3.50 percent per year to 3.00 percent per year.
- Salary scale assumptions were revised to align with revised economic assumptions and to more closely reflect actual experience.
- Rates of termination/withdrawal, retirement, and disability were revised to more closely reflect actual experience.
- The pre-retirement mortality assumptions were changed to the PubT-2010 Employee Table with generational projection using scale MP-2019.
- Post-retirement non-disabled mortality assumptions were changed to the PubT-2010 Healthy Retiree Table, adjusted as follows:
 - Males: 112 percent of the rates prior to age 80 and 94 percent of the rates for ages 80 and older, with generational projection using scale MP-2019.
 - Females: 83 percent of the rates prior to age 80 and 106 percent of the rates for ages 80 and older, with generational projection using scale MP-2019.
- Post-retirement non-disabled beneficiary mortality assumptions were changed to the Pub-2010 Contingent Survivor Table, adjusted as follows:
 - Males: 97 percent of the rates for all ages, with generational projection using scale MP-2019.
 - Females: 105 percent of the rates for all ages, with generational projection using scale MP-2019.
- Disabled mortality assumptions were changed to the PubNS-2010 Disabled Retiree Table using 99 percent of the rates for all ages with generational projection using scale MP-2019.
- The mortality tables described above are generational mortality tables on a benefit-weighted basis.

2019 The post-retirement benefit increases to the PERA benefit structure for those hired prior to 1/1/07 was changed from 0% through 2019 and 1.5% compounded annually thereafter, to 1.25%.

2018 The assumed investment rate of return of 7.25% was used as the discount rate, rather than using the blended rate of 4.78%

2017 The discount rate was lowered from 5.26% to 4.78%.

2016

- The price inflation assumption was lowered from 2.80% to 2.40%.
- The long-term expected rate of return assumption was lowered from 7.50% to 7.25% per year.
- The wage inflation assumption was lowered from 3.90% to 3.50%.
- The mortality tables were changed from RP-2000 Combined Mortality Table for Males and Females, as appropriate, with adjustments for mortality improvements based on a projection scale of Scale AA to 2020 to RP-2014 White Collar Employee Mortality for actively working people, RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table projected to 2020 using the MP-2015 projection scale for retirees, or RP-2014 Disabled Retiree Mortality Table for disabled retirees.
- The discount rate was lowered from 7.50% to 5.26%.

2015 There were no changes in assumptions or other inputs this measurement period compared to the prior year.

NORTH CONEJOS SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1J
NOTES TO THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
CHANGES IN BENEFIT TERMS AND ACTUARIAL ASSUMPTIONS
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

NOTE 2 OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS LIABILITY

Changes in assumptions or other inputs effective for the December 31st measurement period for the following years ended:

2020

- Initial per capita health care costs for those PERACare enrollees under the PERA benefit structure who are expected to attain age 65 and older ages and are not eligible for premium-free Medicare Part A benefits were updated to reflect the change in costs for the 2020 plan year.
- The health care cost trend rates for Medicare Part A premiums were revised to reflect the then current expectation of future increases in rates of inflation applicable to Medicare Part A premiums.
- Price inflation assumption decreased from 2.40 percent per year to 2.30 percent per year.
- Real wage growth assumption decreased from 1.10 percent per year to 0.70 percent per year.
- Real rate of investment return assumption increased from 4.85 percent per year, net of investment expenses to 4.95 percent per year, net of investment expenses.
- Wage inflation assumption decreased from 3.50 percent per year to 3.00 percent per year.
- Salary scale assumptions were revised to align with revised economic assumptions and to more closely reflect actual experience.
- Rates of termination/withdrawal, retirement, and disability were revised to more closely reflect actual experience.
- The pre-retirement mortality assumptions for the School Division were changed to the PubT-2010 Employee Table with generational projection using scale MP-2019.
- Post-retirement non-disabled mortality assumptions for the School Division were changed to the PubT-2010 Healthy Retiree Table, adjusted as follows:
 - Males: 112 percent of the rates prior to age 80 and 94 percent of the rates for ages 80 and older, with generational projection using scale MP-2019.
 - Females: 83 percent of the rates prior to age 80 and 106 percent of the rates for ages 80 and older, with generational projection using scale MP-2019.
- Post-retirement non-disabled beneficiary mortality assumptions were changed to the Pub-2010 Contingent Survivor Table, adjusted as follows:
 - Males: 97 percent of the rates for all ages, with generational projection using scale MP-2019.
 - Females: 105 percent of the rates for all ages, with generational projection using scale MP-2019.
- Disabled mortality assumptions were changed to the PubNS-2010 Disabled Retiree Table using 99 percent of the rates for all ages with generational projection using scale MP-2019.
- The mortality tables described above are generational mortality tables on a benefit-weighted basis.

