

APPLICATION FOR EXEMPTION FROM AUDIT

SHORT FORM

**NAME OF GOVERNMENT
ADDRESS**

El Paso County Conservation District
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**For the Year Ended
12/31/21
or fiscal year ended:**

**CONTACT PERSON
PHONE
EMAIL
FAX**

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**

Pamela Davison
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El paso County Conservaiton District
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PREPARER (SIGNATURE REQUIRED)

Pamela Davison

**Please indicate whether the following financial information is recorded
using Governmental or Proprietary fund types**

GOVERNMENTAL <small>(MODIFIED ACCRUAL BASIS)</small>	PROPRIETARY <small>(CASH OR BUDGETARY BASIS)</small>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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 (report mills levied in Question 10-6)	\$ -	
2-2	Specific ownership	\$ -	
2-3	Sales and use	\$ -	
2-4	Other (specify): cacd grant and direct assistance below	\$ 2,845	
2-5	Licenses and permits	\$ -	
2-6	Intergovernmental: Grants	\$ 6,770	
2-7	Conservation Trust Funds (Lottery)	\$ -	
2-8	Highway Users Tax Funds (HUTF)	\$ -	
2-9	Other (specify): covid grant from state	\$ 15,000	
2-10	Charges for services	\$ -	
2-11	Fines and forfeits	\$ -	
2-12	Special assessments	\$ -	
2-13	Investment income	\$ 337	
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): El Paso County MOU	\$ 15,400	
2-22	grass seed sales	\$ 5,241	
2-23	rain barrel sales	\$ 3,520	
2-24			

PART 3 - EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES

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	\$ 17,000	
3-5	Employee benefits	\$ -	
3-6	Insurance	\$ -	
3-7	Accounting and legal fees	\$ -	
3-8	Repair and maintenance	\$ -	
3-9	Supplies		
3-10	Utilities and telephone	\$ 475	
3-11	Fire/Police	\$ -	
3-12	Streets and highways	\$ -	
3-13	Public health	\$ -	
3-14	Capital outlay	\$ -	
3-15	Utility operations	\$ -	
3-16	Culture and recreation	\$ -	
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): cost of goods for grass seed, rain barrels, rain gauges	\$ 2,000	
3-24	Agricultural Exposition for landowners in October	\$ 5,000	
3-25	dues to CACD	\$ 1,200	
3-26			

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?
If Yes, please attach a copy of the entity's Debt Repayment Schedule. 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)(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?
If yes: How much? Yes No
- Date the debt was authorized:
- 4-6 Does the entity intend to issue debt within the next calendar year?
If yes: How much? Yes No
- \$
- 4-7 Does the entity have debt that has been refinanced that it is still responsible for?
If yes: What is the amount outstanding? Yes No
- \$
- 4-8 Does the entity have any lease agreements?
If yes: What is being leased? Yes No
- 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?

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	\$ 33,186	
5-2 Certificates of deposit	\$ 71,374	
Total Cash Deposits		\$ 104,560
Investments (if investment is a mutual fund, please list underlying investments)		
Colorado Trust	\$ 2,104	
	\$ -	
	\$ -	
	\$ -	
Total Investments		\$ 2,104
Total Cash and Investments		\$ 106,665

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

- 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

no capital assets

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	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Machinery and equipment	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Furniture and fixtures	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Infrastructure	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Construction In Progress (CIP)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Other (explain):	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Accumulated Depreciation	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

Please use this space to provide any explanations or comments:

PART 7 - PENSION INFORMATION

- 7-1 Does the entity have an "old hire" firefighters' pension plan? Yes No
- 7-2 Does the entity have a volunteer firefighters' 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

- 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 No

- 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 No

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

Governmental/Proprietary Fund Name	Total Appropriations By Fund
Estimated Expenditures	\$ 40,000

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:

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:

10-5 Has the district filed a Title 32, Article 1 Special District Notice of Inactive Status during

If yes: Date Filed:

10-6 Does the entity have a certified Mill Levy?

If yes: Please provide the following mills levied for the year reported (do not report \$ amounts):

Bond Redemption mills	-
General/Other mills	-
Total mills	-

Please use this space to provide any explanations or comments:

PART II - GOVERNING BODY APPROVAL

Directors, members and full-time employees of the Auditor of State are required to read this policy and procedure.

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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 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.



El Paso County Conservation District

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Board of Supervisors

Kenneth Barker, President; John Eastlake, Vice President
Katie Miller, Secretary/Treasurer; Roger Rasner, Supervisor
Pamela Davison, District Manager

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 2021 FOR THE EI Paso County Conservation District STATE OF COLORADO.

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of El Paso County 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 provision of Section 29-1-603, C.R.S.; and [Choose 1 or 2 below, whichever is applicable]

(1)WHEREAS, neither revenue nor expenditures for El Paso County Conservation District exceeded \$100,000 for Fiscal Year 2020; and

WHEREAS, an application for exemption from audit for El Paso County Conservation District has been prepared by Pamela Davison, 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 Directors of the El Paso County Conservation District that the application for exemption from audit for El Paso County Conservation District for the Fiscal Year ended 2021, has been personally reviewed and is hereby approved by a majority of the Board of Directors of the El Paso County Conservation District; that those members of the El Paso County Conservation 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 of the El Paso County Conservation District for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2021

Adopted this 14th Day of January A.D. 2022


Kenneth Barker, President

Term Expires 2022


John Eastlake, Vice President

Term Expires 2022


Katherine Miller, Sec./Treasurer

Term Expires 2023