CATOOSA COUNTY, GEORGIA

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

For the Year Ended September 30, 2014

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FINANCIAL SECTION

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Commissioners Catoosa County, Georgia:

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the aggregate discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Catoosa County, Georgia, as of and for the year ended September 30, 2014, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We did not audit the financial statements of the Catoosa County Health Department, which represents 31%, 100%, and 95%, respectively, of the assets, positive net position, and revenues of the discretely presented component units. Those statements were audited by other auditors whose report has been furnished to us, and our opinion, insofar as it relates to the amounts included for the Catoosa County Health Department, is based solely on the report of the other auditors. 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.



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

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

Opinions

In our opinion, based on our audit and the report of other auditors, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the aggregate discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information for Catoosa County, Georgia, as of September 30, 2014, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis on pages vii - xvii and the general fund schedule of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances – budget and actual on pages 48 - 52 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise Catoosa County, Georgia's basic financial statements. The combining nonmajor fund financial statements, agency funds financial statement, and financial schedules are presented for

purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by U.S. Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, *Audits of State, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*, and is also not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The combining nonmajor fund financial statements, agency fund financial statements, and the schedule of expenditures of federal awards are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America by us and other auditors. In our opinion, based on our audit, the procedures performed as described above, and the report of the other auditors, the combining nonmajor fund financial statements, agency fund financial statements, and the schedule of expenditures of federal awards are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated March 27, 2015, on our consideration of Catoosa County, Georgia's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Catoosa County, Georgia's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Johnson, Weikey & Meuchesm, P.C.

March 27, 2015

Catoosa County, Georgia Management's Discussion and Analysis For the Year Ended September 30, 2014

Management's discussion and analysis provides an objective and easily readable analysis of the Government's financial activities. The analysis provides summary financial information for Catoosa County and should be read in conjunction with the Government's financial statements.

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Government's basic financial statements comprise three components; (1) Government-wide financial statements, (2) Fund financial statements, and (3) Notes to the financial statements. The Government-wide financial statements present an overall picture of the Government's financial position and results of operations. The Fund financial statements present financial information for the Government's major funds. The Notes to the financial statements provide additional information concerning the Government's finances that are not disclosed in the Government-wide or Fund financial statements. This report also contains other supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements.

The Government-wide financial statements are the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities. These statements use accounting methods similar to those used by private-sector companies. Emphasis is placed on the net position of governmental activities and business-type activities and the change in net position Governmental Activities are primarily supported by property taxes, sales taxes, other taxes, federal and state grants, fines, and charges for services. Business-type activities are supported by charges to the users of those activities.

The Statement of Net Position presents information on all assets and liabilities of the Government, with the difference between assets and liabilities reported as net position. Net position is reported in four categories: (1) net investment in capital assets, (2) assigned, (3) restricted and (4) unrestricted. Assets, liabilities, and net position are reported for all Governmental activities separate from the assets, liabilities and net position of Business-type activities. In addition, assets, liabilities, and net position are reported for the Catoosa County Health Department and the Catoosa County Development Authority, which are considered component units of the Government.

The Statement of Activities presents information on all revenues and expenses of the Government and the change in net position. Expenses are reported by major function and program revenues relating to those functions are reported, providing the net cost of all functions provided by the Government. To assist in understanding the Government's operations, expenses have been reported as governmental activities or business-type activities. Governmental activities financed by the Government include public safety, judicial, public works, health and welfare, culture and recreation, and general government services. Business-type activities financed by user charges include storm water and solid waste collections. Again, expenses and revenues of the component units are reported separately from the primary Government's financial information.

Fund financial statements present financial information for governmental funds, proprietary funds, and fiduciary funds. These statements provide financial information for the major funds of Catoosa County. Governmental fund financial statements provide information on the current assets and

liabilities of the funds, changes in current financial resources (revenues and expenditures), and current available resources. The proprietary funds financial statements provide information on all assets and liabilities of the funds, changes in the economic resources (revenues and expenses), and total economic resources. The statement of fiduciary net position provides information concerning assets held in trust by the Government on behalf of others.

Fund financial statements include a balance sheet and a statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances for all governmental funds. A schedule of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances – budget and actual, is provided as required supplementary information for the Government's General Fund. For the proprietary funds a statement of net position; a statement of revenues, expenses, and changes in fund net position; and a statement of cash flows are presented. A statement of fiduciary changes in assets and liabilities is presented for the Government's agency funds. Fund financial statements provide more detailed information about the Government's activities. Individual funds are established to track revenues that are restricted to certain uses, comply with legal requirements, or account for the use of state and federal grants.

