

APPLICATION FOR EXEMPTION FROM AUDIT

LONG FORM

NAME OF GOVERNMENT	Sterling Rural Fire Protection District	For the Year Ended 12/31/2016 or fiscal year ended:
ADDRESS	P.O. Box 583 Sterling, Colorado 80751	
CONTACT PERSON	Robert E. Blake	1956.00
PHONE	970-520-7231	
EMAIL	r.blake@bresnan.net	
FAX	N/A	

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	Scott Szabo
TITLE	Certified Public Accountant
FIRM NAME (if applicable)	Lauer, Szabo & Associates, P.C.
ADDRESS	205 Main Street - P.O. Box 1886, Sterling, CO, 80751
PHONE	970-522-2218
DATE PREPARED (Must be Completed prior to Board Approval)	January 11, 2017
RELATIONSHIP TO ENTITY	We are an independent firm of certified public accountants.

PREPARER (SIGNATURE REQUIRED)

See Independent Accountants' Compilation Report.

Has the entity filed for, or has the district filed, 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 (9.3) and 32-1-104 (3), C.R.S.]	YES	NO	If Yes, date filed:
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PART 1 - FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - BALANCE SHEET

* Indicate Name of Fund

NOTE: Attach additional sheets as necessary.

Line #	Description	Governmental Funds		Description	Proprietary/Fiduciary Funds	
		General Fund*	Fund*		Fund*	Fund*
	Assets			Assets		
1-1	Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$ 13,421	\$ -	Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$ -	\$ -
1-2	Investments	\$ 59,073	\$ -	Investments	\$ -	\$ -
1-3	Receivables	\$ 660,080	\$ -	Receivables	\$ -	\$ -
1-4	Due from Other Entities or Funds	\$ 1,909	\$ -	Due from Other Entities or Funds	\$ -	\$ -
	All Other Assets (specify)			Other Current Assets	\$ -	\$ -
1-5		\$ -	\$ -	Total Current Assets	\$ -	\$ -
1-6		\$ -	\$ -	Capital Assets, net (from Part 4)	\$ -	\$ -
1-7		\$ -	\$ -	Other Long Term Assets (specify)	\$ -	\$ -
1-8		\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -
1-9		\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -
1-10		\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -
1-11	(add lines 1-1 through 1-10) TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 734,483	\$ -	(add lines 1-1 through 1-10) TOTAL ASSETS	\$ -	\$ -
1-12	TOTAL DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	\$ -	\$ -	TOTAL DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	\$ -	\$ -
1-13	TOTAL ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS	\$ 734,483	\$ -	TOTAL ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS	\$ -	\$ -
	Liabilities			Liabilities		
1-14	Accounts Payable	\$ 2,215	\$ -	Accounts Payable	\$ -	\$ -
1-15	Accrued Payroll and Related Liabilities	\$ -	\$ -	Accrued Payroll and Related Liabilities	\$ -	\$ -
1-16	Accrued Interest Payable	\$ -	\$ -	Accrued Interest Payable	\$ -	\$ -
1-17	Due to Other Entities or Funds	\$ -	\$ -	Due to Other Entities or Funds	\$ -	\$ -
1-18	All Other Current Liabilities	\$ -	\$ -	All Other Current Liabilities	\$ -	\$ -
1-19	TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	\$ 2,215	\$ -	TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	\$ -	\$ -
1-20	All Other Liabilities (specify)	\$ -	\$ -	Proprietary Debt Outstanding (from Part 4-4)	\$ -	\$ -
1-21		\$ -	\$ -	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	\$ 2,215	\$ -	(add lines 1-19 through 1-27) TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ -	\$ -
1-29	TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	\$ 660,080	\$ -	TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	\$ -	\$ -
	Fund Balance			Net Position		
1-30	Nonspendable Prepaid	\$ -	\$ -	Net Investment in Capital Assets	\$ -	\$ -
1-31	Nonspendable Inventory	\$ -	\$ -			
1-32	Restricted (specify: TABOR)	\$ 7,700	\$ -	Emergency Reserves	\$ -	\$ -
1-33	Committed (specify)	\$ -	\$ -	Other Designations/Reserves	\$ -	\$ -
1-34	Assigned (specify)	\$ -	\$ -	Restricted	\$ -	\$ -
1-35	Unassigned	\$ 64,488	\$ -	Undesignated/Unreserved/Unrestricted	\$ -	\$ -
1-36	Add lines 1-30 through 1-35 This total should be the same as line 3-33 TOTAL FUND BALANCE	\$ 72,188	\$ -	Add lines 1-30 through 1-35 This total should be the same as line 3-33 TOTAL NET POSITION	\$ -	\$ -
1-37	Add lines 1-28, 1-29 and 1-36 This total should be the same as line 1-13 TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS, AND FUND BALANCE	\$ 734,483	\$ -	Add lines 1-28, 1-29 and 1-36 This total should be the same as line 1-13 TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS, AND NET POSITION	\$ -	\$ -

