BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
WITH SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION SCHEDULES

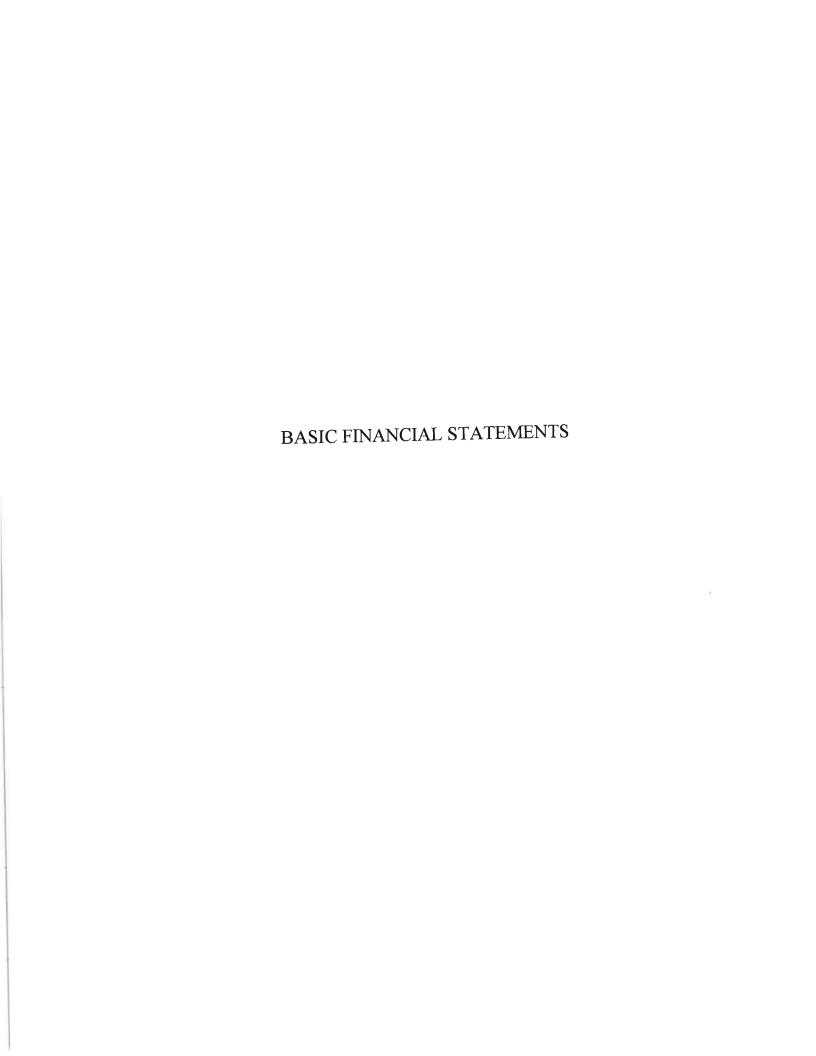
AS OF AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024



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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Commissioners Tensas Basin Levee District A Discrete Component Unit of the State of Louisiana Rayville, LA

#### **Opinions**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and the general fund information of the Tensas Basin Levee District (the District), a component unit of the State of Louisiana, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and general fund information of the District, as of June 30, 2024, and the respective changes in financial position and for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Basis for Opinions**

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the District, and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

#### Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the District's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

#### Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that
  are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the
  effectiveness of the District's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that
  raise substantial doubt about the District's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period
  of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

#### **Required Supplementary Information**

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis, budgetary comparison information, schedule of employer's share of net pension liability, schedule of employer's contributions, schedule of change in OPEB liability, and related notes be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

#### **Supplementary Information**

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Districts basic financial statements. Schedule of compensation, benefits, and other payments to agency head, the schedule of per diem paid to board members, and the Division of Administration's Annual Fiscal Report (AFR) are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the supplementary information and the AFR are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

#### Other Reporting Required by Governmental Auditing Standards

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated September 16, 2024, on our consideration of the District's internal controls over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal controls over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion of the internal controls over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Governmental Auditing Standards in considering the District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.



CPAs & Financial Advisors Baton Rouge, Louisiana September 16, 2024 REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION (PART 1 OF 2)

## MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS June 30, 2024

The Management's Discussion and Analysis of Tensas Basin Levee District's (District) financial performance presents a narrative overview and analysis of the District's financial activities for the year ended June 30, 2024. This document focuses on the current year's activities, resulting changes, and currently-known facts in comparison with the prior year's information. Please read this document in conjunction with the District's financial statements.

#### Financial Highlights

- The District's assets exceeded the liabilities at the close of fiscal year 2024 by \$21,010,881, which represents an increase from last year. Assets consist primarily of investments and capital assets. Net position increased by \$12,944,924.
- The District's revenue totaled \$18,242,553 for the year ended June 30, 2024. These revenues are comprised primarily of Ad Valorem taxes and gain on remeasurement of OPEB liability. Revenues (other than OPEB remeasurement) decreased \$434,535, or -4.0%, compared to the prior fiscal year.
- The District's expenditures totaled \$5,062,888 for the year ended June 30, 2024. These expenditures are comprised primarily of Salaries and Maintenance. Expenditures increased \$297,162, or 6.24%, compared to the prior year due to increased salary and administrative expenses.

#### Overview of the Financial Statement Presentation

The financial statements are comprised of three components: Management's Discussion and Analysis (this section), the basic financial statements, and Required Supplementary Information. The basic financial statements comprise three components: (1) government-wide financial statements, (2) fund financial statements, and (3) notes to the financial statements. This report also contains additional information to supplement the basic financial statements, such as required supplementary information.

Government-wide Financial Statements. The government-wide financial statements are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the District's finances, in a manner similar to private-sector businesses.

The Statement of Net Position (page 9) presents information on all of the District's assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources. The difference between assets plus deferred outflows of resources and liabilities plus deferred inflows of resources is net position and may serve as a useful indicator of whether the District's financial position is improving or deteriorating.

The Statement of Activities (page 10) presents information showing how the District's assets changed during the most recent fiscal year. Regardless of whether cash is affected, all changes in net position are reported when the underlying transactions occur. As a result, transactions are included that will not affect cash until future periods.

## MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS June 30, 2024

#### **Fund Financial Statements.**

A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The District uses a single fund to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related laws and regulations. Within the basic financial statements, fund financial statements focus on the District's only fund, the General Fund.

The District only uses one fund type, the governmental fund. The governmental fund is used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the governmental-wide financial statements. However, unlike government-wide financial statements, governmental fund financial statements focus on near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources, as well as on balances of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating the District's near-term financing requirements.

Because the view of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. Both the governmental fund Balance Sheet and the governmental fund Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between the governmental fund and governmental activities.

#### Notes to the Financial Statements.

The notes (pages 15-35) provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements.

#### Required Supplementary Information and Supplementary Information.

In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents certain required supplemental information concerning the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability (page 36), the District's Contributions – LASERS (page 37), changes in net OPEB liability (page 38), and the budgetary comparison schedule (page 39) required by GASB. The Schedule of Per Diem and Salary Paid to Board Commissioners (page 40) presents the compensation received by the Board commissioners in accordance with Louisiana Revised Statute 38:308 and Schedule of Compensation, Benefits, and Other Payments to Agency Head (page 40) represents information required to be reported by the Louisiana Legislative Auditor.

## MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS June 30, 2024

#### Financial Analysis of the Government- Wide Activities of the District

## SUMMARY OF NET POSITION Governmental activities As of June 30

Assets	2024	2023	Variance	Percent Change
Current and other assets	\$ 16,712,175	\$ 13,026,714	\$ 3,685,461	28.29%
Capital assets, net	10,230,301	9,949,233	281,068	2.83%
Total Assets	26,942,476	22,975,947	3,966,529	17.26%
Deferred Outflows	849,215	1,238,697	(389,482)	-31.44%
Total Assets &				
<b>Deferred Outflows</b>	\$ 27,791,691	\$ 24,214,644	\$ 3,577,047	14.77%
Liabilities				
Current liabilities	303,164	305,221	(2,057)	-0.67%
Compensated absences	124,028	113,680	10,348	9.10%
OPEB liability	2,071,528	1,822,404	249,124	13.67%
Net pension liability	3,461,224	5,059,206	(1,597,982)	-31.59%
Total Liabilities	5,959,944	7,300,511	(1,340,567)	-18.36%
Deferred Inflows	820,866	8,848,176	(8,027,310)	-90.72%
Net Position				
Invested in capital assets	10,230,301	9,949,233	281,068	2.83%
Restricted – employee escrow	121,540	77,913	43,627	55.99%
Unrestricted	10,659,040	(1,961,189)	12,620,229	-643.50%
Total Net Position	21,010,881	8,0656,957	12,944,924	160.49%
Total Liabilities, Deferred				
Inflows, and Net Position	\$ 27,791,691	\$ 24,214,644	3,577,047	14.77%

## MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS June 30, 2024

#### STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

## Governmental activities For the Years Ended June 30

	2024	2023	Variance	Percent Change
Revenues				
Grants and contributions	\$	\$ 2,932,189	\$ (2,932,189)	-100.00%
General Revenues:	6 942 612	6 452 027	200 605	6.02%
Taxes	6,842,612	6,453,927	388,685	
Intergovernmental	1,613,421	72,441	1,540,980	2127.22%
Royalties and leases	112,881	221,408	(108,527)	-49.02%
Investments	614,809	116,580	498,229	427.37%
Gain on sale of assets	40,051	85,232	(45,181)	-53.00%
Miscellaneous	8,978,229	31,661	8,901,886	7615.41%
Total Revenues	18,242,553	9,913,438	8,329,115	84.02%
Expenses				
Extraordinary Item	234,741	y <b>≙</b>	234,741	100.00%
Public Safety/Flood Protection	5,062,888	4,765,726	297,162	6.24%
Change in net position	12,994,924	5,147,712	7,847,212	152.44%
Net position, beginning	8,065,957	2,918,245	5,147,712	176.40%
Net position, ending	\$_21,010,881	\$8,065,957	\$ <u>12,994,924</u>	160.48%

## MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS June 30, 2024

#### **Capital Assets**

The District's investment in capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, at June 30, 2024, was \$10,230,301. Capital assets increased by \$281,068 or 2.8% compared to the prior fiscal year.