The Government-wide financial statements and the Fund financial statements provide different pictures of the Government. The Government-wide financial statements provide an overall picture of the Government's financial standing, split between Governmental Activities and Business-type Activities. These statements are comparable to private-sector companies and give a good understanding of the Government's overall financial health and how the Government paid for the various activities, or functions, provided by the Government. All assets including land, buildings, equipment and infrastructure (which include storm water systems, roads, bridges, traffic signals, etc.) are reported in the Statement of Net Position. All liabilities, including principal outstanding on bonds, capital leases, and future employee benefits obligated but not paid by the Government are reported in the Statement of Net Position. Transactions between the different functions of the Government, however, have been eliminated in order to avoid a duplication of the revenues and expenses. The Fund financial statements provide a picture of the major funds and a column for all non-major funds. In the case of governmental activities, outlays for long-lived assets are reported as expenditures, and long-term liabilities, such as general obligation bonds, are not included in the fund financial statements. To provide a link from the Fund financial statements to the Government-wide financial statements, reconciliation is provided from the Fund financial statements to the Government-wide financial statements.

The *Notes to the financial statements* provide additional detail concerning the financial activities and financial balances of the Government. Additional information about the accounting practices of the Government, investments of the Government, long-term debt, and the pension plan are some of the items included in the Notes. The notes to the financial statements can be found on pages 13 to 45 of this report.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Catoosa County's total assets exceeded total liabilities by \$479.9 million (net position). Total net assets for governmental activities were \$483.6 million; total net assets for business-type activities were a deficit in the amount of \$3.7 million.

CATOOSA COUNTY, GEORGA NET POSITION

Total

	Governmental <u>Activities</u>		Busines Activ		Tot Prim <u>Gover</u>	
	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	2013	<u>2014</u>	2013
Current and Other Assets Capital Assets	\$ 31.3 458.9	\$ 35.0 469.5	\$ (1.4) 4.5	\$ (1.5) 4.8	\$ 29.9 463.4	\$ 33.5 474.3
Total Assets	490.2	504.5	3.1	3.3	493.3	507.8
Long-term Liabilities Other Liabilities	0.1 6.4	0.5 8.4	6.5 0.3	6.7 0.3	6.6 6.7	7.2 8.7
Total Liabilities	6.5	8.9	6.8	7.0	13.3	15.9
Deferred revenue	0.1	0.2			0.1	0.2
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	0.1	0.2			0.1	0.2
Net Position	450.0	400.0		4.0	400.0	470.4
Net Investment in Capital Asssets	458.3	468.6	4.5	4.8	462.8	473.4
Assigned	14.6	0.1 14.0	-	-	-	0.1
Restricted Unrestricted	14.6 10.7	14.0 12.7	(8.2)	- (8.5)	14.6 2.5	14.0 4.2
Unitestitated	10.7	12.1	(0.2)	(0.3)	2.3	
Total Net Position	\$ 483.6	\$ 495.4	\$ (3.7)	\$ (3.7)	\$ 479.9	\$ 491.7

As a whole, the Government's financial position declined during fiscal year 2014. Total net position from declined by \$11.8 million, resulting from a decrease in governmental activities. The decrease in the assets of \$14.5 million is due to a decrease in capital assets of \$10.9 million and a decrease in current and other assets of \$3.6 million. The decrease in capital assets is the result of depreciation of \$12.9 million partially offset by an increase for capital additions of \$2.0 million. The decrease in current and other assets is the result of a decrease in the receivable from other governmental entities of \$4.0 million mainly derived from the Catoosa County Development Authority repayment for expenditures related to the site prep and land improvements on the Costco Industrial Project, and cash equivalents available and certificates of deposit available of \$284 thousand; the decrease was partially offset by an increase in assets restricted for specific use of \$508 thousand which mainly includes SPLOST, prepaid expenses and supplies \$73 thousand, other taxes receivable \$62 thousand and property taxes receivable \$37 thousand . Liabilities decreased \$2.6 million with decreases of \$4.9 million in a line of credit, \$543 thousand in long-term liabilities, \$346 thousand due to heirs, litigants and others; the decreases were partially offset by an increase in accounts payable of \$3.2 million. The line of credit (Tax Anticipation Note) was paid off from funds applied from the Development Authority Series 2014 Bond issue dated July 10, 2014. The reduction of long-term liabilities was the result of retirement of capital lease obligations of \$402 thousand and a reduction in landfill postclosure care liability of \$191 thousand; partially offset by an increase in compensated absences of \$50