2019

- Initial per capita health care costs for those PERACare enrollees under the PERA benefit structure who are expected to attain age 65 and older ages and are not eligible for premium-free Medicare Part A benefits were updated to reflect the change in costs for the 2019 plan year.
- The morbidity assumptions were updated to reflect the assumed standard aging factors.
- The health care cost trend rates for Medicare Part A premiums were revised to reflect the then current expectation of future increases in rates of inflation applicable to Medicare Part A premiums.

2018 There were no changes in assumptions or other inputs effective this measurement period compared to the prior year.

2017 The Medicare Part A premiums were raised from 3.00% to 3.25%, as well as the gradual percentage rose from 4.25% in 2023 to 5.00% in 2025.

NORTH CONEJOS SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1J

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

The combining and individual fund financial schedules represent the second level of financial reporting for the District. These schedules present more detailed information for the individual funds in a format that segregates information by fund type.

NORTH CONEJOS SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1J

NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

Special revenue funds are used to account for and report the proceeds of special revenue sources that are restricted or committed to expenditures for specified purposes other than debt service or capital projects.

Governmental Designated Purpose Grants Fund – Used to account for financial transactions for grants received for designated programs funded by federal, state, or local governments.

Food Service Fund - This fund is used to account for the operations of the school breakfast and lunch programs.

Pupil Activity Fund – Used to record financial transactions related to school-sponsored pupil intrascholastic and interscholastic athletic and other related activities. These activities are supported in whole or in part by revenues from pupils, gate receipts, and other fundraising activities.

CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS

Capital projects funds are used to account for and report financial resources that are restricted or committed to expenditures for capital outlays including the acquisition or construction of capital facilities and other capital assets.

Capital Reserve Capital Projects Fund – Used to account for the acquisition of sites, buildings, equipment, and vehicles.

DEBT SERVICE FUNDS

Debt service funds are used to account for and report financial resources that are restricted, committed, or assigned to expenditure for principal and interest.

Debt Service Fund – Used to account for the accumulation of resources for and the payment of principal, interest, and related expenses on the long-term general obligation debt or long-term voter-approved lease-purchase debt.

NORTH CONEJOS SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1J
NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
COMBINING BALANCE SHEET
June 30, 2021

	SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS				CAPITAL RESERVE CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	TOTAL NONMAJOR FUNDS
	GOVERNMENTAL DESIGNATED PURPOSE GRANTS FUND	FOOD SERVICE FUND	PUPIL ACTIVITY FUND	DEBT SERVICE FUND		
ASSETS						
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 48,476	\$ 121,217	\$ 248,103	\$ 347,175	\$ 730,201	\$ 1,495,172
Accounts Receivable	-	-	-	17,065	-	17,065
Property Tax Receivable	-	-	-	22,198	-	22,198
Due From Other Governments	70,917	34,570	-	18,866	1,610	125,963
Due From Other Funds	10,951	-	-	-	-	10,951
Inventory	-	1,644	-	-	-	1,644
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 130,344	\$ 157,431	\$ 248,103	\$ 405,304	\$ 731,811	\$ 1,672,993
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE						
LIABILITIES						
Accounts Payable	\$ -	\$ 283	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 283
Accrued Salaries and Benefits	62,043	47,866	-	-	-	109,909
Due to Other Funds	14,598	49,347	-	-	-	63,945
Unearned Grant Revenue	39,553	-	-	-	-	39,553
TOTAL LIABILITIES	116,194	97,496	-	-	-	213,690
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES						
Unavailable Revenue - Property Tax	-	-	-	22,198	-	22,198
TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	-	-	-	22,198	-	22,198
FUND BALANCE						
Nonspendable						
Inventory	-	1,643	-	-	-	1,643
Restricted						
Debt Service	-	-	-	383,106	-	383,106
Committed						
GDPG	14,150	-	-	-	-	14,150
Food Service	-	58,292	-	-	-	58,292
Pupil Activities	-	-	248,103	-	-	248,103
Capital Projects	-	-	-	-	731,811	731,811
TOTAL FUND BALANCE	14,150	59,935	248,103	383,106	731,811	1,437,105
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 130,344	\$ 157,431	\$ 248,103	\$ 405,304	\$ 731,811	\$ 1,672,993

