

Application for Exemption From Audit Long Form

Instructions

For local governments with either revenues or expenditures/expenses more than \$200,000 but not more than \$1,000,000

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 \$1,000,000 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). Approval for an exemption from audit is granted only upon the review by the OSA.

Any preparer of an Application for Exemption from Audit — Long Form must be a person skilled in governmental accounting.

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 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 cash or budgetary basis.

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 3B.

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.

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.

Applications must be fully and accurately completed. Applications submitted on forms other than those prescribed by the OSA will not be accepted.

For your reference, the Colorado Revised Statutes are available through the [LexisNexis Colorado portal](#).

Checklist

- Has the preparer signed the application prior to board approval?
- 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 on 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? Yes No

- If yes, have you read and understood the Electronic Signature Policy? See policy in Part 11.

-- or --

- If yes, 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 at the end of this form.

Will this application be submitted via a mail service (e.g., U.S. Post Office, FedEx, UPS, courier)? Yes No

- If yes, does the application include **original ink signatures** from the **majority** of the governing body?

Filing Methods

Web Portal (recommended)
apps.leg.co.gov/osa/lq
 For faster processing, the web portal should be used for submissions.

Mail
Office of the State Auditor
 Local Government Audit Division
 1375 Sherman St., 5th Floor
 Denver, CO 80261-3000

Questions? Email: osa.lg@coleg.gov Phone: 303-869-3000


Contact Information

For the year ended 12/31/2025 or the fiscal year ended _____.

Name of government	LA VETA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
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City, State, Zip	LA VETA, CO 81055
Contact person	MICKEY SCHMIDT
Phone	719-742-3656
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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. The preparer must sign prior to board approval.

Name	TODD MIHELICH, CPA, CGMA	
Title	SHAREHOLDER	
Firm name (if applicable)	MCPHERSON, GOODRICH, PAOLUCCI & MIHELICH, PC	
Address	503 N MAIN ST, SUITE 740, PUEBLO, CO 81003-3131	
Phone	719-543-0516	
Relationship to entity	INDEPENDENT CPA	
Preparer signature	Date prepared	
	3/06/2026	

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.)	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No
If yes, enter date filed		

Part 1: Financial Statements — Balance Sheet

Part 1A: Governmental Funds (Modified Accrual Basis) Table

Enter the type of each governmental fund in the fields below.

Fund A: General

Fund B: _____

Fund C: _____

Fund D: _____

Line	Description	Governmental Fund			
		Fund A	Fund B	Fund C	Fund D
	Assets				
1-1	Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 192,561			
1-2	Investments				
1-3	Receivables	\$ 175,283			
1-4	Due from Other Entities or Funds				
1-5	Property Tax Receivable	\$ 192,179			
1-6	All Other Assets:				
1-7	Lease Receivable (as Lessor)				
	Other (specify in lines 1-8 through 1-10)				
1-8	Inventory	\$ 20,730			
1-9					
1-10					
1-11	TOTAL ASSETS (Add lines 1-1 through 1-10)	\$ 580,753	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
	Deferred Outflows of Resources (specify in lines 1-12 and 1-13)				
1-12					
1-13					
1-14	Total Deferred Outflows (Add lines 1-12 through 1-13)	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
1-15	TOTAL ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS (Add lines 1-11 and 1-14)	\$ 580,753	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0

Line	Description	Governmental Fund			
		Fund A	Fund B	Fund C	Fund D
	Liabilities				
1-16	Accounts Payable	\$ 9,601			
1-17	Accrued Payroll and Related Liabilities	\$ 21,934			
1-18	Unearned Revenue				
1-19	Due to Other Entities or Funds				
1-20	All Other Current Liabilities				
1-21	TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES (Add lines 1-16 through 1-20)	\$ 31,535	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
	All Other Liabilities (specify in lines 1-22 through 1-25)				
1-22					
1-23					
1-24					
1-25					
1-26	TOTAL LIABILITIES (Add lines 1-21 through 1-25)	\$ 31,535	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
	Deferred Inflows of Resources				
1-27	Deferred Property Taxes	\$ 192,179			
1-28	Lease related (as Lessor)				
1-29	TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS (Add lines 1-27 through 1-28)	\$ 192,179	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
	Fund Balance				
1-30	Nonspendable-Prepaid				
1-31	Nonspendable-Inventory	\$ 20,730			
1-32	Restricted	\$ 8,668			
1-33	Committed	\$ 105,561			
1-34	Assigned				
1-35	Unassigned	\$ 222,080			
1-36	Total Fund Balance (Add lines 1-30 through 1-35. This total should be the same as line 3-34)	\$ 357,039	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
1-37	TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS, AND FUND BALANCE (Add lines 1-26, 1-29, and 1-36. This total should be the same as line 1-15)	\$ 580,753	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0

