

APPLICATION FOR EXEMPTION FROM AUDIT

LONG FORM

NAME OF GOVERNMENT
ADDRESS

Fowler Rural Fire Protection District
7th and Pitkin
Fowler, CO 81039
Rex Hagerman
719-980-0705
cte53935@centurytel.net

For the Year Ended
12/31/2020
or fiscal year ended:

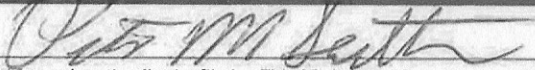
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CERTIFICATION OF PREPARER

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:	Peter M Sutton
TITLE	Partner
FIRM NAME (if applicable)	Sutton, Dowell & Co LLC
ADDRESS	2406 N Grand Ave, Pueblo, CO 81003
PHONE	719-544-4786
DATE PREPARED	3/27/2021
RELATIONSHIP TO ENTITY	Independent Accountant

PREPARER (SIGNATURE REQUIRED)



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"/>	

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	Capital Projects		Pension Fund	Fund*	
Assets				Assets			
1-1	Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$ 161,683	\$ 27,327	Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$ 175,235	\$ -	
1-2	Investments	\$ -	\$ -	Investments	\$ -	\$ -	
1-3	Receivables	\$ 132,485	\$ -	Receivables	\$ 13,733	\$ -	
1-4	Due from Other Entities or Funds	\$ -	\$ -	Due from Other Entities or Funds	\$ -	\$ -	
	All Other Assets [specify...]	\$ -	\$ -	Other Current Assets	\$ -	\$ -	
1-5		\$ -	\$ -				
1-6		\$ -	\$ -	Capital Assets, net (from Part 6-4)	\$ -	\$ -	
1-7		\$ -	\$ -	Other Long Term Assets [specify...]	\$ -	\$ -	
1-8		\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	
1-9		\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	
1-10		\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	
1-11	(add lines 1-1 through 1-10) TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 294,168	\$ 27,327	(add lines 1-1 through 1-10) TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 188,968	\$ -	
1-12	TOTAL DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	\$ -	\$ -	TOTAL DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	\$ -	\$ -	
1-13	TOTAL ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS	\$ 294,168	\$ 27,327	TOTAL ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS	\$ 188,968	\$ -	
Liabilities				Liabilities			
1-14	Accounts Payable	\$ -	\$ -	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	\$ -	\$ -	TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	\$ -	\$ -	
1-20	Deferred Revenues	\$ 69,998	\$ -	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	\$ 69,998	\$ -	(add lines 1-19 through 1-27) TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ -	\$ -	
1-29	TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	\$ -	\$ -	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...]	\$ -	\$ -	Emergency Reserves	\$ -	\$ -	
1-33	Committed [specify...]	\$ -	\$ 27,327	Other Designations/Reserves	\$ -	\$ -	
1-34	Assigned [specify...]	\$ 3,954	\$ -	Restricted	\$ 188,968	\$ -	
1-35	Unassigned:	\$ 220,216	\$ -	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	\$ 224,170	\$ 27,327	Add lines 1-30 through 1-35 This total should be the same as line 3-33 TOTAL NET POSITION	\$ 188,968	\$ -	
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	\$ 294,168	\$ 27,327	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	\$ 188,968	\$ -	

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	Capital Projects		Pension Fund	Fund*	
Tax Revenue				Tax Revenue			
2-1	Property (include mills levied in Question 10-6)	\$ 54,982	\$ -	Property (include mills levied in Question 10-6)	\$ 15,000	\$ -	
2-2	Specific Ownership	\$ 10,458	\$ -	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	Add lines 2-1 through 2-7 TOTAL TAX REVENUE	\$ 65,440	\$ -	Add lines 2-1 through 2-7 TOTAL TAX REVENUE	\$ 15,000	\$ -	
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	\$ 71,837	\$ -	Grants	\$ -	\$ -	
2-15	Donations	\$ 1,500	\$ -	Donations	\$ -	\$ -	
2-16	Charges for Sales and Services	\$ 192,238	\$ -	Charges for Sales and Services	\$ -	\$ -	
2-17	Rental Income	\$ -	\$ -	Rental Income	\$ -	\$ -	
2-18	Fines and Forfeits	\$ -	\$ -	Fines and Forfeits	\$ -	\$ -	
2-19	Interest/Investment Income	\$ 610	\$ 475	Interest/Investment Income	\$ 2,835	\$ -	
2-20	Tap Fees	\$ -	\$ -	Tap Fees	\$ -	\$ -	
2-21	Proceeds from Sale of Capital Assets	\$ -	\$ -	Proceeds from Sale of Capital Assets	\$ -	\$ -	
2-22	Flow thru reimbursement & Misc Receipts	\$ 4,644	\$ -	Matching Funds	\$ 10,863	\$ -	
2-23		\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	
2-24	Add lines 2-8 through 2-23 TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 336,269	\$ 475	Add lines 2-8 through 2-23 TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 28,698	\$ -	
Other Financing Sources				Other Financing Sources			
2-25	Debt Proceeds	\$ -	\$ -	Debt Proceeds	\$ -	\$ -	
2-26	Developer Advances	\$ -	\$ -	Developer Advances	\$ -	\$ -	
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	\$ 336,269	\$ 475	Add lines 2-24 and 2-28 TOTAL REVENUES AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	\$ 28,698	\$ -	GRAND TOTALS
						\$ 365,442	