NORTH CONEJOS SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1J
NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES,
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

	SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS				CAPITAL RESERVE CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	TOTAL NONMAJOR FUNDS
	GOVERNMENTAL DESIGNATED PURPOSE GRANTS FUND	FOOD SERVICE FUND	PUPIL ACTIVITY FUND	DEBT SERVICE FUND		
REVENUES						
Local Sources	\$ -	\$ 43,249	\$ 159,399	\$ 492,015	\$ 882	\$ 695,545
State Sources	41,881	3,380	-	-	-	45,261
Federal Sources	365,707	379,458	-	-	-	745,165
TOTAL REVENUES	407,588	426,087	159,399	492,015	882	1,485,971
EXPENDITURES						
Instructional Program	303,050	-	-	-	-	303,050
Student Supporting Services	51,308	-	219,421	-	-	270,729
Instructional Staff Supporting Services	23,265	-	-	-	-	23,265
General Administration Supporting Services	24,305	-	-	-	-	24,305
Facilities Acq. And Const. Services	-	-	-	-	-	-
Student Supporting Services	-	-	-	-	18,833	18,833
Food Service	-	467,535	-	-	-	467,535
Debt Service	-	-	-	396,213	-	396,213
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	401,928	467,535	219,421	396,213	18,833	1,503,930
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	5,660	(41,448)	(60,022)	95,802	(17,951)	(17,959)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)						
Transfers from Other Funds	-	60,000	25,000	-	110,000	195,000
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	-	60,000	25,000	-	110,000	195,000
Net Change in Fund Balance	5,660	18,552	(35,022)	95,802	92,049	177,041
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year	8,490	41,383	283,125	287,304	639,762	1,260,064
Fund Balance, End of year	\$ 14,150	\$ 59,935	\$ 248,103	\$ 383,106	\$ 731,811	\$ 1,437,105

NORTH CONEJOS SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1J
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN
FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL
GOVERNMENTAL DESIGNATED PURPOSE GRANTS FUND
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

	BUDGETED AMOUNTS			VARIANCE WITH FINAL BUDGET POSITIVE (NEGATIVE)
	ORIGINAL	FINAL	ACTUAL	
REVENUES				
Local Sources	\$ 27,239	\$ 27,239	\$ -	\$ (27,239)
State Sources	107,197	107,197	41,881	(65,316)
Federal Sources	344,746	423,743	365,707	(58,036)
TOTAL REVENUES	479,182	558,179	407,588	(150,591)
EXPENDITURES				
Instructional Program	278,671	357,668	303,050	54,618
Student Supporting Services	82,254	82,254	51,308	30,946
Instructional Staff Supporting Services	72,819	72,819	23,265	49,554
General Administration Supporting Services	45,438	45,438	24,305	21,133
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	479,182	558,179	401,928	156,251
Net Change in Fund Balance	-	-	5,660	5,660
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year	-	-	8,490	8,490
Fund Balance, End of Year	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 14,150	\$ 14,150

NORTH CONEJOS SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1J
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN
NET POSITION - BUDGET AND ACTUAL
FOOD SERVICE FUND
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