Part 1B: Proprietary/Fiduciary Funds Table

Enter the type of each proprietary/fiduciary fund in the fields below.

Fund A: _____
 Fund B: _____
 Fund C: _____
 Fund D: _____

Line	Description	Proprietary/Fiduciary Fund			
		Fund A	Fund B	Fund C	Fund D
	Assets				
1-38	Cash and Cash Equivalents				
1-39	Investments				
1-40	Receivables				
1-41	Due from Other Entities or Funds				
1-42	Other Current Assets (specify in line 1-42)				
1-43	Total Current Assets (Add lines 1-38 through 1-42)	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
1-44	Capital & Right-to-Use Assets, net (from Part 6, Capital & Right-to-Use Table)				
1-45	Other Long Term Assets (specify in lines 1-45 through 1-47)				
1-46					
1-47					
1-48	TOTAL ASSETS (Add lines 1-43 through 1-47)	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
1-49	Deferred Outflows of Resources (specify in lines 1-49 through 1-50)				
1-50					
1-51	Total Deferred Outflows (Add lines 1-49 through 1-50)	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
1-52	TOTAL ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS (Add lines 1-48 and 1-51)	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0

Line	Description	Proprietary/Fiduciary Fund			
		Fund A	Fund B	Fund C	Fund D
	Liabilities				
1-53	Accounts Payable				
1-54	Accrued Payroll and Related Liabilities				
1-55	Accrued Interest Payable				
1-56	Due to Other Entities or Funds				
1-57	All Other Current Liabilities				
1-58	TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES (Add lines 1-53 through 1-57)	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
1-59	Proprietary Debt Outstanding (from Part 4, Debt Schedule Table)				
	Other (specify in lines 1-60 through 1-62)				
1-60					
1-61					
1-62					
1-63	TOTAL LIABILITIES (Add lines 1-58 through 1-62)	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
	Deferred Inflows of Resources				
1-64	Pension/OPEB Related				
	Other (specify in line 1-65)				
1-65					
1-66	TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS (Add lines 1-64 through 1-65)	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
	Net Position				
1-67	Net Investment in Capital and Right-to-Use Assets				
1-68	Emergency Reserves				
1-69	Other Designation/Reserves				
1-70	Restricted				
1-71	Undesignated/Unreserved/Unrestricted				
1-72	Total Net Position (Add lines 1-67 through 1-71. This total should be the same as 3-70.)	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
1-73	TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS, AND NET POSITION (Add lines 1-63, 1-66, and 1-72. This total should be the same as 1-52.)	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0

Part 1C: Comments or Additional Information

Please use this space to provide explanation of any item in this section (optional).

Part 2: Financial Statements — Operating Statement — Revenues

Part 2A: Governmental Funds Table

Enter the type of each governmental fund in the fields below.

Fund A: General

Fund B: _____

Fund C: _____

Fund D: _____

Line	Description	Governmental Fund			
		Fund A	Fund B	Fund C	Fund D
Tax Revenue					
2-1	Property (include mills levied in question 10-12)	\$ 184,097			
2-2	Specific Ownership	\$ 19,891			
2-3	Sales and Use Tax				
	Other Tax Revenue (specify in lines 2-4 through 2-6)				
2-4	PERSONAL PROPERTY EXEMPTION HB 21-1312	\$ 552			
2-5	FUEL TAX REFUND	\$ 494			
2-6					
2-7	TOTAL TAX REVENUE (Add lines 2-1 through 2-6)	\$ 205,034	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Other Revenue Sources					
2-8	Licenses and Permits				
2-9	Highway Users Tax Funds (HUTF)				
2-10	Conservation Trust Funds (Lottery)				
2-11	Community Development Block Grant				
2-12	Fire & Police Pension				
2-13	Grants	\$ 186,652			
2-14	Donations	\$ 5,004			
2-15	Charges for Sales and Services	\$ 85,887			
2-16	Rental Income				

