

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/topics/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 [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 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

Fowler Rural Fire Protection District
7th and Pitkin
Fowler, CO 81039

For the Year Ended
12/31/2023
or fiscal year ended:

CONTACT PERSON
PHONE
EMAIL

Rex Hagerman
719-980-0705
cte53935@centurytel.net

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

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Independent Accountant

PREPARER (SIGNATURE REQUIRED)

DATE PREPARED

Peter M Sutton 3/24/24

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	Capital Projects		Pension Fund	Fund*	
Assets							
1-1	Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$ 223,465	\$ 131,074	Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$ 187,044	\$ -	
1-2	Investments	\$ -	\$ -	Investments	\$ -	\$ -	
1-3	Receivables	\$ 104,324	\$ -	Receivables	\$ 15,064	\$ -	
1-4	Due from Other Entities or Funds	\$ -	\$ -	Due from Other Entities or Funds	\$ -	\$ -	
1-5	Property Tax Receivable	\$ -	\$ -	Other Current Assets [specify ...]	\$ -	\$ -	
	All Other Assets [specify...]						
1-6	Lease Receivable (as Lessor)	\$ -	\$ -				
1-7		\$ -	\$ -	Total Current Assets	\$ 202,108	\$ -	
1-8		\$ -	\$ -	Capital & Right to Use Assets, net (from Part 6-4)	\$ -	\$ -	
1-9		\$ -	\$ -	Other Long Term Assets [specify...]	\$ -	\$ -	
1-10		\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	
1-11	(add lines 1-1 through 1-10) TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 327,789	\$ 131,074	(add lines 1-1 through 1-10) TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 202,108	\$ -	
Deferred Outflows of Resources:							
-12	[specify...]	\$ -	\$ -	Deferred Outflows of Resources	\$ -	\$ -	
1-13	[specify...]	\$ -	\$ -	[specify...]	\$ -	\$ -	
1-14	(add lines 1-12 through 1-13) TOTAL DEFERRED OUTFLOWS	\$ -	\$ -	[specify...]	\$ -	\$ -	
1-15		\$ -	\$ -	(add lines 1-12 through 1-13) TOTAL DEFERRED OUTFLOWS	\$ -	\$ -	
1-16	TOTAL ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS	\$ 327,789	\$ 131,074	TOTAL ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS	\$ 202,108	\$ -	
Liabilities							
1-16	Accounts Payable	\$ -	\$ -	Liabilities			
1-17	Accrued Payroll and Related Liabilities	\$ -	\$ -	Accounts Payable	\$ -	\$ -	
1-18	Unearned Revenue	\$ -	\$ -	Accrued Payroll and Related Liabilities	\$ -	\$ -	
1-19	Due to Other Entities or Funds	\$ -	\$ -	Accrued Interest Payable	\$ -	\$ -	
1-20	All Other Current Liabilities	\$ -	\$ -	Due to Other Entities or Funds	\$ -	\$ -	
1-21	(add lines 1-16 through 1-20) TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	\$ -	\$ -	All Other Current Liabilities	\$ -	\$ -	
1-22		\$ -	\$ -	(add lines 1-16 through 1-20) TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	\$ -	\$ -	
1-23		\$ -	\$ -	Proprietary Debt Outstanding (from Part 4-4)	\$ -	\$ -	
1-24		\$ -	\$ -	Other Liabilities [specify...]	\$ -	\$ -	
1-25		\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	
1-26		\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	
1-27	(add lines 1-21 through 1-26) TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ -	\$ -	(add lines 1-21 through 1-26) TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ -	\$ -	
Deferred Inflows of Resources:							
1-28	Deferred Property Taxes	\$ 80,006	\$ -	Deferred Inflows of Resources			
1-29	Lease related (as lessor)	\$ -	\$ -	Pension/OPEB Related	\$ -	\$ -	
1-30	(add lines 1-28 through 1-29) TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS	\$ 80,006	\$ -	Other [specify...]	\$ -	\$ -	
1-31		\$ -	\$ -	(add lines 1-28 through 1-29) TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS	\$ -	\$ -	
Fund Balance							
1-31	Nonspendable Prepaid	\$ -	\$ -	Net Position			
1-32	Nonspendable Inventory	\$ -	\$ -	Net Investment in Capital and Right-to Use Assets	\$ -	\$ -	
1-33	Restricted [specify...]	\$ -	\$ -				
1-34	Committed [specify...]	\$ -	\$ 131,074	Emergency Reserves	\$ -	\$ -	
1-35	Assigned [specify...]	\$ 3,954	\$ -	Other Designations/Reserves	\$ -	\$ -	
1-36	Unassigned:	\$ 243,829	\$ -	Restricted	\$ 202,108	\$ -	
1-37				Undesignated/Unreserved/Unrestricted	\$ -	\$ -	
1-37	Add lines 1-31 through 1-36 This total should be the same as line 3-33 TOTAL FUND BALANCE	\$ 247,783	\$ 131,074	Add lines 1-31 through 1-36 This total should be the same as line 3-33 TOTAL NET POSITION	\$ 202,108	\$ -	
1-38	Add lines 1-27, 1-30 and 1-37 This total should be the same as line 1-15 TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS, AND FUND BALANCE	\$ 327,789	\$ 131,074	Add lines 1-27, 1-30 and 1-37 This total should be the same as line 1-15 TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS, AND NET POSITION	\$ 202,108	\$ -	

