

**APPLICATION FOR EXEMPTION FROM AUDIT
LONG FORM**

NAME OF GOVERNMENT

ADDRESS

CONTACT PERSON

PHONE

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Sterling Rural Fire Protection District

P.O. Box 583

Sterling, Colorado 80751

Robert E. Blake

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N/A

1956.00
For the Year Ended

12/31/2017

or fiscal year ended:

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:

TITLE

FIRM NAME (If applicable)

ADDRESS

PHONE

DATE PREPARED

(Must be Completed prior to Board approval)

RELATIONSHIP TO ENTITY

Scott Szabo

Certified Public Accountant

Lauer, Szabo & Associates, P.C.

205 Main Street - P.O. Box 1886, Sterling, Colorado 80751

970-522-2218

January 17, 2018

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

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If Yes, date filed:

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Office of the State Auditor

March 13, 2018

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PART 1 - FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - BALANCE SHEET

* Indicate Name of Fund

NOTE: Attach additional sheets as necessary.

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*		
Assets				Assets				
1-1	Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$ 57,766	\$ -	Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$ -	\$ -		
1-2	Investments	\$ 59,737	\$ -	Investments	\$ -	\$ -		
1-3	Receivables	\$ 685,480	\$ -	Receivables	\$ -	\$ -		
1-4	Due from Other Entities or Funds	\$ 6,062	\$ -	Due from Other Entities or Funds	\$ -	\$ -		
	All Other Assets (specify)			Other Current Assets	\$ -	\$ -		
1-5		\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -		
1-6		\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -		
1-7		\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -		
1-8		\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -		
1-9		\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -		
1-10		\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -		
1-11	(add lines 1-1 through 1-10) TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 809,045	\$ -	(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	\$ 809,045	\$ -	TOTAL ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS	\$ -	\$ -		
Liabilities				Liabilities				
1-14	Accounts Payable	\$ 10,563	\$ -	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	\$ 10,563	\$ -	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	\$ 10,563	\$ -	(add lines 1-19 through 1-27) TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ -	\$ -		
1-29	TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	\$ 685,480	\$ -	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	\$ 22,100	\$ -	Emergency Reserves	\$ -	\$ -		
1-33	Committed: (specify)	\$ -	\$ -	Other Designations/Reserves	\$ -	\$ -		
1-34	Assigned (specify)	\$ -	\$ -	Restricted	\$ -	\$ -		
1-35	Unassigned:	\$ 90,902	\$ -	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	\$ 113,002	\$ -	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	\$ 809,045	\$ -	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	\$ -	\$ -		

PART 2 - FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - OPERATING STATEMENT - REVENUES

		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*		
Tax Revenue				Tax Revenue				
2-1	Property	\$ 660,730	\$ -	Property	\$ -	\$ -		
2-2	Specific Ownership	\$ 68,684	\$ -	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	\$ 1,344	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -		
2-6		\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -		
2-7		\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -		
2-8	Add lines 2-1 through 2-7 TOTAL TAX REVENUE	\$ 730,758	\$ -	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	\$ 4,871	\$ -	Grants	\$ -	\$ -		
2-15	Donations	\$ -	\$ -	Donations	\$ -	\$ -		
2-16	Charges for Sales and Services	\$ -	\$ -	Charges for Sales and Services	\$ -	\$ -		
2-17	Rental Income	\$ -	\$ -	Rental Income	\$ -	\$ -		
2-18	Fines and Forfeits	\$ -	\$ -	Fines and Forfeits	\$ -	\$ -		
2-19	Interest/Investment Income	\$ 664	\$ -	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	\$ 35	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -		
2-24	Add lines 2-8 through 2-23 TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 736,328	\$ -	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	\$ -	\$ -		
2-29	Add lines 2-24 and 2-28 TOTAL REVENUES AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	\$ 736,328	\$ -	Add lines 2-24 and 2-28 TOTAL REVENUES AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	\$ -	\$ -		
GRAND TOTALS								\$ 736,328

