

# APPLICATION FOR EXEMPTION FROM AUDIT

## SHORT FORM

1005.04

NAME OF GOVERNMENT  
ADDRESS

Banning Lewis Ranch Metropolitan District No. 4  
111 S. Tejon Street  
Suite 705  
Colorado Springs, CO 80903

For the Year Ended  
12/31/17  
or fiscal year ended:

CONTACT PERSON  
PHONE  
EMAIL  
FAX

Carrie Bartow  
719-635-0330  
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719-473-3630

## 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:

Carrie Bartow

TITLE

Accountant for the District

FIRM NAME (if applicable)

CliftonLarsonAllen LLP

ADDRESS

111 S. Tejon Street, Suite 705, Colorado Springs, CO 80903

PHONE

719-635-0330

DATE PREPARED

(Must be prepared prior to  
Board approval)

February 23, 2018

PREPARER (SIGNATURE REQUIRED)

SEE ATTACHED ACCOUNTANT'S COMPILATION REPORT

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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March 30, 2018

## 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	
2-1	Taxes: 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):	\$ -	
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):	\$ -	
2-22		\$ -	
2-23		\$ -	
2-24	(add lines 2-1 through 2-23) TOTAL REVENUE	\$ -	

## 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	
3-1	Administrative	\$ -	Please use this space to provide any necessary explanations
3-2	Salaries	\$ -	
3-3	Payroll taxes	\$ -	
3-4	Contract services	\$ -	
3-5	Employee benefits	\$ -	
3-6	Insurance	\$ -	
3-7	Accounting and legal fees	\$ -	
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):	\$ -	
3-24		\$ -	
3-25		\$ -	
3-26	(add lines 3-1 through 3-24) TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ -	

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: <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; min-height: 20px;">N/A</div>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4-3	Is the entity current in its debt service payments? If no, MUST explain: <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; min-height: 20px;">N/A</div>	<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)		
	General obligation bonds	\$ -	\$ -
	Revenue bonds	\$ -	\$ -
	Notes/Loans	\$ -	\$ -
	Leases	\$ -	\$ -
	Developer Advances	\$ -	\$ -
	Other (specify):	\$ -	\$ -
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>

\*must tie to prior year ending balance

Please answer the following questions by marking the appropriate boxes.

Yes                      No

4-5	Does the entity have any authorized, but unissued, debt? If yes: How much?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Date the debt was authorized:		
	\$ 929,500,000		
	11/7/2006		
4-6	Does the entity intend to issue debt within the next calendar year? If yes: How much?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	\$ -		
4-7	Does the entity have debt that has been refinanced that it is still responsible for? If yes: What is the amount outstanding?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	\$ -		
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?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	\$ -		
4-9	Does the entity have a certified Mill Levy? If yes: Please provide the following mills levied for the year reported (do not report \$ amounts):	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Bond Redemption		-
	General/Other		-
	<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>-</b>

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	\$ -	
5-2	Certificates of deposit	\$ -	
	<b>Total Cash Deposits</b>		\$ -
	Investments (if investment is a mutual fund, please list underlying investments)		
5-3		\$ -	
		\$ -	
		\$ -	
	<b>Total Investments</b>		\$ -
	<b>Total Cash and Investments</b>		<b>\$ -</b>

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 type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Please 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?  Yes       No
- 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:  Yes       No

N/A

Complete the following capital assets table:	Balance - beginning of the year*	Additions (Must be included in Part 3)	Deletions	Year-End Balance
Land	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Buildings	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Machinery and equipment	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Furniture and fixtures	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Construction In Progress (CIP)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Other (explain):	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Accumulated Depreciation (Please enter a negative, or credit, balance)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>

\*must tie to prior year ending balance

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?  Yes       No
- 7-2 Does the entity have a volunteer firemen's pension plan?  Yes       No

If yes: Who administers the plan?

Indicate the contributions from:

Tax (property, SO, sales, etc.):	\$	-
State contribution amount:	\$	-
Other (gifts, donations, etc.):	\$	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>-</b>

What is the monthly benefit paid for 20 years of service per retiree as of Jan 1?