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							
2-1	Property (include mills levied in Question 10-6)	\$ 60,990	\$ -	Property (include mills levied in Question 10-6)	\$ 15,000	\$ -	
2-2	Specific Ownership	\$ 10,651	\$ -	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	\$ 71,641	\$ -	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	\$ 18,336	\$ -	Grants	\$ -	\$ -	
2-15	Donations	\$ 1,000	\$ -	Donations	\$ -	\$ -	
2-16	Charges for Sales and Services	\$ 174,733	\$ -	Charges for Sales and Services	\$ -	\$ -	
2-17	Rental Income	\$ -	\$ -	Rental Income	\$ -	\$ -	
2-18	Fines and Forfeits	\$ -	\$ -	Fines and Forfeits	\$ -	\$ -	
2-19	Interest/Investment Income	\$ 624	\$ 2,850	Interest/Investment Income	\$ 4,268	\$ -	
2-20	Tap Fees	\$ -	\$ -	Tap Fees	\$ -	\$ -	
2-21	Proceeds from Sale of Capital Assets	\$ 10,000	\$ -	Proceeds from Sale of Capital Assets	\$ -	\$ -	
2-22	Misc Receipts	\$ 9,711	\$ -	Matching Funds	\$ 12,194	\$ -	
2-23		\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	
2-24	Add lines 2-8 through 2-23 TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 286,045	\$ 2,850	Add lines 2-8 through 2-23 TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 31,462	\$ -	
Other Financing Sources							
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	\$ 286,045	\$ 2,850	Add lines 2-24 and 2-29 TOTAL REVENUES AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	\$ 31,462	\$ -	GRAND TOTALS