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

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

		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	\$ 339,527	\$ -	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	\$ 355,987	\$ -	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	\$ 695,514	\$ -	Add lines 3-1 through 3-21 TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 695,514	
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 2-28)	\$ -	\$ -		
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 2-29, less line 3-22, plus line 3-29	\$ 40,814	\$ -	Net Increase (Decrease) in Net Position Line 2-29, less line 3-22, plus line 3-29, plus line 3-23, less line 3-24	\$ -	\$ -		
3-31	Fund Balance, January 1 from December 31 prior year report	\$ 72,188	\$ -	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 1-36.	\$ 113,002	\$ -	Net Position, December 31 Line 3-30 plus line 3-31 This total should be the same as line 1-36.	\$ -	\$ -		

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	
4-1 Does the entity have outstanding debt?	☐	☒	Please use this space to provide any explanations or comments: There is no outstanding debt; therefore, there is no debt repayment schedule attached.
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	Outstanding at year-end
General obligation bonds	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Revenue bonds	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Notes/Loans	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Leases	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Developer Advances	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Other (specify):	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

*must agree 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?	☐	☒	How much? \$ - Date the debt was authorized:
If yes:			
4-6 Does the entity intend to issue debt within the next calendar year?	☐	☒	How much? \$ -
If yes:			
4-7 Does the entity have debt that has been refinanced that it is still responsible for?	☐	☒	What is the amount outstanding? \$ -
If yes:			
4-8 Does the entity have any lease agreements?	☐	☒	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? \$ -
If yes:			
4-9 Does the entity have a certified mill levy?	☒	☐	
If yes:			
Please provide the following <u>mills</u> levied for the year reported (do not enter \$ amounts):			

Bond Redemption	0.000
General/Other	5.607
TOTAL	5.607

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	\$ 57,766		Please use this space to provide any explanations or comments:
5-2 Certificates of deposit	\$ -		
TOTAL CASH DEPOSITS		\$ 57,766	
Investments (if investment is a mutual fund, please list underlying investments):			
5-3 Colotrust	\$ 59,737		
	\$ -		
	\$ -		
	\$ -		
TOTAL INVESTMENTS		\$ 59,737	
TOTAL CASH AND INVESTMENTS		\$ 117,503	

Please answer the following question by marking in the appropriate box

	YES	NO	N/A
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 29-1-506, C.R.S.? If no, MUST explain:

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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	\$ 274,737	\$ -	\$ 442,805
Furniture and fixtures	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Infrastructure	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Construction In Progress (CIP)	\$ -	\$ 81,250	\$ -	\$ 81,250
Other (explain):	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Accumulated Depreciation (Enter a negative, or credit, balance)	\$ (36,782)	\$ (18,802)	\$ -	\$ (55,584)
TOTAL	\$ 131,286	\$ 337,185	\$ -	\$ 468,471

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	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

*must agree to prior year ending balance

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?

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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 12 - 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?

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

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 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 signed by a majority 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 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 for exemption from audit.

- 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.

Original Signatures Verified by

Justin L. Smith



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	Print Board Member's Name	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.
1	Stanley C. Kaiser	Signed <u>Stanley C. Kaiser</u> Date: <u>2-19-18</u> My term Expires: _____
2	Darren Luft	Signed <u>Darren Luft</u> Date: <u>FEB 19 2018</u> My term Expires: <u>2020</u>
3	Gary L. Nelson	Signed <u>Gary L. Nelson</u> Date: <u>19 FEB 18</u> My term Expires: <u>2018</u>
4	Wesley W. Pollart	Signed <u>Wesley W. Pollart</u> Date: <u>2/19/18</u> My term Expires: <u>2018</u>
5	Michal Mills	Signed <u>Michal Mills</u> Date: <u>2/19/2018</u> My term Expires: <u>2020</u>
6		Signed _____ Date: _____ My term Expires: _____
7		Signed _____ Date: _____ My term Expires: _____



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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, 2017, 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 17, 2018