

# APPLICATION FOR EXEMPTION FROM AUDIT

## SHORT FORM

NAME OF GOVERNMENT	COPE CONSERVATION DISTRICT
ADDRESS	2862 WA COUNTY ROAD LL FLAGLER, CO 80815
CONTACT PERSON	CAROLYN PAYNE
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For the Year Ended  
12/31/17  
or fiscal year ended:

### 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:	CAROLYN PAYNE
TITLE	OFFICE MANAGER
FIRM NAME (if applicable)	
ADDRESS	2862 WA COUNTY ROAD LL, FLAGLER, CO 80815
PHONE	970-554-0561
DATE PREPARED (Must be prepared prior to Board approval)	3/10/2018

### PREPARER (SIGNATURE REQUIRED)

*Carolyn Payne*

Please indicate whether the following financial information is recorded using Governmental or Proprietary fund types	<b>GOVERNMENTAL</b> <small>(MODIFIED ACCRUAL BASIS)</small>	<b>PROPRIETARY</b> <small>(CASH OR BUDGETARY BASIS)</small>
	<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	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): CSCB DIRECT ASSISTANCE	\$ 6,370	
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	\$ -	
2-16	Lease proceeds (should agree with line 4-4, column 2)	\$ -	
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): WORKSHOPS & ARS FIELD DAY LUNCH ACCOUNT	\$ 767	
2-22	ARS RENT; INTEREST, MEAL INCOME, OTHER INCOME EQUIP RENT;	\$ 4,227	
2-23	TREE SALES; TREE SUPPLY SALES; EQUIP RENT	\$ 2,645	
2-24	(add lines 2-1 through 2-23) TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 2,937	
		\$ 16,946	

## 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	\$ 8,483	
3-2	Salaries	\$ -	
3-3	Payroll taxes	\$ -	
3-4	Contract services	\$ -	
3-5	Employee benefits	\$ 6,000	
3-6	Insurance	\$ -	
3-7	Accounting and legal fees	\$ -	
3-8	Repair and maintenance	\$ -	
3-9	Supplies	\$ -	
3-10	Utilities and telephone	\$ 398	
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 (should agree with line 4-4)	\$ -	
3-19	Repayment of Developer Advance Principal (should agree with line 4-4)	\$ -	
3-20	Repayment of Developer Advance Interest (should agree to line 7-2)	\$ -	
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	ARS PASS THROUGH MONEY	\$ 3,308	
3-24	TREES PURCHASES & TREE SUPPLIES,	\$ 1,118	
3-25	WORKSHOP EXPENSE	\$ 1,255	
3-26	(add lines 3-1 through 3-24) TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 20,562	

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 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"/> |

Complete the following capital assets table:	Balance - beginning of the year*	Additions (Must be included in Part 3)	Deletions	Year-End Balance
Land	\$ 8,935	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 8,935
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>\$ 8,935</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 8,935</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? | <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.):	\$ -
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ -</b>

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.?<br>If no, MUST explain: | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

- |     |  |                                     |                          |                          |
|-----|--|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
|     |  | Yes                                 | No                       | N/A                      |
| 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:

GENERAL FUND	\$ 24,400

## 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:

**RESOLUTION/ORDINANCE FOR EXEMPTION FROM AUDIT**  
(pursuant to Section 29-1-604, C.R.S.)

A RESOLUTION/ORDINANCE APPROVING AN EXEMPTION FROM AUDIT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017 FOR THE COPE CONSERVATION DISTRICT, STATE OF COLORADO.

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the Cope Conservation District wishes to claim exemption from the audit requirements of Section 29-1-603, C.R.S.; and

WHEREAS, Section 29-1-604, C.R.S., 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 provisions of Section 29-1-603, C.R.S. and

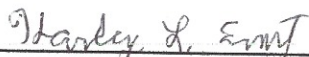
WHEREAS, neither revenue nor expenditures for the Cope Conservation District exceed \$100,000 for Fiscal Year 2017 and


WHEREAS, an application for exemption from audit for the Cope Conservation District, has been prepared by Carolyn Payne, 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.

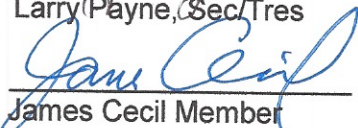
NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved/ordained by the Board of Supervisors of the Cope Conservation District, that the application for exemption from audit for the Cope Conservation District for the Fiscal Year ended December 31, 2017 has been personally reviewed and is here by approved by a majority of the Board of Supervisors' of the Cope Conservation District, that those members of the Board of Supervisors have signed their approval by signing below; and that this resolution shall be attached to, and shall become a part of , the application for exemption from audit of the Cope Conservation District for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2017.

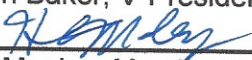
ADOPTED THIS   12   day of March, A.D. 2018

  
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