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AGENDA ITEM 4

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Review of the Fiscal Year 2016-17 Annual Financial Report

ACTING GENERAL MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION

- 1. No Board action required for review of the Fiscal Year 2016-17 Annual Financial Report
- 2. Approve a resolution to transfer \$5 million from the General Fund Unassigned Fund balance to Committed for Infrastructure, and to reimburse the \$3.15 million acquisition cost for the new South Area Office in Campbell to the Committed for Infrastructure Fund Balance

SUMMARY

Fiscal Year 2016-17 (FY2017) District expenditures totaled \$58.2 million, which is 1% below the final adjusted budget of \$58.7 million. The Board adopted the final adjusted budget on April 26, 2017 (R-17-63), and no other budget adjustments were approved subsequent to the noted Board action. Revenue for FY2017 totaled \$47.1 million, or 1% below the final adjusted budget. An additional \$16 million was drawn on Measure AA bond funding.

The unassigned fund balance exceeds the District's minimum fund balance requirement of 30% of budgeted tax revenue. To ensure adequate funding for facility and other infrastructure needs for the District, \$5 million is available to be transferred into the Committed for Infrastructure fund. The acquisition cost for the new South Area Office was paid from the Committed for Infrastructure fund and with the recent issuance of the 2017 Parity Bonds should be reimbursed to the Committed for Infrastructure fund.

Over the course of the last fiscal year, considerable progress was made on the 129 Key Action Plan Projects adopted by the Board. The Year-End Action Plan Review provides the Board with information on the status of each key project at the end of the fiscal year and the reason(s) for any variance from the anticipated schedule (refer to Attachment 3).

DISCUSSION

Year-End Review of District Budget and Expenditures:

Revenues

The District's FY2017 adopted revenue estimate was \$47.6 million. As of June 30, 2017, the District's total revenue came to \$47.1 million, which is 1% below the adopted revenue estimate.

In addition, Measure AA bond funds provided \$16 million for capital improvements for various projects within the 25 portfolios.

Expenditures

The District ended the year with total expenditures of \$58.2 million, which is approximately \$0.6 million or 1% below the final adjusted budget. Excluding land purchases and debt service, total expenditures were \$42.3 million, which is \$1.9 million or 4% below the final adjusted budget.

The District's FY2017 expenditures remained within the approved budget. Expenditures by category are listed in Table 1A and by fund in Table 1B.

DISTRICT EXPENDITURES (All Fund)	FY2016-17 Adopted Budget		FY2016-17 Final Adjusted Budget		FY2016-17 Year-End Actuals		Change from FY2016-17 inal Adjusted Budget	% Spent of FY2016-17 Final Adjusted Budget
Salaries and Benefits	\$ 19,174,332	\$	19,333,953	\$	19,210,661	\$	(123,292)	99%
Services and Supplies	\$ 8,168,018	\$	8,130,731	\$	6,596,150	\$	(1,534,581)	81%
Total Operating Expenditures	\$ 27,342,350	\$	27,464,684	\$	25,806,811	\$	(1,657,873)	94%
Capital Expenditures	\$ 18,682,750	\$	16,774,530	\$	16,529,694	\$	(244,836)	99%
Land and Associated Costs	\$ 1,008,100	\$	3,397,100	\$	3,431,732	\$	34,632	101%
Debt Service	\$ 11,084,840	\$	11,084,840	\$	12,383,446	\$	1,298,606	112%
Total Non-Operating Expenditures	\$ 30,775,690	\$	31,256,470	\$	32,344,872	\$	1,088,402	103%
TOTAL DISTRICT EXPENDITURES	\$ 58,118,040	\$	58,721,154	\$	58,151,683	\$	(569,471)	99%

Table 1A – District Budget & Expenditures by Category

Table 1B – Dist	rict Budget	& Expenditures	bv F	und
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DISTRICT EXPENDITURES (By Fund)	FY2016-17 Adopted Budget		FY2016-17 Final Adjusted Budget	FY2016-17 Year-End Actuals	Change from FY2016-17 nal Adjusted Budget	% Spent of FY2016-17 Final Adjusted Budget
Fund 10 - General Fund Operating	\$	27,209,300	\$27,397,134	\$24,496,501	\$ (2,900,633)	89%
Fund 20 - Hawthorn Fund	\$	133,050	\$ 67,550	\$ 6,146	\$ (61,404)	9%
Fund 30 - Measure AA Capital	\$	15,674,800	\$15,733,580	\$16,887,013	\$ 1,153,433	107%
Fund 40 - General Fund Capital	\$	4,016,050	\$ 4,438,050	\$ 4,378,577	\$ (59,473)	99%
Fund 50 - Debt Service	\$	11,084,840	\$11,084,840	\$12,383,446	\$ 1,298,606	112%
TOTAL DISTRICT EXPENDITURES	\$	58,118,040	\$58,721,154	\$58,151,683	\$ (569,471)	99%

Fund Balance

The General Fund's unassigned fund balance increased by \$7 million from \$16.9 million to \$23.9 million. The District's Fund Balance policy, as adopted by the Board of Directors on October 26, 2016, states that the District is required to maintain a minimum unassigned fund of 30% of budgeted tax revenues. The budgeted tax revenue for FY2017-18 (FY2018) is \$45,030,000, requiring the District to maintain a minimum General Fund Unassigned Fund Balance of \$13,509,000.

The General Manager and the Controller recommend a transfer of \$5 million from the Unassigned Fund Balance to the Committed for Infrastructure reserve fund. In addition, both recommend reimbursing the Committed for Infrastructure reserve fund for the \$3.15 million acquisition cost of the South Area Office from the bond proceeds of the 2017 Parity Bonds.

Operating Expenditures

Salaries and benefits ended the year at \$19.2 million, or 1% below the final adjusted budget. This included a \$1 million CalPERS pre-payment as a further contribution towards the District's unfunded pension liability. Expenditures for Services and Supplies were \$6.6 million or 19% below budget primarily due to lower than budgeted spending in contract and outside services in most departments. Additional factors included lower than budgeted spending for facility maintenance activities and other actions. A number of incomplete maintenance projects were deferred and budgeted in FY2018.

Fixed Assets and Capital Projects

Capital projects ended the year at \$16.5 million, or approximately 1.5% below the final adjusted budget. Some of the capital project delays were associated with permitting issues, staff vacancies, scope changes, and other factors that can create uncertainty resulted in unspent Capital budgets:

- Unpredictable weather patterns.
- Difficulties in securing quality contractors.
- Early project costing estimates/budgeting that become outdated.
- Permitting delays from regulatory agencies and local jurisdictions.

Land and Associated Costs

During the FY2017, the District purchased and helped preserve approximately 270 acres of open space land at a total cost of \$3.4 million. The District also received \$730,000 in land gifts. Highlights of land additions include:

- Purchase of the 191.2 acre POST-Conley property, Long Ridge Open Space Preserve
- Purchase of the 24.02 acre Kahn property, Sierra Azul Open Space Preserve
- Purchase of 23.41 acre Petersen property, Sierra Azul Open Space Preserve
- Acquisition of 3.42 acres (Navid property) in exchange for an easement, Sierra Azul Open Space Preserve
- Purchase of the 27.98 acre Rossetta property, Sierra Azul Open Space Preserve
- Acquisition of an easement from the SFPUC for the Ravenswood Bay Trail

Long-Term Debt and Debt Service

Debt service expenses in FY2017 totaled \$12.4 million, consisting of \$5.2 million in principal and \$6.4 million in interest. The total includes \$2.5 million for debt service on Measure AA General Obligation bonds.

Past Budget Performance

Table 2 below presents a comparison of FY2017 budget performance to the past three fiscal years. The operating budget expenditures have historically ranged between 91% and 98% of the actual operating budget. The FY2017 operating expenses includes a one-time \$1 million CalPERS pre-payment towards the District's unfunded pension liability, and is not an annual reoccurring expenditure. The total District budget, however, has a much wider range (81% to 99%). Beginning in FY2017, land acquisitions are being funded through budget amendments at the time the Board considers the purchase. The new approach reflects the opportunistic nature of land purchases, which are not guaranteed until an offer is accepted, the purchase approved, and escrow closed. This combined with improved focus on project delivery should lead to a more predictable overall budget utilization rate.

<u>Table 2 – Past Performance</u>

FY2013-14 FY2014-15 FY201

DISTRICT EXPENDITURES	FY2013-14	FY2014-15	FY2015-16	FY2016-17
Operating Expenses	94%	91%	98%	94%
Strategic Plan/Vision Plan	66%	66%	N/A	N/A
Capital (CAPEX)	74%	65%	66%	99%
Land & Assoc. Costs	51%	51%	71%	101%
Property Management	90%	131%	74%	N/A
Debt Services	100%	100%	98%	112%
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	83%	81%	86%	99%

Hawthorn Fund

The FY2017 expenditures from the Hawthorn Fund totaled \$6,146, which is 91% below the final adjusted budget of \$67,550 (Table 3). A one-year license agreement with a partner was executed in August 2016 for the rehabilitation of the historic complex. Rehabilitation work on the historic Hawthorn house and carriage house (garage) remained on hold as the licensed partner explored possible funding opportunities and continued to assess rehabilitation requirements through the end of FY2017. Bee removal and roof wrap of the Hawthorn house has been initiated to protect and stabilize the structure.

<u>Table 3 – Hawthorn Fund Budget and Expenditures</u>

Budget Category	Α	/2016-17 dopted Budget	FY2016-17 Final Adjusted Budget		FY2016-17 Year-End Actuals		\$ Change from FY2016-17 Final Adjusted Budget		% Spent of FY2016-17 Final Adjusted Budget
Operating Expenses	\$	50,300	\$	50,300	\$	6,046	\$	(44,254)	12%
Capital Expenses	\$	82,750	\$	17,250	\$	100	\$	(17,150)	1%
HAWTHORN TOTAL	\$	133,050	\$	67,550	\$	6,146	\$	(61,404)	9%

The Hawthorn Endowment Fund balance as of June 30, 2017 is \$1.53 million.

Year-End Review of Action Plan:

The FY2017 Action Plan, for the period July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017, was adopted by the Board at its Regular meeting on June 14, 2016 (R-16-71). Over the course of the last fiscal year, the District made considerable progress on 115 Key Action Plan Projects, or 90% of the total project list. Of these, the District completed the projected scope of work for 60 Key Projects, or 46%, as of June 30, 2017. A total of 55 Key Projects, or 43%, remain in progress, and the remaining 14 projects, or 11%, were deferred to FY2018. Of the 129 Key Action Plan Projects, 75 are planned as multi-year efforts. Attachment 3 provides detail on Action Plan project status. Table 4 below provides a summary of the status of action plan projects through June 30, 2017.

Project Status	Total	% of Total
Complete	60	46%
In Progress	55	43%
Deferred	14	11%
Total:	129	100%

In addition to providing a status update to the FY2017 Action Plan Key Projects, a comprehensive list of the District's major accomplishments is also included as Attachment 4. The accomplishments are listed in five major categories:

- (1) Public Access, Education, and Outreach
- (2) Natural Resources Protection and Restoration
- (3) Land Acquisition and Preservation
- (4) General/District-Wide Support of Mission
- (5) Awards/Grants/Recognition.

The list includes major and notable projects and milestones that were completed as part of the FY2017 Action Plan as well as those relating to unanticipated projects. Highlights of the major accomplishments are provided below.

- Completed numerous major actions to prepare for the grand public opening of the Mount Umunhum Summit at Sierra Azul Open Space Preserve in September 2017, including:
 - o An additional 0.5-mile segment of the Mount Umunhum Trail, narrowing of old abandoned road cuts into a trail, and installing three new pedestrian bridges.
 - o 75% of the road safety improvements on Mount Umunhum Road for public vehicular use from Hicks Road all the way to the top of the summit.
 - o 75% of the summit improvements, which includes 57 vehicle parking spaces, a restroom, signage, two shelter structures, a ceremonial space, two staircases, and trail access around the summit area.
 - o Regraded and restored the summit topography closer to its natural landform.
 - A habitat restoration plan for the summit to enhance the native plant recolonization of the restored mountaintop, incorporating input from the Amah Mutsen tribal group on Native American restoration techniques.
- Completed numerous major actions and commenced or continued other major actions toward opening lower La Honda Creek Open Space Preserve to the public in late Fall/Winter 2017, including:
 - Three miles of ranch road repairs, which were critical for opening the road to public access, as well as maintaining safe passage for patrol, maintenance, and emergency vehicle use, and providing ranch access to support the ongoing conservation grazing program.
 - o Nine in-stream, large woody debris structures to restore and improve salmonid spawning and rearing habitat within San Gregorio Creek.
 - Preparations for a groundbreaking ceremony and a grand opening ceremony for new Sears Ranch Parking Area and lower preserve area opening.

Began significant natural resources protection and restoration projects in Bear Creek Redwoods Preserve, including targeted invasive species treatment to restore native habitats, and completing engineering feasibility, archaeological, and geotechnical studies.

- Cleared hundreds of downed trees and repaired numerous roads and trails due to severe winter storms.
- Issued 2016 Green Bonds Refunding to refund the existing 2007A and advance refund the 2011 bonds. Saved \$15.8 Million (20.1%), reduced final maturity by three years, and sold 65% of the new bonds retail. This issue was the District's first Green Bond and included a coordinated multi-media marketing effort.

FISCAL IMPACT

The Year-End review of the FY2017 Budget and Action Plan has no fiscal impact on the FY2018 budget. Approval of the proposed transfer results in a net zero change to the General Fund, decreasing the General Fund Unassigned Fund by \$5 million and increasing the General Fund Infrastructure Reserve Fund by the same \$5 million.

Table 5 summarizes the proposed changes to the fund balances.

Minimum **Balance Above** Balance as of Required GF Balance -Transfer Minimum 6/30/2017 Unassigned proposed Required Fund **Fund Balance** \$ 13,509,000 \$ 5,363,450 General Fund Unassigned Fund \$ 23,872,450 \$ (5,000,000) \$ 18,872,450 \$ 30,000,000 \$ 5,000,000 \$ 35,000,000 General Fund Infrastructure Reserve Fund N/A N/A

Table 5 – Proposed Fiscal Impact

BOARD COMMITTEE REVIEW

There was no Committee review for this agenda item.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public notice was provided as required by the Brown Act. No additional notice is required.

CEQA COMPLIANCE

This item is not a project subject to the California Environmental Quality Act.

Attachments:

- 1. Annual Financial Report for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2017
- 2. Resolution to transfer funds into the Committed for Infrastructure Reserve Fund
- 3. Year-End Review of Fiscal Year 2016-17 Action Plan Key Projects
- 4. Fiscal Year 2016-17 Major Accomplishments

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MIDPENINSULA REGIONAL OPEN SPACE DISTRICT

ANNUAL FINANCIAL AUDIT REPORT

JUNE 30, 2017



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Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District Santa Clara County

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FINANCIAL SECTION



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Board of Directors Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District Los Altos, California

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major funds, and the aggregate remaining fund information for Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District (the District), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

The District's 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 financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's 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.

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 District'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 District'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 governmental activities, the major funds, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the District, as of June 30, 2017, and the respective changes in

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financial position for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Emphasis of a Matter

Basis of Presentation

On July 1, 2016, the District separated the capital projects fund into two funds in order to account for resources restricted by the Measure AA General Obligation (GO) Bond from other sources. To separate the capital projects fund, the District recorded a prior period adjustment of \$307,137 to account for projects reported in the capital projects fund which were related to other sources beyond the Measure AA GO Bond. See page 20 to review the impact on the governmental funds. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis, budgetary comparison information, pension schedules and other postemployment benefit information 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 and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements. The supplementary information as listed in the table of contents is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. This information is the responsibility of management and was derived from, and relates directly to, the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. 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 supplementary information as listed in the table of contents 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 October 13, 2017 on our consideration of the District'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 District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

October 13, 2017 San Jose, California

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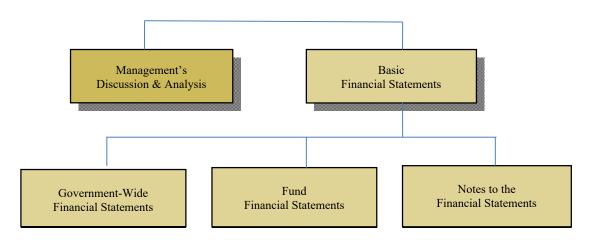
Management's Discussion and Analysis

Management's Discussion and Analysis For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2017

INTRODUCTION

The purpose of the Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) is to present a discussion and analysis of the District's financial performance during the year ended on June 30, 2017. During period ending June 30, 2016 in order to align with best practices of public agencies, the District's Board adopted Resolution 15-32 on July 22, 2015, changing the District's fiscal year end to June 30 from the prior March 31 and thereby extending the 2015-2016 fiscal year to fifteen months. This report will (1) focus on significant financial issues, (2) provide an overview of the District's financial activity, (3) identify changes in the District's financial position, (4) identify any individual fund issues or concerns, and (5) provide descriptions of significant asset and debt activity. This information, presented in conjunction with the annual Basic Financial Statements, is intended to provide a comprehensive understanding of the District's operations and financial standing.

Required Components of the Annual Financial Report



OVERVIEW AND USE OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

This annual report consists of a series of basic financial statements and notes. The statements are organized so the reader can understand the District as an entire operating entity by providing an increasingly detailed look at specific financial activities.

The Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities is comprised of the government-wide financial statements and provides information about the activities of the District as a whole, presenting both an aggregate view of the District's finances as well as a longer-term view of those finances. Fund Financial Statements provide the next level of detail. For governmental funds, these statements reflect how services were financed in the short-term as well as what remains for future spending. The Basic Financial Statements also include notes that explain some of the information in the financial statements and provide more detailed data.

The full annual financial report is a product of three separate parts: the basic financial statements, supplementary information, and this section, the Management's Discussion and Analysis. The three sections together provide a comprehensive financial overview of the District. The basic financials are comprised of two kinds of statements that present financial information from different perspectives, government-wide and fund statements.

- Sovernment-wide financial statements, which comprise the first two statements, provide both short-term and long-term information about the District's overall financial position.
- Individual parts of the District, which are reported as fund financial statements, focus on reporting the District's operations in more detail. These fund financial statements comprise the remaining statements.

Management's Discussion and Analysis For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2017

Notes to the financial statements, provide more detailed data and provide explanations to some of the information in the statements. The required supplementary information section provides further explanations and additional support for the financial statements.

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - STATEMENT OF NET POSITION AND THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

The view of the District as a whole looks at all financial transactions and asks the question, "How did we do financially during the fiscal year 2016-2017?" The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities answers this question. These statements include all assets and liabilities using the accounting similar to the accounting practices used by most private-sector companies. This basis of accounting takes into account all of the current year revenues and expenses regardless of when cash is received or paid.

These two statements report the District's net position and changes in net position. This change in net position is important because it tells the reader that, for the District as a whole, whether the financial position of the District has improved or diminished. The causes of this change may be the result of many factors, some financial, and some not. Non-financial factors include the District's property tax base, current property tax laws in California restricting revenue growth, facility conditions and other factors.

In the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities, the District reports governmental activities which reflect the District's programs and services. The District does not have any business type activities.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

District tax revenue and other metrics will not be comparable to the prior period due to the fifteen-month period of the prior period financial statements. As the overall economy continued to grow throughout the Silicon Valley, the District witnessed further strong growth in the assessed valuation of both secured and unsecured property within its boundaries. The 2017-18 assessed valuation reports released in June 2017 showed District-wide assessed values increasing by 8.7% (8.4% in Santa Clara and 9.5% in San Mateo). The District received 66% of its tax revenue from Santa Clara County and 34% from San Mateo County.

Other financial highlights included:

- Tax revenue related to the GO bonds amounted to \$1.57 million
- Program revenues decreased \$0.7 million due to the 15 month period of the prior year
- The District issued \$57.4 million in Refunding Bonds to refund the 2007 Series A Refunding Bonds and the 2011 Lease Revenue Bonds.
- Purchased \$1.8 million land and associated structures funded through Measure AA GO bond proceeds. In addition, the District spent a further \$12.5 million of bond proceeds on the road and summit restoration for the grand opening of the Mt. Umunhum Summit to the general public which occurred on September 18, 2017.

District expenditures were over the annual budget for the Measure AA Capital Projects Fund and Debt Service Fund. The Measure AA Capital Projects Fund was over budget by \$1.1 million and the Debt Service Fund was over budget by \$1.3 million. However, it should be noted that the General Fund was under budget by \$2.9 million. In fiscal year 2017, the District separated the budget to account for expenditures budgeted for each fund. As in most recent years, a large majority of the budget variance was due to delays and deferrals of capital projects; the District spent 97% of its General Fund budget for salaries and benefits (including a \$1 million pre-payment to CalPERS), and 69% of the budget for services and supplies.

The assets of the District exceeded liabilities at the close of the 2017 fiscal year by \$337 million. Of this total net position, \$308.6 million, or 92%, was the District's net investment in capital assets (capital assets net of related debt).

Management's Discussion and Analysis For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2017

REPORTING THE DISTRICT'S MOST SIGNIFICANT FUNDS

Fund Financial Statements

The analysis of the District's fund financial statements begins on page 16. Fund financial reports provide detailed information about the District's major funds. The District uses one operating fund, the General Fund, to account for a multitude of financial transactions, two capital project funds to account for capital projects, and one debt service fund to account for debt service payments.

Governmental Funds

The General Fund is a governmental fund type and is reported using an accounting method called modified accrual accounting, which measures cash and all other financial assets that can readily be converted to cash. The governmental fund statements provide a detailed short-term view of the District's general government operations and the basic services it provides. Governmental fund information helps determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the future to finance educational programs. The relationship (or differences) between governmental activities (reported in the Statement of Net position and the Statement of Activities) and governmental funds is reconciled in the financial statements.

THE DISTRICT AS A WHOLE

Recall that the Statement of Net Position provides the perspective of the District as a whole. Table 1 provides a summary of the District's net position as compared to last period:

Table 1 - Sum	mary of State	ment of Net Position		
				Percentage
	2017	2016	Change	Change
Assets				
Current Assets	\$ 77,668,5	37 \$ 83,335,071	\$ (5,666,534)	-6.80%
Noncurrent Assets	448,446,2	21 430,311,829	18,134,392	4.21%
Total Assets	\$ 526,114,7	58 \$ 513,646,900	\$ 12,467,858	2.43%
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	\$ 15,636,9	83 \$ 9,274,127	\$ 6,362,856	68.61%
Liabilities				
Current Liabilities	\$ 8,787,2	23 \$ 4,496,132	\$ 4,291,091	95.44%
Noncurrent Liabilities	193,890,1	82 193,612,099	278,083	0.14%
Total Liabilities	\$ 202,677,4	05 \$ 198,108,231	\$ 4,569,174	2.31%
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	\$ 2,071,4	24 \$ 3,352,133	\$ (1,280,709)	-38.21%
Net Position				
Net Investment in Capital Assets	\$ 308,600,9	74 \$ 276,394,511	\$ 32,206,463	11.65%
Restricted	4,570,9	97 5,786,321	(1,215,324)	-21.00%
Unrestricted	23,830,9	41 39,279,831	(15,448,890)	-39.33%
Total Net Position	\$ 337,002,9	12 \$ 321,460,663	\$ 15,542,249	4.83%

Total net position increased by \$15.5 million, as revenues exceeded expenditures. Noncurrent assets increased due mostly to \$18.1 million of capital expenditures. Current liabilities increased \$4.2 million due to an increase in accounts payable.