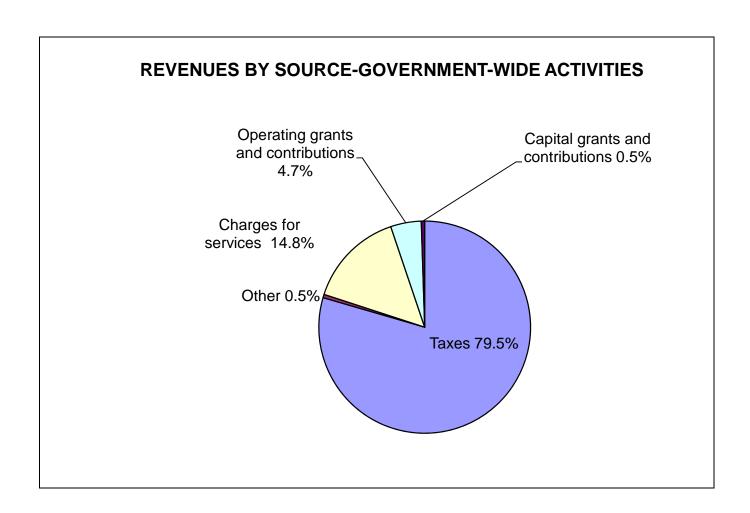
thousand. The reduction in due to heirs, litigants and others was due to a decrease in the Boynton Recreation Escrow; the result of having made payments for improvements to the Boynton Recreation Park as contributions to the County. The increase in accounts payable of \$3.2 million was due to recognizing the liability for the nonexchange financial guarantees related to the two Hutcheson unsecured (Notes) of \$3.5 million; partially offset by reductions in other accounts payable of \$338 thousand. Deferred inflows of resources decreased \$82 thousand due to a reduction in deferred revenue from capital project grants. Net capital assets in the amount of \$462.8 million comprised the bulk of the net assets of the County. This includes land, buildings, equipment, capital improvements, and infrastructure as well as assets currently under construction. Restricted net assets in the amount of \$14.6 million are comprised of \$14.3 million for SPLOST, \$312 thousand for Public Safety, which includes Confiscated Assets Fund and J.C.S.A. Fund, and \$4 thousand for Multiple Grant Fund and Library Grant Fund. The unrestricted net assets of \$2.5 million is composed of a positive balance of \$10.7 million in governmental activities, mainly the General Fund reserve balance, and a negative of \$8.2 million in the business-type activities due to the negative fund equity in the Solid Waste Management Authority as a result of accrued landfill post closure care costs in the amount of \$6.8 million and a liability of \$1.4 million for the construction of the landfill gas to energy project.

CATOOSA COUNTY, GEORGIA CHANGES IN NET POSITION (\$ in Millions)

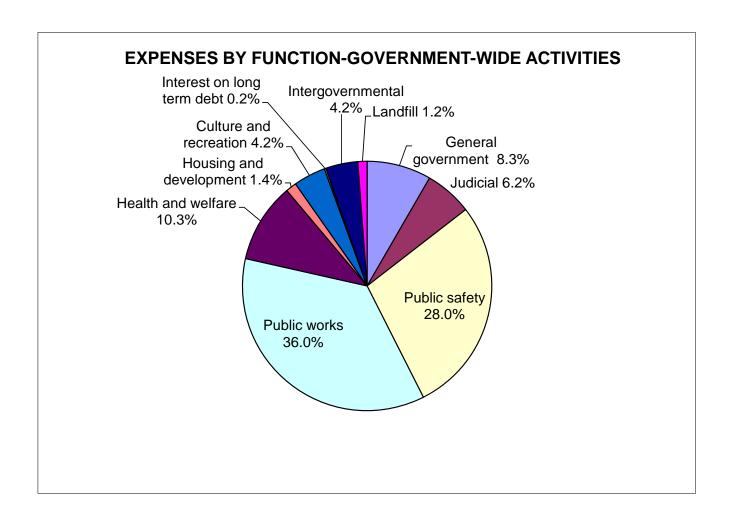
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	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014	2013	
Revenues:							
Program revenues:							
Charges for services	\$ 5.2	\$ 5.2	\$ 0.5	\$ 0.6	\$ 5.7	\$ 5.8	
Operating grants and contributions	1.8	1.6	-	-	1.8	1.6	
Capital grants and contributions	0.2	0.1	-	-	0.2	0.1	
General revenues:							
Property taxes	11.3	9.5	-	-	11.3	9.5	
Special local option sales tax	9.1	9.1	-	-	9.1	9.1	
Local option sales tax	6.4	6.4	-	-	6.4	6.4	
Insurance premium tax	2.4	2.3	-	-	2.4	2.3	
Federal payments in lieu of taxes	0.4	0.4	-	-	0.4	0.4	
Other taxes	0.6	0.8	-	-	0.6	0.8	
Franchise fees	0.4	0.3	-	-	0.4	0.3	
Interest	-	0.1	-	-	-	0.1	
Other	0.2	-	-	-	0.2	-	
Total revenues	38.0	35.8	0.5	0.6	38.5	36.4	
Expenses:							
General government	4.2	4.1	-	-	4.2	4.1	
Judicial	3.1	3.1	-	-	3.1	3.1	
Public safety	14.1	14.3	-	-	14.1	14.3	
Public works	18.1	19.2	-	-	18.1	19.2	
Health and welfare	5.2	1.7	-	-	5.2	1.7	
Housing and development	0.7	0.7	-	-	0.7	0.7	
Culture and recreation	2.1	2.2	-	-	2.1	2.2	
Interest on long term debt	0.1	0.2	-	-	0.1	0.2	
Intergovernmental	2.1	3.5	-	-	2.1	3.5	
Landfill	-	-	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	
Storm water	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total expenses	49.7	49.0	0.6	0.6	50.3	49.6	
Change in net position before transfers	(11.7)	(13.2)	(0.1)	-	(11.8)	(13.2)	
Transfers		-			-		
Change in net position	(11.7)	(13.2)	(0.1)	-	(11.8)	(13.2)	
Beginning net position	495.4	508.6	(3.7)	(3.7)	491.7	504.9	
Prior period adjustment	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Ending net position	\$ 483.7	\$ 495.4	\$ (3.8)	\$ (3.7)	\$ 479.9	\$ 491.7	