Line	Description	Governmental Fund			
		Fund A	Fund B	Fund C	Fund D
2-17	Fines and Forfeits				
2-18	Interest/Investment Income	\$ 7,832			
2-19	Tap Fees				
2-20	Proceeds from Sale of Capital Assets				
	Other (specify in lines 2-21 through 2-22)				
2-21					
2-22					
2-23	TOTAL REVENUES (Add lines 2-7 through 2-22)	\$ 490,409	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
	Other Financing Sources (should agree to Part 4, Debt Schedule Table, column 'issued during the year')				
2-24	Debt Proceeds				
2-25	Lease Proceeds				
2-26	Developer Advances				
	Other (specify in line 2-27)				
2-27					
2-28	Total Other Financing Sources (Add lines 2-24 through 2-27)	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
2-29	TOTAL REVENUES AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (Add lines 2-23 and 2-28)	\$ 490,409	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0

Part 2B: Proprietary/Fiduciary Funds Table

Enter the type of each proprietary/fiduciary fund in the fields below.

Fund A: _____
 Fund B: _____
 Fund C: _____
 Fund D: _____

Line	Description	Proprietary/Fiduciary Fund			
		Fund A	Fund B	Fund C	Fund D
Tax Revenue					
2-30	Property (include mills levied in question 10-12)				
2-31	Specific Ownership				
2-32	Sales and Use Tax				
	Other Tax Revenue (specify in lines 2-33 through 2-36)				
2-33					
2-34					
2-35					
2-36	TOTAL TAX REVENUE (Add lines 2-30 through 2-35)	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Other Revenue Sources					
2-37	Licenses and Permits				
2-38	Highway Users Tax Funds (HUTF)				
2-39	Conservation Trust Funds (Lottery)				
2-40	Community Development Block Grant				
2-41	Fire & Police Pension				
2-42	Grants				
2-43	Donations				
2-44	Charges for Sales and Services				
2-45	Rental Income				
2-46	Fines and Forfeits				
2-47	Interest/Investment Income				

Line	Description	Proprietary/Fiduciary Fund			
		Fund A	Fund B	Fund C	Fund D
2-48	Tap Fees				
2-49	Proceeds from Sale of Capital Assets				
	All Other (specify in lines 2-50 through 2-51)				
2-50					
2-51					
2-52	TOTAL REVENUES (Add lines 2-36 through 2-51)	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
	Other Financing Sources (should agree to Part 4, Debt Schedule Table, column 'issued during the year')				
2-53	Debt Proceeds				
2-54	Lease Proceeds				
2-55	Developer Advances				
	Other (specify in line 2-56)				
2-56					
2-57	Total Other Financing Sources (Add lines 2-53 through 2-56)	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
2-58	TOTAL REVENUES AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (Add lines 2-52 and 2-57)	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0

Part 2C: Comments or Additional Information

Please use this space to provide explanation of any item in this section (optional).

Part 3: Financial Statements — Operating Statement — Expenditures/Expenses

Part 3A: Governmental Funds Table

Enter the type of each governmental fund in the fields below.

Fund A: General

Fund B: _____

Fund C: _____

Fund D: _____

Line	Description	Governmental Fund			
		Fund A	Fund B	Fund C	Fund D
	Expenditures				
3-1	General Government	\$ 122,150			
3-2	Judicial				
3-3	Law Enforcement				
3-4	Fire	\$ 87,954			
3-5	Highways & Streets				
3-6	Solid Waste				
3-7	Contributions to Fire & Police Pension Association				
3-8	Health	\$ 102,564			
3-9	Culture and Recreation				
3-10	Transfers to other districts				
	Other (specify in lines 3-11 through 3-13)				
3-11					
3-12					
3-13					
3-14	Capital Outlay	\$ 186,652			
	Debt Service				
3-15	Principal (from Part 4, Debt Schedule Table)	\$ 51,108			
3-16	Interest	\$ 16,933			

