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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS EXAMINATION REPORT OF

MARION COUNTY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT MARION COUNTY, INDIANA

January 1, 2012 to December 31, 2015





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SCHEDULE OF OFFICIALS

<u>Office</u>	<u>Official</u>	<u>Term</u>
Director	(Vacant)	01-01-12 to 12-31-17
District Financial Director	(Vacant) Marilyn Hughes	01-01-12 to 01-31-12 02-01-12 to 12-31-17
Treasurer of the Board	Mark Kautz John Hazlett	01-01-12 to 12-31-13 01-01-14 to 12-31-17
President of the Board	Brian N. Neilson Heather Buck	01-01-12 to 12-31-15 01-01-16 to 12-31-17



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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT

TO: THE OFFICIALS OF THE MARION COUNTY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT, MARION COUNTY, INDIANA

We have examined the accompanying financial statements of the Marion County Soil and Water Conservation District (District), for the period of January 1, 2012 to December 31, 2015. The District's management is responsible for the financial statements. Our responsibility is to express an opinion based on our examination.

Our examination was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and, accordingly, included examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the financial statements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our examination provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As discussed in Note 1 to the financial statements, the District prepares its financial statements on the prescribed basis of accounting that demonstrates compliance with the reporting requirements established by the Indiana State Board of Accounts as allowed by state statute (IC 5-11-1-6), which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The effects on the financial statements of the variances between these regulatory accounting practices and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, although not reasonably determinable, are presumed to be material.

In our opinion, because of the matter discussed in the preceding paragraph, the financial statements referred to above do not present, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position and results of operations of the District for the period of January 1, 2012 to December 31, 2015.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present, in all material respects, the financial position and results of operations of the District for the period of January 1, 2012 to December 31, 2015, based on the prescribed basis of accounting described in Note 1.

Our examination was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the District's financial statements. The Combining Schedules of Receipts, Disbursements, and Cash and Investment Balances - Regulatory Basis and Schedule of Capital Assets, as listed in the Table of Contents, are presented for additional analysis and are not required parts of the financial statements. They have not been subjected to the examination procedures applied to the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on them.

Paul D. Joyce, CPA State Examiner (This page intentionally left blank.)

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND ACCOMPANYING NOTES	
The financial statements and accompanying notes were approved by management of the District. The financial statements and notes are presented as intended by the District.	

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MARION COUNTY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CASH AND INVESTMENT BALANCES - REGULATORY BASIS

For the Years Ended December 31, 2012 and 2013

Fund	In	Cash and vestments	 Receipts	Dis	sbursements	 Cash and Investments 12-31-12	 Receipts	Dis	sbursements	 Cash and nvestments 12-31-13
General Fund	\$	29,549	\$ 195,968	\$	194,507	\$ 31,010	\$ 267,083	\$	267,490	\$ 30,603

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

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MARION COUNTY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CASH AND INVESTMENT BALANCES - REGULATORY BASIS

For the Years Ended December 31, 2014 and 2015

Fund	Cash and Investments 01-01-14		Receipts	Disbursements	Cash and Investments 12-31-14	_	Receipts	Di	sbursements	 Cash and nvestments
General Fund	\$ 30,60	3 \$	244,617	\$ 222,339	\$ 52,881	\$	230,194	\$	197,768	\$ 85,307

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

MARION COUNTY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

A. Reporting Entity

The District was established under the laws of the State of Indiana. The District operates under an appointed governing board.

The accompanying financial statements present the financial information for the District.

B. Basis of Accounting

The financial statements are reported on a regulatory basis of accounting prescribed by the Indiana State Board of Accounts in accordance with state statute (IC 5-11-1-6), which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The basis of accounting involves the reporting of only cash and investments and the changes therein resulting from cash inflows (receipts) and cash outflows (disbursements) reported in the period in which they occurred.

The regulatory basis of accounting differs from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, in that receipts are recognized when received in cash, rather than when earned, and disbursements are recognized when paid, rather than when a liability is incurred.