Please use this space to provide explanation of any items on this page

PART 2 - FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - OPERATING STATEMENT - REVENUES

Line #	Description	Governmental Funds		Description	Proprietary/Fiduciary Funds		
		General Fund*	Fund*		Fund*	Fund*	
	Tax Revenue			Tax Revenue			Please use this space to provide explanation of any items on this page
2-1	Property	\$ 229,075	\$ -	Property	\$ -	\$ -	
2-2	Specific Ownership	\$ 24,882	\$ -	Specific Ownership	\$ -	\$ -	
2-3	Sales and Use Tax	\$ -	\$ -	Sales and Use Tax	\$ -	\$ -	
2-4	Other Tax Revenue (specify):	\$ -	\$ -	Other Tax Revenue (specify):	\$ -	\$ -	
2-5	Delinquent Taxes and Interest	\$ 290	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	
2-6		\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	
2-7		\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	
2-8	Add lines 2-1 through 2-7 TOTAL TAX REVENUE	\$ 254,247	\$ -	Add lines 2-1 through 2-7 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	Conservation Trust Funds (Lottery)	\$ -	\$ -	Conservation Trust Funds (Lottery)	\$ -	\$ -	
2-12	Community Development Block Grant	\$ -	\$ -	Community Development Block Grant	\$ -	\$ -	
2-13	Fire & Police Pension	\$ -	\$ -	Fire & Police Pension	\$ -	\$ -	
2-14	Grants	\$ -	\$ -	Grants	\$ -	\$ -	
2-15	Donations	\$ -	\$ -	Donations	\$ -	\$ -	
2-16	Charges for Sales and Services	\$ 372	\$ -	Charges for Sales and Services	\$ -	\$ -	
2-17	Rental Income	\$ -	\$ -	Rental Income	\$ -	\$ -	
2-18	Fines and Forfeits	\$ -	\$ -	Fines and Forfeits	\$ -	\$ -	
2-19	Interest/Investment Income	\$ 381	\$ -	Interest/Investment Income	\$ -	\$ -	
2-20	Tap Fees	\$ -	\$ -	Tap Fees	\$ -	\$ -	
2-21	Developer Advances	\$ -	\$ -	Developer Advances	\$ -	\$ -	
2-22	All Other (specify):	\$ -	\$ -	All Other (specify):	\$ -	\$ -	
2-23	Miscellaneous Revenues	\$ 137	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	
2-24	Add lines 2-8 through 2-23 TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 255,137	\$ -	Add lines 2-8 through 2-23 TOTAL REVENUES	\$ -	\$ -	
	Other Financing Sources			Other Financing Sources			
2-25	Debt Proceeds	\$ -	\$ -	Debt Proceeds	\$ -	\$ -	
2-26	Proceeds from Sale of Capital Assets	\$ -	\$ -	Proceeds from Sale of Capital Assets	\$ -	\$ -	
2-27	Other (specify):	\$ -	\$ -	Other (specify):	\$ -	\$ -	
2-28	Add lines 2-25 through 2-27 TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	\$ -	\$ -	Add lines 2-25 through 2-27 TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	\$ -	\$ -	GRAND TOTALS
2-29	Add lines 2-24 and 2-28 TOTAL REVENUES AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	\$ 255,137	\$ -	Add lines 2-24 and 2-28 TOTAL REVENUES AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 255,137

IF GRAND TOTAL REVENUES AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES for all funds (Line 2-29) are GREATER than \$750,000 - STOP. You may not use this form. An audit may be required. See Section 29-1-604, C.R.S., or contact the OSA Local Government Division at (303) 869-3000 for assistance.

