

# APPLICATION FOR EXEMPTION FROM AUDIT

## SHORT FORM

**NAME OF GOVERNMENT  
ADDRESS**

**YELLOW JACKET WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT**  
**PO BOX 2440**  
**MEEKER, CO 81641**

**For the Year Ended  
12/31/23  
or fiscal year ended:**

**CONTACT PERSON  
PHONE  
EMAIL**


**BAILEY FRANKLIN**  
**970-942-5111**  
 bailey.l.franklin@gmail.com

### 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**

**MARLO COATES**  
**CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT**  
**COLOCPA SERVICES, PC**  
**PO BOX 770, RANGELY, CO 81648**  
**970-675-2222**

PREPARER (SIGNATURE REQUIRED)	DATE PREPARED
	3/4/2024

Please indicate whether the following financial information is recorded using Governmental or Proprietary fund types	<b>GOVERNMENTAL</b> (MODIFIED ACCRUAL BASIS)	<b>PROPRIETARY</b> (CASH OR BUDGETARY BASIS)
	<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	<b>Taxes: Property</b> (report mills levied in Question 10-6)	\$ 25,434	
2-2	Specific ownership	\$ -	
2-3	Sales and use	\$ -	
2-4	Other (specify):	\$ -	
2-5	<b>Licenses and permits</b>	\$ -	
2-6	<b>Intergovernmental: Grants</b>	\$ -	
2-7	Conservation Trust Funds (Lottery)	\$ -	
2-8	Highway Users Tax Funds (HUTF)	\$ -	
2-9	Other (specify):	\$ -	
2-10	<b>Charges for services</b>	\$ -	
2-11	<b>Fines and forfeits</b>	\$ -	
2-12	<b>Special assessments</b>	\$ -	
2-13	<b>Investment income</b>	\$ 567	
2-14	<b>Charges for utility services</b>	\$ -	
2-15	<b>Debt proceeds</b> (should agree with line 4-4, column 2)	\$ -	
2-16	<b>Lease proceeds</b>	\$ -	
2-17	<b>Developer Advances received</b> (should agree with line 4-4)	\$ -	
2-18	<b>Proceeds from sale of capital assets</b>	\$ -	
2-19	<b>Fire and police pension</b>	\$ -	
2-20	<b>Donations</b>	\$ -	
2-21	<b>Other (specify): DITCH ASSESSMENT</b>	\$ 1,500	
2-22		\$ -	
2-23		\$ -	
2-24	(add lines 2-1 through 2-23) <b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	\$ 27,501	

## 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	<b>Administrative</b>	\$ 7,303	
3-2	<b>Salaries</b>	\$ -	
3-3	<b>Payroll taxes</b>	\$ -	
3-4	<b>Contract services</b>	\$ -	
3-5	<b>Employee benefits</b>	\$ -	
3-6	<b>Insurance</b>	\$ -	
3-7	<b>Accounting and legal fees</b>	\$ 23,607	
3-8	<b>Repair and maintenance</b>	\$ -	
3-9	<b>Supplies</b>	\$ -	
3-10	<b>Utilities and telephone</b>	\$ -	
3-11	<b>Fire/Police</b>	\$ -	
3-12	<b>Streets and highways</b>	\$ -	
3-13	<b>Public health</b>	\$ -	
3-14	<b>Capital outlay</b>	\$ -	
3-15	<b>Utility operations</b>	\$ -	
3-16	<b>Culture and recreation</b>	\$ -	
3-17	<b>Debt service principal</b> (should agree with Part 4)	\$ -	
3-18	<b>Debt service interest</b>	\$ -	
3-19	<b>Repayment of Developer Advance Principal</b> (should agree with line 4-4)	\$ -	
3-20	<b>Repayment of Developer Advance Interest</b>	\$ -	
3-21	<b>Contribution to pension plan</b> (should agree to line 7-2)	\$ -	
3-22	<b>Contribution to Fire &amp; Police Pension Assoc.</b> (should agree to line 7-2)	\$ -	
3-23	<b>Other (specify):</b>	\$ -	
3-24		\$ -	
3-25		\$ -	
3-26	(add lines 3-1 through 3-24) <b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES</b>	\$ 30,910	