Capital assets at year-end are summarized as follows:

## CAPITAL ASSETS Net of Accumulated Depreciation Governmental Activities

	-	2024		2023	V	ariance	Percent Change
Land	\$	1,422,616	\$	1,385,266	\$	37,350	2.69%
Construction in Progress		2,060,161		1,549,967		510,194	32.0%
Infrastructure		5,986,122		5,986,122		H	0.0%
Building		1,253,753		1,263,043		(9,290)	0.1%
Machinery and Equipment	_	5,663,210	_	5,622,462		40,748	0.1%
Total Capital Assets		16,385,862		15,806,860		579,002	3.66%
Accumulated Depreciation		(6,155,561)	_	(5,857,627)		(297,934)	-5.0%
Capital Assets Net of Depr.	\$	10,230,301	\$	9,949,233	\$	281,068	2.82%

#### Long-term Liabilities

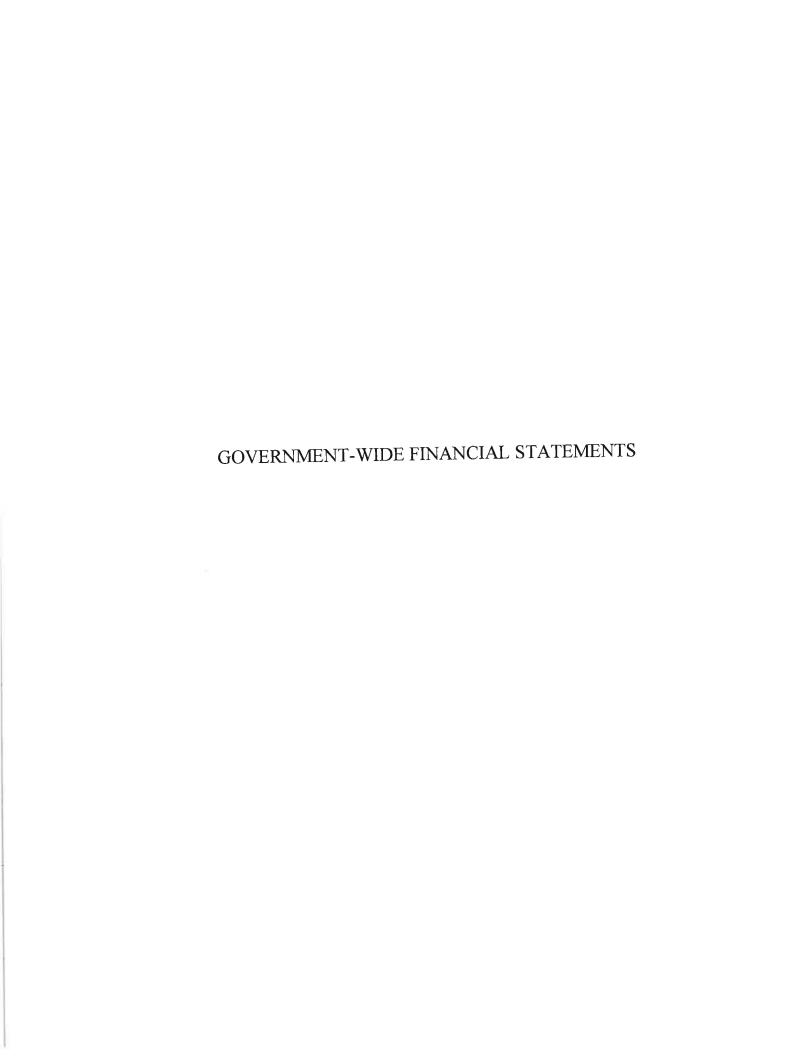
Long-term liabilities at June 30, 2024 are shown in the table below:

#### Long-term Liabilities Governmental Activities

	2024	2024 2023		Variance		Percent Change	
Compensated absences	\$ 124,028	\$	113,680	\$	10,348	9.1%	
OPEB payable	2,071,528		1,822,404		249,124	13.7%	
Pension liability	3,461,224	_	5,059,206	_(1	,597,982)	-31.6%	
Total long-term liabilities	\$ 5,656,780	\$	6,995,290	\$(1	,338,510)	-19.0%	

#### **Request for Information**

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the District's finances, comply with finance-related laws and regulations and demonstrate the District's commitment to public accountability. Any questions or requests for additional information can be obtained by contacting Bradon Waggoner, Executive Director at P. O. Box 68, Rayville, Louisiana 71269.



# STATEMENT OF NET POSITION (See Accompanying Notes and Independent Auditors' Report) June 30, 2024

	Governr	nental Activities
ASSETS		
Current Assets		10 005 100
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	13,395,422
Restricted Cash		121,540
Investments		2,982,909
Prepaid Assets		184,577
Accounts Receivable	-	27,727
Total Current Assets		16,712,175
Non-Current Assets		10,230,301
Capital assets, net of depreciation	*	
TOTAL ASSETS	·	26,942,476
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES		
Deferred Outflows of Resources- Pension & Other Post-Employment Benefits		849,215
LIABILITIES		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts Payable		61,398
Accrued Payroll Liabilities		29,189
Estimated Claims Payable		75,940
Retainage Payable		88,990
Retirement Contributions Payable	-	47,647
Total Current Liabilities		303,164
Non-Current Liabilities		124.020
Compensated Absences Payable		124,028
Pension Liability, net		3,461,224
Other Post-Employment Benefits Payable	-	2,071,528
Total Non-Current Liabilities		5,656,780
TOTAL LIABILITIES	÷	5,959,944
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES		
Deferred Inflows of Resources- Pension & Other Post-Employment Benefits		820,866
NET POSITION		
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt		10,230,301
Restricted - Employee Escrow		121,540
Unrestricted	-	10,659,040
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$	21,010,881

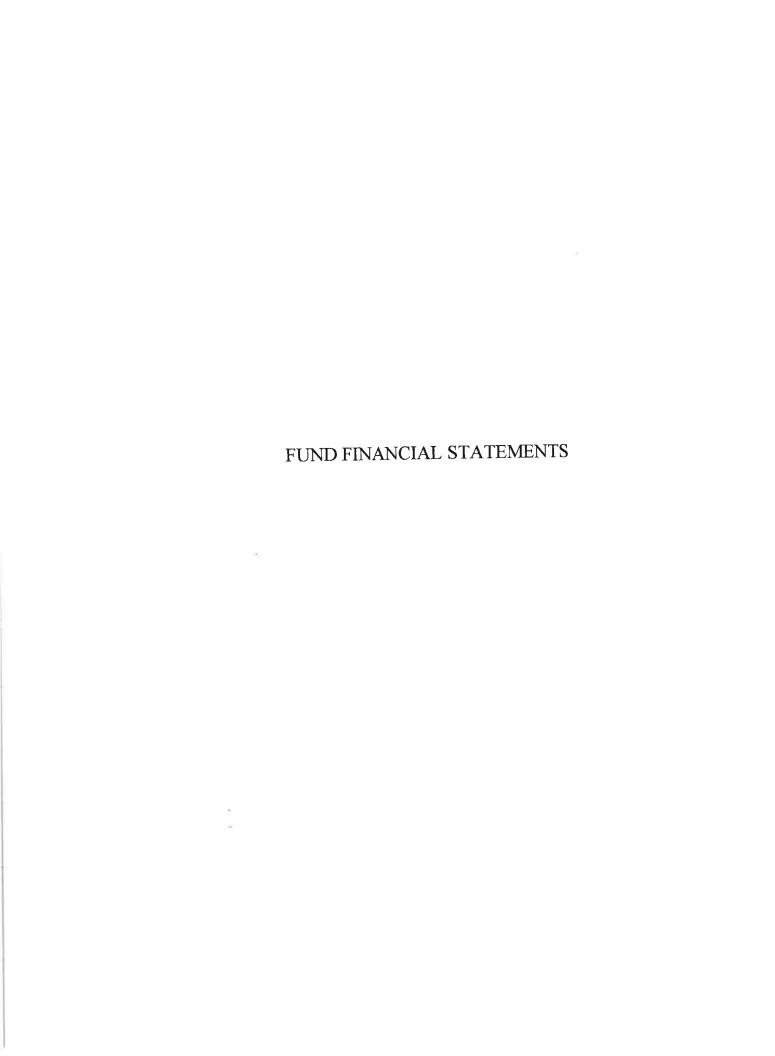


#### STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

(See Accompanying Notes and Independent Auditors' Report) For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

				Program	Revenue	S		Net Revenues (Expenses)
Functions/Programs	Expenses		arges Services	Opei Gran	rating ts and butions	Cap Grant	oital s and outions	Governmental Activities
Governmental Activities Public safety/flood protection	\$ 5,062,888	\$			-	\$	-	\$ (5,062,888)
Total Governmental Activities	\$ 5,062,888	\$		\$		\$	*	(5,062,888)
	General Revenu	ıes						
	Taxes							6,842,612
	Intergovernme	ntal						1,613,421
	Royalties and	leases						112,881
	Sale of Assets							40,051
	Interest and div	vidends	net of inv	estment g	gains (los	ses)		655,289
	Other revenues	5						8,978,299
	Total Genera	l Reven	iues					18,242,553
	Extraordinary Ite	em (see	Note 12)					234,741
	Change in Net Po	osition						12,944,924
	Net Position, beg	ginning	of year					8,065,957
	Net Position, end	ding of y	ear					\$ 21,010,881





#### BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

(See Accompanying Notes and Independent Auditors' Report)
June 30, 2024

	G	eneral Fund
ASSETS Cash and Cash Equivalents Restricted Cash Accounts Receivable Prepaid Assets Investments	\$	13,395,422 121,540 27,727 184,577 2,982,909
TOTAL ASSETS		16,712,175
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES  Liabilities:  Accounts Payable  Accrued Payroll liabilities  Estimated Claims Payable	\$	61,398 29,189 75,940
Retainage Payable Retirement Contributions Payable		88,990 47,647
Total Liabilities		303,164
Fund Balances: Restricted Unrestricted - Assigned Unassigned		121,540 10,044 16,277,427
Total Fund Balances	_	16,409,011
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$	16,712,175



## RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET TO THE GOVERNMENT-WIDE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

(See Accompanying Notes and Independent Auditors' Report)
June 30, 2024

Total Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds

\$ 16,409,011

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Position are different because:

Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in these funds. This is the reported amount of capital assets net of accumulated depreciation.

10,230,301

Deferred outflows of resources related to pensions and OPEB are not current year financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in these funds.

849,215

Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in these funds. Long-term liabilities include the following:

Compensated absences (124,028)
Other post-employment benefits plan (2,071,528)
Net pension liability (3,461,224)

Deferred inflows of resources related to pensions and OPEB are not current year financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in these funds.

(820,866)

Total Net Position - Governmental Activities

\$ 21,010,881



# STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

(See Accompanying Notes and Independent Auditors' Report)
For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

	G	eneral Fund
REVENUES		
Taxes	\$	6,842,612
Intergovernmental revenues:		4 (10 401
State revenue sharing		1,613,421
Royalties and leases		112,881
Sale of equipment		40,051
Interest and dividends net of investment gains (losses)		655,289
Total Revenues		9,264,254
EXPENDITURES		
General government		5,060,927
Capital Outlay		281,068
Extraordinary Item (See Note 12)		234,741
Total Expenditures		5,576,736
Net Change in Fund Balances		3,687,518
Fund balances, beginning		12,721,493
Fund balances, ending	\$	16,409,011



# RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

(See Accompanying Notes and Independent Auditors' Report)
For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

Net Change in Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds

\$ 3,687,518

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Activities are different because:

Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the Statement of Activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which depreciation exceeded capital outlays in the current period.

(281,068)

Depreciation expense on capital assets is reported in the Government-wide financial statements, but does not require the use of current financial resources and is not reported in the Fund Financial Statements. Curren year depreciation expense is

(475,040)

Governmental funds report current year employer contributions to the state retirement stystem as an expense. However, in the Statement of Activities, current year employer contributions are included in the pension expense.

160,551

Some expenses reported in the Statement of Activities do not require the use of current financial resources and are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds. These include the net change in:

Compensated absences
Other post-employment benefits plan

10,348 2,071,528

Changes in net position liability and deferred inflows and outflows in accordance with GASB 68

7,771,087

Change in Net Position - Governmental Activities

\$ 12,944,924



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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS June 30, 2024

#### INTRODUCTION

The Tensas Basin Levee District (the District) is a component unit of the State of Louisiana created by Act 26, Section I of the 1884 General Assembly (Legislature) of the State of Louisiana and later redefined by Act 59, Section I of the 1886 General Assembly for the purpose constructing, maintaining and protecting the levee systems within its designated jurisdiction. The District includes all or a portion of the following parishes: Caldwell, Catahoula, Franklin, LaSalle, Morehouse, Ouachita, Richland and West Carroll. The District primarily provides flood protection for those areas contained within the District. The Board of Commissioners administers the operation and responsibilities of the District in accordance with the provisions of Louisiana statutes. The eleven members of the Board of Commissioners are appointed by the Governor of the State of Louisiana.

#### NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accounting and reporting practices of the District conform to generally accepted principles, as applicable to governments. Such accounting and reporting procedures also conform to the requirements of Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513 and to the guides set forth in the Louisiana Governmental Audit Guide, and to the industry audit guide Audits of State and Local Governmental Units.

The following is a summary of certain significant accounting policies:

<u>Basis of Presentation</u> – The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) promulgates accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and reporting standards for state and local governments. These principles are found in the *Codification of Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards*, published by GASB. The accompanying financial statements have been prepared in accordance with such principles.

Reporting Entity – GASB Codification Section 2100 establishes criteria for determining the governmental reporting entity and its component units. Component units are defined as legally separate organizations for which the elected officials of a primary government are financially accountable. The criteria used in determining whether financial accountability exists include the appointment of a voting majority of an organization's governing board, the ability of the primary government to impose its will on that organization or whether there is a potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefits or burdens to the primary government. Fiscal dependency may also play a part in determining financial accountability. In addition, a component unit can be another organization for which the nature and significance of its relationship with a primary government is such that exclusion would cause the reporting entity's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete.

Government-Wide and Fund Financials – The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net position and the statement of activities) report information on all of the non-fiduciary activities of the District. For the most part, interfund activity has been removed from these statements. Governmental activities, which normally are supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business-type activities, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for support.

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS June 30, 2024

#### NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expense of a given function or segment is offset by program revenues. *Direct expenses* are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. *Program revenues* include 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment and 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment. Taxes and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenues. Special items are reported separately from revenues and expenses.

In addition, it has been determined that the District is a component unit of the State of Louisiana for financial reporting purposes. Annually, the State of Louisiana (the primary government) issues general-purpose financial statements, which include the activity contained in the accompanying financial statements.

Basis of Accounting/Measurement Focus - The government-wide financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the district considers revenues to be available only if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt services expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recorded only when payment is due.

Property taxes, royalties, and interest associated with the current fiscal year are all considered to be susceptible to accrual and so have been recognized as revenues of the current fiscal period. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the District.

Funds are used by the District to report on its financial position and the results of its operations. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid financial management by segregating transactions related to certain government functions or activities. A fund is a separate accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. The District has a General Fund only which is classified as a governmental fund type. The District has no proprietary or other fund types.

Governmental funds focus on the sources, uses, and balances of current financial resources. Expendable assets are assigned to governmental funds according to the purpose for which they may be used. Current liabilities are assigned to the fund from which they will be paid. The difference between governmental fund's assets and liabilities is reported as fund balance. In general, fund balance represents the accumulated expendable resources which may be used to finance future period programs or operations of the District.

Policies specific to the government-wide statements are as follows:

<u>Cash and Cash Equivalents</u> — Cash includes amounts in interest bearing demand deposits. Cash equivalents include amounts in time deposits and those investments with original maturities of 90 days or less. Under state law, the District may deposit funds in demand deposits, interest-bearing demand deposits, money market accounts or time deposits with state banks organized under Louisiana law and national banks having their principal offices in Louisiana.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS June 30, 2024

#### NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

<u>Investments</u> – Investments are limited by Louisiana Revised Statute 33:2955. If the original maturities of investments exceed 90 days, they are classified as investments. Otherwise, the investments are classified as cash and cash equivalents. In accordance with GASB Statement No. 31, investments are recorded at fair value, based on quoted market prices, with the corresponding increase or decrease reported in investment earnings.

<u>Use of Estimates</u> – The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

<u>Receivables</u> – All receivables are reported at their gross value and, when appropriate, are reduced by the estimated portion that is expected to be uncollectable. Uncollectable accounts receivable are recognized as bad debts through the establishment of an allowance account at the time information becomes available that would indicate the particular receivable is uncollectible.

Capitalizing Assets – Tangible and/or intangible assets used in operations with an initial useful life that extends beyond one year and exceed \$5,000 in cost are capitalized. Infrastructure assets such as roads and bridges are also capitalized along with interest on debt incurred during construction. Donated assets are recorded as capital assets at their estimated fair market value at the date of donation. Capital assets are recorded at their historical cost and are depreciated using the straight-line method of depreciation over their estimated useful lives. They are reported net of accumulated depreciation on the statement of net position.

No salvage value is taken into consideration for depreciation purposes. All capital assets, other than land, are depreciated for financial reporting purposes using the straight-line method over the following useful lives of the asset:

Description	<u>Years</u>
Buildings and building improvements	10
Vehicles	5
Equipment	10
Land Improvements	40

<u>Program Revenues</u> – The statement of activities presents three categories of program revenues (1) charges for services; (2) operating grants and contributions; and (3) capital grants and contributions. Charges for services are those revenues arising from charges to customers who purchase, use or directly benefit from goods and services provided by the District. Grants and contributions, whether operating or capital in nature, are revenues arising from receipts that are reserved for a specific use.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS June 30, 2024

#### NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

<u>Indirect Expenses</u> – Expenses are reported according to function except for those that meet the definition of special or extraordinary items. Direct expenses are specifically associated with a service or program. Indirect expenses include general government or administration that cannot be specifically traced to a service or program. Governments are not required to allocate indirect expenses to other functions, and the District has chosen not to do so.

Stewardship, Compliance, and Accountability – Formal budgetary accounting is employed as management control. The District prepares and adopts a budget prior to July 1 of each year for its general fund in accordance with Louisiana Revised Statutes. The operating budget is prepared based on prior year's revenues and expenditures and the estimated increase therein for the current year, using the full accrual basis of accounting, with the exception that the gain or loss resulting from adjusting the carry value of investments to fair market value is not included in the budget as a revenue or expense. The District amends its budget when projected revenues are expected to be less than budgeted revenues by five percent or more and/or projected expenditures are expected to be more than budgeted amounts by five percent or more. All budget appropriation lapse at year-end.

<u>Compensated Absences</u> – Employees earn and accumulate annual and sick leave at various rates depending on their years of service. The amount of annual and sick leave that may be accumulated by each employee is unlimited. Upon termination, employees or their heirs are compensated for up to 300 hours of unused annual leave at the employee's hourly rate of pay at the time of termination. Upon retirement, unused annual leave in excess of 300 hours plus unused sick leave is used to compute retirement benefits.

The cost of leave privileges, computed in accordance with GASB Codification Section C60, is recognized as current year expenditure in the fund when leave is actually taken. The government-wide financial statements present the cost of accumulated sick leave as a liability. There is no liability for unpaid accumulated sick leave since the District does not have a policy to pay this amount when employees separate from service.

Long-Term Obligations —Long-term liabilities consist of notes for compensated absences, post-employment benefits liability, and net pension liability in the government-wide statements. In the fund financial statements, however, long-term liabilities are not reported and payments of long-term liabilities are recognized as expenditures when paid. The District recognizes OPEB liability based on the actuarially determined liability by an outside actuary. For the purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System (LASERS) and additions to/deductions from LASERS' fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by LASERS. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

<u>Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources</u> – The statement of net position reports in a separate section deferred inflows and outflows of resources. Deferred outflow of resources is a consumption of net assets by the government that is applicable to a future reporting period while deferred inflows of resources is an acquisition of net assets by the government that is applicable to the future reporting period. The District reported deferred inflows and outflows of resources related to pension and OPEB.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS June 30, 2024

#### NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

<u>Property Taxes</u> – Article 6, Section 39 of the Louisiana Constitution of 1974 provides that, for the purpose of constructing and maintaining levees, levee drainage, flood protection, hurricane flood protection and all other purposes incidental thereto, the District may levy annually a tax not to exceed five mills. Ad valorem taxes attach as an enforceable lien on property as of January 1<sup>st</sup> of each year. They are levied in November, billed in December and become delinquent on January 1 of the following year.

<u>Fund Equity</u> - Beginning with fiscal year 2011, the District implemented GASB Statements No. 54, "Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions." This Statement provides more clearly defined fund balance categories to make the nature and extent of the constraints placed on a government's fund balances more transparent. The following classifications describe the relative strength of the spending constraints:

- Non-spendable fund balance-amounts that are not in non-spendable form (such as inventory) or are required to be maintained intact.
- Restricted fund balance-amounts constrained to specific purpose by their providers (such as grantors, bondholders, and higher levels of government), through constitutional provisions, or by enabling legislation.
- Committed fund balance-amounts constrained to specific purposes by the District itself, using its
  highest level of decision-making authority (i.e., Board of Directors). To be reported as committed,
  amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the District takes the same highest-level action
  to remove or change the constraint.
- Assigned fund balance-amounts the District intends to use for a specific purpose. Intent is expressed
  by the Board of Directors.
- Unassigned fund Balance-amounts that are available for any purpose. Positive amounts are reported only in the general fund.

Beginning fund balances for the District's governmental funds have been restated to reflect the above classifications. The Board of Directors establishes (and modifies or rescinds) fund balance commitments by passage of an ordinance or resolution. This is typically done through adoption and amendment of the budget. A fund balance commitment is further indicated in the budget document as a designation or commitment of the fund (such as for special incentives). Assigned fund balance is established by the Board of Directors through adoption or amendment of the budget as intended for specific purpose (such as the purchase of fixed assets, construction, debt service, or for other purposes).

Accounting Pronouncements - GASB Statement No. 87, "Leases" increases the usefulness of governments' financial statements by requiring recognition of certain lease assets and liabilities for leases that previously were classified as operating leases and recognized as inflows of resources or outflows of resources based on the payment provisions of the contract. It establishes a single model for lease accounting based on the foundational principle that leases are financing of the right to use an underlying asset. Under this Statement, a lessee is required to recognize a lease liability and an intangible right-to-use lease asset, and a lessor is required to recognize a lease receivable and a defined inflow of resources, thereby enhancing the relevance and consistency of information about governments' leasing activities. The implementation of this standard had no material effect on the District's financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2024.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS June 30, 2024

#### NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Accounting Pronouncements - GASB Statement No. 96, "Subscription-Based Information Technology Agreements", of which the principal objective of this statement is to improve accounting and financial reporting for subscription-based information technology by government entities. Statement No. 96 provides guidance on the accounting and financial reporting for subscription-based information technology arrangements for government end users. Under this statement, an entity should recognize a right of use subscription asst, an intangible asset, and a corresponding subscription liability. Under the practical expedient, the District did not have any subscription-based technology assets or liabilities to be recorded. The adoption of this statement did not materially impact the District's activities for the year ended June 30, 2024.

#### NOTE 2: CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Deposits are stated at cost, which approximates market. Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the District's deposits may not be returned. Under state law, they must be secured by federal deposit insurance or the pledge of securities owned by the fiscal agent bank. The market value of the pledged securities plus the federal deposit insurance must at all times equal the amount on deposit with the fiscal agent. These securities are held in the name of the pledging fiscal agent bank in a holding, or custodial bank that is mutually acceptable to both parties.