	BUDGETED AMOUNTS			VARIANCE WITH FINAL BUDGET POSITIVE (NEGATIVE)
	ORIGINAL	FINAL	ACTUAL	
REVENUES				
Local Sources	\$ 35,125	\$ 35,125	\$ 43,249	\$ 8,124
State Sources	82,000	82,000	3,380	(78,620)
Federal Sources	224,859	227,875	379,458	151,583
TOTAL REVENUES	341,984	345,000	426,087	81,087
EXPENDITURES				
Supporting Services				
Food Services				
Salaries	182,559	182,559	176,371	6,188
Fringe Benefits	83,524	83,524	96,296	(12,772)
Purchased Professional Services	5,083	5,083	299	4,784
Other Purchased Services	-	-	-	-
Supplies	200,818	203,834	194,569	9,265
Equipment	-	-	-	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	471,984	475,000	467,535	7,465
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	(130,000)	(130,000)	(41,448)	88,552
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Transfers from Other Funds	130,000	130,000	60,000	(70,000)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	130,000	130,000	60,000	(70,000)
Net Change in Fund Balance	-	-	18,552	18,552
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year	-	-	41,383	41,383
Fund Balance, End of Year	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 59,935	\$ 59,935

NORTH CONEJOS SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1J
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN
FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL
PUPIL ACTIVITY FUND
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

	BUDGETED AMOUNTS			VARIANCE WITH FINAL BUDGET POSITIVE (NEGATIVE)
	ORIGINAL	FINAL	ACTUAL	
REVENUES				
Local Sources				
Class and Club Activities	\$ 305,000	\$ 305,000	\$ 159,399	\$ (145,601)
TOTAL REVENUES	305,000	305,000	159,399	(145,601)
EXPENDITURES				
Student Support Services	330,000	330,000	219,421	110,579
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	330,000	330,000	219,421	110,579
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	(25,000)	(25,000)	(60,022)	(35,022)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Transfers from Other Funds	25,000	25,000	25,000	-
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	25,000	25,000	25,000	-
Net Change in Fund Balance	-	-	(35,022)	(35,022)
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year	-	-	283,125	283,125
Fund Balance, End of Year	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 248,103	\$ 248,103

NORTH CONEJOS SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1J
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN
FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL
CAPITAL RESERVE CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

	BUDGETED AMOUNTS			VARIANCE WITH FINAL BUDGET POSITIVE (NEGATIVE)
	ORIGINAL	FINAL	ACTUAL	
REVENUES				
Local Sources	\$ 3,960	\$ 3,960	\$ 882	\$ (3,078)
State Sources	-	-	-	-
TOTAL REVENUES	3,960	3,960	882	(3,078)
EXPENDITURES				
Current Expenditures				
Operation and Maintenance of Plant and Equipment	-	-	-	-
Facilities Acquisition and Construction Services	53,960	113,960	18,833	95,127
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	53,960	113,960	18,833	95,127
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures	(50,000)	(110,000)	(17,951)	92,049
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Transfers from Other Funds	50,000	110,000	110,000	-
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	50,000	110,000	110,000	-
Net Change in Fund Balance	-	-	92,049	92,049
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year	-	-	639,762	639,762
Fund Balance, End of Year	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 731,811	\$ 731,811

NORTH CONEJOS SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1J
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN
FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL
DEBT SERVICE FUND
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

	BUDGETED AMOUNTS		VARIANCE WITH
	ORIGINAL	FINAL	FINAL BUDGET
			POSITIVE
			(NEGATIVE)
REVENUES			
Local Sources	\$ -	\$ 394,613	\$ 492,015
			\$ 97,402
TOTAL REVENUES	-	394,613	492,015
			97,402
EXPENDITURES			
Debt Service	-	394,613	396,213
			(1,600)
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	-	394,613	396,213
			(1,600)
Net Change in Fund Balance	-	-	95,802
			95,802
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year	-	-	287,304
			287,304
Fund Balance, End of Year	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 383,106
			\$ 383,106

NORTH CONEJOS SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1J
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN
FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL
BUILDING FUND
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

	BUDGETED AMOUNTS			VARIANCE WITH FINAL BUDGET POSITIVE (NEGATIVE)
	ORIGINAL	FINAL	ACTUAL	
REVENUES				
State Sources	\$ -	\$ 9,839,270	\$ 10,859,039	\$ 1,019,769
TOTAL REVENUES	-	9,839,270	10,859,039	1,019,769
EXPENDITURES				
Facilities Acquisition and Construction Services	-	9,839,270	10,859,039	(1,019,769)
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	-	9,839,270	10,859,039	(1,019,769)
Net Change in Fund Balance	-	-	-	-
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year	-	-	6,419,082	6,419,082
Fund Balance, End of Year	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,419,082	\$ 6,419,082