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? Yes  No   
 If Yes, please attach a copy of the entity's Debt Repayment Schedule.
- 4-2 Is the debt repayment schedule attached? If no, MUST explain below: Yes  No

- 4-3 Is the entity current in its debt service payments? If no, MUST explain below: Yes  No

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	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
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? Yes  No   
 If yes: How much? \$ -  
 Date the debt was authorized: \_\_\_\_\_
- 4-6 Does the entity intend to issue debt within the next calendar year? Yes  No   
 If yes: How much? \$ -
- 4-7 Does the entity have debt that has been refinanced that it is still responsible for? Yes  No   
 If yes: 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 4 - Please use this space to provide any explanations/comments or attach separate documentation, if needed

## 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	\$ 48,873	
5-2 Certificates of deposit	\$ -	
<b>Total Cash Deposits</b>		<b>\$ 48,873</b>
Investments (if investment is a mutual fund, please list underlying investments):		
_____	\$ -	
_____	\$ -	
_____	\$ -	
_____	\$ -	
<b>Total Investments</b>		<b>\$ -</b>
<b>Total Cash and Investments</b>		<b>\$ 48,873</b>

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 AND RIGHT-TO-USE ASSETS

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

Yes                      No

- 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

6-3 Complete the following capital & right-to-use assets table:

Complete the following capital & right-to-use 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)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Leased & SBITA Right-to-Use Assets	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Other (explain):	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Accumulated Depreciation/Amortization (Please enter a negative, or credit, balance)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>

\*must tie to prior year ending balance

**Part 6 - Please use this space to provide any explanations/comments or attach documentation, if needed:**

## PART 7 - PENSION INFORMATION

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

Yes                      No

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

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

**Part 7 - Please use this space to provide any explanations or comments:**

## PART 8 - BUDGET INFORMATION

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

Yes                      No                      N/A

- 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.? If no, MUST explain:  Yes       No       N/A
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- 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:

Governmental/Proprietary Fund Name	Total Appropriations By Fund
GENERAL	\$ 65,874

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

Please answer the following question by marking in the appropriate box

- |            |   |                                     |                          |
|------------|---|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|
|            |   | Yes                                 | No                       |
| <b>9-1</b> | <b>Is the entity in compliance with all the provisions of TABOR [State Constitution, Article X, Section 20(5)]?</b>   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
|            | 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                                  |
| <b>10-1</b> | <b>Is this application for a newly formed governmental entity?</b>                 | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| If yes:     | <b>Date of formation:</b> <input style="width: 450px; height: 15px;" type="text"/> |                          |                                     |
| <b>10-2</b> | <b>Has the entity changed its name in the past or current year?</b>                | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

If yes: **Please list the NEW name & PRIOR name:**

- |             |   |                          |                                     |
|-------------|---|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|
|             |   | Yes                      | No                                  |
| <b>10-3</b> | <b>Is the entity a metropolitan district?</b>             | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
|             | <b>Please indicate what services the entity provides:</b> |                          |                                     |

- |             |   |                          |                                     |
|-------------|---|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|
|             |   | Yes                      | No                                  |
| <b>10-4</b> | <b>Does the entity have an agreement with another government to provide services?</b> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

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

- |             |  |                          |                                     |
|-------------|--|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|
|             |  | Yes                      | No                                  |
| <b>10-5</b> | <b>Has the district filed a <i>Title 32, Article 1 Special District Notice of Inactive Status</i> during</b> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

If yes: **Date Filed:**

- |             |  |                                     |                          |
|-------------|--|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|
|             |  | Yes                                 | No                       |
| <b>10-6</b> | <b>Does the entity have a certified Mill Levy?</b> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

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

<b>Bond Redemption mills</b>	-
<b>General/Other mills</b>	0.209
<b>Total mills</b>	0.209
	Yes      No      N/A

- |             |   |                          |                          |                                     |
|-------------|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|
|             |   | Yes                      | No                       | N/A                                 |
| <b>10-7</b> | <b>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.</b> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

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

## PART 11 - 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 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.