As of June 30, 2024, the District's deposits were secured from risk by federal deposit insurance and pledged securities. The collected bank balances at June 30, 2024 was \$13,686,878. Deposits of the District are secured with \$250,000 of FDIC insurance and \$1,155,851 in pledged securities.

A summary of cash and cash equivalents (book balances) at June 30, 2024, is as follows:

Interest-bearing demand deposits

\$ 13,516,962

#### **NOTE 3: INVESTMENTS**

At June 30, 2024, the District had investments totaling \$2,982,909. A summary of the District's investments follows:

Investment	Percentage	Credit Rating	F	air Value
Cash and Money Market Funds	1%	N/A	\$	12,376
Certificates of Deposit	4%	N/A		130,302
Foreign Bonds	1%	AAA-BAA		28,754
U.S. Government Bonds	40%	AAA		1,207,030
Municipal Bonds	14%	AAA-BAA		429,177
Corporate Bonds	7%	AA		211,086
Mortgage Backed Securities	32%	N/A		937,754
Accrued Interest	1%	N/A		26,430
Total	100%		\$	2,982,909

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS June 30, 2024

#### NOTE 3: INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)

June 30, 2024

			June 30, 2021		
Investment	Fair Value	Less than 1 Year	1 to 5 Years	6 to 10 Years	10+ Years
Cash and MM Funds	\$ 12,376	\$ 12,376	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Certificates of Deposit	130,302	-	130,302	<u> </u>	-
U.S. Government Bonds	1,207,030	32,982	, <del>-</del>	39,881	1,134,167
Foreign Bonds	28,754	4,910	23,844		-
Municipal Bonds	422,211	243,233	178,978		
Corporate Bonds Mortgage Backed	1,037,203	119,640	107,432	98,268	711,863
Securities	118,603		-	26,163	92,440
Accrued Interest	26,430	26,430			
Total	\$ 2,982,909	\$ 439,571	\$ 440,556	\$ 164,312	\$1,938,470

Credit risk is the risk that an issuer or other counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligations. State law limits the Districts investments per R.S. 33:2955. The District does not have policies to further limit credit risk.

Custodial risk for investments is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the District will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The District's investment policy states that the assets of the District shall be held in trust by the fiduciary designated by the District. For U.S. Treasury Obligations and U.S. Government Obligations state law provides these are backed by the full faith and credit of the United States of America.

Concentration of credit risk is the risk of loss attributed to the magnitude of an entity's investment in a single issuer. The District does not have any policies to further limit concentration of credit risk.

Investment rate risk is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. State law as applicable to political subdivisions does not address interest rate risk. In addition, the District does not have policies to limit interest rate risk.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS June 30, 2024

#### NOTE 3: INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)

#### INVESTMENTS- FAIR VALUE MEASURMENT

GASB Statement No.72, Fair Value Measurement and Application, requires disclosures to be made about fair value measurements, the level of fair value hierarchy, and valuation techniques. The fair value hierarchy categorizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value into three levels.

- Level 1 inputs- the valuation is based on quoted market prices for identical assets or liabilities traded in active markets
- Level 2 inputs- the valuation is based on quoted market prices for similar instruments traded in active
  markets, quoted prices for identical or similar instruments in markets that are not active, and inputs
  other than quoted market prices that are observable for the asset or liability.
- Level 3 inputs- the valuation is determined using the best information available under the circumstances
  and might include the government's own data. In developing unobservable inputs, a government may
  begin with its own data but should adjust those data is (a) reasonable available information indicates
  that other market participants would use different data or (b) there is something particular to the
  government that is not available to other market participants.

Fair value of assets measured on a recurring basis at June 30, 2024, are as follows:

			Fair Value Hierarchy					
P		Value 30, 2024	Act fo	oted Prices in tive Markets or Identical ets (Level 1)	Ob	ficant Other servable is (Level 2)	Unobs Inp	ficant ervable outs vel 3) .
Cash and MM Funds	\$	12,376	\$	12,376	\$	-	\$	-
Certificates of Deposit		130,302		130,302		-		-
U.S. Government Bonds	1,2	207,030		1,207,030		-		-
Foreign Bonds		28,754		28,754				351
Municipal Bonds	4	429,177		429,177		40		140
Corporate Bonds	2	211,086		211,086		•		-
Mtg Backed Securities	g	937,754				937,754		
Accrued Interest		26,430	_	26,430		-		-
Total	\$ 2,5	982,909	\$	2,045,155	\$	937,754	\$	

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS June 30, 2024

#### **NOTE 4: CAPITAL ASSETS**

Capital asset activity for the year ended June 30, 2024 was as follows:

	Beginning Balance	Additions	Retirements	Ending Balance
Capital Assets, not being depreciated				
Land	\$ 1,385,266	\$ 37,350	\$ -	\$1,422,616
Construction in progress	1,549,967	510,194	-	2,060,161
Capital Assets, being depreciated				
Infrastructure	5,986,122	, <del>, ,</del> ;	-	5,986,122
Building	1,263,043	her.	(9,290)	1,253,753
Machinery and equipment	5,622,462	215,868	(175, 120)	5,663,210
Less: accumulated depreciation	(5,857,627)	(475,040)	_177,106	(6,155,561)
Capital Assets, net	\$ 9,949,233	\$ 288,372	\$ (7,304)	\$10,230,301

Not included in the above capital assets are levees to which the Division of Administration of the State of Louisiana has advised are not owned by the District but to which the District is responsible for maintaining. These levees were constructed and improved over the past 100 years and more by both original landowners and federal and state governments.

#### NOTE 6: ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

The following is a summary of accounts receivable at June 30, 2024:

Ad valorem taxes	\$	7,477
Royalties		1,950
FEMA Reimbursement	4	18,300
Total	\$	27,727

#### NOTE 6: COMPENSATED ABSENCES

At June 30, 2024, employees of the District had accumulated \$124,028, in annual leave benefits, which were computed in accordance with GASB AU-C 60. The following is a summary of the changes in accumulated leave benefits for the year ended June 30, 2024:

Compensated absences payable, beginning balance	\$ 113,680
Additions	86,725
Reductions	76,377
Compensated absences payable, ending balance	\$ 124,028

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS June 30, 2024

#### NOTE 7: RETIREMENT SYSTEM

#### Plan Description

Employees of the District are provided with pensions through a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit plan administered by the Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System (LASERS). Section 401 of Title 11 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes (La. R.S. 11:401) grants to LASERS Board of Trustees and the Louisiana Legislature the authority to review administration, benefit terms, investments, and funding of the plan. LASERS issues a publicly available financial report that can be obtained at www.lasersonline.org.

#### Benefits Provided

The following is a description of the plan and its benefits and is provided for general information purposes only. Participants should refer to the appropriate statutes for more complete information.

#### **Retirement Benefits**

The age and years of creditable service required in order for a member to retire with full benefits are established by statute, and vary depending on the member's hire date, employer, and job classification. Our rank and file members hired prior to July 1, 2006, may either retire with full benefits at any age upon completing 30 years of creditable service or at age 55 upon completing 25 years of creditable service, and at age 60 upon completing ten years of creditable service depending on their plan. Those members hired between July 1, 2006 and June 30, 2015, may retire at age 60 upon completing five years of creditable service and those hired on or after July 1, 2015 may retire at age 62 upon completing five years of creditable service. The basic annual retirement benefit for members is equal to 2.5% to 3.5% of average compensation multiplied by the number of years of creditable service. Additionally, members may choose to retire with 20 years of service at any age, with an actuarially reduced benefit.

Average compensation is defined as the member's average annual earned compensation for the highest 36 consecutive months of employment for members employed prior to July 1, 2006. For members hired July 1, 2006 or later, average compensation is based on the member's average annual earned compensation for the highest 60 consecutive months of employment. The maximum annual retirement benefit cannot exceed the lesser of 100% of average compensation or a certain specified dollar amount of actuarially determined monetary limits, which vary depending upon the member's age at retirement. Judges, court officers, and certain elected officials receive an additional annual retirement benefit equal to 1.0% of average compensation multiplied by the number of years of creditable service in their respective capacity.

As an alternative to the basic retirement benefits, a member may elect to receive their retirement throughout their life, with certain benefits being paid to their designated beneficiary after their death.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS June 30, 2024

#### NOTE 7: RETIREMENT SYSTEM (CONTINUED)

Act 992 of the 2010 Louisiana Regular Legislative Session, changed the benefit structure for LASERS members hired on or after January 1, 2011. This resulted in three new plans: regular, hazardous duty, and judges. The new regular plan includes regular members and those members who were formerly eligible to participate in specialty plans, excluding hazardous duty and judges. Regular members and judges are eligible to retire at age 60 after five years of creditable service and, may also retire at any age, with a reduced benefit, after 20 years of creditable service. Hazardous duty members are eligible to retire with twelve years of creditable service at age 55, 25 years of creditable service at any age or with a reduced benefit after 20 years of creditable service. Average compensation will be based on the member's average annual earned compensation for the highest 60 consecutive months of employment for all three new plans. Members in the regular plan will receive a 2.5% accrual rate, hazardous duty plan a 3.33% accrual rate, and judges a 3.5% accrual rate. The extra 1.0% accrual rate for each year of service for court officers, the governor, lieutenant governor, legislators, House clerk, sergeants at arms, or Senate secretary, employed after January 1, 2011, was eliminated by Act 992. Specialty plan and regular members hired prior to January 1, 2011, who are hazardous duty employees, have the option to transition to the new hazardous duty plan.

Act 226 of the 2014 Louisiana Regular Legislative Session established new retirement eligibility for members of LASERS hired on or after July 1, 2015, excluding hazardous duty plan members. Regular members and judges under the new plan are eligible to retire at age 62 after five years of creditable service and, may also retire at any age, with a reduced benefit, after 20 years of creditable service. Average compensation will be based on the member's average annual earned compensation for the highest 60 consecutive months of employment. Members in the regular plan will receive a 2.5% accrual rate, and judges a 3.5% accrual rate, with the extra 1.0% accrual rate based on all years of service as a judge.

Members of the Harbor Police Retirement System who were members prior to July 1, 2014, may retire after 25 years of creditable service at any age, 12 years of creditable service at age 55, 20 years of creditable service at age 45, and 10 years of creditable service at age 60. Average compensation for the plan is the member's average annual earned compensation for the highest 36 consecutive months of employment, with a 3.33% accrual rate.

A member leaving employment before attaining minimum retirement age, but after completing certain minimum service requirements, becomes eligible for a benefit provided the member lives to the minimum service retirement age, and does not withdraw their accumulated contributions. The minimum service requirement for benefits varies depending upon the member's employer and service classification.

#### **Deferred Retirement Benefits**

The State Legislature authorized LASERS to establish a Deferred Retirement Option Plan (DROP). When a member enters DROP, their status changes from active member to retiree even though they continue to work and draw their salary for a period of up to three years. The election is irrevocable once participation begins. During DROP participation, accumulated retirement benefits that would have been paid to each retiree are separately tracked. For members who entered DROP prior to January 1, 2004, interest at a rate of one-half percent less than the System's realized return on its portfolio (not to be less than zero) will be credited to the retiree after participation ends. At that time, the member must choose among available alternatives for the distribution of benefits that have accumulated in the DROP account. Members who enter DROP on or after January 1, 2004, are required to participate in LASERS Self-Directed Plan (SDP) which is administered by a third-party provider. The SDP allows DROP participants to choose from a menu of investment options for the allocation. of their DROP balances. Participants may diversify their investments by choosing from an approved list of mutual funds with different holdings, management styles, and risk factors.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS June 30, 2024

#### NOTE 7: RETIREMENT SYSTEM (CONTINUED)

Members eligible to retire and who do not choose to participate in DROP may elect to receive at the time of retirement an initial benefit option (IBO) in an amount up to 36 months of benefits, with an actuarial reduction of their future benefits. For members who selected the IBO option prior to January 1, 2004, such amount may be withdrawn or remain in the IBO account earning interest at a rate of one-half percent less than the System's realized return on its portfolio (not to be less than zero). Those members who select the IBO on or after January 1, 2004, are required to enter the SDP as described above.

