

**Application for Exemption from Audit Long Form for**

**Dolores Fire Protection District**

**December 31, 2023**



Independent Accountant's Compilation Report

Board of Directors  
Dolores Fire Protection District  
Dolores CO 81323

Management is responsible for the accompanying Application for Exemption from Audit Long Form of Dolores Fire Protection District as of December 31, 2023, and for the year then ended in the accompanying prescribed form as prescribed by the Office of the State Auditor, State of Colorado. We have performed our 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 accompanying Application for Exemption from Audit Long Form nor were we required to perform any procedures to verify the accuracy, or the completeness of the information provided by management. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion, a conclusion nor provide any assurance about whether the application is in accordance with the requirements of the Office of the State Auditor.

The accompanying Application for Exemption from Audit Long Form was prepared for the purpose of complying with the filing requirements of the Office of the State Auditor and is not intended to be a presentation in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the management of Dolores Fire Protection District and the Office of the State Auditor, State of Colorado, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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March 30, 2024

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# APPLICATION FOR EXEMPTION FROM AUDIT

## LONG FORM

FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS WITH EITHER REVENUES OR EXPENDITURES **MORE THAN \$100,000 BUT NOT MORE THAN \$750,000**

Under the Local Government Audit Law (Section 29-1-601, et seq., C.R.S.) any local government may apply for an exemption from audit if neither revenues nor expenditures exceed \$750,000 for the year.

### EXEMPTIONS FROM AUDIT ARE NOT AUTOMATIC

To qualify for exemption from audit, a local government must complete an Application for Exemption from Audit **EACH YEAR** and submit it to the Office of the State Auditor (OSA) for approval.

Any preparer of an Application for Exemption from Audit must be an independent accountant with knowledge of governmental accounting.

Approval for an exemption from audit is granted only upon the review by the OSA.

### READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE COMPLETING AND SUBMITTING THIS FORM

ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE FILED WITH THE OSA WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE ACCOUNTING YEAR-END. FOR EXAMPLE, APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE OSA ON OR BEFORE MARCH 31 FOR GOVERNMENTS WITH A DECEMBER 31 YEAR-END. APPLICATIONS FOR EXEMPTION FROM AUDIT SUBMISSIONS ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME.

**GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITY** SHOULD BE REPORTED ON THE **MODIFIED ACCRUAL BASIS**

**PROPRIETARY ACTIVITY** SHOULD BE REPORTED ON A **BUDGETARY BASIS**

POSTMARK DATES WILL **NOT** BE ACCEPTED AS PROOF OF SUBMISSION ON OR BEFORE THE STATUTORY DEADLINE

PRIOR YEAR FORMS ARE OBSOLETE AND WILL **NOT** BE ACCEPTED.

FOR YOUR REFERENCE, COLORADO REVISED STATUTES CAN BE FOUND AT THIS ADDRESS:

APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED ON FORMS OTHER THAN THOSE PRESCRIBED BY THE OSA WILL **NOT** BE ACCEPTED.

<http://www.lexisnexis.com/hottopics/Colorado/>

APPLICATIONS **MUST** BE FULLY AND ACCURATELY COMPLETED.

### CHECKLIST

- Has the preparer signed the application?
- Has the entity corrected all Prior Year Deficiencies as communicated by the OSA?
- Has the application been **PERSONALLY** reviewed and approved by the governing body?
- Are all sections of the form complete, including responses to all of the questions?
- Did you include any relevant explanations for unusual items in the appropriate spaces at the end of each section?
- Will this application be submitted electronically?
  - If yes, have you read and understand the new Electronic Signature Policy? See new [here](#) policy
  - or--
  - Have you included a resolution?
  - Does the resolution state that the governing body **PERSONALLY** reviewed and approved the resolution in an open public meeting?
  - Has the resolution been signed by a **MAJORITY** of the governing body? (See sample resolution.)
- Will this application be submitted via a mail service? (e.g. US Post Office, FedEx, UPS, courier.)
  - If yes, does the application include **ORIGINAL INK SIGNATURES** from the **MAJORITY** of the governing body?

Checkout our [web portal](#). Register your account and submit electronic Applications for Exemption From Audit, Extension of Time to File requests, Audited Financial Statements, and more! See the link below.

