

APPLICATION FOR EXEMPTION FROM AUDIT

SHORT FORM

NAME OF GOVERNMENT	Mount Sopris Conservation District	For the Year Ended 12/31/16 or fiscal year ended:
ADDRESS	258 Center Drive Glenwood Springs, CO 81601	
CONTACT PERSON	Sharie Prow	
PHONE	970-404-3439	
EMAIL	sharie.prow@usda.gov	
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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:	Sharie Prow
TITLE	District Manager
FIRM NAME (if applicable)	
ADDRESS	258 Center Drive
PHONE	970-404-3439
DATE PREPARED (Must be prepared prior to Board approval)	1-Feb-17

PREPARER (SIGNATURE REQUIRED)

Sharie Prow

Please indicate whether the following financial information is recorded using Governmental or Proprietary fund types	GOVERNMENTAL (MODIFIED ACCRUAL BASIS)	PROPRIETARY (CASH OR BUDGETARY BASIS)
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



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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	\$ -	Please use this space to provide any necessary explanations
2-2	Specific ownership	\$ -	
2-3	Sales and use	\$ -	
2-4	Other (specify):	\$ -	
2-5	Licenses and permits	\$ -	
2-6	Intergovernmental Grants	\$ -	
2-7	Conservation Trust Funds (Lottery)	\$ -	
2-8	Highway Users Tax Funds (HUTF)	\$ -	
2-9	Other (specify): Garfield County, Direct Assistance	\$ 68,558	
2-10	Charges for services	\$ -	
2-11	Fines and forfeits	\$ -	
2-12	Special assessments	\$ -	
2-13	Investment income	\$ -	
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	\$ -	
2-21	Other (specify): Seedling tree sales, workshops, rental equipment	\$ 12,448	
2-22		\$ -	
2-23		\$ -	
2-24	(add lines 2-1 through 2-23) TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 81,005	

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	\$ 52,666	Please use this space to provide any necessary explanations
3-2	Salaries	\$ 31,372	
3-3	Payroll taxes	\$ 2,800	
3-4	Contract services	\$ -	
3-5	Employee benefits	\$ -	
3-6	Insurance	\$ 2,201	
3-7	Accounting and legal fees	\$ -	
3-8	Repair and maintenance	\$ 199	
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):	\$ -	
3-24		\$ -	
3-25		\$ -	
3-26	(add lines 3-1 through 3-24) TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 89,238	

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? If Yes, please attach a copy of the entity's Debt Repayment Schedule.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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		Outstanding at year-end
	Issued during year		Retired during year
	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 type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
If yes:	Please provide the following mills levied for the year reported:		
	Bond Redemption		-
	General/Other		-
	TOTAL		-

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	\$ 115,265	
5-2	Certificates of deposit	\$ 22,863	
	Total Cash Deposits		\$ 138,128
	Investments (if investment is a mutual fund, please list underlying investments):		
5-3		\$ -	
		\$ -	
		\$ -	
		\$ -	
	Total Investments		\$ -
	Total Cash and Investments		\$ 138,128

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input 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 checked="" 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 checked="" 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	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Furniture and fixtures	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Construction In Progress (CIP)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Other (explain):	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Accumulated Depreciation (Please enter a negative, or credit, balance)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	TOTAL	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

Please use this space to provide any explanations or comments:

No till drill: The property ceases to be depreciable when the taxpayer has fully recovered the property's cost or other basis or when the taxpayer retires it from service, whichever happens first.

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	\$ 96,465

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)]?

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?

If yes: Date of formation:

10-2 Has the entity changed its name in the past or current year?

If yes: Please list the NEW name & PRIOR name:

10-3 Is the entity a metropolitan district?

Please indicate what services the entity provides:

10-4 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:

Natural Resources Conservation Service provides office space and equipment.

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.]

If yes: Date Filed:

Please use this space to provide any explanations or comments:

RESOLUTION FOR EXEMPTION FROM AUDIT

A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN EXEMPTION FROM AUDIT FOR FICAL YEAR 2016 FOR THE **MOUNT SOPRIS CONSERVATION DISTRICT**, STATE OF COLORADO,

WHEREAS, the **Mount Sopris Conservation District**, wishes to claim exemption from the audit requirements of Section 29-1-603, CRS; and

WHEREAS, the Section 29-1-604, CRS, 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, CRS; and


WHEREAS, neither revenue nor expenditures for **Mount Sopris Conservation District** exceed \$100,000 for the fiscal year 2016; and

WHEREAS, an application for exemption from audit for the **Mount Sopris Conservation District** has been prepared by Sharie Prow, a person skilled in 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 **Mount Sopris Conservation District** that the application for exemption for audit for **Mount Sopris Conservation District** for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2016, has been personally reviewed and is hereby approved by a majority of the **Mount Sopris Conservation District**; that those members of the **Mount Sopris Conservation District** have signified their approval for signing below; and that that resolution shall be attached to, and shall become a part of the application for exemption from the audit of the **Mount Sopris Conservation District** for the fiscal year ended December, 2016.

ADOPTED THIS 21st day of February, 2017.



President

ATTEST:



Secretary

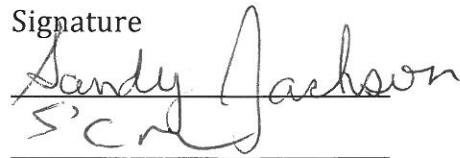
Members of Governing Body

Term Expires

Signature

Sandy Jackson

May 2018



Sean Martin

May 2018

Mike Wilde

May 2020

Jeff Nieslanik

May 2020

Robert Burry

May 2020