For members who are in the Harbor Police Plan, the annual DROP Interest Rate is the three-year average (calculated as the compound average of 36 months) investment return of the plan assets for the period ending the June 30th immediately preceding that given date. The average rate so determined is to be reduced by a "contingency" adjustment of 0.5%, but not to below zero. DROP interest is forfeited if member does not cease employment after DROP participation.

#### **Disability Benefits**

Generally, active members with ten or more years of credited service who become disabled may receive a maximum disability retirement benefit equivalent to the regular retirement formula without reduction by reason of age. Upon reaching retirement age, the disability retiree may receive a regular retirement benefit by making application to the Board of Trustees.

For injuries sustained in the line of duty, hazardous duty personnel in the Hazardous Duty Services Plan will receive a disability benefit equal to 75% of final average compensation or 100% of final compensation if the injury was the result of an intentional act of violence.

Members of the Harbor Police Retirement System who become disabled may receive a non-line of duty disability benefit after five years or more of credited service. Members age 55 or older may receive a disability benefit equivalent to the regular retirement benefit. Under age 55, the disability benefit is equal to 40% of final average compensation. Line of duty disability benefits are equal to 60% of final average compensation, regardless of years of credited service or 100% of final average compensation if the injury was the result of an intentional act of violence. If the disability benefit retiree is permanently confined to a wheelchair, or, is an amputee incapable of serving as a law enforcement officer, or the benefit is permanently legally binding, there is no reduction to the benefit if the retiree becomes gainfully employed.

#### Survivor's Benefits

Certain eligible surviving dependents receive benefits based on the deceased member's compensation and their relationship to the deceased. The deceased regular member hired before January 1, 2011, who was in state service at the time of death must have a minimum of five years of service credit, at least two of which were earned immediately prior to death, or who had a minimum of twenty years of service credit regardless of when earned in order for a benefit to be paid to a minor or handicapped child. Benefits are payable to an unmarried child until age 18, or age 23 if the child remains a full-time student. The aforementioned minimum service credit requirement is ten years for a surviving as an alternative to the basic retirement benefits, a member may elect to receive their retirement throughout their life, with certain benefits being paid to their designated beneficiary after their death.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS June 30, 2024

#### NOTE 7: RETIREMENT SYSTEM (CONTINUED)

The deceased regular member hired on or after January 1, 2011, must have a minimum of -five years of service credit regardless of when earned in order for a benefit to be paid to a minor child. The aforementioned minimum service credit requirements for a surviving spouse are 10 years, 2 years being earned immediately prior to death, and active state service at the time of death, or a minimum of 20 years of service credit regardless of when earned. A deceased member's spouse must have been married for at least one year before death.

Non-line of duty survivor benefits of the Harbor Police Retirement System may be received after a minimum of five years of credited service. Survivor benefits paid to a surviving spouse without children are equal to 40% of final average compensation and cease upon remarriage. Surviving spouse with children under 18 benefits are equal to 60% of final average compensation, and cease upon remarriage, and children turning 18. No minimum service credit is required for line of duty survivor benefits which are equal to 60% of final average compensation to surviving spouse or 100% of final average compensation if the injury was the result of an intentional act of violence regardless of children. Line of duty survivor benefits cease upon remarriage, and then benefit is paid to children under 18.

#### Permanent Benefit Increases/Cost-of-Living Adjustments

As fully described in Title 11 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes, the System allows for the payment of permanent benefit increases, also known as cost-of-living adjustments (COLAs), that are funded through investment earnings when recommended by the Board of Trustees and approved by the State Legislature.

#### **Contributions**

Contribution requirements of active employees are governed by Section 401 of Title 11 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes (La. R.S. 11:401) and may be amended by the Louisiana Legislature. Employee and employer contributions are deducted from a member's salary and remitted to LASERS by participating employers. The District's rates in effect during the year ended June 30, 2023, was 39.50% of annual payroll.

		Employee	Employer
	Plan	Contribution	Contribution
Plan	Status	Rate	Rate
Regular Employees and Appellate			
Law Clerk			
Pre Act 75 (hired before 7/1/2006)	Closed	7.5%	40.10%
Pre Act 75 (hired after 6/30/2006)	Open	8.0%	40.10%
Optional Retirement Plan (ORP)			
Pre Act 75 (hired before 7/1/2006)	Open	8.0%	40.10%
Pre Act 75 (hired after 6/30/2006)	Open	8.0%	40.10%

The agency's contractually required composite contribution rate for the year ended June 30, 2024, was 39.50% of annual payroll, actuarially determined as an amount that, when combined with employee contributions, is expected to finance the costs of benefits earned by employees during the year, with an additional amount to finance any Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability. Contributions to the pension plan from the District were \$504,513 for the year ended June 30, 2024.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS June 30, 2024

#### NOTE 7: RETIREMENT SYSTEM (CONTINUED)

## Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions

At June 30, 2024, the Employer reported a liability of \$3,461,224 for its proportionate share of the Net Pension Liability. The Net Pension Liability was measured as of June 30, 2023, and the total pension liability used to calculate the Net Pension Liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The District's proportion of the Net Pension Liability was based on a projection of the District's long-term share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating employers, actuarially determined. At June 30, 2023, the District's proportion was 0.05171%, which was an decrease of 0.01521% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2022.

For the year ended June 30, 2024, the District recognized pension expense of \$521,077 less employer's amortization of change in proportionate share and differences between employer contributions and proportionate share of contributions of \$162,593.

At June 30, 2024, the Agency reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

Differences between expected and actual experience	\$	Deferred Outflows of Resources 94,712	\$ Deferred Inflows of Resources
Changes in assumption			-
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments		ā	-
Changes in proportion and differences between Employer contributions and proportionate share of contributions		28,730	(710,887)
Employer contributions subsequent to the measurement date	\$ <u></u>	504,513 627,955	\$ (710,887)

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS June 30, 2024

#### NOTE 7: RETIREMENT SYSTEM (CONTINUED)

\$504,513 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from Agency contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the Net Pension Liability in the year ended June 30, 2024. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year Ended June 30,	_	
2025	\$	(232,105)
2026	\$	(480,441)
2027	\$	170,476
2028	\$	(45,376)

#### **Actuarial Assumptions**

A summary of the actuarial methods and assumptions used in determining the total pension liability as of June 30, 2024, are as follows:

Valuation Date	June 30, 2023
valuation Date	June 30, 2023

Actuarial Cost Method Entry Age Normal

Actuarial Assumptions:

Expected Remaining Service Lives 2 years

Investment Rate of Return 7.25% per annum, net of investment expenses\*

Inflation Rate 2.3% per annum

Mortality

Non-disabled members - The RP-2014 Blue Collar (males/ females) and White Collar (females) Healthy Annuitant Tables projected on a fully generational basis by Mortality Improvement Scale MP-2018.

Disabled members – Mortality rates based on the RP-2000 Disabled Retiree Mortality Table, with no

projection for mortality improvement.

Termination, Disability, and

Retirement

Termination, disability, and retirement assumptions were projected based on a five-year (2014-2018)

experience study of the System's members.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS June 30, 2024

#### NOTE 7: RETIREMENT SYSTEM (CONTINUED)

## Actuarial Assumptions (Continued) Salary Increases

Salary increases were projected based on a 2014-2018 experience study of the System's members. The salary increase ranges for specific types of members are:

	Lower	Upper
Member Type	Range	Range
Regular	3.0%	12.8%
Judges	2.6%	5.1%
Corrections	3.6%	13.8%
Hazardous Duty	3.6%	13.8%
Wildlife	3.6%	13.8%

Cost of Living Adjustments

The present value of future retirement benefits is based on benefits currently being paid by the System and includes previously granted cost of living increases. The projected benefit payments do not include provisions for potential future increases not yet authorized by the Board of Trustees as they were deemed not to be substantively automatic.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a building- block method in which best-estimates ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation of 2.3% and an adjustment for the effect of rebalancing/diversification. The resulting expected long-term nominal rate of return is 8.19% for 2023. Best estimates of geometric real rates of return for each major asset class included in the System's target asset allocation as of June 30, 2023, are summarized in the following table:

#### **Expected Long Term Real Rate of Return**

Asset Class	2023
Cash	0.80%
Domestic Equity	4.45%
International Equity	5.44%
Domestic Fixed Income	2.04%
International Fixed Income	5.33%
Alternative Investments	8.19%
Total Fund	5.75%

<sup>\*</sup> The investment rate of return used in the actuarial valuation for funding purposes was 7.25%, recognizing an additional 35 basis points for gain-sharing. The net return available to fund regular plan benefits is 7.25%, which is the same as the discount rate. Therefore, the System's management concludes that the 7.25% discount is reasonable.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS June 30, 2024

#### NOTE 7: RETIREMENT SYSTEM (CONTINUED)

#### Discount Rate

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.25%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current contribution rates and that contributions from participating employers will be made at the actuarially determined rates approved by PRSAC taking into consideration the recommendation of the pension plan's actuary. Based on those assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

## Sensitivity of the Employer's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate

The following presents the Employer's proportionate share of the Net Pension Liability using the discount rate of 7.25%, as well as what the Employer's proportionate share of the Net Pension Liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower or one percentage point higher than the current rate:

#### **Changes in Discount Rate**

	Current						
	1% Decrease		Di	<b>Discount Rate</b>		1% Increase	
	6.25%		7.25%		8.25%		
Employer's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$	4,532,187	\$	3,461,224	\$	2,553,892	

#### Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position

Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued current LASERS Comprehensive Annual Financial Report at www.lasersonline.org.

#### Payables to the Pension Plan

At June 30, 2024, the District owed \$47,647 to LASERS for employer and employee contributions.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS June 30, 2024

#### NOTE 8: POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSIONS (OPEB)

<u>Plan Description</u> – The District provides certain continuing health care and life insurance benefits for its retired employees. The District's Plan (the OPEB Plan) is a defined benefit OPEB plan administered by the Tensas Basin Levee District. The authority to establish and/or amend the obligation of the employer, employees and retirees rests with the District. No assets are accumulated in a trust that meets with criteria in paragraph 4 of Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 75.

Benefits Provided – Medical benefits are provided on a self-funded basis through a funding arrangement which is funded by the District and with insurance to protect the District against unpredictable excess claims. The insurance contracts include specific loss provisions that cover claims for each individual covered under the medical plan. The insurance contracts also included aggregate loss provisions that cover the combined claims for all participants covered under the medical plan when the qualified claims for the plan year exceed a stated amount. Employees are covered by the Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System (LASERS), whose retirement eligibility (D.R.O.P entry) provisions are as follows: 30 years of service at any age; age 55 and 25 years of service; or, age 60 and 10 years of service. Employees hired on or after July 1, 2006, may not retire before age 60 and 10 years of service.

