

APPLICATION FOR EXEMPTION FROM AUDIT

SHORT FORM

NAME OF GOVERNMENT
ADDRESS

Custer County conservation District
10 Hermit Ln.
Silver Cliff, CO 81252
Robert Miller
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For the Year Ended
12/31/23
or fiscal year ended:


CONTACT PERSON
PHONE
EMAIL

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

Ryder Becker
Treasurer
746 County Rd. 129, Westcliffe, CO 81252
970 – 319 – 6448

PREPARER <small>(SIGNATURE REQUIRED)</small>	DATE PREPARED				
	<p style="font-size: 1.5em;">2/8/24</p>				
Please indicate whether the following financial information is recorded using Governmental or Proprietary fund types	<table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%; padding: 2px; text-align: center;"> GOVERNMENTAL <small>(MODIFIED ACCRUAL BASIS)</small> </td> <td style="width: 50%; padding: 2px; text-align: center;"> PROPRIETARY <small>(CASH OR BUDGETARY BASIS)</small> </td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center; padding: 2px;"><input type="checkbox"/></td> <td style="text-align: center; padding: 2px;"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> </tr> </table>	GOVERNMENTAL <small>(MODIFIED ACCRUAL BASIS)</small>	PROPRIETARY <small>(CASH OR BUDGETARY BASIS)</small>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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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	
2-1	Taxes: Property (report mills levied in Question 10-6)	\$	Please use this space to provide any necessary explanations
2-2	Specific ownership	\$	
2-3	Sales and use	\$	
2-4	Other (specify):	\$	
2-5	Licenses and permits	\$	
2-6	Intergovernmental: Grants	\$	
2-7	Conservation Trust Funds (Lottery)	\$	
2-8	Highway Users Tax Funds (HUTF)	\$	
2-9	Other (specify): Direct assistance	\$	
2-10	Charges for services	\$	
2-11	Fines and forfeits	\$	
2-12	Special assessments	\$	
2-13	Investment income	\$	
2-14	Charges for utility services	\$	
2-15	Debt proceeds	\$	
2-16	Lease proceeds	\$	
2-17	Developer Advances received	\$	
2-18	Proceeds from sale of capital assets	\$	
2-19	Fire and police pension	\$	
2-20	Donations	\$	
2-21	Other (specify):	\$	
2-22		\$	
2-23		\$	
2-24	(add lines 2-1 through 2-23) TOTAL REVENUE	\$	
		34,553	

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	
3-1	Administrative	\$	Please use this space to provide any necessary explanations
3-2	Salaries	\$	
3-3	Payroll taxes	\$	
3-4	Contract services	\$	
3-5	Employee benefits	\$	
3-6	Insurance	\$	
3-7	Accounting and legal fees	\$	
3-8	Repair and maintenance	\$	
3-9	Supplies	\$	
3-10	Utilities and telephone	\$	
3-11	Fire/Police	\$	
3-12	Streets and highways	\$	
3-13	Public health	\$	
3-14	Capital outlay	\$	
3-15	Utility operations	\$	
3-16	Culture and recreation	\$	
3-17	Debt service principal	\$	
3-18	Debt service interest	\$	
3-19	Repayment of Developer Advance Principal	\$	
3-20	Repayment of Developer Advance Interest	\$	
3-21	Contribution to pension plan	\$	
3-22	Contribution to Fire & Police Pension Assoc.	\$	
3-23	Other (specify): Miscellaneous expenses for meetings, publications, advertising and etc.	\$	
3-24		\$	
3-25		\$	
3-26	(add lines 3-1 through 3-24) TOTAL EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES	\$	
		38,185	

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

4-4 Please complete the following debt schedule, if applicable: (please only include principal amounts)(enter all amount as positive numbers)

	Outstanding at end of prior year	Issued during year	Retired during year	Outstanding at year-end
General obligation bonds	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Revenue bonds	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Notes/Loans	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Lease & SBITA** Liabilities [GASB 87 & 96]	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Developer Advances	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Other (specify):	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

**Subscription Based Information Technology Arrangements

*Must agree to prior year-end balance

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	\$ 37,548	
5-2 Certificates of deposit	\$ -	
Total Cash Deposits		\$ 37,548
Investments (if investment is a mutual fund, please list underlying investments):		
_____	\$ -	
_____	\$ -	
_____	\$ -	
Total Investments	\$ -	
Total Cash and Investments		\$ 37,548

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.