Line	Description	Governmental Fund			
		Fund A	Fund B	Fund C	Fund D
3-17	Bond Issuance Costs				
3-18	Developer Principal Repayments (from Part 4, Debt Schedule Table)				
3-19	Developer Interest Repayments				
	All Other (specify in lines 3-20 through 3-22)				
3-20					
3-21					
3-22					
3-23	TOTAL EXPENDITURES (Add lines 3-1 through 3-22)	\$ 567,361	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
	Transfers and Other Expenditures				
3-24	Interfund Transfers (In)				
3-25	Interfund Transfers (Out)				
	Other Expenditures (Revenues) (Specify in lines 3-26 through 3-28.)				
3-26					
3-27					
3-28					
3-29	Total Transfers and Other Expenditures (Add lines 3-24 through 3-28)	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
3-30	EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES (line 2-29 less line 3-23 less line 3-29)	-\$ 76,952	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
3-31	Fund Balance, January 1 from December 31 prior year report	\$ 433,991			
3-32	Prior Period Adjustment (MUST explain in line 3-33)				
3-33					
3-34	FUND BALANCE, DECEMBER 31 (Add lines 3-30, 3-31, and 3-32. Should match line 1-36.)	\$ 357,039	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0

Part 3B: Proprietary/Fiduciary Funds Table

Enter the type of each proprietary/fiduciary fund in the fields below.

Fund A: _____

Fund B: _____

Fund C: _____

Fund D: _____

Line	Description	Proprietary/Fiduciary Fund			
		Fund A	Fund B	Fund C	Fund D
	Expenses				
3-35	General Operating and Administrative				
3-36	Salaries				
3-37	Payroll Taxes				
3-38	Contract Services				
3-39	Employee Benefits				
3-40	Insurance				
3-41	Accounting and Legal Fees				
3-42	Repair and Maintenance				
3-43	Supplies				
3-44	Utilities				
3-45	Contributions to Fire & Police Pension Association				
	Other (specify in lines 3-46 through 3-47)				
3-46					
3-47					
3-48	Capital Outlay				
	Debt Service				
3-49	Principal (should match amount in Part 4, Debt Schedule Table)				
3-50	Interest				
3-51	Bond Issuance Costs				
3-52	Developer Principal Repayments				

Line	Description	Proprietary/Fiduciary Fund			
		Fund A	Fund B	Fund C	Fund D
3-53	Developer Interest Repayments				
	All Other (specify in lines 3-54 through 3-57)				
3-54					
3-55					
3-56					
3-57					
3-58	TOTAL EXPENSES (Add lines 3-35 through 3-57)	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
	GAAP Reconciling Items				
3-59	Net Interfund Transfers (In) Out				
	Other (specify in line 3-60. Enter negative for expense.)				
3-60					
3-61	Depreciation/Amortization				
3-62	Other Financing Sources (from line 2-57)				
3-63	Capital Outlay (from line 3-48)				
3-64	Debt Principal (from line 3-49, 3-52)				
3-65	Total GAAP Reconciling Items (Add lines 3-60, 3-63, and 3-64, subtract lines 3-61 and 3-62)	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
3-66	NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET POSITION (Line 2-58, less line 3-58, plus line 3-65, less line 3-59)	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
3-67	Net Position, January 1 from December 31 prior year report				
3-68	Prior Period Adjustment (MUST explain in line 3-69)				
3-69					
3-70	NET POSITION, DECEMBER 31 (Add lines 3-66, 3-67, and 3-68. Should match line 1-72.)	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0

