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WILKIN COUNTY BRECKENRIDGE, MINNESOTA

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007

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ORGANIZATION SCHEDULE DECEMBER 31, 2007

| Office | Name | Term Expires |
|------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------|
| | | |
| Commissioners | | |
| 1st District | John Blaufuss | January 2009 |
| 2nd District | Stephanie Miranowski* | January 2011 |
| 3rd District | Lyle Hovland | January 2009 |
| 4th District | Neal Folstad | January 2011 |
| 5th District | Robert Perry | January 2009 |
| Officials | | |
| Elected | | |
| Attorney | Timothy Fox | January 2011 |
| Auditor | Wayne Bezenek | January 2011 |
| County Recorder | Renae Niemi | January 2011 |
| Registrar of Titles | Renae Niemi | January 2011 |
| Sheriff | Thomas Matejka | January 2011 |
| Treasurer | Rose Ann Hulne | January 2011 |
| Appointed | | - |
| Assessor | Cheryl Wall | July 2008 |
| Highway Engineer | Thomas Richels | May 2008 |
| Medical Examiner | Dr. Vartan Malkasian | Indefinite |
| Veterans Service Officer | Ron Verhaagen | November 2008 |
| Family Services Director | Dave Sayler | Indefinite |
| Emergency Management Officer | Vernon Woytassek | Indefinite |

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Board of County Commissioners Wilkin County

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Wilkin County, Minnesota, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2007, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements. These financial statements are the responsibility of Wilkin County's management. 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 of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Wilkin County as of and for the year ended December 31, 2007, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The Management's Discussion and Analysis and required supplementary information listed in the table of contents are not a required part of the basic financial statements but are supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise Wilkin County's basic financial statements. The supplementary information and other schedules listed in the table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated November 26, 2008, on our consideration of Wilkin County'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 the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

/s/Rebecca Otto

/s/Greg Hierlinger

REBECCA OTTO STATE AUDITOR GREG HIERLINGER, CPA DEPUTY STATE AUDITOR

November 26, 2008





MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS DECEMBER 31, 2007 (Unaudited)

As management of Wilkin County, Minnesota, we offer the readers of the Wilkin County financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of its financial activities for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2007. We encourage readers to consider the information presented here in conjunction with the basic financial statements that follow this section. All amounts, unless otherwise indicated, are expressed in whole dollars.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- The assets of Wilkin County exceeded its liabilities on December 31, 2007, by \$45,391,031. Of this amount, \$5,437,473 (unrestricted net assets) may be used to meet the government's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.
- As of the close of 2007, Wilkin County's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$5,546,663, an increase of \$1,641,218 in comparison with 2006. Of this balance amount, \$4,915,896 was unreserved by Wilkin County and thus available for spending at the government's discretion.
- At the end of 2007, unreserved fund balance of the General Fund was \$2,565,375, or 77 percent, of the total General Fund expenditures for that year.
- The County had general obligation bonds in the amount of \$3,555,000 at the end of 2007.

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

This Management's Discussion and Analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to Wilkin County's basic financial statements. The County's financial statements are comprised of three components: (1) government-wide financial statements, (2) fund level financial statements, and (3) notes to the financial statements. This report also contains other supplementary information.

Government-Wide Financial Statements

Government-wide financial statements are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the County's finances in a manner similar to a private-sector business.

The statement of net assets presents information on all of Wilkin County's assets and liabilities, with the difference reported as net assets. Over time, increases or decreases in net assets may serve as useful indicators of whether the financial position of the County is improving or deteriorating.

The statement of activities presents information showing how the government's net assets changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net assets are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will result in cash flows only in future fiscal periods (such as uncollected taxes and earned but unused vacation leave).

Wilkin County's government-wide financial statements report functions of the County that are principally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues. The governmental activities of Wilkin County include general government, public safety, highways and streets, sanitation, human services, health, culture and recreation, conservation of natural resources, economic development, and interest.

The government-wide statements can be found as Exhibits 1 and 2 of this report.

Fund Level Statements

A fund is a grouping of related accounts used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. Wilkin County, like other state and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with financial-related legal requirements. All of the funds of Wilkin County can be divided into two categories: governmental funds and fiduciary funds.

Governmental funds. Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, governmental fund financial statements focus on near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources, as well as on balances of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating a government's near-term financial requirements.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financial decisions. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between governmental funds and governmental activities.

Wilkin County adopts an annual appropriated budget for its General Fund, Road and Bridge Special Revenue Fund, Human Services Special Revenue Fund, Environmental Special Revenue Fund, Public Health Nurse Special Revenue Fund, and Courthouse Improvement Debt Service Fund. Budgetary comparison schedules have been provided for these funds to demonstrate compliance with this budget.

Fiduciary funds. Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside of Wilkin County. Fiduciary funds are not included in the government-wide financial statements because the resources of those funds are not available to support Wilkin County's own programs or activities. The accounting for fiduciary funds is much like that used for the government-wide statements.

Notes to the Financial Statements

Notes to the financial statements provide additional information essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements.

Other Information

Other information is provided in supplementary information schedules on Wilkin County's budgeted funds, deposits and investments, ditch balances, and intergovernmental revenues.

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

Over time, net assets serve as a useful indicator of the County's financial position. Wilkin County's assets exceeded liabilities by \$45,391,031 at the close of 2007. The largest portion of the County's net assets (87 percent) reflects the County's investment in capital assets (land, buildings, equipment, and infrastructure such as roads and bridges), less any related debt used to acquire those assets. However, it should be noted that these assets are not for future spending or for liquidating any remaining debt.

Net Assets

| | | 2007 | 2006 |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|
| Current and other assets Capital assets | \$ | 6,857,065 43,101,570 | \$ 5,878,057 42,153,914 |
| Total Assets | \$ | 49,958,635 | 48,031,971 |
| Long-term liabilities Other liabilities | \$ | 3,964,032 603,572 | \$ 4,228,355 1,403,460 |
| Total Liabilities | \$ | 4,567,604 | \$ 5,631,815 |
| Net Assets Invested in capital assets Restricted Unrestricted | \$ | 39,445,033 508,525 5,437,473 | \$ 38,206,088 202,697 3,991,371 |
| Total Net Assets | \$ | 45,391,031 | \$ 42,400,156 |
| | (Unaudited) | | Page 6 |

The unrestricted net assets amount of \$5,437,473 as of December 31, 2007, may be used to meet the County's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.

Governmental Activities

Wilkin County's activities increased Wilkin County's net assets during 2007 by \$2,990,875. Key elements in this increase are due to an increase in County infrastructure and a decrease in the long-term and other liabilities.

Changes in Net Assets

| | 2007 | 2006 |
|-----------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Revenues | | |
| Program revenues | | |
| Charges for services | \$ 2,389,663 | \$ 1,719,737 |
| Operating grants and contributions | 4,807,757 | 5,219,618 |
| Capital grants and contributions | 1,237,014 | 924,515 |
| General revenues | | |
| Property taxes | 4,737,001 | 4,094,929 |
| Other taxes | 16,059 | 13,337 |
| Grants and contributions not restricted | 1,004,515 | 1,169,107 |
| Other general revenues | 253,215 | 255,048 |
| Total Revenues | \$ 14,445,224 | \$ 13,396,291 |
| Expenses | | |
| General government | \$ 1,721,033 | \$ 1,633,398 |
| Public safety | 1,474,794 | 1,387,120 |
| Highways and streets | 4,121,468 | 3,829,594 |
| Sanitation | 369,519 | 377,457 |
| Human services | 2,319,957 | 2,547,480 |
| Health | 740,543 | 719,802 |
| Culture and recreation | 53,807 | 53,623 |
| Conservation of natural resources | 507,930 | 403,408 |
| Economic development | 800 | 800 |
| Interest | 144,498 | 160,753 |
| Total Expenses | \$ 11,454,349 | \$ 11,113,435 |
| Increase in Net Assets | \$ 2,990,875 | \$ 2,282,856 |
| Net Assets - January 1 | 42,400,156 | 40,117,300 |
| Net Assets - December 31 | \$ 45,391,031 | \$ 42,400,156 |

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE GOVERNMENT'S FUNDS

As noted earlier, Wilkin County uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

Governmental Funds. The focus of the County's governmental funds is to provide information on short-term inflows, outflows, and balances of spendable resources. Such information is useful in assessing the County's financing requirements. In particular, unreserved fund balance may serve as a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

As of the end of the current fiscal year, Wilkin County's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$5,546,663, an increase of \$1,641,218 in comparison with the prior year. Of the ending fund balance, \$4,915,896 represents unreserved fund balance, which is available for spending at the County's discretion. The remainder of fund balance is reserved to indicate that it is not available for new spending because it has already been committed for various reasons.

The General Fund is a chief operating fund for the County. At the end of the current fiscal year, it had an unreserved fund balance of \$2,565,375. As a measure of the General Fund's liquidity, it may be useful to compare unreserved fund balance to total expenditures. General Fund unreserved fund balance represents 77 percent of total General Fund expenditures. In 2007, ending fund balance in the General Fund increased by \$30,093. The primary reason for this increase was due to an increase in charges for services.

The Road and Bridge Special Revenue Fund's unreserved fund balance was \$905,018 at year-end.

The Human Services Special Revenue Fund's unreserved fund balance of \$682,847 at year-end represents 30 percent of the fund's annual expenditures. Fund balance increased \$358,242 during 2007 due to excess revenues over expenditures.

General Fund Budgetary Highlights

The Wilkin County Board of Commissioners did not make any budgetary amendments/revisions in 2007.

Actual revenues exceeded budgeted revenues by \$464,818, primarily due to increases in intergovernmental revenues.

Actual expenditures exceeded budgeted expenditures by \$392,178, due to excess costs in general government unallocated and in public safety for the Sheriff, jail, and emergency management.

(Unaudited)

CAPITAL ASSETS AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Capital Assets

Wilkin County's capital assets for its governmental activities at December 31, 2007, totaled \$43,101,570 (net of accumulated depreciation). This investment in capital assets includes land, buildings, equipment, and infrastructure.

Governmental Capital Assets (Net of Depreciation)

| | 2007 | 2006 |
|-----------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Land | \$ 1,049,314 | \$ 1,049,314 |
| Infrastructure | 34,301,043 | 32,884,752 |
| Buildings | 6,336,577 | 6,471,006 |
| Improvements other than buildings | 57,858 | 58,054 |
| Machinery and equipment | 1,320,533 | 1,652,631 |
| Construction in progress | 36,245 | 38,157 |
| | | |
| Total | \$ 43,101,570 | \$ 42,153,914 |

Additional information on the County's capital assets can be found in Note 3.A.3. in the notes to the financial statements.

Long-Term Debt

At the end of the current fiscal year, the County had total outstanding debt of \$3,555,000.

| | 2007 | | 2006 | | | |
|--------------------------|------|-----------|------|-----------|--|--|
| General obligation bonds | \$ | 3,555,000 | \$ | 3,750,000 | | |

The County debt related to general obligation bonds decreased by \$195,000.

ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGETS

The unemployment rate for Wilkin County at the end of 2007 was 5.2 percent. This compares favorably with the state unemployment rate of 5.9 percent and shows an increase from the 3.7 percent rate of one year ago.

By the end of 2007, Wilkin County approved its balanced 2008 revenue and expenditure budgets.

REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of Wilkin County's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report, or requests for additional financial information, should be addressed to: Wilkin County Auditor, 300 South 5th Street, Breckenridge, Minnesota 56520.











EXHIBIT 1

STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES DECEMBER 31, 2007

Assets

| Cash and pooled investments | \$ 5,178,479 |
|----------------------------------|------------------|
| Taxes receivable | |
| Current - net | 37,676 |
| Prior - net | 21,638 |
| Special assessments receivable | |
| Current - net | 1,967 |
| Prior - net | 579 |
| Deferred - net | 250,046 |
| Accounts receivable - net | 175,053 |
| Accrued interest receivable | 37,105 |
| Due from other governments | 842,025 |
| Inventories | 256,622 |
| Deferred charges | 55,875 |
| Capital assets | |
| Non-depreciable | 1,085,559 |
| Depreciable - net of accumulated | |
| depreciation | 42,016,011 |
| Total Assets | \$ 49,958,635 |

EXHIBIT 1 (Continued)

STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES DECEMBER 31, 2007

Liabilities

Total Net Assets

| \$ | 265,248 35,436 132,968 63,773 63,093 43,054 519,764 3,444,268 |
|----------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <u> </u> | 132,968 63,773 63,093 43,054 519,764 3,444,268 |
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| <u></u> | 43,054 519,764 3,444,268 |
| \$ | 519,764 3,444,268 |
| <u> </u> | 3,444,268 |
| \$ | 3,444,268 |
| \$ | |
| \$ | 4.567.604 |
| | 7,507,007 |
| | |
| | |
| \$ | 39,445,033 |
| | |
| | 93,698 |
| | 164,421 |
| | 146,802 |
| | 100,000 |
| | 3,604 |
| | 5,437,473 |
| | \$ |

45,391,031

EXHIBIT 2

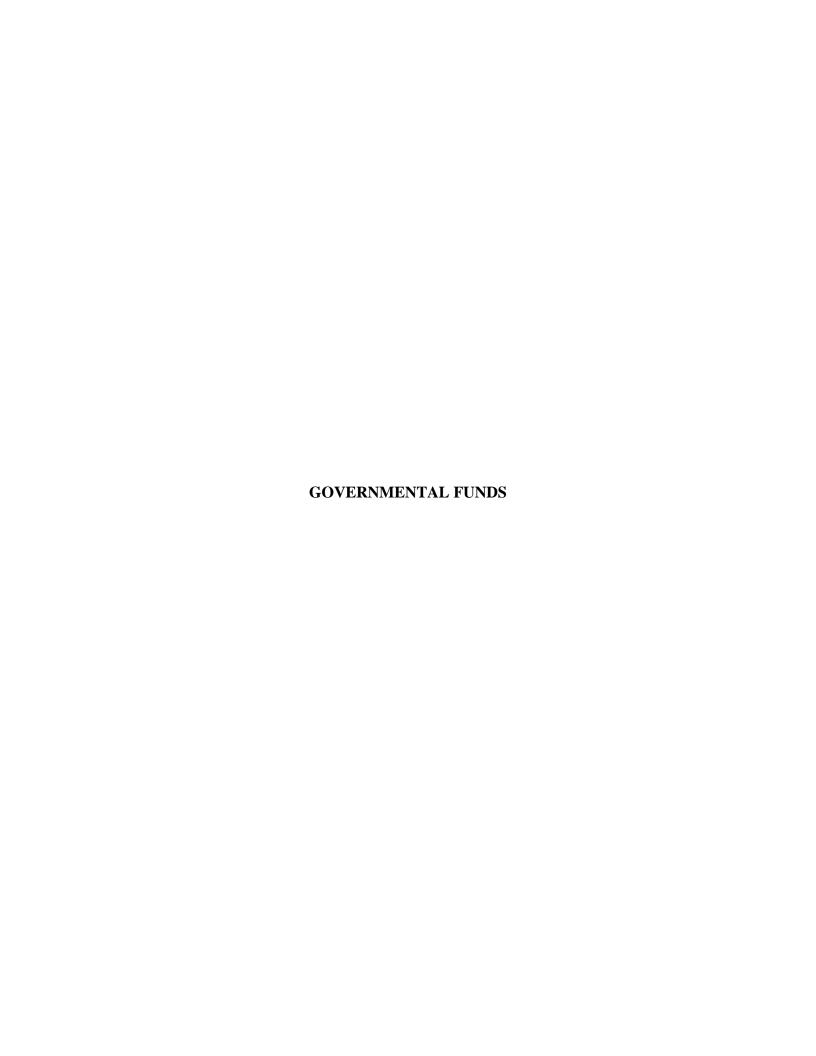
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007

| | | Expenses | | es, Charges, es, and Other | (| ram Revenues Operating Grants and ontributions | Capital Grants and ontributions | R | et (Expense) evenue and Changes in Net Assets |
|--------------------------------------|-----|-------------------|--------|-------------------------------|---------|---------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|----|--------------------------------------------------------|
| Functions/Programs | | | | | | | | | |
| Governmental activities | | | | | | | | | |
| General government | \$ | 1,721,033 | \$ | 245,392 | \$ | 48,187 | \$ - | \$ | (1,427,454) |
| Public safety | | 1,474,794 | | 358,418 | | 265,164 | - | | (851,212) |
| Highways and streets | | 4,121,468 | | 653,624 | | 3,149,838 | 1,237,014 | | 919,008 |
| Sanitation | | 369,519 | | 350,300 | | - | - | | (19,219) |
| Human services | | 2,319,957 | | 225,536 | | 1,018,856 | - | | (1,075,565) |
| Health | | 740,543 | | 268,478 | | 230,734 | - | | (241,331) |
| Culture and recreation | | 53,807 | | - | | - | - | | (53,807) |
| Conservation of natural resources | | 507,930 | | 287,915 | | 94,978 | - | | (125,037) |
| Economic development | | 800 | | - | | _ | _ | | (800) |
| Interest | | 144,498 | - | - | | - | - | | (144,498) |
| Total Governmental Activities | \$ | 11,454,349 | \$ | 2,389,663 | \$ | 4,807,757 | \$ 1,237,014 | \$ | (3,019,915) |
| | Ger | neral Revenues | | | | | | | |
| | | operty taxes | | | | | | \$ | 4,737,001 |
| | | avel taxes | | | | | | Ψ | 16,059 |
| | | yments in lieu of | ftax | | | | | | 27,292 |
| | | ants and contrib | | ot restricted to | necific | nrograms | | | 1,004,515 |
| | | vestment income | | ot restricted to | респис | programs | | | 225,923 |
| | T | otal general rev | venues | | | | | \$ | 6,010,790 |
| | Cł | nange in net ass | ets | | | | | \$ | 2,990,875 |
| | Net | Assets - Beginn | ing | | | | | | 42,400,156 |
| | Net | Assets - Ending | g | | | | | \$ | 45,391,031 |









BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS DECEMBER 31, 2007

| | General | Road and Bridge | | |
|------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|-----------|--|
| <u>Assets</u> | | | | |
| Cash and pooled investments | \$ 2,875,663 | \$ | 684,457 | |
| Petty cash and change funds | 3,000 | | 100 | |
| Undistributed cash in agency funds (taxes and other) | 35,005 | | 16,024 | |
| Taxes receivable | | | | |
| Current | 15,349 | | 8,365 | |
| Prior | 10,154 | | 5,034 | |
| Special assessments | | | | |
| Current | - | | - | |
| Prior | - | | - | |
| Deferred | - | | - | |
| Accounts receivable | 14,447 | | 28,270 | |
| Accrued interest receivable | 37,105 | | - | |
| Due from other funds | 1,073 | | 107,573 | |
| Due from other governments | 202,206 | | 473,372 | |
| Inventories | <u>-</u> | | 256,622 | |
| Total Assets | \$ 3,194,002 | \$ | 1,579,817 | |

| Human Services | Ditch | | Gov | Other vernmental Funds | Total Governmental Funds | | |
|-------------------|-------|----------|-----|------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------|--|
| \$ 713,903 | \$ | 136,775 | \$ | 674,970 5,000 | \$ | 5,085,768 8,100 | |
| 17,972 | | 4,956 | | 10,654 | | 84,611 | |
| 9,387 | | - | | 4,575 | | 37,676 | |
| 4,860 | | - | | 1,590 | | 21,638 | |
| - | | 1,967 | | - | | 1,967 | |
| - | | 579 | | - | | 579 | |
| - | | 250,046 | | - | | 250,046 | |
| 2,896 | | - | | 129,440 | | 175,053 | |
| - | | - | | - | | 37,105 | |
| - | | - | | 8,841 | | 117,487 | |
| 99,855 | | - | | 66,222 | | 841,655 | |
| <u> </u> | | <u> </u> | | | | 256,622 | |
| \$ 848,873 | \$ | 394,323 | \$ | 901,292 | \$ | 6,918,307 | |

BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS DECEMBER 31, 2007

| | General | Road and Bridge | | |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|-----------|--|
| Liabilities and Fund Balances | | | | |
| Liabilities | | | | |
| Accounts payable | \$ 50,627 | \$ | 75,152 | |
| Salaries payable | 12,409 | | 10,092 | |
| Contracts payable | - | | 132,968 | |
| Due to other funds | 1,033 | | - | |
| Due to other governments | 42,921 | | 2,894 | |
| Deferred revenue - unavailable | 159,914 | | 197,071 | |
| Deferred revenue - unearned | | | - | |
| Total Liabilities | \$ 266,904 | \$ | 418,177 | |
| Fund Balances | | | | |
| Reserved for | | | | |
| Inventories | \$ - | \$ | 256,622 | |
| Real estate tax shortfall | 21,330 | | - | |
| HAVA | 6,933 | | - | |
| Gravel pit restoration | - | | _ | |
| Missing heirs | 3,604 | | - | |
| Economic development | 100,000 | | _ | |
| Recorder's compliance fund | 48,732 | | - | |
| Recorder's equipment purchases | 16,703 | | - | |
| Enhanced 911 | 164,421 | | - | |
| Unreserved | | | | |
| Designated for future expenditures | 206,955 | | - | |
| Designated for cash flows | 1,381,369 | | - | |
| Designated for capital improvements | - | | 128,710 | |
| Undesignated | 977,051 | | 776,308 | |
| Unreserved, reported in nonmajor | | | | |
| Special revenue funds | - | | - | |
| Debt service fund | <u> </u> | | | |
| Total Fund Balances | \$ 2,927,098 | \$ | 1,161,640 | |
| Total Liabilities and Fund Balances | \$ 3,194,002 | \$ | 1,579,817 | |

| Human Services | | Ditch | | Go ^o | Other vernmental Funds | Total Governmental Funds | | |
|-------------------|----------|-------|----------|-----------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------|--|
| | | | | | | | | |
| \$ | 126,401 | \$ | - | \$ | 13,068 | \$ | 265,248 | |
| | 9,627 | | - | | 3,308 | | 35,436 132,968 | |
| | 9,526 | | 106,326 | | 232 | | 117,117 | |
| | 10,550 | | 2,251 | | 5,157 | | 63,773 | |
| | 9,922 | | 250,916 | | 96,225 | | 714,048 | |
| | <u>-</u> | | <u>-</u> | | 43,054 | | 43,054 | |
| \$ | 166,026 | \$ | 359,493 | \$ | 161,044 | \$ | 1,371,644 | |
| | | | | | | | | |
| \$ | - | \$ | - | \$ | - | \$ | 256,622 | |
| | - | | - | | - | | 21,330 | |
| | - | | - | | 12,422 | | 6,933 12,422 | |
| | - | | - | | 12,422 | | 3,604 | |
| | - | | - | | - | | 100,000 | |
| | _ | | _ | | _ | | 48,732 | |
| | - | | - | | - | | 16,703 | |
| | - | | - | | - | | 164,421 | |
| | - | | - | | - | | 206,955 | |
| | - | | - | | = | | 1,381,369 | |
| | - | | - | | - | | 128,710 | |
| | 682,847 | | 34,830 | | - | | 2,471,036 | |
| | - | | - | | 626,741 | | 626,741 | |
| | <u>-</u> | | <u>-</u> | | 101,085 | | 101,085 | |
| \$ | 682,847 | \$ | 34,830 | \$ | 740,248 | <u>\$</u> | 5,546,663 | |
| \$ | 848,873 | \$ | 394,323 | \$ | 901,292 | <u>\$</u> | 6,918,307 | |



EXHIBIT 4

RECONCILIATION OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET TO THE GOVERNMENT-WIDE STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS--GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES DECEMBER 31, 2007

| Fund balances - total governmental funds (Exhibit 3) | | \$ 5,546,663 |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net assets are different because: | | |
| Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds. | | 43,101,570 |
| Revenues in the statement of activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported in the governmental funds. | | 714,048 |
| Long-term liabilities, including bonds payable, are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds. | | |
| General obligation bonds | \$ (3,555,000) | |
| Capital leases | (101,537) | |
| Bond premium | (22,134) | |
| Deferred charges | 55,875 | |
| Accrued interest payable | (63,093) | |
| Compensated absences | (285,361) | (3,971,250) |
| Net Assets of Governmental Activities (Exhibit 1) | | \$ 45,391,031 |

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007

| | | Road and Bridge | | |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|--------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Revenues | | | | |
| Taxes | \$ | 1,955,906 | \$ | 1,058,970 |
| Special assessments | | - | | - |
| Licenses and permits | | 9,520 | | - |
| Intergovernmental | | 637,877 | | 4,637,286 |
| Charges for services | | 458,282 | | 597,121 |
| Fines and forfeits | | 10,743 | | - |
| Gifts and contributions | | - | | - |
| Investment earnings | | 219,503 | | - |
| Miscellaneous | | 89,494 | | 86,260 |
| Total Revenues | \$ | 3,381,325 | \$ | 6,379,637 |
| Expenditures | | | | |
| Current | | | | |
| General government | \$ | 1,627,980 | \$ | - |
| Public safety | | 1,429,416 | | - |
| Highways and streets | | - | | 5,052,704 |
| Sanitation | | - | | - |
| Human services | | - | | - |
| Health | | 3,932 | | - |
| Culture and recreation | | 53,807 | | - |
| Conservation of natural resources | | 199,350 | | - |
| Economic development | | 800 | | - |
| Intergovernmental | | | | |
| Highways and streets | | - | | 243,056 |
| Conservation of natural resources | | - | | - |
| Debt service | | | | |
| Principal | | - | | 96,289 |
| Interest | | - | | 10,781 |
| Administrative (fiscal) charges | | <u>-</u> | | - |
| Total Expenditures | \$ | 3,315,285 | \$ | 5,402,830 |
| Excess of Revenues Over (Under) | | | | |
| Expenditures | <u>\$</u> | 66,040 | <u>\$</u> | 976,807 |

| | Human Services Ditch | | Go | Other overnmental Funds | Total | | |
|----|----------------------|-----------|----------|-------------------------------|-----------|----|------------|
| \$ | 1,171,180 | \$ | _ | \$ | 572,318 | \$ | 4,758,374 |
| Ψ | - | Ψ | 255,119 | Ψ | - | Ψ | 255,119 |
| | - | | - | | 3,750 | | 13,270 |
| | 1,273,626 | | - | | 472,418 | | 7,021,207 |
| | 110,958 | | - | | 365,963 | | 1,532,324 |
| | 4,847 | | - | | - | | 15,590 |
| | - | | - | | 2,077 | | 2,077 |
| | - | | - | | - | | 219,503 |
| | 109,731 | | <u>-</u> | | 329,384 | | 614,869 |
| \$ | 2,670,342 | \$ | 255,119 | \$ | 1,745,910 | \$ | 14,432,333 |
| \$ | - | \$ | 910 | \$ | - | \$ | 1,628,890 |
| | - | | - | | - | | 1,429,416 |
| | - | | - | | - | | 5,052,704 |
| | - | | - | | 339,387 | | 339,387 |
| | 2,312,100 | | - | | - | | 2,312,100 |
| | - | | - | | 729,328 | | 733,260 |
| | - | | - | | - | | 53,807 |
| | - | | 140,496 | | 13,283 | | 353,129 |
| | - | | - | | - | | 800 |
| | - | | - | | - | | 243,056 |
| | - | | 154,539 | | - | | 154,539 |
| | - | | - | | 195,000 | | 291,289 |
| | - | | - | | 142,660 | | 153,441 |
| | | | | | 403 | | 403 |
| \$ | 2,312,100 | <u>\$</u> | 295,945 | \$ | 1,420,061 | \$ | 12,746,221 |
| \$ | 358,242 | \$ | (40,826) | \$ | 325,849 | \$ | 1,686,112 |

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007

| | | General | Road and Bridge | | |
|-------------------------------------------------|---------|-----------|--------------------|-----------|--|
| Other Financing Sources (Uses) | | | | | |
| Transfers in | \$ | 103,000 | \$ | 15,000 | |
| Transfers out | <u></u> | (138,947) | | | |
| Total Other Financing Sources (Uses) | \$ | (35,947) | \$ | 15,000 | |
| Change in Fund Balances | \$ | 30,093 | \$ | 991,807 | |
| Fund Balances - January 1 | | 2,897,005 | | 214,727 | |
| Increase (decrease) in reserved for inventories | | <u> </u> | | (44,894) | |
| Fund Balances - December 31 | \$ | 2,927,098 | \$ | 1,161,640 | |

| Human Services | | Ditch | | Gov | Other vernmental Funds | Total | | |
|-------------------|----------------------|-------|----------|-----|------------------------------|-------|-----------------------|--|
| \$ | 103,000 (103,000) | \$ | - - | \$ | 20,947 | \$ | 241,947 (241,947) | |
| \$ | <u> </u> | \$ | <u> </u> | \$ | 20,947 | \$ | | |
| \$ | 358,242 | \$ | (40,826) | \$ | 346,796 | \$ | 1,686,112 | |
| | 324,605 | | 75,656 | | 393,452 | | 3,905,445 (44,894) | |
| \$ | 682,847 | \$ | 34,830 | \$ | 740,248 | \$ | 5,546,663 | |

EXHIBIT 6

RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE GOVERNMENT-WIDE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES--GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007

| Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds (Exhibit 5) | | \$ 1,686,112 |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because: | | |
| In the funds, under the modified accrual basis, receivables not available for expenditure are deferred. In the statement of activities, those revenues are recognized when earned. The adjustment to revenues between the fund statements and the statement of activities is the increase (decrease) in revenues deferred as unavailable. | | |
| Deferred revenue - December 31 Deferred revenue - January 1 | \$ 714,048 (579,753) | 134,295 |
| Governmental funds report capital outlay as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. | | |
| Expenditures for general capital assets and infrastructure Current year depreciation | \$ 2,606,107 (1,658,451) | 947,656 |
| Repayment of debt principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the statement of net assets. | | |
| General obligation bonds Capital lease | \$ 195,000 96,289 | 291,289 |
| Governmental funds report the effect of issuance costs, premiums, discounts, and similar items when debt is first issued; whereas, these amounts are deferred and amortized in the statement of activities. | | (2,579) |
| Some expenses reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds. | | |
| Change in accrued interest payable Change in compensated absences Change in inventories | \$ 7,654 (28,658) (44,894) | (65,898) |
| Change in Net Assets of Governmental Activities (Exhibit 2) | | \$ 2,990,875 |

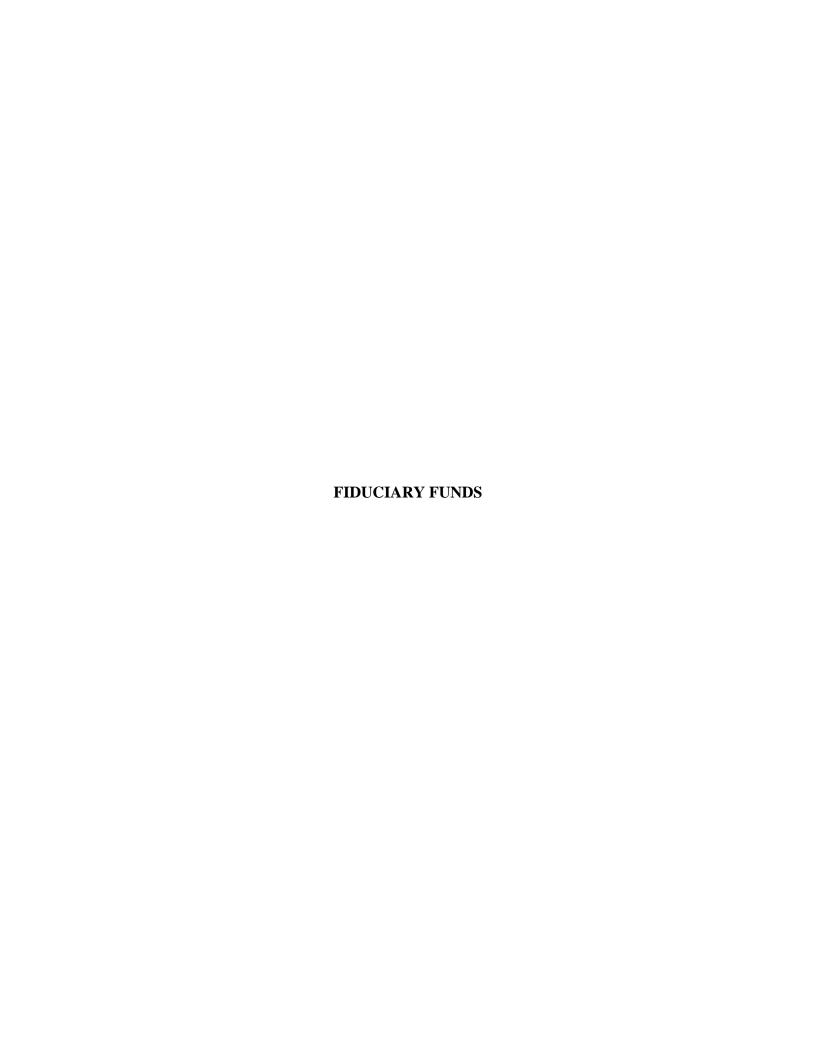




EXHIBIT 7

STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET ASSETS AGENCY FUNDS DECEMBER 31, 2007

Assets

| Cash and pooled investments Due from other governments | \$ | 138,945 2,703 |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|--------------------------|
| Total Assets | <u>\$</u> | 141,648 |
| <u>Liabilities</u> | | |
| Due to other funds Due to other governments Funds held in trust | \$ | 370 127,118 14,160 |
| Total Liabilities | \$ | 141,648 |



NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AS OF AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The County's financial statements are prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2007. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is responsible for establishing GAAP for state and local governments through its pronouncements (statements and interpretations). Governments are also required to follow the pronouncements of the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued through November 30, 1989, (when applicable) that do not conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements. The more significant accounting policies established in GAAP and used by the County are discussed below.