[Click here to go to the portal](#)

### FILING METHODS

**WEB PORTAL:** Register and submit your Applications at our web portal:

<https://apps.leg.co.gov/osa/lg>

For faster processing the web portal is the preferred method for submission

**MAIL:** Office of the State Auditor  
Local Government Audit Division  
1525 Sherman St., 7th Floor  
Denver, CO 80203

Please Note: The OSA's email addresses have changed as of December 1, 2023. Please ensure you are using the email address noted below.

**QUESTIONS?**

Email: [osa.lg@coleg.gov](mailto:osa.lg@coleg.gov) or Phone: 303-869-3000

### IMPORTANT!

All Applications for Exemption from Audit are subject to review and approval by the Office of the State Auditor.

Governmental Activity should be reported on the Modified Accrual Basis

Proprietary Activity should be reported on the Cash or Budgetary Basis -- A Budget to GAAP reconciliation is provided in Part 3

Failure to file an application or denial of the request could cause the local government to lose its exemption from audit for that year and the ensuing year.

In that event, AN AUDIT SHALL BE REQUIRED

**APPLICATION FOR EXEMPTION FROM AUDIT  
LONG FORM**

**NAME OF GOVERNMENT  
ADDRESS**

Dolores Fire Protection District  
P O Box 599  
Dolores CO 81323

**CONTACT PERSON  
PHONE  
EMAIL**

Tracy Montgomery  
970-749-8295  
tracy@doloresfire.org

**For the Year Ended  
12/31/2023  
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:  
TITLE  
FIRM NAME (if applicable)  
ADDRESS  
PHONE  
RELATIONSHIP TO ENTITY**

Ronny R Farmer  
owner  
rfarmer, llc  
P O Box 1173 Lamar CO 81052  
719-336-7428  
outside accountant

**PREPARER (SIGNATURE REQUIRED)**

**DATE PREPARED**

**See Accountant's Compilation Report**

30-Mar-24

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
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

If Yes, date filed:

**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*		Pension	Fund*	
<b>Assets</b>				<b>Assets</b>			
1-1	Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$ 537,446	\$ -	Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$ 4,089	\$ -	
1-2	Investments	\$ 505,671	\$ -	Investments	\$ 591,911	\$ -	
1-3	Receivables	\$ -	\$ -	Receivables	\$ -	\$ -	
1-4	Due from Other Entities or Funds	\$ -	\$ -	Due from Other Entities or Funds	\$ -	\$ -	
1-5	Property Tax Receivable	\$ 584,476	\$ -	Other Current Assets [specify...]	\$ -	\$ -	
	All Other Assets [specify...]						
1-6	Lease Receivable (as Lessor)	\$ -	\$ -				
1-7		\$ -	\$ -				
1-8		\$ -	\$ -	<b>Total Current Assets</b>	\$ 596,000	\$ -	
1-9		\$ -	\$ -	Capital & Right to Use Assets, net (from Part 6-4)	\$ -	\$ -	
1-10		\$ -	\$ -	Other Long Term Assets [specify...]	\$ -	\$ -	
1-10		\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	
1-11	(add lines 1-1 through 1-10) <b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	\$ 1,627,593	\$ -	(add lines 1-1 through 1-10) <b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	\$ 596,000	\$ -	
<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources:</b>				<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>			
1-12	[specify...]	\$ -	\$ -	[specify...]	\$ -	\$ -	
1-13	[specify...]	\$ -	\$ -	[specify...]	\$ -	\$ -	
1-14	(add lines 1-12 through 1-13) <b>TOTAL DEFERRED OUTFLOWS</b>	\$ -	\$ -	(add lines 1-12 through 1-13) <b>TOTAL DEFERRED OUTFLOWS</b>	\$ -	\$ -	
1-15	<b>TOTAL ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS</b>	\$ 1,627,593	\$ -	<b>TOTAL ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS</b>	\$ 596,000	\$ -	
<b>Liabilities</b>				<b>Liabilities</b>			
1-16	Accounts Payable	\$ (1,717)	\$ -	Accounts Payable	\$ -	\$ -	
1-17	Accrued Payroll and Related Liabilities	\$ -	\$ -	Accrued Payroll and Related Liabilities	\$ -	\$ -	
1-18	Unearned Revenue	\$ -	\$ -	Accrued Interest Payable	\$ -	\$ -	
1-19	Due to Other Entities or Funds	\$ -	\$ -	Due to Other Entities or Funds	\$ -	\$ -	
1-20	All Other Current Liabilities	\$ -	\$ -	All Other Current Liabilities	\$ -	\$ -	
1-21	(add lines 1-16 through 1-20) <b>TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>	\$ (1,717)	\$ -	(add lines 1-16 through 1-20) <b>TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>	\$ -	\$ -	
1-22	All Other Liabilities [specify...]	\$ -	\$ -	Proprietary Debt Outstanding (from Part 4-4)	\$ -	\$ -	
1-23		\$ -	\$ -	Other Liabilities [specify...]	\$ -	\$ -	
1-24		\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	
1-25		\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	
1-26		\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	
1-27	(add lines 1-21 through 1-26) <b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	\$ (1,717)	\$ -	(add lines 1-21 through 1-26) <b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	\$ -	\$ -	
<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources:</b>				<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>			
1-28	Deferred Property Taxes	\$ 584,476	\$ -	Pension/OPEB Related	\$ -	\$ -	
1-29	Lease related (as lessor)	\$ -	\$ -	Other [specify ]	\$ -	\$ -	
1-30	(add lines 1-28 through 1-29) <b>TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS</b>	\$ 584,476	\$ -	(add lines 1-28 through 1-29) <b>TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS</b>	\$ -	\$ -	
<b>Fund Balance</b>				<b>Net Position</b>			
1-31	Nonspendable Prepaid	\$ -	\$ -	Net Investment in Capital and Right-to Use Assets	\$ -	\$ -	
1-32	Nonspendable Inventory	\$ -	\$ -				
1-33	Restricted TABOR	\$ 10,500	\$ -	Emergency Reserves	\$ -	\$ -	
1-34	Committed [specify...]	\$ -	\$ -	Other Designations/Reserves	\$ -	\$ -	
1-35	Assigned [specify...]	\$ -	\$ -	Restricted	\$ 596,000	\$ -	
1-36	Unassigned:	\$ 1,034,334	\$ -	Undesignated/Unreserved/Unrestricted	\$ -	\$ -	
1-37	Add lines 1-31 through 1-36 This total should be the same as line 3-33 <b>TOTAL FUND BALANCE</b>	\$ 1,044,834	\$ -	Add lines 1-31 through 1-36 This total should be the same as line 3-33 <b>TOTAL NET POSITION</b>	\$ 596,000	\$ -	
1-38	Add lines 1-27, 1-30 and 1-37 This total should be the same as line 1-15 <b>TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS, AND FUND BALANCE</b>	\$ 1,627,593	\$ -	Add lines 1-27, 1-30 and 1-37 This total should be the same as line 1-15 <b>TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS, AND NET POSITION</b>	\$ 596,000	\$ -	