Part 3C: Grand Total of Revenues and Expenditures/Expenses

Line	Description	Total
	Total Revenues per Fund	
3-71	General	\$ 490,409
3-72		\$ 0
3-73		\$ 0
3-74		\$ 0
3-75	Governmental Funds (Add lines 3-71 through 3-74)	\$ 490,409
3-76		\$ 0
3-77		\$ 0
3-78		\$ 0
3-79		\$ 0
3-80	Proprietary/Fiduciary Funds (Add lines 3-76 through 3-79)	\$ 0
3-81	GRAND TOTAL REVENUES (ALL FUNDS) (Add lines 3-75 and 3-80)	\$ 490,409
	Total Expenditures/Expenses per Fund	
3-82	General	\$ 567,361
3-83		\$ 0
3-84		\$ 0
3-85		\$ 0
3-86	Governmental Funds (Add lines 3-82 through 3-85)	\$ 567,361
3-87		\$ 0
3-88		\$ 0
3-89		\$ 0
3-90		\$ 0
3-91	Proprietary/Fiduciary Funds (Add lines 3-87 through 3-90)	\$ 0
3-92	GRAND TOTAL EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES (ALL FUNDS) (Add lines 3-86 and 3-91)	\$ 567,361

IF EITHER GRAND TOTAL REVENUES OR EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES FOR ALL FUNDS IS GREATER THAN \$1,000,000 — 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 3D: Comments or Additional Information

Please use the space below to provide any additional information (optional).

Part 4: Debt Outstanding, Issued, and Retired

4-1	Does the entity have outstanding debt?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No
4-2	If no, skip to line 4-15. If yes, please attach a copy of the entity's debt repayment schedule.		
4-3	Is the debt repayment schedule attached?	<input type="radio"/> N/A	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
4-4	If no, MUST explain below.		
4-5	Is the entity current in its debt service payments?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No
4-6	If no, MUST explain below.		
4-7	If no, also indicate if the government is in default with its bond agreements.	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No

Debt Schedule Table

Please complete the following debt schedule, if applicable.

Please only include principal amounts. Enter all amounts as positive numbers.

Line	Debt Type	Outstanding at End of Prior Year*	Issued During Year	Retired During Year	Outstanding at Year-End
4-8	General Obligation Bonds				\$ 0
4-9	Revenue Bonds				\$ 0
4-10	Notes/Loans	\$ 504,211		\$ 51,108	\$ 453,103
4-11	Lease and SBITA** Liabilities (GASB 87 & 96)				\$ 0
4-12	Developer Advances				\$ 0
	Other (specify in line 4-13)				
4-13					\$ 0
4-14	TOTAL (Add lines 4-8 through 4-13)	\$ 504,211	\$ 0	\$ 51,108	\$ 453,103

*Must agree to prior year-end balance

**Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements

Comments (optional)

4-15	Does the entity have any authorized but unissued debt as of its fiscal year-end?	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No
4-16	If yes, how much?		
4-17	Date the debt was authorized		
4-18	Is the authorized but unissued debt further limited by the entity's most recent Service Plan?	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No
4-19	If yes, how much?		
4-20	Date of the most recent Service Plan		
4-21	Does the entity intend to issue debt within the next calendar year?	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No
4-22	If yes, how much?		
4-23	Does the entity have debt that has been refinanced that it is still responsible for?	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No
4-24	If yes, what is the amount outstanding?		
4-25	Does the entity have any lease agreements?	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No
4-26	If yes, what is being leased?		
4-27	What is the original date of the lease?		
4-28	Number of years of lease?		
4-29	Is the lease subject to annual appropriation?	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No
4-30	What are the annual lease payments?		

Please use the space below to provide any additional information (optional).

Part 5: Cash and Investments

Please provide the entity's cash deposit and investment balances.

Line	Description	Amount
5-1	Year-end Total of all Checking and Savings Accounts	\$ 192,561
5-2	Certificates of Deposit	
5-3	TOTAL CASH DEPOSITS (Add lines 5-1 and 5-2)	\$ 192,561
Investments (Specify in lines 5-4 through 5-8. If investment is a mutual fund, please list underlying investment.)		
5-4		
5-5		
5-6		
5-7		
5-8		
5-9	Total Investments (Add lines 5-4 through 5-8)	\$ 0
5-10	TOTAL CASH AND INVESTMENTS (Add lines 5-3 and 5-9)	\$ 192,561

5-11	Are the entity's investments legal in accordance with Section 24-75-601, et. seq., C.R.S.?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> N/A	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No
5-12	Are the entity's deposits in an eligible (Public Deposit Protection Act) public depository (Section 11-10.5-101, et seq. C.R.S.)?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	
5-13	If no, MUST explain below.			