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/EXPENSES

Line #	Description	Governmental Funds		Description	Proprietary/Fiduciary Funds		Please use this space to provide explanation of any items on this page
		General Fund	Capital Projects		Pension Fund	Fund*	
	Expenditures			Expenses			
3-1	General Government	\$ -	\$ -	General Operating & Administrative	\$ -	\$ -	
3-2	Judicial	\$ -	\$ -	Salaries	\$ -	\$ -	
3-3	Law Enforcement	\$ -	\$ -	Payroll Taxes	\$ -	\$ -	
3-4	Fire	\$ 97,468	\$ -	Contract Services	\$ -	\$ -	
3-5	Highways & Streets	\$ -	\$ -	Employee Benefits	\$ -	\$ -	
3-6	Solid Waste	\$ -	\$ -	Insurance	\$ -	\$ -	
3-7	Contributions to Fire & Police Pension Assoc.	\$ 6,000	\$ -	Accounting and Legal Fees	\$ -	\$ -	
3-8	Health	\$ -	\$ -	Repair and Maintenance	\$ -	\$ -	
3-9	Culture and Recreation	\$ 3,416	\$ -	Supplies	\$ 81	\$ -	
3-10	Transfers to other districts	\$ -	\$ -	Utilities	\$ -	\$ -	
3-11	Other [specify...]:	\$ -	\$ -	Contributions to Fire & Police Pension Assoc.	\$ -	\$ -	
3-12		\$ -	\$ -	Pension Benefits	\$ 21,600	\$ -	
3-13		\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	
3-14	Capital Outlay	\$ 52,533	\$ -	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	Bad Debts	\$ 157,036	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	
3-22	Add lines 3-1 through 3-21 TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 316,453	\$ -	Add lines 3-1 through 3-21 TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 21,681	\$ -	GRAND TOTAL \$ 338,134
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 2-28)	\$ -	\$ -	
3-27		\$ -	\$ -	Capital Outlay (from line 3-14)	\$ -	\$ -	
3-28		\$ -	\$ -	Debt Principal (from line 3-15, 3-18)	\$ -	\$ -	
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	\$ 19,816	\$ 475	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	\$ 7,017	\$ -	
3-31	Fund Balance, January 1 from December 31 prior year report	\$ 204,354	\$ 26,852	Net Position, January 1 from December 31 prior year report	\$ 181,951	\$ -	
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.	\$ 224,170	\$ 27,327	Net Position, December 31 Line 3-30 plus line 3-31 This total should be the same as line 1-36.	\$ 188,968	\$ -	

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

Please use this space to provide any explanations or comments:

- 4-1 Does the entity have outstanding debt? YES NO
- 4-2 Is the debt repayment schedule attached? If no, MUST explain: YES NO
- 4-3 Is the entity current in its debt service payments? If no, MUST explain: YES NO

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? YES NO
- How much? \$ -
- Date the debt was authorized: _____
- 4-6 Does the entity intend to issue debt within the next calendar year? YES NO
- How much? \$ -
- 4-7 Does the entity have debt that has been refinanced that it is still responsible for? YES NO
- What is the amount outstanding? \$ -
- 4-8 Does the entity have any lease agreements? YES NO
- 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? \$ -

PART 5 - CASH AND INVESTMENTS

Please provide the entity's cash deposit and investment balances.

AMOUNT TOTAL

Please use this space to provide any explanations or comments:

5-1	YEAR-END Total of ALL Checking and Savings accounts	\$ 161,683	
5-2	Certificates of deposit	\$ 202,562	
TOTAL CASH DEPOSITS			\$ 364,245

Investments (if investment is a mutual fund, please list underlying investments):

		\$ -	
		\$ -	
5-3		\$ -	
		\$ -	
TOTAL INVESTMENTS			\$ -
TOTAL CASH AND INVESTMENTS			\$ 364,245

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.? 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.)? If no, MUST explain: YES NO N/A

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? 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 for GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS:

	Balance - beginning of the year*	Additions	Deletions	Year-End Balance
Land	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Buildings	\$ 108,572	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 108,572
Machinery and equipment	\$ 634,679	\$ 52,533	\$ -	\$ 687,212
Furniture and fixtures	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Infrastructure	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Construction In Progress (CIP)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Vehicles	\$ 1,021,257	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,021,257
Accumulated Depreciation (Enter a negative, or credit, balance)	\$ (646,729)	\$ (47,669)	\$ -	\$ (694,398)
TOTAL	\$ 1,117,779	\$ 4,864	\$ -	\$ 1,122,643