Management's Discussion and Analysis For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2017

Table 2 shows the changes in net position for 2017 as compared to period 2016.

Table 2 - Summary of Changes in Net Position									
						Percentage			
		2017		2016	Change	Change			
Revenues									
Program revenues	\$	2,130,301	\$	2,829,519	\$ (699,218)	-24.71%			
General revenues:									
Property taxes		43,860,976		44,980,497	(1,119,521)	-2.49%			
Investment earnings		462,618		647,839	(185,221)	-28.59%			
Miscellaneous		783,977		810,250	(26,273)	-3.24%			
Total Revenues		47,237,872		49,268,105	(2,030,233)	-4.12%			
Program Expenses									
Land preservation		21,783,483		26,079,919	(4,296,436)	-16.47%			
Interest		8,327,042		9,751,674	(1,424,632)	-14.61%			
Depreciation		1,585,098		1,311,272	273,826	20.88%			
Total Expenses		31,695,623		37,142,865	(5,447,242)	-14.67%			
Change in Net Position		15,542,249		12,125,240	3,417,009	28.18%			
Adjustment to Beginning Net Position		-		(11,789,641)	11,789,641	100.00%			
Beginning Net Position		321,460,663		321,125,064	335,599	0.10%			
Ending Net Position	\$	337,002,912	\$	321,460,663	\$ 15,542,249	4.83%			

Program revenues increased because the District had a decrease in land preservation and interest expenses in fiscal year 2017.

THE DISTRICT'S FUND BALANCE

Table 3 provides an analysis of the District's fund balances and the total change in fund balances from the prior year.

Table 3 - Summary of Fund Balance (All Governmental Funds)											
		Measure AA	Debt								
	General	Capital	Service			Percentage					
	Fund	Projects Fund	Fund	Total	2016	Change					
Nonspendable for prepaid expenditure	\$ 55,093	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 55,093	\$ -	100%					
Restricted for debt service	-	-	2,193,934	2,193,934	3,116,266	-30%					
Restricted for Measure AA Projects	-	7,344,797	-	7,344,797	23,778,047	-69%					
Restricted for Hawthorne maintenance	1,971,040	-	-	1,971,040	1,971,040	0%					
Committed for infrastructure	30,000,000	-	-	30,000,000	30,000,000	0%					
Committed for equipment replacement	2,400,000	-	-	2,400,000	2,400,000	0%					
Committed for natural disasters	3,000,000	-	-	3,000,000	3,000,000	0%					
Unassigned	23,872,450	-	-	23,872,450	16,857,586	42%					
Total Fund Balance	\$61,298,583	\$ 7,344,797	\$2,193,934	\$70,837,314	\$81,122,939	-13%					

Following the completion of its new thirty-year strategic plan, the Board of Directors committed a majority of the unassigned fund balance during fiscal year 2017 to reserves for infrastructure, equipment replacement and natural disasters. See page 28 of the audit report for a description of each commitment.

Management's Discussion and Analysis For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2017

GENERAL FUND BUDGETING HIGHLIGHTS

The District's budget is prepared according to California law and in the modified accrual basis of accounting.

During the course of 2017, the District revised its General Fund budget, which resulted in an increase in budgeted expenditures of \$122 thousand from the original to final budget. The final budgeted revenue estimate was \$45.6 million. A summary of the original and final budget is presented below:

Table 4 - St	ummai	ry of Original	to I	Final Budgets	5		
							Percent
	Or	riginal Budget	F	inal Budget		Variance	Variance
Revenues							
Property taxes	\$	42,785,000	\$	42,785,000	\$	-	0.00%
Grant revenues		841,600		841,600		-	0.00%
Property management		1,209,000		1,209,000		-	0.00%
Investment earnings		450,000		450,000		-	0.00%
Other revenues		332,440		332,440		-	0.00%
Total Revenues		45,618,040		45,618,040		-	0.00%
Expenditures							
Salaries and employee benefits		19,174,332		19,333,953		159,621	0.83%
Services and supplies		8,168,018		8,130,731		(37,287)	-0.46%
Total Expenses		27,342,350		27,464,684		122,334	0.45%
Net Change in Fund Balance	\$	18,275,690	\$	18,153,356	\$	(122,334)	-0.67%

CAPITAL ASSETS

Table 4 shows 2017 capital asset balances as compared to 2016.

Table 5 - Summary of Capital Assets Net of Depreciation					
				Percentage	
	2017	2016	Change	Change	
Land	\$ 407,986,151	\$ 403,773,365	\$ 4,212,786	1.04%	
Construction-in-Progress	19,020,245	7,223,594	11,796,651	163.31%	
Structure and Improvements	6,715,297	7,115,767	(400,470)	-5.63%	
Infrastructure	10,474,326	7,551,992	2,922,334	38.70%	
Equipment	804,552	945,829	(141,277)	-14.94%	
Vehicles	2,133,268	1,844,343	288,925	15.67%	
Total Capital Assets - Net	\$ 447,133,839	\$ 428,454,890	\$ 18,678,949	4.36%	

Management's Discussion and Analysis For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2017

LONG TERM LIABILITIES

Table 5 summarizes the changes in long-term liabilities from 2017 to 2016.

Table 6 -	· Summary of Lon	g-term Liabiliti	es	
				Percentage
	2017	2016	Change	Change
Promissory Notes	\$ 65,095,264	\$ 65,176,664	\$ (81,400)	-0.12%
Bonds	116,855,465	115,198,421	1,657,044	1.44%
Net Pension Oblingation	10,121,906	11,420,125	(1,298,219)	-11.37%
Compensated Absences	1,817,547	1,816,889	658	0.04%
Total Long-term Liabilities	\$ 193,890,182	\$ 193,612,099	\$ 278,083	0.14%

ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGET

The Board of Directors adopted the District's budget for year 2017-2018 on June 14, 2017. This budget assumes \$50.6 million in revenues and a growth in general fund property tax income of 7% over the prior period. This budget funds \$19.2 million of capital spending, of which \$12.6 million is expected to qualify for reimbursement from Measure AA GO bond funds. Operating expenditures and general fund and debt service are budgeted at \$30.4 million and \$11.7 million, respectively. If all revenues, expenditure (including debt service) occur as budgeted, the District's overall cash balances would increase by \$2 million.

CONTACTING THE DISTRICT'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, parents, participants, investors and creditors with a general overview of the District's finances and to demonstrate the District's accountability for the money it receives. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to the Administrative Office, Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District, 330 Distel Circle, Los Altos, California 94022.

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Basic Financial Statements

Statement of Net Position June 30, 2017

Assets		
Current assets:		
Cash and investments	\$	77,020,898
Accounts receivable:		
Deposits		587,047
Interest		5,278
Due from other governments:		221
Taxes receivable		221
Other current assets		55,093
Total current assets		77,668,537
Noncurrent assets:		
Notes receivable		134,317
Unamortized issuance costs		772,042
Net OPEB asset		406,023
Non-depreciable capital assets		427,006,396
Capital assets, net of depreciation		20,127,443
Total noncurrent assets		448,446,221
Total Assets	\$	526,114,758
Deferred Outflows of Resources		
Pension change to adjustments	\$	8,659,986
Deferred loss on early retirement of long-term debt	*	6,976,997
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	\$	15,636,983
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Liabilities		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$	5,220,064
Deposits payable		104,932
Payroll and other liabilities		1,506,227
Accrued interest		1,956,000
Total current liabilities		8,787,223
Noncurrent liabilities:		
Due within one year		7,423,614
Due after one year		186,466,568
Total noncurrent liabilities		193,890,182
Total Liabilities	\$	202,677,405
Deferred Inflows of Resources		_
Pension adjustments	\$	2,071,424
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Net Position	_	
Net investment in capital assets	\$	308,600,974
Restricted for:		
Debt service		2,193,934
Hawthorne maintenance		1,971,040
OPEB		406,023
Total restricted		4,570,997
Unrestricted	Ф.	23,830,941
Total Net Position	\$	337,002,912

Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District Statement of Activities

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2017

		Program Revenues			N	Vet (Expense)	
				Capital]	Revenue and
		C	Charges for		rants and		Changes in
	Expenses		Services	Coı	ntributions		Net Position
Governmental activities:							
Land preservation	\$ 21,783,483	\$	1,479,462	\$	650,839	\$	(19,653,182)
Interest and fiscal charges	8,327,042		-		-		(8,327,042)
Depreciation	1,585,098		-		-		(1,585,098)
Total governmental activities	\$ 31,695,623	\$	1,479,462	\$	650,839		(29,565,322)
General revenues:							
Property taxes							43,860,976
Investment earnings							462,618
Other revenues							783,977
Total general revenues and special items							45,107,571
Change in net position							15,542,249
Net position beginning							321,460,663
Net position ending						\$	337,002,912

Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District Balance Sheet

Balance Sheet Governmental Funds June 30, 2017

	General Fund	Measure AA Capital Projects Fund	GF Capital Projects Fund	Debt Service Fund	Total Governmental Funds
Assets Cash and investments	\$ 59,483,747	\$ 15,337,024	\$ -	\$ 2,200,127	\$ 77,020,898
Receivables:	Ψ 27,103,717	Ψ 15,557,021	Ψ	Ψ 2,200,127	Ψ 77,020,090
Deposits	587,047	-	-	-	587,047
Interest	5,278	-	-	-	5,278
Due from other governments:					
Taxes receivable	221	-	-	-	221
Other current assets	55,093	-	-	-	55,093
Due from other funds	4,278,820	330,196	674,707	-	5,283,723
Notes receivable	134,317				134,317
Total Assets	\$ 64,544,523	\$ 15,667,220	\$ 674,707	\$ 2,200,127	\$ 83,086,577
Liabilities					
Liabilities:					
Accounts payable	\$ 754,058	\$ 4,102,458	\$ 363,548	\$ -	\$ 5,220,064
Deposits payable	104,932	-	-	-	104,932
Due to other funds	746,406	4,219,965	311,159	6,193	5,283,723
Payroll and other liabilities	1,506,227				1,506,227
Total Liabilities	3,111,623	8,322,423	674,707	6,193	12,114,946
Deferred Inflows Of Resources					
Unavailable revenues	134,317	_	_	-	134,317
Fund Balance					
Nonspendable:					
Prepaid expenditures	55,093	-	-	-	55,093
Restricted for:					
Debt service	-	-	-	2,193,934	2,193,934
Measure AA capital projects	-	7,344,797	-	-	7,344,797
Hawthorne maintenance	1,971,040	-	-	-	1,971,040
Committed for:	20,000,000				20,000,000
Infrastructure	30,000,000	-	-	-	30,000,000
Equipment replacement	2,400,000	-	-	-	2,400,000
Natural disasters	3,000,000	-	-	-	3,000,000
Unassigned	23,872,450				23,872,450
Total Fund Balance	61,298,583	7,344,797		2,193,934	70,837,314
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	\$ 64,544,523	\$ 15,667,220	\$ 674,707	\$ 2,200,127	\$ 83,086,577

\$ 337,002,912

Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District

Reconciliation of the Governmental Funds Balance Sheet to the Statement of Net Position June 30, 2017

Total fund balance - governmental funds	\$ 70,837,314
Amounts reported in the Statement of Net Position are different because:	
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported as assets in governmental funds.	
Capital assets at cost \$ 462,547,391 Accumulated depreciation (15,413,552)	447,133,839
Principal on notes receivables are recorded as unearned revenue in the funds, which upon collection is a current financial resource. In the government-wide financial statements, repayment of the principal amount does not generate revenue in the statement of activities;	
therefore, unearned revenue is not recorded.	134,317
The difference between projected and actual earnings from pension plan assets is not included in the plan's actuarial study until the next fiscal year and are reported as deferred inflows of resources in the statement of net position.	6,588,562
Interest payable on long-term debt does not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, is not reported in the governmental funds.	(1,956,000)
Discounts and premiums related to bond issues are recorded as other financing sources and uses in the fund financial statements but are recorded as assets or liabilities and amortized over the life of the bond in the statement of net position:	
Premium \$ 20,475,002 Issuance cost (772,042)	(19,702,960)
Deferred loss on early retirement of long-term debt is recorded in the Statement of Net Position as a deferred outflow of resources and amortized on a straight line basis over the original life of the defeased bond.	6,976,997
Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current year and therefore are not reported as liabilities in the funds. Long-term liabilities at year-end consists of:	
Bonds \$ 102,715,000 Net pension obligations 10,121,906 Promissory notes 58,760,727 Compensated absences 1,817,547 Annual net OPEB obligation (406,023)	(173,009,157)

Total net position - governmental activities

Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance Governmental Funds

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2017

	General Fund	Measure AA Capital Projects Fund	GF Capital Projects Fund	Debt Service Fund	Total Governmental Funds
Revenues:					
Property taxes	\$ 42,281,739	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,579,237	\$ 43,860,976
Grant income	650,839	-	-	-	650,839
Property management	1,479,462	-	-	-	1,479,462
Investment earnings	313,397	163,483	-	2,846	479,726
Other revenues	608,558				608,558
Total revenues	45,333,995	163,483		1,582,083	47,079,561
Expenditures:					
Current:					
Land preservation:					
Salaries and employee benefits	18,890,179	320,482	-	-	19,210,661
Services and supplies	5,612,468	36,837	946,845	-	6,596,150
Capital outlay	-	16,529,694	3,431,732	-	19,961,426
Debt service:					
Principal	_	_	-	5,193,104	5,193,104
Interest	_	_	_	6,403,845	6,403,845
Issuance cost	_	_	_	786,497	786,497
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Total expenditures	24,502,647	16,887,013	4,378,577	12,383,446	58,151,683
Excess (deficiency) of revenues					
over (under) expenditures	20,831,348	(16,723,530)	(4,378,577)	(10,801,363)	(11,072,122)
Other financing sources (uses):					
Transfers in	-	1,030,287	4,685,714	10,122,821	15,838,822
Transfers out	(13,761,391)	(1,047,144)	-	(1,030,287)	(15,838,822)
Payment to refunded bond					
escrow agent	-	-	-	(68,187,161)	(68,187,161)
Proceeds of refunding bond	-	-	-	57,410,000	57,410,000
Premium from bond issuances	-			11,563,658	11,563,658
Total other financing sources (uses)	(13,761,391)	(16,857)	4,685,714	9,879,031	786,497
Net changes in fund balance	7,069,957	(16,740,387)	307,137	(922,332)	(10,285,625)
Fund balance beginning	54,228,626	23,778,047	-	3,116,266	81,122,939
Prior period adjustment - see note 12		307,137	(307,137)		
Fund balance beginning - as adjusted	54,228,626	24,085,184	(307,137)	3,116,266	81,122,939
Fund balance ending	\$ 61,298,583	\$ 7,344,797	\$ -	\$ 2,193,934	\$ 70,837,314

Reconciliation of the Governmental Funds Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance to the Statement of Activities

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2017

Total net change in fund balance - governmental funds	\$(10,285,625)
Capital outlays are reported in governmental funds as expenditures. However, in the Statement of Activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense.	
Expenditures capitalized as capital assets Depreciation expense \$ 20,264,047 (1,585,098)	18,678,949
Repayment of notes receivable is reported as revenue in the governmental funds because financial resources were received and available during the fiscal year. In the statement of net position, the payment reduces the principal balance of notes receivable and does not generate revenue in the statement of activities.	(17,108)
Accreted interest on capital appreciation bonds is not recorded in the governmental funds but is required to be recorded under the accrual basis of accounting in the government wide financial statements.	(1,125,509)
The governmental funds report debt proceeds as an other financing source, while repayment of debt principal is reported as an expenditure. Interest is recognized as an expenditure in the governmental funds when it is due. The net effect of these differences in the treatment of long-term debt and related items is as follows:	
Proceeds from the issuance of general obligation bonds Bond premium capitalized Deferred loss on early retirement of refunded bonds Advance refunding of bonds Repayment of bond principal Repayment of promissory notes princpal \$ (57,410,000) (11,563,658) (11,563,658) (12,563,658) (13,5	4,406,607
Deferred loss on early retirement of long-term debt is amortized over the life of the debt in the statement of activities. Amortization expense is not reported in the governmental funds.	(339,192)
Prepaid issuance costs, discounts and premiums related to bond issues are recorded as other financing sources and uses in the fund financial statements but are recorded as assets or liabilities and amortized over the life of the bond in the statement of net position:	
Amortization of issuance costs and premiums - net	(59,038)
In the Statement of Activities, compensated absences are measured by the amount earned during the year. In governmental funds, however, expenditures for those items are measured by the amount of financial resources used (essentially the amounts paid). This year, vacation earned exceeded the amounts used.	(658)
In governmental funds, actual contributions to pension plans are reported as expenditures in the year incurred. However, in the government-wide statement of activities, only the current year pension expense as noted in the plans' valuation reports is reported as an expense, as adjusted for deferred inflows and outflows of resources.	4,248,815
In the Statement of Activities, the net postemployment benefit asset is the amount by which the contributions toward the OPEB plan were more than the annual required contribution as actuarially determined. The net postemployment benefit is not recorded in the governmental fund statements. The change in the net OPEB was recorded in the Statement of Activities in the amount of:	(292,992)
Interest on long-term debt in the Statement of Activities differs from the amount reported in the governmental funds because interest is recognized as an expenditure in the funds when it is due and thus requires the use of current financial resources. In the Statement of Activities, however, interest expense is recognized as the interest accrues, regardless of when it is due.	328,000
Change in net position of governmental activities	\$ 15,542,249
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Notes to the Basic Financial Statements June 30, 2017

NOTE 1 - SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. General

The Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District (the District) was formed in 1972 to acquire and preserve public open space land in northern and western portions of Santa Clara County. In June 1976, the southern and eastern portions of San Mateo County were annexed to the District. The District annexed a small portion of the northern tip of Santa Cruz County in 1992. In September 2004, the District completed the Coastside Protection Program, which extended the District boundaries to the Pacific Ocean in San Mateo County, from the southern borders of Pacifica to the San Mateo/Santa Cruz County line.

B. Accounting Principles

The accounting policies of the District conform to generally accepted accounting principles as prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) and the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA).

C. Reporting Entity

As required by generally accepted accounting principles, these basic financial statements present the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District and its component unit. The component unit discussed in the following paragraph is included in the District's reporting entity because of the significance of their operational or financial relationships with the District.

Blended Component Unit. The District and the County of Santa Clara entered into a joint exercise of powers agreement dated May 1, 1996, creating the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District Financing Authority (the Authority), pursuant to the California Government Code. The District is financially accountable for the Authority, as it appoints a voting majority of the governing board; is able to impose its will in the Authority; and the Authority provides specific financial benefits to, and imposes specific financial burdens on, the District. The Authority was formed for the sole purpose of providing financing assistance to the District to fund the acquisition of land to preserve and use as open space. As such, the Authority is an integral part of the District, and accordingly, all of the Authority's activity is blended within the accompanying debt service fund.

D. Reporting Period

In order to improve the transparency over reporting financial transactions and overall operations, during the fiscal period ending June 30, 2016 the District changed its reporting period from April 1st through March 31st to July 1st through June 30th. The financial statements and the related note disclosures included in the prior year's report covers the fifteen month period ended June 30, 2016. The information covered in this financial statement covers the year ending June 30, 2017, thus information may not be comparable between the financial statements and note disclosures included in each of these reports.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements June 30, 2017

E. Basis of Presentation

Government-wide Financial Statements:

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities) report information on all of the activities of the District. The Statement of Net Position reports all assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and net position.

The government-wide statements are prepared using the economic resources measurement focus. This approach differs from the manner in which governmental fund financial statements are prepared. Governmental fund financial statements, therefore, include the reconciliation with brief explanations to better identify the relationship between the government wide statements and the statements for the governmental funds.

The government-wide statement of activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each function or program of the District's governmental activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a service, program, or department and are therefore clearly identifiable to a particular function. The District does not allocate indirect expenses to functions in the statement of activities. Program revenues include charges paid by the recipients of goods or services offered by a program, as well as grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Revenues that are not classified as program revenues are presented as general revenues of the District, with certain exceptions. The comparison of direct expenses with program revenues identifies the extent to which each governmental function is self-financing or draws from the general revenues of the District.

Fund Financial Statements:

Fund financial statements report detailed information about the District. The accounting and financial treatment applied to a fund is determined by its measurement focus. All governmental funds are accounted for using a flow of current financial resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, only current assets, deferred outflows, current liabilities and deferred inflows are generally included on the balance sheet. The Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance for these funds present increases (i.e., revenues and other financing sources) and decreases (i.e., expenditures and other financing uses) in net current assets.

F. Basis of Accounting

Basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenditures are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. Government-wide financial statements are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting. Governmental funds use the modified accrual basis of accounting.

Revenues - Exchange and Non-exchange Transactions:

Revenue resulting from exchange transactions, in which each party gives and receives essentially equal value, is recorded under the accrual basis when the exchange takes place. On a modified accrual basis, revenue is recorded in the fiscal period in which the resources are measurable and

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements June 30, 2017

become available. "Available" means the resources will be collected within the current fiscal period or are expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current fiscal period. For the District, "available" means collectible within the current period or within 90 days after period-end.

Non-exchange transactions, in which the District receives value *without* directly giving equal value in return, include property taxes, grants, and entitlements. Under the accrual basis, revenue from property taxes is recognized in the fiscal period for which the taxes are levied. Revenue from grants and entitlements is recognized in the fiscal period in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied. Eligibility requirements include timing requirements, which specify the period when the resources are to be used or the fiscal period when use is first permitted; matching requirements, in which the District must provide local resources to be used for a specific purpose; and expenditure requirements, in which the resources are provided to the District on a reimbursement basis. Under the modified accrual basis, revenue from non-exchange transactions must also be available before it can be recognized.

Deferred Outflows/Deferred Inflows:

A deferred outflow of resources is defined as a consumption of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expenses/expenditure) until then. A deferred inflow of resources is defined as an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenues) until that time.