\$	-
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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.?  Yes       No       N/A
- 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:  Yes       No       N/A

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

General Fund	\$-0-

## 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)]?  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.

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?  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: Please list the NEW name & PRIOR name:
- 10-3 Is the entity a metropolitan district?  Yes  No  
 Please indicate what services the entity provides:
- 10-4 Does the entity have an agreement with another government to provide services?  Yes  No  
 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.]  Yes  No  
 If yes: Date Filed:

Please use this space to provide any explanations or comments:

10-3: Streets, parks and recreation, water, sewer, traffic controls, public transportation, fire protection, mosquito control, and translation systems.

10-4: Under the Service Plan, the District operates in conjunction with Banning Lewis Ranch Metropolitan District Nos. 1, 2, 3, 5, 7, and Banning Lewis Ranch Regional Metropolitan District. The District is a Financing District.

## PART 11 - GOVERNING BODY APPROVAL

	Please answer the following question by marking in the appropriate box	YES	NO
12-1	Have you read the new Electronic Signature Policy and do you plan on submitting signatures in accordance with this policy?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

### Office of the State Auditor — Local Government Division - Exemption Form Electronic Signatures Policy and Procedure

#### Policy - Requirements

The Office of the State Auditor Local Government Audit Division may accept an electronic submission of an application for exemption from audit that includes governing board signatures obtained through a program such as DocuSign or Echosign. Required elements and safeguards are as follows:

- The preparer of the application is responsible for obtaining board signatures that comply with the requirement in Section 29-1-604 (3), C.R.S., that states the application shall be personally reviewed, approved, and signed by a majority of the members of the governing body.
- The application must be accompanied by the signature history document created by the electronic signature software. The signature history document must show when the document was created and when the document was emailed to the various parties, and include the dates the individual board members signed the document. The signature history must also show the individuals' email addresses and IP address.
- Office of the State Auditor staff will not coordinate obtaining signatures.

**The application for exemption from audit form created by our office includes a section for governing body approval. Local governing boards note their approval and submit the application through one of the following three methods:**

- 1) Submit the application in hard copy via the US Mail including original signatures.
- 2) Submit the application electronically via email and either,
  - a. Include a copy of an adopted resolution that documents formal approval by the Board, **or**
  - b. Include electronic signatures obtained through a software program such as DocuSign or Echosign in accordance with the requirements noted above.

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 Michael C. Tinlin	I, Michael C. Tinlin, 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: May 2018
Board Member 2	Print Board Member's Name Chad M. Ellington	I, Chad M. Ellington, 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: May 2018
Board Member 3	Print Board Member's Name Bruce Rau	I, Bruce Rau, 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: <u>3/26/18</u> My term Expires: May 2020
Board Member 4	Print Board Member's Name William Ritchie	I, William Ritchie, 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: May 2020
Board Member 5	Print Board Member's Name Charles P. Leder	I, Charles P. Leder, 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: <u>3/23/18</u> My term Expires: May 2020
Board Member 6	Print Board Member's Name	
Board Member 7	Print Board Member's Name	

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 Michael C. Tinlin	I, Michael C. Tinlin, 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>[Signature]</u> Date: <u>3/28/18</u> My term Expires: May 2018
Board Member 2	Print Board Member's Name Chad M. Ellington	I, Chad M. Ellington, 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: May 2018
Board Member 3	Print Board Member's Name Bruce Rau	I, Bruce Rau, 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: May 2020
Board Member 4	Print Board Member's Name William Ritchie	I, William Ritchie, 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: May 2020
Board Member 5	Print Board Member's Name Charles P. Leder	I, Charles P. Leder, 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: May 2020
Board Member 6	Print Board Member's Name	
Board Member 7	Print Board Member's Name	

**Original Signatures  
Verified by**

Justin L. Smith

[Signature]



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**Accountant's Compilation Report**

Board of Directors  
Banning Lewis Ranch Metropolitan District No. 4  
El Paso County, Colorado

Management is responsible for the accompanying Application for Exemption from Audit of Banning Lewis Ranch Metropolitan District No. 4 as of and for the year ended December 31, 2017, 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 American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. 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 the financial statements included in the accompanying prescribed form.

The Application for Exemption from Audit is presented in accordance with the requirements of the Colorado Office of the State Auditor, which differ from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Colorado Office of the State Auditor and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than this specified party.

We are not independent with respect to Banning Lewis Ranch Metropolitan District No. 4.

*CliftonLarsonAllen LLP*

Colorado Springs, Colorado  
February 23, 2018