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FINANCIAL STATEMENT EXAMINATION REPORT

OF

KENTLAND CONSERVANCY DISTRICT

NEWTON COUNTY, INDIANA

January 1, 2011 to December 31, 2014



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SCHEDULE OF OFFICIALS

<u>Office</u>	<u>Official</u>	<u>Term</u>
Financial Clerk	Judy M. King	01-01-11 to 12-31-15
President of the Board	Dave P. Smart	01-01-11 to 12-31-11
	James Sammons	01-01-12 to 12-31-12
	Lowell Mitchell	01-01-13 to 12-31-15



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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT

TO: THE OFFICIALS OF THE KENTLAND CONSERVANCY DISTRICT, NEWTON COUNTY, INDIANA

We have examined the accompanying financial statement of the Kentland Conservancy District (District), for the period of January 1, 2011 to December 31, 2014. The financial statement is the responsibility of the District's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial statement 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 statement 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, the District prepares its financial statement 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 statement 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 statement referred to above does not present fairly, 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, 2011 to December 31, 2014.

In our opinion, the financial statement referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position and results of operations of the District for the period of January 1, 2011 to December 31, 2014, on the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

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

Paul D. Joyce
Paul D. Joyce, CPA
State Examiner

September 28, 2015

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND ACCOMPANYING NOTES

The financial statement and accompanying notes were approved by management of the District. The financial statement and notes are presented as intended by the District.

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KENTLAND CONSERVANCY DISTRICT
 STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CASH AND INVESTMENT BALANCES -
 REGULATORY BASIS
 For the Years Ended December 31, 2011, 2012, 2013, and 2014

Fund	Cash and Investments 01-01-11	Receipts	Disbursements	Cash and Investments 12-31-11	Receipts	Disbursements	Cash and Investments 12-31-12
General Fund	\$ 45,608	\$ 50,307	\$ 41,021	\$ 54,894	\$ 47,501	\$ 71,003	\$ 31,392

Fund	Cash and Investments 01-01-13	Receipts	Disbursements	Cash and Investments 12-31-13	Receipts	Disbursements	Cash and Investments 12-31-14
General Fund	\$ 31,392	\$ 67,277	\$ 71,905	\$ 26,764	\$ 116,751	\$ 57,051	\$ 86,464

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

KENTLAND CONSERVANCY DISTRICT
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENT

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 statement presents the financial information for the District.

B. Basis of Accounting

The financial statement is 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 statement. The aggregate receipts include the following sources:

Taxes which can include one or more of the following: property taxes, certified shares (local option tax), property tax replacement credit (local option tax), county option income tax, wheel tax, innkeepers tax, food and beverage tax, county economic development income tax, boat and trailer excise tax, county adjusted gross income tax, and other taxes that are set by the District.

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

E. Disbursements

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

Personal services include outflows for salaries and wages.

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENT
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Supplies which include 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 office supplies, operating supplies, and repair and maintenance supplies.

Other services and charges which include, but are not limited to: professional services, communication and transportation, printing and advertising, insurance, utility services, repairs and maintenance, and rental charges.

Debt service principal and interest which include fixed obligations resulting from financial transactions previously entered into by the District. It includes all expenditures for the reduction of the principal and interest of the District's general obligation indebtedness.

Other disbursements which include, but are 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.

Note 2. Budgets

The operating budget is initially prepared and approved at the local level. The fiscal officer of the District submits a proposed operating budget to the governing board for the following calendar year. The budget is advertised as required by law. Prior to adopting the budget, the governing board conducts public hearings and obtains taxpayer comments. Prior to November 1, the governing board approves the budget for the next year. The budget for funds for which property taxes are levied or highway use taxes are received is subject to final approval by the Indiana Department of Local Government Finance.

