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I have audited the financial statements of the major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Lemhi County Fire Protection District (the District) for the year ended September 30, 2024. Professional standards require that I provide you with information about my responsibilities under generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards*, as well as certain information related to the planned scope and timing of my audit. I have communicated such information in my letter to you dated July 7, 2025. Professional standards also require that I communicate to you the following information related to my audit:

Significant Audit Findings

Qualitative Aspects of Accounting Practices

Management is responsible for the selection and use of appropriate accounting policies. The significant accounting policies used by the District are described in Note 1 to the financial statements. No new accounting policies were adopted and the application of existing policies was not changed during the year ended September 30, 2024. I noted no transactions entered into by the District during the year for which there is a lack of authoritative guidance or consensus. All significant transactions have been recognized in the financial statements in the proper period.

Accounting estimates are an integral part of the financial statement's prepared by management and are based on management's knowledge and experience about past and current events and assumptions about future events. Certain accounting estimates are particularly sensitive because of their significance to the financial statements and because of the possibility that future events affecting them may differ significantly from those expected. The most sensitive estimate affecting the District's financial statements is management's estimate of annual depreciation expense based on management's estimate of useful lives of the assets in question.

Certain financial statement disclosures are particularly sensitive because of their significance to financial statement users. The financial statement disclosures presented are neutral, consistent and clear.

Difficulties Encountered In Performing The Audit

I encountered no significant difficulties in dealing with management in performing and completing my audit.

Corrected and Uncorrected Misstatements

Professional standards require me to accumulate all known and likely misstatements identified during the audit, other than those that are trivial, and communicate them to the appropriate level of management. I encountered no such misstatements.

Disagreements With Management

For purposes of this letter, a disagreement with management is a financial accounting, reporting or auditing matter, whether or not resolved to my satisfaction, that could be significant to the financial statements or the auditors' report. I am pleased to report that no such disagreements arose during the course of my audit

Management Representations

I have requested certain representations from management that are included in the management representation letter dated August 15, 2025.

Management's Consultation With Other Independent Accountants

In some cases, management may decide to consult with other accountants about auditing and accounting matters, similar to obtaining a "second opinion" on certain situations. If a consultation involves application of an accounting principle to the District's financial statements or a determination of the type of auditors' opinion that may be expressed on those statements, my professional standards require the consulting accountant to check with me to determine that the consultant has all the relevant facts. To my knowledge, there were no such consultations with other accountants.

Other Audit Findings or Issues

I generally discuss a variety of matters, including the application of accounting principles and auditing standards, with management each year prior to retention as the governmental unit's auditor. However, these discussions occurred in the normal course of my professional relationship and my responses were not a condition to my retention.

Other Matters

With respect to the supplementary information accompanying the financial statements, I made certain inquiries of management and evaluated the form, content, and methods of preparing the information to determine that the information complies with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the method of preparing it has not changed from the prior period, and the information is appropriate and complete in relation to my audit of the financial statements. I compared and reconciled the supplementary information to the underlying accounting records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves.

Restriction on Use

This information is intended solely for the use of the Commissioners and management of the District and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than those specified parties.

Sincerely,

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Boise Idaho
August 15, 2025

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Sincerely,

Gary Merkle, CPA PLLC

Boise Idaho
August 15, 2025

Lemhi County Fire Protection District
Year Ended September 30, 2024

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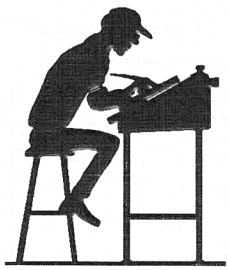
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FINANCIAL SECTION

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Independent Auditor's Report

Board of Commissioners
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Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinions

I have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and the major fund of the Lemhi County Fire Protection District (the District) as of and for the year ended September 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 my opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and the major fund of the Lemhi County Fire Protection District as of September 30, 2024, and the respective changes in financial position, and where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinions

I conducted my audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, (GAAS) and the standards applicable to financials audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller of the United States (*Government auditing Standards*). My responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of my report. I am required to be independent of the Lemhi County Fire Protection District and to meet my other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to my audit. I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my 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 Lemhi County Fire Protection 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 Responsibility for the Audit of the Financial Statements

My 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 my 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 GAAS and *Government 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 GAAS and *Government Auditing Standards*, I:

- Exercise professional judgement 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 responsible for 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 Lemhi County Fire Protection 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 my judgment, there are conditions or events considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Lemhi County Fire Protection District's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

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

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require the budgetary comparison information, schedule of employer's share of net pension liability, and schedule of employer's contributions on pages 23–25 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 Government Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statement in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. I have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America., which consist of inquiries of management about whether the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to my inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge I obtained during my audit of the basic financial statements. I do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide me with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Management has not included management's discussion and analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require to be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such missing information, 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 the financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. My opinion on the basic financial statements is not affected by not including this information.