Please use the space below to provide any additional information (optional).

Part 6: Capital and Right-to-Use Assets

6-1	Does the entity have capitalized assets? (If "no" is selected, skip the rest of Part 6.)	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No
6-2	Has the entity performed an annual inventory of capital assets in accordance with Section 29-1-506, C.R.S.?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No
6-3	If no, MUST explain below.		

Capital and Right-to-Use Assets Table for Governmental Funds

Line	Asset Type	Beginning of the Year Balance*	Additions**	Deletions	Year-End Balance
6-4	Land	\$ 118,000			\$ 118,000
6-5	Buildings	\$ 2,184,554			\$ 2,184,554
6-6	Machinery and Equipment	\$ 1,380,057	\$ 186,652		\$ 1,566,709
6-7	Furniture and Fixtures				\$ 0
6-8	Infrastructure				\$ 0
6-9	Construction In Progress (CIP)				\$ 0
6-10	Leased & SBITA Right-to-Use Assets				\$ 0
6-11	Intangible Assets				\$ 0
	Other (explain in line 6-12)				
6-12					\$ 0
6-13	Accumulated Amortization Right-to-Use Assets (Enter a negative or credit balance)				\$ 0
6-14	Accumulated Depreciation (Enter a negative or credit balance)	-\$ 1,734,706	-\$ 138,370		-\$ 1,873,076
6-15	TOTAL (Add lines 6-4 through 6-14)	\$ 1,947,905	\$ 48,282	\$ 0	\$ 1,996,187

*Must agree to prior year-end balance.

**Generally capital asset additions should be reported as capital outlay on line 3-14 and capitalized in accordance with the government's capitalization policy. Please explain any discrepancy in the comments section below.

Capital and Right-to-Use Assets Table for Proprietary Funds

Please complete the following Capital & Right-To-Use Assets table for PROPRIETARY FUNDS.

Line	Asset Type	Beginning of the Year Balance*	Additions**	Deletions	Year-End Balance
6-16	Land				\$ 0
6-17	Buildings				\$ 0
6-18	Machinery and Equipment				\$ 0
6-19	Furniture and Fixtures				\$ 0
6-20	Infrastructure				\$ 0
6-21	Construction In Progress (CIP)				\$ 0
6-22	Leased & SBITA Right-to-Use Assets				\$ 0
6-23	Intangible Assets				\$ 0
	Other (explain in line 6-24)				
6-24					\$ 0
6-25	Accumulated Amortization Right-to-Use Assets (Enter a negative or credit balance)				\$ 0
6-26	Accumulated Depreciation (Enter a negative or credit balance)				\$ 0
6-27	TOTAL (Add lines 6-16 through 6-26)	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0

*Must agree to prior year-end balance.

**Generally capital asset additions should be reported as capital outlay on line 3-48 and capitalized in accordance with the government's capitalization policy. Please explain any discrepancy in the comments section below.

Please use the space below to provide any additional information (optional).

<p>The beginning balances for Governmental assets is different because of prior period adjustments of fixed asset activity that wasn't recorded in 2024. The 2024 depreciation wasn't recorded and there was a purchase of a truck and sale of an old truck in 2024 that was not recorded.</p>	
2024 Ending Balance Machinery & Equipment:	\$1,331,311
Purchase: RAM 5500 Chassis in 2023	\$ 83,746
Sale/Deletion: F350 Flatbed	\$ (35,000)
Revised 2024 Ending Balance	\$1,380,057
2024 Ending Balance Accumulated Depreciation:	(\$1,635,214)
Purchase: Ram 5500 Chassis (2023 & 2024)	(\$ 12,562)
Sale/Deletion: F350 Flatbed	\$ 35,000
2024 Accumulated Depreciation	(\$121,930)
Revised 2024 Ending Balance	(\$1,734,706)

Part 7: Pension Information

7-1	Does the entity have an "old hire" firefighters' pension plan?	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No
7-2	Does the entity have a volunteer firefighters' pension plan?	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No
7-3	If yes, who administers the plan?		
Indicate the contributions from the following in lines 7-4 through 7-6.			
7-4	Tax (property, specific ownership, sales, etc.)		
7-5	State contribution amount		
7-6	Other (gifts, donations, etc.)		
7-7	TOTAL (Add lines 7-4 through 7-6)		\$ 0
7-8	What is the monthly benefit paid for 20 years of service per retiree as of Jan 1?		