When applicable, unamortized portions of the gain and loss on refunding debt are reported as deferred inflows and deferred outflows of resources, respectively. Deferred outflows and inflows of resources are reported for the changes related to pensions from the implementation of GASB Statement No. 68.

In addition, when an asset is recorded in governmental fund financial statements but the revenue is not available, a deferred inflow of resources is reported until such time as the revenue becomes available.

Unearned Revenue:

Unearned revenue arises when assets are received before revenue recognition criteria have been satisfied. Grants and entitlements received before eligibility requirements are met are recorded as deferred inflows from unearned revenue. In the governmental fund financial statements, receivables associated with non-exchange transactions that will not be collected within the availability period have been recorded as deferred inflows from unearned revenue.

Expenses/Expenditures:

On the accrual basis of accounting, expenses are recognized at the time a liability is incurred. On the modified accrual basis of accounting, expenditures are generally recognized in the accounting period in which the related fund liability is incurred, as under the accrual basis of accounting. However, under the modified accrual basis of accounting, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recorded only when

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements June 30, 2017

payment is due. Allocations of cost, such as depreciation and amortization, are not recognized in the governmental funds. When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the District's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

G. Fund Accounting

The accounts of the District are organized into two funds with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise of the District's assets, deferred outflows, liabilities, deferred inflows, fund balance, revenues, and expenditures.

Major funds are defined as funds that have either assets, liabilities, revenues or expenditures/expenses equal to ten percent of their fund-type total and five percent of the grand total. The General Fund is always a major fund. The District may also select other funds it believes should be presented as major funds.

The District reported all of its funds as major governmental funds in the accompanying financial statements:

General Fund. The General Fund is the general operating fund of the District. It is used to account for all financial resources. The major revenue sources for this fund are property taxes, grant revenues and interest income. Expenditures are made for land preservation and other operating expenditures.

Measure AA Capital Projects Fund. The Measure AA Capital Projects Fund is used to account for resources from bond proceeds and expenditures for capital projects related to the Measure AA GO Bond.

GF Capital Projects Fund. GF Capital Projects Fund is used to account for expenditures for capital projects not related to any other capital projects funds.

Debt Service Fund. The Debt Service Fund is used to account for accumulation of resources for, and the payment of long-term debt principal, interest and related costs. Resources are provided by General Fund transfers and interest income on unspent funds.

H. Budgets and Budgetary Accounting

The District's Board of Directors adopts an annual operating budget for the District by major fund, on or before June 30, for the ensuing fiscal period. The Board of Directors may amend the budget by resolution during the fiscal period. The legal level of control, the level at which expenditures may not legally exceed the budget, is at the category level.

I. Assets, Liabilities, and Equity

1. Cash and Cash Equivalents

The District's cash deposits are considered to be cash on hand and cash in banks. Cash and Cash Equivalents are generally considered short-term, highly liquid investments with a maturity of three months or less from the purchase date.

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2. <u>Investments</u>

Investments are recorded at fair value in accordance with GASB Statement No. 72, Fair Value Measurement and Application. Accordingly, the change in fair value of investments is recognized as an increase or decrease to investment assets and investment income. This statement changed the definition of fair value and is effective for periods beginning after June 15, 2015.

The following is a summary of the definition of fair value:

Fair value is defined as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction. In determining this amount, three valuation techniques are available:

- Market approach This approach uses prices generated for identical or similar assets
 or liabilities. The most common example is an investment in a public security traded
 in an active exchange such as the NYSE.
- Cost approach This technique determines the amount required to replace the current asset. This approach may be ideal for valuing donations of capital assets or historical treasures.
- Income approach This approach converts future amounts (such as cash flows) into a current discounted amount.

Each of these valuation techniques requires inputs to calculate a fair value. Observable inputs have been maximized in fair value measures, and unobservable inputs have been minimized.

3. Prepaid Expenditures

The District has the option of reporting expenditures in governmental funds for prepaid items either when purchased or during the benefiting period. The District has chosen to report the expenditure during the benefiting period.

4. <u>Deposits Receivable</u>

During the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, the District, determined that a prior deposit receivable was no longer collectable. The original deposit receivable was \$1,045,000, some of which was returned in a prior year. The remaining balance of \$691,454 was written off in current year.

5. Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include land, buildings and improvements, furniture, equipment, and construction in progress, are reported in the government-wide financial statements. Such assets are valued at historical cost or estimated historical cost unless obtained by annexation or

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donation, in which case they are recorded at estimated market value at the date of receipt. The District utilizes a capitalization threshold of \$1 for land, \$25,000 for equipment, fixtures and vehicles, \$50,000 for infrastructure, improvements, buildings and structures.

Projects under construction are recorded at cost as construction in progress and transferred to the appropriate asset account when substantially complete. Costs of major improvements and rehabilitation of buildings are capitalized. Repair and maintenance costs are charged to expense when incurred. Equipment disposed of, or no longer required for its existing use, is removed from the records at actual or estimated historical cost, net of accumulated depreciation.

All capital assets, except land and construction in progress, are depreciated using the straightline method over the following estimated useful lives:

Assets	Years
Structures/Improvements	50
Public Access Infrastructure	20 - 50
Equipment/Fixtures	5 - 20
Vehicles	5
Software	5 - 10

6. Compensated Absences

In accordance with the District's memorandum of understanding with various employee groups, employees accrue fifteen days of vacation during the first nine years of service, twenty days between service years 10 and fourteen, twenty-one days between service years fifteen and nineteen, twenty-three days between service years twenty and twenty-four, and twenty-five days after twenty-five years of service. An employee may accumulate vacation time earned to a maximum of two times the amount of his/her annual vacation accrual.

Full-time employees accrue twelve days of sick leave: annually from the date of employment. An employee may accumulate sick leave time earned on an unlimited basis. Upon resignation, separation from service, or retirement from District employment, workers in good standing with ten or more years of District employment shall receive a cash payment of the equivalent cash value of accrued sick leave as follows:

	Percentage of equivalent
	cash value of accrued
Years of Employment	sick leave
15-20	20%
16-20	25%
21 or more	30%

An employee hired before June 30, 2006, who retires from the District shall receive a cash payment of the percentage of equivalent cash value or accrued sick leave based on years of employment as described above, and apply the remainder of the equivalent cash value toward his/her cost of retiree medical plan premiums and/or other qualified medical expenses. Upon

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retirement, the amount qualified and designated for retiree medical costs shall be deposited in the Retiree Health Savings (RHS) plan, set up by the District. The cost for maintaining the retiree's RHS account and the annual fee for the reimbursement process of qualified medical expenses will be paid for by the retiree.

An employee hired on or after July 1, 2006, who retires from the District may elect to receive only a cash payment of the percentage of equivalent cash value of accrued sick leave based on years of employment as described above.

In all cases the equivalent cash value of accrued sick leave will be based on current rate of pay as of the date of separation from District employment.

The District accrues for all salary-related items in the government-wide statements for which they are liable to make a payment directly and incrementally associated with payments made for compensated absences on termination.

7. <u>Long-Term/Noncurrent Obligations</u>

In the government-wide financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the Statement of Net Position.

8. <u>Debt Discount and Issuance Costs</u>

Debt discounts, premiums, and prepaid issuance costs are capitalized as an offset to long-term debt and amortized using the straight line method over the life of the related debt. Issuance costs for the District's tax-exempt commercial paper short-term borrowings are expensed as incurred.

9. Fund Balance Classifications

In accordance with Government Accounting Standards Board 54, Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions, the District classifies governmental fund balances as follows:

- *Nonspendable* fund balance includes amounts that cannot be spent either because it is not in spendable form or because of legal or contractual constraints.
- Restricted fund balance includes amounts that are constrained for specific purposes which are externally imposed by providers, such as creditors or amounts constrained due to constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
- Committed fund balances includes amounts that are constrained for specific purposes that are internally imposed by the government through formal action of the highest level of decision making authority and does not lapse at period-end. Committed fund balances were imposed by the District's board of directors as follows:
 - o Infrastructure: \$30 million; projected minimum requirement for expansion of field and office facilities over the next five years.

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- Equipment Replacement: \$2.4 million; projected requirement for equipment and vehicle replacement based on the amount of accumulated depreciation recorded on capital assets in service.
- Natural Disasters: \$3.0 million; projected emergency expenditures required to respond quickly to a major fire, earthquake or flood.
- Assigned fund balance includes amounts that are intended to be used for specific purposes that are neither considered restricted or committed. Fund balance may be assigned by the General Manager.
- *Unassigned* fund balance includes positive amounts within the general fund which has not been classified within the above mentioned categories and negative fund balances in other governmental funds.

The District uses restricted/committed amounts to be spent first when both restricted and unrestricted fund balance is available unless there are legal documents/contracts that prohibit doing this, such as a grant agreement requiring dollar for dollar spending. Additionally, the District would first use committed, then assigned, and lastly unassigned amounts of unrestricted fund balance when expenditures are made.

10. Net Position

Net position represents the difference between assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities and deferred inflows of resources. Net investment in capital assets consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowings used for the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets. In addition, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets or related debt also are included in the net investment in capital assets component of net position. Net position is reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on its use either through the enabling legislation adopted by the District or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors, laws or regulations of other governments. The District applies restricted resources when an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net position is available.

Unrestricted net position reflect amounts that are not subject to any donor-imposed restrictions. This class also includes restricted contributions whose donor-imposed restrictions were met during the fiscal period. A deficit unrestricted net position may result when significant cash balances restricted for capital projects exist. Once the projects are completed, the restriction on these assets are released and converted to capital assets.

11. Property Taxes

The District receives property tax revenue from Santa Clara and San Mateo Counties (the Counties). The Counties are responsible for assessing, collecting and distributing property taxes in accordance with state law. Secured property taxes are recorded as revenue when

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apportioned, in the fiscal period of the levy. The counties apportion secured property tax revenue in accordance with the alternate method of distribution prescribed by Section 4705 of the California *Revenue and Taxation Code*. This alternate method provides for crediting each applicable fund with its total secured taxes upon completion of the secured tax roll -approximately October 1 of each year. Taxes are levied annually on July 1st, and one-half are due by November 1st and one-half by February 1st. Taxes are delinquent after December 10th and April 10th, respectively. Supplemental property taxes are levied on a pro-rata basis when changes in assessed valuation occur due to the completion of construction or sales transactions. Liens on real property are established on January 15th for the ensuing fiscal period.

On June 30, 1993, the Board of Supervisors adopted the "Teeter" method of property tax allocation. This method allocates property taxes based on the total property tax billed. At year-end, the Counties advances cash to each taxing jurisdiction equal to its current year delinquent taxes. Once the delinquent taxes are collected, the revenue from penalties and interest remains with each County and is used to pay the interest cost of borrowing the cash used for the advances.

12. Accounting Estimates

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 reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results may differ from those estimates.

J. Implemented New Accounting Pronouncements

GASB Statement No. 77, *Tax Abatement Disclosures* - Effective date: the requirements of this Statement are effective for reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2015 (earlier application was encouraged and was applied at the District). This Statement requires governments that enter into tax abatement agreements to disclose the following information about the agreements:

- Brief descriptive information, such as the tax being abated, the District under which tax abatements are provided, eligibility criteria, the mechanism by which taxes are abated, provisions for recapturing abated taxes, and the types of commitments made by tax abatement recipients
- The gross dollar amount of taxes abated during the period
- Commitments made by a government, other than to abate taxes, as part of a tax abatement agreement.

The implementation of this statement did not have a significant impact on the District's financial statements and did not result in any prior period restatements or adjustments.

GASB Statement No. 78, Pensions Provided through Certain Multiple-Employer Defined Benefit Pension Plans - The objective of this Statement is to address a practice issue regarding the scope and applicability of GASB Statement No. 68, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions. This issue is associated with pensions provided through certain multiple-employer defined benefit pension

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plans and to state or local governmental employers whose employees are provided with such pensions.

Prior to the issuance of this GASB 78, the requirements of GASB 68 applied to the financial statements of all state and local governmental employers whose employees are provided with pensions through pension plans that are administered through trusts that meet the criteria in paragraph 4 of that statement.

GASB 78 amends the scope and applicability of GASB 68 to exclude pensions provided to employees of state or local governmental employers through a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan that (1) is not a state or local governmental pension plan, (2) is used to provide defined benefit pensions both to employees of state or local governmental employers and to employees of employers that are not state or local governmental employers, and (3) has no predominant state or local governmental employer (either individually or collectively with other state or local governmental employers that provide pensions through the pension plan). This Statement establishes requirements for recognition and measurement of pension expense, expenditures, and liabilities; note disclosures; and required supplementary information for pensions that have the characteristics described above.

The implementation of this statement did not have a significant impact on the District's financial statements and did not result in any prior period restatements or adjustments

K. Upcoming Accounting and Reporting Changes

GASB Statement No. 75, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions.

The provisions in Statement 75 are effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2017. The primary objective of this Statement is to improve accounting and financial reporting by state and local governments for postemployment benefits other than pensions (other postemployment benefits or OPEB). It also improves information provided by state and local governmental employers about financial support for OPEB that is provided by other entities. This Statement replaces the requirements of Statements No. 45, Accounting and Financial Reporting by Employers for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions, as amended, and No. 57, OPEB Measurements by Agent Employers and Agent Multiple-Employer Plans, for OPEB. Statement No. 74, Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefit Plans Other Than Pension Plans, establishes new accounting and financial reporting requirements for OPEB plans.

The scope of this Statement addresses accounting and financial reporting for OPEB that is provided to the employees of state and local governmental employers. This Statement establishes standards for recognizing and measuring liabilities, deferred outflows of resources, deferred inflows of resources, and expense/expenditures. For defined benefit OPEB, this Statement identifies the methods and assumptions that are required to 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. Note disclosure and required supplementary information requirements about defined benefit OPEB also are addressed.

In addition, this Statement details the recognition and disclosure requirements for employers with payables to defined benefit OPEB plans that are administered through trusts that meet the specified

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criteria and for employers whose employees are provided with defined contribution OPEB. This Statement also addresses certain circumstances in which a nonemployer entity provides financial support for OPEB of employees of another entity.

In this Statement, distinctions are made regarding the particular requirements depending upon whether the OPEB plans through which the benefits are provided are administered through trusts that meet the following criteria:

- Contributions from employers and nonemployer contributing entities to the OPEB plan and earnings on those contributions are irrevocable.
- OPEB plan assets are dedicated to providing OPEB to plan members in accordance with the benefit terms.
- OPEB plan assets are legally protected from the creditors of employers, nonemployer contributing entities, the OPEB plan administrator, and the plan members.

The District is in the process of determining the impact this statement will have on the financial statements.

GASB Statement No. 81, Irrevocable Split-Interest Agreements - The objective of this Statement is to improve accounting and financial reporting for irrevocable split-interest agreements by providing recognition and measurement guidance for situations in which a government is a beneficiary of the agreement.

Split-interest agreements are a type of giving agreement used by donors to provide resources to two or more beneficiaries, including governments. Split-interest agreements can be created through trusts—or other legally enforceable agreements with characteristics that are equivalent to split-interest agreements—in which a donor transfers resources to an intermediary to hold and administer for the benefit of a government and at least one other beneficiary. Examples of these types of agreements include charitable lead trusts, charitable remainder trusts, and life-interests in real estate.

This Statement requires that a government that receives resources pursuant to an irrevocable split-interest agreement recognize assets, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources at the inception of the agreement. Furthermore, this Statement requires that a government recognize assets representing its beneficial interests in irrevocable split-interest agreements that are administered by a third party, if the government controls the present service capacity of the beneficial interests. This Statement requires that a government recognize revenue when the resources become applicable to the reporting period.

The requirements of this Statement are effective for financial statements for periods beginning after December 15, 2016, and should be applied retroactively. Earlier application is encouraged.

The District does not believe this statement will have a significant impact on the District's financial statements.

GASB Statement No. 82, Pension Issues - an amendment of GASB Statements No. 67, No. 68, and No. 73 - The objective of this Statement is to address certain issues that have been raised with respect to Statements No. 67, Financial Reporting for Pension Plans, No. 68, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions, and No. 73, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions and Related Assets That Are Not within the Scope of GASB Statement 68, and Amendments to Certain Provisions

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of GASB Statements 67 and 68. Specifically, this Statement addresses issues regarding (1) the presentation of payroll-related measures in required supplementary information, (2) the selection of assumptions and the treatment of deviations from the guidance in an Actuarial Standard of Practice for financial reporting purposes, and (3) the classification of payments made by employers to satisfy employee (plan member) contribution requirements.

The requirements of this Statement are effective for reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2016, except for the requirements of GASB 82 for selection of assumptions in a circumstance in which an employer's pension liability is measured as of a date other than the employer's most recent fiscal year-end. In that circumstance, the requirements for the selection of assumptions are effective for that employer in the first reporting period in which the measurement date of the pension liability is on or after June 15, 2017. Earlier application is encouraged. The District does not believe this statement will have a significant impact on the District's financial statements.

GASB Statement No. 83, Certain Asset Retirement Obligations - This Statement addresses accounting and financial reporting for certain asset retirement obligations (AROs). An ARO is a legally enforceable liability associated with the retirement of a tangible capital asset. A government that has legal obligations to perform future asset retirement activities related to its tangible capital assets should recognize a liability based on the guidance in this Statement. The requirements of this Statement are effective for financial statements for periods beginning after June 15, 2018. Earlier application is encouraged. The District does not believe this statement will have a significant impact on the District's financial statements.

GASB Statement No. 84, *Fiduciary Activities* - The objective of this Statement is to improve guidance regarding the identification of fiduciary activities for accounting and financial reporting purposes and how those activities should be reported.

This Statement establishes criteria for identifying fiduciary activities of all state and local governments. The focus of the criteria generally is on (1) whether a government is controlling the assets of the fiduciary activity and (2) the beneficiaries with whom a fiduciary relationship exists. Separate criteria are included to identify fiduciary component units and postemployment benefit arrangements that are fiduciary activities. The requirements of this Statement are effective for financial statements for periods beginning after December 15, 2018. Earlier application is encouraged. The District does not believe this statement will have a significant impact on the District's financial statements.

GASB Statement No. 86, Certain Debt Extinguishment Issues - The primary objective of this Statement is to improve consistency in accounting and financial reporting for in-substance defeasance of debt by providing guidance for transactions in which cash and other monetary assets acquired with only existing resources—resources other than the proceeds of refunding debt—are placed in an irrevocable trust for the sole purpose of extinguishing debt. This Statement also improves accounting and financial reporting for prepaid insurance on debt that is extinguished and notes to financial statements for debt that is defeased in substance. The requirements of this Statement are effective for financial statements for periods beginning after June 15, 2017. Earlier application is encouraged. The District does not believe this statement will have a significant impact on the District's financial statements.

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NOTE 2 - CASH AND INVESTMENTS

Summary of Cash and Investments

The following summarizes deposits as of June 30, 2017:

	Cash	Cash and Equivalents Available	S		
Cash and Investments	for	Operations	R	estricted	Total
Cash Deposits:					
Cash in Banks	\$	212,857	\$	45,000	\$ 257,857
Petty Cash		1,500		-	1,500
Total Cash Deposits		214,357		45,000	259,357
Investments:					
California Local Agency Investment Fund		360,549		-	360,549
CalTRUST		-		1,535,871	1,535,871
Brokerage Accounts/Cash with Fiscal Agents	1	7,070,055	1	5,965,865	33,035,920
Santa Clara County Pool	4	0,257,915		1,571,286	41,829,201
Total Investments	5	7,688,519	1	9,073,022	76,761,541
Total Cash and Investments	\$ 5	7,902,876	\$ 1	9,118,022	\$ 77,020,898

Cash in Banks

Cash balances in banks are insured up to \$250,000 per insured bank by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC"). The District's accounts are held with various banks. As of June 30, 2017, the District's bank balances exceeded FDIC coverage by \$940,047.

Fair Value Measurements

GASB 72 established a hierarchy of inputs to the valuation techniques above. This hierarchy has three levels:

- Level 1 inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.
- Level 2 inputs are quoted market prices for similar assets or liabilities, quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active, or other than quoted prices that are not observable
- Level 3 inputs are unobservable inputs, such as a property valuation or an appraisal.

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The District has the following investments with recurring fair value measurements as of June 30, 2017:

				 Maturities							
			Input	12 Months		13 - 24		25 - 60	N	Iore Than	Concen-
Investment Type	Rating	Fair Value	Level	or Less		Months		Months	6	0 Months	trations
Money Market Accounts	n/a	\$ 36,973	n/a	\$ 36,973	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	0.05%
Mutual Funds	n/a	2,935,216	Level 2	2,935,216		-		-		-	3.82%
Municipal Bonds	AA+/A-	7,194,638	Level 2	357,923		3,483,177		2,073,272		1,280,266	9.37%
Corp/Gov Bonds	AAA/A-	20,628,037	Level 1	13,331,164		6,698,535		598,338		-	26.87%
LAIF	n/a	360,167	Level 2	360,167		-		-		-	0.47%
CalTrust	A+f	1,535,871	Level 2	-		-		1,535,871		-	2.00%
Santa Clara County Pool	n/a	41,829,201	Level 2	20,523,034		7,315,449		13,990,718		-	54.49%
U.S. Obligations	AA+	2,241,056	Level 1	2,241,056		-		-		-	2.92%
Total Investments		\$ 76,761,159		\$ 39,785,533	\$	17,497,161	\$	18,198,199	\$	1,280,266	100.00%

Cash in Santa Clara County Treasury

Santa Clara County is a fiscal agent of the District. The fair value of the District's investment in the county pool is reported at amounts based on the District's pro-rata share of the fair value provided by the County Treasurer for the entire portfolio (in relation to the amortized cost of the portfolio). The balance available for withdrawal is based on the accounting records maintained by the County Treasurer, which is recorded on the amortized costs basis. Santa Clara County investment pool funds were available for withdrawal on demand and had an average maturity date of less than one year.

All cash and investments are stated at fair value. Pooled investment earnings are allocated monthly based on the average cash and investment balances of the various funds of the County.

California Local Agency Investment Fund

The District is a participant in the Local Agency investment Fund (LAIF) that is regulated by California Government Code Section 16429 under the oversight of the Treasurer of the State of California. The District reports its investment in LAIF at the fair value amount provided by LAIF, which is the same as the value of the pool share. The balance is available for withdrawal on demand, and is based on the accounting records maintained by LAIF, which are recorded on an amortized cost basis. Included in LAIF's investment portfolio are collateralized mortgage obligations, mortgage-backed securities, other asset-backed securities, loans to certain state funds, and floating rate securities issued by federal agencies, government-sponsored enterprises, United States Treasury Notes and Bills, and corporations. At June 30, 2017, these investments had an average maturity date of less than one year.