Print the names of ALL members of current governing body below.		A MAJORITY of the members of the governing body must sign below.
Board Member 1	Print Board Member's Name PAUL NEILSON	I <u>PAUL NEILSON</u> , attest 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><i>Paul Neilson</i></u> Date: <u>03/13/24</u> My term Expires: <u>10/31/2025</u>
Board Member 2	Print Board Member's Name KELLY SHERIDAN	I <u>Kelly Sheridan</u> , attest 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><i>Kelly Sheridan</i></u> Date: <u>3/20/24</u> My term Expires: <u>10/31/2026</u>
Board Member 3	Print Board Member's Name SHAWN WELDER	I <u>Shawn Welder</u> , attest 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><i>Shawn Welder</i></u> Date: <u>3/20/2024</u> My term Expires: <u>10/31/2027</u>
Board Member 4	Print Board Member's Name DAVID SMITH, JR	I <u>David Smith</u> , attest 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><i>David W. Smith</i></u> Date: <u>3/19/2024</u> My term Expires: <u>10/31/2026</u>
Board Member 5	Print Board Member's Name ANTHONEY R THEOS	I <u>ANTHONY R THEOS</u> , attest 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><i>Anthony R Theos</i></u> Date: <u>3/16/24</u> My term Expires: <u>03/20/2026</u>
Board Member 6	Print Board Member's Name BENJAMIN J ROGERS	I <u>Ben Rogers</u> , attest 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><i>Benjamin J Rogers</i></u> Date: <u>3/19/24</u> My term Expires: <u>10/31/2024</u>
Board Member 7	Print Board Member's Name BAILEY FRANKLIN	I <u>Bailey Franklin</u> , attest 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><i>Bailey Franklin</i></u> Date: <u>3/15/24</u> My term Expires: <u>10/31/2027</u>

Print the names of ALL members of current governing body below.		A <u>MAJORITY</u> of the members of the governing body must sign below.
Board Member 1	Print Board Member's Name WALTER N PROCTOR	I _____, attest 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: _____
Board Member 2	Print Board Member's Name	I _____, attest 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: _____
Board Member 3	Print Board Member's Name	I _____, attest 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: _____
Board Member 4	Print Board Member's Name	I _____, attest 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: _____
Board Member 5	Print Board Member's Name	I _____, attest 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: _____
Board Member 6	Print Board Member's Name	I _____, attest 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: _____
Board Member 7	Print Board Member's Name	I _____, attest 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 FISCAL YEAR 2023 FOR THE YELLOW JACKET WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT, STATE OF COLORADO.

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of Yellow Jacket Water Conservancy 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 revenue nor expenditures exceed seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars may, with the approval of the State Auditor, be exempt from provision of Section 29-1-603, C.R.S; and

WHEREAS, neither revenue nor expenditures for Yellow Jacket Water Conservancy District exceeded \$100,000 for Fiscal Year 2023; and

WHEREAS, an application for exemption from audit for Yellow Jacket Water Conservancy District has been prepared Marlo Coates, 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.

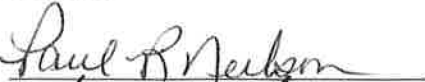




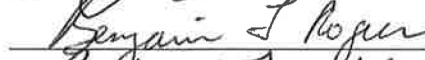

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved/ordained by the Board of Directors of the Yellow Jacket Water Conservancy District that the application for exemption from audit for Yellow Jacket Water Conservancy District for the Fiscal Year ended December 31, 2023, has been personally reviewed and is hereby approved by a majority of the Board of Directors of the Yellow Jacket Water Conservancy District; that those members of the Board of Directors have signified their approval by signing below; and that this resolution/ordinance shall be attached to, and shall become a part of, the application for exemption from audit of the Yellow Jacket Water Conservancy District for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2023.

ADOPTED THIS 5<sup>th</sup> day of March, A.D. 2024.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Chairman

ATTEST:

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Secretary

Type or Print Names of Members of Governing Body	Date Term Expires	Signature
Paul Neilson	10/31/2025	
Kelly Sheridan	10/31/2026	
Shawn Welder	10/31/2027	
David Smith, Jr.	10/31/2026	
Anthony R. Theos	03/20/2026	
Benjamin J. Rogers	10/31/2024	
Bailey Franklin	10/31/2027	
Walter N. Proctor	10/31/2023	