

APPLICATION FOR EXEMPTION FROM AUDIT

SHORT FORM

1979.00

NAME OF GOVERNMENT ADDRESS

Wages Fire Department
P.O. Box 248
Yuma, Colorado 80759

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

**CONTACT PERSON
PHONE
EMAIL
FAX**

Rose Schmidt
970-848-5539
N/A
N/A

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:
TITLE
FIRM NAME (if applicable)
ADDRESS
PHONE
DATE PREPARED
(Must be prepared prior to Board approval)**

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February 13, 2018

PREPARER (SIGNATURE REQUIRED)

See Independent Accountants' 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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Office of the State Auditor

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	Please use this space to provide any necessary explanations
2-1	Taxes: Property	\$ -	
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	Contributions from member districts	\$ 6,900	
2-23	Miscellaneous revenues	\$ 368	
2-24	(add lines 2-1 through 2-23) TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 7,268	

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	\$ -	
3-2	Salaries	\$ -	
3-3	Payroll taxes	\$ -	
3-4	Contract services	\$ -	
3-5	Employee benefits	\$ -	
3-6	Insurance	\$ -	
3-7	Accounting and legal fees	\$ 1,200	
3-8	Repair and maintenance	\$ 650	
3-9	Supplies	\$ 1,193	
3-10	Utilities and telephone	\$ 1,450	
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	\$ 4,493	

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.

4-1 Does the entity have outstanding debt? Yes No
 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: Yes No
 The District does not have any 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: Yes No

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

*must tie to prior year ending balance

Please answer the following questions by marking the appropriate boxes.

4-5 Does the entity have any authorized, but unissued, debt? Yes No
 If yes: How much? \$ -
 Date the debt was authorized: _____

4-6 Does the entity intend to issue debt within the next calendar year? Yes No
 If yes: How much? \$ -

4-7 Does the entity have debt that has been refinanced that it is still responsible for? Yes No
 If yes: What is the amount outstanding? \$ -

4-8 Does the entity have any lease agreements? Yes No
 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? Yes No
 What are the annual lease payments? \$ -

4-9 Does the entity have a certified Mill Levy? Yes No
 If yes: Please provide the following mills levied for the year reported (do not report \$ amounts):

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	\$ 21,109	
5-2 Certificates of deposit	\$ -	
Total Cash Deposits		\$ 21,109
Investments (if investment is a mutual fund, please list underlying investments):		
	\$ -	
	\$ -	
	\$ -	
	\$ -	
5-3 Total Investments		\$ -
Total Cash and Investments		\$ 21,109

Please answer the following questions by marking in the appropriate boxes

5-4 Are the entity's Investments legal in accordance with Section 24-75-601, et. seq., C.R.S.? Yes No N/A

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.)? Yes No N/A

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? 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

6-3 Complete the following capital assets table:

	Balance - beginning of the year*	Additions (Must be included in Part 3)	Deletions	Year-End Balance
Land	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Buildings	\$ 45,905	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 45,905
Machinery and equipment	\$ 210,410	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 210,410
Furniture and fixtures	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Construction In Progress (CIP)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Other (explain):	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Accumulated Depreciation (Please enter a negative, or credit, balance)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL	\$ 256,315	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 256,315

*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.):		\$ -
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.? 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		\$ 7,425

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:

The Department believes it is exempt from the provisions of TABOR as it receives no direct tax revenue and is a joint venture of its membe districts.

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:**

See comments below.

- 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:

Mutual aid with Yuma Rural Fire Protection District, Haxtun Fire Protection District and Holyoke Rural Fire Protection District.

PART 11 - GOVERNING BODY APPROVAL

Please answer the following question by marking in the appropriate box

YES

NO

- | | | | |
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| 12-1 | Have you read the new Electronic Signature Policy and do you plan on submitting signatures in accordance with this policy? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
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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
Orville Tonsing

I ORVILLE H. TONSING, 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: 3-14-18
My term Expires: _____

Board Member 2

Print Board Member's Name
Ron Higgins

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 3

Print Board Member's Name
Ron Oestman

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 4

Print Board Member's Name
Tim Fetzer

I Tim E Fetzer, 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: 3-16-18
My term Expires: _____

Board Member 5

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 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


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Independent Accountants' Compilation Report

To the Board of Directors
Wages Fire Department
Yuma, Colorado

Management is responsible for the accompanying financial statements of Wages Fire Department as of December 31, 2017, and 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 Wages Fire Department 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
February 13, 2018