Investment Trust of California

The District is a participant in the Investment Trust of California (CalTRUST) which is a California joint powers authority that has been established by its members pursuant to an agreement. The California Government Code provides that Public Agencies may purchase shares of beneficial interest issues by a joint powers authority, such as CalTRUST, organized pursuant to the Section 6500 of the Act. The District reports its investment in CalTRUST at the fair value amount provided by CalTRUST. The District participates in the Medium-Term Fund with CalTRUST. The balance in this Medium-Term Fund is available for withdrawal once a week (on Wednesdays), and is based on the net asset value per share on the Wednesday of each week. Included in CalTRUST's investment portfolio for the Medium-Term Fund are collateralized mortgage obligations, mortgage-backed securities, other asset-backed securities, loans to certain state funds, and floating rate securities issued by federal agencies, government-sponsored

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enterprises, United States Treasury Notes and Bills, and corporations. At June 30, 2017, these investments had an average maturity date of 1 to 3 years.

Investments Authorized by Debt Agreements

The District must maintain required amounts of cash and investments with trustees or fiscal agents under the terms of certain debt issues. These funds are used if the District fails to meet its obligations under these debt issues.

Restricted for Debt Service

As of June 30, 2017, the District had \$628,841 held by Zions bank as trustee, pledged to the payment or security of its outstanding bond issues. The District also had money held by the Bank of New York during the period (zero balance at period-end) which was pledged to the payment or security of its outstanding bonds. All transactions associated with debt service were administered by the Bank.

Cash Restricted for Hawthorne Property Maintenance

On November 10, 2011, the District received the gift of the 79 acre Hawthorne property, in Portola Valley, California, and an endowment of \$2,018,445 to manage the property in perpetuity. The cash balance restricted for this purpose at June 30, 2017 was \$1,535,871.

Policies and Practices

The District's Investment Policy and the California Government Code allow the District to invest in the following, provided the credit ratings of the issuers are acceptable to the District and approved percentages and maturities are not exceeded. The table below also identifies certain provisions of the California Government Code or the District's Investment Policy where it is more restrictive:

	Maximum		Maximum
	Remaining	Maximum Percentage of	Investment
Authorized Investment Type	Maturity	<u>Portfolio</u>	in one Issuer
Medium Term Notes	5 years	30%	No Limit
Money Market and Mutual Funds	N/A	20%	10%
U.S. Treasury Obligations	5 years	No Limit	No Limit
Federal Agency Securities	5 years	No Limit	No Limit
Banker's Acceptance	180 days	40%	30%
Commercial Paper	270 days	25%	10%
Negotiable Certificates of Deposit	5 years	30%	No Limit
Repurchase Agreements	1 year	No Limit	No Limit
Reverse Repurchase Agreements	92 days	20%	No Limit
Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF)	N/A	\$40 million per account	No Limit

a) 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 the changes in market interest rates. The District manages its exposure to interest rate

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risk by investing in the Santa Clara County investment pool and LAIF, which had fair values of approximately \$6.7 billion and \$75.9 billion, respectively as of June 30, 2017, and diversifying its investments, as noted above, through the utilization of brokers.

b) Credit Risk

Credit risk is the risk of loss due to the failure of the security issuer. This is measured by the assignment of a rating by a nationally recognized statistical rating organization. The investment with the County's investment pool is governed by the County's general investment policy. The County's investments in 2017 included U.S. government securities or obligations explicitly guaranteed by the U.S. government that are not considered to have credit risk exposure. See the schedule above for a summary of the District's ratings by investment type.

c) Custodial Credit Risk – Deposits

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the District's deposits may not be returned to it. The District does not have a policy for custodial credit risk for deposits. However, the California Government code requires that a financial institution secure deposits made by State or local governmental units by pledging securities in an undivided collateral pool held by a depository regulated under State law (unless so waived by the governmental unit). The market value of the pledged securities in the collateral pool must equal at least 110 percent of the total amount deposited by the public agencies. California law also allows financial institutions to secure public deposits by pledging first trust deed mortgage notes having a value of 150 percent of the secured public deposits and letters of credit issued by the Federal Home Loan Bank of San Francisco having a value of 105 percent of the secured deposits.

d) Concentration of Credit Risk

The District was not exposed to concentration of credit risk because it had no investments in any one issuer that exceeded 5% of its total investment portfolio.

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NOTE 3 - INTERFUND TRANSACTIONS

Interfund Receivables and Payables

Interfund transactions are reported as loans or transfers. The District utilizes interfund transactions to account for funding received by the General Fund which is then distributed to the other funds for special uses, such as payment of debt or capital project and to supplement other funding sources. Loans are reported as interfund receivables and payables, as appropriate, and are subject to elimination upon consolidation.

The following interfund loans were outstanding at fiscal year end June 30, 2017:

	Due	from Other	Dι	ie to Other
Fund		Funds		Funds
General Fund	\$	4,278,820	\$	746,406
Measure AA Capital Projects Fund		330,196		4,219,965
GF Capital Projects Fund		674,707		311,159
Debt Service Fund				6,193
Total	\$	5,283,723	\$	5,283,723

At June 30, 2017, interfund transfers consisted of the following:

Fund	1	Transfer In	Tı	ansfer Out	
General Fund	\$	-	\$	13,761,391	
Measure AA Capital Projects Fund		1,030,287		1,047,144	
GF Capital Projects Fund		4,685,714		-	
Debt Service Fund		10,122,821		1,030,287	
Total	\$	15,838,822	\$	15,838,822	

NOTE 4 - NOTES RECEIVABLE

On December 17, 1997, the District sold the title to and possession of a 50-year fee determinable estate 10-acre parcel near the Skyline Ridge Open Space Preserve. The District financed the purchase in the amount of \$288,800 over 25 years at a rate of 10% per annum. Monthly principal and interest payments of \$2,634 are due on the 1st of each month and late if not paid by the 10th, with the final payment scheduled December 1, 2022. The outstanding balance at June 30, 2017 was \$134,317.

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NOTE 5 - CAPITAL ASSETS AND DEPRECIATION

Capital asset activity for the period ended June 30, 2017 is shown below:

	Balance		Deletions/	Balance
Capital Assets	June 30, 2016	Additions	Adjustments	June 30, 2017
Non-depreciable:				
Land	\$ 403,773,365	\$ 4,212,786	\$ -	\$ 407,986,151
Construction in Progress	7,223,594	15,248,007	(3,451,356)	19,020,245
Total Non-Depreciable	410,996,959	19,460,793	(3,451,356)	427,006,396
Depreciable:				
Structure and Improvements	15,604,717	-	-	15,604,717
Infrastructure	9,981,800	3,451,355	-	13,433,155
Equipment	1,993,815	-	-	1,993,815
Vehicles	3,706,053	803,255	-	4,509,308
Total Depreciable	31,286,385	4,254,610	-	35,540,995
Less Accumulated Depreciation for:				
Structure and Improvements	(8,488,950)	(400,470)	-	(8,889,420)
Infrastructure	(2,429,808)	(529,021)	-	(2,958,829)
Equipment	(1,047,986)	(141,277)	-	(1,189,263)
Vehicles	(1,861,710)	(514,330)	-	(2,376,040)
Total Accumulated Depreciation	(13,828,454)	(1,585,098)		(15,413,552)
Total Depreciable Capital Assets - Net	17,457,931	2,669,512		20,127,443
Total Capital Assets - Net	\$ 428,454,890	\$ 22,130,305	\$ (3,451,356)	\$ 447,133,839

NOTE 6 - LONG-TERM DEBT

The following is a summary of the changes in long-term debt for the period ended June 30, 2017:

	Beginning				Ending	Due Within
Long-term Obligations	Balance	Balance Additions Deductions Balance		One Year		
Promissory Notes:						
Current Interest	\$ 39,234,170	\$	-	\$ 1,063,104	\$ 38,171,066	\$ 1,126,067
Capital Appreciation	15,474,708		-	-	15,474,708	-
Accreted interest	3,989,444		1,125,509	-	5,114,953	-
Unamortized Bond Premium	6,478,342		-	143,805	6,334,537	
Subtotal Promissory Notes	65,176,664		1,125,509	1,206,909	65,095,264	1,126,067
Bonds:						
Current Interest	112,590,000		57,410,000	67,285,000	102,715,000	4,480,000
Unamortized Bond Premium	2,608,421		11,563,658	31,614	14,140,465	-
Subtotal Bonds	115,198,421		68,973,658	67,316,614	116,855,465	4,480,000
Net Pension Obligation	11,420,125		-	1,298,219	10,121,906	-
Compensated Absences	1,816,889		1,182,992	1,182,334	1,817,547	1,817,547
Total Long-term Obligations	\$193,612,099	\$	71,282,159	\$ 71,004,076	\$ 193,890,182	\$ 7,423,614

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Promissory Notes

Daloia Land Purchase Contract Promissory Note

During the fiscal year ending 2003 the District entered into a land purchase contract promissory note in the amount of \$240,000. The promissory note bears interest at a fixed rate of 6.25% and matured October 10, 2017.

Hunt Living Trust Promissory Note

On April 1, 2003, the District entered into a \$1,500,000 promissory note with the Hunt Living Trust as part of a lease and management agreement. The note is due in full on April 1, 2023 and bears interest at 5.5% semi-annually through April 1, 2013 and 5.0% per annum until the maturity, or prior redemption, of the note.

2012 Refunding Promissory Notes

On January 19, 2012, the District advance refunded \$34,652,643 in 1999 lease revenue bonds by issuing \$31,264,707 in promissory notes. The 2012 notes bear interest rates ranging from 2.00% to 6.04%. The notes are a blend of current interest and capital appreciation notes maturing through 2042. The net proceeds of \$33,295,663 (after payment of \$278,683 in underwriting fees, insurance, and other issuance costs and a premium of \$2,309,638) were used to purchase U.S government securities. Those securities were deposited in an irrevocable trust with an escrow agent to provide for all future debt service payments on the 1999 Series bonds. As a result, the 1999 Series bonds are considered to be defeased and the liability for those bonds has been removed from the long-term debt in the financial statements.

2015 Refunding Promissory Notes

On January 22, 2015, the District advance refunded \$29,986,962 in 2004 Revenue Bonds by issuing \$28,578,500 in promissory notes. The 2015 notes bear interest rates ranging from 2.00% to 5.00%. The notes are current interest notes maturing through 2035. The net proceeds of \$28,325,491 (after payment of \$253,009 in underwriting fees, insurance, and other issuance costs and a premium of \$4,948,500) were used to purchase U.S government securities. Those securities were deposited in an irrevocable trust with an escrow agent to provide for all future debt service payments on the 2004 Revenue Bonds. As a result, the 2004 Revenue Bonds are considered to be defeased and the liability for those bonds has been removed from the long-term debt in the financial statements.

Revenue and General Obligation Bonds

2007 Series A Revenue Refunding Bonds and Series B-T Taxable Revenue Refunding Bonds

On December 15, 2006 the District issued six series of promissory notes (2007 District Notes) for the purpose of refunding its 1996 Project Lease, 1996 Promissory Notes, 1999 Project Lease, and 1999 Promissory Notes. On December 15, 2006 the Authority, on behalf of the District, issued \$52,415,000 of 2007 Series A Revenue Refunding Bonds and \$6,785,000 of 2007 Series B-T Taxable Revenue Refunding Bonds for the purpose of defeasing the aggregate purchase price of the 2007 District Notes. The Series A bonds bear interest from 4.0% to 5.0% and Series B-T bonds bear interest at 5.15%. Interest for both series A and B-T are due semi-annually on March 1 and

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September 1. Principal payments for the Series A bonds began September, 2012 and are due annually, thereafter. Principal payments for the Series B-T bonds are due annually on September 1. This Bond was fully defeased during fiscal year 2017 with issuance of the 2016 Refunding Series A and B Green Bonds as noted below.

2011 Revenue Bonds

On May 19, 2011, the Authority, on behalf of the District, issued \$20,500,000 of 2011 Revenue Bonds for the purpose of acquiring land to preserve and use as open space and pay bond issue and related costs. The Bonds are not general obligations. Each period, the District will appropriate revenues-mainly limited properly tax collections that Santa Clara County and San Mateo County allocate to the District – to pay its obligations under a Lease Agreement for use and occupancy of District land in addition to other District debt and lease obligations unrelated to this financing. The Current Interest Bonds bear interest at 2.0% to 6.0% and are due semi-annually on March 1 and September 1. Principal payments on the Current Interest Bonds are due annually September 1. This Bond was partially defeased during fiscal year 2017 with issuance of the 2016 Refunding Series A and B Green Bonds as noted below.

2015A and 2015B General Obligation Bonds

On July 29, 2015, the District issued \$40,000,000 of 2015A general obligation bonds and \$5,000,000 of 2015B federally taxable general obligation bonds to finance certain projects authorized by voters. The bonds bear interest from 1.5% to 5% and are due semi-annually on March 1 and September 1. The bonds were issued at a premium of \$2,559,224 with an underwriter's discount of \$107,599 and issuance costs of \$170,000.

2016A and 2016B Refunding Green Bonds

On September 8, 2016 the District issued \$54,490,000 of 2016 Refunding Series A and \$2,920,000 2016 Refunding Series B Green Bonds for the purpose of refunding its outstanding obligations under the 2007 Series A Revenue Refunding Bonds and prepay a portion of its obligations under the 2011 Lease Revenue Bonds. As a result the 2007 Series A Revenue Refunding Bonds and the 2011 Lease Revenue Bonds are considered to be defeased and the liability for those bonds has been removed from the government-wide financial statement of net position.

The refunding resulted in a difference between the reacquisition price and the net carrying amount of the old debt of \$5,032,161, which is reported as a deferred outflow on the government-wide statement of net position. This difference, reported in the accompanying financial statements as a deduction from bonds payable, is being charged to operations through fiscal year 2036 using the straight line method. The District completed the refunding to obtain an economic gain (difference between the present value of the old and the new debt service payments) of \$12,694,440.

The 2016 Refunding Green Bonds Series A bears interest from 2.0% to 5.0% and the Series B bears interest of 0.73%. Interest for both Series A and B are due semi-annually on March 1 and September 1. Principal payments for Series A begins September 2017 and are due annually thereafter until September 2036. Series B has only one principal payment in September 2017.

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The following schedule summarizes the District's outstanding promissory notes and bonds as of June 30, 2017:

	Original	Beginning				Ending
Long Term Debt	Issue	Balance	Additions	I	Retirements	Balance
Promissory Notes:						
Daloia Note	\$ 240,000	\$ 34,171	\$ -	\$	23,104	\$ 11,067
Hunt Note	1,500,000	1,500,000	-		-	1,500,000
2012 Refunding Note Current Int.	15,790,000	14,474,999	-		365,000	14,109,999
2012 Refunding Note Cap Apprec.	15,474,707	15,474,708	-		-	15,474,708
2015 Refunding Note	23,630,000	23,225,000	-		675,000	22,550,000
Subtotal Promissory Notes	56,634,707	54,708,878	-		1,063,104	53,645,774
Bonds:						
2007 Series A Refunding	52,415,000	47,300,000	-		47,300,000	-
2011 Lease Revenue	20,500,000	20,290,000	-		19,210,000	1,080,000
2015A General Obligation Bonds	40,000,000	40,000,000	-		-	40,000,000
2015B General Obligation Bonds	5,000,000	5,000,000	-		775,000	4,225,000
2016 Refunding Bond	57,410,000	-	57,410,000		-	57,410,000
Subtotal Bonds	175,325,000	112,590,000	57,410,000		67,285,000	102,715,000
Accreted Interest:						
2012 Refunding Note		3,989,444	1,125,509		-	5,114,953
Subtotal Accreted Interest		3,989,444	1,125,509		-	5,114,953
Unamortized Bond Premium	·	9,086,763	11,563,658		175,419	20,475,002
Total Long Term Debt	\$ 231,959,707	\$ 180,375,085	\$ 70,099,167	\$	68,523,523	\$ 181,950,729

The promissory notes future debt service requirements as of June 30, 2017 were as follows:

		Remaining			
Year Ending June 30,	Principal	Accretion	Interest	Total	
2018	\$ 1,126,067	\$ -	\$ 1,816,384	\$ 2,942,451	
2019	1,200,000	-	1,765,775	2,965,775	
2020	1,285,000	-	1,707,675	2,992,675	
2021	1,370,000	-	1,654,925	3,024,925	
2022	1,445,000	-	1,600,525	3,045,525	
2023-2027	10,800,000	-	6,518,950	17,318,950	
2028-2032	20,273,894	-	2,872,575	23,146,469	
2033-2037	11,112,188	10,811,786	326,375	22,250,349	
2038-2042	5,033,625	16,660,661	-	21,694,286	
2043-2047	-	17,998,052	-	17,998,052	
Total Debt Service	\$ 53,645,774	\$ 45,470,499	\$ 18,263,184	\$117,379,457	

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The bonds future debt service requirements as of June 30, 2017 were as follows:

		Remaining		
Year Ending June 30,	Principal	Accretion	Interest	Total
2018	\$ 4,590,000	\$ -	\$ 4,188,152	\$ 8,778,152
2019	4,480,000	-	4,097,488	8,577,488
2020	4,145,000	-	3,959,988	8,104,988
2021	4,550,000	-	3,802,076	8,352,076
2022	4,755,000	-	3,626,063	8,381,063
2023-2027	27,195,000	-	14,362,440	41,557,440
2028-2032	15,525,000	-	8,778,027	24,303,027
2033-2037	15,400,000	-	5,983,245	21,383,245
2038-2042	12,640,000	-	3,002,400	15,642,400
2043-2047	9,435,000	-	773,500	10,208,500
Total Debt Service	\$102,715,000	\$ -	\$ 52,573,379	\$155,288,379

Amortization of the deferred loss on early retirement of long-term debt for the fiscal period ended June 30, 2017 was as follows:

Beginning Balance	\$ 2,284,026
Addition	5,032,163
Amortization	(339,192)
Ending Balance	\$ 6,976,997

NOTE 7 - RENTAL INCOME

The District rents certain land and structures to other entities under operating leases with terms generally on a month-to-month basis. Rental income of \$1,122,022 was received during the period ended June 30, 2017.

NOTE 8 - EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT SYSTEMS

Pension Plan

General Information about the Pension Plans

Plan Description - The District provides benefits to eligible employees through cost-sharing multiple employer defined benefit pension plans (the Plan(s)) administered by the California Public Employees' Retirement System (CalPERS). Members of the Plan include all permanent employees working full-time. Benefit provisions under the Plans are established by State statute and District resolution. CalPERS issues publicly available reports that include a full description of the pension plans regarding benefit provisions, assumptions and membership information that can be found on the CalPERS website.

Benefits Provided - CalPERS provides service retirement and disability benefits, annual cost of living adjustments and death benefits to plan members, who must be public employees and beneficiaries. Benefits are based on years of credited service, equal to one year of full-time

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employment. Members with five years of total service are eligible to retire at age 55 with statutorily reduced benefits. All members are eligible for non-industrial disability benefits after 10 years of service. The death benefit is the Optional Settlement 2W Death Benefit. The cost of living adjustments for the Plan are applied as specified by the Public Employees' Retirement Law.

The Plans' provisions and benefits in effect at June 30, 2017, are summarized as follows:

		Miscellaneous	
	Tier 1	Tier 2	PEPRA
Benefit formula	2.5% @ 55	2% @ 60	2% @ 62
Benefit vesting schedule	5 Years	5 Years	5 Years
Benefit payments	Monthly for Life	Monthly for Life	Monthly for Life
Retirement age	55	60	62
Monthly benefits as a % of eligible compensation	2.0% to 2.5%	2.0% to 2.5%	2.00%
Required employee contribution rates	7.944%	7.944%	6.313%
Required employer contribution rates	10.069%	10.069%	6.555%

Employees Covered – At June 30, 2017, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms for the Plan:

	Miscellaneous
Active	134
Transferred	48
Separated	62
Retired	62
Total	306

Contributions - Section 20814(c) of the California Public Employees' Retirement Law requires that the employer contribution rates for all public employers be determined on an annual basis by the actuary and shall be effective on the July 1 following notice of a change in the rate. Funding contributions for the Plan are determined annually on an actuarial basis as of June 30 by CalPERS. The actuarially determined rate is the estimated amount necessary to finance the costs of benefits earned by employees during the year, with an additional amount to finance any unfunded accrued liability. The District is required to contribute the difference between the actuarially determined rate and the contribution rate of employees.

For the year ended June 30, 2017, the contributions recognized as part of pension expense for the Plan were as follows:

	Miscellaneous	
Contributions - employer	\$	4,788,977
Contributions - employee		691,005
Total	\$	5,479,982

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Pension Liabilities, Pension Expenses and Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions

As of June 30, 2017, the District reported net pension liabilities for its proportionate shares of the net pension liability of the Plan as follows:

	Propo	rtionate Share
	of N	Net Pension
]	Liability
Miscellaneous	\$	10,121,906

The District's net pension liability for the Plan is measured as the proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability of the Plan is measured as of June 30, 2016, and the total pension liability for the Plan used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2015 using standard procedures. The District's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of the District's long-term share of contributions in to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating employers, as actuarially determined. The District's proportionate share of the net pension liability for the Plan as of June 30, 2015 and 2016 was as follows:

Miscellaneous
0.4163%
0.2914%
-0.1249%

For the year ended June 30, 2017, the District recognized pension expense of \$1,718,954. At June 30, 2017, the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

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Lesources	of	· D
		Resources
2,529,862	\$	-
-		(492,935)
52,102		(11,938)
1,945,906		-
4,132,116		(1,566,551)
8,659,986	\$	(2,071,424)
	52,102 1,945,906 4,132,116	2,529,862 \$ 52,102 1,945,906 4,132,116

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The District reported \$2,529,862 as deferred outflows of resources related to contributions subsequent to the measurement date that will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2017. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized as pension expense as follows:

	Deferred		
	Outflows/(inflows)		
Fiscal Year Ending:	of	of Resources	
2018	\$	843,970	
2019		892,951	
2020		1,657,267	
2021		664,512	
Total	\$	4,058,700	

Actuarial Assumptions - The total pension liabilities in the June 30, 2016 actuarial valuations were determined using the following actuarial assumptions:

Valuation Date	June 30, 2015
Measurement Date	June 30, 2016
Actuarial Cost Method	Entry-Age Normal
	Cost Method
Actuarial Assumptions:	
Discount Rate	7.65%
Inflation	2.75%
Payroll Growth	3.00%
Projected Salary Increase	(1)
Investment Rate of Return	7.5% (2)
Mortality	(3)

- (1) Varies by age and service
- (2) Net of pension plan investment expenses, including inflation
- (3) Derived using CalPERS' membership data for all funds

Discount Rate - The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.65 percent for the Plan. To determine whether the municipal bond rate should be used in the calculation of a discount rate for the Plan, CalPERS stress tested plans that would most likely result in a discount rate that would be different from the actuarially assumed discount rate. Based on the testing, none of the tested plans run out of assets. Therefore, the current 7.65 percent discount rate is adequate and the use of the municipal bond rate calculation is not necessary. The long term expected discount rate of 7.65 percent will be applied to all plans in the Public Employees Retirement Fund (PERF). The stress test results are presented in a detailed report that can be obtained from the CalPERS website.