Employees covered by benefit terms – At June 30, 2024, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

Active Employees	23
Inactive employees or beneficiaries currently receiving benefit payments	12
Total employees and beneficiaries	35

#### OPEB Liability and Changes in OPEB Liability

At June 30, 2024, the District reported a liability of \$2,071,528 which was measured as of June 30, 2024, and was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date.

Actuarial Assumptions and Other Inputs – The total OPEB liability in the June 30, 2024, actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions and other inputs, applied to all periods included in the measurement, unless otherwise specified:

Age Adjustment Factor	1.00
Average Retirement Age	65
Discount Rate	3.650%
Salary Increases	4.75%
Amortization Period	20 years
Healthcare cost trend rates	Range from 3.0% to 5.2%

The discount rate was based on the Bond Buyers' 20-year General Obligation municipal bond index on the applicable measurement dates.

The Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Tables, with mortality improvement projected for 10 years, were used.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS June 30, 2024

#### NOTE 8: POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSIONS (OPEB) (CONTINUED)

There are no assets accumulated in a trust to meet the requirements in GASB 75 paragraph 4, to pay the related benefits. The District funds the OPEB liability as expenses are recognized. The following shows the changes to the OPEB liability as of June 30, 2024:

Beginning at June 30, 2023	\$	1,822,404
Changes for the year:		
Service Costs	\$ 143,097	
Interest	63,732	
Effect of economic/demographic gains and losses	221,261	
Changes in Assumption	(109,979)	
Benefit Payments, net transfers, and direct expenses	(68,987)	
Net Change	_	249,124
Balance at June 30, 2024	\$	2,071,528
Covered-employee payroll	\$	1,013,645
Net OPEB liability as a percentage of covered-employee payroll		204.36%

#### Sensitivity of the OPEB liability to changes in the discount rate

The following presents the District's OPEB liability using the current discount rate as well as what the District's OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower or one percentage point higher than the current rate:

		Current		
	1% Decrease	Discount Rate	1% Increase	
	2.65%	3.65%	4.65%	
OPEB Liability	\$ 2,411,458	\$ 2,071,528	\$ 1,801,232	

#### Sensitivity of the OPEB liability to changes in the healthcare cost trend rates

The following presents the District's OPEB liability using the current healthcare cost trend rates as well as what the District's OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using healthcare cost trend rates that are one percentage point lower or one percentage point higher than the current rates:

	Current Healthcare Cost		
1% Decrease	Trend Rates	1% Increase	
2.65%	3.65%	4.65%	
\$ 1,764,909	\$ 2,071,528	\$ 2,461,048	
	2.65%	Healthcare Cost Trend Rates  2.65%  3.65%	

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS June 30, 2024

#### NOTE 8: POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSIONS (OPEB) (CONTINUED)

#### OPEB Expense, Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB

For the year ended June 30, 2024, the District recognized OPEB expense of \$318,111. At June 30, 2024, the District reported deferred outflows and deferred inflows related to OPEB from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows	DeferredInflows		
Changes of assumptions or other inputs	-	\$ (109,979)		
Effect of economic/demographic gains and losses	\$ 221,261	<u> </u>		
Total	\$ 221,261	\$ (109,979)		

Deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB resulting from the District's benefit payments subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the OPEB liability in the year ended June 30, 2025.

Amounts reported as deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized as OPEB expense as follows:

	Net
	Amount
	Recognized
	in OPEB
Year Ended	Expense
2025	\$(27,495)
2026	(27,495)
2027	(27,495)
2028	(27,494)
	\$(109,979)

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS June 30, 2024

#### NOTE 9: RISK MANAGEMENT AND INSURANCE

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The District maintains insurance coverage covering each of those risks of loss. Management believes such coverage is sufficient to preclude any significant uninsured losses to the District.

#### NOTE 10: ACCOUNTS AND OTHER PAYABLES

The District estimates the insurance claims payable based on the previous three months of claims paid.

The following is a summary of payables at June 30, 2024:

Accounts payable	\$	61,398
Retainage payable		88,990
Estimated claims payable		75,940
Accrued salaries		29,189
Retirement contributions payable	-	47,647
Total	\$	303,164

#### NOTE 11: RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The District had no related party transactions in the year ended June 30, 2024.

#### NOTE 12: EXTRAORDINARY ITEM ON GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

During the year, the District was victimized by an unknown entity. This caused the District to pay a fraudulent invoice in the amount of \$234,741. The authorities were notified, and a claim has been made against the District's insurance company. It is unclear whether the District will be able to recover the funds.

#### NOTE 13: RESTRICTED CASH

At June 30, 2024, the District had restricted net assets consisting of \$121,540 in bank deposits which are held in escrow to pay current and future health insurance claims for employees.

#### NOTE 14: SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The District has evaluated all subsequent events through September 16, 2024, the date the financial statements were available to be issued and there were no events between the close of the year through the issuance of this report that would materially impact those financial statements.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION (PART 2 OF 2)

#### REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

(Part 2 of 2)

Schedule 1: Employer's Share of Net Pension Liability - LASERS

Presents the District's Net Pension Liability to LASERS

Schedule 2: Employer's Contributions - LASERS

Presents the amounts of contributions the District made to the LASERS pension system

Schedule 3: Change in Net OPEB Liability

Presents the amounts for changes to the District's Net OPEB Liability

Schedule 4: Budgetary Comparison Schedule

Presents amounts and variances for budget and actual revenues and expenditures

#### SCHEDULE 1: EMPLOYER'S SHARE OF NET PENSION LIABILITY - LASERS

For the Ten years Ended June 30, 2024

	For The Year Ended June 30									
	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Employer's proportion of the net pension liability (asset)	0.05171%	0.06692%	0.06627%	0.06596%	0.06480%	0.07590%	0.07667%	0.07219%	0.07127%	0.07118%
Employer's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$3,461,224	\$5,059,206	\$3,647,430	\$5,455,084	\$4,694,776	\$5,176,393	\$5,396,812	\$ 5,669,071	\$ 4,847,300	\$ 4,451,058
Employer's covered employee payroll	\$1,144,862	\$1,390,350	\$1,376,896	\$1,365,951	\$1,286,032	\$1,467,181	\$1,427,977	\$1,356,498	\$1,351,523	\$1,310,650
Employer's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered employee payroll	302.33%	363.88%	264.90%	399.36%	365.06%	352.81%	377.93%	417.92%	358.65%	339.41%
Plan Fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	68.40%	63.70%	72.80%	58.00%	62.90%	64.30%	62.50%	57.70%	62.70%	65.00%

Schedule is intended to show information for 10 years. Additional years will be displayed as they become available.

<sup>\*</sup>The amounts presented have a measurement date of the previous fiscal year end.

#### SCHEDULE 2: SCHEDULE OF PENSION CONTRIBUTIONS

For the Ten years Ended June 30, 2024

For The Year Ended June 30 2020 2018 2017 2016 2015 2024 2023 2022 2021 2019 \$ 484,691 \$ 575,114 \$ 553,266 \$ 554,736 \$ 524,612 \$ 556,705 \$ 541,780 \$ 518,791 \$ 517,889 \$ 437,898 Contractually Required Contribution Contributions in Relation to Contractually Required Contribution \$ 504,513 \$ 634,159 \$ 615,456 \$ 644,612 \$ 564,072 \$ 550,025 \$ 549,532 \$ 500,905 \$ 495,117 \$ 422,203 \$ (19,822) \$ (59,045) \$ (62,190) \$ (89,876) \$ (39,460) \$ (7,752) \$ 17,886 \$ 22,772 \$ Contribution Deficiency 6,680 \$ Employer's Covered Employee Payroll \$1,144,862 \$1,390,350 \$1,376,896 \$1,365,951 \$1,286,032 \$1,467,181 \$1,427,977 \$1,356,498 \$1,351,523 \$1,310,650 Contributions as a % of Covered Employee 44.07% 45.61% 44.70% 47.19% 43.86% 37.49% 38.48% 36.93% 36.63% 32.21% Payroll

<sup>\*</sup>The amounts presented have a measurement date of the previous fiscal year end.

#### SCHEDULE 3: CHANGES TO NET OPEB LIABILITY

For the Ten years Ended June 30, 2024

For The Year Ended June 30 2021 2024 2023 2022 2020 2019 1,822,404 \$ 9,746,180 \$ 10,760,940 \$ 10,767,660 \$ 8,941,196 \$ 7,947,001 Beginning Net OPEB Liability Changes for the year: 482,594 322,844 Service Costs 143,097 695,971 575,675 575,674 63,732 342,720 233,578 233,577 327,549 318,707 Interest Effect of economic/demographic gains and 221,261 (8,750,372)614,159 (139, 159)(196,670)(53,731)losses (109,979)(97,804)(2,325,570)(557,490)1,344,608 476,081 Changes in assumptions Benefit payments, net transfers, and direct expeneses (68,987)(114,291)(112,602)(119,322)(131,617)(69,706)994,195 249,124 (7,923,776)(1,014,760)(6,720)1,826,464 Net Change **Ending Net OPEB Liability** 2,071,528 \$ 1,822,404 \$ 9,746,180 \$ 10,760,940 \$ 10,767,660 \$ 8,941,196 Covered-employee payroll \$ 1,013,645 \$ 1,697,818 \$ 1,571,309 \$ 1,592,937 \$ 1,547,067 \$ 1,747,292 Net OPEB liability as a perecentage of covered payroll 204.36% 107.34% 620.26% 675.54% 696.00% 511.72%

Schedule is intended to show information for 10 years. Additional years will be displayed as they become available.

#### SCHEDULE 4: BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE

(See Independent Auditors' Report) Year Ended June 30, 2024

								Variance
		Bud	gete	ed				Favorable
		Original		Final		Actual	J)	Infavorable)
REVENUES	-							
Taxes	\$	6,425,000	\$	6,745,000	\$	6,842,612	\$	97,612
Intergovernmental		5,100,000		4,384,000		1,613,421		(2,770,579)
Royalties and leases		200,000		220,000		112,881		(107,119)
Interest and dividends		195,000		575,000		655,289		80,289
Other revenues		135,000		60,000		9,018,350		8,958,350
Total Revenues		12,055,000		11,984,000		18,242,553		6,258,553
EXPENDITURES								
Personnel Services		3,900,000		3,500,000		4,684,712		(1,184,712)
Operating Service		1,060,000		1,400,000		219,870		1,180,130
Supplies		300,000		285,000		184,846		100,154
Professional services		150,000		91,000		191,439		(100,439)
Travel and conferences		25,000		15,000		16,762		(1,762)
Total General Government		5,435,000		5,291,000		5,297,629		(6,629)
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Capital outlay		7,500,000		1,900,000				1,900,000
		12.025.000		<b>7.101.000</b>		5.005.600		1 000 071
Total Expenditures		12,935,000		7,191,000		5,297,629		1,893,371
Not Classes in Facility and		(000 000)		4 702 000		12 044 024		
Net Change in Fund Balances		(880,000)		4,793,000		12,944,924		
Fund Delenges beginning		0.522.250		0.522.250		9.065.057		
Fund Balances, beginning	_	9,523,259		9,523,259	_	8,065,957		
Fund Balances, ending	\$	8,643,259	\$	14,316,259	\$	21,010,881		

#### NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

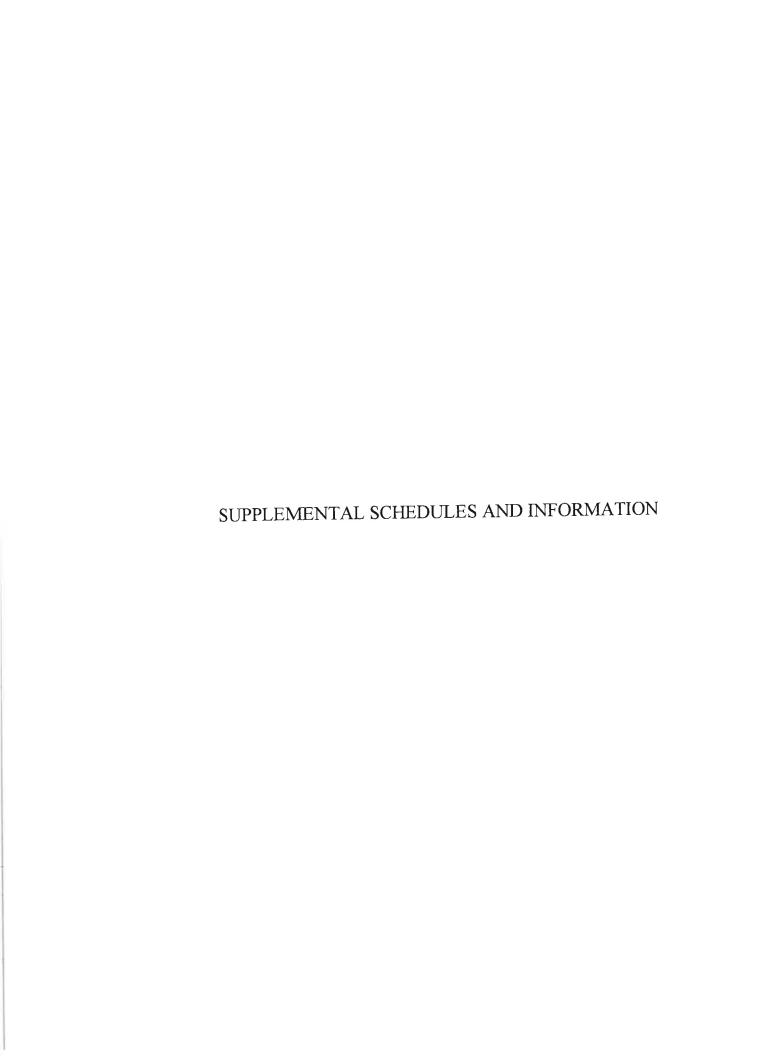
#### **LASERS**

#### Changes of Benefit Terms

There were no changes of benefit terms for the year ended June 30, 2024.

#### Changes of Assumptions

For the valuation year ended June 30, 2023, changes in actuarial assumptions related to inflation and salary factors in the measurement of the total pension liability were recognized in pension expense using the straight-line amortization method over a closed period equal to the average of the expected remaining services lives of all employees that are provided with pensions through the pension plan. There were no other changes of benefit assumptions for the year ended June 30, 2024.



#### TENSAS BASIN LEVEE DISTRICT STATE OF LOUISIANA SCHEDULE OF PER DIEM PAID TO BOARD MEMBERS

#### (See Independent Auditors' Report) Year Ended June 30, 2024

In compliance with House Concurrent Resolution No. 54 of the 1979 Session of the Louisiana Legislature, this schedule of per diem paid to board members is presented for the year ended June 30, 2024

Name	Amount
<u>Per Diem</u>	
Mike Calloway	\$ 840
Michelle Collum	315
Antwain Downs	840
Robert Neal Harwell	1,050
Rodney Hutchins	1,155
Drew Keahey	12,000
Dustin Morris	210
Ashley Peters	840
Johnny Turner	1,050
Kenneth Wilson	630
Ben Zeagler	1,155
Total	\$ <u>20,085</u>

SCHEDULE OF COMPENSATION, BENEFITS, AND OTHER PAYMENTS TO AGENCY HEAD (See Independent Auditors' Report)

Year Ended June 30, 2024

#### Brandon Waggoner

Salary	\$174,550
Employee Benefits	67,076
Total	\$241,626



## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

To the Board of Commissioners Tensas Basin Levee District A Discrete Component Unit of the State of Louisiana Rayville, LA

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities and the major fund information of the Tensas Basin Levee District (the District) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated September 16, 2024.

#### Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the District's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements, on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or, significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified.

#### **Report on Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the District's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

#### **Purpose of This Report**

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

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CPAs & Financial Advisors Baton Rouge, Louisiana September 16, 2024

# TENSAS BASIN LEVEE DISTRICT STATE OF LOUISIANA SCHEDULE OF CURRENT YEAR FINDINGS AND RESPONSES June 30, 2024

## Section A – FINDINGS RELATED TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT AUDIT AS REQUIRED TO BE REPORTEDIN ACCORANDCE WITH GENERALLY ACCEPTED GOVERNMENTAL AUDITING STANDARDS

The auditor expressed an unmodified opinion on the financial statements of the Tensas Basin Levee District.

Internal Control Findings – No Findings Noted

Compliance Findings - No Findings Noted

#### Section B - FINDINGS RELATED TO STATE COMPLIANCE LAWS

#### 2024-001 - Misappropriation of funds

- CONDITION In January 2024, an unknown individual (or group of individuals), believed to be foreign, compromised the security of a vendor's email account and provided fraudulent wire instructions for the payment of an outstanding invoice of approximately \$235,000, which the District then paid. Approximately three weeks later, the vendor inquired as to the status of the outstanding invoice stating that they had not received a payment. This indicated to the District that the payment was stolen and they immediately notified the LLA, FBI, the District Attorney, and the District Police. The investigation is still open, without a perpetrator being identified, and an insurance claim was filed with the District's cyber insurance. The District also contracted an outside information technology company to review the security of the District's network. No formal charges have been filed as the person or entity who compromised the security of the vendor's email is still unknown.
- CRITERIA Internal controls were not able to prevent or detect and correct the District from paying an invoice via fictitious wiring instructions.
- CAUSE Internal controls were not able to prevent or detect and correct the District from paying an invoice via fictitious wiring instructions.
- EFFECT The District paid the invoice with the fraudulent wire transfer instructions for a loss of approximately \$235,000.
- RECOMMENDATION Management should, verbally or in person, confirm any changes to payment methods requested by vendors. Management may also want to implement a more complex form of authentication to change vendor payment methods due to the increasing sophistication of artificial intelligence.
- MANAGEMENT'S CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN The District has implemented the following additional protocols: (1) ACH transactions will not be allowed for vendors within the District where a conventional check can be delivered, (2) if an ACH transaction is required, the amount and wiring instructions will be verified with the vendor and both financial institutions via email and verbal communications, and (3) any modification to ACH instructions for existing vendor will be confirmed via email and verbal communication with a trusted source. These protocols have been updated as of the date of this report.

# TENSAS BASIN LEVEE DISTRICT STATE OF LOUISIANA SCHEDULE OF PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS AND RESPONSES June 30, 2023

## Section A – FINDINGS RELATED TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT AUDIT AS REQUIRED TO BE REPORTEDIN ACCORANDCE WITH GENERALLY ACCEPTED GOVERNMENTAL AUDITING STANDARDS

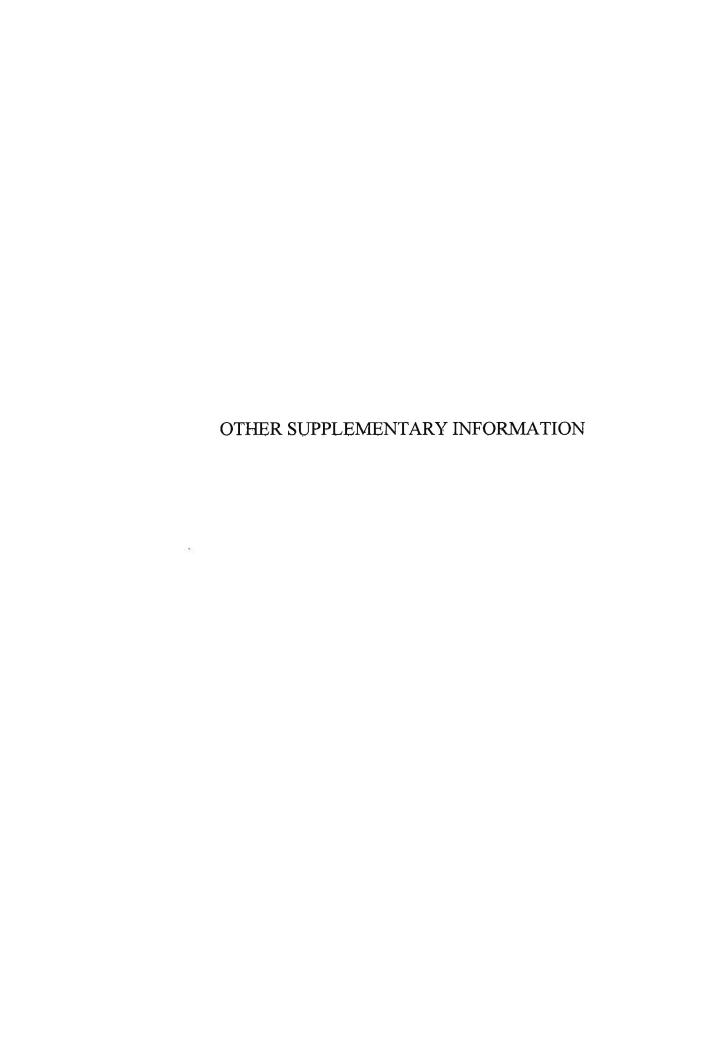
The auditor expressed an unmodified opinion on the financial statements of the Tensas Basin Levee District.

Internal Control Findings - No Findings Noted

Compliance Findings – No Findings Noted

#### Section B - FINDINGS RELATED TO STATE COMPLIANCE LAWS

No prior year findings related to state compliance laws.



# TENSAS BASIN LEVEE DISTRICT STATE OF LOUISIANA SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION SCHEDULES June 30, 2024

#### DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATION ANNUAL FISCAL REPORT

As a component unit of the State of Louisiana, the financial statements of the Tensas Basin Levee District are included in the Division of Administration's Annual Fiscal Report. Following are the statements, prepared by the Tensas Basin Levee District, being submitted to the Division of Administration for reporting purposes. The amounts recorded have been subjected to the same auditing procedures as those recorded in the accompanying financial statements.