Total government-wide revenues for 2014 were \$38.5 million, an increase of \$2.1 million from \$36.4 million in 2013. The increase was the result of an increase in property taxes of \$1.8 million; \$1.4 million of the increase was due to a .9 mill increase in the county's net millage rate and \$455 thousand due to a full year of collections of Title AD Valorem Tax (TAVT). Other increases included an increase in contributions of \$210 thousand due to a contribution from Boynton Recreation of \$283 thousand, \$90 thousand insurance premium tax, \$27 thousand payments in lieu of taxes, \$79 thousand franchise fees and \$135 thousand other, mainly due to gain on sale of capital assets. The increases were partially offset by a reduction of \$156 thousand in other taxes and \$79 thousand in interest. The revenues are distributed from the following sources: \$30.6 million in taxes, \$5.7 million in charges for services, \$2.0 million in grants and contributions, \$26 thousand in interest earnings and \$163 thousand other. Of this amount \$38.0 million was in governmental activities and \$546 thousand was in business type activities. The chart below shows graphically the distribution of government-wide revenues by source.



Government-wide expenses were \$50.3 million for 2014, an increase of \$709 thousand from \$49.6 million for 2013. The increase was the result of increases in health and welfare \$3.5 million, general government \$129 thousand and judicial \$16 thousand. The increases were partially offset by reductions in intergovernmental \$1.4 million, public works \$1.1 million, public safety \$199 thousand, interest on long term debt \$156 thousand, housing and development \$31 thousand and culture and recreation \$2 thousand. The increase in health and welfare was the result of two subsequent events related to the Hutcheson unsecured (Notes) which repayment was guaranteed by the Board of Commissioners of Catoosa County along with the sole Commissioner of Walker County. The liability and the corresponding expense were recognized for the nonexchange financial guarantee as of September 30, 2014 in the amount of \$3.5 million. Additional information on the subsequent events can be found on Note (19) on page 45 of this report. The reduction in intergovernmental and public works was due to a decrease of \$2.6 million in SPLOST fund expenditures on capital projects due to the start of the new 2014 SPLOST cycle and the need for sufficient funds to be collected before starting projects. Of the total expenses, \$49.7 million were for governmental activities and \$604 thousand for business-type activities. The following chart shows graphically further detail of government-wide expenses by function.



FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE GOVERNMENT'S FUNDS

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

Major Governmental Funds

The focus of the County's governmental funds is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of spendable resources, which 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.

Revenues in the governmental funds were \$37.9 million, an increase of \$2.1 million from \$35.8 million in 2013. The increase was the result of an increase in property taxes of \$1.8 million: \$1.4 million of the icrease was due to a .9 mill increase in the county's net millage rate and \$455 thousand due to a full year of collections of Title AD Valorem Tax (TAVT). Other increases included an increase in contributions of \$210 thousand due to a contribution from Boynton Recreation of \$283 thousand, \$90 thousand insurance premium tax, \$27 thousand payments in lieu of taxes, \$79 thousand franchise fees and \$135 thousand other mainly due to gain on sale of capital assets. The increases were partially offset by a reduction of \$156 thousand in other taxes and \$79 thousand in interest.