Please use the space below to provide any additional information (optional).

Part 8: Budget Information

8-1	Did the entity file a budget with the Department of Local Affairs for the current year in accordance with Section 29-1-113 C.R.S.?	<input type="radio"/> N/A	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No
8-2	If no, MUST explain below.			
8-3	Did the entity pass an appropriations resolution, in accordance with Section 29-1-108 C.R.S.?	<input type="radio"/> N/A	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No
8-4	If no, MUST explain below.			
If yes, indicate the amount appropriated for each fund separately for the year reported in the table below.				

Appropriation Amount by Fund

Enter the fund name, then indicate the final amount appropriated for each fund for the year reported. Ensure each individual fund's final appropriated amount agrees to the adopted budget. Do not combine funds.

Line	Governmental/Proprietary Fund Name	Total
8-5	LVFPD GENERAL FUND	\$ 571,000
8-6		
8-7		
8-8		
8-9		

Please use the space below to provide any additional information (optional).

Part 9: Taxpayer's Bill of Rights (TABOR)

9-1	Is the entity in compliance with all the provisions of TABOR (State Constitution, Article X, Section 20(5))?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No
9-2	If no, MUST explain below.		

Note: An election to exempt the entity from the spending limitations of TABOR does not exempt the entity from the 3 percent emergency reserve requirement. All entities should determine if they meet this requirement of TABOR.

Please use the space below to provide any additional information (optional).

Part 10: General Information

10-1	Is this application for a newly formed governmental entity?	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No
10-2	If yes, what was the date of formation		
10-3	Has the entity changed its name in the past or current year?	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No
10-4	If yes, please list the NEW name below.		
10-5	If yes, please list the PRIOR name below.		
10-6	Is the entity a metropolitan district?	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No
10-7	Please indicate what services the entity provides below.		
10-8	Does the entity have an agreement with another government to provide services?	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No
10-9	If yes, list the name of the other governmental entity and the services provided below.		
10-10	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.)	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No
10-11	If yes, what was the date filed		
10-12	Does the entity have a certified mill levy?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No
	If yes, please provide the following mills levied for the year reported (do not report dollar amounts).		
10-13	Bond redemption mills		
10-14	General/other mills	4.211	
10-15	TOTAL MILLS (Add lines 10-13 through 10-14.)	4.211	
10-16	If the entity is a Title 32 Special District formed 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.)?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> N/A	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
10-17	If no, please explain below.		

Please use the space below to provide any additional information (optional).

Part 11: Governing Body Approval

11-1	If you plan to submit this form electronically, have you read the Electronic Signature Policy?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No
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Office of the State Auditor — Local Government Division Exemption Form Electronic Signature Policy and Procedure

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 must note their approval and submit the application using one of the following two methods:

- 1) Submit the application in hard copy via U.S. 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.

**RESOLUTION APPROVING AN APPLICATION FOR
EXEMPTION FROM AUDIT**

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

Resolution No. 2026-003

A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN APPLICATION FOR EXEMPTION FROM AUDIT FOR YEAR 2024 FOR THE **LA VETA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**, STATE OF COLORADO.

WHEREAS, the **Board of Directors of La Veta Fire Protection District** wishes to claim exemption from the audit requirements of Section 29-1-603, C.R.S.; and

WHEREAS, neither revenues nor expenditures for **La Veta Fire Protection District** exceeded \$1,000,000 for Year 2025; and

WHEREAS, Section 29-1-604, C.R.S., states that any local government where neither revenues nor expenditures exceed one million dollars (\$1,000,000) may, with the approval of the State Auditor, be exempt from the provision of Section 29-1-603, C.R.S.; and

WHEREAS, an application for exemption from audit for **La Veta Fire Protection District** has been prepared by **Todd Mihelich, CPA with McPherson, Goodrich, Paolucci & Mihelich, PC**, 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 **La Veta Fire Protection District** that the application for exemption from audit for La Veta Fire Protection District for the year ended December 31, 2025, has been personally reviewed and is hereby approved by a majority of the **Board of Directors** of the **La Veta 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 **La Veta Fire Protection District** for the year ended December 31, 2025.

