

APPLICATION FOR EXEMPTION FROM AUDIT

LONG FORM

NAME OF GOVERNMENT: Fowler Rural Fire Protection District
 ADDRESS: 7th and Pkshn, Fowler, CO 81839
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For the Year Ended
 12/31/2016
 1789.00

CERTIFICATION OF PREPARER

I certify that I am an independent accountant with knowledge of governmental accounting and that the information in the Application is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I am aware that the Audit Law requires that a person independent of the entity complete the application if revenues or expenditure are at least \$100,000 but not more than \$750,000, and that independent means someone who is separate from the entity.

NAME: Peter M Sutton, CPA
 TITLE: Partner
 FIRM NAME: Sutton, Dowell & Co, LLC
 ADDRESS: 2408 N. Grand Ave, Pueblo, CO 81003
 PHONE: 719-544-4788
 DATE PREPARED:
 RELATIONSHIP TO ENTITY: Independent Accountant

Peter M Sutton
 Has the entity had, or has the district had, a Title 32, Article 1 Special District Notice of Inactive Status during the year? (Applicable to Title 32 special districts only, pursuant to Sections 32-1-103 (b)(3) and 32-1-104 (c).)
 YES NO



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PART 1 - FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - BALANCE SHEET

* Indicate Name of Fund

NOTE: Attach additional sheets as necessary

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Line #	Description	Governmental Funds		Description	Proprietary/Fiduciary Funds	
		General Fund	Capital Projects Fund		Public Fund	Other Assets Fund
Assets						
1-1	Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$ 102,981	\$ 52,107	Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$ 181,080	
1-2	Investments	\$ -	\$ -	Investments	\$ -	
1-3	Receivables	\$ 171,268	\$ -	Receivables	\$ 2,870	
1-4	Due from Other Entities of Funds	\$ -	\$ -	Due from Other Entities of Funds	\$ -	
1-5	All Other Assets (Specify)	\$ -	\$ -	Other Current Assets	\$ -	
1-6	Capital Assets, Net	\$ -	\$ -	Capital Assets, Net	\$ -	
1-7		\$ -	\$ -	Deferred Long-Term Assets (Specify)	\$ -	
1-8		\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	
1-9		\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	
1-10		\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	
1-11	(Add lines 1-1 through 1-10) TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 274,919	\$ 52,107	(Add lines 1-1 through 1-10) TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 183,930	
1-12	TOTAL DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	\$ -	\$ -	TOTAL DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	\$ -	
1-13	TOTAL ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS	\$ 274,919	\$ 52,107	TOTAL ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS	\$ 183,930	
Liabilities						
1-14	Accounts Payable	\$ -	\$ -	Accounts Payable	\$ -	
1-15	Accounts Payable and Related Liabilities	\$ -	\$ -	Accounts Payable and Related Liabilities	\$ -	
1-16	Accrued Interest Payable	\$ -	\$ -	Accrued Interest Payable	\$ -	
1-17	Due to Other Entities of Funds	\$ -	\$ -	Due to Other Entities of Funds	\$ -	
1-18	All Other Current Liabilities	\$ -	\$ -	All Other Current Liabilities	\$ -	
1-19	TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	\$ -	\$ -	TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	\$ -	
1-20	All Other Liabilities (Specify)	\$ -	\$ -	Emergency Debt Coverage	\$ -	
1-21	Deferred Revenues	\$ 60,000	\$ -	Other Liabilities (Specify)	\$ -	
1-22		\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	
1-23		\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	
1-24		\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	
1-25		\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	
1-26		\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	
1-27		\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	
1-28	(Add lines 1-19 through 1-27) TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ 60,000	\$ -	(Add lines 1-19 through 1-27) TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ -	
1-29	TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	\$ -	\$ -	TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	\$ -	
Net Position						
1-30	Nonspendable Portion	\$ -	\$ -	Net Investment in Capital Assets	\$ -	
1-31	Restricted Portion	\$ -	\$ -	Emergency Reserves	\$ -	
1-32	Other Designated Reserves	\$ -	\$ 52,107	Other Designated Reserves	\$ -	
1-33	Assigned - Emergency Reserves	\$ 3,864	\$ -	Reserves	\$ 163,930	
1-34	Unassigned	\$ 210,985	\$ -	Unassigned	\$ -	
1-35	(Add lines 1-30 through 1-34) TOTAL FUND BALANCE	\$ 214,919	\$ 52,107	(Add lines 1-30 through 1-34) TOTAL NET POSITION	\$ 163,930	
1-36	(Add lines 1-28, 1-29 and 1-35) TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS, AND FUND BALANCE	\$ 274,919	\$ 52,107	(Add lines 1-28, 1-29 and 1-35) TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS, AND NET POSITION	\$ 163,930	

