

APPLICATION FOR EXEMPTION FROM AUDIT

SHORT FORM

NAME OF GOVERNMENT	Branson-Trinchera Conservation District	For the Year Ended 12/31/16 or fiscal year ended:
ADDRESS	3590 E Main St Trinidad, Colorado 311400	
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PART 1 - CERTIFICATION OF PREPARER

I certify that I am skilled in governmental accounting and that the information in the application is complete and accurate, to the best of my knowledge.

NAME	Mike Dixon
TITLE	Shareholder
FIRM NAME (if applicable)	Dixon, Waller & Co., Inc.
ADDRESS	164 E Main St Trinidad, Colorado 81082
PHONE	791-846-9241
DATE PREPARED (Must be prepared prior to Board approval)	3/14/2017

PREPARER (SIGNATURE REQUIRED)

Mike Dixon

Dixon, Waller & Co., Inc.

Please indicate whether the following financial information is recorded using Governmental or Proprietary fund types

GOVERNMENTAL
(MODIFIED ACCRUAL BASIS)



PROPRIETARY
(CASH OR BUDGETARY BASIS)



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PART 2 - REVENUE

REVENUE: All revenues for all funds must be reflected in this section, including proceeds from the sale of the government's land, building, and equipment, and proceeds from debt or lease transactions. Financial information will not include fund equity information.

Line#	Description	Round to nearest Dollar	Please use this space to provide any necessary explanations
2-1	Ta Property	\$ 4,681	
2-2	Specific ownership	\$ -	
2-3	Sales and use	\$ -	
2-4	Other (specify):	\$ -	
2-5	Licenses and permits	\$ -	
2-6	Intergovernment Grants	\$ -	
2-7	Conservation Trust Funds (Lottery)	\$ -	
2-8	Highway Users Tax Funds (HUTF)	\$ -	
2-9	Other (specify): Conservation programs	\$ 7,153	
2-10	Charges for services	\$ -	
2-11	Fines and forfeits	\$ -	
2-12	Special assessments	\$ -	
2-13	Investment Income	\$ 9	
2-14	Charges for utility services	\$ -	
2-15	Debt proceeds (should agree with line 4-4, column 2)	\$ -	
2-16	Lease proceeds	\$ -	
2-17	Developer Advances received (should agree with line 4-4)	\$ -	
2-18	Proceeds from sale of capital assets	\$ -	
2-19	Fire and police pension	\$ -	
2-20	Donations	\$ 1,950	
2-21	Other (specify):	\$ -	
2-22	Matching and Cost Share Program	\$ 25,000	
2-23		\$ -	
2-24	(add lines 2-1 through 2-23) TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 38,793	

PART 3 - EXPENDITURES

EXPENDITURES: All expenditures for all funds must be reflected in this section, including the purchase of capital assets and principal and interest payments on long-term debt. Financial information will not include fund equity information.

Line#	Description	Round to nearest Dollar	Please use this space to provide any necessary explanations
3-1	Administrative	\$ 6,330	
3-2	Salaries	\$ -	
3-3	Payroll taxes	\$ -	
3-4	Contract services	\$ 5,000	
3-5	Employee benefits	\$ -	
3-6	Insurance	\$ -	
3-7	Accounting and legal fees	\$ 480	
3-8	Repair and maintenance	\$ -	
3-9	Supplies	\$ -	
3-10	Utilities and telephone	\$ -	
3-11	Fire/Police	\$ -	
3-12	Streets and highways	\$ -	
3-13	Public health	\$ -	
3-14	Culture and recreation	\$ -	
3-15	Utility operations	\$ -	
3-16	Capital outlay	\$ -	
3-17	Debt service principal (should agree with Part 4)	\$ -	
3-18	Debt service interest	\$ -	
3-19	Repayment of Developer Advance Principal (should agree with line 4-4)	\$ -	
3-20	Repayment of Developer Advance Interest	\$ -	
3-21	Contribution to pension plan (should agree to line 7-2)	\$ -	
3-22	Contribution to Fire & Police Pension Assoc. (should agree to line 7-2)	\$ -	
3-23	Other (specify): Conservation Projects	\$ 24,303	
3-24		\$ -	
3-25		\$ -	
3-26	(add lines 3-1 through 3-24) TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 36,113	

If TOTAL REVENUE (Line 2-24) or TOTAL EXPENDITURES (Line 3-26) are GREATER than \$100,000 - **STOP**. You may not use this form. Please use the "Application for Exemption from Audit - LONG FORM".

PART 4 - DEBT OUTSTANDING, ISSUED, AND RETIRED

Please answer the following questions by marking the appropriate boxes.