C. Cash and Investments

Investments are stated at cost. Any changes in fair value of the investments are reported as receipts in the year of the sale of the investment.

D. Receipts

Receipts are presented in the aggregate on the face of the financial statements. The aggregate receipts include the following sources:

Intergovernmental receipts. Amounts received from other governments in the form of operating grants, entitlements, or payments in lieu of taxes. Examples of intergovernmental receipts include, but are not limited to, the following: federal grants, state grants, cigarette tax distributions received from the state, motor vehicle highway distributions received from the state, local road and street distributions received from the state, financial institution tax received from the state, auto excise surtax received from the state, commercial vehicle excise tax received from the state, major moves distributions received from the state, and riverboat receipts received from the county.

Charges for services. Amounts received for services including, but not limited to, the following: planning commission charges, building department charges, copies of public records, copy machines charges, accident report copies, gun permit applications, 911 telephone services, recycling fees, dog pound fees, emergency medical service fees, park rental fees, swimming pool receipts, cable TV receipts, ordinance violations, fines and fees, bond forfeitures, court costs, and court receipts.

MARION COUNTY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

Other receipts. Amounts received from various sources, including, but not limited to, the following: net proceeds from borrowings; interfund loan activity; transfers authorized by statute, ordinance, resolution, or court order; internal service receipts; and fiduciary receipts.

E. Disbursements

Disbursements are presented in the aggregate on the face of the financial statements. The aggregate disbursements include the following uses:

Personal services. Amounts disbursed for salaries, wages, and related employee benefits provided for all persons employed. In those units where sick leave, vacation leave, overtime compensation, and other such benefits are appropriated separately, such payments would also be included.

Supplies. Amounts disbursed for articles and commodities that are entirely consumed and materially altered when used and/or show rapid depreciation after use for a short period of time. Examples of supplies include, but are not limited to, the following: office supplies, operating supplies, and repair and maintenance supplies.

Other services and charges. Amounts disbursed for services including, but not limited to, the following: professional services, communication and transportation, printing and advertising, insurance, utility services, repairs and maintenance, and rental charges.

Capital outlay. Amounts disbursed for land, infrastructure, buildings, improvements, and machinery and equipment having an appreciable and calculable period of usefulness.

Other disbursements. Amounts disbursed for various other purposes including, but not limited to, the following: interfund loan payments; loans made to other funds; internal service disbursements; and transfers out that are authorized by statute, ordinance, resolution, or court order.

F. Interfund Transfers

The District may, from time to time, make transfers from one fund to another. These transfers, if any, are included as a part of the receipts and disbursements of the affected funds and as a part of total receipts and disbursements. The transfers are used for cash flow purposes as provided by various statutory provisions.

G. Fund Accounting

Separate funds are established, maintained, and reported by the District. Each fund is used to account for amounts received from and used for specific sources and uses as determined by various regulations. Restrictions on some funds are set by statute while other funds are internally restricted by the District. The amounts accounted for in a specific fund may only be available for use for certain, legally-restricted purposes. Additionally, some funds are used to account for assets held by the District in a trustee capacity as an agent of individuals, private organizations, other funds, or other governmental units and, therefore, the funds cannot be used for any expenditures of the unit itself.

MARION COUNTY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

Note 2. Deposits and Investments

Deposits, made in accordance with state statute (IC 5-13), with financial institutions in the State of Indiana, at year end, should be entirely insured by the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation or by the Indiana Public Deposit Insurance Fund. This includes any deposit accounts issued or offered by a qualifying financial institution.

State statutes authorize the District to invest in securities including, but not limited to, the following: federal government securities, repurchase agreements, and certain money market mutual funds. Certain other statutory restrictions apply to all investments made by local governmental units.

Note 3. Risk Management

The District may be exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; job-related illnesses or injuries to employees; medical benefits to employees, retirees, and dependents; and natural disasters.