Placed asset fund eliminated and capital assets are being reported as governmental capital assets in general fund and reported in Part 6 Capital Assets for Governmental funds. The funds designated for equipment replacement is reflected in the capital projects fund. — Changes made on recommendation of State Auditor Office June 22, 2016 correspondence

PART 2 - FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - OPERATING STATEMENT - REVENUES

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Line #	Description	Governmental Funds		Description	Proprietary Funds		
		General Fund	Fund		General Fund	Fund	
Tax Revenue							
2-1	Property	\$ 45,000	\$	Property	\$ 45,000	\$	
2-2	Specialty Ownership	\$ 9,984	\$	Specialty Ownership	\$	\$	
2-3	Sales and Use Tax	\$	\$	Sales and Use Tax	\$	\$	
2-4	Other Tax Revenue (misc)	\$	\$	Other Tax Revenue (misc)	\$	\$	
2-5		\$	\$		\$	\$	
2-6		\$	\$		\$	\$	
2-7		\$	\$		\$	\$	
2-8	Add lines 2-1 through 2-7	\$ 54,984	\$	Add lines 2-1 through 2-7	\$ 15,000	\$	
	TOTAL TAX REVENUE			TOTAL TAX REVENUE			
2-9	Licenses and Permits	\$	\$	Licenses and Permits	\$	\$	
2-10	Highway Users Tax Funds (HUTF)	\$	\$	Highway Users Tax Funds (HUTF)	\$	\$	
2-11	Concession Trust Funds (CTF)	\$	\$	Concession Trust Funds (CTF)	\$	\$	
2-12	Community Development Block Grant	\$	\$	Community Development Block Grant	\$	\$	
2-13	FIRE Police Pension	\$	\$	FIRE Police Pension	\$	\$	
2-14	Grants	\$ 2,200	\$	Grants	\$	\$	
2-15	Donations	\$ 1,241	\$	Donations	\$	\$	
2-16	Charges for Sales and Services	\$ 185,968	\$	Charges for Sales and Services	\$	\$	
2-17	Rental Income	\$	\$	Rental Income	\$	\$	
2-18	Fines and Forfeits	\$	\$	Fines and Forfeits	\$	\$	
2-19	Interest Investment Income	\$ 255	\$ 390	Interest Investment Income	\$ 1,047	\$	
2-20	Tap Fees	\$	\$	Tap Fees	\$	\$	
2-21	Developer Advances	\$	\$	Developer Advances	\$	\$	
2-22	All Other (misc)	\$	\$	All Other (misc)	\$	\$	
2-23	Net	\$ 100	\$	Net	\$ 9,058	\$	
2-24	Add lines 2-9 through 2-23	\$ 214,807	\$ 390	Add lines 2-9 through 2-23	\$ 25,102	\$	
	TOTAL REVENUES			TOTAL REVENUES			
Other Financing Sources							
2-25	Grants	\$	\$	Grants	\$	\$	
2-26	Proceeds from Sale of Capital Assets	\$	\$	Proceeds from Sale of Capital Assets	\$	\$	
2-27	Other	\$	\$	Other	\$	\$	
2-28		\$	\$		\$	\$	
2-29	Add lines 2-25 through 2-27	\$	\$	Add lines 2-25 through 2-27	\$	\$	
	TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			
2-30	Add lines 2-24 and 2-29	\$ 214,807	\$ 390	Add lines 2-24 and 2-29	\$ 25,102	\$	
	TOTAL REVENUES AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			TOTAL REVENUES AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			
						GRAND TOTALS	\$ 240,799

PART 3 - FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - OPERATING STATEMENT - EXPENDITURES

