

**APPLICATION FOR EXEMPTION FROM AUDIT  
LONG FORM**

NAME OF GOVERNMENT	BENT CONSERVATION DISTRICT
ADDRESS	760 BENT AVENUE LAS ANIMAS, CO 81054
CONTACT PERSON	BETTY LAWRENCE
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FAX	

For the Year Ended  
12/31/2018  
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:	PATRICK HANCOCK, CPA
TITLE	MEMBER
FIRM NAME (if applicable)	HANCOCK FROESE & COMPANY LLC
ADDRESS	601 S 8TH STREET
PHONE	719-688-0812
DATE PREPARED	February 26, 2019
RELATIONSHIP TO ENTITY	Perform a compilation engagement with financial statements in the prescribed form as required by the Office of the State Auditor

**PREPARER (SIGNATURE REQUIRED)**

*Patrick Hancock, CPA*

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	If Yes, date filed:
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

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**April 1, 2019** Office  
of the State Auditor

**PART 1 - FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - BALANCE SHEET**

\* Indicate Name of Fund

NOTE: Attach additional sheets as necessary

Line #	Description	Governmental Funds		Description	Proprietary/Fiduciary Funds		Please use this space to provide explanation of any items on this page
		General	Fund*		Fund*	Fund*	
<b>Assets</b>							
1-1	Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$ 171,037	\$ -	Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$ -	\$ -	
1-2	Investments	\$ -	\$ -	Investments	\$ -	\$ -	
1-3	Receivables	\$ 420	\$ -	Receivables	\$ -	\$ -	
1-4	Due from Other Entities or Funds	\$ 2,978	\$ -	Due from: Other Entities or Funds	\$ -	\$ -	
	All Other Assets [specify...]			Other Current Assets	\$ -	\$ -	
1-5	Inventory	\$ 1,238	\$ -				
1-6		\$ -	\$ -	Total Current Assets	\$ -	\$ -	
1-7		\$ -	\$ -	Capital Assets, net (from Part 6-4)	\$ -	\$ -	
1-8		\$ -	\$ -	Other Long Term Assets [specify...]	\$ -	\$ -	
1-9		\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	
1-10		\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	
1-11	(add lines 1-1 through 1-10) TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 175,673	\$ -	(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	\$ 175,673	\$ -	TOTAL ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS	\$ -	\$ -	
<b>Liabilities</b>							
1-14	Accounts Payable	\$ -	\$ -	Accounts Payable	\$ -	\$ -	
1-15	Accrued Payroll and Related Liabilities	\$ 1,140	\$ -	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	\$ 1,140	\$ -	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	\$ 1,140	\$ -	(add lines 1-19 through 1-27) TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ -	\$ -	
1-29	TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	\$ -	\$ -	TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	\$ -	\$ -	
<b>Fund Balance</b>							
1-30	Nonspendable Prepaid	\$ -	\$ -	<b>Net Position</b>			
1-31	Nonspendable Inventory	\$ -	\$ -	Net Investment in Capital Assets	\$ -	\$ -	
1-32	Restricted [specify...]	\$ -	\$ -	Emergency Reserves	\$ -	\$ -	
1-33	Committed [specify...]	\$ -	\$ -	Other Designations/Reserves	\$ -	\$ -	
1-34	Assigned [specify...]	\$ -	\$ -	Restricted	\$ -	\$ -	
1-35	Unassigned:	\$ 174,533	\$ -	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	\$ 174,533	\$ -	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	\$ 175,673	\$ -	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**