Expenditures in the governmental funds were \$39.5 million, an increase of \$1.2 million from \$38.3 million in 2013. The increase was the result of increases in health and welfare \$3.5 million, culture and recreation \$262 thousand, general government \$151 thousand and judicial \$16 thousand. The increases were partially offset by reductions in intergovernmental \$1.4 million, public works \$1.1 million, public safety \$316 thousand and interest on long term debt \$156 thousand. The increase in health and welfare was the result of two subsequent events related to the Hutcheson unsecured (Notes) which repayment was guaranteed by the Board of Commissioners of Catoosa County along with the sole Commissioner of Walker County. The liability and the corresponding expense were recognized for the nonexchange financial guarantee as of September 30, 2014. Additional information on the subsequent events can be found in Note (19) on page 45 of this report. The increase in culture and recreation is the corresponding expenditures related to the contribution from Boynton Recreation. The reduction in intergovernmental and public works was due to a decrease of \$2.6 million in SPLOST fund expenditures on capital projects due to the start of the new 2014 SPLOST cycle and sufficient funds need to be collected before starting projects.

Other financing sources and uses generated a favorable fund balance of \$91 thousand due to proceeds from sale of assets of \$73 thousand and insurance proceeds in the amount of \$18 thousand.

As the County completed the year, its governmental funds reported a combined fund balance of \$25.6 million a decrease of \$1.5 million from \$27.1 million in 2013. The General Fund, which is the chief operating fund of the County decreased \$1.9 million, SPLOST Capital Projects Fund increased \$306 thousand, and Other Governmental Funds increased \$105 thousand.

Major Proprietary Funds

The County's proprietary funds provide the same type of information found in the government-wide financial statements, but in more detail.

Operating revenues in business type activities were \$546 thousand, a decrease of \$66 thousand from \$612 thousand in 2013. The decrease was due to a reduction in fees.

Operating expenses in business-type activities were \$604 thousand, a decrease of \$23 thousand from \$627 thousand in 2013. The reduction is due to an increase of \$5 thousand in operating expenses due to required annual maintenance schedule on the generator which was more than offset by an increase in the reduction of the accrued post closure care liability for Site #1 and Site #2 of \$28 thousand.

The proprietary funds reported a reduction in net position of \$58 thousand for the fiscal year ended 2014.

GENERAL FUND BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

Over the course of the year, the Board of Commissioners was required to amend the budget to account for supplemental funding and to meet the changing governmental expenses and needs which arose during the fiscal year. After the amendment budgeted revenues were equal to actual revenues; budgeted expenditures exceeded actual expenditures by \$215 thousand.

The excess of budgeted expenditures over actual expenditures was primarily due to the following expenditure categories where budgeted exceeded actual: judicial \$28 thousand, general government \$28 thousand, public safety \$157 thousand and culture and recreation \$2 thousand. The favorable variances were fairly distributed over all functions as the effort continues to control expenditures during these current economic times.

General fund operations for 2014 resulted in a fund balance of \$10.9 million, a decrease of \$1.9 million from \$12.8 million in 2013.

CAPITAL ASSETS ACTIVITY

Investment in capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, for both governmental and business-type activities, *Primary Government*, decreased \$10,923,412. Beginning balance was \$474,275,318, plus current year additions of \$1,976,345, less current year depreciation of \$12,899,757, less net dispositions / reclassifications, resulted in an ending balance of \$463,351,906. The CIP additions in the amount of \$1.4 million includes expenditures for purchase of ball field lights and other renovations on Boynton Recreation property \$467 thousand, courthouse renovations \$280 thousand, McConnell Park construction \$221 thousand, fire station paving and other renovations \$169 thousand, Jack Mattow Park renovations \$146 thousand, Lyndhurst Foundation canoe launch \$75 thousand and Catoosa County Library children's park \$20 thousand. The items reclassified from CIP all as land improvements in the amount of \$893 thousand includes the Boynton Recreation ball field lights \$424 thousand and other renovations \$43 thousand, McConnell Park \$253 thousand, fire station paving \$151 thousand and Library children's courtyard patio \$22 thousand. Items of vehicles and equipment in the amount of \$654 thousand were retired all of which were fully depreciated with a NBV of zero included \$538 thousand in vehicles and \$116 thousand in equipment. The site improvement was for

benches at the Veterans Memorial \$2 thousand. The addition to buildings was for the construction of two equipment storage buildings at Public Works \$89 thousand. The vehicle purchases in the amount of \$88 thousand were for two 2014 Ford/Goshen Shuttle Buses for Public Transportation. The equipment purchases in the amount of \$418 thousand included two New Holland Tractors with mowing decks, overhauling GMC striping truck, Lee Boy high deck paver and tack wagon, tandem dump truck bed, two Henderson sand spreaders and various other items of road equipment for Public Works \$290 thousand, two emergency weather sirens for Emergency Management \$47 thousand, John Deere Gator for Recreation \$11 thousand, Kubota Zero-Turn mower and mulcher for Public Building Maintenance \$10 thousand, microfilm scanner, projector and printer for Library \$21 thousand and other small items of equipment for General Government \$39 thousand. Most capital additions were funded by Capital Project Grants, SPLOST, J.C.S.A. or Confiscated Asset Funds. Additional information on the County's capital assets can be found in Note (5) on pages 28 to 30 of this report.