PART 3 - FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - OPERATING STATEMENT - EXPENDITURES

		Governmental Funds		Proprietary/Fiduciary Funds		Please use this space to provide explanation of any items on this page	
Line #	Description	General Fund*	Fund*	Description	Fund*		Fund*
	Expenditures			Expenditures			
3-1	General Government	\$ -	\$ -	General Operating & Administrative	\$ -	\$ -	
3-2	Judicial	\$ -	\$ -	Salaries	\$ -	\$ -	
3-3	Law Enforcement	\$ -	\$ -	Payroll Taxes	\$ -	\$ -	
3-4	Fire	\$ 280,667	\$ -	Contract Services	\$ -	\$ -	
3-5	Highways & Streets	\$ -	\$ -	Employee Benefits	\$ -	\$ -	
3-6	Solid Waste	\$ -	\$ -	Insurance	\$ -	\$ -	
3-7	Contributions to Fire & Police Pension Assoc.	\$ -	\$ -	Accounting and Legal Fees	\$ -	\$ -	
3-8	Health	\$ -	\$ -	Repair and Maintenance	\$ -	\$ -	
3-9	Culture and Recreation	\$ -	\$ -	Supplies	\$ -	\$ -	
3-10	Other (specify):	\$ -	\$ -	Utilities	\$ -	\$ -	
3-11		\$ -	\$ -	Contributions to Fire & Police Pension Assoc.	\$ -	\$ -	
3-12		\$ -	\$ -	Other (specify):	\$ -	\$ -	
3-13		\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	
3-14	Capital Outlay	\$ -	\$ -	Capital Outlay	\$ -	\$ -	
	Debt Service			Debt Service			
3-15	Principal	\$ -	\$ -	Principal	\$ -	\$ -	
3-16	Interest	\$ -	\$ -	Interest	\$ -	\$ -	
3-17	Bond Issuance Costs	\$ -	\$ -	Bond Issuance Costs	\$ -	\$ -	
3-18	Developer Principal Repayments	\$ -	\$ -	Developer Principal Repayments	\$ -	\$ -	
3-19	Developer Interest Repayments	\$ -	\$ -	Developer Interest Repayments	\$ -	\$ -	
3-20	All Other (specify):	\$ -	\$ -	All Other (specify):	\$ -	\$ -	
3-21		\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	
3-22	Add lines 3-1 through 3-21 TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 280,667	\$ -	Add lines 3-1 through 3-21 TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ -	\$ -	GRAND TOTAL \$ 280,667
3-23	Interfund Transfers (In)	\$ -	\$ -	Net Interfund Transfers (In)	\$ -	\$ -	
3-24	Interfund Transfers Out	\$ -	\$ -	Net Interfund Transfers Out	\$ -	\$ -	
3-25	Other Expenditures (Revenues):	\$ -	\$ -	Depreciation	\$ -	\$ -	
3-26		\$ -	\$ -	Other Financing Sources (Uses) (from line 3-28)	\$ -	\$ -	
3-27		\$ -	\$ -	Capital Outlay (from line 3-14)	\$ -	\$ -	
3-28		\$ -	\$ -	Debt Principal (from line 3-15)	\$ -	\$ -	
3-29	(Add lines 3-23 through 3-28) TOTAL TRANSFERS AND OTHER EXPENDITURES	\$ -	\$ -	(Line 3-26, plus line 3-27, less line 3-24, less line 3-25) TOTAL GAAP RECONCILING ITEMS	\$ -	\$ -	
3-30	Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over (Under) Expenditures Line 3-29, less line 3-22, plus line 3-29	\$ (25,530)	\$ -	Net Increase (Decrease) in Net Position Line 3-29, less line 3-22, plus line 3-29, plus line 3-23, less line 3-23	\$ -	\$ -	
3-31	Fund Balance, January 1 from December 31 prior year report	\$ 97,718	\$ -	Net Position, January 1 from December 31 prior year report	\$ -	\$ -	
3-32	Prior Period Adjustment (MUST explain)	\$ -	\$ -	Prior Period Adjustment (MUST explain)	\$ -	\$ -	
3-33	Fund Balance, December 31 Sum of Line 3-30, 3-31, and 3-32 This total should be the same as line 1-35.	\$ 72,188	\$ -	Net Position, December 31 Line 3-30 plus line 3-31 This total should be the same as line 1-35.	\$ -	\$ -	

IF GRAND TOTAL EXPENDITURES for all funds (Line 3-22) are GREATER than \$750,000 - STOP. You may not use this form. An audit may be required. See Section 29-1-604, C.R.S., or contact the OSA Local Government Division at (303) 869-3000 for assistance.