Line #	Description	Governmental Funds		Proprietary/Fiduciary Funds	
		Base	Capital	Base	Capital
3-1	General Government	\$	\$	\$	\$
3-2	Judicial	\$	\$	\$	\$
3-3	Law Enforcement	\$	\$	\$	\$
3-4	Fire	\$	74,333	\$	\$
3-5	Highways & Streets	\$	\$	\$	\$
3-6	Solid Waste	\$	\$	\$	\$
3-7	Contributions to Fire & Police Pension Assoc.	\$	8,046	\$	\$
3-8	Health	\$	\$	\$	\$
3-9	Culture and Recreation	\$	2,881	\$	\$
3-10	Other public	\$	\$	\$	\$
3-11		\$	\$	\$	\$
3-12		\$	\$	\$	\$
3-13		\$	\$	\$	\$
3-14	Capital Outlay	\$	24,481	\$	\$
3-15	Debt Service	\$	\$	\$	\$
3-16	Principal	\$	\$	\$	\$
3-17	Interest	\$	\$	\$	\$
3-18	Bond Issuance Costs	\$	\$	\$	\$
3-19	Developer Principal Payments	\$	\$	\$	\$
3-20	Developer Interest Payments	\$	\$	\$	\$
3-21	All Other Issues	\$	\$	\$	\$
3-22	Debt Debt	\$	67,108	\$	\$
3-23	(Add lines 3-1 through 3-22)	\$	194,801	\$	21,000
3-24	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$	194,801	\$	21,000
3-25	Grants (Federal/State)	\$	\$	\$	\$
3-26	Grants (Transfers to)	\$	\$	\$	\$
3-27	Grants (Expenditures from)	\$	\$	\$	\$
3-28	Grants (Capital)	\$	\$	\$	\$
3-29	Grants (Other)	\$	\$	\$	\$
3-30	(Add lines 3-25 through 3-29)	\$	\$	\$	\$
3-31	TOTAL TRANSFERS AND OTHER EXPENDITURES	\$	\$	\$	\$
3-32	Change in Net Position (Increase/Decrease)	\$	19,528	\$	4,102
3-33	Fixed Assets, January 1 thru December 31 per year report	\$	\$	\$	\$
3-34	Fixed Assets, December 31	\$	194,801	\$	189,528
3-35	Fixed Assets, January 1	\$	\$	\$	\$
3-36	Fixed Assets, December 31	\$	214,918	\$	193,630
3-37	Fixed Assets, January 1	\$	62,107	\$	\$

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GRAND TOTAL
 \$ 214,918

PART 4 - DEBT OUTSTANDING ISSUED AND RETIRED

Please answer the following questions by marking the appropriate boxes.

YES NO

Please use this space to provide any explanations or comments:

4-1 Does the entity have outstanding debt? YES NO

4-2 Is the debt payment schedule attached? If no, MUST explain. YES NO

4-3 Is the entity current in its debt service payments? If no, MUST explain. YES NO

4-4 Please complete the following debt schedule, if applicable, using any dates payable.

Debt	Outstanding at beginning of year	Issued during year	Retired during year	Outstanding at year end
General obligation bonds	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Revenue bonds	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Mortgage bonds	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Leases	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Derivative instruments	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Other debt	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

Please answer the following questions by marking the appropriate boxes.

4-5 Does the entity have any authorized but unissued debt? YES NO

If yes, How much? \$ -

4-6 Does the entity intend to issue debt within the next calendar year? YES NO

If yes, How much? \$ -

4-7 Does the entity have debt that has been refinanced that it is responsible for? YES NO

If yes, What is the amount outstanding? \$ -

4-8 Does the entity have any lease agreements? YES NO

If yes, What is being leased?

What is the original date of the lease?

Number of years of lease?

Is the lease subject to annual appropriation? YES NO

What are the annual lease payments? \$ -

4-9 Does the entity have a certified mill levy? YES NO

If yes, Please provide the following mill levied for the year reported:

Bond Redemption	0.00
General Fund	2.77
TOTAL	2.77

PART 5 - CASH AND INVESTMENTS

Please provide the entity's cash deposit and investment balances.

AMOUNT TOTAL

Please use this space to provide any explanations or comments:

4-10	UNREMOVED CASH/Checking and Savings accounts	\$ 102,061	
4-11	Investment in Bonds	\$ 213,167	
	TOTAL CASH DEPOSITS	\$ 315,228	
4-12	Investment in Stocks	\$ -	
4-13	Investment in Other	\$ -	
	TOTAL INVESTMENTS	\$ -	
	TOTAL CASH AND INVESTMENTS	\$ 315,228	

Please answer the following question by marking in the appropriate box.