**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*		Pension	Fund*	
<b>Tax Revenue</b>				<b>Tax Revenue</b>			
2-1	Property [include mills levied in Question 10-4]	\$ 554,182	\$ -	Property [include mills levied in Question 10-4]	\$ -	\$ -	
2-2	Specific Ownership	\$ 74,143	\$ -	Specific Ownership	\$ -	\$ -	
2-3	Sales and Use Tax	\$ -	\$ -	Sales and Use Tax	\$ -	\$ -	
2-4	Other Tax Revenue [specify...]:	\$ -	\$ -	Other Tax Revenue [specify...]:	\$ -	\$ -	
2-5	Delinquent interest and taxes	\$ 5,950	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	
2-6		\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	
2-7		\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	
2-8	Add lines 2-1 through 2-7 TOTAL TAX REVENUE	\$ 634,275	\$ -	Add lines 2-1 through 2-7 TOTAL TAX REVENUE	\$ -	\$ -	
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	\$ 21,200	\$ -	
2-14	Grants	\$ -	\$ -	Grants	\$ -	\$ -	
2-15	Donations	\$ -	\$ -	Donations	\$ -	\$ -	
2-16	Charges for Sales and Services	\$ -	\$ -	Charges for Sales and Services	\$ -	\$ -	
2-17	Rental Income	\$ -	\$ -	Rental Income	\$ -	\$ -	
2-18	Fines and Forfeits	\$ -	\$ -	Fines and Forfeits	\$ -	\$ -	
2-19	Interest/Investment Income	\$ 7,815	\$ -	Interest/Investment Income	\$ 52	\$ -	
2-20	Tap Fees	\$ -	\$ -	Tap Fees	\$ -	\$ -	
2-21	Proceeds from Sale of Capital Assets	\$ -	\$ -	Proceeds from Sale of Capital Assets			
2-22	All Other Miscellaneous:	\$ 5,890	\$ -	All Other [specify...]:	\$ -	\$ -	
2-23		\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	
2-24	Add lines 2-8 through 2-23 TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 647,980	\$ -	Add lines 2-8 through 2-23 TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 21,252	\$ -	
<b>Other Financing Sources</b>				<b>Other Financing Sources</b>			
2-25	Debt Proceeds	\$ -	\$ -	Debt Proceeds	\$ -	\$ -	
2-26	Lease Proceeds	\$ -	\$ -	Lease Proceeds	\$ -	\$ -	
2-27	Developer Advances	\$ -	\$ -	Developer Advances	\$ -	\$ -	
2-28	Other [specify...]:	\$ -	\$ -	Other [specify...]:	\$ -	\$ -	
2-29	Add lines 2-25 through 2-28 TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	\$ -	\$ -	Add lines 2-25 through 2-28 TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	\$ -	\$ -	
2-30	Add lines 2-24 and 2-29 TOTAL REVENUES AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	\$ 647,980	\$ -	Add lines 2-24 and 2-29 TOTAL REVENUES AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	\$ 21,252	\$ -	
							<b>GRAND TOTALS</b>
							\$ 669,232