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?	☐	☒	
4-2	Is the debt repayment schedule attached? If no, MUST explain.	☐	☒	
There is no outstanding debt; therefore, there is no debt repayment schedule attached.				
4-3	Is the entity current in its debt service payments? If no, MUST explain.	☒	☐	
4-4	Please complete the following debt schedule, if applicable. (please only include principal amounts)			
		Outstanding at beginning of year	Issued during year	Retired during year
	General obligation bonds	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Revenue bonds	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Notes/Loans	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Leases	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Developer Advances	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Other (specify):	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	TOTAL	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Please answer the following questions by marking the appropriate boxes.				
4-5	Does the entity have any authorized, but unissued, debt?	☐	☒	
If yes:	How much?	\$ -		
	Date the debt was authorized:			
4-6	Does the entity intend to issue debt within the next calendar year?	☐	☒	
If yes:	How much?	\$ -		
4-7	Does the entity have debt that has been refinanced that it is still responsible for?	☐	☒	
If yes:	What is the amount outstanding?	\$ -		
4-8	Does the entity have any lease agreements?	☐	☒	
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?	☐	☐	
	What are the annual lease payments?	\$ -		
4-9	Does the entity have a certified mill levy?	☒	☐	
If yes:	Please provide the following mills levied for the year reported:			
	Bond Redemption	0.000		
	General/Other	2.482		
	TOTAL	2.482		

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:

5-1	YEAR-END Total of ALL Checking and Savings accounts	\$ 13,421	
5-2	Certificates of deposit	\$ -	
	TOTAL CASH DEPOSITS	\$ 13,421	
	Investments (if investment is a mutual fund, please list underlying investments):		
5-3	Colofrust	\$ 59,073	
		\$ -	
		\$ -	
		\$ -	
	TOTAL INVESTMENTS	\$ 59,073	
	TOTAL CASH AND INVESTMENTS	\$ 72,494	
Please answer the following question by marking in the appropriate box			
5-4	Are the entity's investments legal in accordance with Section 24-75-601, et seq., C.R.S.?	☒	☐
5-5	Are the entity's deposits in an eligible (Public Deposit Protection Act) public depository (Section 11-10.5-101, et seq., C.R.S.)? If no, MUST explain.	☒	☐

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?	☒	☐		
6-2	Has the entity performed an annual inventory of capital assets in accordance with Section 29-1-508, C.R.S. ? If no, MUST explain:	☒	☐		
6-3	Complete the following Capital Assets table for GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS:				
		Balance - beginning of the year	Additions	Deletions	Year-End Balance
	Land	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Buildings	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Machinery and equipment	\$ 168,068	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 168,068
	Furniture and fixtures	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Infrastructure	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Construction In Progress (CIP)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Other (explain):	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Accumulated Depreciation (Enter a negative, or credit, balance)	\$ (25,687)	\$ (11,095)	\$ -	\$ (36,782)
	TOTAL	\$ 142,381	\$ (11,095)	\$ -	\$ 131,286
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)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Other (explain):	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Accumulated Depreciation (Enter a negative, or credit, balance)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	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 "old hire" firemen's pension plan?	☐	☒		
7-2	Does the entity have a volunteer firemen's pension plan?	☐	☒		
If yes: Who administers the plan?					
Indicate the contributions from:					
	Tax (property, SO, sales, etc.)	\$ -			
	State contribution amount	\$ -			
	Other (gifts, donations, etc.)	\$ -			
	TOTAL	\$ -			
What is the monthly benefit paid for 20 years of service per retiree as of Jan 1?		\$ -			

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 a current year budget with the Department of Local Affairs, in accordance with Section 29-1-113 C.R.S.? If no, MUST explain:	☒	☐	☐	
8-2	Did the entity pass an appropriations resolution in accordance with Section 29-1-108 C.R.S.? If no, MUST explain:	☒	☐	☐	
If yes: Please indicate the amount appropriated for each fund for the year reported					
Fund Name		Budgeted Expenditures			
General Fund		\$ 357,182			
		\$ -			
		\$ -			
		\$ -			

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))?	☒	☐	
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 this application for a newly formed governmental entity?	☐	☒		
If yes: Date of formation:					
10-2	Has the entity changed its name in the past or current year?	☐	☒		
If Yes: NEW name					
PRIOR name					
10-3	Is the entity a metropolitan district?	☐	☒		
10-4	Please indicate what services the entity provides	The District provides fire protection services to local residents.			
10-5	Does the entity have an agreement with another government to provide services?	☒	☐		
If yes: List the name of the other governmental entity and the services provided:					
Mutual aid with the City of Sterling and Town of Merino fire departments.					
Please use this space to provide any additional explanations or comments not previously included:					

