FRESNO COUNTY RURAL TRANSIT AGENCY

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FINANCIAL SECTION



INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

The Board of Directors Fresno County Rural Transit Agency Fresno, California

Report on Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the business-type activities of the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency, as of and for the years ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with 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. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT (CONTINUED)

Auditors' Responsibility (Continued)

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the business-type activities of the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency, as of June 30, 2015 and 2014, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that management's discussion and analysis be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such 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 financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT (CONTINUED)

Other Matters (Continued)

Other information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency's basic financial statements. The schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by U.S. Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*, and is also not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The schedule of expenditures of federal awards is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the schedule of expenditures of federal awards is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated February 8, 2016, on our consideration of the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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Dedekian, George, Small & Markarian Accountancy Corporation February 8, 2016

The following discussion and analysis of the financial performance and activity of the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency Basic Financial Statements provides an introduction and understanding of the basic financial statements of the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency (FCRTA). This discussion has been prepared by management and should be read in conjunction with the financial statements and the notes thereto, which follow this section.

FCRTA is a voluntary association of the County of Fresno and 13 incorporated cities in Fresno County established on September 27, 1979, under a joint exercise of power agreement to provide public transit service for the rural areas consistent with the Regional Transportation Plan for Fresno County.

FCRTA currently operates an active fixed route and demand responsive bus fleet of seventythree. FCRTA has no direct employees and contracts for all management and transit operations functions. FCRTA also reimburses various member agencies for expenditures incurred providing transit service. FCRTA receives funds primarily from the Transportation Development Act (TDA), which is a ¼ cent sales tax administrated by the Fresno Council of Governments, State Transit Assistance (STA), transit fares and federal, state and local grants.

The Financial Statements

FCRTA's basic financial statements include (1) the Statement of Net Position, (2) the Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position, (3) the Statement of Cash Flows and (4) the Notes to the Financial Statements. The financial statements are prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The Statement of Net Position reports assets, liabilities, and the difference between the two as net position. The entire equity section is combined to report total net position and is displayed in three components - invested in capital assets, net of related debt; restricted net position; and unrestricted net position.

The net position component *invested in capital assets, net of related debt*, consists of capital assets including restricted capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowings attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvements of those assets.

Restricted net position consists of assets where constraints on their use are either (a) externally imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments or (b) imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Unrestricted net position consists of net position that do not meet the definition of restricted or invested in capital assets, net of related debt.

The Financial Statements (Continued)

The Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position is reported using the accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenues are reported when earned and expenses are reported when incurred, regardless of when cash is received or paid. Revenues and expenses are categorized as either operating or non-operating based upon definitions provided by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board.

Financial Highlights

- Total net position of FCRTA was \$8,822,684 and consisted of capital assets, net of related debt, of \$8,291,341; and unrestricted net position of \$531,343.
- Net position decreased \$1,465,247 during fiscal year 2015. The decrease in net position from business-type activities was attributable primarily to current year depreciation in excess of current year asset purchases.
- Total capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, was \$8,291,341 at June 30, 2015, representing a decrease of \$1,465,247 from June 30, 2014. The decrease in capital assets was primarily the result of current year depreciation in excess of current year asset purchases.

Statement of Net Position

The Statement of Net Position provides a measure of the financial health of an entity at a specific date in time (i.e., year-end). A summary of FCRTA's Statement of Net Position for Business-Type Activities as of June 30, 2015, with comparative totals as of June 30, 2014 is as follows:

Statements of Net Position Business-Type Activities As of June 30, 2015 and 2014		
	 2015	 2014
Assets:		
Current and Other Assets	\$ 12,457,531	\$ 10,430,151
Capital Assets (Net of Depreciation)	 8,291,341	 9,756,588
Total Assets	 20,748,872	 20,186,739
Liabilities:		
Current and Other Liabilities	 11,926,188	 9,898,808
Net Position:		
Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt	8,291,341	9,756,588
Unrestricted	 531,343	 531,343
Total Net Position	\$ 8,822,684	\$ 10,287,931

Statement of Net Position (Continued)

Business-type activities include FCRTA's Enterprise Fund operations. These operations are highly capital intensive, devoting a significant portion of their financial resources to the maintenance and replacement of major capital equipment and facilities. This is evidenced by the higher proportion of capital assets to total assets. In fact, of the \$20,748,872 in total assets as of June 30, 2015, \$8,291,341 (40%) relate to capital assets.