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) 859-3000 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*	
3-1	General Government	\$ -	\$ -	Expenses			
3-2	Judicial	\$ -	\$ -	General Operating & Administrative	\$ -	\$ -	
3-3	Law Enforcement	\$ -	\$ -	Salaries	\$ -	\$ -	
3-4	Fire	\$ -	\$ -	Payroll Taxes	\$ -	\$ -	
3-5	Highways & Streets	\$ 100,729	\$ -	Contract Services	\$ -	\$ -	
3-6	Solid Waste	\$ -	\$ -	Employee Benefits	\$ -	\$ -	
3-7	Contributions to Fire & Police Pension Assoc.	\$ -	\$ -	Insurance	\$ -	\$ -	
3-8	Health	\$ 6,000	\$ -	Accounting and Legal Fees	\$ -	\$ -	
3-9	Culture and Recreation	\$ -	\$ -	Repair and Maintenance	\$ -	\$ -	
3-10	Transfers to other districts	\$ 2,405	\$ -	Supplies	\$ -	\$ -	
3-11	Other [specify...]:	\$ -	\$ -	Utilities	\$ 92	\$ -	
3-12		\$ -	\$ -	Contributions to Fire & Police Pension Assoc.	\$ -	\$ -	
3-13		\$ -	\$ -	Pension Benefits	\$ 30,800	\$ -	
3-14	Capital Outlay	\$ -	\$ -	Capital Outlay	\$ -	\$ -	
	Debt Service	\$ 40,610	\$ -	Debt Service	\$ -	\$ -	
15	Principal Interest (should match amount in 4-4)	\$ -	\$ -	Principal Interest (should match amount in 4-4)	\$ -	\$ -	
3-16	Bond Issuance Costs	\$ -	\$ -	Bond Issuance Costs	\$ -	\$ -	
3-17	Developer Principal Repayments	\$ -	\$ -	Developer Principal Repayments	\$ -	\$ -	
3-18	Developer Interest Repayments	\$ -	\$ -	Developer Interest Repayments	\$ -	\$ -	
3-19	Bad Debts	\$ 99,318	\$ -	Developer Interest Repayments	\$ -	\$ -	
3-20		\$ -	\$ -	All Other [specify...]:	\$ -	\$ -	
3-21		\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	
3-22	Add lines 3-1 through 3-21 TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 249,062	\$ -	Add lines 3-1 through 3-21 TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 30,892	\$ -	GRAND TOTAL 279,954
3-23	Interfund Transfers (In)	\$ -	\$ (50,000)	Net Interfund Transfers (In) Out	\$ -	\$ -	
3-24	Interfund Transfers Out	\$ 50,000	\$ -	Other [specify...][enter negative for expense]	\$ -	\$ -	
3-25	Other Expenditures (Revenues):	\$ -	\$ -	Depreciation/Amortization	\$ -	\$ -	
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	\$ 50,000	\$ (50,000)	(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	\$ (13,017)	\$ 52,850	Net Increase (Decrease) in Net Position Line 2-29, less line 3-22, plus line 3-29, less line 3-23	\$ 570	\$ -	
3-31	Fund Balance, January 1 from December 31 prior year report	\$ 250,900	\$ 78,224	Net Position, January 1 from December 31 prior year report	\$ 201,538	\$ -	
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.	\$ 247,783	\$ 131,074	Net Position, December 31 Sum of Lines 3-30, 3-31, and 3-32 This total should be the same as line 1-37.	\$ 202,108	\$ -	

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) 889-3000 for assistance.

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? 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

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

**Subscription Based Information Technology Arrangements

*Must agree to prior year-end balance

- Please answer the following questions by marking the appropriate boxes.
- 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.

5-1 YEAR-END Total of ALL Checking and Savings accounts AMOUNT TOTAL

5-2 Certificates of deposit	\$ 240,503	
	\$ 301,080	
TOTAL CASH DEPOSITS		\$ 541,583
5-3 Investments (if investment is a mutual fund, please list underlying investments):	\$ -	
	\$ -	
	\$ -	
TOTAL INVESTMENTS		\$ -
TOTAL CASH AND INVESTMENTS		\$ 541,583

Please use this space to provide any explanations or comments:

- 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

PART 6 - CAPITAL AND RIGHT-TO-USE 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, YES NO
MUST explain:

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	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Buildings	\$ 108,572	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 108,572
Machinery and equipment	\$ 717,536	\$ 5,610	\$ -	\$ 723,146
Furniture and fixtures	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Infrastructure	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Construction In Progress (CIP)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Leased & SBITA Right-to-Use Assets	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Intangible Assets	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Vehicles	\$ 1,021,257	\$ 35,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 1,036,257
Accumulated Amortization Right to Use Assets (Enter a negative, or credit, balance)	\$ (790,711)	\$ (49,094)	\$ -	\$ (839,805)
Accumulated Depreciation (Enter a negative, or credit, balance)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL	\$ 1,056,654	\$ (8,484)	\$ 20,000	\$ 1,028,170

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)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

* 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

Please use this space to provide any explanations or comments:

- 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
- Who administers the plan? YES NO

Indicate the contributions from:

Tax (property, SO, sales, etc.):	\$	15,000
State contribution amount:	\$	12,194
Other (gifts, donations, etc.):	\$	4,268
TOTAL	\$	31,462
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 | |
| 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"/> | Please use this space to provide any explanations or comments: |
| 8-2 Did the entity pass an appropriations resolution in accordance with Section 29-1-108 C.R.S.? If no, MUST explain: | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | |

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

Governmental/Proprietary Fund Name	Total Appropriations By Fund
General Fund	\$ 148,850
Pension Fund	\$ 26,100
	\$ -
	\$ -

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: |
| <small>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.</small> | | | |

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

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|---|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|
| 10-3 Is the entity a metropolitan district? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | |
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10-4 Please indicate what services the entity provides:

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| 10-5 Does the entity have an agreement with another government to provide services? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | |
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If yes: List the name of the other governmental entity and the services provided:

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| 10-6 Does the entity have a certified mill levy? | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
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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	3.200
Total mills	3.200

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| | YES | NO | N/A |
| NEW 2023! 10-7 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	\$	541,563 Unrestricted Fund Balan	\$	247,783 Total Tax Revenue	\$ 71,641
Current Liabilities	\$	- Total Fund Balance	\$	247,783 Revenue Paying Debt Service	-
Deferred Inflow	\$	60,006 PY Fund Balance	\$	260,800 Total Revenue	288,895
		Total Revenue	\$	288,045 Total Debt Service Principal	-
		Total Expenditures	\$	249,062 Total Debt Service Interest	-
				Total Assets	458,863
				Total Liabilities	-
Governmental		Interfund In	\$	-	
Total Cash & Investments	\$	354,539 Interfund Out	\$	60,000 Enterprise Funds	
Transfers In	\$	(50,000) Proprietary	\$	Net Position	\$ 202,108
Transfers Out	\$	50,000 Current Assets	\$	PY Net Position	\$ 201,538
Property Tax	\$	60,990 Deferred Outflow	\$	- Government-Wide	
Debt Service Principal	\$	- Current Liabilities	\$	- Total Outstanding Debt	-
Total Expenditures	\$	249,062 Deferred Inflow	\$	Authorized but Unissued	-
Total Developer Advances	\$	10,000 Cash & Investments	\$	Year Authorized	1/0/1900
Total Developer Repayments	\$	- Principal Expense	\$		
				187,044	

PART 12 - GOVERNING BODY APPROVAL

Please answer the following question by marking in the appropriate box

12-1 If you plan to submit this form electronically, have you read the new Electronic Signature Policy?	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>
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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.

1	Full Name 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>3-30-2023</u> My term Expires: <u>2025</u>
2	Full Name 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>3-30-2023</u> My term Expires: <u>2024</u>
3	Full Name 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>3-30-2023</u> My term Expires: <u>2024</u>
4	Full Name 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>3-30-2023</u> My term Expires: <u>2024</u>
5	Full Name 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>3-30-2023</u> My term Expires: <u>2025</u>
6	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. Signed: _____ Date: _____ My term Expires: _____
7	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. Signed: _____ Date: _____ My term Expires: _____

RESOLUTION FOR EXEMPTION FROM AUDIT

(Pursuant to Section 29-1-603, C.R.S.; and

A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN EXEMPTION FROM AUDIT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023 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 2023; 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.

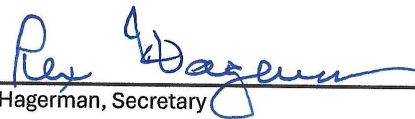
NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board Members of the Fowler Rural Fire Protection District that the application for Exemption from Audit for Fowler Rural Fire Protection District for the Fiscal Year ended December 31, 2023, has been personally reviewed and is hereby approved by a majority of the 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, 2023

ADOPTED THIS 30TH day of March, A.D. 2024.



Alvin H Rein, President

ATTEST:



Rex Hagerman, Secretary

FOWLER RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

<u>NAME</u>	<u>TERM EXPIRATION</u>
Alvin Rein, President	2025
Rex Hagerman, Secretary	2027
Keith Doak, Treasurer	2027
John Webber, Member	2027
Randy Corsentino, Member	2025