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Entity Wide:		General Fund		Governmental Funds		Notes
Unrestricted Cash & Investments	\$	72,494	Unrestricted Fund Balan	\$	64,488	254,247
Current Liabilities	\$	2,215	Total Fund Balance	\$	72,188	-
Deferred Inflow	\$	660,080	PY Fund Balance	\$	97,718	255,137
			Total Revenue	\$	255,137	-
			Total Expenditures	\$	280,667	-
			Interfund In	\$	-	-
Governmental			Interfund Out	\$	-	-
Total Cash & Investments	\$	72,494	Proprietary	\$	-	-
Transfers In	\$	-	Current Assets	\$	-	-
Transfers Out	\$	-	Deferred Outflow	\$	-	-
Property Tax	\$	229,075	Current Liabilities	\$	-	-
Debt Service Principal	\$	-	Deferred Inflow	\$	-	-
Total Expenditures	\$	280,667	Cash & Investments	\$	-	-
Total Developer Advances	\$	-	Principal Expense	\$	-	-
Total Developer Repayments	\$	-				

PART 12 - GOVERNING BODY APPROVAL

Below is the certification and approval of the governing board. By signing the board member is certifying they are a duly elected or appointed officer of the local government. Governing board members may be verified. Also by signing, the board member certifies that this Application for Exemption from Audit has been prepared consistent with Section 29-1-604, C.R.S., which states that a governmental agency with revenue and expenditures of \$750,000 or less must have an application prepared by an independent accountant with knowledge of governmental accounting; completed to the best of their knowledge and is accurate and true. Use additional pages if needed.

Print the names of all current governing board members below.

A MAJORITY of the governing board members must complete and sign in the column below.

Board Member	1	Print Board Member's Name	I, <u>Stanley C. Kaiser</u> , attest that I am a duly elected or appointed board member, and that I have personally reviewed and approve this application for exemption from audit.	Signed <u>Stanley C. Kaiser</u>	Date: <u>1-17-17</u>
Board Member	1	Stanley C. Kaiser	personally reviewed and approve this application for exemption from audit.	Signed <u>Stanley C. Kaiser</u>	Date: <u>1-17-17</u>
Board Member	2	Darren Luft	I, <u>Darren Luft</u> , attest that I am a duly elected or appointed board member, and that I have personally reviewed and approve this application for exemption from audit.	Signed <u>Darren Luft</u>	Date: <u>Jan 16 2017</u>
Board Member	3	Gary L. Nelson	I, <u>Gary L. Nelson</u> , attest that I am a duly elected or appointed board member, and that I have personally reviewed and approve this application for exemption from audit.	Signed <u>Gary L. Nelson</u>	Date: <u>1-16-17</u>
Board Member	4	Wesley W. Pollart	I, <u>Wesley W. Pollart</u> , attest that I am a duly elected or appointed board member, and that I have personally reviewed and approve this application for exemption from audit.	Signed <u>Wesley W. Pollart</u>	Date: <u>Jan 18, 2017</u>
Board Member	5	Michal Mills	I, <u>Michal Mills</u> , attest that I am a duly elected or appointed board member, and that I have personally reviewed and approve this application for exemption from audit.	Signed <u>Michal Mills</u>	Date: <u>1/16/2017</u>
Board Member	6		I, _____, attest that I am a duly elected or appointed board member, and that I have personally reviewed and approve this application for exemption from audit.	Signed _____	Date: _____
Board Member	7		I, _____, attest that I am a duly elected or appointed board member, and that I have personally reviewed and approve this application for exemption from audit.	Signed _____	Date: _____

**Original Signatures
Verified by**

Justin L. Smith





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Independent Accountants' Compilation Report

To the Board of Directors
Sterling Rural Fire Protection District
Sterling, Colorado

Management is responsible for the accompanying financial statements of Sterling Rural Fire Protection District, which comprise the balance sheet as of December 31, 2016, and the related operating statements for the year then ended, included in the accompanying prescribed form. We have performed a compilation engagement in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services promulgated by the Accounting and Review Services Committee of the AICPA. We did not audit or review the financial statements included in the accompanying prescribed form, nor were we required to perform any procedures to verify the accuracy or completeness of the information provided by management. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion, a conclusion, nor provide any form of assurance on these financial statements.

The financial statements included in the accompanying prescribed form are presented in accordance with requirements of the Colorado Office of the State Auditor, and are not intended to be a complete presentation in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of Sterling Rural Fire Protection District and the Colorado Office of the State Auditor, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Lauer, Szabo & Associates, P.C.

Sterling, Colorado
January 11, 2017