Other Reporting Required By Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, I have also issued my report dated August 15, 2025 on my consideration of Lemhi County Fire Protection District's internal control over financial reporting and my tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of my testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and in considering the Lemhi County Fire Protection District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Gary Merkle, CPA PLLC

Boise, Idaho
August 15, 2025

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Lemhi County Fire Protection District
Statement of Net Position
September 30, 2024

	Governmental Activities
Assets	
Current assets:	
Cash and cash equivalents	$306,479
Investments	1,544,707
Property tax receivable	8,864
Sales tax receivable	9,750
Total current assets	1,869,800
Noncurrent assets:	
Land and improvements not being depreciated	35,834
Buildings and improvements	135,624
Vehicles and equipment	1,858,588
Less accumulated depreciation	(1,338,012)
Total noncurrent assets	692,034
Total assets	2,561,834
Deferred Outflows - pension	2,323
Liabilities	
Current liabilities:	
Payroll liabilities	4,330
Total current liabilities	4,330
Long-term liabilities:	
Net pension liability	8,678
Total liabilities	13,008
Deferred Inflows - pension	0
Net Position	
Net investment in capital assets	692,034
Unrestricted	1,859,115
Total Net Position	$2,551,149

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement

Lemhi County Fire Protection District
Statement Of Activities
Year Ended September 30, 2024

		Program Revenue		Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position
	Expenses	Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Governmental Activities
Functions/Programs				
Governmental Activities:				
Expendable equipment	474			(474)
Fireman fitness and training	19,554			(19,554)
Maintenance: facilities and equipment	25,560			(25,560)
Insurance and workers comp	14,374			(14,374)
Office expense and adm iems	6,841			(6,841)
Payroll wages and taxes	49,052			(49,052)
Professional services	7,108			(7,108)
Radio purchases and maintenance	9,544			(9,544)
Retirement	32,825			(32,825)
Turnout gear	154,898			(154,898)
Utilities	15,327			(15,327)
Depreciation	75,102			(75,102)
Total governmental activities	$410,659	$0	$0	(410,659)

General Revenes:	
Lemhi county real property taxes	387,938
Idaho state sales tax	36,743
Investment earnings	121,531
Miscellaneous items	3,057
Total general revenues	549,269
Change in net position	138,610
Net position, beginning of year	2,412,539
Restated, see Note 10	
Net position, ending of year	$2,551,149

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement

Lemhi County Fire Protection District
Balance Sheet - Governmental Funds
September 30, 2024

	General Fund	Total Government Funds
Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	$306,479	$306,479
Investments	1,544,707	1,544,707
Property tax receivable	8,864	8,864
Sales tax receivable	9,750	9,750
Total Assets	$1,869,800	$1,869,800
Liabilities		
Accrued taxes and witholdings	4,330	4,330
Total Liabilities	4,330	4,330
Deferred Inflows of Resources		
Unavailable tax resources	7,758	7,758
Fund Balances:		
Unassigned	1,857,712	1,857,712
Total Fund Balances	1,857,712	1,857,712
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows and Fund Balances	$1,869,800	$1,869,800

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement

Lemhi County Fire Protection District
Reconciliation Of The Government Funds Balance Sheet To The Statement Of Net Position
September 30, 2024

Total Fund Balance - Governmental Funds	$1,857,712
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net assets are different because:	
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the fund financial statement, but are reported in the governmental acttivities of the Statement of Net Position.	692,034
Property taxes receivable will be collected this year but are not available soon enough to pay for the current period's expenditures and therefore are not available for use in th egovernmental funds.	7,758
A net pension liability for the measured portion of the net present value of projected benefit payments is reported on the Statement of Net Position but not in the fund financial statements.	
Deferred outflows associated with the net pension liability	2,323
Deferred inflows associated with the net pension liability	0
Net pension liability	(8,678)
Total Net Position - Governmental Activities	$2,551,149

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement

Lemhi County Fire Protection District
Statement Of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Governmental Funds
Year Ended September 30, 2024

	General Fund	Total Governmental Funds
Revenues		
Local Sources:		
Lemhi County taxes	$386,031	$386,031
State sales tax	36,743	36,743
Investment earnings	121,531	121,531
Miscellaneous items	3,057	3,057
Total revenues	547,362	547,362
Expenditures		
Current: Public Safety		
Expendable equipment	474	474
Fireman fitness	5,829	5,829
Maintenance, facilities	6,480	6,480
Maintenance, vehicles	19,080	19,080
Insurance and workers comp	14,374	14,374
Office and adm expense	6,841	6,841
Payroll wages and taxes	54,279	54,279
Professional services	7,108	7,108
Radio purchase and maintenance	9,544	9,544
Retirement	32,825	32,825
Training	13,725	13,725
Turnout gear	154,898	154,898
Utilities	15,327	15,327
Capital outlay - 2022 Dedge Ram	62,500	62,500
Total expenditures	403,284	403,284
Excess of revenues over/(under) expenditures	144,078	144,078
Net change in fund balance	144,078	144,078
Fund balance, beginning of year	1,713,634	1,713,634
Restated, see Note 10		
Fund balance, end of year	$1,857,712	$1,857,712