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*		Pension	Fund*	
<b>Expenditures</b>				<b>Expenses</b>			
3-1	General Government	\$ 25,226	\$ -	General Operating & Administrative	\$ 5,000	\$ -	
3-2	Judicial	\$ -	\$ -	Salaries	\$ -	\$ -	
3-3	Law Enforcement	\$ -	\$ -	Payroll Taxes	\$ -	\$ -	
3-4	Fire	\$ 227,240	\$ -	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 [specify...]:	\$ -	\$ -	Contributions to Fire & Police Pension Assoc.	\$ -	\$ -	
3-12		\$ -	\$ -	Other Pension payments	\$ 93,270	\$ -	
3-13		\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	
3-14	Capital Outlay	\$ 10,000	\$ -	Capital Outlay	\$ -	\$ -	
	Debt Service			Debt Service			
3-15	Principal (should match amount in 4-4)	\$ -	\$ -	Principal (should match amount in 4-4)	\$ -	\$ -	
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	Add lines 3-1 through 3-21 TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 262,466	\$ -	Add lines 3-1 through 3-21 TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 98,270	\$ -	\$ 360,736
3-23	Interfund Transfers (In)	\$ -	\$ -	Net Interfund Transfers (In) Out	\$ (75,000)	\$ -	
3-24	Interfund Transfers Out	\$ 75,000	\$ -	Other [specify...][enter negative for expense]	\$ -	\$ -	
3-25	Other Expenditures (Revenues): Miscellaneous	\$ 10,367	\$ -	Depreciation/Amortization	\$ -	\$ -	
3-26		\$ -	\$ -	Other Financing Sources (Uses) (from line 2-26)	\$ -	\$ -	
3-27		\$ -	\$ -	Capital Outlay (from line 3-14)	\$ -	\$ -	
3-28		\$ -	\$ -	Debt Principal (from line 3-16, 3-18)	\$ -	\$ -	
3-29	(Add lines 3-23 through 3-28) TOTAL TRANSFERS AND OTHER EXPENDITURES	\$ 85,367	\$ -	(Line 3-27, plus line 3-28, less line 3-26, less line 3-25 plus line 3-24) TOTAL GAAP RECONCILING ITEMS	\$ -	\$ -	
3-30	Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over (Under) Expenditures Line 2-29, less line 3-22, less line 3-29	\$ 300,147	\$ -	Net Increase (Decrease) in Net Position Line 2-29, less line 3-22, plus line 3-29, less line 3-23	\$ (2,018)	\$ -	
3-31	Fund Balance, January 1 from December 31 prior year report	\$ 744,687	\$ -	Net Position, January 1 from December 31 prior year report	\$ 596,018	\$ -	
3-32	Prior Period Adjustment (MUST explain)	\$ -	\$ -	Prior Period Adjustment (MUST explain)	\$ -	\$ -	
3-33	Fund Balance, December 31 Sum of Lines 3-30, 3-31, and 3-32 This total should be the same as line 1-37.	\$ 1,044,834	\$ -	Net Position, December 31 Sum of Lines 3-30, 3-31, and 3-32 This total should be the same as line 1-37.	\$ 596,000	\$ -	

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	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Lease & SBITA** Liabilities (GASB 87 & 96)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Developer Advances	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Other (specify):	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>

\*\*Subscription Based Information Technology Arrangements

\*\*Must agree to prior year-end balance

Please answer the following questions by marking the appropriate boxes.