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? 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.):	\$ 15,000
State contribution amount:	\$ 10,863
Other (gifts, donations, etc.):	\$ 2,835
TOTAL	\$ 28,698
What is the monthly benefit paid for 20 years of service per retiree as of Jan 1?	\$ 100

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/Expenses
General Fund	\$ 170,050
Pension Fund	\$ 28,100
	\$ -
	\$ -

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 20(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	3.013
Total mills	3.013

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

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Entity Wide:		General Fund		Governmental Funds		Notes
Unrestricted Cash & Investments	\$ 364,245	Unrestricted Fund Balan	\$ 224,170	Total Tax Revenue	\$ 65,440	
Current Liabilities	\$ -	Total Fund Balance	\$ 224,170	Revenue Paying Debt Service	\$ -	
Deferred Inflow	\$ -	PY Fund Balance	\$ 204,354	Total Revenue	\$ 336,744	
		Total Revenue	\$ 336,269	Total Debt Service Principal	\$ -	
		Total Expenditures	\$ 316,453	Total Debt Service Interest	\$ -	
		Interfund In	\$ -			
Governmental		Interfund Out	\$ -	Enterprise Funds		
Total Cash & Investments	\$ 189,010	Proprietary		Net Position	\$ 188,968	
Transfers In	\$ -	Current Assets	\$ 188,968	PY Net Position	\$ 181,951	
Transfers Out	\$ -	Deferred Outflow	\$ -	Government-Wide		
Property Tax	\$ 54,982	Current Liabilities	\$ -	Total Outstanding Debt	\$ -	
Debt Service Principal	\$ -	Deferred Inflow	\$ -	Authorized but Unissued	\$ -	
Total Expenditures	\$ 316,453	Cash & Investments	\$ 175,235	Year Authorized	1/0/1900	
Total Developer Advances	\$ -	Principal Expense	\$ -			
Total Developer Repayments	\$ -					

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 body. By signing, each individual member is certifying they are a duly elected or appointed officer of the local government. Governing members may be verified. Also by signing, the individual 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 members of the governing body below.

A MAJORITY of the members of the governing body must complete and sign in the column below.

#	Full Name	Signature
1	Alvin Rein	I, <u>Alvin Rein</u> , 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 <u>Alvin Rein</u> Date: <u>3-30-2021</u> My term Expires: <u>2022</u>
2	Rex Hagerman	I, <u>Rex Hagerman</u> , 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 <u>Rex Hagerman</u> Date: <u>5-30-2021</u> My term Expires: <u>2023</u>
3	Keith Doak	I, <u>Keith Doak</u> , 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 <u>Keith Doak</u> Date: <u>5-30-2021</u> My term Expires: <u>2023</u>
4	John Webber	I, <u>John Webber</u> , 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 <u>John Webber</u> Date: <u>03-30-2021</u> My term Expires: <u>2023</u>
5	Randy Corsentino	I, <u>Randy Corsentino</u> , 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 <u>Randy Corsentino</u> Date: <u>5-30-2021</u> My term Expires: <u>2022</u>
6		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		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: _____

RESOLUTION FOR EXEMPTION FROM AUDIT

(Pursuant to Section 29-1-604, C.R.S.)

A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN EXEMPTION FROM AUDIT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020 FOR THE FOWLER RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT, STATE OF COLORADO.

WHEREAS, the Board Members of Fowler Rural Fire Protection District wishes to claim 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 seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars may, with the approval of the State Auditor, be exempt from the provision of Section 29-1-603, C.R.S.; and

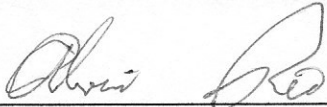
WHEREAS, neither revenues nor expenditures for Fowler Rural Fire Protection District exceeded \$750,000 for Fiscal Year 2020; and

WHEREAS, an application for exemption from audit has been completed by Sutton, Dowell and Co, LLC, an independent accountant with knowledge of governmental accounting; and

WHEREAS, said application for exemption from audit has been completed in accordance with regulations, issued by the State Auditor.

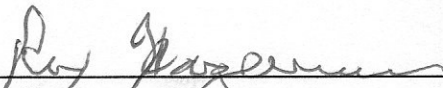
NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board Members of the Fowler Rural Fire Protection District that the application for Exemption from Audit for Fowler Rural Fire Protection District for the Fiscal Year ended December 31, 2020, has been personally reviewed and is hereby approved by a majority of the Board Members of the Fowler Rural Fire Protection District; that those members of the Fowler Rural Fire Protection District have signified 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 for the Fowler Rural Fire Protection District for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2020.

ADOPTED THIS 30TH day of March, A.D. 2021.



Alvin H Rein, President

ATTEST:



Rex Hagerman, Secretary