All categories of net position have a positive balance, which means that, as a whole, the individual fund comprising the business-type activities has sufficient current assets to satisfy current liabilities and still have assets remaining for discretionary spending. In short, the business-type activities are in excellent financial condition.

The make-up of net position, however, changed slightly from the prior year. Net position invested in capital assets decreased by \$1,465,247 while unrestricted net position remained unchanged. This is due to favorable operations in the proprietary fund. The enterprise fund invested \$165,302 in capital assets during the year. However, though the enterprise fund invested \$165,302, depreciation expense of \$1,630,549 caused a decrease in net position invested in capital to be \$1,465,247.

Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position

The Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position provide details of how net position changed from the beginning of the year to the end of the year, and whether net position increased or decreased. Thus, it indicates whether FCRTA as a whole is better off at June 30, 2015 than it was at June 30, 2014.

A summary of FCRTA's Statements of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position for fiscal year ended June 30, 2015, with comparative totals for the year ended June 30, 2014 is as follows:

Business-7	enses, and Changes in Net Position Fype Activities June 30, 2015 and 2014	
	2015	2014
Revenues:		
Program Revenues	\$ 5,036,809	\$ 10,923,758
General Revenues	116,311	121,817
Total Revenues	5,153,120	11,045,575
Expenses:		
Program Expenses	6,618,367	5,732,398
Changes in Net Position	(1,465,247)	5,313,177
Net Position – Beginning	10,287,931	4,974,754
Net Position – Ending	\$ 8,822,684	\$ 10,287,931

Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position (Continued)

The largest revenue categories listed on the Statements of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position are state and local operating assistance derived from Transportation Development Act and Measure "C" revenues, and federal operating assistance derived from Federal Transportation Administration operating grants.

The largest operating expense category is contractual purchased transportation service (31%). Maintenance and repair constitute 16% of FCRTA's salary and benefit reimbursement to members for providing transit service make up another 11%. The remaining operating expenses include administrative reimbursements, fuel, utilities, insurance, depreciation and miscellaneous.

Statement of Cash Flows

The Statement of Cash Flows provides detailed information about the cash received in the fiscal year and the uses of the cash received. This is the only cash-basis financial statement presented and it reconciles cash receipts and cash expenditures to the beginning and ending cash on hand.

Most of the cash received by FCRTA during the fiscal year was from operating grants; most of the cash expenses were for operating expenses.

Capital Assets

FCRTA's capital assets by class and by type of activity are summarized below:

Schedules of Capital Assets (Net of Accumulated Depreciation June 30, 2015 and 2014	on)			
		Business Ty	pe Ac	ctivities
		2015		2014
Capital Grant Funded	\$	8,291,341	\$	9,756,588

It is important to note that the capital assets are reported at historical cost, net of accumulated depreciation. These amounts do not represent the market value or replacement cost of FCRTA assets, which would be significantly higher. Historical cost is used, pursuant to accounting standards, to provide an objective basis for reporting capital assets.

Additional information on FCRTA's capital assets can be found in Note 4 of notes to the financial statements.

Economic Factors and Next Year's Budget/Program

FCRTA's main source of operating funds comes from the Local Transportation Fund and Measure "C", both of which are derived from local sales tax. FCRTA also receives Section 5311 federal operating assistance from the Federal Transit Administration. The federal funds did not significantly decrease during the recent economic downturn, and local sales taxes appear to have bottomed out and are now increasing. FCRTA has adequate reserves set aside to continue operations and replace rolling stock.

Contacting FCRTA's Financial Management

The FCRTA Basic Financial Statements are designed to provide FCRTA's Board of Directors, management, creditors, legislative and oversight agencies, citizens and customers with an overview of FCRTA's finances and to demonstrate its accountability for funds received. For additional information about this report, please contact Les Beshears, Finance Director, Fresno County Rural Transit Agency, 2035 Tulare Street, Suite 201, Fresno, California 93721.