Line #	Description	Governmental Funds		Description	Proprietary/Fiduciary Funds		Please use this space to provide explanation of any items on this page
		General	Fund#		Fund#	Fund#	
<b>Tax Revenue</b>				<b>Tax Revenue</b>			
2-1	Property (include credits listed in Question 10-6)	\$ -	\$ -	Property (include credits listed in Question 10-6)	\$ -	\$ -	
2-2	Specific Ownership	\$ -	\$ -	Specific Ownership	\$ -	\$ -	
2-3	Sales and Use Tax	\$ -	\$ -	Sales and Use Tax	\$ -	\$ -	
2-4	Other Tax Revenue (specify...):	\$ -	\$ -	Other Tax Revenue (specify...):	\$ -	\$ -	
2-5		\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	
2-6		\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	
2-7		\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	
2-8	<b>Add lines 2-1 through 2-7 TOTAL TAX REVENUE</b>	\$ -	\$ -	<b>Add lines 2-1 through 2-7 TOTAL TAX REVENUE</b>	\$ -	\$ -	
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	\$ 36,973	\$ -	Grants	\$ -	\$ -	
2-15	Donations	\$ -	\$ -	Donations	\$ -	\$ -	
2-16	Charges for Sales and Services	\$ 1,395	\$ -	Charges for Sales and Services	\$ -	\$ -	
2-17	Rental Income	\$ 83,511	\$ -	Rental Income	\$ -	\$ -	
2-18	Fines and Forfeits	\$ -	\$ -	Fines and Forfeits	\$ -	\$ -	
2-19	Interest/Investment Income	\$ 754	\$ -	Interest/Investment Income	\$ -	\$ -	
2-20	Tap Fees	\$ -	\$ -	Tap Fees	\$ -	\$ -	
2-21	Proceeds from Sale of Capital Assets	\$ -	\$ -	Proceeds from Sale of Capital Assets	\$ -	\$ -	
2-22	All Other Sale of Assets	\$ 14,500	\$ -	All Other (specify...):	\$ -	\$ -	
2-23		\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	
2-24	<b>Add lines 2-8 through 2-23 TOTAL REVENUES</b>	\$ 137,133	\$ -	<b>Add lines 2-8 through 2-23 TOTAL REVENUES</b>	\$ -	\$ -	
<b>Other Financing Sources</b>				<b>Other Financing Sources</b>			
2-25	Debt Proceeds	\$ -	\$ -	Debt Proceeds	\$ -	\$ -	
2-26	Developer Advances	\$ -	\$ -	Developer Advances	\$ -	\$ -	
2-27	Other (specify...):	\$ -	\$ -	Other (specify...):	\$ -	\$ -	
2-28	<b>Add lines 2-25 through 2-27 TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES</b>	\$ -	\$ -	<b>Add lines 2-25 through 2-27 TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES</b>	\$ -	\$ -	
2-29	<b>Add lines 2-24 and 2-28 TOTAL REVENUES AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES</b>	\$ 137,133	\$ -	<b>Add lines 2-24 and 2-28 TOTAL REVENUES AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES</b>	\$ -	\$ -	<b>GRAND TOTALS</b>
							\$ 137,133

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**

Line #	Description	Governmental Funds		Description	Proprietary/Fiduciary Funds		Please use this space to provide explanation of any items on this page
		General	Fund*		Fund*	Fund*	
<b>Expenditures</b>				<b>Expenditures</b>			
3-1	General Government	\$ -	\$ -	General Operating & Administrative	\$ -	\$ -	
3-2	Judicial	\$ -	\$ -	Salaries	\$ -	\$ -	
3-3	Law Enforcement	\$ -	\$ -	Payroll Taxes	\$ -	\$ -	
3-4	Fire	\$ -	\$ -	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	Transfers to other districts	\$ -	\$ -	Utilities	\$ -	\$ -	
3-11	Other Conservation	\$ 126,208	\$ -	Contributions to Fire & Police Pension Assoc.	\$ -	\$ -	
3-12		\$ -	\$ -	Other (specify...)	\$ -	\$ -	
3-13		\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	
3-14	Capital Outlay	\$ -	\$ -	Capital Outlay	\$ -	\$ -	
<b>Debt Service</b>				<b>Debt Service</b>			
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	<b>Add lines 3-1 through 3-21</b>	\$ 126,208	\$ -	<b>Add lines 3-1 through 3-21</b>	\$ -	\$ -	
	<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	\$ 126,208	\$ -	<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 126,208
3-23	Interfund Transfers (In)	\$ -	\$ -	Net Interfund Transfers (In) Out	\$ -	\$ -	
3-24	Interfund Transfers Out	\$ -	\$ -	Other (specify...)[enter negative for expense]	\$ -	\$ -	
3-25	Other Expenditures (Revenues):	\$ -	\$ -	Depreciation	\$ -	\$ -	
3-26		\$ -	\$ -	Other Financing Sources (Uses) (from line 2-25)	\$ -	\$ -	
3-27		\$ -	\$ -	Capital Outlay (from line 3-14)	\$ -	\$ -	
3-28		\$ -	\$ -	Debt Principal (from line 3-15, 3-18)	\$ -	\$ -	
3-29	<b>(Add lines 3-23 through 3-28)</b>	\$ -	\$ -	<b>(Line 3-26, plus line 3-27, less line 3-24, less line 3-25)</b>	\$ -	\$ -	
	<b>TOTAL TRANSFERS AND OTHER EXPENDITURES</b>	\$ -	\$ -	<b>TOTAL GAAP RECONCILING ITEMS</b>	\$ -	\$ -	
3-30	Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over (Under) Expenditures			Net Increase (Decrease) in Net Position			
	Line 2-29, less line 3-22, plus line 3-29	\$ 10,925	\$ -	Line 2-29, less line 3-22, plus line 3-29, less line 3-24	\$ -	\$ -	
3-31	Fund Balance, January 1 from December 31 prior year report	\$ 163,608	\$ -	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			Net Position, December 31			
	Sum of Line 3-30, 3-31, and 3-32			Line 3-30 plus line 3-31			
	This total should be the same as line 1-36.	\$ 174,533	\$ -	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?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input 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"/>

Please use this space to provide any explanations or comments:

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):	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>

\*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?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input 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 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 type="checkbox"/>
If yes, What is the amount outstanding?	\$ -	
4-8 Does the entity have any lease agreements?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input 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?	\$ -	