A. Financial Reporting Entity

Wilkin County was established March 6, 1868, and is an organized county having the powers, duties, and privileges granted counties by Minn. Stat. ch. 373. The County is governed by a five-member Board of Commissioners elected from districts within the County. The Board is organized with a chair and vice chair elected at the annual meeting in January of each year.

Joint Ventures

The County participates in joint ventures, jointly-governed organizations, and a related organization, which are described in Notes 5.D., 5.E., and 5.F., respectively.

B. <u>Basic Financial Statements</u>

1. Government-Wide Statements

The government-wide financial statements (the statement of net assets and the statement of activities) display information about the County. These statements include the financial activities of the overall County government, except for fiduciary activities. Eliminations have been made to minimize the double counting of internal activities.

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

B. Basic Financial Statements

1. <u>Government-Wide Statements</u> (Continued)

In the government-wide statement of governmental net assets, the governmental activities: (a) are presented on a consolidated basis; and (b) are reported on a full accrual, economic resource basis that recognizes all long-term assets and receivables as well as long-term debt and obligations. The County's net assets are reported in three parts: (1) invested in capital assets, net of related debt; (2) restricted net assets; and (3) unrestricted net assets. The County first utilizes restricted resources to finance qualifying activities.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of each function of the County's governmental activities are offset by program revenue. Direct expenses are those clearly identifiable with a specific function or activity. Program revenues include: (1) fees, fines, and charges paid by the recipients of goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or activity; and (2) grants and contributions restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or activity. Revenues not classified as program revenue, including all taxes, are presented as general revenue.

2. Fund Financial Statements

The fund financial statements provide information about the County's funds, including its fiduciary funds. Separate statements for each fund category-governmental and fiduciary--are presented. The emphasis of governmental fund financial statements is on major individual governmental funds, with each displayed as separate columns in the fund financial statements. All remaining governmental funds are aggregated and reported as nonmajor funds.

The County reports the following major governmental funds:

The <u>General Fund</u> is the County's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

1. <u>Summary of Significant Accounting Policies</u>

B. Basic Financial Statements

2. Fund Financial Statements (Continued)

The <u>Road and Bridge Special Revenue Fund</u> is used to account for revenues and expenditures of the County Highway Department, which is responsible for the construction and maintenance of roads, bridges, and other projects affecting County roadways.

The <u>Human Services Special Revenue Fund</u> is used to account for economic assistance and community social services programs.

The <u>Ditch Special Revenue Fund</u> is used to account for the financial transactions of the County drainage systems. Financing is provided by special assessments levied against benefited property owners.

Additionally, the County reports the following fund types:

The <u>Debt Service Fund</u> accounts for the resources accumulated and payments made for the principal and interest on long-term debt of the government.

The <u>Capital Projects Fund</u> accounts for financial resources to be used for the acquisition or construction of major capital facilities.

<u>Agency funds</u> are custodial in nature and do not present results of operations or have a measurement focus. These funds account for assets that the County holds for others in an agent capacity.

C. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

The government-wide and fiduciary fund financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned, and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenue in the year for which they are levied. Shared revenues are generally recognized in the period the appropriation goes into effect. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

C. <u>Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting</u> (Continued)

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Wilkin County considers all revenue as available if collected within 60 days after the end of the current period. Property and other taxes, licenses, and interest are all considered susceptible to accrual. Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, except for principal and interest on long-term debt, compensated absences, and claims and judgments, which are recognized as expenditures to the extent that they have matured. Proceeds of long-term debt and acquisitions under capital leases are reported as other financing sources.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the County's policy to use restricted resources first and then unrestricted resources as needed.

D. Assets, Liabilities, and Net Assets or Equity

1. Deposits and Investments

The cash balances of substantially all funds are pooled and invested by the County Treasurer for the purpose of increasing earnings through investment activities. Pooled and fund investments are reported at their fair value at December 31, 2007, based on market prices. Pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 385.07, investment earnings on cash and pooled investments are credited to the General Fund. Other funds received investment earnings based on other state statutes, grant agreements, contracts, and bond covenants. Pooled investment earnings for 2007 were \$219,503.

Wilkin County invests in an external investment pool, the Minnesota Association of Governments Investing for Counties (MAGIC) Fund, which is created under a joint powers agreement pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 471.59. The MAGIC Fund is not registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), but does operate in a manner consistent with Rule 2a-7 prescribed by the SEC pursuant to the Investment Company Act of 1940 (17 C.F.R. § 270.2a-7). Therefore, the fair value of the County's position in the pool is the same as the value of the pool shares.

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

D. Assets, Liabilities, and Net Assets or Equity (Continued)

2. <u>Receivables and Payables</u>

Activities between funds representative of lending/borrowing arrangements outstanding at the end of the fiscal year are referred to as either "due to/from other funds" (the current portion of interfund loans) or "advances to/from other funds" (the noncurrent portion of interfund loans).

All receivables are shown net of an allowance for uncollectibles.

Property taxes are levied as of January 1 on property values assessed as of the same date. The tax levy notice is mailed in March with the first half payment due May 15 and the second half payment due October 15. Unpaid taxes at December 31 become liens on the respective property and are classified in the financial statements as taxes receivable - prior.

3. Inventories

All inventories are valued at cost using the first in/first out (FIFO) method. Inventories in governmental funds are recorded as expenditures when purchased rather than when consumed. Inventories at the government-wide level are recorded as expenses when consumed.

4. Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include property, plant, equipment, and infrastructure assets (for example, roads, bridges, sidewalks, and similar items), are reported in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the County as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$5,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of two years. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date of donation.

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets' lives are not capitalized.

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

D. Assets, Liabilities, and Net Assets or Equity

4. Capital Assets (Continued)

Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects are constructed. During the current period, the County did not have any capitalized interest.

Property, plant, and equipment of the County are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

| Assets | Years |
|------------------------------------|---------|
| Buildings | 25 - 40 |
| Building improvements | 20 - 35 |
| Public domain infrastructure | 15 - 75 |
| Furniture, equipment, and vehicles | 3 - 15 |

5. <u>Compensated Absences</u>

The liability for compensated absences reported in the financial statements consists of unpaid, accumulated annual and sick leave balances. The liability has been calculated using the vesting method, in which leave amounts for both employees who currently are eligible to receive termination payments and other employees who are expected to become eligible in the future to receive such payments upon termination are included. Compensated absences are accrued when incurred in the government-wide financial statements. A liability for these amounts is reported in the governmental funds only if they have matured, for example, as a result of employee resignations and retirements.

6. Deferred Revenue

All County funds and the government-wide financial statements defer revenue for resources that have been received, but not yet earned. Governmental funds also report deferred revenue in connection with receivables for revenue not considered to be available to liquidate liabilities of the current period.

1. <u>Summary of Significant Accounting Policies</u>

D. Assets, Liabilities, and Net Assets or Equity (Continued)

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

In the government-wide financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the governmental activities statement of net assets.

In the fund financial statements, the face amount of the debt issued is reported as an other financing source.

8. Fund Equity

In the fund financial statements, governmental funds report reservations of fund balance for amounts not available for appropriation or legally restricted by outside parties for use for a specific purpose. Designations of fund balance represent tentative management plans subject to change.

9. Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

2. Stewardship, Compliance, and Accountability

Excess of Expenditures Over Budget

| | Ex | Expenditures | | Budget | Excess | |
|---------------------------------------|----|--------------|----|-----------|---------------|--|
| General Fund | \$ | 3,315,285 | \$ | 2,923,107 | \$ 392,178 | |
| Special Revenue Funds Road and Bridge | | 5,402,830 | | 5,059,700 | 343,130 | |
| Public Health Nurse | | 729,328 | | 701,754 | 27,574 | |

3. Detailed Notes on All Funds

A. Assets

1. Deposits and Investments

The County's total cash and investments are reported as follows:

| Governmental activities | |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|
| Cash and pooled investments | \$ 5,178,479 |
| Fiduciary funds | |
| Cash and pooled investments | |
| Agency funds | 138,945 |
| | |
| Total Cash and Investments | \$ 5,317,424 |

a. Deposits

Minn. Stat. §§ 118A.02 and 118A.04 authorize the County to designate a depository for public funds and to invest in certificates of deposit. Minn. Stat. § 118A.03 requires that all County deposits be protected by insurance, surety bond, or collateral. The market value of collateral pledged shall be at least ten percent more than the amount on deposit plus accrued interest at the close of the financial institution's banking day, not covered by insurance or bonds.

Authorized collateral includes treasury bills, notes and bonds; issues of U.S. government agencies; general obligations rated "A" or better, revenue obligations rated "AA" or better; irrevocable standby letters of credit issued by the Federal Home Loan Bank; and certificates of deposit. Minnesota statutes require that securities pledged as collateral be held in safekeeping in a restricted account at the Federal Reserve Bank or in an account at a trust department of a commercial bank or other financial institution that is not owned or controlled by the financial institution furnishing the collateral.

Custodial Credit Risk

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a financial institution failure, the County's deposits may not be returned to it. The County does not have a deposit policy for custodial credit risk. As of December 31, 2007, the County's deposits were not exposed to custodial credit risk.

3. <u>Detailed Notes on All Funds</u>

A. Assets

1. <u>Deposits and Investments</u> (Continued)

b. Investments

Minn. Stat. §§ 118A.04 and 118A.05 generally authorize the following types of investments as available to the County:

- (1) securities which are direct obligations or are guaranteed or insured issues of the United States, its agencies, its instrumentalities, or organizations created by an act of Congress, except mortgage-backed securities defined as "high risk" by Minn. Stat. § 118A.04, subd. 6;
- (2) mutual funds through shares of registered investment companies provided the mutual fund receives certain ratings depending on its investments;
- (3) general obligations of the State of Minnesota and its municipalities, and in certain state agency and local obligations of Minnesota and other states provided such obligations have certain specified bond ratings by a national bond rating service;
- (4) bankers' acceptances of United States banks;
- (5) commercial paper issued by United States corporations or their Canadian subsidiaries that is rated in the highest quality category by two nationally recognized rating agencies and matures in 270 days or less; and
- (6) with certain restrictions, in repurchase agreements, securities lending agreements, joint powers investment trusts, and guaranteed investment contracts.

3. Detailed Notes on All Funds

A. Assets

1. Deposits and Investments

b. <u>Investments</u> (Continued)

Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in the market interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. The County minimizes its exposure to interest rate risk by investing in both short-term and long-term investments and by timing cash flows from maturities so that a portion of the portfolio is maturing or coming close to maturity evenly over time as necessary to provide the cash flow and liquidity needed for operations.

Credit Risk

Generally, credit risk is the risk that an issuer of an investment will not fulfill its obligation to the holder of the investment. This is measured by the assignment of a rating by a nationally recognized statistical rating organization. It is the County's policy to invest only in securities that meet the ratings requirement set by state statute.

Custodial Credit Risk

The custodial credit risk for investments is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty to a transaction, a government will not be able to recover the value of investment or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The County does not have a policy on custodial credit risk. At December 31, 2007, \$922,235 of government securities and \$731,191 of publicly traded certificates of deposit were exposed to custodial credit risk because they were held by the counterparty.

3. <u>Detailed Notes on All Funds</u>

A. Assets

1. <u>Deposits and Investments</u>

b. <u>Investments</u> (Continued)

Concentration of Credit Risk

The concentration of credit risk is the risk of loss that may be caused by the County's investment in a single issuer. It is the County's policy that U.S. Treasury securities, U.S. agency securities, and obligations backed by U.S. Treasury and/or U.S. agency securities, may be held without limit.

The following table presents the County's cash and investment balances at December 31, 2007, and information relating to potential investment risks:

| | C | 114 D 1-1- | Concentration | Interest Rate | | O |
|----------------------------------------|------------------|---------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------------------|----|-----------------------------|
| Investment Type | Credit Rating | Rating Agency | Risk Over 5% of Portfolio | Risk Maturity Date | , | Carrying (Fair) Value |
| investment Type | Kating | Agency | Of Folitions | Date | | varue |
| U.S. government agency securities | | | | | | |
| Federal National Mortgage Association | Aaa | Moody's | 10.9% | 12/12/2017 | \$ | 350,984 |
| Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation | AAA | S&P | | 09/15/2013 | \$ | 100,072 |
| | | | | *************************************** | | |
| Federal Home Loan Bank | Aaa | Moody's | | 07/29/2008 | \$ | 375,589 |
| Federal Home Loan Bank | Aaa | Moody's | | 10/29/2009 | | 100,000 |
| Federal Home Loan Bank | AAA | S&P | | 06/26/2013 | | 100,234 |
| Federal Home Loan Bank | Aaa | Moody's | | 06/26/2013 | | 174,557 |
| Federal Home Loan Bank | Aaa | Moody's | | 07/16/2013 | | 99,685 |
| Total Federal Home Loan Bank | | | 26.3% | | \$ | 850,065 |
| Investment pools/mutual funds | | | | | | |
| MAGIC Fund | | | N/A | | \$ | 974,365 |
| Negotiable certificates of deposit | | | N/A | | \$ | 952,305 |
| Total investments | | | | | \$ | 3,227,791 |
| Deposits Change funds | | | | | | 2,081,533 8,100 |
| Total Cash and Investments | | | | | \$ | 5,317,424 |

N/R - Not Rated

N/A - Not Applicable

<5% - Concentration is less than 5% of investments

3. Detailed Notes on All Funds

A. Assets (Continued)

2. Receivables

Receivables as of December 31, 2007, for the County's governmental activities, including the applicable allowances for uncollectible accounts, are as follows:

| | | | Amounts Not Scheduled for Collection During | | |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|-----------|---------------------------------------------|---|--|
| | Total Receivables | | the Subsequent | | |
| | | | Year | | |
| Governmental Activities | | | | | |
| Taxes | \$ | 59,314 | \$ | - | |
| Special assessments | | 252,592 | | - | |
| Accounts (net) | | 175,053 | | - | |
| Interest | | 37,105 | | - | |
| Due from other governments | | 842,025 | | | |
| Total Governmental Activities | \$ | 1,366,089 | \$ | - | |

3. Capital Assets

Capital asset activity for the year ended December 31, 2007, was as follows:

| | Beginning Balance | | Increase | | Decrease | | Ending Balance | |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|----------|---------------------|-------------------|----|-------------------------|--|
| Capital assets not depreciated Land Construction in progress | \$ | 1,049,314 38,157 | \$ | - 24,353 | \$ - 26,265 | \$ | 1,049,314 36.245 | |
| Total capital assets not depreciated | \$ | 1,087,471 | \$ | 24,353 | \$ 26,265 | \$ | 1,085,559 | |
| Capital assets depreciated | | | | | | | | |
| Improvements other than buildings Buildings | \$ | 75,716 7,379,402 | \$ | 40,207 | \$ - | \$ | 75,716 7.419.609 | |
| Machinery, furniture, and equipment Infrastructure | | 4,841,527 47,027,441 | | 32,607 2,535,205 | 239,424 | | 4,634,710 49,562,646 | |
| Total capital assets depreciated | \$ | 59,324,086 | \$ | 2,608,019 | \$ 239,424 | \$ | 61,692,681 | |

3. Detailed Notes on All Funds

A. Assets

3. <u>Capital Assets</u> (Continued)

| | Beginning Balance | | Increase | | Decrease | | Ending Balance | |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|----------|----------------------|----------|---------|----------------|-------------------------|
| Less: accumulated depreciation for Improvements other than buildings | \$ | 17,662 | \$ | 196 | \$ | - | \$ | 17,858 |
| Buildings | | 908,396 | | 174,636 | | - | | 1,083,032 |
| Machinery, furniture, and equipment Infrastructure | | 3,188,896 14,142,689 | | 364,705 1,118,914 | | 239,424 | | 3,314,177 15,261,603 |
| Total accumulated depreciation | \$ | 18,257,643 | \$ | 1,658,451 | \$ | 239,424 | \$ | 19,676,670 |
| Total capital assets depreciated, net | \$ | 41,066,443 | \$ | 949,568 | \$ | | \$ | 42,016,011 |
| Governmental Activities Capital Assets, Net | \$ | 42,153,914 | \$ | 973,921 | \$ | 26,265 | \$ | 43,101,570 |

Depreciation expense was charged to functions/programs of the primary government as follows:

| General government | \$ 87,389 |
|----------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Public safety | 180,513 |
| Highways and streets, including depreciation | |
| of infrastructure assets | 1,354,226 |
| Human services | 4,506 |
| Health | 1,777 |
| Sanitation | 29,530 |
| Conservation of natural resources | 510 |
| | |
| Total Depreciation Expense | \$ 1,658,451 |

3. <u>Detailed Notes on All Funds</u> (Continued)

B. <u>Interfund Receivables</u>, Payables, and Transfers

The composition of interfund balances as of December 31, 2007, is as follows:

1. <u>Due To/From Other Funds</u>

| Receivable Fund | Payable Fund | Amount | | |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|--|--|
| General Fund | Human Services Fund Agency funds | \$ 703 370 | | |
| Total due to General Fund | | \$ 1,073 | | |
| Road and Bridge Fund | General Fund Ditch Fund Environmental Fund | \$ 1,015 106,326 232 | | |
| Total due to Road and Bridge Fund | | \$ 107,573 | | |
| Public Health Nurse Fund | General Fund Human Services Fund | \$ 18 8,823 | | |
| Total due to Public Health Nurse Fund | | \$ 8,841 | | |
| Total Due To/From Other Funds | | \$ 117,487 | | |

The outstanding balances between the funds result mainly from the time lag between the dates that (1) interfund goods and services are provided or reimbursable expenditures occur, (2) transactions are recorded in the accounting system, and (3) payments between funds are made.