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FRESNO COUNTY RURAL TRANSIT AGENCY STATEMENTS OF NET POSITION JUNE 30, 2015 AND 2014

	2015	2014	
Assets:			
Current assets:			
Cash	\$ 9,882,385	\$ 7,747,444	
Receivables:		1 7 7 7	
Intergovernmental	1,827,180	2,113,467	
Interest	34,625	24,988	
Other	414,329	315,646	
Prepaid insurance	299,012	228,606	
Total current assets	12,457,531	10,430,151	
Non-Current assets:			
Capital assets	18,303,793	18,138,491	
Accumulated depreciation	(10,012,452)	(8,381,903)	
Total non-current assets	8,291,341	9,756,588	
Total assets	20,748,872	20,186,739	
Liabilities:			
Accounts payable	721,959	645,301	
Due to members and other governmental entities	215,162	299,206	
Deferred revenues	10,989,067	8,954,301	
Total liabilities	11,926,188	9,898,808	
Net position:			
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	8,291,341	9,756,588	
Unrestricted	531,343	531,343	
Total net position	\$ 8,822,684	\$ 10,287,931	

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

FRESNO COUNTY RURAL TRANSIT AGENCY STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION FOR THE YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2015 AND 2014

	2015			2014	
Operating revenue:					
Fare revenues	\$	588,693	\$	583,598	
Total operating revenues		588,693		583,598	
Operating expenses:					
Salaries and employee benefits reimbursements		712,687		688,314	
Administrative services reimbursements		521,770		526,376	
Fuel and lubricants		309,546		256,413	
Maintenance and repairs		1,026,468		796,018	
Utilities		57,385		45,606	
Purchased transportation		2,027,147		1,844,822	
Casualty and liability insurance		267,012		249,717	
Miscellaneous expenses		65,803		12,839	
Depreciation		1,630,549		1,312,293	
Total operating expenses		6,618,367		5,732,398	
Operating loss		(6,029,674)		(5,148,800)	
Non-operating revenues:					
Interest revenue		116,311		121,817	
State and local operating assistance		2,600,026		1,862,237	
Federal operating assistance		1,682,788		1,852,452	
Total non-operating revenues		4,399,125		3,836,506	
Capital contributions		165,302		6,625,471	
Changes in net position		(1,465,247)		5,313,177	
Total net position, beginning		10,287,931		4,974,754	
Total net position, ending	\$	8,822,684	\$	10,287,931	

FRESNO COUNTY RURAL TRANSIT AGENCY STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2015 AND 2014

	2015		2014	
Cash flows from operating activities:				
Receipts from customers and users	\$	490,010	\$	531,237
Payments to suppliers		(4,352,923)		(3,828,221)
Payments to employees		(712,687)		(688,314)
Net cash used in operating activities		(4,575,600)		(3,985,298)
Cash flows from noncapital financing activities:				
Operating grants received		6,603,867		3,353,295
Net cash provided by noncapital financing				
activities		6,603,867	_	3,353,295
Cash flows from investing activities:				
Interest received		106,674	_	123,353
Net cash provided by investing activities		106,674		123,353
Cash flows from capital and related financing activities:				
Grant funds received for property and				
equipment acquisition		165,302		6,581,573
Acquisitions of property and equipment		(165,302)		(6,625,471)
Net cash used in capital and related				
financing activities		-		(43,898)
Net increase (decrease) in cash		2,134,941		(552,548)
Cash at beginning of year		7,747,444		8,299,992
Cash at end of year	\$	9,882,385	\$	7,747,444
Reconciliation of operating loss to				
net cash used in operating activities				
Operating loss	\$	(6,029,674)	\$	(5,148,800)
Adjustments to reconcile operating loss to				
net cash used in operating activities		1 (20 540		1 010 000
Depreciation		1,630,549		1,312,293
Changes in operating assets and liabilities: Increase in other receivables		(98,683)		(52,361)
Decrease (increase) in prepaid expenses		(70,406)		(52,301)
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable		76,658		(167,385)
Increase (decrease) in due to members and other		,		()
governmental entities		(84,044)		70,662
Total adjustments	_	1,454,074	_	1,163,502
Net cash used in operating activities	\$	(4,575,600)	\$	(3,985,298)

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

1. <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES</u>

a. <u>Scope of Financial Reporting Entity</u>

The Fresno County Rural Transit Agency ("FCRTA") is a voluntary association of local governments formed on September 27, 1979 by the County of Fresno and 13 rural area incorporated cities within the County. The purpose of the organization is to provide a "Joint Powers Agency" to own, operate, and maintain a coordinated public transportation system within the County of Fresno. Each member agency provides for the operation of a public transportation system within its jurisdiction.

b. <u>Basis of Accounting Presentation</u>

FCRTA is accounted for as a Business-Type Activity, as defined by Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 34, *Basic Financial Statements – Management's Discussion & Analysis – for State and Local Governments* and its financial statements are presented on the accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenues are recognized when they are earned, and expenses are recognized when they are incurred.

c. <u>Implementation of New Pronouncements</u>

Government Accounting Standards Board Statement No., 68

In June 2012, GASB issued Statement No. 68, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions – an amendment of GASB Statement No. 27. The primary objective of this Statement is to improve accounting and financial reporting by state and local governments for pensions. This Statement establishes standards for measuring and recognizing liabilities, deferred outflows and resources, deferred inflows of resources, and expense/expenditures. For defined benefit pensions, this Statement identifies the methods and assumptions that should be used to project benefit payments, discount projected benefit payments to their actuarial present value, and attribute that present value to periods of employee service. FCRTA has determined that this statement did not have a material impact on the financial statements.