4-14 Are the entity's investments held in a custodial account (CRA) or a trust? YES NO N/A

4-15 Are the entity's deposits in an eligible Public Deposit Participant (PDP) public depository (County 11-10.2a-10c) under CRCS 17-9 no, MUST explain. YES NO N/A

PART 6 - CAPITAL ASSETS

Please answer the following question by marking in the appropriate box

YES NO

Please use this space to provide any explanations or comments:

- 6-1 Does the entity have capitalized assets? YES NO
- 6-2 Has the entity performed an annual inventory of capital assets in accordance with Section 20-1150B - C.F.R. 71 FR 78923?

Fixed Assets are being reported as Governmental Funds rather than Proprietary Funds. Changes made on the recommendation of Sytala Auditor Office June 23, 2016 correspondence Assets purchased in 2016 higher than budget due to grant of \$10,000 received in 2016 to purchase additional equipment

6-3 Complete the following Capital Assets table for GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

	Balance - beginning of the year	Additions	Deletions	Year-End Balance
Land	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Buildings	\$ 108,572	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 108,572
Machinery and equipment	\$ 544,773	\$ 24,491	\$ -	\$ 569,264
Furniture and fixtures	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Infrastructure	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Construction in Progress (CIP)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Vehicles	\$ 783,285	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 783,285
Accumulated Depreciation (Enter as negative in each column)	\$ (447,722)	\$ (51,923)	\$ -	\$ (499,645)
TOTAL	\$ 988,908	\$ 27,438	\$ -	\$ 981,470

6-4 Complete the following Capital Assets table for PROPRIETARY FUNDS

	Balance - beginning of the year	Additions	Deletions	Year-End Balance
Land	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Buildings	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Machinery and equipment	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Furniture and fixtures	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Infrastructure	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Construction in Progress (CIP)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Vehicles	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Accumulated Depreciation (Enter as negative in each column)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

PART 7 - PENSION INFORMATION

Please answer the following question by marking in the appropriate box

YES NO

Please use this space to provide any explanations or comments:

- 7-1 Does the entity have an "Orphan" Unfunded Pension Plan? YES NO
 - 7-2 Does the entity have a Voluntary Employees' Beneficiary Association?
- If yes
- Who contributes the plan?
- Indicate the contributions from:
- | | |
|------------------------------|------------------|
| Federal (Sec 401, 408, etc.) | \$ 15,000 |
| State contribution amount | \$ 9,088 |
| Other (Sec 408(a)(6), etc.) | \$ 1,047 |
| TOTAL | \$ 25,135 |
- What is the monthly benefit paid for 20 years of service per retiree as of Jan 17?
- | |
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| \$ 100 |
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PART 8 BUDGET INFORMATION

Please answer the following question by marking in the appropriate box

YES NO N/A

Please use this space to provide any explanations or comments:

8-1 Did the entity file an annual budget with the Department of Local Affairs in accordance with Section 22-113 C.S.R. 1.776 (MUST option) YES NO N/A

8-2 Did the entity pass an appropriations resolution in accordance with Section 22-113 C.S.R. 1.776 (MUST option) YES NO N/A

If yes, please indicate the amount appropriated for each fund for the year reported:

Fund Name	Budgeted Expenditure
General Fund	\$ 133,430
Pension Fund	\$ 21,715
	\$
	\$

PART 9 TAX PAYER'S BILL OF RIGHTS (TABOR)

Please answer the following question by marking in the appropriate box

YES NO

Please use this space to provide any explanations or comments:

9-1 Is the entity in compliance with all the provisions of TABOR (State Constitution Article X, Section 20(5))? YES NO

Note: An election to exempt the government from the spending limitations of TABOR does not exempt the government from the 3 percent emergency reserve requirement. All governments should determine if they meet this requirement of TABOR.