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Lemhi County Fire Protection District
Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances of Governmntal funds To The Statement Of Activities
Year Ended September 30, 2024

Total Net Change in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds		$144,078
Capital outlays are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. However, in the Statement of Activities, the cost of those assets is to be allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation.		
Cost of assets (capital outlays)	62,500	
Depreciation expense	(75,102)	(12,602)
Because some property taxes wiill not be collected for several months after the fiscal year end, they are not considered "available" revenues in the governmental funds. Deferred tax revenues decreased $1,907 during the current year ended.		1,907
Some expenses reported in the Statement of Activities do not require the use of current financial resources and are not reported as expenditures in the governmental funds.		
Gain/(loss) on pension expenses not reflected in governmental funds		5,227
Change in Net Position - Governmental Activities		$138,610

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Note 1 Summary Of Significant Accounting Policies

Lemhi County Fire Protection District is organized under Section 31-1401 of the Idaho Code and is governed by three elected commissioners who serve staggered four year terms. Accounting policies and practices of the District conform to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as applied to governments, except for the exceptions noted hereafter.

A. GENERAL

The financial statements listed in the table of contents have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applied to governmental entities. The Governmental Accounting Standard Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles.

B. REPORTING ENTITY

The scope of the reporting entity is intended to cover those funds under the direct jurisdiction of the board. Other governing boards; elected or appointed, that exercise substantial or total administrative and supervisory authority in their name are considered to be substantially autonomous from Lemhi County Fire Protection District government and are not included in this report..

C. GOVERNMENT-WIDE AND FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The District's financial statements consist of both government-wide statements and fund statements. The government-wide statements focus on the District as a whole, while the fund financial statements focus on individual funds.

Government-wide Financial Statements

The District's activities are governmental activities. Governmental activities are financed through taxes, intergovernmental revenues, and other non-exchange revenues.

The Statement of Net Position presents the District's non-fiduciary assets, deferred outflows, liabilities and deferred inflows, with the difference reported as net ;position. Net position is restricted when constraints placed upon it is either externally imposed or is imposed by constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

The Statement of Activities demonstrate the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segment is offset by program revenues.. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable within a specific function. The District does not allocate general government (indirect) expenses to other functions. 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; 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting operational or capital requirements of a particular function. Taxes and other revenues not meeting the definition of program revenues are reported as general revenues.

Fund Financial Statements

The financial transactions of the District are recorded in individual funds. A fund is a separate accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. Fund accounting is used to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid financial management by segregating transactions related to certain government functions or activities. Separate statements are provided for governmental, proprietary, and fiduciary funds. For governmental and proprietary funds, the emphasis is on major funds with each displayed in a separate column.

Note 1 Summary Of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

The District reports the following major governmental funds:

- **General Fund** - This fund is the principle operating fund of the District. It is used to account for all financial resources not required to be accounted for in another fund.

Governmental Fund Types

Governmental funds account for the District's general activities including current financial resources and are those through which most governmental functions of the District are financed. The District has the following governmental fund:

General Fund - The General Fund is the general operating fund of the District. It is used to account for all financial resources except for those required to be accounted for in another fund.

D. MEASUREMENT FOCUS AND BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The government-wide financial statements are prepared using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when the related liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of the cash-flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied. Other revenues are recognized in the years in which the related sales or other activity has occurred. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue when all eligibility requirements have been met.

The District does not have any proprietary type funds.

The governmental fund financial statements ae prepared and reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when they are both measurable and available. Expenditures are generally recorded when the related liability is incurred.

E. ASSETS, DEFERRED OUTFLOWS, LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS, AND FUND BALANCES OR NET POSITION

Following are the District's significant policies regarding recognition and reporting of certain assets, liabilities and equity.

Cash and Investments

Cash and cash equivalents consist primarily of demand deposits with financial institutions and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less than the purchase date. Investments include pooled investments and certificate of deposit with original maturities greater than three months.

Receivables

Receivables include accrued amounts for sales taxes and delinquent property taxes. Receivables from other governments are reasonably assured; accordingly, no allowance for uncollectible accounts has been established.

Note 1 Summary Of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Taxes Receivable

Property taxes are levied in September of each year and become payable on December 20 and June 20 of the following year for real property taxes and December 20 for personal property taxes.

Property taxes attach an enforceable lien as of December 20 following levy in September, therefore, no amount has been set aside for an allowance of doubtful accounts. Property taxes not collected before December 1, 2024 are classified as revenue unavailable for use in governmental funds.

Capital Assets

The District defines a capital asset as an asset with an initial cost of $5,000 or more for equipment, $5,000 or more for land and buildings and an estimated useful life of more than one year. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost. Donated capital assets are recorded at acquisition fair value on the date of acquisition. The District does not capitalize any infrastructure assets.