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CalPERS was scheduled to review all actuarial assumptions as part of its regular Asset Liability Management (ALM) review cycle that was scheduled to be completed in February 2018. Any changes to the discount rate will require Board action and proper stakeholder outreach. For these reasons, CalPERS expects to continue using a discount rate net of administrative expenses for GASB 67 and 68 calculations through at least the 2017-18 fiscal year. CalPERS will continue to check the materiality of the difference in calculation until such time as they have changed their methodology. The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class.

In determining the long-term expected rate of return, CalPERS took into account both short-term and long-term market return expectations as well as the expected pension fund cash flows. Using historical returns of all the funds' asset classes, expected compound returns were calculated over the short-term (first 10 years) and the long-term (11-60 years) using a building-block approach. Using the expected nominal returns for both short-term and long-term, the present value of benefits was calculated for each fund. The expected rate of return was set by calculating the single equivalent expected return that arrived at the same present value of benefits for cash flows as the one calculated using both short-term and long-term returns. The expected rate of return was then set equivalent to the single equivalent rate calculated above and rounded down to the nearest one quarter of one percent. The table below reflects the long-term expected real rate of return by asset class. The rate of return was calculated using the capital market assumptions applied to determine the discount rate and asset allocation. These rates of return are net of administrative expenses.

	New Strategic	Real Return	Real Return
Asset Class	Allocation	Years 1 - 10 (a)	Years 11+ (b)
Global Equity	51.00%	5.25%	5.71%
Global Fixed Income	20.00%	0.99%	2.43%
Inflation Sensitive	6.00%	0.45%	3.36%
Private Equity	10.00%	6.83%	6.95%
Real Estate	10.00%	4.50%	5.13%
Infrastructure and Forestland	2.00%	4.50%	5.09%
Liquidity	1.00%	-0.55%	-1.05%
Total	100.00%		

- (a) An expected inflation of 2.5% used for this period.
- (b) An expected inflation of 3.0% used for this period.

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Sensitivity of the Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate - The following presents the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability for the Plan, calculated using the discount rate for the Plan, as well as what the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage point lower or 1-percentage point higher than the current rate:

	Miscellaneous	
1% Decrease		6.65%
Net Pension Liability	\$ 17,	266,599
Current Discount Rate		7.65%
Net Pension Liability	\$ 10,	121,906
1% Increase		8.65%
Net Pension Liability	\$ 4,	,217,172

Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position - Detailed information about each pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued CalPERS financial reports.

Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB)

Plan Description

The District joined the California Employers' Retiree Benefit Trust (CERBT), an agent multiple-employer plan administered by CalPERS, consisting of an aggregation of single-employer plans. The District Board authorized a deposit of \$1,900,000 in CERBT on June 5, 2008, to begin funding its OPEB liability. By Board resolution and through agreements with its labor unit, the District provides certain health care benefits for retired employees (spouse and dependents are not included) under third-party insurance plans. A summary of eligibility and retiree contribution requirements are shown below:

Eligibility	Retire directly from the District under CalPER (age 50 and 5 years of service)
	Continue participation in PEMHCA
Retiree Medical	District pays retiree medical premiums up to:
Benefit	=> \$300/month effective 1/1/07
	=> \$350/month effective 1/1/09
	Must be at least equal to statutory PEMHCA minimum (\$122 in 2015, \$125 in 2016)
PEMHCA	District pays CalPERS administrative fees (0.32% of premiums for 2015/16)
Administrative Fee	
Surviving Spouse	Retiree benefit continues to surviving spouse if retiree elects survivor annuity under
Continuation	CalPERS retirement plan
Other OPEB	None

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Funding Policy

In accordance with the District's budget, the Annual Required Contribution (ARC) is to be funded throughout the period as a percentage of payroll. Concurrent with implementing Statement No. 45, the District's Board of Directors passed a resolution to participate in CERBT, an irrevocable trust established to fund OPEB. CERBT is managed by an appointed board not under the control of the District. This Trust is not considered a component unit by the District and has been excluded from these financial statements. Separately issued financial statements for CERBT may be obtained from CALPERS at P.O. Box 942709, Sacramento, CA 94229-2709.

Annual OPEB Cost and Net OPEB Obligation

The District's annual OPEB cost is calculated based on the ARC, an amount actuarially determined in accordance with the parameters of GASB Statement 45. The ARC represents a level of funding that, if paid on an ongoing basis, is projected to cover normal cost each period and amortize any unfunded actuarial liabilities (or funding excess) over a period not to exceed thirty years.

The following table shows the components of the District's annual OPEB cost for the period, the amount actually contributed to the plan, and changes in the District's net OPEB obligation:

Description	Balance
Annual required contribution	\$ 572,000
Interest on net OPEB asset	(43,000)
Adjustment to annual required contribution	62,000
Annual OPEB cost (expense)	591,000
Contributions made	(298,008)
Increase in net OPEB asset	292,992
Net OPEB obligation (asset) - beginning	(699,015)
Net OPEB obligation (asset) - ending	\$ (406,023)

The District's annual OPEB cost, the percentage of annual OPEB cost contributed to the plan, and the net OPEB obligation for 2017 was as follows:

		Percentage	Net OPEB
Period	Annual	of Annual	Obligation/
Ended	OPEB Cost	Cost Contributed	(Asset)
March 31, 2015	298,000	53%	(863,176)
June 30, 2016	386,000	57%	(699,015)
June 30, 2017	591,000	50%	(406,023)

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Funded Status and Funding Progress

The most recent actuarial valuation date was June 30, 2015. The following summarizes the funded status of the plan as of June 30, 2017:

Description	Balance
Actuarial accrued liability (AAL)	\$ 5,119,000
Value of plan assets	3,262,927
Unfunded actuarial accrued liability (UAAL)	\$ 1,856,073
Funded ratio (actuarial value of plan assets/AAL)	64%
Projected covered payroll (active Plan members)	\$ 9,789,000
UAAL as a percentage of covered payroll	19%

Actuarial Methods and Assumptions

The ARC was determined as part of the actuarial valuation using the entry age normal actuarial cost method. This is a projected benefit cost method, which takes into account those benefits that are expected to be earned in the future as well as those already accrued. The actuarial assumptions included (a) 6.04% to 7.25% investment rate of return, (b) 3.25% projected annual salary increase, and (c) health inflation increases of 0% for 1 year, 1.5% for the next 5 years, and 3% thereafter. The actuarial methods and assumptions used include techniques that smooth the effects of short-term volatility in actuarial accrued liabilities and the actuarial value of assets. Actuarial calculations reflect a long-term perspective and actuarial valuations involve estimates of the value of reported amounts and assumptions about the probability of events far into the future. Actuarially determined amounts are subject to revision at least bi-annually as results are compared to past expectations and new estimates are made about the future. The District's OPEB unfunded actuarial accrued liability is being amortized as a level percentage of projected payroll using a 30 year open amortization period.

NOTE 9 - JOINT VENTURES (JOINT POWERS AGREEMENTS)

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. Prior to July 1, 2002, the District managed and financed these risks by purchasing commercial insurance. On July 1, 2002, the District joined the California Joint Powers Insurance Authority (CAL JPIA). CAL JPIA is composed of 119 California public entities and is organized under a joint powers agreement pursuant to California Government Code Section 6500 et seq. The purpose of CAL JPIA is to arrange and administer programs for the pooling of self-insurance losses, to purchase excess insurance or reinsurance, and to arrange for group-purchased insurance for property and other coverages. CAL JPIA's pool began covering claims of its members in 1978. Each member government has an elected official as its representative on the Board of Directors. The Board operates through a nine member Executive Committee.

During the past three fiscal periods, none of the programs of protection have had settlements or judgments that exceeded pooled or insured coverage. There have been no significant reductions in pooled or insured liability coverage from coverage in the prior period.

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Self-Insurance Programs of the CAL JPIA

General and Automobile Liability

Each government member pays a primary deposit to cover estimated losses for a fiscal year (claims year). General liability (GL) coverage includes bodily injury, personal injury, or property damage to a third party resulting from a member activity. The GL program also provides automobile liability coverage. Six months after the close of a fiscal period, outstanding claims are valued. A retrospective deposit computation is then made for each open claims year. Costs are spread to members as follows: the first \$30,000 to \$750,000 are pooled based on member's share of costs under \$30,000; costs in excess of \$750,000 are shared by the members based upon each individual member's payroll. Costs of covered claims above \$5,000,000 are currently paid by reinsurance. The protection for each member is \$50,000,000 per occurrence, up to \$50,000,000.

Worker's Compensation

The District also participates in the Worker's Compensation program administered by CAL JPIA. Pool deposits and retrospective adjustments are valued in a manner similar to the General Liability pool. The District is charged for the first \$50,000 of each claim. Costs from \$50,000 to \$100,000 per claim are pooled based on the member's losses under its retention level. Costs between \$100,000 and \$2,000,000 per claim are pooled based on payroll. Costs from \$2,000,000 to \$5,000,000 are paid by excess insurance purchased by CAL JPIA. The excess insurance provides coverage to statutory limits.

Purchased Insurance

Environmental Insurance

The District participates in the Pollution and Remediation Legal Liability Program, which is available through CAL JPIA. The policy provides coverage for both first and third party damages, including certain types of cleanups; fuel spill or hazmat incidents; member listed non-owned disposal sites; above ground and underground storage tanks; and for sudden and gradual pollution at or from property, streets, sanitary sewer trunk lines and storm drain outfalls owned by the District. Coverage is on a claims-made basis. There is a \$50,000 deductible. CAL JPIA has a limit of \$50,000,000 for the three-year coverage period. The current coverage period is July 2017 through July 1, 2020. Each member of CAL JPIA has a \$10,000,000 aggregate limit during the three-year period. The current coverage period is July 2017 through July 1, 2020.

Property Insurance

The District participates in the All-Risk property program of CAL JPIA which includes all-risk coverage for real and personal property (such as scheduled buildings, office furniture, equipment, vehicles, etc). This insurance is underwritten by several insurance companies. Property is currently insured according to a schedule of covered property submitted by the District to CAL JPIA. The All-Risk deductible is \$5,000 per occurrence; \$1,000 for non-emergency vehicles. Premiums for the coverage are paid annually and are not subject to retroactive adjustments.

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Boiler & Machinery Insurance

The District participates in the optional coverage for boiler and machinery, which is purchased separately under the property program. Coverage is for physical damage for sudden and accidental breakdown of boilers and machinery, and electrical injury. There is a \$5,000 per accident or occurrence deductible.

Crime Insurance

The District participates in the crime program of CAL JPIA in the amount of \$1,000,000 per claim, with a \$2,500 per occurrence deductible. Insurance provides coverage for employee dishonesty, failure to faithfully perform duties, forgery, counterfeiting, theft, robbery, burglary, and computer fraud. Premiums are paid annually and are not subject to retroactive adjustments.

Special Event Tenant User Liability Insurance

The District participates in the special events program of CAL JPIA which provides liability insurance when District premises are used for special events. The insurance premium is paid by the tenant user to the District according to a schedule. The District then pays the insurance arranged through CAL JPIA. There is no deductible and the District is added as additional insured. Liability limits are purchased in \$1 million per occurrence increments.

Vendors/Contractors Program

General liability coverage with or without professional liability is offered through CAL JPIA to vendors/contractors who otherwise could not meet the District's minimum insurance requirement: \$1 million per occurrence, \$2 million in aggregate.

Cyber Liability Program

The cyber liability program is partially covered under the liability program, and partially held through a stand-alone coverage program. Cyber liability provides coverage for both first- and third-party claims. First party coverage includes privacy, regulatory claims, security breach response, business income loss, dependent business income loss, digital asset restoration costs, and cyber-extortion threats, while third-party coverage includes privacy liability, network security liability, and multimedia liability. Members work directly with the reinsurer to investigate and respond to claims. There is a \$1 million per occurrence limit of coverage, \$1 million aggregate limit per policy period per member, and a \$10 million aggregate limit of coverage for all members per policy period.

NOTE 10 - COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

The District may be exposed to various claims and litigation during the normal course of business. However, management believes there were no matters that would have a material adverse effect on the District's financial position or results of operations as of June 30, 2017.

NOTE 11 - SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Management has reviewed subsequent events and transactions that occurred after the date of the financial statements through the date the financial statements were issued. The financial statements include all events or transactions, including estimates, required to be recognized in accordance with generally

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements June 30, 2017

accepted accounting principles. On July 18, 2017, the District made a \$3.1 million deposit to purchase a new administrative office building. The full cost of the building is estimated at \$31.5 million. On October 2, 2017, the District closed on the purchase of an industrial building/yard in the amount of \$3.1 million.

NOTE 12 - PRIOR PERIOD ADJUSTMENT

The District recorded a prior period adjustment for fiscal year 2017 to record the separation of the Capital Projects Fund from fiscal year 2016 into two funds for fiscal year 2017. The District now has two capital projects funds, Measure AA Capital Projects Fund and the GF Capital Projects Fund. See note 1 for a description of each of the funds.

The District analyzed the revenue sources and expenditures from fiscal year 2016, when the Capital Projects Fund was originally set up, to determine the ending fund balance for each new capital projects fund. Based on this analysis, the Measure AA Capital Projects Fund and the GF Capital Projects Fund, had each been separated in fiscal year 2016, would have had an ending fund balances for fiscal year 2016 of \$24,085,184 and (\$307,137), respectively.

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REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance Budget to Actual (GAAP) General Fund

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2017

	Budgete	d Amounts		Variance with Final Budget	
	Original	Final	Actual (GAAP Basis)	Positive - (Negative)	
Revenues:					
Property taxes	\$ 42,785,000	\$ 42,785,000	\$ 42,281,739	\$ (503,261)	
Grant income	841,600	841,600	650,839	(190,761)	
Property management	1,209,000	1,209,000	1,479,462	270,462	
Investment earnings	450,000	450,000	313,397	(136,603)	
Other revenues	332,440	332,440	608,558	276,118	
Total revenues	45,618,040	45,618,040	45,333,995	(284,045)	
Expenditures:					
Current					
Salaries and employee benefits	19,174,332	19,333,953	18,890,179	443,774	
Services and supplies	8,168,018	8,130,731	5,612,468	2,518,263	
Total expenditures	27,342,350	27,464,684	24,502,647	2,962,037	
Excess (deficiency) of revenues					
over (under) expenditures	18,275,690	18,153,356	20,831,348	2,677,992	
Other financing sources (uses):					
Transfers in Transfers out	-	-	(13,761,391)	(13,761,391)	
Transfers out		· 	(13,701,391)	(13,701,391)	
Total other financing sources (uses)			(13,761,391)	(13,761,391)	
Net change in fund balance	18,275,690	18,153,356	7,069,957	(11,083,399)	
Fund balance beginning	54,228,626	54,228,626	54,228,626		
Fund balance ending	\$ 72,504,316	\$ 72,381,982	\$ 61,298,583	\$ (11,083,399)	

Schedule of Pension Plan Contributions June 30, 2017

	2017	2016	2015
Contractually Required Contributions (Actuarially Determined) Contributions in Relation to Actuarially Determined Contributions Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	\$ 1,514,352 1,514,352 \$ -	\$ 1,358,520 1,358,520 \$ -	\$ 1,461,069 1,461,069 \$ -
Covered Employee Payroll	\$ 11,834,150	\$ 9,862,578	\$ 8,994,979
Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll	12.80%	13.77%	16.24%

Notes to Schedule:

Valuation Date: June 30, 2015

Assumptions Used: Entry Age Method used for Actuarial Cost Method

Level Percentage of Payroll (Closed) Used Amortization Method

3.7 Years Remaining Amortization Period

Inflation Assumed at 2.75%

Investment Rate of Returns set at 7.5%

CalPERS mortality table using 20 years of membership data for all funds

^{**} Fiscal year 2015 was the first year of implementation, therefore only three years are shown.

Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District Schedule of Net Pension Liability Proportionate Shares June 30, 2017

Plan's Fiduciary Net Position as a % of the TPL	80.93%	73.93%	76.19%
Proportionate Share of NPL as a % of Covered Employee Payroll	85.53%	115.79%	109.49%
Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability Covered Employee Payroll	\$ 10,121,906 \$ 11,834,150	\$ 11,420,126 \$ 9,862,578	\$ 9,848,203 \$ 8,994,979
Proportion of Net Pension Liability	0.29137%	0.41627%	0.39847%
	2017	2016	2015

^{**} Fiscal year 2015 was the first year of implementation, therefore only three years are shown.

Schedule of Funding Progress – Other Postemployment Benefits June 30, 2017

		Actuarial				
		Accrued				UAAL as
	Actuarial	Liability	Unfunded			a Percentage
Actuarial	Value of	(AAL)	AAL	Funded	Covered	of Covered
Valuation	Assets	Entry Age	(UAAL)	Ratio	Payroll	Payroll
Date	(a)	(b)	(b-a)	(a/b)	(c)	((b-a/c))
6/30/2011	\$2,058,000	\$1,844,000	\$ 214,000	111.61%	\$7,331,000	-2.92%
6/30/2013	2,035,000	2,555,000	520,000	79.65%	8,043,000	6.47%
6/30/2015	2,520,000	4,612,000	2,092,000	54.64%	9,182,000	22.78%

The above table is a summary schedule of the funding progress for the District's OPEB plan as stated in each actuarial study. The actuarial studies are based on assumptions and data available at the time each study was completed. The actual funding progress of the plan as noted in Note 8 may be different than the projections included in the actuarial studies.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance Budget to Actual (GAAP) Massura A A Capital Projects Fund

Measure AA Capital Projects Fund For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2017

	Budgeted Original	d Amounts Final	Variance with Final Budget Positive - (Negative)	
Revenues:				
Property taxes	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Grant income	-	-	_	-
Property management	-	-	_	-
Investment earnings	-	160,000	163,483	3,483
Other revenues				
Total revenues		160,000	163,483	3,483
Expenditures:				
Current				
Salaries and employee benefits	-	-	320,482	(320,482)
Services and supplies	-	-	36,837	(36,837)
Capital outlay	15,674,800	15,733,580	16,529,694	(796,114)
Total expenditures	15,674,800	15,733,580	16,887,013	(1,153,433)
Excess (deficiency) of revenues				
over (under) expenditures	(15,674,800)	(15,573,580)	(16,723,530)	(1,149,950)
Other financing sources (uses):				
Transfers in	_	_	1,030,287	1,030,287
Transfers out			(1,047,144)	(1,047,144)
Total other financing sources (uses)	-		(16,857)	(16,857)
Net change in fund balance	(15,674,800)	(15,573,580)	(16,740,387)	(1,166,807)
Fund balance beginning	23,778,047	23,778,047	23,778,047	-
Prior period adjustment - see note 12	307,137	307,137	307,137	-
Fund balance beginning - as adjusted	24,085,184	24,085,184	24,085,184	-
Fund balance ending	\$ 8,410,384	\$ 8,511,604	\$ 7,344,797	\$ (1,166,807)

Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance Budget to Actual (GAAP) GF Capital Projects Fund

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2017

	 Budgeted	Budgeted Amounts				Variance with Final Budget	
	Original		Final	(G	Actual AAP Basis)		Positive - Negative)
Revenues:							
Property taxes	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Grant income	-		-		-		-
Property management	-		-		-		-
Investment earnings	-		-		-		-
Other revenues	 						
Total revenues							
Expenditures:							
Current							
Salaries and employee benefits	-		-		-		-
Services and supplies	-		-		946,845		(946,845)
Capital outlay	 4,016,050		4,438,050		3,431,732		1,006,318
Total expenditures	 4,016,050		4,438,050		4,378,577		59,473
Excess (deficiency) of revenues							
over (under) expenditures	 (4,016,050)		(4,438,050)		(4,378,577)		59,473
Other financing sources (uses):							
Transfers in	_		_		4,685,714		4,685,714
Transfers out					<u>-</u>		<u>-</u>
Total other financing sources (uses)	 				4,685,714		4,685,714
Net change in fund balance	 (4,016,050)		(4,438,050)		307,137		4,745,187
Fund balance beginning	-		-		-		-
Prior period adjustment - see note 12	(307,137)		(307,137)		(307,137)		
Fund balance beginning - as adjusted	(307,137)		(307,137)		(307,137)		-
Fund balance ending	\$ (4,323,187)	\$	(4,745,187)	\$		\$	4,745,187

Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance Budget to Actual (GAAP) Debt Service Fund

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2017

	Budgeted Amounts				Variance with Final Budget	
	Original		Final	Actual (GAAP Basis)	Positive - (Negative)	
Revenues:						
Property taxes	\$ -	\$	1,800,000	\$ 1,579,237	\$ (220,763)	
Grant income	-		-	-	-	
Property management	-		-	-	-	
Investment earnings	-		-	2,846	2,846	
Other revenues	-					
Total revenues			1,800,000	1,582,083	(217,917)	
Expenditures:						
Debt service:						
Principal	6,002,900		6,002,900	5,193,104	809,796	
Interest	5,081,940		5,081,940	6,403,845	(1,321,905)	
Issuance cost				786,497	(786,497)	
Total expenditures	11,084,840		11,084,840	12,383,446	(1,298,606)	
Excess (deficiency) of revenues						
over (under) expenditures	(11,084,840)	_	(9,284,840)	(10,801,363)	(1,516,523)	
Other financing sources (uses):						
Transfers in	_		-	10,122,821	10,122,821	
Transfers out	-		-	(1,030,287)	(1,030,287)	
Payment to refunded bond escrow agent	-		-	(68,187,161)	(68,187,161)	
Proceeds of refunding bond	-		-	57,410,000	57,410,000	
Premium from bond issuances	-			11,563,658	11,563,658	
Total other financing sources (uses)				9,879,031	9,879,031	
Net change in fund balance	(11,084,840)		(9,284,840)	(922,332)	8,362,508	
Fund balance beginning	3,116,266		3,116,266	3,116,266	· · ·	
Fund balance ending	\$ (7,968,574)	\$	(6,168,574)	\$ 2,193,934	\$ 8,362,508	