PART 10 GENERAL INFORMATION

Please answer the following question by marking in the appropriate box

YES NO

Please use this space to provide any explanations or comments:

10-1 Is the entity a newly formed governmental entity? YES NO

If yes, Date of formation: _____

10-2 Has the entity changed its name in the past or current year? YES NO

If Yes, NEW name: _____

PRIOR name: _____

10-3 Is the entity a metropolitan district? YES NO

10-4 Please indicate what services the entity provides: _____

10-5 Does the entity have an agreement with another government to provide services? YES NO

If yes, List the names of the other governmental entity and the services provided: _____

Please use this space to provide any additional explanations or comments not previously included

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Entity Assets	Operating Fund	Governmental Funds	Total
Unrestricted Cash & Investments \$ 318,129	Unrestricted Fund Balances \$ 214,800	Total Tax Revenues \$ 54,964	
Current Liabilities \$ -	Total Fund Balances \$ 214,800	Revenue Paying Debt Service \$ -	
Deferred Inflow \$ -	PP Fund Balances \$ 194,800	Total Revenues \$ 219,187	
	Total Revenues \$ 214,800	Total Debt Service Principal \$ -	
	Total Expenditures \$ 194,800	Total Debt Service Interest \$ -	
	Included In \$ -		
Governmental	Excluded Out \$ -	Enterprise Funds	
Total Cash & Investments \$ 158,000	Proprietary	Net Position \$ 162,983	
Transfers In \$ -	Current Assets \$ 98,800	PP Net Position \$ 158,438	
Transfers Out \$ -	Deferred Outflow \$ -	Governmental Wide	
Property Tax \$ 48,000	Current Liabilities \$ -	Total Outstanding Debt \$ -	
Debt Service Principal \$ -	Deferred Inflow \$ -	Authorized but Unissued \$ -	
Total Expenditures \$ 194,800	Cash & Investments \$ 181,000	Year Authorized \$ -	
Total Developer Advances \$ -	Principal Expense \$ -		
Total Developer Repayments \$ -			

**RESOLUTION FOR EXEMPTION FROM AUDIT
(Pursuant to Section 29-1-604, C.R.S.)**

A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN EXEMPTION FROM AUDIT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016 FOR THE FOWLER RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT, STATE OF COLORADO.

WHEREAS, the Board Members of Fowler Rural Fire Protection District wishes to claim from the audit requirements of Section 29-1-603, C.R.S.; and

WHEREAS, Section 29-1-604, C.R.S., states that any local government where neither revenues nor expenditures exceed five hundred thousand dollars may, with the approval of the State Auditor, be exempt from the provision of Section 29-1-603, C.R.S.; and

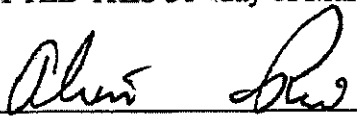
WHEREAS, neither revenues nor expenditures for Fowler Rural Fire Protection District exceeded \$750,000 for Fiscal Year 2016; and

WHEREAS, an application from audit has been prepared by Sutton, Dowell and Company, an independent accountant with knowledge of governmental accounting; and

WHEREAS, said application for exemption from audit has been completed in accordance with regulations, issued by the State Auditor.

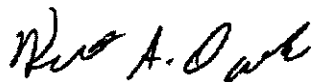
NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board Members of the Fowler Rural Fire Protection District that the application for exemption from audit for Fowler Rural Fire Protection District for the Fiscal Year ended December 31, 2016, has been personally reviewed and is hereby approved by a majority of the Board Members of the Fowler Rural Fire Protection District; that those members of the Fowler Rural Fire Protection District have signified their approval by signing below; and that this resolution shall be attached to, and shall become a part of, the application for exemption from audit of the Fowler Rural Fire Protection District for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2016.

ADOPTED THIS 31st day of March, A.D. 2017.



President

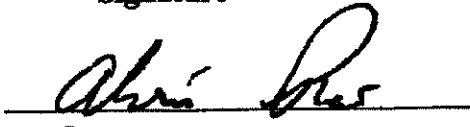
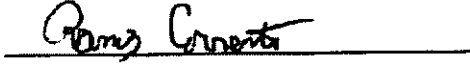
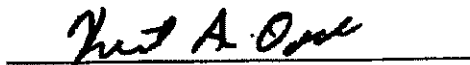

ATTEST:



Treasurer

GOVERNING BODY APPROVAL

Fowler Rural Fire Protection District Board of Directors

Board Members	Date Term Expires	Signature
Alvin Rein	2018	
Randy Corsentino	2018	
Keith Doak	2020	
Rex Hagerman	2020	
John Webber	2020	