1. <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)</u>

c. <u>Implementation of New Pronouncements (Continued)</u>

Government Accounting Standards Board Statement No., 71

In November 2013, GASB issued Statement No. 71, Pension Transition for Contributions made Subsequent to the Measurement Date – an Amendment of GASB No. 68. The objective of this Statement is to address the issue regarding application of the transition provisions of Statement No. 68, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions. The issue relates to amounts associated with contributions, if any, made by a state or local government employer or nonemployer contributing entity to a defined benefit pension plan after the measurement date of the government's beginning net pension liability. The provisions of Statement 68. FCRTA has determined that this statement did not have a material impact on the financial statements.

d. <u>Use of Estimates</u>

The presentation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America 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 reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

e. <u>Basis of Accounting</u>

The financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

The financial statements distinguish operating revenues and expenses from nonoperating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services in connection with ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues of FCRTA are charges to customers for services. Operating expenses include the cost of services, administrative expenses, and the depreciation of capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating revenues and expenses.

1. <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)</u>

e. <u>Basis of Accounting (Continued)</u>

Intergovernmental revenues (primarily grants), which are received as reimbursement for specific purposes or projects, are recognized based upon the expenditures recorded. Intergovernmental revenues, which are usually unrestricted as to use and are revocable only for failure to meet prescribed compliance requirements, are reflected as revenues at the time of receipt or earlier, if they meet the availability criterion.

FCRTA receives grants from the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and other agencies of the U.S. Department of Transportation, state, and local transportation funds for the acquisition of transit-related equipment and improvements. Prior to July 1, 2001, capital grants were recognized as donated capital to the extent that project costs under the grant had been incurred. Capital grant funds earned, less amortization equal to accumulated depreciation of the related assets, were included in contributed capital. As required by GASB No. 33, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Non-exchange Transactions*, as amended by GASB No. 36, *Recipient Reporting for Certain Shared Non-exchange Revenues*, FCRTA changed its method of accounting for capital grants from capital contributions to reserved non-operating revenues. In accordance with GASB No. 33 and 36, capital grants are required to be included in the determination of net income resulting in a decrease in net revenue of \$165,302 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015.

When both restricted and unrestricted net assets are available, unrestricted resources are used only after the restricted resources are depleted.

f. Cash

In accordance with the Joint Powers Agreement, under which FCRTA is governed, all cash is deposited with the Fresno County Auditor-Controller/Treasurer. FCRTA's cash is held within Fresno County's cash and investment pool, which is managed by the Auditor-Controller/Treasurer as authorized by the County's investment policy.

For purposes of the Statement of Cash Flows, FCRTA considers all highly liquid investments with a maturity of three months or less when purchased to be cash equivalents. All cash and investments are pooled with FCRTA's pooled cash and investments.

1. <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)</u>

g. <u>Capital Assets</u>

Purchases of capital assets, consisting of transit vehicles and related equipment, are capitalized at cost at the time of the purchase. Capital assets purchased with federal or state capital grants are recorded as additions to capital assets, with the offset recorded as additions to contributed capital. Capital assets are defined by FCRTA as assets with an estimated useful life in excess of one year and an initial individual cost of \$1,000 or more.

h. <u>Depreciation</u>

Depreciation is allowed as an expense on non-grant acquired assets. Depreciation expense on contributed capital assets is amortized against related contributed capital. Depreciation expense is calculated using the straight-line method over the estimated useful life of the asset, ranging from 3 to 10 years.

i. <u>Operating Expenses</u>

FCRTA, in fulfilling its purpose of providing rural public transportation service, incurs three basic types of expenses: (1) reimbursement of rural public transportation expenses, which typically include salaries, wages, operating supplies, services and insurance, incurred by three member cities (the cities of Coalinga, Kerman, and Reedley) who provide partial rural transportation services; (2) purchased transportation costs in which FCRTA contracts with subcontractors to provide their own rural transportation services; and (3) reimbursement of administrative expenses incurred by the Fresno Council of Governments for the benefit of FCRTA, such as salaries and benefits, administration, legal and audit fees, and insurance.

j. <u>Funding Sources</u>

The following is a summary of the funding sources for transit projects:

Federal Grants

FTA The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) revenues provide funding for transit related programs in a variety of areas. FTA funds generally require a match from state or local funds. These funds provide revenue for eligible planning, acquisition, construction, cost-effective lease, improvement, maintenance of equipment and facilities, capital, operating expenses, and paratransit activities, needed to provide efficient and coordinated public transportation service in both urbanized and non-urbanized areas.