Midpeninsula Regional Open Space DistrictMeasure AA Bond Program

Measure AA Bond Program Schedule of Program Expenditures June 30, 2017

D. C. AV		J	from from fuly 1, 2016 through	Expenditures from Inception through
Project No.	Project Description		ine 30, 2017	June 30, 2017
20005	New Trail Easement - SFPUC, Ravenswood (MAA 2-2)	\$	-	\$ 22,603
20088 20101	POST Hendry's Creek Restoration (MAA 22-1) Lysons Property (17-1 MAA)		-	41,330 27,059
20101	Lobner Demolition (MAA 17-2)		-	128,760
20102	Riggs Property Appraisal - (3-1 MAA)		_	6,500
20109	Purisima Creek Uplands Lot line Adjustment (3-1 MAA)		_	13,000
20110	Conservation Easement Upper Alpine Ranch Area (15-1 MAA)		_	8,695
20113	Preservation of Upper Los Gatos Creek Watershed (22-1 MAA)		_	5,000
20114	Land Conservation Opportunities MAA 25-1 (Burtons)		-	150
30503	ECDM Trail Improvements (MAA 4-4)		_	3,930
30904	Mindego Area - Mindego Hill Trail (MAA 9-4)		_	34,196
31309	Mt Um Bald Mtn Staging to Summit Trail (MAA 23-2)		-	17,646
31310	Mt Um Summit Restor & Improv (MAA 23-4)		_	79,491
31311	Mt Um Trail Overlook & Bridges (MAA 23-5)		-	243
31500	Measure AA Project 11-1		-	728
65101	PCR Harkins Bridge Replacement (MAA 3-4)		-	108,788
65201	Lower Stevens Canyon Hiking Bridge (MAA 17-4)		-	103,187
80016	ECdM Creek Watershed Protection Program (MAA 4-3)		-	45,507
80029	Pond DR05 Repair (MAA 7-5)		-	150,682
80037	Mindego Grazing Infrastructure (MAA 9-1)		-	135,748
80038	LHC Grazing Infrastructure - McDonald Ranch Fencing (MAA 5-2)		-	178,850
AA01	Miramontes Ridge - Gateway to San Mateo Coast		46,600	52,915
AA02	Bayfront Habitat Protection & Public Access Partnerships		212,334	287,168
AA03	Purisima Creek Redwoods: Purisma-to Sea Trail, Watershed/Graze		82,136	457,816
AA04	El Corte de Madera Creek: Bike Trail & Water Quality		10,067	318,751
AA05	La Honda Creek - Upper Recreation Area		215,022	2,107,596
AA07	Driscoll Ranch Public Access, Wildlife Protection, Grazing		913,025	10,828,183
AA09	Russian Ridge: Public Recreation, Grazing & Wildlife Protection		5,634	71,875
AA10	Coal Creek: Reopen Alpine Road for Trail Use		4,286	4,286
AA15	Regional: Redwood Protection & Salmon Fishery Conservation		522,837	3,009,855
AA17	Regional: Complete Upper Stevens Creek Trail		11,237	1,508,575
AA19	El Sereno Dog Park & Connections		-	715
AA20	South Bay Foothills: Wildlife Passage/Ridge Trail Improvements		101,936	191,974
AA21	CR:Pub Recreation Proj		888,883	1,219,293
AA22	Cathedral Oaks Public Access & Conservation		79,531	639,895
AA23	Mt Um Pub Access/Intrep		12,501,545	15,287,094
AA24	Rancho de Guadalupe Family Recreation		1,291,940	1,591,996
AA25	Loma Prieta Area Public Access			410,000
	Total MAA Bond Project Expenditures		16,887,013	39,100,080
	Reimbursements from Grants, Contributions, and Other Funds		(624,338)	(1,635,308)
	Total MAA Bond Project Expenditures - Net Reimbursements	\$	16,262,675	\$ 37,464,772

Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District

Notes to Supplementary Information June 30, 2017

NOTE 1 - BACKGROUND

Measure AA is a \$300 million general obligation bond approved in June 2014 by over two-thirds of Midpen voters. Proceeds from bonds, which will be sold in a series over approximately the next 20-30 years, will be used to:

- Protect natural open space lands
- Open preserves or areas of preserves that are currently closed
- Construct public access improvements such as new trails and staging areas
- Restore and enhance open space land, which includes forests, streams, watersheds, and coastal ranch areas.

On July 29, 2015, the District issued \$40,000,000 of 2015A general obligation bonds and \$5,000,000 of 2015B federally taxable general obligation bonds to finance certain projects authorized by voters. The bonds bear interest from 1.5% to 5% and are due semi-annually on March 1 and September 1. The bonds were issued at a premium of \$2,559,224 with an underwriter's discount of \$107,599 and issuance costs of \$170,000.

Land acquisition is the first step to open space conservation. The Vision Plan identified 50,000 acres of open space land that, when conserved, would significantly improve wildlife conditions, wetlands, watersheds, creeks, sensitive plant communities and healthy outdoor recreation. As of June 30, 2017, the District has acquired 1,245 acres of land with \$18,898,663 in funding support from Measure AA Funds.

NOTE 2 - OVERISGHT COMMITTEE

The Oversight Committee is essential to implementing Measure AA and will consist of seven atlarge members who reside within the District. The Committee convenes at least once a year and reviews annual Measure AA expenditures and Midpen's Annual Audit and Accountability report. Each year, the Committee's findings will be presented to the Board at a public meeting and will be posted on the District's website.

NOTE 3 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The basis of accounting utilized in preparation of this report may differ from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Accordingly, the accompanying program statement is not intended to present the financial position and the results of operations in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Expenditures incurred with Measure AA Bond proceeds are recorded on a modified accrual basis of accounting. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenue is recognized when it is measureable and available. Similarly, expenses are recognized when they are incurred, not when they are paid.

OTHER INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORTS



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 Directors Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District Los Altos, California

We have audited, 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, the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District (the District) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated October 13, 2017.

Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the District's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) 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 the District's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control.

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

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting 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 financial reporting that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting 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 District's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and



material effect on the 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.

October 13, 2017 San Jose, California

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RESOLUTION NO. 18-

RESOLUTION OF	THE	BOARD	OF	DIRECTORS	OF	THE
MIDPENINSULA	REGIO	NAL	OPEN	SPACE	DIST	TRICT
TRANSFERRING	FUNDS	INTO	THE	COMMITT	ΓED	FOR
INFRASTRUCTURE	E RESERV	E FUND				

WHEREAS, the Unassigned Fund Balance of the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District is \$23,872,450 of as June 30, 2017; and

WHEREAS, per the Fund Balance Policy as adopted by the Board of Directors on October 26, 2016, the minimum required Unassigned Fund Balance of the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District is \$13,509,000 of as July 1, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the payment of \$3,150,000 for the acquisition of the new South Area Office in Campbell was funded from the Committed for Infrastructure Reserve; and

WHEREAS, the General Manager recommends increasing the Committed for Infrastructure Reserve Fund for acquisition of a new administrative office, renovation of staff facilities, and maintenance reserve for District assets;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Directors of the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District does resolve as follows:

SECTION ONE. Approve the transfer of \$5,000,000 from the General Fund's Unassigned Fund Balance to the Committed for Infrastructure Reserve Fund

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Secretary

Board of Directors

President

Board of Directors

APPROVED AS TO FORM:	
General Counsel	_
that the above is a true and correct copy of	insula Regional Open Space District, hereby certify f a resolution duly adopted by the Board of Directors e District by the above vote at a meeting thereof duly
	District Clerk

Key Project	FY16-17 Scope	Scope Status as of June 30, 2017	Comments	Multi- Year
	QUISITION AND PRESERVATION			
NEW LANDS				
PRIORITY 1 Miramontes Ridge	Pursue land purchase opportunities (fee and easement)	Complete	T	Yes
Land Conservation	as new land additions to Miramontes Ridge.	Complete		103
(MAA 1-3)				
	Complete Lot Line Adjustment and Transfer of the Purisima Uplands Property.	Complete		Yes
/Property Transfer Purisima Uplands	Pursue purchase and gift opportunities (fee and			
and Protection of	easement) in the Lobitos Creek Watershed as new land			
Lobitos Creek	additions to Purisima Creek Redwoods			
Watershed (MAA 3-1)				
(111/24 0-1)				
RIORITY 2				
	Pursue exchange, purchase, and gift opportunities (fee	In Progress	Contingent on county parks, need to meet	Yes
& La Honda Creek Upper Area Land	and easement) to connect Upper La Honda Creek & El Corte de Madera Creek Open Space Preserves.		with conservation partners	
Conservation	Conto de madera Greek open opade i receivos.			
(MAA 4-1) &				
(MAA 5-1)				
Sierra Azul	Pursue purchase and gift opportunities (fee and	In Progress	Contingent on tax collector office. Waiting	No
Cathedral Oaks	easement) in the Cathedral Oaks Area of Sierra Azul		on tax deliquent sale for Santa Clara	
Land Conservation (MAA 22-2)	OSP.		County	
·	Pursue purchase and gift opportunities (fee and	Complete		Yes
de Guadalupe Land	easement) in Rancho de Guadalupe area of Sierra Azul			
Conservation	OSP			
(MAA 24-1)				
Sierra Azul Loma	Pursue purchase and gift opportunities (fee and	Complete		Yes
Prieta Land	easement) in the Loma Prieta area of Sierra Azul. 2. Pursue improved Patrol and Fire Break Easement in			
Conservation (MAA 25-1)	the Twin Creeks Area of Sierra Azul.			
District-wide	As strategic land purchases are negotiated and	Complete		Yes
Purchase	purchase opportunities arise, these funds will be used to			
Option/Deposit and Low Value Land	obtain purchase options to bring land purchases to the			
Fund	Board of Directors for approval.			
	These funds will also be used for low value property			
	purchases under the General Manager's spending			
Lower San Gregorie	authority and reported out to the Board of Directors. 1. Pursue partnership with POST to protect water	Complete		Yes
Creek Watershed	resources and agricultural lands in the Lower San	Complete		165
Land Conservation	Gregorio watershed.			
	2. Pursue land conservation partnership opportunities			
_	with POST in Lower San Gregorio Watershed.			<u> </u>
LAND ASSESSMEN	TS / CLEAN UP			
RIORITY 1				
Purisima Uplands	1. Test above ground fuel tank, oil facility and pipelines	Complete		Yes
Site Clean Up and Soil Remediation	Lead and asbestos test of cabin			
Assessment				
(MAA 3-2)				1

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Key Project	FY16-17 Scope	Scope Status as of June 30, 2017	Comments	Multi- Year
PROTECTION / ACC	QUISITION OF PROPERTY RIGHTS			
PRIORITY 1				
Water Dispute at	Work to execute a quitclaim deed and settlement agreement with property owner to clear-up any obligation for the District to provide water to a private residential property.	Complete		No
Sierra Azul Mt.Umunhum Public Access and Property Rights	Continue to meet obligations under a negotiated settlement agreement or final order of possession with property owners (such as gates, fencing, signage and other security measures). Execute easement exchange with PG&E. Pursue other purchases that provide support or desired rights for the Mount Umunhum Summit project.	In Progress*	Completed in FY2018	Yes
PRIORITY 2				
	Monitor remediation of site as part Santa Clara County lawsuit.	In Progress	Still monitoring litigation with Santa Clara County.	Yes
Encroachment Resolution (Kennedy Trail), Sierra Azul	Work with neighboring property owner to resolve fence dispute on the Kennedy Trail at Sierra Azul Open Space Preserve.			Yes
Encroachment Resolution (Stevens Canyon Ranch Area), Saratoga Gap	Execute exchange (license agreement and conservation easement) for existing house that extends across the property line onto the District's preserve in the Stevens Canyon Ranch Area.	Deferred	Delayed due to staff capacity.	Yes
MT. UMUNHUM				
PRIORITY 1				
Mt Umunhum Summit Area Restoration (MAA 23-4)	Year 1 of container plant purchase and installation (and re-seeding of summit areas if necessary), of locally-collected native plants.	In Progress*	Delayed due to extended construction schedule. Completed in FY17-18.	Yes
LA HONDA CREEK	OSP			
Creek Grazing	Repair water infrastructure and make any adjustments needed to newly installed grazing infrastructure within Pasture 3 of Upper La Honda Creek OSP (McDonald Ranch).	Deferred	Delayed due to staff capacity - the project manager for this project slated for hire at the beginning of FY2016-17 was not hired until late November 2016.	
La Honda Creek Endangered Wildlife Protection: Fisheries Enhancement, Apple Orchard (MAA 7-3)	Working with partner, San Mateo County Resource Conservation District, construct nine in-stream large woody debris structures to restore and improve spawning and rearing habitats within San Gregorio Creek. Project is funded through California Department of Fish and Wildlife, Fisheries Restoration Grant Program.	Complete		No
La Honda Creek Demolitions (MAA 7-7)	Remediate and demolish four dilapidated barns, the Wool Ranch house compound, the former residence at 900 Sears Ranch Road, and assorted debris throughout the former Driscoll Ranch area. Project must be complete prior to public access.	Complete		Yes

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Key Project	FY16-17 Scope	Scope Status as of June 30, 2017	Comments	Multi- Year
PRIORITY 2				
Grazing Infrastructure (MAA 7-5, taxable	Develop plans for Wool Ranch Corral rebuild following house demolition at La Honda Creek OSP (Driscoll Ranch), including necessary additional fencing and water system infrastructure and hire contractor to complete construction.	Complete		No

PROGRAM: NATURAL RESOURCES PROTECTION AND RESTORATION BEAR CREEK REDWOODS OSP

PRIORITY 1

Bear Creek Redwoods: Public Access, Roads and Trails Upgrade (MAA 21-5)	Develop geotechnical and engineering recommendations for priority project sites. Prepare bid documents, release bids, select contractor.	In Progress	Bid document release and contractor selection delayed to allow for larger, bundled Project bid. Larger Project should attract additional contractors, resulting in more competetive bids.	Yes
Bear Creek Redwoods Preserve Plan: Invasive Weed Treatment/Restorati on Plan (MAA 21-7)	Implement first year of targeted weed treatments at Bear Creek Redwoods to restore native habitats and roads and trails. Project is expected to require five years of treatment before habitats are restored to maintenance levels.	Complete		Yes
Bear Creek Redwoods: Ponds Restoration (MAA 21-8)	Determine water needs/availability for wildlife and habitat values at aquatic sites. Assess potential impacts from water development project(s). Assess geotechnical stability of pond infrastructure and develop and implement restoration plans for pond habitats at Bear Creek Redwoods OSP.	Complete		Yes
Bear Creek Redwoods: Public Recreation and Interpretive Projects - Water Infrastructure Improvements for Existing Uses	Hire consultants to develop water rights data and file water rights applications for ongoing and anticipated future uses. Monitor and report annual water use at Bear Creek Redwoods Open Space Preserve.	Complete		No

WILDLIFE / FISHERIES MANAGEMENT

PRIORITY 1

Wildlife Passage Improvements: Highway 17 (MAA 20-1)	Based on results of Conceptual Design and Feasibility Study, develop schematic design for preferred alternative working with partners and begin CEQA review and permitting process.	In Progress	Delayed due to staff capacity.	Yes
Endangered Species Programmatic Permitting	Develop agreement with US Fish and Wildlife to permit take of listed species when implementing projects. Develop Regional Permit with US Army Corps of Engineers. Begin renewal of RWQCB and CDFW Routine Maintenance Agreements. Develop San Francisco dusky-footed woodrat MOU with CDFW.	Complete		No
Marbled Murrelet Recovery Planning	Work with partners to develop a marbled murrelet recovery plan, including habitat modeling to identify priority habitat conservation areas. Develop Science Advisory Panel and complete habitat modeling for San Mateo County redwoods region.	In Progress	Landscape Management Plan complete. Habitat modeling delayed due to negotiations for habitat suitability modeling scope and cost.	
Mindego Ranch Aquatic Species Habitat Enhancement Plan Implementation	Year 3 SFGS studies and ongoing bullfrog eradication efforts.	Complete		Yes

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Key Project	FY16-17 Scope	Scope Status as of June 30, 2017	Comments	Multi- Year
Livestock Predation Policy	Develop District policy describing responses to different types of predator interactions and management actions to minimize negative interactions, included economic losses for agricultural tenants. Includes development of agreement with agencies regarding relocation of pumas.		Delayed due to complexity of issue and to allow work with regional partners on livestock protection and non-lethal predator management efforts.	No

VEGETATION MANAGEMENT

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J	Install new water line and two additional troughs and fence the southern pasture of the Mindego Ranch grazing unit.	Deferred	Development of the southern pasture requires completion of an amendment to the Russian Ridge Use and Management Plan by Natural Resources and Planning.	Yes
Eucalyptus Removal	Remove several hundred eucalyptus trees in Los Trancos Preserve. Contract potentially run by Santa Clara County Fire Safe.	In Progress	Contract signed with Santa Clara County FireSafe Council to complete work in the next 3 years. Project delayed due to permitting process through City of Palo Alto.	No

PRIORITY 2

Prescribed Fire	Prepare prescribed fire program for suitable MROSD	In Progress	Delayed due to staff time work on Bear	No
Program	grassland properties. Hire consultant to design program		Creek Redwoods Preserve Plan	
Development	and prepare environmental review. Develop Grassland		implementation, Mt Umunhum Summit	
	Management Plan for Russian Ridge grasslands,		Restoration, and support for other Key	
	utilizing fire and other management treatments to restore habitat.		Projects.	
	Retain Registered Professional Forester to identify	In Progress	Delayed due to staff time work on Bear	No
	suitable pilot project site and prepare plans to permit		Creek Redwoods Preserve Plan	
Project	timber harvest to restore degraded forest land.		implementation, Mt Umunhum Summit	
			Restoration, and support for other Key Projects.	
Sudden Oak Death	Continue and expand preventative treatments for SOD,	In Progress	New researchers selection delayed to Q4	No
(SOD) Monitoring	support SOD research.		due to staff time work on Mt Umunhum	
and Research			Summit Restoration.	
Toto Ranch Grazing	Develop a long term lease, negotiate and sign new long	In Progress	The Toto Ranch Rangeland Management	No
Lease &	term lease, and complete Grazing Infrastructure		Plan (RMP) is currently in development	
Infrastructure	improvements.		by Natural Resources. Lease delayed as	
Improvements			it is dependent on completion of the RMP.	

WATER RESOURCES MANAGEMENT

PRIORITY 1

Guadalupe River Mercury Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) Monitoring	Implement fifth year of the coordinated monitoring effort to assess TMDL implementation success at reducing mercury within Guadalupe River Watershed.	Complete	Yes
•	Evaluate District water rights for domestic, stockwatering and resource preservation purposes and ensure compliance with regulatory requirements in the San Gregorio Creek Watershed.	Complete	Yes
Water Use and Monitoring and Reporting	Evaluate District water use, monitoring and reporting structure. Develop database for managing water use monitoring and reporting, including compliance with new state regulations for surface water diversions.	Complete	No

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Key Project	FY16-17 Scope	Scope Status as of June 30, 2017	Comments	Multi- Year
SITE REMEDIATION	, CLEANUP, AND RESTORATION			
PRIORITY 1				
at Monte Bello	Remediate, demolish, and remove uninhabitable structures and debris. Additional site grading to reduce potential impacts to stream system.	In Progress	Due to staff capacity	Yes
Property Land Restoration (MAA 22-1)	Channel restoration, riparian and upland planting and invasive species management along Hendrys Creek and tributaries to restore watershed, reduce diversion potential at road/stream crossings, and reduce potential for erosion and sedimentation to the aquatic ecosystem. Plants will be grown by Acterra, who are partners in the grant and project. Partnership project with Santa Clara Valley Water District and Acterra.	In Progress	Project formerly anticipated to be constructed by outside contractors, but is now scheduled to be implemented by inhouse Special Projects Crew, supervised by Field Capital Project Manager; therefore, construction will occur all in 2018, and bid documents/bidding process is no longer necessary.	Yes
RESOURCES				
PRIORITY 1				
Agricultural Production Plan	Prepare agricultural production plan for Madonna Creek portion of Miramontes Ridge OSP in conjunction with tenant.	Deferred	Project deferred to FY2017-18 to permit staff to complete water supply assessment to support agricultural production plan development.	No
PRIORITY 2		I	I	I
Resource Survey,	Working with regional archaeologists, survey District collections, catalog and curate artifacts per curation guidelines.	In Progress	Curation guidelines complete. Catalog and curation of District collections will begin in FY 2017-18.	No
Sequestration / Climate Change	Hire consultant(s) to evaluate carbon footprint of District operations and opportunities to reduce footprint. Begin evaluation of carbon sequestration opportunities on District Preserves.	Complete		Yes
PROGRAM: PUBLIC	ACCESS AND EDUCATION			
PRIORITY 1				
	Crew to complete the remaining 0.5-mile of trail construction.	Complete		Yes
Summit Restoration, Parking & Landing Zone (MAA 23-4)	Construct portion of roadway (from flagpole to summit), parking lots, accessible paths, shade structures and other improvements. Continue coordination with Amah Mutsun tribal group and volunteers on native planting restoration. Complete fabrication and installation of interpretive elements as part of Summit construction. Partnership project with Amah Mutsun Tribal Band and funding from California Coastal Conservancy grant.	In Progress*	On track with work largely completed and summit opended; additional ADA review was needed to ensure accessibility compliance fulfilled; finalizing punchlist and ADA items; targeting project closeout for 2017-18 Q4.	Yes
Guadalupe Creek Overlook & Bridges	Complete construction of Mt. Umunhum Trail bridges. Land & Facilities Crew to install all three bridges. Budget includes funds for construction oversight and inspection.	Complete		Yes
Mt. Umunhum Road Design, Permitting & Implementation (MAA 23-6)	Construct Mt. Umunhum Road safety and roadway improvements.	In Progress*	Project substantially completed and road opened; project should be closed out in 2017-18 Q3.	Yes
Dedication/Grand Opening Events	Plan and implement historic dedication of mountaintop including weekend celebration event, and public bicycle and hiking preview day, including consultation services to manage logistics.	In Progress*	Extended construction moved Mount Umunhum events to FY17-18. Contract with consultant completed. Hosted a series of 8 Grand Opening Events in Sept 2017.	No

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Sierra Azul Meyer Residence Repair and Site Improvements Install water infrastructure, using existing spring source or new well; construct solar power system; minor repair to propane system; minor interior upgrades to apartment. Obtain necessary permits.	•	Delayed due to staffing capacity	Yes
PRIORITY 2			•
Create New Self- Guided Audio Tour Guided Audio Tour Mount Umunhum audio walking tour. Work with GIS to gather data needed to complete. Coordinate with Planning and Project Managers to align messages and interpretive materials.	In Progress*	Extended construction of Mount Umunhum moved opening to FY2017-18.	No