4-5 Does the entity have any authorized, but unissued, debt [Section 29-1-605(2) C.R.S.]?  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  
 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? \$ -

## 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 \$ 541,535

5-2 Certificates of deposit \$ 505,671

**TOTAL CASH DEPOSITS** **\$ 1,047,206**

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

5-3 Lincoln Financial Pension Fund and Empower Pension Fund \$ 591,911

\$ -

\$ -

\$ -

**TOTAL INVESTMENTS** **\$ 591,911**

**TOTAL CASH AND INVESTMENTS** **\$ 1,639,117**

Please answer the following question by marking in the appropriate box.

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 AND RIGHT-TO-USE ASSETS

Please answer the following question by marking in the appropriate box

YES	NO
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Please use this space to provide any explanations or comments:

6-1 Does the entity have capitalized assets?

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:

An adjustment was made to the current year depreciation expense to include an amount to make this schedule agree with the detailed depreciation schedule as of December 31, 2023

6-3 Complete the following Capital & Right-To-Use Assets table for GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS:

	Balance - beginning of the year	Additions*	Deletions	Year-End Balance
Land	\$ 24,416	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 24,416
Buildings	\$ 738,066	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 738,066
Machinery and equipment	\$ 3,123,445	\$ 10,000	\$ -	\$ 3,133,445
Furniture and fixtures	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Infrastructure	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Construction In Progress (CIP)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Leased & SBITA Right-to-Use Assets	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Intangible Assets	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Other (explain):	\$ 31,410	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 31,410
Accumulated Amortization Right to Use Assets (Enter a negative, or credit, balance)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Accumulated Depreciation (Enter a negative, or credit, balance)	\$ (2,357,952)	\$ (306,669)	\$ -	\$ (2,664,621)
<b>TOTAL</b>	\$ 1,559,385	\$ (296,669)	\$ -	\$ 1,262,716

6-4 Complete the following Capital & Right-To-Use 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)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Leased & SBITA Right-to-Use Assets	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Intangible Assets	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Other (explain):	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Accumulated Amortization Right to Use Assets (Enter a negative, or credit, balance)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Accumulated Depreciation (Enter a negative, or credit, balance)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>TOTAL</b>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

\* Must agree to prior year-end balance  
 \* Generally capital asset additions should be reported at capital outlay on line 3-14 and capitalized in accordance with the government's capitalization policy. Please explain any discrepancy

## PART 7 - PENSION INFORMATION

YES	NO
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Please use this space to provide any explanations or comments:

7-1 Does the entity have an "old hire" firefighters' pension plan?

7-2 Does the entity have a volunteer firefighters' pension plan?

If yes Who administers the plan?

Indicate the contributions from:

Tax (property, SO, sales, etc.):	\$ -
State contribution amount:	\$ 21,200
Other (gifts, donations, etc.):	\$ 75,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 96,200</b>

What is the monthly benefit paid for 20 years of service per retiree as of Jan 1? \$ 400

**PART 8 - BUDGET INFORMATION**

Please answer the following question by marking in the appropriate box

- |  | YES                                 | NO                       | N/A                      |
|--|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| 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: | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 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"/> |

Please use this space to provide any explanations or comments:

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

Governmental/Proprietary Fund Name	Total Appropriations By Fund
general	\$ 1,854,500
pension	\$ 102,200
	\$ -
	\$ -

**PART 9 - TAX PAYER'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)]? | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Please use this space to provide any explanations or comments:

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.

**PART 10 - GENERAL INFORMATION**

Please answer the following question by marking in the appropriate box

- |  | YES                      | NO                                  |
|--|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 10-1 Is this application for a newly formed governmental entity? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

Please use this space to provide any explanations or comments:

If yes: Date of formation:

- |   |                          |                                     |
|---|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 10-2 Has the entity changed its name in the past or current year? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
|---|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|

If Yes: NEW name   
 PRIOR name

- |   |                          |                                     |
|---|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 10-3 Is the entity a metropolitan district? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
|---|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|

10-4 Please indicate what services the entity provides:

- |   |                          |                                     |
|---|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 10-5 Does the entity have an agreement with another government to provide services? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
|---|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|

If yes: List the name of the other governmental entity and the services provided:

- |  |                                     |                          |
|--|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 10-6 Does the entity have a certified mill levy? | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
|--|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|

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	10.000
<b>Total mills</b>	<b>10.000</b>

- |   | YES                      | NO                       | N/A                                 |
|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 10-7 NEW 2023! If the entity is a Title 32 Special District formed on or after 7/1/2000, has the entity filed its preceding year annual report with the State Auditor as required under SB 21-262 [Section 32-1-207 C.R.S.]? If NO, please explain. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