NORTH CONEJOS SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1J

SINGLE AUDIT SECTION

NORTH CONEJOS SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1J
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

<i>Federal Grantor/Program or Cluster Title</i>	<i>Federal Assistance Number</i>	<i>Pass-through Grantor and Number</i>	<i>Federal Expenditures(\$)</i>
Child Nutrition Cluster			
U.S. Department of Agriculture			
COVID-19 Summer Food Service Program for Children	10.559	Colorado Department of Education,4559	\$ 58,623
Summer Food Service Program for Children	10.559	Colorado Department of Education,4559	320,836
Total Child Nutrition Cluster			<u>379,459</u>
Forest Service Schools and Roads Cluster			
U.S. Department of Agriculture			
Schools and Roads - Grants to States	10.665	Colorado Department of Treasury and Conejos County Treasurer,7665	145,956
Total Forest Service Schools and Roads Cluster			<u>145,956</u>
Total U.S. Department of Agriculture			<u>525,415</u>
Total All Clusters			<u>525,415</u>
Other Programs			
U.S. Department of Education			
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010	Colorado Department of Education,4010	306,810
Career and Technical Education -- Basic Grants to States	84.048	Colorado Community Colleges and Trinidad State Junior College,4048	38,541
Rural Education	84.358	Colorado Department of Education,6358/5358	22,436
Supporting Effective Instruction State Grants (formerly Improving Teacher Quality State Grants)	84.367	Colorado Department of Education,4367	25,429
Student Support and Academic Enrichment Program	84.424	Colorado Department of Education,4424	10,858
Education Stabilization Fund:			
COVID-19 Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund	84.425D	Colorado Department of Education,4425	134,841
Total Education Stabilization Fund:	84.425		<u>134,841</u>
Total U.S. Department of Education			<u>538,915</u>
U.S. Department of Treasury			
COVID-19 Coronavirus Relief Fund	21.019	Colorado Department of Education, 4012/5012	643,792
Total U.S. Department of Treasury			<u>643,792</u>
Total Other Programs			<u>1,182,707</u>
Total Expenditures of Federal Awards			<u><u>\$ 1,708,122</u></u>

NORTH CONEJOS SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1J
NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Expenditures reported on the Schedule are reported on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in the Uniform Guidance, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement. Pass-through identifying numbers are presented where available. The District did not elect to use the 10-percent de minimis indirect cost rate as allowed under Uniform Guidance for the year ended June 30, 2021. In addition, the District did not pass-through federal funds to subrecipients.

NOTE 2 BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards (the Schedule) includes the federal grant activity of North Conejos School District RE-1J under programs of the federal government for the year ended June 30, 2021. The information in this Schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Because the Schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of North Conejos School District RE-1J, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net position, or cash flows of North Conejos School District RE-1J.

NOTE 3: FOOD DISTRIBUTION

Nonmonetary assistance is reported in the Schedule at the fair market value of commodities received and disbursed.



Wall,
Smith,
Bateman Inc.

**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' 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 Education
North Conejos School District RE-1J
La Jara, Colorado

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 governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of North Conejos School District RE-1J (the District), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated January 18, 2022.

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 the District's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the 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 a combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit the attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies, and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. We did identify a certain deficiency in internal control described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs that we consider to be a material weakness. Finding 2021-001.

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Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the 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 instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards* and which are described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as Finding 2021-001.

District's Response to Finding

The District's response to the finding identified in our audit are described in the accompanying corrective action plan. The District's response was not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

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.

Wall, Smith, Bateman Inc.

Wall, Smith, Bateman Inc.
Alamosa, Colorado

January 18, 2022

**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE
FOR EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL
CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY
THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE**



Wall,
Smith,
Bateman Inc.