A summary of activity in capital assets, net of depreciation, of the primary government for the year ended September 30, 2014, is as follows:

	Balance		Additions		Depreciation		/	/Reclass		Balance	
Land	\$	6,146,358	\$	_	\$	_			\$	6,146,358	
CIP	*	150,183	•	1,379,031	*	-		(892,553)	*	636,661	
Land Improvements		3,254,082		1,800		258,927		892,553		3,889,508	
Infrastructure		432,565,846		-		10,344,686				422,221,160	
Buildings		26,414,477		88,927		506,047				25,997,357	
Equipment, vehicles	s,										
furniture &											
fixtures		5,744,372		506,587		1,790,097				4,460,862	
	\$	474,275,318	\$	1,976,345	\$	12,899,757	\$	-	\$	463,351,906	

THE GOVERNMENT'S DEBT

The capital lease obligations represent the balance remaining on the lease financing for the construction of the new administration building \$361,111 and lease purchase of sheriff's vehicles \$156,167. The post closure obligations are \$1,955,279 for Site #1 and \$4,821,122 for Site #2 which is The Georgia Environmental Protection Division estimate of the future liability for the next nineteen to twenty-five years respectively. The compensated absences represent the cumulative and vesting for unpaid employee vacation and sick leave. Additional information on the county's debt can be found in Note (6) on pages 31 to 34 of this report.

A summary of activity in long-term debt of the primary government for the year ended September 30, 2014, is as follows:

	1	Beginning					Ending
		Balance	Additions		Retirements		 Balance
Capital lease obligations Landfill closure /	\$	919,497			\$	(402,219)	\$ 517,278
Postclosure obligation		6,967,640		-		(191,239)	6,776,401
Compensated absences		488,635		50,579		_	539,214
	\$	8,375,772	\$	50,579	\$	(593,458)	\$ 7,832,893

STATUS OF THE CATOOSA COUNTY ECONOMY

Economic activity in Catoosa County during the year reflected regional trends. Retail sales taxes for the fiscal year 2014 were up \$6 thousand, or .1% compared to fiscal year 2013. The net M&O digest is up \$2.8 million, or .2% for 2014 over 2013.

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REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

This report was prepared by the Finance Department of Catoosa County and is designed to present a general overview of the County's accountability. Questions concerning this report or requests for additional information can be obtained by contacting the Chief Financial Officer at carl.henson@catoosa.com or at the following address and telephone number:

Catoosa County Government Finance Department 800 Lafayette Street Ringgold, Ga. 30736 706-965-2500

The Catoosa County Health Department, a component unit of Catoosa County, issues separately audited financial statements. Requests for additional information may be directed to:

Catoosa County Health Department Finance Office P.O. Box 609 Lafayette, Ga. 30728 706-638-5577

CATOOSA COUNTY, GEORGIA STATEMENT OF NET POSITION SEPTEMBER 30, 2014

	Pi			
	Governmental	Business-Type		Component
	Activities	Activities	Total	Units
ASSETS:				
Cash and cash equivalents -				
Available	\$ 10,378,782	\$ -	\$ 10,378,782	
Restricted for specific use	_	-	-	1,232,834
Certificates of deposit - Available	622 211		620 011	
	632,211 14,575,510		632,211	_
Restricted for specific use Due from other funds		(1,409,294)	14,575,510	=
Due from other governmental	1,409,294	(1,409,294)	_	_
entities	2,852,542	_	2,852,542	112,528
Property taxes receivable	223,769	_	223,769	112,520
Other taxes receivable	788,396	_	788,396	_
Accounts receivable	700,330	_	700,330	_
Prepaid expenses	408,065	_	408,065	_
Prepaid supplies	57,166	_	57,166	14,439
Land and other nondepreciable	37,100		37,100	14,435
assets	5,013,882	1,769,137	6,783,019	526,157
Other capital assets, net	5,015,002	1,700,107	0,703,013	320,137
of accumulated depreciation	453,867,254	2,701,633	456,568,887	313,376
or accumulated depreciation				
Total assets	\$ 490,206,871	\$ 3,061,476	\$493,268,347	\$ 4,547,013
LIABILITIES:				
Accounts payable	\$ 5,249,689	\$ 16,724	\$ 5,266,413	\$ 577,829
Due to heirs, litigants and others	166,063	_	166,063	_
Due to other governments	-	-	-	1,437,160
Long-term liabilities -				
Due within one year	926,273	295,754	1,222,027	1,642,649
Due in more than one year	130,219	6,480,647	6,610,866	5,122,400
Total liabilities	\$ 6,472,244	\$ 6,793,125	\$ 13,265,369	\$ 8,780,038
Total Habilities	<u> </u>	y 0,133,123	<u> </u>	Ç 0,100,030
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES:				
Deferred revenue	\$ 103,884	\$ -	\$ 103,884	\$ -
Total deferred inflows				
of resources	\$ 103,884	\$ -	\$ 103,884	\$ -
OI lesouices	\$ 103,004	<u> </u>	<u>\$ 103,884</u>	<u> </u>
NET POSITION:				
Net investment in capital assets Restricted for -	\$ 458,363,858	\$ 4,470,770	\$462,834,628	\$ 839,533
SPLOST capital projects	14,259,132	-	14,259,132	-
Public safety	311,780	-	311,780	-
Family health and welfare	4,598	-	4,598	-
Unrestricted	10,691,375	(8,202,419)	2,488,956	(5,072,558)
Total net position	\$ 483,630,743	\$ (3,731,649)	\$479,899,094	\$ (4,233,025)