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	\$ 1,636,117	Unrestricted Fund Balan	\$ 1,034,334	Total Tax Revenue	\$ 634,275	
Current Liabilities	\$ (1,717)	Total Fund Balance	\$ 1,044,834	Revenue Paying Debt Service	\$ -	
Deferred Inflow	\$ 584,476	PY Fund Balance	\$ 744,887	Total Revenue	\$ 647,980	
		Total Revenue	\$ 647,980	Total Debt Service Principal	\$ -	
		Total Expenditures	\$ 262,466	Total Debt Service Interest	\$ -	
				Total Assets	\$ 1,627,593	
				Total Liabilities	\$ (1,717)	
<b>Governmental</b>		Interfund In	\$ -	<b>Enterprise Funds</b>		
Total Cash & Investments	\$ 1,043,117	Interfund Out	\$ 75,000	Net Position	\$ 596,000	
Transfers In	\$ -	Proprietary	\$ -	PY Net Position	\$ 596,018	
Transfers Out	\$ 75,000	Current Assets	\$ 596,000	- Government-Wide	\$ -	
Property Tax	\$ 564,162	Deferred Outflow	\$ -	- Total Outstanding Debt	\$ -	
Debt Service Principal	\$ -	- Current Liabilities	\$ -	- Authorized but Unissued	\$ -	
Total Expenditures	\$ 262,466	Deferred Inflow	\$ -	Year Authorized	1/0/1900	
Total Developer Advances	\$ -	- Cash & Investments	\$ 596,000			
Total Developer Repayments	\$ -	- Principal Expense	\$ -			

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?

YES  NO

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.

MUST Print the names of ALL members of the governing body below.

A MAJORITY of the members of the governing body must sign below.

	Full 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	H Dewayne Findley	I, <u>H Dewayne Findley</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>H Dewayne Findley</u> Date: <u>4-1-24</u> My term Expires: <u>2027</u>
2	Chris L Majors	I, <u>Chris Majors</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>Chris Majors</u> Date: <u>4-1-2024</u> My term Expires: <u>2025</u>
3	SHAWNA VALDEZ Shawna Valdez	I, <u>Shawna Valdez</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>Shawna Valdez</u> Date: <u>4-1-2024</u> My term Expires: <u>2027</u>
4	Kirk Swope	I, <u>Kirk Swope</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>Kirk Swope</u> Date: <u>4-1-2024</u> My term Expires: <u>2027</u>
5	Eric Breitenbach	I, <u>Eric Breitenbach</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>Eric Breitenbach</u> Date: <u>4/1/2024</u> My term Expires: <u>2025</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/ORDINANCE FOR EXEMPTION FROM AUDIT  
(Pursuant to Section 29-1-604, C.R.S.)

A RESOLUTION/ORDINANCE APPROVING AN EXEMPTION FROM AUDIT FOR YEAR 2023 FOR THE DOLORES FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT, STATE OF COLORADO.

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Dolores Fire Protection 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 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 the Dolores Fire Protection District exceeded \$750,000.00 for year 2023: and

WHEREAS, an application for exemption from audit for the Dolores Fire Protection District has been prepared by RFarmer, 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/ordained by the Board of Directors of the Dolores Fire Protection District that the application for exemption from audit for the Dolores Fire Protection District for the year ended December 31, 2023, has been personally reviewed and is hereby approved by a majority of the Board of Directors of the Dolores Fire Protection District; that those members of the Board of Directors 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 Dolores Fire Protection District for the year ended December 31, 2023.

ADOPTED THIS 1<sup>ST</sup> day of April, A.D. 2024.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
President

ATTEST:

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Secretary

NAME:

Date Term Expires:

Signature:

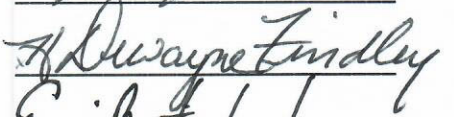
Chris Majors

2025



Dewayne Findley

2027



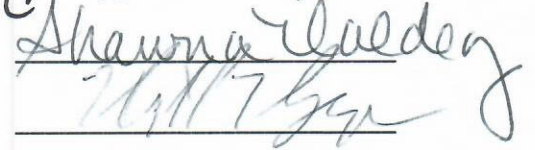
Eric Breitenbach

2025



Shawna Valdez

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Kirk Swope

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