ADOPTED THIS 12th day of March, A.D. 2026.

Mickey L Schmidt
Chairman

ATTEST:

K. Lard
Secretary

<u>Members of Governing Body</u>	<u>Date Term Expires</u>	<u>Signature</u>
<u>Mickey Schmidt</u>	<u>May 2027</u>	<u>Mickey L Schmidt</u>
<u>Vonnie Valdez</u>	<u>May 2029</u>	<u>Vonnie Valdez</u>
<u>Tucker Shrout</u>	<u>May 2029</u>	<u>Tucker Shrout</u>
<u>Keri Lard</u>	<u>May 2027</u>	<u>K. Lard</u>
<u>Tim Gripka</u>	<u>May 2027</u>	<u>Tim Gripka</u>

Governing Body Signatures

Print or type 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		
Board member's name		
My term expires on		
I attest that I am a duly elected or appointed board member, and that I have personally reviewed and approved this application for exemption from audit.	Signature	Date
Board Member 2		
Board member's name		
My term expires on		
I attest that I am a duly elected or appointed board member, and that I have personally reviewed and approved this application for exemption from audit.	Signature	Date
Board Member 3		
Board member's name		
My term expires on		
I attest that I am a duly elected or appointed board member, and that I have personally reviewed and approved this application for exemption from audit.	Signature	Date
Board Member 4		
Board member's name		
My term expires on		
I attest that I am a duly elected or appointed board member, and that I have personally reviewed and approved this application for exemption from audit.	Signature	Date
Board Member 5		
Board member's name		
My term expires on		
I attest that I am a duly elected or appointed board member, and that I have personally reviewed and approved this application for exemption from audit.	Signature	Date
Board Member 6		
Board member's name		
My term expires on		
I attest that I am a duly elected or appointed board member, and that I have personally reviewed and approved this application for exemption from audit.	Signature	Date
Board Member 7		
Board member's name		
My term expires on		
I attest that I am a duly elected or appointed board member, and that I have personally reviewed and approved this application for exemption from audit.	Signature	Date

LONG TERM DEBT

The La Veta Fire Protection District entered into a loan agreement with Fowler State Bank on September 8, 2015 for the purpose of constructing a new station. The original amount of the loan was \$1,100,000 and was to be repaid on an annual basis over 25 year at an interest rate of 4.25%. During 2016, the loan was paid down and the balance was refinanced with an interest rate of 3.75 %. Below is a schedule of the annual debt requirements to maturity.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Payment</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Prinipal</u>	<u>Balance</u>
2023	38041	18432	19609	491665
2024	38041	17696	20345	472056
2025	38041	16933	21108	451711
2026	38041	16142	21899	430603
2027	38041	15321	22720	408704
2028	38041	14468	23573	385984
2029	38041	13585	24456	362411
2030	38041	12667	25374	337955
2031	38041	11716	26325	312581
2032	38041	10729	27312	286256
2033	38041	9704	28337	258944
2034	38041	8642	29399	230607
2035	38041	7538	30503	201208
2036	38041	6396	31645	170705
2037	38041	5209	32832	139060
2038	38041	3977	34064	106228
2039	38041	2700	35341	72164
2040	38041	1218	36823	36823
			0	0
	<u>684738</u>	<u>193073</u>	<u>491665</u>	

SAN ISABEL ELECTRIC ASSOCIATION - USDA LOAN

On August 25, 2016, the La Veta Fire Protection District entered into a loan agreement with San Isabel Electric Association. The amount of the loan is \$300,000. The loan has an interest rate of 0% and is to be repaid in monthly installments of \$2,500 over 120 months beginning October 2016. Below is a schedule of the annual debt requirements to maturity.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Payment</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Prinipal</u>	<u>Balance</u>
2023	30000	0	30000	112500
2024	30000	0	30000	82500
2025	30000	0	30000	52500
2026	22500	0	22500	22500
			0	0
	<u>112500</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>112500</u>	

No Assurance is Provided on These Financial Statements