	Yes	No		
4-1 Does the entity have outstanding debt?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
If Yes, please attach a copy of the entity's Debt Repayment Schedule.				
4-2 Is the debt repayment schedule attached? If no, MUST explain.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
4-3 Is the entity current in its debt service payments? If no, MUST explain.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
4-4 Please complete the following debt schedule, if applicable: (please only include principal amounts)(enter all amount as positive numbers)	Outstanding at end of prior year	Issued during year	Retired during year	Outstanding at year-end
General obligation bonds	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Revenue bonds	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Notes/Loans	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Leases	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Developer Advances	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Other (specify):	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

	Yes	No
4-5 Does the entity have any authorized, but unissued, debt?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
If yes: How much?	\$ -	
Date the debt was authorized:		
4-6 Does the entity intend to issue debt within the next calendar year?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
If yes: How much?	\$ -	
4-7 Does the entity have debt that has been refinanced that it is still responsible for?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
If yes: What is the amount outstanding?	\$ -	
4-8 Does the entity have any lease agreements?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
What are the annual lease payments?	\$ -	
4-9 Does the entity have a certified Mill Levy?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If yes: Please provide the following mills levied for the year reported:	Bond Redemption	0.50
	General/Other	0.50
	TOTAL	0.50

Please use this space to provide any explanations or comments:

PART 5 - CASH AND INVESTMENTS

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

	Amount	Total
5-1 YEAR-END Total of ALL Checking and Savings Accounts	\$ 16,459	
5-2 Certificates of deposit	\$ -	
Total Cash Deposits		\$ 16,459
Investments (if investment is a mutual fund, please list underlying investments)		
5-3	\$ -	
	\$ -	
	\$ -	
	\$ -	
Total Investments		\$ -
Total Cash and Investments		\$ 16,459

Please answer the following questions by marking in the appropriate boxes

	Yes	No	N/A
5-4 Are the entity's investments legal in accordance with Section 24-75-601, et seq, C.R.S.?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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.)?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

If no, MUST use this space to provide any explanations:

PART 6 - CAPITAL ASSETS

Please answer the following questions by marking in the appropriate boxes.

		Yes	No
6-1	Does the entity have capital assets?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6-2	Has the entity performed an annual inventory of capital assets in accordance with Section 29-1-506, C.R.S.? If no, MUST explain:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

		Balance - beginning of the year	Additions (Must be included in Part 3)	Deletions	Year-End Balance
6-3	Complete the following capital assets table:				
	Land	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Buildings	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Machinery and equipment	\$ 4,952	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,952
	Furniture and fixtures	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Construction In Progress (CIP)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Other (explain):	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Accumulated Depreciation (Please enter a negative, or credit, balance)	\$ (2,885)	\$ (577)	\$ -	\$ (3,462)
	TOTAL	\$ 2,067	\$ (577)	\$ -	\$ 1,490

Please use this space to provide any explanations or comments:

PART 7 - PENSION INFORMATION

Please answer the following questions by marking in the appropriate boxes.

		Yes	No
7-1	Does the entity have an "old hire" firemen's pension plan?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
7-2	Does the entity have a volunteer firemen's pension plan?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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?	\$ -	

Please use this space to provide any explanations or comments:

PART 8 - BUDGET INFORMATION

Please answer the following questions by marking in the appropriate boxes.

		Yes	No	N/A
8-1	Did the entity file a budget with the Department of Local Affairs for the current year in accordance with Section 29-1-113 C.R.S.? If no, MUST explain:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8-2	Did the entity pass an appropriations resolution, in accordance with Section 29-1-108 C.R.S.? If no, MUST explain:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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

Fund Name	Budgeted Expenditures
General Fund	\$ 38,546

PART 9 - TAXPAYER'S BILL OF RIGHTS (TABOR)

Please answer the following question by marking in the appropriate box

		Yes	No
9-1	Is the entity in compliance with all the provisions of TABOR [State Constitution, Article X, Section 20(5)]?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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.

If no, MUST explain:

PART 10 - GENERAL INFORMATION

Please answer the following questions by marking in the appropriate boxes.

		Yes	No
10-1	Is this application for a newly formed governmental entity?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
If yes:	Date of formation:		
10-2	Has the entity changed its name in the past or current year?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
If yes:	Please list the NEW name & PRIOR name:		
10-3	Is the entity a metropolitan district?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Please indicate what services the entity provides:		
10-4	Does the entity have an agreement with another government to provide services?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
If yes:	List the name of the other governmental entity and the services provided:		
10-5	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.]	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
If yes:	Date Filed:		

Please use this space to provide any explanations or comments:


PART 11 - 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 \$100,000 or less must have an application prepared by a person skilled in 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 Dale Yocam	I <u>Dale Yocam</u> , attest 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>Dale Yocam</u> Date: March 14, 2017 My term Expires: 2020	
Board Member 2	Print Board Member's Name Dick Loudon	I <u>DEAN OATMAN</u> , attest 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>Dean Oatman</u> Date: March 14, 2017 My term Expires: 2020	
Board Member 3	Print Board Member's Name Harold Unwin	I <u>Harold R Unwin</u> , attest 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>Harold R Unwin</u> Date: March 14, 2017 My term Expires: 2020	
Board Member 4	Print Board Member's Name Dean Oatman	I _____, attest 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: March 14, 2017 My term Expires: 2018	
Board Member 5	Print Board Member's Name Lori Green	I <u>Lori Green</u> , attest 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>Lori Green</u> Date: March 14, 2017 My term Expires: 2018	
Board Member 6	Print Board Member's Name	I _____, attest 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: _____ My term Expires: _____	
Board Member 7	Print Board Member's Name	I _____, attest 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: _____ My term Expires: _____	

**Original Signatures
Verified by**

Justin L. Smith



or appointed board
application for exemption