Note 3. Property Taxes

Property taxes levied are collected by the County Treasurer and are scheduled to be distributed to the District in June and December; however, situations can arise which would delay the distributions. State statute (IC 6-1.1-17-16) requires the Indiana Department of Local Government Finance to establish property tax rates and levies by February 15. These rates were based upon the preceding year's March 1 (lien date) assessed valuations adjusted for various tax credits. Taxable property is assessed at 100 percent of the true tax value (determined in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the Indiana Department of Local Government Finance). Taxes may be paid in two equal installments which normally become delinquent if not paid by May 10 and November 10, respectively.

Note 4. 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, federal government securities, repurchase agreements, and certain money market mutual funds. Certain other statutory restrictions apply to all investments made by local governmental units.

KENTLAND CONSERVANCY DISTRICT
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENT
(Continued)

Note 5. 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 statement. The purpose of participation in a risk pool is to provide a medium for the funding and administration of the risks.

OTHER INFORMATION - UNAUDITED

The District's Annual 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 statement contained in this report and the financial information presented in the Annual Reports of the District which are 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.

KENTLAND CONSERVANCY DISTRICT
 SCHEDULE OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND
 CASH AND INVESTMENT BALANCES - REGULATORY BASIS
 For the Year Ended December 31, 2011

	General Fund
Cash and investments - beginning	\$ 45,608
Receipts:	
Taxes	49,732
Other receipts	575
Total receipts	50,307
Disbursements:	
Personal services	3,000
Other services and charges	7,427
Debt service - principal and interest	30,594
Total disbursements	41,021
Excess (deficiency) of receipts over disbursements	9,286
Cash and investments - ending	\$ 54,894

KENTLAND CONSERVANCY DISTRICT
 SCHEDULE OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND
 CASH AND INVESTMENT BALANCES - REGULATORY BASIS
 For the Year Ended December 31, 2012

	<u>General Fund</u>
Cash and investments - beginning	\$ <u>54,894</u>
Receipts:	
Taxes	47,136
Other receipts	<u>365</u>
Total receipts	<u>47,501</u>
Disbursements:	
Personal services	3,000
Other services and charges	35,714
Debt service - principal and interest	30,594
Other disbursements	<u>1,695</u>
Total disbursements	<u>71,003</u>
Excess (deficiency) of receipts over disbursements	<u>(23,502)</u>
Cash and investments - ending	<u>\$ <u>31,392</u></u>

KENTLAND CONSERVANCY DISTRICT
 SCHEDULE OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND
 CASH AND INVESTMENT BALANCES - REGULATORY BASIS
 For the Year Ended December 31, 2013

	General Fund
Cash and investments - beginning	\$ 31,392
Receipts:	
Taxes	67,173
Other receipts	104
Total receipts	67,277
Disbursements:	
Personal services	3,000
Other services and charges	37,383
Debt service - principal and interest	30,544
Other disbursements	978
Total disbursements	71,905
Excess (deficiency) of receipts over disbursements	(4,628)
Cash and investments - ending	\$ 26,764

KENTLAND CONSERVANCY DISTRICT
 SCHEDULE OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND
 CASH AND INVESTMENT BALANCES - REGULATORY BASIS
 For the Year Ended December 31, 2014

	<u>General Fund</u>
Cash and investments - beginning	\$ <u>26,764</u>
Receipts:	
Taxes	116,577
Other receipts	<u>174</u>
Total receipts	<u>116,751</u>
Disbursements:	
Personal services	3,000
Supplies	10,533
Other services and charges	13,074
Debt service - principal and interest	<u>30,444</u>
Total disbursements	<u>57,051</u>
Excess (deficiency) of receipts over disbursements	<u>59,700</u>
Cash and investments - ending	<u>\$ <u>86,464</u></u>

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KENTLAND CONSERVANCY DISTRICT
 SCHEDULE OF LEASES AND DEBT
 December 31, 2014

Description of Debt		Ending Principal Balance	Principal and Interest Due Within One Year
Type	Purpose		
Governmental activities:			
Notes and loans payable	Ditch Maintenance	<u>\$ 125,872</u>	<u>\$ 30,294</u>

OTHER REPORTS

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