1. <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)</u>

j. <u>Funding Sources (Continued)</u>

State Grants

- **TDA** The Transportation Development Act (TDA) provides two major sources of funding for public transportation: the Local Transportation Fund (LTF) and the State Transit Assistance Fund (STA). These funds are for the development and support of public transportation needs that exist in California and are allocated to areas of each county based on population, taxable sales and transit performance.
- **Prop. 1B** Proposition 1B (The Highway Safety, Traffic Reduction, Air Quality, and Port Security Bond Act of 2006), includes the creation of the Public Transportation Modernization, Improvements, and Service Enhancement Account (PTMISEA). Capital projects eligible for funding by PTMISEA include rehabilitation, safety or modernization improvements; capital service enhancements or expansion; bus rapid transit improvements; and rolling stock procurement, rehabilitation or replacement.
- **CTAF** The Highway Safety, Traffic Reduction, Air Quality, and Port Security Bond Act of 2006 includes the creation of the California Transit Assistance Fund (CTAF). Capital projects eligible for funding by CTAF provide increased protection against security or safety threat.

<u>Local</u>

Measure "C" Measure "C" is a ½ cent sales tax approved by the voters of Fresno County to fund local transportation projects.

2. CASH AND INVESTMENTS

Investments Authorized by the California Government Code and FCRTA's Investment Policy

The table below identifies the investment types that are authorized for FCRTA by the California Government Code (or FCRTA's Investment Policy, where more restrictive). The table also identifies certain provisions of the California Government Code (or FCRTA's investment policy, where more restrictive) that address interest rate risk, credit risk, and concentration of credit risk.

Authorized Investment Type	Maximum Maturity	Maximum Percentage of Portfolio	Maximum Investment in One Issuer
U.S. Treasury Bills, Notes and Bonds	5 Years	None	None
U.S. Government Agency Obligations	5 Years	None	None
Banker's Acceptances	180 Days	None	None
Commercial Paper	270 Days	None	None
Negotiable Certificates of Deposit	13 Months	None	None
Non-negotiable Certificates of Deposit	13 Months	None	None
Repurchase Agreements	Overnight	None	None
Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF)	5 Years	None	None
Medium-Term Notes	5 Years	None	None
Mutual Funds	5 Years	None	None
Mortgage-Backed Securities	5 Years	None	None

Disclosures Relating to Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in market interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. Generally, the longer the maturity of an investment, the greater the sensitivity of its fair value to changes in market interest rates.

Information about the sensitivity of the fair values of FCRTA's investments to market interest rate fluctuations is provided by the following table that shows the distribution of FCRTA's investments by maturity:

		Remaining Maturity (in Months)				
		12 Months			More Than	
Investment Type	Amount	or Less	Months	Months	60 Months	
County Investment Pool	\$9,882,385	\$ 9,882,385	<u>\$</u> -	<u>\$</u> -	<u>\$ -</u>	
Total	\$9,882,385	\$ 9,882,385	<u>\$</u> -	\$ -	<u>\$ -</u>	

2. <u>CASH AND INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)</u>

Disclosures Relating to Credit Risk

Generally, credit risk is the risk that an issuer of an investment will not fulfill its obligation to the holder of the investment. This is measured by the assignment of a rating by a nationally recognized statistical rating organization. Presented below is the minimum rating required by (where applicable) the California Government Code, FCRTA's investment policy, and the actual rating as of year-end for each investment type. The column marked "exempt from disclosure" identifies those investment types for which GASB No. 40 does not require disclosure as to credit risk:

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Investment Type	Amount	Minimum Legal Rating	Exempt From Disclosure	AAA	Not Rated
County Investment Pool	\$ 9,882,385	0	\$ 9,882,385		\$ 9,882,385
Total	\$ 9,882,385	N/A	\$ 9,882,385	<u>\$ -</u>	\$ 9,882,385

Custodial credit risk does not apply to a local government's indirect investment in securities through the use of mutual funds or government investment pools. The County of Fresno issues a financial report that includes custodial credit risk disclosures for the County Investment Pool. The report may be obtained by writing to the Office of the Auditor-Controller/Treasurer-Tax Collector, 2281 Tulare Street, Fresno, California 93721.