3. Detailed Notes on All Funds

B. <u>Interfund Receivables, Payables, and Transfers</u> (Continued)

2. <u>Interfund Transfers</u>

Interfund transfers for the year ended December 31, 2007, consisted of the following:

| Transfer to General Fund from Human Services Fund | \$ 103,000 | Payback of funds transferred for cash flow purposes |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|
| Transfer to Road and Bridge Fund from General Fund | 15,000 | Provide for payment of gravel pit acquisition |
| Transfer to Human Services Fund from General Fund | 103,000 | Provide funds for cash flow purposes |
| Transfer to Law Enforcement Capital Projects Fund From General Fund | 20,947 | To close out the Law Enforcement Capital Projects Fund |
| Total Transfers Between Funds | \$ 241,947 | |

C. Liabilities

1. Payables

Payables at December 31, 2007, were as follows:

| | | Activities | | |
|--------------------------|------|------------|--|--|
| Accounts | \$ | 265,248 | | |
| Salaries | | 35,436 | | |
| Contracts | | 132,968 | | |
| Due to other governments | | 63,773 | | |
| Total Payables | _ \$ | 497,425 | | |

2. Deferred Revenue

Deferred revenue as of December 31, 2007, for the County is as follows:

| | Deferred Unavailable | | |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------|----|--------|
| Taxes and special assessments | \$ 297,065 | \$ | - |
| State-aid highway allotments | 136,255 | | - |
| Charges for services | 131,290 | | - |
| Grants | 21,614 | | 43,054 |
| Interest | 6,420 | | - |
| Public safety expenditures | 121,404 | | - |
| Total Deferred Revenue | \$ 714,048 | \$ | 43,054 |

3. <u>Detailed Notes on All Funds</u>

C. <u>Liabilities</u> (Continued)

3. Capital Lease

The County has entered into a lease agreement as lessee for financing the acquisition of certain equipment. This lease agreement qualifies as a capital lease for accounting purposes and, therefore, has been recorded at the present value of its future minimum lease payments as of the inception date. This capital lease consists of the following at December 31, 2007:

| Lease | Maturity | Installment | Payment Amount | Original | Balance |
|------------------------------------------|----------|-------------|-------------------|------------|------------|
| Governmental activities 2006 dump trucks | 2008 | Yearly | \$ 107,071 | \$ 304,897 | \$ 101,537 |

The future minimum lease obligations and the net present value of these minimum lease payments as of December 31, 2007, were as follows:

| Year Ending December 31 | vernmental activities |
|-----------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 2008 | \$ 107,071 |
| Less: amount representing interest | (5,534) |
| Present Value of Minimum Lease Payments | \$ 101,537 |

4. <u>Long-Term Debt</u>

| Type of Indebtedness | Final Maturity | Installment Amounts | Interest Rate (%) | Original Issue Amount | Outstanding Balance December 31, 2007 |
|----------------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| General obligation bonds | | | | | |
| 2005 G.O. Jail Bonds | 2021 | \$195,000 - \$325,000 | 3.99 | \$ 3,750,000 | \$ 3,555,000 |
| Add: unamortized premium | | | | | 22,134 |
| Total General Obligation Bonds, net | | | | | \$ 3,577,134 |

3. <u>Detailed Notes on All Funds</u>

C. <u>Liabilities</u> (Continued)

5. <u>Debt Service Requirements</u>

Debt service requirements at December 31, 2007, were as follows:

| Year Ending | General Obli | General Obligation Bonds | | | | | |
|-------------|--------------|--------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| December 31 | Principal | Interest | | | | | |
| 2008 | \$ 200,000 | \$ 135,747 | | | | | |
| 2009 | 205,000 | 128,404 | | | | | |
| 2010 | 215,000 | 120,529 | | | | | |
| 2011 | 220,000 | 112,372 | | | | | |
| 2012 | 225,000 | 104,029 | | | | | |
| 2013 - 2017 | 1,275,000 | 378,194 | | | | | |
| 2018 - 2021 | 1,215,000 | 102,382 | | | | | |
| Total | \$ 3,555,000 | \$ 1,081,657 | | | | | |

6. Changes in Long-Term Liabilities

Long-term liability activity for the year ended December 31, 2007, was as follows:

| | Beginning Balance | Additions | | Reductions | | Ending Balance | | Due Within One Year | |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------|---------|------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|--|
| Long-term liabilities Bonds payable General obligation bonds | \$ 3,750,000 | \$ | - | \$ | 195,000 | \$ | 3,555,000 | \$ 200,000 | |
| Add: Unamortized premium | 23,826 | | | | 1,692 | | 22,134 | - | |
| Total bonds payable | \$ 3,773,826 | \$ | - | \$ | 196,692 | \$ | 3,577,134 | \$ 200,000 | |
| Capital leases Compensated absences | 197,826 256,703 | | 390,526 | | 96,289 361,868 | | 101,537 285,361 | 101,537 218,227 | |
| Long-Term Liabilities | \$ 4,228,355 | \$ | 390,526 | \$ | 654,849 | \$ | 3,964,032 | \$ 519,764 | |

4. Employee Retirement Systems and Pension Plans

A. Defined Benefit Plans

Plan Description

All full-time and certain part-time employees of Wilkin County are covered by defined benefit pension plans administered by the Public Employees Retirement Association of Minnesota (PERA). PERA administers the Public Employees Retirement Fund, the Public Employees Police and Fire Fund, and the Local Government Correctional Service Retirement Fund (the Public Employees Correctional Fund), which are cost-sharing, multiple-employer retirement plans. These plans are established and administered in accordance with Minn. Stat. chs. 353 and 356.

Public Employees Retirement Fund members belong to either the Coordinated Plan or the Basic Plan. Coordinated Plan members are covered by Social Security, and Basic Plan members are not. All new members must participate in the Coordinated Plan. All police officers, firefighters, and peace officers who qualify for membership by statute are covered by the Public Employees Police and Fire Fund. Members who are employed in a county correctional institution as a correctional guard or officer, a joint jailer/dispatcher, or as a supervisor of correctional guards or officers or of joint jailer/dispatchers and are directly responsible for the direct security, custody, and control of the county correctional institution and its inmates, are covered by the Public Employees Correctional Fund.

PERA provides retirement benefits as well as disability benefits to members and benefits to survivors upon death of eligible members. Benefits are established by state statute and vest after three years of credited service. The defined retirement benefits are based on a member's highest average salary for any five successive years of allowable service, age, and years of credit at termination of service.

Two methods are used to compute benefits for Coordinated and Basic Plan members. The retiring member receives the higher of a step-rate benefit accrual formula (Method 1) or a level accrual formula (Method 2). Under Method 1, the annuity accrual rate for a Basic Plan member is 2.2 percent of average salary for each of the first ten years of service and 2.7 percent for each year thereafter. For a Coordinated Plan member, the annuity accrual rate is 1.2 percent of average salary for each of the first ten years and 1.7 percent for each successive year. Under Method 2, the annuity accrual rate is 2.7 percent of average salary for Basic Plan members and 1.7 percent for Coordinated Plan members for each year of service. For Public Employees Police and

4. Employee Retirement Systems and Pension Plans

A. Defined Benefit Plans

<u>Plan Description</u> (Continued)

Fire Fund members, the annuity accrual rate is 3.0 percent of average salary for each year of service. For Public Employees Correctional Fund members, the annuity accrual rate is 1.9 percent of average salary for each year of service.

For all Public Employees Retirement Fund members hired prior to July 1, 1989, whose annuity is calculated using Method 1, and for all Public Employees Police and Fire Fund and Public Employees Correctional Fund members, a full annuity is available when age plus years of service equal 90. A reduced retirement annuity is also available to eligible members seeking early retirement.

The benefit provisions stated in the previous paragraphs of this section are current provisions and apply to active plan participants. Vested, terminated employees who are entitled to benefits but are not yet receiving them are bound by the provisions in effect at the time they last terminated public service.

PERA issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the Public Employees Retirement Fund, the Public Employees Police and Fire Fund, and the Public Employees Correctional Fund. That report may be obtained on the internet at www.mnpera.org; by writing to PERA at 60 Empire Drive, Suite 200, Saint Paul, Minnesota 55103-2088; or by calling 651-296-7460 or 1-800-652-9026.

Funding Policy

Pension benefits are funded from member and employer contributions and income from the investment of fund assets. Minn. Stat. ch. 353 sets the rates for employer and employee contributions. The County makes annual contributions to the pension plans equal to the amount required by the state statutes. Public Employees Retirement Fund Basic Plan members and Coordinated Plan members were required to contribute 9.10 and 5.75 percent, respectively, of their annual covered salary in 2007. Contribution rates in the Coordinated Plan increased in 2008 to 6.00 percent. Public Employees Police and Fire Fund members were required to contribute 7.80 percent of their annual covered salary in 2007. That rate increased to 8.60 percent in 2008. Public Employees Correctional Fund members are required to contribute 5.83 percent of their annual covered salary.

4. Employee Retirement Systems and Pension Plans

A. Defined Benefit Plans

Funding Policy (Continued)

The County is required to contribute the following percentages of annual covered payroll in 2007 and 2008.

| | 2007 | 2008 |
|---------------------------------------|--------|--------|
| | | |
| Public Employees Retirement Fund | | |
| Basic Plan members | 11.78% | 11.78% |
| Coordinated Plan members | 6.25 | 6.50 |
| Public Employees Police and Fire Fund | 11.70 | 12.90 |
| Public Employees Correctional Fund | 8.75 | 8.75 |

The County's contributions for the years ending December 31, 2007, 2006, and 2005, for the Public Employees Retirement Fund, the Public Employees Police and Fire Fund, and the Public Employees Correctional Fund were:

| | 2007 | | 2006 | | _ | 2005 | |
|---------------------------------------|------|---------|------|---------|---|------|---------|
| Public Employees Retirement Fund | \$ | 197,451 | \$ | 186,591 | | \$ | 160,175 |
| Public Employees Police and Fire Fund | | 34,975 | | 33,369 | | | 27,905 |
| Public Employees Correctional Fund | | 28,653 | | 21,732 | | | 883 |

These contribution amounts are equal to the contractually required contributions for each year as set by state statute.

B. Defined Contribution Plan

One Wilkin County Commissioner is covered by the Public Employees Defined Contribution Plan, a multiple-employer, deferred compensation plan for local government officials, except elected county sheriffs. The plan is established and administered in accordance with Minn. Stat. ch. 353D. The plan is a tax qualified plan under Section 401(a) of the Internal Revenue Code, and all contributions by or on behalf of employees are tax deferred until time of withdrawal.

4. Employee Retirement Systems and Pension Plans

B. Defined Contribution Plan (Continued)

Plan benefits depend solely on amounts contributed to the plan plus investment earnings, less administrative expenses. Minn. Stat. § 353D.03 specifies the employee and employer contribution rates for those qualified personnel who elect to participate. An eligible elected official who decides to participate contributes five percent of salary, which is matched by the employer. Employees may elect to make member contributions in an amount not to exceed the employer share. Employee and employer contributions are combined and used to purchase shares in one or more of the seven accounts of the Minnesota Supplemental Investment Fund. For administering the plan, PERA receives 2.00 percent of employer contributions and 0.25 percent of the assets in each member account annually.

Total contributions by dollar amount and percentage of covered payroll made by the County during the year ended December 31, 2007, were:

| | <u>Em</u> | Em | Employer | | |
|-------------------------------|-----------|-------|----------|-----|--|
| Contribution amount | \$ | 889 | \$ | 889 | |
| Percentage of covered payroll | | 5.00% | | | |

Required contribution rates were 5.00 percent.

5. Summary of Significant Contingencies and Other Items

A. Risk Management

The County is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, or destruction of assets; errors or omissions; injuries to employees; or natural disasters. The County has entered into a joint powers agreement with other Minnesota counties to form the Minnesota Counties Insurance Trust (MCIT). The County is a member of both the MCIT Workers' Compensation and Property and Casualty Divisions. For other risks, the County carries commercial insurance. The County retains risk for the deductible portions of the insurance policies. The amounts of these deductibles are considered immaterial to the financial statements. There were no significant reductions in insurance from the prior year. The amount of settlements did not exceed insurance coverage for the past three fiscal years.

5. Summary of Significant Contingencies and Other Items

A. Risk Management (Continued)

The Workers' Compensation Division of MCIT is self-sustaining based on the contributions charged, so that total contributions plus compounded earnings on these contributions will equal the amount needed to satisfy claims liabilities and other expenses. MCIT participates in the Workers' Compensation Reinsurance Association with coverage at \$400,000 per claim in 2007 and \$410,000 in 2008. Should the MCIT Workers' Compensation Division liabilities exceed assets, MCIT may assess the County in a method and amount to be determined by MCIT.

The Property and Casualty Division of MCIT is self-sustaining, and the County pays an annual premium to cover current and future losses. MCIT carries reinsurance for its property lines to protect against catastrophic losses. Should the MCIT Property and Casualty Division liabilities exceed assets, MCIT may assess the County in a method and amount to be determined by MCIT.

B. Claims and Litigation

The County, in connection with the normal conduct of its affairs, may be involved in various claims, judgments, and litigation. The County Attorney identified no potential claims against the County that would materially affect the financial statements.

C. Contingent Liabilities

Amounts received or receivable from grant agencies are subject to audit and adjustment by grantor agencies, principally the federal government. Any disallowed claims, including amounts already collected, may constitute a liability of the applicable funds. The amount, if any, of the expenditures that may be disallowed by the grantor cannot be determined at this time, although the County expects such amounts, if any, to be immaterial.

5. Summary of Significant Contingencies and Other Items (Continued)

D. Joint Ventures

Area Agency on Aging

The West Central Area Agency on Aging was established June 2, 1982, by a joint powers agreement among Becker, Clay, Douglas, Grant, Otter Tail, Pope, Stevens, Traverse, and Wilkin Counties. The agreement was established to administer all aspects of the Older Americans Act by providing programs to meet the needs of the elderly in the nine-county area. Each county may be assessed a proportional share of 25 percent of the administrative costs incurred in carrying out this agreement. Each county's proportional share of this 25 percent of the administrative costs will be based upon the number of persons age 60 or older living within that county.

Any county may withdraw by providing notice to the chair of the Board 90 days prior to the beginning of the fiscal year. The chair shall forward a copy to each of the counties. Withdrawal shall not act to discharge any liability incurred or chargeable to any county before the effective date of withdrawal.

Control is vested in the West Central Board on Aging. The Board consists of one County Commissioner from each of the counties. Each member of the Board is appointed by the County Commissioners of the county he or she represents.

Complete financial statements for the Area Agency on Aging can be obtained from its administrative office, P. O. Box 726, Fergus Falls, Minnesota 56537.