CATOOSA COUNTY, GEORGIA STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2014

			Program Reve	nues	Net (Exp	ense) Revenue and	Changes in Net	Assets
					F	rimary Government	:	
Functions/Programs	Expenses	Charges for Service	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Total	Component Units
PRIMARY GOVERNMENT:								
Governmental activities:								
Judicial	\$ 3,081,620	\$ 1,514,080	\$ 70,340	\$ -	\$ (1,497,200)	\$ -	\$ (1,497,200)	\$ -
General government	4,248,510	910,925	283,706	· -	(3,053,879)	· -	(3,053,879)	-
Public safety	14,131,098	1,842,583	19,715	60,943	(12,207,857)	_	(12,207,857)	-
Public works	18,101,807	-	552,578	· -	(17,549,229)	_	(17,549,229)	-
Health and welfare	5,199,766	64,077	745,975	91,598	(4,298,116)	_	(4,298,116)	-
Housing and development	678,503	359,190	-	=	(319,313)	-	(319,313)	-
Culture and recreation	2,145,033	503,377	143,083	91,437	(1,407,136)	=	(1,407,136)	=
Intergovernmental	2,119,428	=	=	-	(2,119,428)	=	(2,119,428)	=
Interest	61,329				(61,329)		(61,329)	
Total governmental activities	49,767,094	5,194,232	1,815,397	243,978	(42,513,487)		(42,513,487)	
Business-type activities:								
Landfill services	546,620	522,938	-	-	-	(23,682)	(23,682)	-
Stormwater management	57,602	23,199				(34,403)	(34,403)	-
Total business-type activities	604,222	546,137				(58,085)	(58,085)	
Total primary government	50,371,316	5,740,369	1,815,397	243,978	(42,513,487)	(58,085)	(42,571,572)	
COMPONENT UNITS:								
Development Authority	1,729,686	-	94,731	-	=	-	-	(1,634,955)
Health Department	1,559,944	543,506	633,883					(382,555)
Total component units	\$ 3,289,630	\$ 543,506	\$ 728,614	\$ -				(2,017,510)
			GENERAL REVENU	ES:				
			Property taxes		11,282,596	_	11,282,596	-
			Special local	option sales tax	9,092,993	-	9,092,993	-
			Local option sa	ales tax	6,370,545	-	6,370,545	-
			Insurance prem	ium tax	2,384,746	=	2,384,746	=
			Federal paymen	ts in lieu of taxes	444,740	-	444,740	-
			Other taxes		644,274	-	644,274	-
			Franchise fees		348,653	-	348,653	-
			Interest		25,873	-	25,873	12,891
				sale of capital assets	73,192	-	73,192	(283,050)
			Insurance proce	eeds	18,185	-	18,185	-
			Other		71,366		71,366	486,602
			Total genera	al revenues	30,757,163	-	30,757,163	216,443
			TRANSFERS					
			Change in ne	et position	(11,756,324)	(58,085)	(11,814,409)	(1,801,067)
			NET POSITION:					
			Beginning		495,387,067	(3,673,564)	491,713,503	(2,431,958)
			Ending		\$ 483,630,743	\$ (3,731,649)	\$ 479,899,094	\$ (4,233,025)

CATOOSA COUNTY, GEORGIA BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS SEPTEMBER 30, 2014