3. INTERGOVERNMENTAL RECEIVABLES

Individual receivables from governmental entities related to grants as of June 30, 2015 and 2014 consist of the following:

	 2015	2014
Fresno Council of Governments - LTF Fresno Council of Governments - STA Caltrans - FTA Section 18	\$ 84,804 \$ 190,010 1,552,366	86,152 174,863 1,852,452
	\$ 1,827,180 \$	2,113,467

4. <u>CAPITAL ASSETS AND DEPRECIATION</u>

Capital assets net of accumulated depreciation as of June 30, 2015 are as follows:

	Balance July 1, 2014	Additions	Deletions	Balance June 30, 2015
Capital assets being depreciated: Capital grant funded Non-capital grant funded	\$ 18,111,718 26,773	\$ 165,302	\$	\$ 18,277,020 26,773
Total capital assets being depreciated	18,138,491	165,302		18,303,793
Less accumulated depreciation for: Capital grant funded Non-capital grant funded	8,355,130 26,773	1,630,549	-	9,985,679 26,773
Total accumulated depreciation	8,381,903	1,630,549		10,012,452
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	9,756,588	(1,465,247)		8,291,341
Capital assets, net	<u>\$ 9,756,588</u>	\$(1,465,247)	<u>\$ </u>	\$ 8,291,341

The fixed assets of FCRTA are comprised of transit vehicles and related equipment.

Depreciation expense for the years ended June 30, 2015 and 2014 was \$1,630,549 and \$1,312,293 respectively.

5. <u>DUE TO MEMBERS AND OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES</u>

Individual payables to members and other governmental entities as of June 30, 2015 and 2014 consist of the following:

		2015		2014
Fresno Council of Governments - Administration	\$	33,426	\$	35,930
Fresno Council of Governments - LTF		-		104,165
City of Coalinga		136,251		120,426
City of Kerman		9,162		8,172
City of Reedley		36,323		30,513
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Total	Ф	215,162	<u>Ф</u>	299,200

6. <u>DEFERRED REVENUE</u>

The TDA, Proposition 1B (PTMISEA), and Measure "C" allocate funds to FCRTA to fund transit operations and capital purchases. Allocations are considered earned when they are properly spent for operations or capital acquisitions. Allocations received but not earned are recorded as deferred revenues. Changes in the deferred revenue account for the year ended June 30, 2015 are summarized as follows:

	TDA	Prop 1B (PTMISEA)	CTAF	Measure "C"	Total
Deferred revenue,					
beginning year	\$ 2,717,185	\$ 1,419,247	\$199,121	\$ 4,618,748	\$ 8,954,301
Capital grants	. , ,	. , ,	. ,	. , ,	. , ,
received	-	-	151,142	1,852,897	2,004,039
Capital grants allowed	- 1	-	(9,264)	(156,038)	(165,302)
Operating funds					
received	2,173,407	-	-	781,931	2,955,338
Operating funds					
allowed	(2,069,008)	-	-	(781,931)	(2,850,939)
Interest received	24,627	12,864	1,798	52,341	91,630
Deferred revenue, end					
of year	\$ 2,846,211	\$ 1,432,111	\$342,797	\$ 6,367,948	\$ 10,989,067

7. <u>FARE REVENUE RATIO</u>

FCRTA is required to maintain a minimum fare revenue to operating expenses ratio of 10% in accordance with the Transportation Development Act. The calculation of the fare revenue ratio for the years ended June 30, 2015 and 2014 is as follows:

	 2015	 2014
Fare revenues	\$ 588,693	\$ 583,598
Operating expenses	\$ 6,618,367	\$ 5,732,398
Allowable TDA adjustments: Depreciation	 (1,630,549)	 (1,312,293)
Net operating expenses	\$ 4,987,818	\$ 4,420,105
Fare revenue ratio	 11.80%	 13.20%

8. PROPOSITION 1B (PTMISEA FUNDING)

FCRTA receives Proposition 1B (PTMISEA) funding for approved capital projects. During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015, FCRTA received no additional Proposition 1B funds. These funds are held in an interest bearing account and have earned interest in the amount of \$12,864 for the year ended June 30, 2015. As of June 30, 2015, FCRTA has spent \$6,642,074 for capital projects. The remaining funds have been recorded as deferred revenue as of June 30, 2015 (Note 6).