Wilkin County Children's Collaborative

The Wilkin County Children's Collaborative was established in 1997, under the authority of the Joint Powers Act, pursuant to Minn. Stat. §§ 471.59 and 124D.23. The Collaborative includes Wilkin County; Wilkin County Family Service Agency; Wilkin County Public Health Nursing Service; Wilkin County Courts Services; Independent School District Nos. 846, 850, and 852; St. Mary School; St. Francis Medical Center/Hope Unit; and Clay-Wilkin Opportunity Council/Head Start. The purpose of the Collaborative is to provide coordinated family services and to commit resources to an integrated fund.

Control of the Wilkin County Children's Collaborative is vested in a Board of Directors, which is composed of one member appointed by each member party.

5. Summary of Significant Contingencies and Other Items

D. Joint Ventures

Wilkin County Children's Collaborative (Continued)

In the event of a withdrawal from the Wilkin County Children's Collaborative, the withdrawing party shall give a 90-day notice. The withdrawing party shall not be entitled to a refund of monies contributed to the Collaborative prior to the effective date of withdrawal. The Board shall continue to exist if the Collaborative is terminated for the limited purpose of discharging the Board's debts and liabilities, settling its affairs, and disposing of its remaining property.

Financing is provided by state grants and appropriations and contributions from its member parties. Wilkin County, in an agent capacity, reports the cash transactions of the Wilkin County Children's Collaborative as an agency fund on its financial statements. During 2007, the County did not contribute any funds to the Collaborative.

E. <u>Jointly-Governed Organizations</u>

Wilkin County, in conjunction with other governmental entities and various private organizations, formed the jointly-governed organizations listed below:

Buffalo-Red River Watershed District

The Buffalo-Red River Watershed District was formed pursuant to Minn. Stat. §§ 103D.201-.231, effective June 17, 1963, and includes land within Becker, Clay, and Wilkin Counties. The purpose of the District is to conserve the natural resources of the state by land-use planning, flood control, and other conservation projects by using sound scientific principles for the protection of the public health and welfare and the provident use of natural resources. Control of the District is vested in the Buffalo-Red River Watershed District Board of Managers, which is composed of five members having staggered terms of three years each, with three appointed by the Clay County Board, one appointed by the Becker County Board, and one appointed by the Wilkin County Board.

5. Summary of Significant Contingencies and Other Items

E. Jointly-Governed Organizations (Continued)

Western Area City/County Co-Op

Wilkin County and 24 other cities and counties entered into a joint powers agreement to establish the Western Area City/County Co-Op (WACCO) Joint Powers Board, effective September 5, 1995, and empowered under Minn. Stat. § 471.59. The purpose of the Board is to establish a resource network that identifies common needs of the individual governmental units and reduces the financial burden on each of its members through the cooperative sharing of existing resources. The management and control of WACCO shall be vested in a Board of Directors composed of a representative appointed by each member city and county.

District IV Transportation Planning

Wilkin County and 13 other cities and counties entered into a joint powers agreement to establish the District IV Transportation Planning Joint Powers Board, effective December 11, 1996, and empowered under Minn. Stat. § 471.59. The purpose of the Board is to develop a multi-modal transportation plan for the geographical jurisdiction of the member cities and counties. The Board is composed of 14 members, with one member appointed by each member city and county.

Agassiz Regional Library

The Agassiz Regional Library was formed pursuant to Minn. Stat. §§ 134.20 and 471.59, effective January 1, 1981, and includes Becker, Clay, Clearwater, Mahnomen, Norman, Polk, and Wilkin Counties. Control of the Library is vested in the Agassiz Regional Library, with 23 members with staggered terms made up of the following: one member appointed by each Board of County Commissioners who may be a member of the Board of Commissioners; one member appointed by each participating city; and one additional member appointed by each county and city for each 6,000 of population or major percentage (85 percent) thereof. In 2007, Wilkin County provided \$42,207 in the form of an appropriation.

5. <u>Summary of Significant Contingencies and Other Items</u> (Continued)

F. Related Organization

Bois De Sioux Watershed District

Wilkin County and the Bois De Sioux Watershed District entered into a joint powers agreement for the purpose of providing for the repair and maintenance of Wilkin County Ditch No. 8, which lies outside the present boundaries of the Bois De Sioux Watershed District, effective November 19, 1991, and authorized under Minn. Stat. § 103D.335, subds. 2 and 21.





Schedule 1

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007

| | Budgeted Amounts | | Actual | | Va | riance with | |
|--------------------------|------------------|-----------|-----------------|----|-----------|-------------|------------|
| | | Original | Final | | Amounts | Fi | nal Budget |
| Revenues | | | | | | | |
| Taxes | \$ | 2,136,034 | \$ 2,136,034 | \$ | 1,955,906 | \$ | (180, 128) |
| Licenses and permits | | 9,965 | 9,965 | | 9,520 | | (445) |
| Intergovernmental | | 322,588 | 322,588 | | 637,877 | | 315,289 |
| Charges for services | | 284,920 | 284,920 | | 458,282 | | 173,362 |
| Fines and forfeits | | - | - | | 10,743 | | 10,743 |
| Investment earnings | | 135,000 | 135,000 | | 219,503 | | 84,503 |
| Miscellaneous | | 28,000 | 28,000 | | 89,494 | | 61,494 |
| Total Revenues | \$ | 2,916,507 | \$ 2,916,507 | \$ | 3,381,325 | \$ | 464,818 |
| Expenditures | | | | | | | |
| Current | | | | | | | |
| General government | | | | | | | |
| Commissioners | \$ | 132,159 | \$ 132,159 | \$ | 132,199 | \$ | (40) |
| County auditor | | 256,731 | 256,731 | | 265,637 | | (8,906) |
| County treasurer | | 180,537 | 180,537 | | 185,620 | | (5,083) |
| County assessor | | 183,009 | 183,009 | | 183,170 | | (161) |
| Elections | | - | - | | 122 | | (122) |
| Accounting and auditing | | 33,000 | 33,000 | | 50,193 | | (17,193) |
| Data processing | | 87,500 | 87,500 | | 67,969 | | 19,531 |
| Attorney | | 169,608 | 169,608 | | 166,218 | | 3,390 |
| Law library | | - | - | | 14,935 | | (14,935) |
| Recorder | | 166,664 | 166,664 | | 186,685 | | (20,021) |
| Planning and zoning | | 6,550 | 6,550 | | 5,937 | | 613 |
| Buildings and plant | | 143,252 | 143,252 | | 152,180 | | (8,928) |
| Veterans service officer | | 66,350 | 66,350 | | 69,194 | | (2,844) |
| Unallocated | | 71,115 | 71,115 | | 147,921 | | (76,806) |
| Total general government | \$ | 1,496,475 | \$ 1,496,475 | \$ | 1,627,980 | \$ | (131,505) |
| Public safety | | | | | | | |
| Sheriff | \$ | 588,509 | \$ 588,509 | \$ | 646,653 | \$ | (58,144) |
| Coroner | | 4,800 | 4,800 | | 4,800 | | - |
| E-911 system | | - | - | | 14,216 | | (14,216) |
| County jail | | 535,707 | 535,707 | | 648,652 | | (112,945) |
| Probation and parole | | 60,600 | 60,600 | | 78,363 | | (17,763) |
| Civil defense | | 12,569 | 12,569 | | 36,732 | | (24,163) |
| Total public safety | \$ | 1,202,185 | \$ 1,202,185 | \$ | 1,429,416 | \$ | (227,231) |

Schedule 1 (Continued)

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007

| | Budgeted Amounts | | Actual | Va | riance with | |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|-----------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------|------------|
| | | Original | Final | Amounts | Fi | nal Budget |
| Expenditures | | | | | | |
| Current (Continued) | | | | | | |
| Health | | | | | | |
| Aging grant | \$ | 1,700 | \$ 1,700 | \$ 932 | \$ | 768 |
| Rural life outreach | | 3,000 | 3,000 | 3,000 | | - |
| Total health | \$ | 4,700 | \$ 4,700 | \$ 3,932 | \$ | 768 |
| Culture and recreation | | | | | | |
| Historical society | \$ | 9,000 | \$ 9,000 | \$ 9,000 | \$ | - |
| Regional library | | 42,207 | 42,207 | 42,207 | | - |
| Celebrations | | 400 | 400 | 400 | | - |
| Other | | 3,000 | 3,000 | 2,200 | | 800 |
| Total culture and recreation | \$ | 54,607 | \$ 54,607 | \$ 53,807 | \$ | 800 |
| Conservation of natural resources | | | | | | |
| County extension | \$ | 92,214 | \$ 92,214 | \$ 91,432 | \$ | 782 |
| Soil and water conservation | | 54,500 | 54,500 | 54,500 | | - |
| Agricultural society/County fair | | 8,000 | 8,000 | 8,000 | | - |
| Weed control | | 9,448 | 9,448 | 9,062 | | 386 |
| Other conservation | | 178 | 178 | 36,356 | | (36,178) |
| Total conservation of natural | | | | | | |
| resources | \$ | 164,340 | \$ 164,340 | \$ 199,350 | \$ | (35,010) |
| Economic development | | | | | | |
| Community development | \$ | 800 | \$ 800 | \$ 800 | \$ | |
| Total Expenditures | \$ | 2,923,107 | \$ 2,923,107 | \$ 3,315,285 | \$ | (392,178) |
| Excess of Revenues Over (Under) | | | | | | |
| Expenditures | \$ | (6,600) | \$ (6,600) | \$ 66,040 | \$ | 72,640 |
| Other Financing Sources (Uses) | | | | | | |
| Transfers in | \$ | - | \$ - | \$ 103,000 | \$ | 103,000 |
| Transfers out | | - | | (138,947) | | (138,947) |
| Total Other Financing Sources | | | | | | |
| (Uses) | \$ | <u>-</u> | \$ - | \$ (35,947) | \$ | (35,947) |
| Net Change in Fund Balance | \$ | (6,600) | \$ (6,600) | \$ 30,093 | \$ | 36,693 |
| Fund Balance - January 1 | | 2,897,005 | 2,897,005 | 2,897,005 | | |
| Fund Balance - December 31 | \$ | 2,890,405 | \$ 2,890,405 | \$ 2,927,098 | \$ | 36,693 |

Schedule 2

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE ROAD AND BRIDGE SPECIAL REVENUE FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007

| | Budgeted Amounts | | Actual | | Va | riance with | | |
|-------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------|--------|-----------|----|-------------|----|------------|
| | | Original | | Final | | Amounts | Fi | nal Budget |
| Revenues | | | | | | | | |
| Taxes | \$ | 1,147,948 | \$ | 1,147,948 | \$ | 1,058,970 | \$ | (88,978) |
| Intergovernmental | Ψ | 3,599,352 | Ψ | 3,599,352 | Ψ | 4,637,286 | Ψ | 1,037,934 |
| Charges for services | | 255,400 | | 255,400 | | 597,121 | | 341,721 |
| Miscellaneous | | 42,000 | | 42,000 | | 86,260 | | 44,260 |
| Total Revenues | \$ | 5,044,700 | \$ | 5,044,700 | \$ | 6,379,637 | \$ | 1,334,937 |
| Expenditures | | | | | | | | |
| Current | | | | | | | | |
| Highways and streets | | | | | | | | |
| Administration | \$ | 254,898 | \$ | 254,898 | \$ | 248,651 | \$ | 6,247 |
| Maintenance | | 944,568 | | 944,568 | | 906,395 | | 38,173 |
| Construction | | 2,702,982 | | 2,702,982 | | 2,548,929 | | 154,053 |
| Equipment maintenance and shop | | 943,131 | | 943,131 | | 894,838 | | 48,293 |
| Materials and services for resale | | - | | - | | 184,858 | | (184,858) |
| Federal disaster | | _ | | _ | | - | | (101,030) |
| Unallocated - highways and streets | | 214,121 | | 214,121 | | 269,033 | | (54,912) |
| Total highways and streets | \$ | 5,059,700 | \$ | 5,059,700 | \$ | 5,052,704 | \$ | 6,996 |
| Intergovernmental | | | | | | | | |
| Highways and streets | | - | | - | | 243,056 | | (243,056) |
| Debt service | | | | | | | | |
| Principal | | _ | | _ | | 96,289 | | (96,289) |
| Interest | | _ | | _ | | 10,781 | | (10,781) |
| Total Expenditures | \$ | 5,059,700 | \$ | 5,059,700 | \$ | 5,402,830 | \$ | (343,130) |
| | | | | | | | | |
| Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures | \$ | (15,000) | \$ | (15,000) | \$ | 976,807 | \$ | 991,807 |
| Other Financing Sources (Uses) | | | | | | | | |
| Transfers in | | 15,000 | | 15,000 | | 15,000 | | |
| Net Change in Fund Balance | \$ | - | \$ | - | \$ | 991,807 | \$ | 991,807 |
| Fund Balance - January 1 | | 214,727 | | 214,727 | | 214,727 | | - |
| Increase (decrease) in reserved for inventories | | _ | | _ | | (44,894) | | (44,894) |
| | ф. | 214 727 | ф. | 214 727 | ф. | | d. | |
| Fund Balance - December 31 | \$ | 214,727 | \$ | 214,727 | \$ | 1,161,640 | \$ | 946,913 |

Schedule 3

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE HUMAN SERVICES SPECIAL REVENUE FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007

| | Budgeted Amounts | | | Actual | | Va | riance with | |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------|----|-----------|----|-----------|-------------|------------|
| | | Original | | Final | | Amounts | Fi | nal Budget |
| Revenues | | | | | | | | |
| Taxes | \$ | 1,283,758 | \$ | 1,283,758 | \$ | 1,171,180 | \$ | (112,578) |
| Intergovernmental | | 1,104,869 | | 1,104,869 | | 1,273,626 | | 168,757 |
| Charges for services | | 106,153 | | 106,153 | | 110,958 | | 4,805 |
| Fines and forfeits | | - | | - | | 4,847 | | 4,847 |
| Miscellaneous | | 141,675 | | 141,675 | | 109,731 | | (31,944) |
| Total Revenues | \$ | 2,636,455 | \$ | 2,636,455 | \$ | 2,670,342 | \$ | 33,887 |
| Expenditures | | | | | | | | |
| Current | | | | | | | | |
| Human services | | | | | | | | |
| Income maintenance | \$ | 608,631 | \$ | 608,631 | \$ | 513,026 | \$ | 95,605 |
| Social services | | 2,027,824 | | 2,027,824 | | 1,799,074 | | 228,750 |
| Total Expenditures | \$ | 2,636,455 | \$ | 2,636,455 | \$ | 2,312,100 | \$ | 324,355 |
| Excess of Revenues Over (Under) | | | | | | | | |
| Expenditures | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | 358,242 | \$ | 358,242 |
| Other Financing Sources (Uses) | | | | | | | | |
| Transfers in | \$ | - | \$ | - | \$ | 103,000 | \$ | 103,000 |
| Transfers out | | - | | - | | (103,000) | | (103,000) |
| Total Other Financing Sources | | | | | | | | |
| (Uses) | \$ | - | \$ | - | \$ | | \$ | |
| Net Change in Fund Balance | \$ | - | \$ | - | \$ | 358,242 | \$ | 358,242 |
| Fund Balance - January 1 | | 324,605 | | 324,605 | | 324,605 | | |
| Fund Balance - December 31 | \$ | 324,605 | \$ | 324,605 | \$ | 682,847 | \$ | 358,242 |

NOTES TO THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007

1. <u>Budgetary Information</u>

Annual budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles for all governmental funds, except the Ditch and Gravel Tax Reserve Special Revenue Funds and the Law Enforcement Capital Projects Fund. All annual appropriations lapse at fiscal year-end.

On or before mid-June of each year, all departments and agencies submit requests for appropriations to the Wilkin County Auditor so that a budget can be prepared. Before October 31, the proposed budget is presented to the County Board for review. The Board holds public hearings, and a final budget must be prepared and adopted no later than December 31.

The appropriated budget is prepared by fund, function, and department. The County's department head may make transfers of appropriations within a department. Transfers of appropriations between departments require approval of the County Board. The legal level of budgetary control (the level at which expenditures may not legally exceed appropriations) is the fund level. During the year, the Board made no budgetary amendments, except in the Public Health Nurse Special Revenue Fund.

Encumbrances (such as purchase orders or contracts) outstanding at year-end are reported as reservations of fund balances and do not constitute expenditures or liabilities because the commitments will be reapportioned and honored during the subsequent year.