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#### STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

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ASSETS	
CURRENT ASSETS:	
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	13,395,422.00
RESTRICTED CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	121,540.00
INVESTMENTS	2,956,478.00
RESTRICTED INVESTMENTS	0.00
DERIVATIVE INSTRUMENTS	0.00
OTHER DERIVATIVE INSTRUMENTS	0.00
RECEIVABLES (NET)	54,158.00
PLEDGES RECEIVABLE (NET)	0.00
LEASES RECEIVABLE (NET)	0.00
P3 RECEIVABLE (NET) (Only relates to Transferor)	0.00
AMOUNTS DUE FROM PRIMARY GOVERNMENT	0.00
DUE FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT	0.00
INVENTORIES	0,00
PREPAYMENTS	184,577.66
NOTES RECEIVABLE	0.00
OTHER CURRENT ASSETS	0.00
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	\$16,712,175.66
NONCURRENT ASSETS:	
RESTRICTED ASSETS:	
CASH	0.00
INVESTMENTS	0.00
RECEIVABLES (NET)	0.00
NOTES RECEIVABLE	0.00
OTHER	0.00
INVESTMENTS	0.00
RECEIVABLES (NET)	0.00
NOTES RECEIVABLE	0.00
PLEDGES RECEIVABLE (NET)	0.00
LEASES RECEIVABLE (NET)	0.00
P3 RECEIVABLE (NET) (Only relates to Transferor)	0.00
CAPITAL ASSETS (NET OF DEPRECIATION & AMORTIZATION)	
LAND	1,422,616.00
BUILDINGS AND IMPROVEMENTS	382,783.00
MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT	1,171,695.00
INFRASTRUCTURE	5,193,046.00
OTHER INTANGIBLE ASSETS	0.00
CONSTRUCTIÓN IN PROGRESS	2,060,161.00
INTANGIBLE RIGHT-TO-USE ASSETS:	
LEASED LAND	0.00
LEASED BUILDING & OFFICE SPACE	0.00
LEASED MACHINERY & EQUIPMENT	0.00
SUBSCRIPTION-BASED INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY ARRANGEMENTS (SBITA)	0.00
PUBLIC-PRIVATE AND PUBLIC-PUBLIC PARTNERSHIP ARRANGEMENTS (P3) (Only relates to Operator)	0.00
OTHER NONCURRENT ASSETS	0.00
TOTAL NONCURRENT ASSETS	\$10,230,301.00
TOTAL ASSETS	\$26,942,476.66

#### DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES

TOTAL NONCURRENT LIABILITIES

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DEFERRED AMOUNTS ON DEBT REFUNDING	0.00
LEASE RELATED	0.00
P3-RELATED (Only relates to Operator)	0.00
GRANTS PAID PRIOR TO MEETING TIME REQUIREMENTS	0.00
INTRA-ENTITY TRANSFER OF FUTURE REVENUES (TRANSFEREE)	0.00
LOSSES FROM SALE-LEASEBACK TRANSACTIONS	0.00
DIRECT LOAN ORIGINATION COSTS FOR MORTGAGE LOANS HELD FOR SALE	0.00
ASSET RETIREMENT OBLIGATIONS	0.00
OPEB-RELATED	221,261.00
PENSION-RELATED	627,954 00
TOTAL DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	\$849,215.00
TOTAL ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	\$27,791,691.66
LIABILITIES	
CURRENT LIABILITIES:	
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND ACCRUALS	227,224.00
ACCRUED INTEREST	0.00
DERIVATIVE INSTRUMENTS	0.00
OTHER DERIVATIVE INSTRUMENTS	0.00
AMOUNTS DUE TO PRIMARY GOVERNMENT	0.00
DUE TO FEDERAL GOVERNMENT	0.00
AMOUNTS HELD IN CUSTODY FOR OTHERS	0.00
UNEARNED REVENUES	0,00
OTHER CURRENT LIABILITIES	75,940.00
CURRENT PORTION OF LONG-TERM LIABILITIES:	
CONTRACTS PAYABLE	0,00
COMPENSATED ABSENCES PAYABLE	0.00
LEASE LIABILITY	0.00
SBITA LIABILITY	0.00
P3 LIABILITY (Only relates to Operator)	0.00
ESTIMATED LIABILITY FOR CLAIMS	0.00
NOTES PAYABLE	0.00
BONDS PAYABLE	0.00
OPEB LIABILITY	0.00
POLLUTION REMEDIATION OBLIGATIONS	0.00
OTHER LONG-TERM LIABILITIES	0.00
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	\$303,164.00
NONCURRENT PORTION OF LONG-TERM LIABILITIES:	
CONTRACTS PAYABLE	0.00
COMPENSATED ABSENCES PAYABLE	124,028.00
LEASE LIABILITY	0.00
SBITA LIABILITY	0.00
P3 LIABILITY (Only relates to Operator)	0.00
ESTIMATED LIABILITY FOR CLAIMS	0.00
NOTES PAYABLE	0.00
BONDS PAYABLE	0.00
OPEB LIABILITY	2,071,528.00
NET PENSION LIABILITY	3,461,224.00
POLLUTION REMEDIATION OBLIGATIONS	0.00
OTHER LONG-TERM LIABILITIES	0.00
UNEARNED REVENUE	0.00
TOTAL	

\$5,656,780.00

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TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$5,959,944.00
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	
ACCUMULATED INCREASE IN FAIR VALUE OF HEDGING DERIVATIVE INSTRUMENTS	0.00
DEFERRED AMOUNTS ON DEBT REFUNDING	0.00
LEASE RELATED	0.00
P3-RELATED (Only relates to Transferor)	0,00
GRANTS RECEIVED PRIOR TO MEETING TIME REQUIREMENTS	0,00
SALES/INTRA-ENTITY TRANSFER OF FUTURE REVENUES (TRANSFEROR)	0.00
GAINS FROM SALE-LEASEBACK TRANSACTIONS	0.00
SPLIT INTEREST AGREEMENTS	0.00
POINTS RECEIVED ON LOAN ORIGINATION	0.00
LOAN ORIGINATION FEES RECEIVED FOR MORTGAGE LOANS HELD FOR SALE	0.00
OPEB-RELATED	109,979.00
PENSION-RELATED	710,887.00
TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	\$820,866.00
NET POSITION:	
NET INVESTMENT IN CAPITAL ASSETS	10,230,301.66
RESTRICTED FOR:	
CAPITAL PROJECTS	0.00
DEBT SERVICE	0.00
NONEXPENDABLE	0.00
EXPENDABLE	0,00
OTHER PURPOSES	77,913.00
UNRESTRICTED	\$10,702,667.00
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$21,010,881.66

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#### STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

	PROGRAM REVENUES		
EXPENSES CHARGES FOR SERVICE	OPERATING GRANTS S AND CONTRIBUTIONS	CAPITAL GRANTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS	NET (EXPENSE) REVENUE
5,297,629.00 1,556,877.00	0.00	0,00	\$(3,740,752.00)
GENERAL REVENUES			
PAYMENTS FROM PRIMARY GOVERN	MENT		31,510.00
OTHER			16,654,166.00
ADDITIONS TO PERMANENT ENDOWM	IENTS		0.00
CHANGE IN NET POSITION			\$12,944,924.00
NET POSITION - BEGINNING			\$8,065,957.66
NET POSITION - RESTATEMENT - ER	ROR CORRECTION		0.00
NET POSITION - RESTATEMENT - CH	ANGE IN ACCOUNTING PRI	NCIPLE	0.00
NET POSITION - RESTATEMENT - CH	ANGE IN REPORTING ENTIT	Y	0.00
NET POSITION - ENDING			\$21,010,881.66

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#### DUES AND TRANSFERS

Account Type Amounts due from Primary Government	Intercompany (Fund)		Amount	
		Total		\$0.00
Account Type Amounts due to Primary				
Government	Intercompany (Fund)		Amount	
		Total		\$0.00

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#### SCHEDULE OF BONDS PAYABLE

Series Issue	Date of Issue	Original Issue Amount	Principal Outstanding PFY	Issue (Redeemed)	Principal Outstanding CFY	Interest Outstanding CFY
		0.00	0.00	0.00	\$ 0.00	0.00
		Totals	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Series - Unamorti	zed Premiums:					
Series Issue	Date of Issue		Principal Outstanding PFY	Issue (Redeemed)	Principal Outstanding CFY	
		,	0.00	0.00	\$ 0.00	
		Totals	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Series - Unamortiz	zed Discounts:					
Series Issue	Date of Issue		Principal Outstanding PFY	Issue (Redeemed)	Principal Outstanding CFY	
			0.00	0.00	\$ 0.00	
		Totals	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	

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#### SCHEDULE OF BONDS PAYABLE AMORTIZATION

	SCHE	DULE OF BO
Fiscal Year Ending:	Principal	Interest
2025	0.00	0,00
2026	0.00	0.00
2027	0.00	0.00
2028	0.00	0.00
2029	0.00	0.00
2030	0.00	0.00
2031	0.00	0.00
2032	0.00	0.00
2033	0.00	0.00
2034	0.00	0.00
2035	0.00	0.00
2036	0,00	0.00
2037	0.00	0.00
2038	0.00	0.00
2039	0.00	0.00
2040	0.00	0.00
2041	0.00	0.00
2042	0.00	0.00
2043	0.00	0.00
2044	0.00	0.00
2045	0.00	0.00
2046	0.00	0.00
2047	0.00	0.00
2048	0.00	0.00
2049	0.00	0.00
2050	0.00	0.00
2051	0.00	0.00
2052	0.00	0.00
2053	0.00	0,00
2054	0.00	0,00
2055	0.00	0.00
2056	0.00	0.00
2057	0.00	0.00
2058	0.00	0.00
2059	0.00	0.00
Premiums and Discounts	\$0.00	
Total	\$0.00	\$0.00

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#### Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB)

If your agency has active or retired employees who are members of the Office of Group Benefits (OGB) Health Plan, please provide the following information: (Note: OGB has a 6/30/2023 measurement date for their OPEB valuation)

Benefit payments made subsequent to the measurement date of the OGB Actuarial Valuation Report until the employer's fiscal year end. (Benefit payments are defined as the employer payments for retirees' health and life insurance premiums). For agencies with a 6/30 year end this covers the current fiscal year being reported. For calendar year end agencies, it covers the period 7/1 to 12/31 for the current year being reported.

Covered Employee Payroll for the **PRIOR** fiscal year (not including related benefits) 0.00

For calendar year-end agencies only: Benefit payments or employer payments for retirees' health and life insurance premiums made for the next year's valuation reporting period (7/1/2023 - 6/30/2024). This information will be provided to the actuary for the valuation report early next year.

For agencies that have employees that participate in the LSU Health Plan, provide the following information: (Note: The LSU Health Plan has a measurement date of 6/30/2024 for their OPEB valuation report.)

Covered Employee Payroll for the CURRENT fiscal year (not including related benefits)

0.00

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#### FUND BALANCE/NET POSITION RESTATEMENT

#### **ERROR CORRECTIONS**

For each beginning net position restatement resulting from a correction of an error, select the SNP account and the SOA account affected by the error. Only material errors should be restated. Immaterial errors should be corrected through current period revenue or expenses, as applicable. In the description field, explain the nature of the error, and its correction, including periods affected by the error.

		Beginning Net Position	
Account Name/Description		Restatement Amount	
	Total Restatement - Error Corrections	\$0.00	

#### CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLE

For each beginning net position restatement resulting from the application of a new accounting principle, select the SNP account and the SOA account that are affected by the change in accounting principle. In the description field explain the nature of the change in accounting principle and the reason for the change is due to the implementation of a new GASB pronouncement, identify the pronouncement that was implemented.

Account Name/Description		Beginning Net Position Restatement Amount
	Total Restatement - Changes in Accounting Principle	\$0.00

#### CHANGES IN REPORTING ENTITY

Describe the nature and reason for the change to or within the finanical reporting entity and list the effect (amount) on beginning net position.

Description		Effect on Beginning Net Position
		0.00
	Total Restatement - Changes in Reporting Entity	\$0.00

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#### SUBMISSION

Before submitting, ensure that all data (statements, notes, schedules) have been entered for the agency.

Once submitted no changes can be made to any of the agency data for the specified year.

By clicking 'Submit' below you certify that the financial statements herewith given present fairly the financial position and the results of operations for the year ended in accordance with policies and practices established by the Division of Administration or in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles as prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board.

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