Capital assets purchased in governmental funds are recorded as expenditures in the governmental fund statements. Interest expense for capital asset construction related to governmental activities is not capitalized. The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend the asset's life are not capitalized.

Buildings, equipment and other depreciable assets are depreciated using the straight-line method over estimated useful lives of 5 to 40 years.

Capital assets are reported in the applicable governmental column in the government-wide financial statements.

Long-Term Obligations

In the government-wide statements, long term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities. Bond premiums and discounts are deferred and amortized over the life of the bonds using the straight-line method, which approximates the effective interest method. Bonds payable are reported net of the applicable bond premium or discount.

In the governmental fund financial statements, bond premiums, discounts, and issuance costs are recognized as expenditures in the current period. Premiums received on debt issuances are reported as other financing sources, while discounts on debt issuance are reported as other financing uses. Issuance costs, whether or not withheld from the actual debt proceeds received, are reported as debt service expenditures. The face amount of debt issued is reported as other financing sources.

Net Position/Fund Balance

The difference between assets plus deferred outflows and liabilities plus deferred inflows is net position on the government wide statement and fund balance on the governmental fund statements.

Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources

In addition to assets, the Statement of Net Position and Balance Sheet will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This financial statement element represents a consumption of net position or fund balance that applies to a future period, or periods, so it will not be recognized as an outflow of resources until that time. The District currently reports a deferred outflow associated with the net pension liability on the Statement of Net Position

Note 1 Summary Of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

In addition to liabilities, The Statement of Net Position and Balance Sheet will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This financial statement element represents an acquisition of net position or fund balance that applies to a future period or, periods, so it will not be recognized as an inflow of resources until that time. The District has an item which arises only under a modified accrual basis of accounting that qualifies for reporting in this category. Accordingly revenue unavailable for use is reported only in the governmental funds Balance Sheet. This amount id deferred and recognized as an inflow of resources in the period that amounts become available. The District also reports a deferred inflow associated with the net pension liability on the Statement of Net Position.

Nonspendable and Spendable Fund Balances

Fund balance is separated into spendable and nonspendable fund balance. The following is a list of nonspendable and spendable fund balance designations for Lemhi County Fire Protection District.

Nonspendable: This designation segregates fund balances that cannot be spent because they are either not in spendable form or are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.

Restricted: This designation segregates a portion of the fund balance when constraints have been placed on the use of the resources either externally by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Committed: This designation indicates a portion of the fund balance which can only be used for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal action of the District Board. It cannot be used for any other purpose unless the District Board removes or changes the specified use by taking the same type of action it employed to previously commit it.

Assigned: This designation indicates a fund balance that can only be spent for purposes officially designated by authority (budget) or is constrained by governmental intent, but is not restricted or committed.

Unassigned: This designation indicates a fund balance is not assigned to any specific purpose or is a negative fund balance. The District may use the positive unassigned fund balance for expenditures in subsequent fiscal years.

When an expenditure is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted fund balances are available, the District generally uses restricted fund balances first, then unrestricted.

F. BUDGETS AND BUDGETARY ACCOUNTING

The Idaho constitution and the Idaho Department of Revenues and Taxation prescribe the budget process and procedures for governmental subdivisions. The Lemhi County Fire Protection District has satisfied the basic requirements prescribed in the following particulars:

1) Formulation of subsequent year budget requirements by internal District officers and personnel.
2) Perusal of formulated budgets by the District Board of Commissioners.
3) Presentation of preliminary and final budget requirements in formal news media of the District.
4) Open hearings to permit taxpayer input before such budgets are formally adopted.

Note 1 Summary Of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Subsequent control budgets following adoption are accomplished through a budget-expenditures control system with interim status accounting and reporting made available to officers and employees for management purposes. Budgets are adopted on a cash basis of accounting. The District does not maintain a formal encumbrance accounting system.

G. COMPENSTED ABSENCES AND POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

The District does not offer compensated absences or any post-employment benefits.

H. PENSIONS

For purposes of measuring the net pension liability and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the Public Employee Retirement System of Idaho Base Plan (Base Plan) and additions to/ deductions from Base Plan's Fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the Base Plan. 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.

I. REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES

Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized in governmental funds when "measurable and available." Revenues are considered to be available when they are collected within the current period or expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. Lemhi County Fire Protection District considers payment of property tax revenues to be "available" if they are collected within 60 days after year-end. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue when all eligibility requirements have been met. All other revenues, including sales taxes, are considered to be available if they are collected within 30 days after year-end. Proceeds of long-term debt and acquisitions under capital leases are reported as other financing sources.

In the government-wide statements, revenues are recognized when earned.

J. EXPENDITURE/EXPENSE RECOGNITION

In governmental funds, expenditures are generally recorded when the related liability in incurred. However, expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recorded only when payment is due. Capital asset acquisition and construction are reported as expenditures in the period they are acquired.