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La Honda Creek Red Barn Parking Area and Trail Connections (MAA 5-5)	Complete design, engineering and permitting of public trail access and parking area at the Red Barn. Conduct focused stakeholder outreach and involvement. Coordinate with Land & Facilities on design and installation of gates, fencing, and signage.	In Progress	Conceptual design development is on- going. Stakeholder outreach and involvement complete. Engineering and permitting pending Board approval of conceptual design.	Yes
La Honda Creek Sears Ranch Interim Parking Area and Trail Connections (MAA 7-9)	Secure permits for minor grading and improvements for interim staging area at Sears Ranch Road. Design and install gates, fencing, and signage for interim trail access at the Driscoll Ranch area.	Complete		Yes
La Honda Creek Sears Ranch Road Repairs, Phase III (MAA 7-10)	Construct Sears Ranch Road and Wool Ranch Road repairs. Construct 5-8 pedestrian access gates. Coordinate with Land & Facilities on design and installation of gates and fencing.	Complete		No
La Honda Creek Harrington Creek Vehicle Bridge Redecking	Replace degraded vehicle bridge decking and install new rails, pending engineering assessment.	In Progress*	Permit delays extended the schedule; project is now complete.	Yes

BEAR CREEK REDWOODS

PRIORITY 1

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Bear Creek Redwoods Water System (MAA 21-3)	Pending Board approval of the Preserve Plan and CEQA and water needs at the Preserve, initiate the design development for the preferred water system.	In Progress	Tied into SJWC water main, still working on design but delayed due to staff capacity	Yes
Site Plan Implementation	Pending Board approval of Site Plan, initiate design development and permitting consultation. Prepare evaluation criteria for the Request for Proposals (RFP) for solicitation of future tenant.	Complete	FY 16-17 scope complete. Multi-year project.	Yes
Bear Creek Redwoods Public Access (Phase 1 Implementation) (MAA 21-5)	Pending Board approval of the Preserve Plan and adoption of CEQA document, complete design and permitting for Phase 1 public access improvements. Issue bid package for roads and trails improvements. Agency consultation with County of Santa Clara and Caltrans on proposed roadway crossing and signage.	In Progress	Contractor will be selected in 2017-18 Q3/Q4.	Yes
Bear Creek Redwoods, Alma College Site Rehabilitation Plan (MAA 21-6)	Complete development of the Alma College Landscape Rehabilitation Plan and environmental review for CEQA compliance and Board approval.	Complete		Yes
Bear Creek Redwoods Preserve Plan and CEQA	Complete development of Preserve Plan and Environmental Impact Report for Board approval. Includes CEQA for MAA Projects 21-4, 21-5, 21-6.	Complete		No

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Key Project	FY16-17 Scope	Scope Status as of June 30, 2017	Comments	Multi- Year
RFP/Lease	Develop and issue Bear Creek Stables lease and RFP, select a tenant, and perform an appraisal to determine stable rent.		Lease delayed - development dependent on 50% design complete of the Stables Site Implementation Plan.	Yes
Site Plan and CEQA	Complete development of the Bear Creek Stables Site Plan and environmental review for CEQA compliance and Board approval. Project is associated with MAA 21-4.	Complete		No
District Groundbreaking & Dedication Events	Host four events such as Bear Creek Groundbreaking and La Honda Opening.		Construction schedules changed, planning of events in progress and on track, events to take place FY17-18	Yes

OTHER LOCATIONS

PRIORITY 1		1		1
Cooley Landing Interpretative Facilities Design & Implementation (MAA 2-1)	Pending City obtaining a project manager, design and implement interpretative facilities, infrastructure, and signage related to Cooley Landing Park in East Palo Alto. Pending an agreement with the City regarding the use of Measure AA funds, coordinate reimbursement of eligible expenses incurred by the City. Partnership project with City of East Palo Alto.	In Progress	City of East Palo Alto in design development and permitting phase. Construction anticipated Fall 2018.	Yes
Ravenswood Bay Trail Easement, CEQA (MAA 2-2)	Finalize Exchange Agreement with SFPUC Obtain approval from the City and County of San Francisco for a Public Trail Easement. Record Public Trail Easement to MROSD and Quitclaim of Open Space Easement to SFPUC Coordinate with Cities of E. Palo Alto & Menlo Park	Complete	Anticipate recording public trail easement in Q3 2017-18	Yes
Ravenswood Bay Trail Design and Implementation (MAA 2-2)	Complete conceptual trail planning for CEQA certification and easement transfer from SFPUC. Complete design and engineering documents for Ravenswood Bay Trail gap. Initiate permitting and regulatory agencies consultation. Partnership project with SFPUC, City of East Palo Alto, City of Menlo Park, ABAG SF Bay Trail Project. Grant funding from Santa Clara County Stanford Trails Grant program and San Mateo County Measure A funding.	In Progress	FY 16-17 scope complete. Multi-year project.	Yes
Harkins Bridge Replacement at Purisima Creek (MAA 3-4)	Pending federal permits, demolish an existing vehicle bridge and construct a new vehicular bridge.	In Progress*	Minor punch list items remained to close out project.	Yes
El Corte de Madera Oljon Trail Implementation Phases III/IV (MAA 4-4)	Complete construction of Oljon Trail Phases III and IV.	In Progress	Delay in obtaining permits for construction during the summer of 2017. Permits now complete for construction during Q4 2017-2018 and Q1 2018-2019.	Yes
Alpine Road Regional Trail, Coal Creek Open Space Preserve (MAA 10-1)	Evaluate landslide and drainage problems on Alpine Road and identify and prioritize repairs needed to open it as a trail from Portola Valley to Skyline area and minimize sedimentation into Los Trancos Creek. Work with County to prioritize road stabilization and drainage improvements and, If appropriate, conduct road survey work to identify ownership boundaries and/or update road treatment recommendations. <i>Partnership project with San Mateo County.</i>	In Progress	Partnership contingent upon County's involvement. Road assessment update completed; cost estimation under preparation; options for Board consideration under development.	Yes
Stevens Creek Nature Trail Bridges Montebello (MAA 17-4)	Demolish an existing degraded multi-use footbridge and replace with a longer new bridge on a tributary of Stevens Creek at Monte Bello. Construct a new pedestrian-only bridge over an existing wet crossing.	In Progress	Delay in obtaining permits. Construction now expected in Q1 or Q2 2018.	Yes

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Key Project	FY16-17 Scope	Scope Status as of June 30, 2017	Comments	Multi- Year
Bay Area Ridge Trail: Highway 17 Crossing	Complete Feasibility Study and conceptual design for the preferred alignment for regional trail crossing for Bay Area Ridge Trail crossing over Highway 17. Evaluate property rights and easements for the preferred alignment.	In Progress	Completion of Feasibility Study delayed pending property owner discussions. Conceptual design for the regional trail alignment is on-going and pending completion of multi-year CalTrans process.	Yes
El Sereno Dog Access	Initiate public outreach, pursue a Use & Management Plan update/amendment and CEQA review to include dog use on portions of trail system within Preserve proper. Pending Board approval, implement plan and initiate new signage to address additional new use.	Complete		No
El Sereno Trails and Wildlife Corridors	Pursue Bay Area Ridge Trail connection between Santa Clara County Skyline Sanborn County Park, El Sereno and Sierra Azul Open Space Preserves. Support Natural Resources with Wildlife Crossing at Highway 17 and Trout Creek. Pursue multi-use trail at Upper El Sereno OSP. Pursue land purchase opportunity as addition to El Sereno OSP.	In Progress*	Continuing to work on easements	Yes
Hawthorns Historic Complex	Outreach and coordination for short-term partnership. Obtain Board approval of lease(s) with selected partner(s), site, and implementation plan for Historic Complex. Mothballing cost not anticipated in FY16-17.	In Progress	Completed coordination on initial short- term partnership with Hawthorns Historic Preservation Foundation. License agreement executed and expired.	Yes
Purisima Creek Redwoods - Purisima 1 Bridge Redecking	Staff to replace degraded vehicle bridge decking and install new rails, pending engineering assessment	In Progress	Delayed - Permits in progress with San Mateo County	Yes
Resource Management Grants Program	Continue funding existing research projects. Evaluate options for extending Grants Program and Policy as interim measure until full review of Program and Policy can be completed.	In Progress	Work in progress, delayed due to staffing capacity	Yes
PRIORITY 2	L	L		1
Fremont Older Staging Area Public Safety Improvements	Prepare bid package, solicit bids, seek Board award of contract and administer contract. Construct parking safety structure.	Complete		No
Visitor Use Level Measurement	Expand the pilot project started last fiscal year at Rancho San Antonio to gather visitor use statistics. FY16-17 to focus on Mt. Umunhum, Rancho San Antonio, and Ravenswood. Funding covers an intern to determine vehicle occupancy rates and additional data gathering equipment.	In Progress*	Project will be completed in December, 2017. Occupancy levels for vehicles entering Rancho San Antonio County Park are being measured. A total of 15 counters will have been installed at selected preserve entrances.	Yes
Enhance Docent and Volunteer Program Data Collection/transfer	Streamline the transfer of data entered online by District docents into an existing database more efficient by reducing the amount of rekeying required.	Complete	Data entered online by docents and volunteers is now being transferred to the database.	No
COMMUNITY ENGA	GEMENT			
PRIORITY 1	Complete E minute District undete to all 17 cities and a	Complete	T	No
Board Outreach	Complete 5 minute District update to all 17 cities once a year; Board member speaking engagements to new audiences (tech firms, schools/community groups)	Complete		No
Community-hosted Outreach Events	Represent or sponsor the District at 20 community outreach events, at least five on the San Mateo Coast.	Complete		No
Docent & Volunteer Support and Public Outreach	Host events such as the Volunteer Recognition Event and the Wingding Family Fest. Provide logistics and other support for major public events such as the opening of Mt. Umunhum.	Complete		No

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Key Project	FY16-17 Scope	Scope Status as of June 30, 2017	Comments	Multi- Year
Health Incentive Program: Healthy Parks/Healthy People	Continue to develop health based connection to open space with Walk With A Doc Program: hikes geared toward accessibility; regional collaboration.	Complete		No
Latino Outdoors Program Funding	Contract with Latino Outdoors in partnership with other agencies to fund targeted positions to connect with Latino audiences. This includes the District being part of a regional Diversity Outreach Committee focused on parks and open space	Complete		Yes
Partnership Development - Businesses	Participate in 5 Chamber of Commerce groups, taking an active role in hosting mixers and participating in activities	In Progress	Presentations underway, GM made presentation to Cupertino Chamber of Commerce	No
Partnership Development - Youth Program	Develop youth outreach strategy and establish relationships with organizations that serve youth with the purpose to engage in outdoor activities, volunteer, and explore possible career paths.	Deferred	Deferred to FY 17-18 due to staffing changes and other project priorities.	No
Partnership Development with Volunteer Groups	Expand scope of agreements with non-profit organizations such as Acterra, Village Harvest, and Student Conservation Association to increase number and diversity of participants. Research other potential agency partners for stewardship partnerships. Partnership with other organizations.	Complete		No

NEW INITIATIVES - PUBLIC AWARENESS

PRIORITY 1

Preserve Use	Develop a high-level preserve usage study to assess	Complete		Yes
Survey	preserve visitors including demographics, use patterns,			
	awareness and satisfaction; 2-year process with actual			
	survey conducted in summer/fall 2017.			
	Work with General Managers Office on developing web-	Deferred	Delayed until MAA Metrics Developed.	No
Information Material	based Measure AA project status		Once metrics confirmed will be reviewing web-based options in Q3-Q4 FY17-18	
Website	Update web design to include comprehensive Trail	In Progress	Comprehensive Trail information deferred	Yes
Enhancement	Guide Information (Align info with Signboards); Integrate	iii i rogi occ	due to roll-out of enterprise GIS system.	1.00
Projects	Natural Resources Info into web and social media.		Web upgrades planned for 2018.	
RIORITY 2	<u> </u>			
Climate Change	Develop and implement a communications strategy	Complete		Yes
and Sustainability	aligned with General Manager's focus on healthy forest			
Education	practices, innovation (i.e. fog harvest), coastal farmland. Create video.			
Go Green User	Research and Implement "Go Green" tools to	Complete		No
Toolkit	encourage users to electronically view map/brochures			
	and to recycle when through. Support GIS with GeoPDF			
	Rollout/Pilot with promotion of program.			
Key Branding	Raise continued awareness of the District overall by	Deferred	On hold until greater branding and	No
Strategy for District and Preserves	building an identity program around District's iconic preserves.		awareness strategy is developed	
San Mateo County	Develop annual direct mail brochure or calendar	In Progress	On hold to coordinate with other regional	Yes
Coast Outreach	highlighting District activities on the Coast, partnership development; schedule speaking engagements on the		partner communication efforts and creation of joint communcations plan.	
	Coast; continue partnership with Chamber		in a substitution of the s	

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Key Project	FY16-17 Scope	Scope Status as of June 30, 2017	Comments	Multi Year
ROGRAM: VEHICLE	S, EQUIPMENT, FACILITIES, AND OTHER INFRASTR	UCTURE		
STAFF FACILITIES				
RIORITY 1				
Administration Office (AO) Long- Term Facility Plan and Selection	Upon Board decision, future Action item would be implementation of selected AO option and selection of design consultant team.	Complete		Yes
Administrative Office Relocation Investigation	Research and provide market data to the Board regarding the option to purchase a new AO building or to lease a space while the current AO is remodeled. If directed, execute a purchase or lease for the AO.	In Progress*	Negotiated and entered into purchase and sale agreement, approved by the board for 5050 El Camino	Yes
South Area Office (SAO) Long-Term Facilities Feasibility Study	Issue RFP for consultant services to begin a feasibility study. Study expected to include zoning and code research, assessment of site buildability, and conceptual site plans. Coordination with Facilities Ad Hoc Committee anticipated for input and direction.	In Progress*	Scope changed due to purchase of 240 Cristich in Campbell, which included preparation of a Conditional Use Permit application and environmental review.	Yes
AEDs for District Emergency Response Vehicles	Following up on research done in FY1617, purchase 37 AEDs and install them in District emergency response vehicles and offices.	Complete		No
PROPERTY MANAG	SEMENT			
RIORITY 1	Oldain ann an Ioll ann ann airte Daoine de anns ata	II. D *	O	
El Sereno Residence Disposition	Obtain any and all appropriate Design documents, permits from Santa Clara County; complete demolition.	In Progress*	Completed as of January 5, 2018.	Yes
Farm Labor Housing - La Honda Creek	Perform a housing assessment of the former Driscoll Ranch area of La Honda Creek OSP to determine where and how to replace farm labor housing for the ranch worker for AGCO Hay, LLC per the grazing lease. Continue discussions with San Mateo County on their Farm Labor Housing Pilot Program.	Complete		Yes
RIORITY 2				
Fremont Older Water System Upgrade	Perform Water System Assessment, develop specifications, bid and award, and construct water system project.	Deferred	Deferred due to staff capacity - the project manager for this project was not hired until FY2017-18.	No
La Honda Creek Point of Diversion 17 Water Line Replacement	Coordinate with neighbors for water line replacement, replace main line from spring to residences/grazing, add adjunct water line for grazing, replace water tank at spring, install 2 new tanks at water line junction.	In Progress	Delayed due to staff capacity - the project manager for this project slated for hire at the beginning of FY2016-17 was not hired until late November 2016.	
4150 Sears Ranch Road Water and Road Improvements (Cunha)	Install new 5,000 gallon water tank for additional water storage for the residence of 4150 Sears Ranch Road. Resurface current driveway from Sears Ranch Road to residence including any necessary drainage improvements for longevity.	Deferred	Delayed due to staff capacity.	No
Black Mountain Tower Leases (3)	Develop, negotiate and sign new long term lease.	Deferred	Deferred due to late hire of project manager.	No
Madonna Creek Agricultural Lease	Develop Agricultural Plan for the property, complete agricultural lands survey, and develop, negotiate and sign a long term lease for Madonna Creek.	Deferred	Lease Development dependent on completion of an Agricultural Plan by Natural Resources.	Yes
Skyline Ridge Christmas Tree	Update survey of Christmas Tree Farm, develop long term lease, and negotiate and sign a new long term	Deferred	Awaiting completion of business partneship change of current tenant.	Yes

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Farm Lease

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Key Project	FY16-17 Scope	Scope Status as of June 30, 2017	Comments	Multi Year
BUSINESS SYSTEM	ns .			
PRIORITY 1			,	
Enterprise GIS Planning and Implementation	Conduct an overhaul of District's GIS files to move all files to a new system, reorganize and modify in the database schema. Implement shape file migration to Geodatabase; set up cartographic representation and clean up/fill in gaps in current data files (e.g. roads and trails). Coordinate with development and implementation of GIS Strategic Plan.	Complete		Yes
Integrated Accounting and Financial System Phase III: Payroll Implementation	Payroll Go-Live is scheduled for July 2016. The contract with the District's external payroll provider will be terminated, saving \$20,000 annually.	Complete		No
IT Infrastructure Upgrades	Implement IT technical infrastructure improvements to improve resiliency, network availability, connectivity, security, and scalability to support current and future IT initiatives.	Complete		No
Signage Inventory Update	Develop a mobile data collection application for field data collection for signage inventory, including a numbering system for trail signs, implement web application as a pilot program, update inventory to include mapping and photo-documentation of signage recently installed or replaced in Preserves.	Complete		No
PRIORITY 2			•	•
Asset and Work Order Management System	Research local municipalities including park systems for demonstrations of existing asset management solutions and lessons learned. Conduct an informal RFI process with vendors and agencies. Conduct an internal needs assessment with the possibility of issuing an RFP in Q4.	Complete		Yes
Electronic Document Management System (EDMS)	Conduct preliminary needs assessment for a subject matter expert/consultant to assist staff with retention and file structure. Implement as needed.	Complete		Yes
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PRIORITY 1 Accessibility Plan Update	Review District's 1993 ADA policy and accessibility plan, updated federal ADA guidelines and other new regulatory requirements. Continue to assess and develop accessibility plan update with a consultant.	Complete	On track, multi-year project	Yes
Bench Policy and Memorial Options	Research opportunities other than benches and/or trail naming to recognize individuals per constituent memorial requests and make recommendations. Hire consultant to manage research project.	In Progress	Research of similar agencies conducted, development of recommendation planned for 2018	No
Complete Records Inventory and Retention Schedule	Complete records inventory to determine type of records and retention/disposition of records, develop destruction policies and procedures, including imaging of permanent records, conduct employee training.	In Progress	Ongoing - Working with a consultant to complete work	No
District Housing Policy	Develop additional Board policy to address disposition of new structures as acquired.	Complete		No
Natural Resources Procedures Manual	Assemble manual that describes programs, procedures and practices of natural resource functions.	In Progress	Delays due to staff capacity	No

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Key Project	FY16-17 Scope	Scope Status as of June 30, 2017	Comments	Multi- Year
EXTERNAL COORD	INATION			
PRIORITY 1				
Government Relations	Host Legislative Picnic, Board and GM meetings; field tours. Showcase Measure AA project status and other district projects.	Complete		No
Peninsula Working Group Strategic Plan: Pescadero Watershed	Compile, review, and synthesize conservation planning documents for Pescadero Creek Watershed to identify and prioritize focus areas for conservation and habitat restoration actions for redwoods and steelhead.	In Progress	Ongoing - Working with groups to put together plan	No
PRIORITY 2	F	T		
Interagency Coordination on Partnership Projects	Work with outside partners to evaluate and consider potential interagency projects and forward recommendations, when ready, to the full Board.	In Progress	Ongoing - coordination continues.	Yes
	D STAFF DEVELOPMENT			
PRIORITY 1	Hillands As and development 5	II D	longing HD and the College	IV
Continue FOSM Implementation	Updates to and development of new policies and procedures; hiring, onboarding, and training of staff; development and team building for the organization.	In Progress	Ongoing, HR working to fill vacancies and recruit for recently approved positions.	Yes
	Work with a technical consultant/implementer to help staff develop business requirements and functionality and potentially with implementation.	Complete		Yes
Employee On- Boarding Program	Research on-boarding programs at other agencies and begin to develop elements of a program; begin implementation as soon as possible, but no later than Q1 FY16-17.	In Progress	Much work has been done but delays due to the need for additional focus on recruitments.	Yes
Employee Leadership Academy	Research and develop curriculum and process for internal District Leadership Academy; identify potential instructor(s).	Complete		Yes
Evaluation of Additional IAFS Modules	Evaluate and possibly implement additional available IAFS modules including Procurement, Fixed Assets, Credit Cards, and Grants. Staff time only, does not include software costs.	Complete		Yes
Performance Planning and Evaluation Process/Forms	Research and evaluate new processes, forms, and online tools to conduct performance evaluations for office and field staff.	Complete		No
Public Affairs Strategic Plan	Research options for program development and partnerships to ensure District objectives are being met and outreach programs are targeted to diverse and new audiences.	Complete		No
Training Database Upgrades	Set up interfaces for staff who need to have access to database. Review data collection/entry to ensure accuracy improve efficiency.	Complete		No
PRIORITY 2		•		
Docent and	Expand environmental education and interpretive services and increase hours interpretive centers are open; evaluate positions and staffing and adjust if needed to provide optimal service delivery; develop scope of work for an Interpretive Master Plan.	In Progress	The Docent and Volunteer Structure Study project was extended to allow additional input and review. The items outlined in this project will be addressed after the completion of the Docent and Volunteer Structure Study. The Docent and Volunteer Structure Study is reviewing the programs and will provide recommendations for the questions listed in this project. The study is anticipated to be completed in March, 2018.	No
Integration of Insurance Requirements into IAFS	Pursue the feasibility of integration of indemnification and insurance requirements into IAFS for Purchase Orders, in conformance with CJPIA's recommendations.	Complete		No

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Key Project	FY16-17 Scope	Scope Status as of June 30, 2017	Comments	Multi- Year
OTHER				
PRIORITY 1				
Sierra Azul Meyer Property Planning and Programming	Develop overall plan for the Meyer property to support Visitor Services operation of Mt. Umunhum including completing any feasibility studies as required.	· ·	Preliminary planning and scoping complete, delayed due to staff capacity.	No

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Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District

Fiscal Year 2016-17 Major Accomplishments













FISCAL YEAR 2016-17 MAJOR ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District Mission Statement:

To acquire and preserve a regional greenbelt of open space land in perpetuity; protect and restore the natural environment; and provide opportunities for ecologically sensitive public enjoyment

The accomplishments listed below highlight the District's focused efforts on the three parts of its mission—land acquisition and preservation; natural resources protection and restoration; and public access, education and outreach—combined with significant efforts to develop the administrative and organizational systems necessary to support this mission now and into the future. These accomplishments are extensive and varied, showing a focus on major preserve opening projects such as the Mount Umunhum Summit in the Sierra Azul Preserve, La Honda Creek Preserve, and Bear Creek Redwoods Preserve. They also show significant efforts on complex resource restoration priorities, education, and outreach to the District's diverse preserve visitors, effective partnerships with other organizations to better fulfill the mission, and focus and dedication to the ongoing operational requirements of managing over 63,000 acres of open space. As is evident from this list, and the many other efforts completed or underway that are not summarized in this major accomplishments list, Fiscal Year 2016-17 was a busy and productive year for the District!