To the Board of Education
North Conejos School District RE-1J
La Jara, Colorado

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

We have audited North Conejos School District RE-1J's (the District) compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *OMB Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the District's major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2021. The District's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditors' results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for compliance with federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of its federal awards applicable to its federal programs.

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for each of the District's major federal programs based on our audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above. 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; and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Those standards and the Uniform Guidance 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 occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the District'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 on compliance for each major federal program. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of the District's compliance.

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

In our opinion, North Conejos School District RE-1J complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2021.

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Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

Management of the District is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered the District's internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each major federal program to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion on compliance for each major federal program and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, 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 District's internal control over compliance.

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

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

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

Wall, Smith, Bateman Inc.

Wall, Smith, Bateman Inc.
Alamosa, Colorado

January 18, 2022

NORTH CONEJOS SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1J
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021

Section I – Summary of Auditors’ Results

Financial Statements

Type of auditors’ report issued:

Unmodified

Internal control over financial reporting:

- | | | |
|--|-------------------|----------------------------|
| ▪ Material weakness(es) identified? | <u> X </u> yes | <u> </u> no |
| ▪ Significant deficiency(ies) identified that are not considered to be material weakness(es)? | <u> </u> yes | <u> X </u> none reported |
| ▪ Noncompliance material to financial statements noted? | <u> X </u> yes | <u> </u> no |

Federal Awards

Internal control over major programs:

- | | | |
|--|-------------------|----------------------------|
| ▪ Material weakness(es) identified? | <u> </u> yes | <u> X </u> no |
| ▪ Significant deficiency(ies) identified that are not considered to be material weakness(es)? | <u> </u> yes | <u> X </u> none reported |

Type of auditors’ report issued on compliance for major programs:

Unmodified

Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with 2 CFR section 200.516(a)?

 yes X no

Identification of major programs:

CFDA Number(s)

Name of Federal Program or Cluster

21.019

COVID-19 Coronavirus Relief Fund

84.425

COVID-19 Education Stabilization Fund

Dollar threshold used to distinguish between type A and type B programs: \$750,000

Auditee qualified as a low-risk auditee?

 yes X no

Section II – Financial Statement Findings

Finding 2021-001: Internal Control Over Financial Reporting
(Repeat of Finding 2020-001)

Type of Finding: Internal Control (material weakness) and noncompliance (material noncompliance)

Condition/Cause: The District has not implemented a complete system of internal control to prevent and detect all financial misstatements and to ensure compliance with Colorado Revised Statutes.

Criteria: A system of internal controls includes the design, documentation, and monitoring of control activities over budgeting, the application of accounting principles, anti-fraud programs, non-routine transactions, financial statement preparation, safeguarding of assets, and compliance with Colorado Revised Statutes.

NORTH CONEJOS SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1J
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021

Effect: As a result of this condition, the following areas were affected:

1. Expenditures in the Building Fund exceeded appropriations by \$1,019,769 during fiscal year 2021. This may be a violation of Colorado Revised Statutes 22-44-115(1). (material noncompliance)
2. Audit adjustments were proposed to properly state the financial statements as of June 30, 2021, in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

Recommendation: The District should continue to strengthen its internal controls with adopted policies and procedures regarding non-routine transactions for accurate financial statement reporting. Management should ensure the District is in compliance with Colorado Revised Statutes by monitoring budget to actual reports and approve supplemental budgets for expenditures that exceed appropriations as necessary.

Management's Response: See Corrective Action Plan

Section III – Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs

None

NORTH CONEJOS SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1J
SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

Section II – Financial Statement Findings

Finding 2020-001: Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

Type of finding: Internal Control (material weakness) and noncompliance (material noncompliance)

Condition: The District does not have a complete system of internal control to prevent and detect financial misstatements and to ensure compliance with Colorado State Statutes.

Status: Partially implemented. See Finding 2021-001

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CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN

Oversight Agencies: U.S. Department of Treasury
U.S. Department of Education
U.S. Department of Agriculture

North Conejos School District RE-1J respectfully submits the following corrective action plan for the year ended June 30, 2021.