2. Excess of Expenditures Over Appropriations

The following is a summary of certain individual funds which had expenditures in excess of budgeted expenditures for the year ended December 31, 2007.

| | _E | xpenditures | Fi | nal Budget | Excess |
|--------------------------------------|----|-------------|----|------------|---------------|
| General Fund | \$ | 3,315,285 | \$ | 2,923,107 | \$ 392,178 |
| Road and Bridge Special Revenue Fund | | 5,402,830 | | 5,059,700 | 343,130 |







NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

<u>Environmental Fund</u> - to account for the financial transactions of providing environmental services. Financing is provided by special assessments, charges for services, and intergovernmental revenues designated for environmental purposes.

<u>Gravel Tax Reserve Fund</u> - to account for the proceeds of a special gravel removal or occupation tax restricted to expenditures for the restoration of abandoned gravel pits.

<u>Public Health Nurse Fund</u> - to account for providing nursing service care to the elderly and other residents of the County. Financing is provided by health care service grants, County contributions, and user service charges.

DEBT SERVICE FUND

<u>Courthouse Improvement</u> - to account for accumulation of resources and payment of principal and interest of the general obligation jail bonds.

CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND

<u>Law Enforcement</u> - to account for financial resources to be used for the construction of the Law Enforcement Center. This fund was closed in 2007.



Statement A-1

COMBINING BALANCE SHEET NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS DECEMBER 31, 2007

| | Special Revenue tement B-1) | Im | ourthouse provement bt Service | Total (Exhibit 3) | | |
|--------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----|--------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------|--|
| <u>Assets</u> | | | | | | |
| Cash and pooled investments | \$ 580,616 | \$ | 94,354 | \$ | 674,970 | |
| Petty cash and change funds | 5,000 | | - | | 5,000 | |
| Undistributed cash in agency funds | 5,223 | | 5,431 | | 10,654 | |
| Taxes receivable | 1.501 | | 2011 | | 4.555 | |
| Current | 1,731 | | 2,844 | | 4,575 | |
| Prior | 1,092 | | 498 | | 1,590 | |
| Accounts receivable Due from other funds | 129,440 8,841 | | - | | 129,440 | |
| Due from other governments | 66,222 | | - | | 8,841 66,222 | |
| Due from other governments | 00,222 | | - | | 00,222 | |
| Total Assets | \$ 798,165 | \$ | 103,127 | \$ | 901,292 | |
| <u>Liabilities and Fund Balances</u> | | | | | | |
| Liabilities | | | | | | |
| Accounts payable | \$ 13,068 | \$ | - | \$ | 13,068 | |
| Salaries payable | 3,308 | | - | | 3,308 | |
| Due to other funds | 232 | | - | | 232 | |
| Due to other governments | 5,157 | | - | | 5,157 | |
| Deferred revenue - unavailable | 94,183 | | 2,042 | | 96,225 | |
| Deferred revenue - unearned | 43,054 | | - | | 43,054 | |
| Total Liabilities | \$ 159,002 | \$ | 2,042 | \$ | 161,044 | |
| Fund Balances | | | | | | |
| Reserved for gravel pit restoration | \$ 12,422 | \$ | - | \$ | 12,422 | |
| Unreserved | | | | | | |
| Designated for debt service | - | | 101,085 | | 101,085 | |
| Undesignated | 626,741 | | - | | 626,741 | |
| Total Fund Balances | \$ 639,163 | \$ | 101,085 | \$ | 740,248 | |
| Total Liabilities and Fund Balances | \$ 798,165 | \$ | 103,127 | \$ | 901,292 | |

Statement A-2

COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007

| | (Sta | Special Revenue atement B-2) | Im | Courthouse Improvement Debt Service | | Law forcement ital Projects | Total (Exhibit 5) | |
|-------------------------------------------------|------|------------------------------------|----|-------------------------------------------|----|-----------------------------------|----------------------|-----------|
| Revenues | | | | | | | | |
| Taxes | \$ | 218,547 | \$ | 353,771 | \$ | - | \$ | 572,318 |
| Licenses and permits | | 3,750 | | - | | - | | 3,750 |
| Intergovernmental | | 395,854 | | 76,564 | | - | | 472,418 |
| Charges for services | | 365,963 | | - | | - | | 365,963 |
| Gifts and contributions | | 2,077 | | - | | - | | 2,077 |
| Miscellaneous | | 258,188 | | - | | 71,196 | | 329,384 |
| Total Revenues | \$ | 1,244,379 | \$ | 430,335 | \$ | 71,196 | \$ | 1,745,910 |
| Expenditures | | | | | | | | |
| Current | | | | | | | | |
| Sanitation | \$ | 339,387 | \$ | - | \$ | - | \$ | 339,387 |
| Health | | 729,328 | | - | | - | | 729,328 |
| Conservation of natural resources | | 13,283 | | - | | - | | 13,283 |
| Debt service | | | | | | | | |
| Principal | | - | | 195,000 | | - | | 195,000 |
| Interest | | - | | 142,660 | | - | | 142,660 |
| Administrative - fiscal charges | | - | | 403 | | - | | 403 |
| Total Expenditures | \$ | 1,081,998 | \$ | 338,063 | \$ | | \$ | 1,420,061 |
| Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures | \$ | 162,381 | \$ | 92,272 | \$ | 71,196 | \$ | 325,849 |
| Other Financing Sources (Uses) Transfers in | | | | | | 20,947 | | 20,947 |
| Net Change in Fund Balance | \$ | 162,381 | \$ | 92,272 | \$ | 92,143 | \$ | 346,796 |
| Fund Balance - January 1 | | 476,782 | | 8,813 | | (92,143) | | 393,452 |
| Fund Balance - December 31 | \$ | 639,163 | \$ | 101,085 | \$ | - | \$ | 740,248 |

Statement B-1

COMBINING BALANCE SHEET NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS DECEMBER 31, 2007

| | Environmental | | Gravel Tax Reserve | | Public Health Nurse | Total (Statement A-1 | |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|----|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|
| <u>Assets</u> | | | | | | | |
| Cash and pooled investments | \$ | 277,374 | \$ 12,160 | \$ | 291,082 | \$ | 580,616 |
| Petty cash and change funds | | 5,000 | - | | - | | 5,000 |
| Undistributed cash in agency funds Taxes receivable | | 1,940 | - | | 3,283 | | 5,223 |
| Current | | 17 | - | | 1,714 | | 1,731 |
| Prior | | 25 | - | | 1,067 | | 1,092 |
| Accounts receivable | | 15,254 | 262 | | 113,924 | | 129,440 |
| Due from other funds | | - | - | | 8,841 | | 8,841 |
| Due from other governments | | - | - | | 66,222 | | 66,222 |
| Total Assets | \$ | 299,610 | \$ 12,422 | \$ | 486,133 | \$ | 798,165 |
| Liabilities and Fund Balances Liabilities Accounts payable Salaries payable Due to other funds Due to other governments Deferred revenue - unavailable Deferred revenue - unearned | \$ | 5,166 - 232 5,157 5,733 43,054 | \$ - - - - - | \$ | 7,902 3,308 - - - 88,450 | \$ | 13,068 3,308 232 5,157 94,183 43,054 |
| Total Liabilities | \$ | 59,342 | \$ - | \$ | 99,660 | \$ | 159,002 |
| Fund Balances | | | | | | | |
| Reserved for gravel pit restoration | \$ | - | \$ 12,422 | \$ | - | \$ | 12,422 |
| Unreserved | | | | | | | |
| Undesignated | | 240,268 | | | 386,473 | | 626,741 |
| Total Fund Balances | \$ | 240,268 | \$ 12,422 | \$ | 386,473 | \$ | 639,163 |
| Total Liabilities and Fund | | | | | | | |
| Balances | \$ | 299,610 | \$ 12,422 | \$ | 486,133 | \$ | 798,165 |

Statement B-2

COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007

| | Environmental | | Gravel Tax Reserve | | Public Health Nurse | | Total (Statement A-2) | |
|-----------------------------------|---------------|---------|--------------------------|----|---------------------------|----|--------------------------|--|
| Revenues | | | | | | | | |
| Taxes | \$ | 2,644 | \$ 1,852 | \$ | 214,051 | \$ | 218,547 | |
| Licenses and permits | | 3,750 | - | | - | | 3,750 | |
| Intergovernmental | | 95,871 | - | | 299,983 | | 395,854 | |
| Charges for services | | 96,524 | - | | 269,439 | | 365,963 | |
| Gifts and contributions | | - | - | | 2,077 | | 2,077 | |
| Miscellaneous | | 249,799 | | | 8,389 | | 258,188 | |
| Total Revenues | \$ | 448,588 | \$ 1,852 | \$ | 793,939 | \$ | 1,244,379 | |
| Expenditures | | | | | | | | |
| Current | | | | | | | | |
| Sanitation | \$ | 339,387 | \$ - | \$ | - | \$ | 339,387 | |
| Health | | - | - | | 729,328 | | 729,328 | |
| Conservation of natural resources | | 5,216 | 8,067 | | | | 13,283 | |
| Total Expenditures | \$ | 344,603 | \$ 8,067 | \$ | 729,328 | \$ | 1,081,998 | |
| Net Change in Fund Balance | \$ | 103,985 | \$ (6,215) | \$ | 64,611 | \$ | 162,381 | |
| Fund Balance - January 1 | | 136,283 | 18,637 | | 321,862 | | 476,782 | |
| Fund Balance - December 31 | \$ | 240,268 | \$ 12,422 | \$ | 386,473 | \$ | 639,163 | |

Schedule 4

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE ENVIRONMENTAL SPECIAL REVENUE FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007

| | Budgeted Amounts | | | | Actual | | Variance with | | |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|----------|----|---------|--------|---------|---------------|--------------|--|
| | | Original | | Final | | Amounts | Fir | Final Budget | |
| Revenues | | | | | | | | | |
| Taxes | \$ | 2,253 | \$ | 2,253 | \$ | 2,644 | \$ | 391 | |
| Licenses and permits | | 1,000 | | 1,000 | | 3,750 | | 2,750 | |
| Intergovernmental | | 83,247 | | 83,247 | | 95,871 | | 12,624 | |
| Charges for services | | 90,500 | | 90,500 | | 96,524 | | 6,024 | |
| Miscellaneous | | 180,000 | | 180,000 | | 249,799 | | 69,799 | |
| Total Revenues | \$ | 357,000 | \$ | 357,000 | \$ | 448,588 | \$ | 91,588 | |
| Expenditures | | | | | | | | | |
| Current | | | | | | | | | |
| Sanitation | | | | | | | | | |
| Solid waste | \$ | 201,650 | \$ | 201,650 | \$ | 189,278 | \$ | 12,372 | |
| Recycling | | 157,250 | | 157,250 | | 150,109 | | 7,141 | |
| Total sanitation | \$ | 358,900 | \$ | 358,900 | \$ | 339,387 | \$ | 19,513 | |
| Conservation of natural resources | | | | | | | | | |
| Water planning | | 5,000 | | 5,000 | | 5,216 | | (216) | |
| Total Expenditures | \$ | 363,900 | \$ | 363,900 | \$ | 344,603 | \$ | 19,297 | |
| Net Change in Fund Balance | \$ | (6,900) | \$ | (6,900) | \$ | 103,985 | \$ | 110,885 | |
| Fund Balance - January 1 | | 136,283 | | 136,283 | | 136,283 | | <u>-</u> | |
| Fund Balance - December 31 | \$ | 129,383 | \$ | 129,383 | \$ | 240,268 | \$ | 110,885 | |

Schedule 5

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE SPECIAL REVENUE FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007

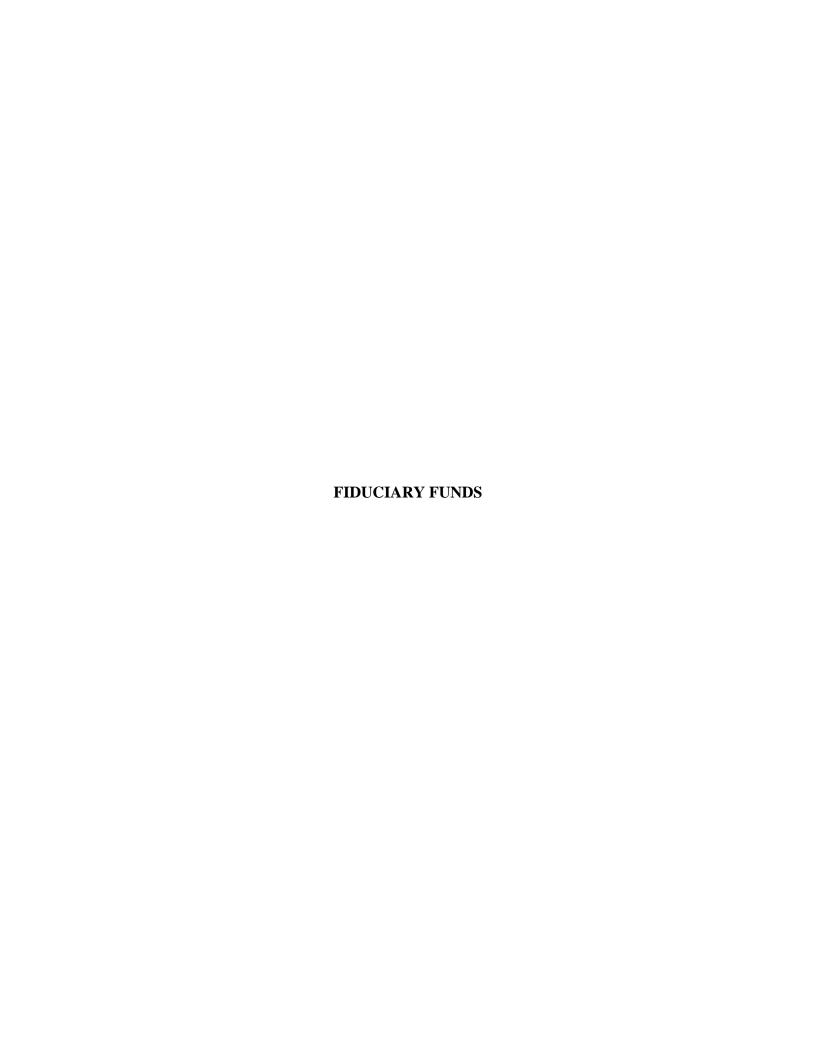
| | Budgeted Amounts | | | nts | Actual | Vai | riance with |
|----------------------------|------------------|----------|----|---------|---------------|--------------|-------------|
| | | Original | | Final | Amounts | Final Budget | |
| Revenues | | | | | | | |
| Taxes | \$ | 234,263 | \$ | 234,263 | \$ 214,051 | \$ | (20,212) |
| Intergovernmental | | 25,472 | | 230,970 | 299,983 | | 69,013 |
| Charges for services | | 235,442 | | 231,871 | 269,439 | | 37,568 |
| Gifts and contributions | | - | | - | 2,077 | | 2,077 |
| Miscellaneous | | | | 4,650 | 8,389 | | 3,739 |
| Total Revenues | \$ | 495,177 | \$ | 701,754 | \$ 793,939 | \$ | 92,185 |
| Expenditures | | | | | | | |
| Current | | | | | | | |
| Health | | | | | | | |
| Nursing service | | 495,177 | | 701,754 | 729,328 | | (27,574) |
| Net Change in Fund Balance | \$ | - | \$ | - | \$ 64,611 | \$ | 64,611 |
| Fund Balance - January 1 | | 321,862 | | 321,862 | 321,862 | | |
| Fund Balance - December 31 | \$ | 321,862 | \$ | 321,862 | \$ 386,473 | \$ | 64,611 |

Schedule 6

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE COURTHOUSE IMPROVEMENT DEBT SERVICE FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007

| | Budgeted Amounts | | | Actual | | Vai | riance with |
|---------------------------------|----------------------|----|---------|--------|---------|--------------|-------------|
| | Original | | Final | | Amounts | Final Budget | |
| Revenues | | | | | | | |
| Taxes | \$ 388,949 | \$ | 388,949 | \$ | 353,771 | \$ | (35,178) |
| Intergovernmental | 42,283 | | 42,283 | | 76,564 | | 34,281 |
| Total Revenues | \$ 431,232 | \$ | 431,232 | \$ | 430,335 | \$ | (897) |
| Expenditures | | | | | | | |
| Debt service | | | | | | | |
| Principal | \$ 268,037 | \$ | 268,037 | \$ | 195,000 | \$ | 73,037 |
| Interest | 142,660 | | 142,660 | | 142,660 | | - |
| Administrative (fiscal) charges | 20,535 | | 20,535 | | 403 | | 20,132 |
| Total Expenditures | \$ 431,232 | \$ | 431,232 | \$ | 338,063 | \$ | 93,169 |
| Change in Fund Balance | \$ - | \$ | - | \$ | 92,272 | \$ | 92,272 |
| Fund Balance - January 1 | 8,813 | | 8,813 | | 8,813 | | |
| Fund Balance - December 31 | \$ 8,813 | \$ | 8,813 | \$ | 101,085 | \$ | 92,272 |