In the government-wide statements, expenses are recorded when the related liability is incurred.

When an expenditure or expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted resources are available, the District generally uses restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources.

When an expenditure is incurred for purposes for which unrestricted fund balance is used, the District generally uses committed first, then assigned and then unassigned fund balance.

K. INTERFUND ACTIVITY AND BALANCES

Government-wide Statements

In general, eliminations have been made to minimize the double-counting of internal activity. There were no interfund receivables or payables at September 30, 2024.

Note 1 Summary Of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Governmental Fund Statements

Interfund transactions for goods and services provided and used are reported as revenues and expenditures/expenses in the funds involved. Cash transfers between funds of the District are reported as other financing sources and uses in the governmental fund statements.

L. USE OF ESTIMATES

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 disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the accounting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Note 2 Cash and investments

Cash deposits and investments by the District as of September 30, 2024, totaled $1,851,206 of which $306,499 represented demand deposits and cash on hand, $21,978 represented investments in the State of Idaho Local Government Investment Pool (LGIP), and $1,522,729 represented investment income mutual funds.

The deposits and simple investments, other than those in the LGIP are not collateralized nor are they required to be by Idaho state statute.

The District follows the requirements of the Idaho Depository Law (Idaho Code Section, Title 57-100), and applicable investment rights and restrictions cited by Idaho Code Section, Title 67-1210.

Deposits

At year end, the carrying amount of the District's deposits in financial institutions was $1,851,206 and the bank balance was $1,853,310. Of the demand deposits, $56,499 was not covered by FDIC or SPIC insurance at year end.

Investments

The fair value of the Districts investments at year end was $1,544,707. The information on the amount not covered by FDIC or SPIC insurance is not available.

The investments in the amount of $21,978 in the LGIP are through the State Treasurer who provides the oversight of the monies. Monies held by the LGIP were held in the following investments: government agency notes, commercial paper, corporate bonds, money markets, U.S. treasury notes, Idaho repurchase agreements, and purchased accrued interest. All investments for the LGIP are collateralized with securities held by the LGIP's safekeeping agent in the LGIP's name. The investments held by the LGIP are carried at cost, which is not materially different than fair value (determined by the Idaho State Treasurer's office). The investments in the LGIP are subject to risk from market and interest fluctuations. The LGIP is a non-rated fund. The weighted average maturity at September 30, 2024 was 106 days.

The remaining investments, totaling $1,522,729, were held in Ameriprise mutual funds.

The District does not have a written policy addressing credit risk, custodial risk, or interest risk.

Note 2 Cash and investments (Continued)

At year end, the District had the following investments:

Investment Type	Fair Value	≤1 year	1-5 years	≥5 years	Rating	%
LGIP	$ 21,978	21,978	$ -	$ -	N/A	1.5
Ameriprise Money Market	212	212	-	-	N/A	.0
Western Asset Ultra	432,792	432,792	-	-	N/A	28.0
Western Asset Short Term Bond C	46,700	46,700	-	-	N/A	3.0
Western Asset Short Term Bond A	550,049	550,049	-	-	N/A	35.6
Brandywineglobal Flexible Bond A	492,976	492,976	-	-	N/A	31.9
	$ 1,544,707	$ 1,544,707	$ -	$ -		100.0

Fair Value Measurements Fair value accounting guidance defines fair value as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. Fair value guidance also establishes a fair value hierarchy that requires a government to maximize the observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs when measuring fair value. Based on the inputs used to determine fair value, a three level hierarchy is used as follows:

Level 1 Determined using quoted prices in active markets that the government has the ability to access at the measurement date.

Level 2 Determined using inputs - other than quoted prices included in Level 1 – that are observable for an asset or liability, either directly or indirectly, such as quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets, quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active and inputs derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data.

Level 3 Determined using unobservable inputs for an asset or liability and requires the government to develop it's own assumptions, based on the best information available in the circumstances, about the considerations market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability.

The following table represents the district's investments that are measured or disclosed at fair value on a recurring basis. The District does not have any financial assets that are measured at fair value on a non-recurring basis.

	Fair Value Hierarchy			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Ameriprise funds and CD	$ 1,544,707	$ -	$ -	$ 1,544,707

The Ameriprise funds are valued using quoted market prices.