Independent Accountants: Wall, Smith, Bateman Inc.
Certified Public Accountants
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Audit period: Year ended June 30, 2021

The findings from the June 30, 2021 schedule of findings and questioned costs are discussed below. The findings are numbered consistently with the numbers assigned in the schedule. Section I of the schedule, Summary of Auditors' Results, does not include findings and is not addressed.

Section II – Financial Statement Findings

Finding 2021-001: Internal Control Over Financing Reporting (Repeat of Finding 2020-001)

Type of finding: Internal Control (material weakness) and noncompliance (material noncompliance)

Recommendation: The District should continue to strengthen its internal controls with adopted policies and procedures regarding non-routine transaction for accurate financial statement reporting. Management should ensure the District is in compliance with Colorado Revised Statutes by monitoring budget to actual reports and approve supplemental budgets for expenditures that exceed appropriations as necessary.

Action Taken:

The District will continue to strengthen its internal controls with increasing review of monthly and quarterly financials for accuracy of non-routine transactions. NCSD will vary its budgetary protocols to include appropriate categorization and budgeting concerning all funds for the Centauri High School replacement project. This correction will begin as soon as possible to avoid any future deficiency in reporting and align the district with material compliance, specifically appropriating a budget category for the Best Funds.

North Conejos School District RE-1J
Corrective Action Plan

If the U.S. Department of Treasury, U.S. Department of Education, or U.S. Department of Agriculture have questions regarding this plan, please call the responsible party listed below.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Curt Wilson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Curt" and last name "Wilson" clearly distinguishable.

Curt Wilson
Superintendent
North Conejos School District RE-1J

NORTH CONEJOS SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1J

CDE COMPLIANCE SECTION



Colorado Department of Education
Auditors Integrity Report
District: 0550 - North Conejos RE-1J
Fiscal Year 2020-21
Colorado School District/BOCES

Revenues, Expenditures, & Fund Balance by Fund

Fund Type &Number	Beg Fund Balance & Prior Per Adj (6880*)	1000 - 5999 Total Revenues & Other Sources	0001-0999 Total Expenditures & Other Uses	6700-6799 & Prior Per Adj (6880*) Ending Fund Balance
Governmental	+		-	=
10 General Fund	7,747,273	10,332,951	8,746,901	9,333,322
18 Risk Mgmt Sub-Fund of General Fund	0	0	0	0
19 Colorado Preschool Program Fund	0	0	0	0
Sub- Total	7,747,273	10,332,951	8,746,901	9,333,322
11 Charter School Fund	0	0	0	0
20,26-29 Special Revenue Fund	0	0	0	0
06 Supplemental Cap Const, Tech, Main. Fund	0	0	0	0
07 Total Program Reserve Fund	0	0	0	0
21 Food Service Spec Revenue Fund	41,384	486,087	467,534	59,937
22 Govt Designated-Purpose Grants Fund	8,489	407,588	401,928	14,149
23 Pupil Activity Special Revenue Fund	283,125	184,399	219,421	248,103
24 Full Day Kindergarten Mill Levy Override	0	0	0	0
25 Transportation Fund	0	0	0	0
31 Bond Redemption Fund	287,304	492,015	396,213	383,106
39 Certificate of Participation (COP) Debt Service Fund	0	0	0	0
41 Building Fund	6,419,082	10,859,039	10,859,039	6,419,082
42 Special Building Fund	0	0	0	0
43 Capital Reserve Capital Projects Fund	639,762	110,882	18,833	731,812
46 Supplemental Cap Const, Tech, Main Fund	0	0	0	0
Totals	15,426,418	22,872,962	21,109,870	17,189,510
Proprietary				
50 Other Enterprise Funds	0	0	0	0
64 (63) Risk-Related Activity Fund	0	0	0	0
60,65-69 Other Internal Service Funds	0	0	0	0
Totals	0	0	0	0
Fiduciary				
70 Other Trust and Agency Funds	0	0	0	0
72 Private Purpose Trust Fund	26,707	0	0	26,707
73 Agency Fund	0	0	0	0
74 Pupil Activity Agency Fund	0	0	0	0
79 GASB 34:Permanent Fund	0	0	0	0
85 Foundations	0	0	0	0
Totals	26,707	0	0	26,707

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