Statement C-1

COMBINING STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN ASSETS AND LIABILITIES ${\bf ALL~AGENCY~FUNDS}$ FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007

| | Balance January 1 | | Additions | | Deductions | | Balance December 31 | |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|--------|-----------|------------------|------------|------------------|------------------------|-----------------|
| CHILDREN'S COLLABORATIVE | | | | | | | | |
| <u>Assets</u> | | | | | | | | |
| Cash and pooled investments Due from other governments | \$ | 69,358 | \$ | 29,231 5,595 | \$ | 41,900 2,892 | \$ | 56,689 2,703 |
| Total Assets | \$ | 69,358 | \$ | 34,826 | \$ | 44,792 | \$ | 59,392 |
| <u>Liabilities</u> Due to other governments | \$ | 69,358 | <u>\$</u> | 34,826 | <u>\$</u> | 44,792 | \$ | 59,392 |
| STATE REVENUE | | | | | | | | |
| Assets Cash and pooled investments | \$ | 17,437 | \$ | 470,777 | \$ | 475,886 | \$ | 12,328 |
| <u>Liabilities</u> | | | | | | | | |
| Due to other funds Due to other governments | \$ | 17,437 | \$ | 4,975 465,802 | \$ | 4,605 471,281 | \$ | 370 11,958 |
| Total Liabilities | \$ | 17,437 | \$ | 470,777 | \$ | 475,886 | \$ | 12,328 |

Statement C-1 (Continued)

| | Balance nuary 1 | Additions | | <u> </u> | Deductions | Balance cember 31 |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------|------------------------------|----------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| TAXES AND PENALTIES | | | | | | |
| <u>Assets</u> | | | | | | |
| Cash and pooled investments | \$ 64,597 | \$ | 2,619,965 | \$ | 2,614,634 | \$ 69,928 |
| <u>Liabilities</u> | | | | | | |
| Due to other governments Funds held in trust | \$ 56,472 8,125 | \$ | 2,605,805 14,160 | \$ | 2,606,509 8,125 | \$ 55,768 14,160 |
| Total Liabilities | \$ 64,597 | \$ | 2,619,965 | \$ | 2,614,634 | \$ 69,928 |
| | | | | | | |
| TOTAL ALL AGENCY FUNDS | | | | | | |
| <u>Assets</u> | | | | | | |
| Cash and pooled investments Due from other governments | \$ 151,392 | \$ | 3,119,973 5,595 | \$ | 3,132,420 2,892 | \$ 138,945 2,703 |
| Total Assets | \$ 151,392 | \$ | 3,125,568 | \$ | 3,135,312 | \$ 141,648 |
| <u>Liabilities</u> | | | | | | |
| Due to other funds Due to other governments Funds held in trust | \$ - 143,267 8,125 | \$ | 4,975 3,106,433 14,160 | \$ | 4,605 3,122,582 8,125 | \$ 370 127,118 14,160 |
| Total Liabilities | \$ 151,392 | \$ | 3,125,568 | \$ | 3,135,312 | \$ 141,648 |





Schedule 7

SCHEDULE OF DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007

| | Number | Interest Rate (%) | Maturity Dates | Fair Valu | <u>e</u> |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|----------------------|----------------------------------------|-----------|----------|
| Cash and Pooled Investments | | | | | |
| Interest-bearing checking | Two | Various | Continuous | \$ 245, | 331 |
| Certificates of deposit | Five | 2.41 to 5.01 | January 24, 2008 to July 10, 2009 | 212, | 830 |
| Money market savings | Two | Variable | Continuous | 1,623, | 372 |
| Brokerage certificate of deposit | Eleven | 4.60 to 5.25 | February 13, 2008 to December 20, 2012 | 952, | 305 |
| Minnesota Association of Governments Investing for Counties Fund | | Variable | Continuous | 974, | 365 |
| Federal National Mortgage Association | | 5.00 | December 12, 2017 | 350, | 984 |
| Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation | | 5.00 | September 15, 2013 | 100, | 072 |
| Federal Home Loan Bank | Five | 4.00 to 5.00 | July 29, 2008 to July 16, 2013 | 850, | 065 |
| Total Cash and Pooled Investments | | | | \$ 5,309, | 324 |

BALANCE SHEET - BY DITCH DITCH SPECIAL REVENUE FUND DECEMBER 31, 2007

| | | | | | Asse | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|---------------|----------|-----------|--------------------------------|---------|------|--------|----|----------------|--|
| | | Undistri | | Special Assessments Receivable | | | | | | |
| | Cash | Cas | sh | | Current | Deli | nquent | | Deferred | |
| County Ditches | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1A | \$ 4,397 | \$ | 38 | \$ | 117 | \$ | - | \$ | - | |
| 1B | 1,429 | | - | | - | | - | | 10,000 | |
| 1C | 5,538 | | 279 | | - | | - | | 10,000 | |
| 2 | 6,932 | | 5 | | 46 | | - | | - | |
| 3 | 11,250 | | 288 | | 109 | | 77 | | 20,001 | |
| 4 | 10,132 | | 397 | | - | | _ | | 60,001 | |
| 6 | 7,812 | | _ | | _ | | _ | | 20,002 | |
| 7 | 5,086 | | 798 | | 250 | | _ | | 5,001 | |
| 12 | 1,502 | | 283 | | 59 | | _ | | 10,000 | |
| 15 | 3,596 | | 317 | | _ | | _ | | 5,000 | |
| 23 | 6,807 | | 106 | | 318 | | _ | | - | |
| 27 | 4,330 | | - | | - | | _ | | 10,001 | |
| 28 | 4,821 | | _ | | _ | | _ | | - | |
| 29 | 5,501 | | _ | | | | | | _ | |
| 31 | 12,759 | | 110 | | 27 | | 49 | | 10,000 | |
| 34 | 4,536 | | - | | 27 | | | | 10,000 | |
| 37 | 11,328 | | 83 | | | | | | | |
| Bois De Sioux Watershed | 11,326 | | 0.5 | | _ | | - | | _ | |
| 9 | _ | | _ | | 1 | | | | 2,801 | |
| 10 | - | | 7 | | 7 | | - | | 2,001 | |
| 18 | - | | 1 | | , | | - | | 2,100 | |
| 25 | - | | 1 | | - | | - | | 3,300 | |
| 35 | - | | - | | - | | - | | | |
| 39 | - | | 240 | | - | | - | | 2,600 6,400 | |
| Buffalo-Red River Watershed | - | | 240 | | - | | - | | 0,400 | |
| | | | 24 | | 1 | | | | | |
| 5 13 | - | | 24 193 | | 1 13 | | - | | - | |
| | - | | | | | | 210 | | 25,000 | |
| 13 lateral | - | | 744 | | 278 | | 310 | | 25,000 | |
| 22 | - | | 190 | | 37 | | - | | 10,002 | |
| 26 | - | | 193 | | 1 | | 3 | | 1,500 | |
| 40 | - | | 48 | | 3 | | - | | 9,763 | |
| 41 | - | | 115 | | 30 | | 22 | | - | |
| 43 | - | | 31 | | 96 | | 111 | | - | |
| 44 | - | | 15 | | 478 | | - | | 3,929 | |
| Joint Ditches | | | | | | | | | | |
| County | 20.010 | | | | | | | | | |
| J-2 | 29,019 | | - | | - | | - | | - | |
| Bois De Sioux Watershed | | | 17 | | 1.4 | | | | | |
| J-3 | - | | 17 | | 14 | | - | | - 4 2 4 0 | |
| J-6 | - | | - | | - | | - | | 4,248 | |
| J-7 | - | | - | | - | | 2 | | 2,534 | |
| J-11 | - | | 62 | | - | | 1 | | 5,454 | |
| J-12 | - | | - | | - | | - | | 5,159 | |
| Buffalo-Red River Watershed | | | | | | | | | | |
| Clay 34 | - | | 132 | | - | | | | | |
| J-1 | - | | 240 | | 82 | | 4 | _ | 5,250 | |
| Total | \$ 136,775 | \$ | 4,956 | \$ | 1,967 | \$ | 579 | \$ | 250,046 | |

| | | | | | | oilities | S | | | | | | Total |
|----|---------|----|--------------------------|----|-----------------------------|----------|---------------------|----|---------|----|------------------|----|-------------------------------------|
| | Total | | Due to Other Funds | (| oue to Other ernments | | Deferred Revenue | | Total | | Fund Balances | | Liabilities and Fund Balances |
| \$ | 4,552 | \$ | 534 | \$ | _ | \$ | _ | \$ | 534 | \$ | 4,018 | \$ | 4,552 |
| - | 11,429 | - | 2,078 | - | _ | - | 10,000 | - | 12,078 | - | (649) | - | 11,429 |
| | 15,817 | | 7,765 | | _ | | 10,000 | | 17,765 | | (1,948) | | 15,817 |
| | 6,983 | | - | | _ | | 46 | | 46 | | 6,937 | | 6,983 |
| | 31,725 | | 19,909 | | _ | | 20,155 | | 40,064 | | (8,339) | | 31,725 |
| | 70,530 | | 55,694 | | _ | | 60,001 | | 115,695 | | (45,165) | | 70,530 |
| | 27,814 | | 6,264 | | _ | | 20,002 | | 26,266 | | 1,548 | | 27,814 |
| | 11,135 | | 2,171 | | _ | | 5,001 | | 7,172 | | 3,963 | | 11,135 |
| | 11,844 | | 3,517 | | _ | | 10,000 | | 13,517 | | (1,673) | | 11,844 |
| | 8,913 | | 2,949 | | _ | | 5,000 | | 7,949 | | 964 | | 8,913 |
| | 7,231 | | 1,843 | | _ | | - | | 1,843 | | 5,388 | | 7,231 |
| | 14,331 | | - | | | | 10,001 | | 10,001 | | 4,330 | | 14,331 |
| | 4,821 | | - - | | _ | | - | | - | | 4,821 | | 4,821 |
| | 5,501 | | - | | - | | - | | - | | 5,501 | | 5,501 |
| | 22,945 | | 940 | | - | | 10,076 | | 11,016 | | 11,929 | | 22,945 |
| | 4,536 | | - | | - | | - | | - | | 4,536 | | 4,536 |
| | 11,411 | | - | | - | | - | | - | | | | 11,411 |
| | 11,411 | | - | | - | | - | | - | | 11,411 | | 11,411 |
| | 2,802 | | - | | - | | 2,801 | | 2,801 | | 1 | | 2,802 |
| | 14 | | - | | 7 | | 4 | | 11 | | 3 | | 14 |
| | 2,101 | | - | | 1 | | 2,100 | | 2,101 | | - | | 2,101 |
| | 3,300 | | - | | - | | 3,300 | | 3,300 | | - | | 3,300 |
| | 2,600 | | - | | - | | 2,600 | | 2,600 | | - | | 2,600 |
| | 6,640 | | - | | 240 | | 6,400 | | 6,640 | | - | | 6,640 |
| | 25 | | _ | | 24 | | - | | 24 | | 1 | | 25 |
| | 206 | | _ | | 193 | | _ | | 193 | | 13 | | 206 |
| | 26,332 | | _ | | 744 | | 25,541 | | 26,285 | | 47 | | 26,332 |
| | 10,229 | | _ | | 190 | | 10,039 | | 10,229 | | - | | 10,229 |
| | 1,697 | | _ | | 193 | | 1,504 | | 1,697 | | _ | | 1,697 |
| | 9,814 | | - | | 48 | | 9,766 | | 9,814 | | - | | 9,814 |
| | 167 | | _ | | 115 | | - | | 115 | | 52 | | 167 |
| | 238 | | _ | | 31 | | _ | | 31 | | 207 | | 238 |
| | 4,422 | | - | | 15 | | 3,929 | | 3,944 | | 478 | | 4,422 |
| | 29,019 | | 2,662 | | - | | - | | 2,662 | | 26,357 | | 29,019 |
| | 31 | | - | | 17 | | 3 | | 20 | | 11 | | 31 |
| | 4,248 | | - | | _ | | 4,248 | | 4,248 | | - | | 4,248 |
| | 2,536 | | _ | | _ | | 2,536 | | 2,536 | | _ | | 2,536 |
| | 5,517 | | _ | | 62 | | 5,454 | | 5,516 | | 1 | | 5,517 |
| | 5,159 | | - | | - | | 5,159 | | 5,159 | | - | | 5,159 |
| | 132 | | - | | 131 | | | | 131 | | 1 | | 132 |
| | 5,576 | | | | 240 | | 5,250 | | 5,490 | - | 86 | | 5,576 |
| \$ | 394,323 | \$ | 106,326 | \$ | 2,251 | \$ | 250,916 | \$ | 359,493 | \$ | 34,830 | \$ | 394,323 |

Schedule 9

SCHEDULE OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUE FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007

| | G | overnmental Funds |
|--------------------------------------------|-----------|----------------------|
| Shared Revenue | | |
| State | | |
| Highway users tax | \$ | 3,087,379 |
| County program aid | | 561,616 |
| PERA rate reimbursement | | 14,876 |
| Disparity reduction credit | | 11,957 |
| Police aid | | 33,369 |
| Market value credit | | 400,367 |
| Market value credit - MH | | 3,151 |
| Disparity reduction aid | | 10,353 |
| Border cities reimbursement | | 2,195 |
| Total Shared Revenue | \$ | 4,125,263 |
| Reimbursement for Services | | |
| State | | |
| Minnesota Department of Human Services | <u>\$</u> | 489,772 |
| Payments | | |
| Local | | |
| Payments in lieu of taxes | <u>\$</u> | 27,292 |
| Grants | | |
| State | | |
| Minnesota Department/Board of | | |
| Corrections | \$ | 12,244 |
| Public Safety | | 128,446 |
| Health | | 45,392 |
| Natural Resources | | 94,596 |
| Human Services | | 379,960 |
| Veterans Affairs | | 4,400 |
| Water and Soil Resources | | 42,939 |
| Peace Officer Standards and Training Board | | 2,412 |
| Office of Environmental Assistance | | 52,039 |
| Total State | \$ | 762,428 |

<u>Schedule 9</u> (Continued)

SCHEDULE OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUE FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007

| | | Go | overnmental Funds |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|-----|----------------------|
| Grants (Continued) | | | |
| Federal | | | |
| Department of | | | |
| Transportation | | \$ | 1,203,914 |
| Health and Human Services | | | 338,870 |
| Agriculture | | | 42,465 |
| Justice | | | 180 |
| Homeland Security | | | 31,023 |
| Total Federal | | \$ | 1,616,452 |
| Total State and Federal Grants | | \$ | 2,378,880 |
| Total Intergovernmental Revenue | | \$ | 7,021,207 |
| Revenues on this schedule differ from expenditures on the Schedule of Federal Awards d in revenue recognition under the modified accrual basis of accounting. Individual grants | - | ces | |
| Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children | CFDA #10.557 | \$ | (8,000) |
| Help America Vote Act | CFDA #90.401 | | 1,415 |
| Centers for Disease Control and Prevention - Investigations and Technical Assistance | CFDA #93.283 | | 2,479 |
| Total | | \$ | (4,106) |





WILKIN COUNTY BRECKENRIDGE, MINNESOTA

Schedule 10

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007

I. SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS

- A. Our report expresses unqualified opinions on the basic financial statements of Wilkin County.
- B. Significant deficiencies in internal control were disclosed by the audit of financial statements of Wilkin County and are reported in the "Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*." None were material weaknesses.
- C. No instances of noncompliance material to the financial statements of Wilkin County were disclosed during the audit.
- D. No matters involving internal control over compliance relating to the audit of the major federal award program were reported in the "Report on Compliance with Requirements Applicable to Each Major Program and Internal Control Over Compliance in Accordance with OMB Circular A-133."
- E. The Auditor's Report on Compliance for the major federal award program for Wilkin County expresses an unqualified opinion.
- F. No findings were disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with Section 510(a) of OMB Circular A-133.
- G. The major program is:

Highway Planning and Construction

CFDA #20.205

- H. The threshold for distinguishing between Types A and B programs was \$300,000.
- I. Wilkin County was determined to be a low-risk auditee.

II. FINDINGS RELATED TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AUDITED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

INTERNAL CONTROL

PREVIOUSLY REPORTED ITEMS NOT RESOLVED

96-4 Segregation of Duties

Due to the limited number of personnel within several Wilkin County offices, segregation of accounting duties necessary to ensure adequate internal accounting control is not possible. This is not unusual in operations the size of Wilkin County; however, the County's management should constantly be aware of this condition and realize that the concentration of duties and responsibilities in a limited number of individuals is not desirable from an internal control point of view.