Note 3 Capital Assets

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

	Balance 09-30-2023	Additions	Deletions	Balance 09-30-2024
Capital assets, not being depreciated				
Land	$ 35,834	$ -	$ -	$ 35,834
Total capital assets not being depreciated	$ 35,834	$ -	$ -	$ 35,834
Capital assets, being depreciated				
Buildings and improvements	$ 135,624	-	-	$ 135,624
Vehicles and equipment	1,796,088	62,500	-	1,858,588
Total capital assets, being depreciated	$ 1,931,712	62,500	-	$ 1,994,212
Less accumulated depreciation for				
Buildings and improvements	(64,939)	(4,690)	-	(69,629)
Vehicles and equipment	(1,197,971)	(70,412)	-	(1,268,383)
Total accumulated depreciation	(1,262,910)	(75,102)	-	(1,338,012)
Total capital assets, being depreciated, net	668,802	(12,602)	-	656,200
Governmental activity, capital assets, net	$ 704,636	$ (12,602)	$ -	$ 692,034

Depreciation expense was charged to current function of the primary government as follows:

Governmental activities
Depreciation $ 75,102

Note 4 Pension Plan

Pensions
For purposes of measuring the net pension liability and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the Public Employee Retirement System of Idaho Base Plan (Base Plan) and additions to/deductions from Base Plan's Fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the Base Plan. 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.

Note 4 Pension Plan (Continued)

Plan Description

The District contributes to the Base Plan which is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit plan administered by Public Employee Retirement System of Idaho (PERSI or system) that covers substantially all employees of the State of Idaho, its agencies and various participating political subdivisions. The cost to administer the plan is financed through the contributions and investment earnings of the plan. PERSI issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for PERSI. That report may be obtained on the PERSI website at www.persi.idaho.gov.

Responsibility for administration of the Base Plan is assigned to the Board comprised of five members appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Idaho Senate. State law requires that two members of the Board be active Base Plan members with at least ten years of service and three members who are Idaho citizens not members of the Base Plan except by reason of having served on the Board.

Pension Benefits

The Base Plan provides retirement, disability, death and survivor benefits of eligible members of benefices. Benefits are based on members' years of service, age, and highest average salary. Members become fully vested in their retirement benefits with five years of credited service (5 months for elected or appointed officials). Members are eligible for retirement benefits upon attainment of the ages specified for their employment classification. The annual service retirement allowance for each month of credited service is 2.0% (2.3% for police/firefighters) of the average monthly salary for the highest consecutive 42 months.

The benefit payments for the Base Plan are calculated using a benefit formula adopted by the Idaho Legislature. The Base Plan is required to provide a 1% minimum cost of living increase per year provided the Consumer Price Index increases 1% or more. The PERSI Board has the authority to provide higher cost of living increases to a maximum of the Consumer Price Index movement or 6%, whichever is less; however, any amount above the 1% minimum is subject to review by the Idaho Legislature.

Member and Employer Contributions

Member and employer contributions paid to the Base Plan are set by statute and are established as percent of covered compensation. Contribution rates are determined by the PERSI Board within limitations, as defined by state law. The Board may make periodic changes to employer and employee contribution rates (expressed as a percentage of annual covered payroll) that are adequate to accumulate sufficient assets to pay benefits when due.

The contribution rates for employees are set by statute at 60% of the employer rate for general employees and 74% for public safety. As of June 30, 2024 it was 6.71% for general employees and 9.83% for public safety. The employer contribution rate as a percent of covered payroll is set by the Retirement Board and was 11.18% for general employees and 13.26% for police and firefighters. The District's contributions were $1,380 for the year ended September 30, 2024.

Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense (Revenue), and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions

At September 30, 2024, the District reported a liability for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2024, 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 the District's share of contributions in the Base Plan pension plan relative to the total contributions of all participating PERSI Base Plan employers. At June 30, 2024, the District's portion was .00000232 percent.

Note 4 Pension Plan (Continued)

For the year ended September 30, 2024, the District recognized pension expense (revenue) of $ 2,496. At September 30, 2024, the District reported outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	*Deferred Inflows of Resource*
Differences between expected and actual experience	($ 158)	$ - 0 -
Changes in assumptions or other inputs	344	- 0 -
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	1,382	- 0 -
Employer contributions subsequent to the measurement date	755	- 0 -
	$ 2,323	$ - 0 -

$ 755 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from Employer contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ending September 30, 2024.

The average of the expected remaining service lives of all employees that are provided with pensions through the System (active and inactive employees) determined at July 1, 2024 the beginning of the measurement period ended June 30, 2023 is 4.6 and 4.6 for the measurement period 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 (revenue) as follows:

Year ended September 30:

2025	$ 428
2026	$ 1,618
2027	($ 279)
2068	($ 199)

Actuarial Assumptions

Valuations are based on actuarial assumptions, the benefit formulas, and employee groups. Level percentages of payroll normal costs are determined using the Entry Age Normal Cost Method. Under the Entry Age Normal Cost Method, the actuarial present value of the projected benefits of each individual included in the actuarial valuation is allocated as a level percentage of each year's earnings of the individuals between entry age and assumed exit age. The Base Plan amortizes any unfunded actuarial accrued liability based on a level percentage of payroll. The maximum amortization period for the Base Plan permitted under Section 59-1322, Idaho Code, is 25 years.