These risks can be mitigated through the purchase of insurance, establishment of a self-insurance fund, and/or participation in a risk pool. The purchase of insurance transfers the risk to an independent third-party. The establishment of a self-insurance fund allows the District to set aside money for claim settlements. The self-insurance fund would be included in the financial statements. The purpose of participation in a risk pool is to provide a medium for the funding and administration of the risks.

OTHER INFORMATION - UNEXAMINED

The District's Annual Financial Report information can be found on the Gateway website: https://gateway.ifionline.org/.

Differences may be noted between the financial information presented in the financial statements contained in this report and the financial information presented in the District's Annual Financial Report referenced above. These differences, if any, are due to adjustments made to the financial information during the course of the examination. This is a common occurrence in any financial statement examination. The financial information presented in this report is examined information, and the accuracy of such information can be determined by reading the opinion given in the Independent Accountant's Report.

The other information presented was approved by management of the District. It is presented as intended by the District.

MARION COUNTY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT COMBINING SCHEDULE OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CASH AND INVESTMENT BALANCES - REGULATORY BASIS For the Year Ended December 31, 2012

	General Fund
Cash and investments - beginning	\$ 29,549
Receipts: Intergovernmental receipts Charges for services Other receipts	159,200 36,077 691
Total receipts	195,968
Disbursements: Personal services Supplies Other services and charges Other disbursements	138,552 6,882 48,378 695
Total disbursements	194,507
Excess of receipts over disbursements	1,461
Cash and investments - ending	\$ 31,010

MARION COUNTY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT COMBINING SCHEDULE OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CASH AND INVESTMENT BALANCES - REGULATORY BASIS For the Year Ended December 31, 2013

	General Fund
Cash and investments - beginning	\$ 31,010
Receipts: Intergovernmental receipts Charges for services Other receipts	223,511 42,029 1,543
Total receipts	267,083
Disbursements: Personal services Supplies Other services and charges Capital outlay Other disbursements	144,520 2,856 110,070 1,408 8,636
Total disbursements	267,490
(Deficiency) of receipts over disbursements	(407)
Cash and investments - ending	\$ 30,603

MARION COUNTY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT COMBINING SCHEDULE OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CASH AND INVESTMENT BALANCES - REGULATORY BASIS For the Year Ended December 31, 2014

	General Fund
Cash and investments - beginning	\$ 30,603
Receipts: Intergovernmental receipts Charges for services Other receipts	200,574 42,424 1,619
Total receipts	244,617
Disbursements: Personal services Supplies Other services and charges Capital outlay Other disbursements	118,999 5,627 89,477 452 7,784
Total disbursements	222,339
Excess of receipts over disbursements	22,278
Cash and investments - ending	\$ 52,881

MARION COUNTY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT COMBINING SCHEDULE OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CASH AND INVESTMENT BALANCES - REGULATORY BASIS For the Year Ended December 31, 2015

	General Fund
Cash and investments - beginning	\$ 52,881
Receipts: Intergovernmental receipts Charges for services Other receipts	216,700 12,245 1,249
Total receipts	230,194
Disbursements: Personal services Supplies Other services and charges Capital outlay Other disbursements	140,870 6,113 32,495 550 17,740
Total disbursements	197,768
Excess of receipts over disbursements	32,426
Cash and investments - ending	\$ 85,307

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MARION COUNTY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT SCHEDULE OF CAPITAL ASSETS December 31, 2015

Capital assets are reported at actual or estimated historical cost based on appraisals or deflated current replacement cost. Contributed or donated assets are reported at estimated fair value at the time received.

	Ending Balance
Governmental activities: Machinery, equipment, and vehicles Books and other	\$ 40,464 4,200
Total governmental activities	 44,664
Total capital assets	\$ 44,664

OTHER REPORTS	
In addition to this report, other reports may have been issued for the District. found on the Indiana State Board of Accounts' website: http://www.in.gov/sboa/ .	All reports can be