Without proper segregation of duties, errors or irregularities may not be detected timely.

We recommend that Wilkin County's management be aware of the absence of segregation of duties within the accounting functions and, if possible, implement oversight procedures to ensure that internal control policies and procedures are being implemented by staff.

Client's Response:

The County is aware of this issue and has assumed the risk. Total compliance is not economically feasible for Wilkin County.

06-1 <u>Preparation of Financial Statements</u>

Wilkin County is required to prepare financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). The preparation of the financial statements is the responsibility of the County's management. Financial statement preparation in accordance with GAAP requires internal controls over both: (1) recording, processing, and summarizing accounting data (maintaining internal books and records); and (2) preparing and reporting appropriate government-wide and fund financial statements, including the related notes to the financial statements.

Wilkin County has established controls and procedures for recording, processing, and summarizing its accounting data used in the preparation of its financial statements.

As is the case with many small and medium-sized entities, however, the County has relied on its independent external auditors to assist in the preparation of the basic financial statements, including notes to the financial statements, as part of its external financial reporting process. Accordingly, the County's ability to prepare financial statements in accordance with GAAP is based, at least in part, on its reliance on its external auditors, who cannot by definition be considered part of the government's internal control. This condition was caused by the County's decision that it is more cost effective to have its auditors prepare its annual basic financial statements than to incur the time and expense of obtaining the necessary training and expertise required to prepare the financial statements internally. As a result of this condition, the government lacks internal controls over the preparation and reporting of financial information in accordance with GAAP.

We recommend Wilkin County obtain the training and expertise to internally prepare its annual financial statements in accordance with GAAP. If Wilkin County still intends to have staff from the Office of the State Auditor assist in preparation then, at a minimum, the County must identify and train individuals to obtain the expertise that can sufficiently review, understand, and approve the County's financial statements, including notes. As an alternative, the County could consider hiring an outside consultant to assist in preparing its basic financial statements.

Client's Response:

The County will continue to consider having a consultant assist in this area.

ITEM ARISING THIS YEAR

07-1 Audit Adjustments

A control deficiency 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 misstatements of the financial statements on a timely basis. Statement on Auditing Standards No. 112 states that one control deficiency that shall be regarded as at least a significant deficiency is identification by the auditor of a material misstatement in the financial statements that was not initially identified by the entity's internal controls, even if management subsequently corrects the misstatement.

During our review of the Public Health Nurse Accounts Receivable Aging Register for the period ending December 31, 2007, we noted that the report contained several receivable amounts listed on the prior year report. The Public Health Nurse Accountant has subsequently reviewed the Accounts Receivable Aging Register and found it includes charges for services dating back to 1994. Receivables for services included on the Accounts Receivable Aging Register for services from 1994 through 2007 deemed uncollectible amount to \$42,361. An audit adjustment made to the Public Health Special Revenue Fund for an allowance for uncollectible accounts in the amount of \$42,361 is reflected in the financial statements. During the 2005 audit, we noted the same type of situation in which the Public Health Nurse Accounts Receivable Aging Register contained several receivable amounts listed on the prior year report resulting in the County writing off the old receivables. It is unknown why the Public Health Nurse Accounts Receivable Aging Register for the period ending December 31, 2007, contained some receivables dating back to 1994, since old uncollectible receivables were written off as a result of the 2005 audit.

An adjustment was made to the Environmental Special Revenue Fund in the amount of \$43,054 to defer a Natural Resource Block Grant received in 2007 which was not earned until 2008.

Proposed audit adjustments are reviewed and approved by the appropriate staff and are reflected in the financial statements. By definition, however, independent external auditors cannot be considered part of the government's internal control.

We recommend the County Public Health Nurse Department review the Accounts Receivable Aging Register to determine if previously approved write-offs were properly removed from the system. Any uncollectible receivables not previously approved for write-off should be presented to the County Board for approval. We recommend the County establish policies and procedures for reviewing the Accounts Receivable Agency Register to ensure amounts uncollectible are written off timely and the balance in the register is correctly stated so receivables are reported in accordance with GAAP in the County's annual financial statements. We further recommend the County establish procedures for monitoring and reporting advance payments of grants to ensure the revenue is reported in the correct year.

Client's Response:

Public Health presented the aging receivables to the Commission and they were charged off on November 10. The County began to establish procedures and monitoring.

PREVIOUSLY REPORTED ITEM RESOLVED

Audit Adjustments (06-2)

Material adjustments were made in the Road and Bridge Special Revenue Fund to increase receivables by \$106,750 for state-aid highway project allotments, offset the additional receivables at the fund level with deferred revenue of \$40,876, and adjust deferred unearned revenue of \$282,758 for advances the County had received on future allotments.

Resolution

The Highway Accountant prepared the necessary working papers to determine the correct receivables, revenues, and deferred revenue amounts for state-aid highway allotment amounts for 2007.

III. FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR FEDERAL AWARD PROGRAMS

None.

IV. OTHER FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

A. <u>MINNESOTA LEGAL COMPLIANCE</u>

ITEMS ARISING THIS YEAR

O7-2 Final Payment on Contract

On May 8, 2007, the Wilkin County Board approved the final contract payment in the amount of \$100,000 to Comstock Construction for the \$4,731,000 Jail and Law Enforcement Center project. This final payment was made without obtaining an IC-134 Form or a Minnesota Department of Revenue Withholding Affidavit Confirmation online printout from the general contractor or any of the subcontractors.

Minn. Stat. § 270C.66 provides that a governmental subdivision shall not make final settlement with any contractor under a contract requiring the employment of employees for wages by said contractor and by subcontractors until the contractor and subcontractors have satisfactorily shown the County that the contractor and subcontractors have complied with the withholding requirements of Minn. Stat. § 290.92. Documentation can be either the IC-134 Form or a Contractor's Withholding Affidavit Confirmation from the Minnesota Department of Revenue.

We recommend, for all applicable future contracts, the County obtain proper documentation that the contractor and subcontractors have complied with the withholding requirements of Minn. Stat. § 290.92 prior to making the final payment to a contractor.

Client's Response:

The County will be more mindful of this requirement for future contracts.

07-3 Forfeited Land Sale Distribution

Wilkin County has not distributed the net collections on forfeited land sales for 2003, 2004, 2005, and 2007. The net cash balance from forfeited land sales at December 31, 2007, was \$54,215. Revenues from forfeited land sales and other activities in 2007 account for \$37,740 of that balance.

Minn. Stat. § 282.09 provides that the County Auditor shall make an annual settlement of the net proceeds received on the settlement day determined in Minn. Stat. § 276.09 for the preceding calendar year. Minn. Stat. § 276.09 lists the settlement date as being May 20.

We recommend that Wilkin County settle the net proceeds from 2007 and prior along with their October 2008 settlement. In addition, we recommend Wilkin County comply with provisions of Minn. Stat. §§ 282.09 and 276.09 on all future forfeited land sales.

Client's Response:

The County will settle the tax forfeited funds with the year end settlement for 2008, as time did not allow same with October or November settlements. This procedure will be added to the auditor's checklist for the forfeitures.

PREVIOUSLY REPORTED ITEM RESOLVED

Credit Card Policy (01-2)

The County does not have a credit card policy.

Resolution

On June 12, 2007, the County Board approved a formal credit card policy.

B. OTHER ITEM FOR CONSIDERATION

Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB)

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) issued Statement No. 45, Accounting and Financial Reporting by Employers for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions, which governs employer accounting and financial reporting for OPEB. This standard, similar to what GASB Statement 27 did for government employee pension benefits and plans, provides the accounting and reporting standards for the various other postemployment benefits many local governments offer to their employees. OPEB can include many different benefits offered to retirees such as health, dental, life, and long-term care insurance coverage.

If retirees are included in an insurance plan and pay a rate similar to that paid for younger active employees, this implicit subsidy is considered OPEB. In fact, local governments may be required to continue medical insurance coverage pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 471.61, subd. 2b. This benefit is common when accumulated sick leave is used to pay for retiree medical insurance. Under the new GASB statement, accounting for OPEB is now similar to the accounting used by governments for pension plans.

This year, the legislature enacted a new law, Minn. Stat. § 471.6175, intended to help local governments address their OPEB liability in at least three important ways:

- it allows governments to create both irrevocable and revocable OPEB trusts;
- it authorizes the use of a different list of permissible investments for both irrevocable and revocable OPEB trusts; and
- it also permits governments to invest OPEB trust assets with the State Board of Investment, bank trust departments, and certain insurance companies.

Some of the issues that the Wilkin County Board will need to address in order to comply with the statement are:

- determine if employees are provided OPEB;
- if OPEB are being provided, the Wilkin County Board will have to determine whether it will advance fund the benefits or pay for them on a pay-as-you-go basis;
- if OPEB are being provided, and the Wilkin County Board determines that the
 establishment of a trust is desirable in order to fund the OPEB, the Wilkin
 County Board will have to comply with the new legislation enacted
 authorizing the creation of an OPEB trust and establishing an applicable
 investment standard;
- if an OPEB trust will be established, the Wilkin County Board will have to decide whether to establish an irrevocable or a revocable trust, and report that trust appropriately in the financial statements; and
- in order to determine annual costs and liabilities that need to be recognized, the Wilkin County Board will have to decide whether to hire an actuary.

GASB Statement 45 would be applicable to Wilkin County for the year ended December 31, 2009.



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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 County Commissioners Wilkin County

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Wilkin County as of and for the year ended December 31, 2007, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated November 26, 2008. 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.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered Wilkin County's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our auditing procedures 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 County's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the County's internal control over financial reporting.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. However, as discussed below, we identified certain deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be significant deficiencies.

A control deficiency 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 misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination

of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the County's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the County's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the County's internal control. We considered the deficiencies described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs as items 96-4, 06-1, and 07-1 to be significant deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by Wilkin County's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies and, accordingly, would not necessarily disclose all significant deficiencies that are also considered to be material weaknesses. However, we believe none of the significant deficiencies described above is a material weakness.

Compliance and Other Matters

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

Minnesota Legal Compliance

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the provisions of the *Minnesota Legal Compliance Audit Guide for Local Government*, promulgated by the State Auditor pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 6.65. Accordingly, the audit included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

The *Minnesota Legal Compliance Audit Guide for Local Government* contains six categories of compliance to be tested: contracting and bidding, deposits and investments, conflicts of interest, public indebtedness, claims and disbursements, and miscellaneous provisions. Our study included all of the listed categories.

The results of our tests indicate that, for the items tested, Wilkin County complied with the material terms and conditions of applicable legal provisions, except as described in the Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs as items 07-2 and 07-3.

Also included in the Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs is an other item for consideration. We believe this information to be of benefit to Wilkin County, and it is reported for that purpose.

Wilkin County's written responses to the significant deficiencies and legal compliance findings identified in our audit have been included in the Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs. We did not audit the County's responses and, accordingly, we express no opinion on them.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Board of County Commissioners, management, others within Wilkin County, and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be, and should not be, used by anyone other than those specified parties.

/s/Rebecca Otto

/s/Greg Hierlinger

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November 26, 2008





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REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH OMB CIRCULAR A-133

Board of County Commissioners Wilkin County

Compliance

We have audited the compliance of Wilkin County with the types of compliance requirements described in the U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) *Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement* that are applicable to its major federal program for the year ended December 31, 2007. Wilkin County's major federal program is identified in the Summary of Auditor's Results section of the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs. Compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to its major federal program is the responsibility of the County's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the County's compliance based on our audit.

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*. Those standards and OMB Circular A-133 require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about Wilkin County's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion. Our audit does not provide a legal determination on the County's compliance with those requirements.

In our opinion, Wilkin County complied, in all material respects, with the requirements referred to above that are applicable to its major federal program for the year ended December 31, 2007.

Internal Control Over Compliance

The management of Wilkin County is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to federal programs. In planning and performing our audit, we considered the County's internal control over compliance with requirements that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on compliance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the County's internal control over compliance.

A control deficiency in internal control over compliance 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 noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the County's ability to administer a federal program such that there is more than a remote likelihood that noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the County's internal control.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented or detected by Wilkin County's internal control.

Our consideration of the internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Wilkin County as of and for the year ended December 31, 2007, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated November 26, 2008. Our audit was performed for the purpose of forming opinions on Wilkin County's basic financial statements. The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by OMB Circular A-133 and is not a required part of the basic financial statements.

Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Board of County Commissioners, management and others within the County, and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be, and should not be, used by anyone other than those specified parties.

/s/Rebecca Otto

/s/Greg Hierlinger

REBECCA OTTO STATE AUDITOR GREG HIERLINGER, CPA DEPUTY STATE AUDITOR

November 26, 2008



WILKIN COUNTY BRECKENRIDGE, MINNESOTA

Schedule 11

SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007

| Federal Grantor Pass-Through Agency Grant Program Title | Federal CFDA Number | Expenditures | |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------|-----------|
| U.S. Department of Agriculture | | | |
| Passed Through Minnesota Department of Health and Clay-Wilkin Community Health Services | | | |
| Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children | 10.557 | \$ | 32,707 |
| Passed Through Minnesota Department of Human Services | | | |
| State Administrative Matching Grants for Food Stamp Program | 10.561 | | 1,758 |
| Total U.S. Department of Agriculture | | \$ | 34,465 |
| U.S. Department of Justice | | | |
| Passed Through Minnesota Department of Public Safety | | | |
| Enforcing Underage Drinking Laws Program | 16.727 | \$ | 180 |
| U.S. Department of Transportation | | | |
| Passed Through Minnesota Department of Transportation | | | |
| Highway Planning and Construction | 20.505 | \$ | 1,177,224 |
| Passed Through Minnesota Department of Public Safety | | | |
| State and Community Highway Safety | 20.600 | | 23,369 |
| Alcohol Traffic Safety and Drunk Driving Prevention | 20.601 | | 3,321 |
| Total U.S. Department of Transportation | | \$ | 1,203,914 |
| U.S. Election Assistance Commission | | | |
| Passed Through Minnesota Secretary of State | | | |
| Help America Vote Act | 90.401 | \$ | 1,415 |
| U.S. Department of Health and Human Services | | | |
| Passed Through Minnesota Department of Health and West Central Area Agency on Aging | | | |
| Title III-B Special Programs for the Aging | 93.044 | \$ | 13,750 |
| Passed Through Minnesota Department of Health and Clay-Wilkin Community Health Services | | | |
| Centers for Disease Control and Prevention - Investigations and Technical | | | |
| Assistance | 93.283 | | 25,879 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) | 93.558 | | 4,996 |
| Maternal and Child Health Services Block Grant | 93.994 | | 10,500 |
| Passed Through Minnesota Department of Health | | | |
| Centers for Disease Control and Prevention - Investigations and Technical | | | |
| Assistance | 93.283 | | 1,000 |

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Schedule 11 (Continued)

SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007

| Federal Grantor | Federal | | |
|----------------------------------------------------------|----------------|-----|------------|
| Pass-Through Agency Grant Program Title | CFDA Number | Fv | penditures |
| Grant Frogram Titt | Number | 123 | penunures |
| U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (Continued) | | | |
| Passed Through Minnesota Department of Human Services | | | |
| Promoting Safe and Stable Families | 93.556 | | 8,451 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) | 93.558 | | 62,997 |
| Family Support Payments to State Assistance Program | 93.560 | | 24 |
| Child Care Mandatory and Matching Funds | 93.596 | | 43,573 |
| Foster Care Title IV-E | 93.658 | | 12,437 |
| Social Services Block Grant Title XX | 93.667 | | 60,314 |
| Chafee Foster Care Independent Living | 93.674 | | 1,259 |
| Community Mental Health Block Grant | 93.958 | | 1,736 |
| Direct | | | |
| Drug-Free Communities Support | 93.276 | | 94,433 |
| Total U.S. Department of Health and Human Services | | \$ | 341,349 |
| U.S. Department of Homeland Security | | | |
| Passed Through Minnesota Department of Public Safety | | | |
| State Domestic Preparedness Equipment Support Program | 97.004 | \$ | 25,694 |
| Homeland Security Grant Program | 97.067 | | 5,329 |
| Total U.S. Department of Homeland Security | | \$ | 31,023 |
| Total Federal Awards | | \$ | 1,612,346 |

Notes to Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards

- 1. The Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards presents the activity of federal award programs expended by Wilkin County. The County's reporting entity is defined in Note 1 to the basic financial statements.
- 2. The expenditures on this schedule are on the accrual basis of accounting.
- 3. Pass-through grant numbers were not assigned by the pass-through agencies.