The total pension liability in the June 30, 2024 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation	2.30%
Salary Increases	3.05%
Salary inflation	3.05%
Investment rate of return	6.35%, net of investment expenses
Cost-of-living adjustments	1%

Note 4 Pension Plan (Continued)

Contributing Members, Service Retirement Members, and Beneficiaries

General Employees and All Beneficiaries - Males Pub-2010 General Tables, increased 11%
General Employees and All Beneficiaries - Females Pub-2010 General Tables, increased 21%
Teachers - Males Pub-2010 Teacher Tables, increased 12%
Teachers - Females Pub-2010 Teacher Tables, increased 21%
Fire & Police - Males Pub 2010 Safety Tables, increased 21%
Fire & Police - Females Pub 2010 Safety Tables, increased 26%
Disabled Members - Males Pub 210 Disabled Tables, increased 38%
Disabled Members - Females Pub 2010 Disabled Tables, increased 36%

An experience study was performed for the period July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2020 which reviewed all economic and demographic assumptions other than mortality. The Total Pension Liability as of June 30, 2024 is based on the results of an actuarial valuation date of July 1, 2024.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using the building block approach and a forward-looking model in which best estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are development 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.

Even though history provides a valuable perspective for setting the investment return assumption, the System relies primarily on an approach which builds upon the latest capital market assumptions. Specifically, the System uses consultants, investment managers and trustees to develop capital market assumptions in analyzing the System's asset allocation. The assumptions and the System's formal policy for asset allocation are shown below. The formal asset allocation policy is somewhat more conservative than the current allocation of the System's assets.

The best-estimate range for the long-term expected rate of return is determined by adding expected inflation to expected long-term real returns and reflecting expected volatility and correlation. The capital market assumptions are as of 2024.

2024

Asset Class	DB Plans	Sick Leave
Fixed Income	30.0%	50.0%
US/Global Equity	55.0%	39.3%
International Equity	15.0%	10.7%
Cash	0.0.0%	0.0%
Total	100.0%	100.0%

Discount Rate

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 6.35 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current contribution rate. Based on the assumptions, the pension plans' net position was projected to be available to make all projected future

Note 4 Pension Plan (Continued)

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 he total pension liability. The long-term expected rate of return was determined net of pension plan investment expense but without reduction for pension plan administrative expense.

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 calculated using the discount rate of 6.35 percent, 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 1-percentage-point lower (5.35 percent) or 1-percentage-point higher (7.35 percent) than the current rate:

	1% Decrease	*Current Discount Rate*	*1% Increase*
	(5.35%)	(6.35%)	(7.35%)
Employer's proportionate share of net pension liability (asset)	$ 16,491	$ 8,678	$ 2,297

Pension plan fiduciary net position

Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued PERSI financial report.

PERSI issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and the required supplementary information for PERSI. That report may be obtained on the PERSI website at www.persi.idaho.gov.

Payables to the pension plan

At September 30, 2024 the District reported payables to the defined benefit pension plan of $-0- for legally required contributions and $-0- for legally required employee contributions which had been withheld from employee wages but not yet remitted to PERSI.

Note 5 Litigation and Contingent Liabilities

The District is not presently in active litigation. There are no claims pending against the District that are expected to expose the District to losses beyond the insurance protection provided.

Note 6 Committed/Nonspendable and Encumbered Fund Balances/Restricted Net Position

As of September 30, 2024, there was no nonspendable or encumbered fund balance on the Balance Sheet.

Note 7 Related Party Transactions

The District has not been directly involved in related party transactions that would violate the Idaho Code or Federal Regulations.

Note 8 Material Violation of Finance-Related Legal and Contractual Provisions

There are no known violations of direct finance-related legal and contractual provisions.

The District is exposed to various risks related to torts, theft, damage to, and destruction of assets, errors and omissions, and natural disasters. The District's risk management program encompasses various means of protecting the District against loss by obtaining property, casualty and liability coverage through commercial insurance carriers and from participation in a risk pool. The District's participation in the risk pool is limited to paying premiums for it's general liability insurance coverage. Settled claims have not exceeded insurance coverage in any of the previous three years. There has not been any significant reduction in coverage from that of the previous year.

Note 9 Risk Management

The District is exposed to various risks related to torts, theft, damage to, and destruction of assets, errors and omissions, and natural disasters. The District's risk management program encompasses various means of protecting the District against loss by obtaining property, casualty and liability coverage through commercial insurance carriers and from participation in a risk pool. The District's participation in the risk pool is limited to paying premiums for it's general liability insurance coverage. Settled claims have not exceeded insurance coverage in any of the previous three years. There has not been any significant reduction in coverage from that of the previous year.

Note 10 Restated Beginning fund balance

The beginning fund balance was restated by an increase of $3,752 due to adjusting prior year accounts payable.

Note 11 Deficits

There were no fund balance deficits reportable by the District.