9. <u>RISK MANAGEMENT LIABILITY</u>

FCRTA is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, or damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; and natural disasters. FCRTA is insured with commercial carriers. FCRTA's schedule of insurance coverage is as follows;

FRESNO COUNTY RURAL TRANSIT AGENCY SCHEDULE OF INSURANCE COVERAGE JUNE 30, 2015

Type of Coverage	Amount of Coverage	Effective Dates
General Liability	\$2,000,000	7/10/14 - 7/10/15
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Commercial Automobile	\$5,000,000 CSL	7/10/14 - 7/10/15
Automobile Excess Liability	\$1,500,000	7/10/14 - 7/10/15

FCRTA requires the operator, Fresno County Economic Opportunities Commission (FCEOC), to maintain the following policies:

FRESNO COUNTY ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES COMMISSION SCHEDULE OF INSURANCE COVERAGE JUNE 30, 2015

Type of Coverage	Amount of Coverage	Effective Dates
Worker's Compensation	\$1,000,000	1/11/15
Commercial General Liability	\$2,000,000	9/1/14 - 8/30/15
Commercial Automobile Liability	\$1,000,000 + \$4,000,000 umb.	9/1/14 - 8/30/15
Automobile Collision & Comprehensive	\$1,000,000 + \$4,000,000 umb. + \$1,000 ded.	9/1/14 - 8/30/15

10. <u>CONTINGENT LIABILITIES</u>

Grants have been received by FCRTA for specific purposes that are subject to review and audit by the grantor agencies. Such audits could lead to a request for reimbursement for costs disallowed under the terms of the grants. The amount, if any, of costs that may be disallowed by the granting agencies cannot be determined at this time. Management expects such amounts, if any, to be immaterial.

SUPPLEMENTARY SCHEDULES AND OTHER REPORTS SECTION

FRESNO COUNTY RURAL TRANSIT AGENCY SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

Federal Grantor/ Pass-Through Grantor/ Program Title	Federal CFDA Number	Grantor's Number	Grant Disbursements/ Expenditures
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION			
Federal Transit Administration			
Pass-through California Department of Transportation Public Transportation for Nonurbanized Areas Section 5311 Operating Grant	20.509	6414140	\$ 1,552,366
Pass-through Fresno Council of Governments FTA 5307 - Federal Transit Formula Grant FTA 5317 - New Freedom Program	20.507 20.521	CA-90-Y794-00 CA-57-X044-00	90,430 39,992 130,422
Total Federal Transit Administration			1,682,788
Total Federal Financial Assistance			\$ 1,682,788

FRESNO COUNTY RURAL TRANSIT AGENCY NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

1. <u>Basis of Presentation</u>

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards includes the federal grant activity of the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency and is presented on the accrual basis of accounting. The information in this schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments and Non-Profit Organizations*. Therefore, some amounts presented in this schedule may differ from amounts presented in, or used in the preparation of, the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency's basic financial statements.



INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT AND THE PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION MODERNIZATION IMPROVEMENT AND SERVICES ENHANCEMENT ACCOUNT (PTMISEA) GUIDELINES

The Board of Directors Fresno County Rural Transit Agency Fresno, California

We have audited the financial statements of the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency for the year ended June 30, 2015, and have issued our report thereon dated February 8, 2016.

We conducted our audit in accordance with 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; and was further made to determine compliance with the rules and regulations of the California Transportation Development Act, the PTMISEA statutes and guidelines, the rules and regulations of the Fresno Council of Governments and the California Administrative Code.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Fresno County Rural Transit Agency's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency's internal control.

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Internal Control Over Financial Reporting (Continued)

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

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

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. Our procedures included the applicable audit procedures contained in Section 6667 of the California Code of Regulations, and tests of compliance with the applicable statutes, rules, and regulations of the Transportation Development Act. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Among the items considered were determination of the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency's ability to receive funds allocated to it, the propriety of expenditures in accordance with the California Transportation Development Act and compliance with provisions of the following program:

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT AND THE PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION MODERNIZATION IMPROVEMENT AND SERVICES ENHANCEMENT ACCOUNT (PTMISEA) GUIDELINES (CONTINUED)

<u>Public Transportation Modernization Improvement and Service Enhancement Account</u> (<u>PTMISEA</u>)

In November 2006, California Voters passed a bond measure enacting the Highway Safety, Traffic Reduction, Air Quality and Port Security Bond Act of 2006. Of the \$19.925 billion of state general obligation bonds authorized, \$4 billion was set aside by the State as instructed by the statute as the Public Transportation Modernization Improvement and Service Enhancement Account (PTMISEA). These funds are available to the California Department of Transportation for intercity rail projects and to transit operators in California for rehabilitation, safety or modernization improvements, capital service enhancements or expansions, new capital projects, bus rapid transit improvements or for rolling stock procurement, rehabilitation or replacement.