## 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	\$ 37,994	
5-2 Certificates of deposit	\$ 133,043	
<b>TOTAL CASH DEPOSITS</b>		<b>\$ 171,037</b>
Investments (if investment is a mutual fund, please list underlying investments):		
	\$ -	
	\$ -	
	\$ -	
	\$ -	
<b>TOTAL INVESTMENTS</b>		<b>\$ -</b>
<b>TOTAL CASH AND INVESTMENTS</b>		<b>\$ 171,037</b>

Please use this space to provide any explanations or comments:

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

## 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?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
6-2 Has the entity performed an annual inventory of capital assets in accordance with Section 23-1-306, C.R.S.? If no, MUST explain:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

6-3 Complete the following Capital Assets table for GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS:	Balance - beginning of the year*	Additions	Deletions	Year-End Balance
Land	\$ 18,639	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 18,639
Buildings	\$ 362,443	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 362,443
Machinery and equipment	\$ 96,722	\$ -	\$ 49,600	\$ 49,122
Furniture and fixtures	\$ 17,916	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 17,916
Infrastructure	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Construction In Progress (CIP)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Other (explain):	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Accumulated Depreciation (Enter a negative, or credit, balance)	\$ (213,035)	\$ (9,061)	\$ (49,600)	\$ (172,496)
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 284,685</b>	<b>\$ (9,061)</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 275,624</b>

  

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)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>

\*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?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
7-2 Does the entity have a volunteer firemen's pension plan?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input 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?

	\$ -
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### PART 8 - BUDGET INFORMATION

Please answer the following question by marking in the appropriate box

YES                      NO                      N/A

Please use this space to provide any explanations or comments:

- 8-1 Did the entity file a current year budget with the Department of Local Affairs, in accordance with Section 29-1-113 C.R.S.? If no, MUST explain:  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:  YES                       NO                       N/A

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

Fund Name	Budgeted Expenditures
General Fund	\$ 143,568
	\$ -
	\$ -
	\$ -

### PART 9 - TAX PAYER'S BILL OF RIGHTS (TABOR)

Please answer the following question by marking in the appropriate box

YES                      NO

Please use this space to provide any explanations or comments:

- 9-1 Is the entity in compliance with all the provisions of TABOR [State Constitution, Article X, Section 26(5)]?  YES                       NO

Note: An election to exempt the government from the spending limitations of TABOR does not exempt the

### PART 10 - GENERAL INFORMATION

Please answer the following question by marking in the appropriate box

YES                      NO

Please use this space to provide any explanations or comments:

- 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: NEW name   
 PRIOR name

- 10-3 Is the entity a metropolitan district?  YES                       NO

10-4 Please indicate what services the entity provides:

- 10-5 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:

- 10-6 Does the entity have a certified mill levy?  YES                       NO

If yes: Please provide the number of mills levied for the year reported (do not enter \$ amounts):

Bond Redemption mills:	0.000
General/Other mills:	0.000
<b>Total mills</b>	<b>0.000</b>

Please use this space to provide any additional explanations or comments not previously included:



**PART 12 - GOVERNING BODY APPROVAL**

Please answer the following question by marking in the appropriate box

YES                      NO

12-1 If you plan to submit this form electronically, have you read the new Electronic Signature Policy?

                    

**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 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.

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	Pat Karney	Signed <u>Pat Karney</u> Date: <u>3/8/2019</u> My term Expires: <u>5/19</u>
2	Curtis Tempel	Signed <u>Curtis Tempel</u> Date: <u>3/8/19</u> My term Expires: <u>5/19</u>
3	Laura Heckman	Signed <u>Laura Heckman</u> Date: _____ My term Expires: <u>5/20</u>
4	Glenn Brown	Signed <u>Glenn Brown</u> Date: <u>26 March 2019</u> My term Expires: <u>2022 May</u>
5	Anita Pointon	Signed <u>Anita Pointon</u> Date: _____ My term Expires: <u>May 2022</u>
6	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. Signed _____ Date: _____ My term Expires: _____
7	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. Signed _____ Date: _____ My term Expires: _____

# HANCOCK FROESE & COMPANY LLC

CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS  
601 SOUTH EIGHTH STREET  
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## ACCOUNTANTS' COMPILATION REPORT

To the Board of Directors  
Bent Conservation District  
Las Animas, Colorado

Management is responsible for the accompanying financial statements of Bent Conservation District, which comprise the balance sheet as of December 31, 2018, and the related statement of revenue and expenditures for the year then ended, included in the accompanying prescribed form in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. 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 the financial statements included in the accompanying prescribed form.

The financial statements included in the accompanying prescribed form are intended to comply with the requirements of the State of Colorado, Office of the State Auditor and are not intended to be a presentation in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

### Supplementary Information

The supplementary information contained in Parts 2 through 10 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management. The supplementary information was subject to our compilation engagement. We have not audited or reviewed the supplementary information and do not express an opinion, a conclusion, nor provide any form of assurance on such information.



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