Note 12 Subsequent Events

There are no known subsequent events that will have a material impact on the operation of the District. Subsequent events were considered through the report date of August 15, 2025.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Lemhi County Fire Protection District
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes
In Fund Balance - Budget and Actual - Non GAAP Basis
Year Ended September 30, 2024

	Original/Final Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
Revenues			
Lemhi County taxes	$397,837	$384,124	($13,713)
State sales tax	36,000	36,743	743
Investment earnings	16,000	121,531	105,531
Miscellaneous items	3,000	3,057	57
Total Revenues	452,837	545,455	92,618
Expenditures			
Current: Public Safety			
Expendable equipment	7,500	474	7,026
Fireman fitness	8,000	5,829	2,171
Maintenance, facilities	10,000	6,480	3,520
Maintenance, vehicles and equipment	36,000	19,080	16,920
Insurance and workers comp	13,358	14,374	(1,016)
Office and adm expense	10,000	6,841	3,159
Payroll wages and taxes	69,360	54,279	15,081
Professional services	11,000	7,108	3,892
Radio purchase and maintenance	17,000	9,544	7,456
Retirement	42,800	32,825	9,975
Training	15,000	13,725	1,275
Turnout gear	20,000	154,898	(134,898)
Utilities	25,000	15,327	9,673
Capital outlay and reserve fund	167,819	62,500	105,319
Total Expenditures	452,837	403,284	49,553
Net Change In Fund Balance	0	142,171	142,171
Reconciliing items:			
Changes affected by acrued revenues		1,907	
Changes affected by acrued expenditures		0	
Fund Balance, beginning of year restated *Restated, see Note 10*		1,713,634	
Fund Balance, ending of year		$1,857,712	

Lemhi County Fire Protection District
Notes To Required Supplementary Information
Year Ended September 30, 2024

1. The legally adopted budget for Lemhi County Fire Protection District is based on the cash basis of accounting. Adjustments to the modified accrual basis of accounting are listed as GAAP differences.

2. Higher operating expenses may be reflected on the GAAP basis if equipment was purchased at year end with a partial payment budgeted in the current year and an account payable booked to reflect the final payment in the subsequent year's budget.

Lemhi County Fire Protection District
Schedule of Employer's Share of Net Pension Liability
PERSI Base Plan
Last 10 - Fiscal Years

	PERSI Base Plan				
Fiscal Year	Employer's portion of net pension liability	Employer's proportionate share of the net pension liability	Employer's covered employee payroll	Employer's Proportional share of the net pension liability as a percentage of covered payroll	Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability
2015	0.0000058%	7,677	16,100	47.68%	91.38%
2016	0.0000062%	12,558	17,970	69.88%	87.26%
2017	0.0000061%	9,517	18,420	51.67%	90.68%
2018	0.0000033%	49,078	13,695	358.36%	91.69%
2019	0.0000027%	3,053	10,060	30.35%	93.79%
2020	0.0000025%	5,894	8,807	66.92%	88.22%
2021	0.0000024%	(191)	9,500	-2.01%	100.36%
2022	0.0000023%	8,951	9,640	92.85%	83.09%
2023	0.0000047%	18,692	12,317	151.76%	83.83%
2024	0.0000023%	8,678	13,508	64.24%	85.54%

Data reported is measured as of June 30th.

Lemhi County Fire Protection District
Schedule of Employer Contributions
PERSI - Base Plan
Last 10 - Fiscal Years

	PERSI Base Plan				
Fiscal Year	Statutorily required contribution	Contribution in relation to the statutorily required contributi9on	Contribution deficiiency (excess)	Covered payroll	Contribution as a percentage of covered payroll
2015	1,883	1,883	$0	16,100	11.70%
2016	2,118	2,118	$0	17,970	11.79%
2017	2,015	2,015	$0	18,420	10.94%
2018	1,491	1,491	$0	13,695	10.89%
2019	1,186	1,186	$0	10,060	11.79%
2020	1,077	1,077	$0	8,807	12.23%
2021	1,153	1,153	$0	9,500	12.14%
2022	1,184	1,184	$0	9,640	12.28%
2023	1,342	1,342	$0	12,317	10.90%
2024	1,380	1,380	$0	13,508	10.22%

Data reported is measured as of September 30

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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*

Board of Commissioners
Lemhi County Fire Protection District
Salmon, Idaho

I 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 of the Lemhi County Fire Protection District as of and for the year ended September 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Lemhi County Fire Protection District's basic financial statements, and have issued my report thereon dated August 15, 2025.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing my audit of the financial statements, I considered the Lemhi County Fire Protection District's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriated in the circumstances for purpose of expressing my opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Lemhi County Fire Protection District's internal control. Accordingly, I do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Lemhi County Fire 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 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 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.

My 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 and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that have not been identified. Given these limitations, during my audit I did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that I consider to be material weaknesses.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Lemhi County Fire Protection District's financial statements are free from material misstatement, I 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 determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of my audit and, accordingly, I do not express such an opinion. The results of my 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 my testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Lemhi County Fire Protection District'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.

Gary Merkle, CPA PLLC
Boise, Idaho
August 15, 2024