During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015, we verified that the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency received no PTMISEA funds. As of June 30, 2015, we verified that the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency had spent \$6,642,074 for the purchase of new CNG buses, new paratransit buses, mobile data terminals, transit facility improvements, and bus stop amenities; and had unexpended PTMISEA proceeds, including interest earned, of \$1,432,111.

However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency'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 Fresno County Rural Transit Agency's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Dedekian, George, Small & Markaria

Dedekian, George, Small & Markarian Accountancy Corporation February 8, 2016



INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' 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"

The Board of Directors Fresno County Rural Transit Agency Fresno, California

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2015, and the related notes to the financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated February 8, 2016.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Fresno County Rural Transit Agency's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency's internal control.

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

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Internal Control Over Financial Reporting (Continued)

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

Compliance and Other Matters

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

Purpose of this Report

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

Dedekian, George, Small & Markareas

Dedekian, George, Small & Markarian Accountancy Corporation February 8, 2016



INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY OMB CIRCULAR A-133

The Board of Directors Fresno County Rural Transit Agency Fresno, California

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

We have audited Fresno County Rural Transit Agency's compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *OMB Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency's major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2015. The Fresno County Rural Transit Agency's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to its federal programs.

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for each of the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency's major federal programs based on our audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above. We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*. Those standards and OMB Circular A-133 require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY OMB CIRCULAR A-133 (CONTINUED)

Auditors' Responsibility (Continued)

We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency's compliance.

Opinion on Each Major Program

In our opinion, the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2015.

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

Management of the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency's internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each major federal program to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion on compliance for each major federal program and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with OMB Circular A-133, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Fresno County Rural Transit Agency's internal control over compliance.

A *deficiency in internal control over compliance* exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. A *material weakness in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency or combination of deficience is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY OMB CIRCULAR A-133 (CONTINUED)

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance (Continued)

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on requirements of OMB Circular A-133. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

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Dedekian, George, Small & Markarian Accountancy Corporation February 8, 2016 FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS SECTION

FRESNO COUNTY RURAL TRANSIT AGENCY SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS JUNE 30, 2015

Part I – Summary of Auditor's Results

- 1. The Independent Auditors' Report expresses an unqualified opinion on the financial statements of the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency.
- 2. No significant deficiencies relating to the audit of the financial statements are reported in the "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." No material weaknesses are reported.
- 3. No instances of noncompliance material to the financial statements of Fresno County Rural Transit Agency, which would be required to be reported in accordance with "Government Auditing Standards," were disclosed during the audit.
- 4. No significant deficiencies relating to the audit of the major federal award programs are reported in the "Independent Auditors' Report on Compliance with Requirements That Could Have a Direct and Material Effect on Each Major Program and on Internal Control Over Compliance in Accordance with OMB Circular A-133." No material weaknesses are reported.
- 5. The Independent Auditors' Report on compliance for the major federal award program for Fresno County Rural Transit Agency expresses an unqualified opinion on all major federal programs.
- 6. Audit findings that are required to be reported in accordance with Section 510(a) of OMB Circular A-133 are reported in this Schedule.
- 7. The programs tested as major programs included:

Name	CFDA Number
Federal Operating Assistance	20.509

8. The threshold used for distinguishing between Type A and Type B programs was \$300,000.

FRESNO COUNTY RURAL TRANSIT AGENCY SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS (CONTINUED) JUNE 30, 2015

Part I - Summary of Auditor's Results (Continued)

9. Fresno County Rural Transit Agency was determined to be a low-risk auditee.

Part II - Financial Statement Findings and Other Non-Federal Compliance

Compliance with Laws and Regulations

None.

Part III - Findings and Questioned Costs for Major Federal Award Programs

None.

FRESNO COUNTY RURAL TRANSIT AGENCY SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS JUNE 30, 2014

There were no reportable audit findings for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014.