LAND ACQUISITION AND PRESERVATION

- Purchased, exchanged, or received gifts of 275 acres of open space lands valued at \$4.2 million dollars, including:
 - 191-acre Conley property as an addition to *Long Ridge Preserve* to protect redwood forest and the upper Pescadero watershed.
 - 28-acre Rossetta property to secure public access rights along Mount Umunhum Road and the Woods Trail in the Mount Umunhum area of *Sierra Azul Preserve*.
 - 51-acres of property within the Rancho de Guadalupe area of *Sierra Azul Preserve* to protect grassland habitat and water quality in the Guadalupe Creek watershed.
 - Five-acre Santa Clara County Roads & Airport exchange property to *Saratoga Gap Preserve*.
 - Two redwood parcel gifts totaling 0.5 acres to *Purisima Creek Redwoods Preserve*.
- Completed a property boundary survey to address a fence dispute on Kennedy Trail in *Sierra Azul Preserve*.
- Drafted Patrol and Fire Control Easement and made offer to a private landowner at Twin Creeks in the Loma Prieta area of *Sierra Azul Preserve*.
- Entered into a Letter of Understanding with a private property owner in *Purisima Creek Redwoods Preserve* regarding allowable uses and property transfer terms to proceed with a lot line adjustment and secure coastal uplands as an addition to the Preserve.
- Completed a survey of the Lobitos Creek Conservation Easement Area in *Purisima Creek Redwoods Preserve*.

• Completed the Planning Analysis and Fair Market Appraisal of undeveloped land that may serve as a gateway to the San Mateo Coast near the *Miramontes Ridge Preserve*.

NATURAL RESOURCES PROTECTION AND RESTORATION

- Completed numerous natural resource protection and restoration projects in *Sierra Azul Preserve*, including:
 - Completed the fifth year of the coordinated monitoring effort to reduce mercury within the Guadalupe River Watershed.
 - Completed the first phase of invasive plant removal and developed a partnership with the San Jose Conservation Corps for the Hendrys Creek watershed restoration effort.
 - Created a new contract with Grassroots Ecology Native Plant Nursery to grow approximately 1,900 native plants and five pounds of native grass and forb seed for Phase One of the Mount Umunhum Revegetation Project.
 - Created a migratory bird exclusion and monitoring plan and installed interim exclusion measures for the Mount Umunhum Radar Tower.
 - Developed a habitat restoration plan for the Mount Umunhum Summit to enhance the native plant recolonization of the restored mountaintop, incorporating input from the Amah Mutsen tribal group on Native American restoration techniques.
 - Submitted a mitigation plan for the three pedestrian bridges on the Mt. Umunhum Trail to the California Department of Fish and Wildlife and completed 30% of plantings per the plan.
- Implemented numerous natural resource protection and restoration projects in *La Honda Creek Preserve* in preparation for opening the lower area of the preserve to the public in late 2017, including:
 - Constructed nine in-stream, large woody debris structures to restore and improve salmonid spawning and rearing habitat within San Gregorio Creek, and began preparations for the placement of additional woody debris structures downstream for fiscal year 2017 2018.
 - Performed annual red-legged frog monitoring in support of the District's recovery permit for the federally threatened species.
 - Completed site clean-up and demolition of numerous dilapidated structures, including photography documentation of the structures prior to demolition, to prepare the preserve for public access.
 - Completed construction of a new corral system at the previous site of the Wool Ranch house to assist with grazing efforts.
- Began significant natural resources protection and restoration projects in *Bear Creek Redwoods Preserve* in preparation for opening the preserve to the public in late 2018, including:
 - Implemented the first year of a targeted invasive species treatment to restore native habitats throughout the Preserve.

- Completed a Pond Assessment and Management Plan to determine the water needs for wildlife and habitat values at aquatic sites.
- Completed the Bat Habitat Enhancement and Relocation Plan to protect the bat colonies at Alma College.
- Began the first year of the western pond turtle population study and developed a Western Pond Turtle Management Plan.
- Surveyed seven miles of trails for Sudden Oak Death to determine if treatment or control actions are needed to protect the tree canopy.
- Negotiated and received Board approval for a Memorandum of Understanding between the Santa Clara Valley Water District and the District to expand our invasive species removal efforts.
- Completed an Archaeological Resources Curation Guidelines Report to address cultural resources within the Preserve.
- Completed initial filings for Preserve water rights.
- Entered into a contract with the Santa Clara County FireSafe Council for removal of nonnative and fire-prone eucalyptus trees at *Los Trancos Preserve*.
- Completed a toxicological review of four new chemicals with the potential to be included in the List of Approved Pesticides as part of the Integrated Pest Management Program.
- Completed annual San Gregorio Creek Watershed reporting and monitoring requirements.
- Held the annual public presentation to the Board of Directors from Lehigh Quarry's CEO about the quarry's activities.
- Collaborated with the United States Geological Survey (USGS) to install two fog collection experimental stations at *Skyline Ridge* and *Purisima Creek Redwoods Preserves* to conduct research on the viability of fog water harvesting.
- Completed year four of the San Francisco Garter Snake field study and ongoing bullfrog eradication work at Mindego Ranch in *Russian Ridge Preserve*.
- Completed the installation of pasture fencing at Big Dipper Ranch in *Skyline Preserve* to support the ongoing conservation grazing program.
- Completed corral demolition, water system installation, and fence installation at the Bluebrush grazing and residential properties at *Purisima Creek Redwoods Preserve*.
- Completed grazing fencing improvements at Tunitas Ranch in *Tunitas Creek Preserve*.
- Completed a bioblitz on the Toto Ranch property in *Tunitas Creek Preserve* to collect biological resources data for the property.
- Completed preliminary field investigations to support the analysis of potential Highway 17 wildlife crossing locations near the *El Sereno*, *St. Joseph's Hill, and Bear Creek Redwoods Preserves*, conducted stakeholder outreach, completed a draft Recommended Alternatives report, developed conceptual fencing design, and evaluated feasibility of additional crossing location based on stakeholder and public feedback..

- Completed mowing projects at Toto Ranch in *Tunitas Creek Preserve* to control invasive species, at October Farm in *Purisima Creek Redwoods Preserve* to control brush encroachment, and at Bluebrush Canyon in *Purisima Creek Redwoods Preserve* to control invasive species and reduce wildfire fuels.
- Completed invasive control work at the Apple Orchard and Driscoll Ranch properties adjacent to *La Honda Creek Preserve*.
- Completed multiple *District-Wide* natural resource protection and restoration projects, including:
 - Implemented 11 new invasive species management projects, adding 7.4 acres to the District's 1,238 acres under management for invasive species.
 - Created District-wide maps of all special status species studies and created an eGIS application to collect location information and species observations for future studies.
 - Drafted a Marbled Murrelet Management Plan in collaboration with California State Parks and funded a habitat suitability assessment for this federally threatened and state endangered species.
 - Sponsored a training for Sudden Oak Death and investigated 150 samples to determine areas of presence and spread of Sudden Oak Death in the Santa Cruz Mountains.
 - Sprayed fungicide on or removed bay seedlings growing adjacent to 388 specimen oak trees to prevent infestation with Sudden Oak Death and contribute to scientific research.
 - Investigated and documented 14 revegetation sites for symptoms of soil Phytophthora diseases.
 - Hired a Climate Fellow to work on climate resiliency strategies for the District.
- Actively participated in the Santa Cruz Mountain Stewardship Network, a region-wide and
 cross-sector collaboration of independent individuals and organizations who are committed to
 practicing effective stewardship on their own lands and coordinating their efforts with other
 land stewards to enhance stewardship on a regional level.
- Continued efforts to develop a policy to address cattle predation issues on District grazing land through interviewing grazing tenants and conducting a literature review with an outside consultant.
- Completed numerous resource agency permit streamlining efforts, including:
 - Expanded the District's US Fish and Wildlife Recovery Permit for California red-legged frog and San Francisco garter snake to cover more activities over the entire District (previously two discrete locations only).
 - Completed notification and payment to California Fish and Wildlife and Regional Water Quality Control Board for up to 50 discrete project worksites in 2017 under the District's Routine Maintenance Agreements.
 - Applied to renew the California Fish and Wildlife Scientific Collecting Permit and Memorandum of Understanding to allow staff to work directly with and handle California red-legged and San Francisco garter snake.

PUBLIC ACCESS, EDUCATION, AND OUTREACH

- Completed numerous major actions and commenced or continued other major actions to prepare for the September 16-18, 2017 grand public opening of the *Mount Umunhum Summit* at Sierra Azul Open Space Preserve, including:
 - Completed major construction milestones on the Mount Umunhum Trail, including the construction of an additional 0.5-mile trail segment, the narrowing of old abandoned road cuts into a trail, and the installation of three new pedestrian bridges.
 - Completed the Guadalupe Creek Overlook vista point structure.
 - Completed 75% of the road safety improvements on Mount Umunhum Road, which will be made open to public vehicular use from Hicks Road all the way to the top of the summit.
 - Completed 75% of the summit improvement, which will provide 57 vehicle parking spaces, a restroom, signage, road safety upgrade, two shelter structures, a ceremonial space, two staircases, and trail access around the summit area.
 - Regraded and restored the summit topography closer to its natural landform.
 - Finalized the design of eleven large-scale interpretive panels and one bronze plaque, all currently under fabrication and soon to be installed at the summit.
 - Initiated a new 30-minute audio walking tour for the summit that will describe the natural history, military history, Native American significance of the site, and ongoing conservation efforts.
 - Created a detailed plan to implement the historic dedication of the summit, including a weekend celebration event.
- Completed numerous major actions and commenced or continued other major actions toward opening lower *La Honda Creek Open Space Preserve* to the public in late Fall/Winter 2017, including:
 - Completed three miles of ranch road repairs, which are critical for opening the roads to public access; maintaining safe passage for patrol, maintenance, and emergency vehicle use; and providing ranch access to support the ongoing conservation grazing program.
 - Finalized plans to replace the decking and install new rails on the Harrington Creek Bridge, which will allow trail users to cross a major creek.
 - Completed stakeholder outreach and received Board approval for new trail names and a new loop trail in the Lower La Honda Creek area.
 - Received Board approval to begin construction of the new Sears Ranch Parking Area, which will provide 22 vehicle spaces, a restroom, signage, and the main trailhead to access the trails in the southern area of the Preserve.
 - Began preparations for a groundbreaking ceremony and a grand opening ceremony for new Sears Ranch Parking Area.
 - Completed site investigations and two conceptual designs for the proposed Red Barn parking area and trailhead gateway entrance; and conducted focused stakeholder outreach

- to receive public input on the two designs, including a Planning and Natural Resource Committee meeting and a community open house.
- Completed numerous major actions and commenced or continued other major actions toward opening *Bear Creek Redwoods Open Space Preserve* to the public and improving Bear Creek Stables, including:
 - Received Board approval of the Bear Creek Redwoods Preserve Plan and certification of the accompanying Environmental Impact Report, which included as plan components the Alma College Cultural Landscape Rehabilitation Plan and Bear Creek Stables Site Plan.
 - Completed archaeological studies in advance of ground disturbance activities as required by the project's Environmental Impact Report, prior to beginning trail construction and road improvements work.
 - Began clearing roads to establish two key trail connections that will connect visitors between the future new parking area and the trails that will be opened on the west side of Bear Creek Road.
 - Conducted an engineering feasibility study to identify the preferred location for a Bear Creek Road trail undercrossing as an option for connecting visitors between the new parking area near the former Alma College site and trails located west of Bear Creek Road.
 - Issued a Request for Proposals and entered into contract to complete the design, engineering, and construction documents for the new, Alma College Parking Area, Bear Creek Road undercrossing, and Bear Creek Stables Site Improvements.
 - Conducted initial geotechnical studies to evaluate the integrity of large retaining walls on the property that are supporting a major access road and existing structures.
 - Conducted a recreation planning analysis for potential re-use of the Alma College Chapel.
 - Completed an earthquake fault rupture hazard study to determine if the Alma College Chapel could be occupied.
 - Completed an assessment of water source options and associated cost estimates for the Preserve, concluding that the most cost effective and secure option is to seek a direct water line connection to the San Jose Water Company main line.
 - Executed an agreement with San Jose Water Company (SJWC) to initiate a water line connection to the SJWC main line as the new source of water for the Preserve and Bear Creek Stables.
- Completed numerous major actions and commenced or continued other major actions toward completing the San Francisco Bay Trail Connection Project at *Ravenswood Open Space Preserve*, including:
 - Completed the conceptual trail design, including 30% design plans, completed the environmental review, and received Board approval for the Ravenswood Bay Trail Connection Project.
 - Received support for the proposed Exchange Agreement and Public Trail Easement from the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission Committee, who has forwarded their

- recommendation for approval to the City of San Francisco Board of Supervisors for their consideration in the fall of 2017.
- Drafted a Memorandum of Agreement with the City of East Palo Alto for inter-agency coordination on the Ravenswood Bay Trail Easement.
- Initiated regulatory agency consultation, attended three meetings with regulatory agencies representatives, and received regulatory agency approval for geotechnical investigations to inform the final design of the trail improvements.
- Completed multiple public access projects and specific milestones in *El Sereno, Rancho San Antonio, and Purisima Creek Redwoods Preserves*, including:
 - Added on-leash dog use to six miles of trail and explored potential trail connection routes at El Sereno Preserve.
 - Restored the Deer Hollow Farm white barn milk room at Rancho San Antonio Preserve, which facilitates ongoing environmental interpretation and animal husbandry support for the popular farm site.
 - Completed 69 days of vehicle occupancy counts to understand the parking use patterns for Rancho San Antonio Preserve.
 - Coordinated with the City of Mountain View and Friends of Deer Hollow Farm to prepare for a historic and structural assessment of the White Barn at Rancho San Antonio Preserve to be conducted during FY2017-18.
 - Repaired significant road damage on North Ridge Trail to make it accessible for emergency vehicles, completed extensive repairs on Borden-Hatch Mill Trail and Grabtown Gulch Trail for improved access and drainage, received bids for replacement of a key access bridge, and completed geotechnical work to inform the replacement of the lower parking lot restroom at Purisima Creek Redwoods Preserve.
- Completed the installation of a parking lot safety netting structure in *Fremont Older Preserve* to protect visitors and vehicles from stray golf balls from the neighboring golf course.
- Continued to make progress towards permitting the Oljon Trail at *El Corte de Madera Preserve* with construction expected to begin in FY 2017 18.
- Provided grant funding and partnered with the South Skyline FireSafe Council for a fire break along Charcoal Road adjacent to *Monte Bello Preserve*.
- Entered into contract to initiate an updated geotechnical evaluation of the Alpine Road Trail, owned by San Mateo County, to evaluate the ongoing landslide and drainage problems and identify potential long-term repair scenarios at *Coal Creek Preserve*.
- Received permits for the construction of new pedestrian bridges at *Monte Bello Preserve*.
- Installed a picnic table shade shelter at the David Daniels Nature Center in *Skyline Ridge Preserve*.
- Executed a one-year license agreement with the Hawthorns Preservation Trust & Foundation to begin evaluating a potential partnership for the rehabilitation of the Hawthorns Historic Complex at the Hawthorn Property addition to *Windy Hill Preserve*.

- Conducted numerous field investigations and trail route evaluations for a potential future regional trail crossing over Highway 17 that would become part of the Bay Area Ridge Trail near the *El Sereno*, *St. Joseph's Hill, and Bear Creek Redwoods Preserves*.
- Completed multiple *District-Wide* public access projects, including:
 - Cleared vegetation for fire safety and public access on roads and trails, and for over 30 District structures.
 - Cleared hundreds of downed trees and repaired numerous roads and trails due to severe winter storms.
 - Gathered visitor use counts by installing 13 counters at various preserves.
 - Regraded multiple roads and trails for improved drainage.
 - Installed nine preserve entrance signs.
 - Engaged in San Mateo County's effort to help identify a new regional trail as the Ohlone/Portolá Heritage Trail for potential designation as a National Historic Trail.
 - Explored opportunities to expand regional trails and connectivity on the Peninsula through active participation in the Peninsula Working Group collaborative.
- Installed 37 Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs) in all District emergency vehicles and offices.
- Began work on evaluating the District's volunteer and docent programs in order to improve service delivery and help ensure that the District serves a diverse audience in an effective manner.
- Purchased eight maintenance vehicles, five patrol vehicles, three administrative vehicles, and two tractors.
- Represented the District at 47 community outreach events, including the San Mateo Coast.
- Developed a Fog Harvesting informational webpage on the District's website to inform the public of an ongoing partnership with USGS on researching the effectiveness of various pilot fog collectors in harvesting water at *Skyline Ridge Preserve* and *Purisima Creek Redwoods Preserve*.
- Hosted the annual Volunteer Recognition Event at *Ravenswood Preserve* on September 24, 2016 to recognize the District's volunteers (more than 19,000 hours of volunteer support) in restoring native habitats and hosting environmental education activities for the public.
- Hosted the sixth annual Wingding Family Festival at *Skyline Preserve* on May 20, 2017, with more than 400 people in attendance.
- Promotion of GeoPDF program resulted in a 1,000% increase in map downloads from the website onto personal mobile devices by the public, indicating that the downloadable maps are being widely used to enhance trail navigation by our visitors.
- Hosted a series of three health hikes for the public in partnership with the San Mateo County Medical Association.

- Hosted a series of 10 hikes for the public in partnership with Latino Outdoors at seven different preserves, reaching 95 participants of whom many were new to District preserves.
- Continued memberships with the Chambers of Commerce in the Cities of Los Altos, Mountain View, Redwood City, Sunnyvale, and Half Moon Bay to outreach with the business community.
- Developed a Youth Outreach Strategy for the next one to three years with long-term outreach goals for youth of elementary school, middle school, high school, and college age.
- Signed a Memorandum of Agreement with the Student Conservation Association to engage students from diverse backgrounds in District work and help mentor the next generation of conservation leaders.
- Initiated development of a Preserve Use Survey Study to understand who is visiting District
 preserves, what the experience is like, how visitors are accessing the properties, and what
 might be the reasons why others are not benefiting from the opportunities to head out to their
 open space lands.
- Developed a Coastal Communications Plan in partnership with the Peninsula Open Space Trust (POST) to enhance our outreach and engagement on the San Mateo Coast.
- Conducted a one-week tabling campaign for mountain lion awareness at *Rancho San Antonio Preserve*.
- Continued consultation and collaboration with the San Mateo County Farm Bureau regarding the District's conservation grazing program and other agricultural efforts on the San Mateo County coast.

GENERAL/DISTRICT-WIDE SUPPORT OF MISSION

- Issued 2016 Green Bonds Refunding to refund the existing 2007A and advance refund the 2011 bonds. Saved \$15.8 Million (20.1%), reduced final maturity by three years, and sold 65% of the new bonds retail. This issue was the District's first Green Bond and included a coordinated multi-media marketing effort.
- Continued implementation of critical *Financial and Operational Sustainability Model Study* recommendations to enhance the District's delivery of Measure AA projects and fulfillment of its Vision Plan and Mission, including:
 - Implemented additional New World Systems financial software enhancements and modules.
 - Researched and developed curriculum and process for an internal District Leadership Academy.
 - Researched, developed, and implemented elements of the new District-wide New Hire Onboarding Program.
 - Completed development and received Board approval of numerous new and updated District policies.
 - Reorganized the Human Resources and Public Affairs Departments in order to increase efficiencies and improve operations within these two departments.

- Worked with Board, staff, and local legislators to initiate SB 492 (Beall), which enables the purchase of ~6,500 acres of watershed land from San Jose Water Company and SB 793 (Hill), which allows the District to utilize design-build methodologies for its projects. To date, both bills have cleared their house of origin with bipartisan support.
- Held five Diversity Ad Hoc Committee meetings to implement the Board-approved Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Policy.
- Instituted a District-wide Telecommuting Program with clear policies and guidelines for telecommuting as an alternative work arrangement that continues to meet District business needs while assisting with employee recruitment and retention.
- Implemented numerous administrative procedural improvements to support and streamline business functions, including:
 - Trained staff on the District's Project Delivery Process and presented the Project Delivery Process to the Board.
 - Built a scalable framework into Microsoft SharePoint, creating a District-wide intranet and solution for tracking projects.
 - Conducted vendor research and received presentations for asset management solutions.
 - Coordinated and implemented the District's first Enterprise GIS, providing real-time data access to staff and serving as the source record for District assets.
 - Completed the installation of 4G, GPS, and powered computer docking capability on 23 District patrol vehicles to improve field communications.
 - Completed a comprehensive signage inventory database for all District preserves.
 - Completed implementation of hyper-converged infrastructure improvements to support future IT initiatives.
 - Increased the internet bandwidth of the South Area Outpost field office for improved connectivity.
 - Completed an internal training database for all District departments.
- Completed a District Housing Structures Assessment for the Driscoll Ranch Area of La Honda Creek Preserve and secured Board approval to build Agricultural Workforce Housing in partnership with San Mateo County.
- Completed installation and repair of water systems at Big Dipper Ranch, Stevens Canyon Ranch, 5755 Alpine Road (Silva), and Toto Ranch.
- Completed improvements on 32 District residences, some of which house rangers and maintenance staff who provide onsite, after-hours monitoring of the District's Preserves.
- Completed the resurfacing and repairs of driveways at 105 Rapley Road, 22322 Skyline Blvd., and Toto Ranch.
- Received Board approval for the purchase of a new South Area Field Office in Campbell to improve ranger and maintenance dispatch times and increase the District's presence in the southern Preserves.

- Obtained Board approval to investigate new Administrative Office building options in order to meet long-term business needs and house all the administrative office staff, functions, and programs at one location.
- Obtained Board approval to demolish the El Sereno residence.
- Completed development and obtained Board approval of a new District Housing Policy.

AWARDS/GRANTS/RECOGNITION

- Evaluated over 30 grant opportunities, completed one grant application, completed four disbursement requests, negotiated a new grant agreement, and finalized one grant amendment.
- Received Board approval of a Memorandum of Understanding with the Santa Clara Valley
 Water District for a five year, \$1,000,000 funding agreement to complete invasive species
 removal at *Bear Creek Redwoods Preserve*, with a possible five year extension for another
 \$1,000,000.
- Received Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors approval of a \$400,000 grant funding agreement to help fund trail design and construction.
- Won the Outstanding Planning Document award from the Association of Environmental Professionals for the Preserve Plan/EIR for the *Bear Creek Redwoods Preserve*.
- Received the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award from the Government Finance Officers Association for the first time.