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

*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.

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

If yes: Who administers the plan?

Indicate the contributions from:

Tax (property, SO, sales, etc.):	\$ -
State contribution amount:	\$ -
Other (gifts, donations, etc.):	\$ -
TOTAL	\$ -

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

	\$ -
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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.

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

Governmental/Proprietary Fund Name	Total Appropriations By Fund
General fund	\$ 54,750

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

Please answer the following question by marking in the appropriate box

- 9-1 Is the entity in compliance with all the provisions of TABOR [State Constitution, Article X, Section 20(5)]? Yes No
- Note: An election to exempt the government from the spending limitations of TABOR does not exempt the 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.

- 10-1 Is this application for a newly formed governmental entity? Yes No
- If yes: Date of formation:
- 10-2 Has the entity changed its name in the past or current year? Yes No
- If yes: Please list the NEW name & PRIOR name:
- 10-3 Is the entity a metropolitan district? Yes No
Please indicate what services the entity provides:
- 10-4 Does the entity have an agreement with another government to provide services? Yes No
If yes: List the name of the other governmental entity and the services provided:
- 10-5 Has the district filed a Title 32, Article 1 Special District Notice of Inactive Status during Yes No
If yes: Date Filed:
- 10-6 Does the entity have a certified Mill Levy? Yes No

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

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

- 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. Yes No N/A

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

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 Robert Miller	I <u>Robert Miller</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>Robert Miller</u> Date: <u>February 8, 2024</u> My term Expires: <u>2025</u>
Board Member 2	Print Board Member's Name Sheron Berry	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: <u>2025</u>
Board Member 3	Print Board Member's Name Zachary Banning	I <u>Beau Banning</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>[Signature]</u> Date: <u>2-8-24</u> My term Expires: <u>May 2027</u>
Board Member 4	Print Board Member's Name Joseph Barnes	I <u>Joseph Barnes</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>J. BARNES</u> Date: <u>2-8-24</u> My term Expires: <u>May 2027</u>
Board Member 5	Print Board Member's Name Ryder Becker	I <u>RYDER BECKER</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>[Signature]</u> Date: <u>2/8/24</u> My term Expires: <u>MAY 2025</u>
Board Member 6	Print Board Member's Name	I <u>Beau Banning</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>[Signature]</u> Date: <u>2/8/24</u> My term Expires: <u>May</u>
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 FOR EXEMPTION FROM AUDIT

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

A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN EXEMPTION FROM AUDIT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023 FOR THE CUSTER COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT, STATE OF COLORADO.

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the Custer County Conservation District wishes to claim exemption from the audit requirements of Section 29-1-603, C.R.S.; and

WHEREAS, Section 29-1-604, C.R.S., states that any local government where neither revenues nor expenditures exceed five hundred thousand dollars may, with the approval of the State Auditor, be exempt from the provision of Section 29-1-603, C.R.S.; and

WHEREAS, neither revenue nor expenditures for Custer County Conservation District exceeded \$100,000 for Fiscal Year 2023; and

WHEREAS, an application for exemption from audit for Custer County Conservation District has been prepared by Ryder Becker, 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 by the Board of Supervisors of the Custer County Conservation District that the application for exemption from audit for Custer County Conservation District for the Fiscal Year ended December 31, 2023, has been personally reviewed and is hereby approved by a majority of the Board of Supervisors of the Custer County Conservation District; that those members of the Board of Supervisors 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 Custer County Conservation District for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2023.

ADOPTED THIS 8 day of February, A.D. 2024.

Robert Miller

Board of Supervisors President

ATTEST:

N/A
District Manager

<u>BOARD OF SUPERVISOR MEMBERS</u>	<u>DATE TERM EXPIRES</u>	<u>SIGNATURE</u>
<u>Robert Miller</u>	<u>May 2025</u>	<u>Robert Miller</u>
<u>Ryder Becker</u>	<u>May 2025</u>	<u>Ryder Becker</u>
<u>Sheron Berry</u>	<u>May 2025</u>	
<u>Joseph Barnes</u>	<u>May 2027</u>	<u>J. BARNES</u>
<u>Beau Banning</u>	<u>May 2027</u>	<u>B. Banning</u>