	General Fund	SPLOST Capital Projects	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 2,391,233	\$ 7,973,995	13,554	\$ 10,378,782
Certificates of deposit Due from other	9,207,721	6,000,000	-	15,207,721
governmental entities	2,852,542	-	-	2,852,542
Due from other funds	1,494,455	-	589,657	2,084,112
Property taxes receivable	223,769	-	-	223,769
Other taxes receivable	278	788,118	-	788,396
Prepaid expenses	408,065	-	-	408,065
Prepaid supplies	57,166			57,166
Total assets	\$ 16,635,229	\$ 14,762,113	\$ 603,211	\$ 32,000,553
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES:				
Liabilities:				
Accounts payable	\$ 4,739,776	\$ 455,458	\$ 54,455	\$ 5,249,689
Due to heirs, litigants	166 063			166 062
and others	166,063	47 500	16 147	166,063
Due to other funds	611,148	47,523	16,147	674,818
Total liabilities	5,516,987	502,981	70,602	6,090,570
Deferred inflows of resources:				
Deferred tax revenue	173,663	_	_	173,663
Deferred grant revenue			103,884	103,884
Total deferred inflows				
of resources	173,663	_	103,884	277,547
Fund balances:				
Nonspendable -				
Prepaid items	465,231	-	-	465,231
Restricted for -				
SPLOST projects	-	14,259,132	-	14,259,132
Capital projects	-	-	75,093	75,093
Committed for -				
Public safety	-	-	311,780	311,780
Health and welfare	-	-	4,598	4,598
Unassigned	10,479,348		37,254	10,516,602
Total fund balances	10,944,579	14,259,132	428,725	25,632,436
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources and				
fund balances	\$ 16,635,229	\$ 14,762,113	\$ 603,211	\$ 32,000,553

CATOOSA COUNTY, GEORGIA RECONCILIATION OF THE BALANCE SHEET OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION SEPTEMBER 30, 2014

Differences in amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position on page 1:

Fund	halances	_	total	governmental	funda	
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\$ 25,632,436

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:

Certain revenues will be collected after yearend, but are not available soon enough to pay for the current period's expenditures and therefore are deferred in the funds.

173,663

Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds.

458,881,136

Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds.

(1,056,492)

\$483,630,743

CATOOSA COUNTY, GEORGIA STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2014

	General Fund	SPLOST Capital Projects	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES:				
Taxes	\$20,624,174	\$ 9,092,993	\$ -	\$ 29,717,167
Licenses and franchises	419,228	-	· -	419,228
Charges for services	445,069	_	1,088,135	1,533,204
Intergovernmental	906,404	527,953	723,424	2,157,781
Fines, fees and forfeitures	2,476,432	-	271,723	2,748,155
Investment earnings	25,848	24,625	25	50,498
Other	1,194,676		85,760	1,280,436
Total revenues	26,091,831	9,645,571	2,169,067	37,906,469
EXPENDITURES:				
Current -				
Judicial	3,038,066	-	-	3,038,066
General government	4,108,557	1,755	-	4,110,312
Public safety	11,195,376	40,219	1,378,667	12,614,262
Public works Health and welfare	2,181,492	5,458,736	405 700	7,640,228
	4,696,204	-	495,708	5,191,912
Housing and development Culture and recreation	648,051 2,025,498	- 	153,492	648,051 2,229,563
Intergovernmental	2,025,496	50,573 2,119,428	155,492	2,229,563
Capital outlay	_	1,297,905	142,340	1,440,245
Debt service -		1,201,000	142,540	1,440,245
Principal	52,260	349,959	-	402,219
Interest	40,313	21,016		61,329
Total expenditures	27,985,817	9,339,591	2,170,207	39,495,615
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES				
OVER EXPENDITURES	(1,893,986)	305,980	(1,140)	(1,589,146)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):				
Proceeds from sale of assets	73,192	-	-	73,192
Insurance proceeds	18,185	-	-	18,185
Transfers from other funds	_	-	106,503	106,503
Transfers to other funds	(106,503)			(106,503)
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	(1,909,112)	305,980	105,363	(1,497,769)
FUND BALANCES:				
Beginning	12,853,691	13,953,152	323,362	27,130,205
Ending	\$10,944,579	\$ 14,259,132	\$ 428,725	\$ 25,632,436

CATOOSA COUNTY, GEORGIA RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2014

Differences in amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities on page 2:

in the statement of activities on page 2.	
Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds	\$ (1,497,769)
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:	
Capital outlay reported as expenditures in the governmental funds are reported as capital assets in the statement of activities.	1,976,345
Depreciation expense on governmental capital assets are included in the statement of activities.	(12,599,461)
Long-term liabilities in the statement of net position include an estimated liability for compensated absences. These are planned to be liquidated with future resources; therefore, the increase or decrease in the liability does not affect expenditures in the governmental funds.	(50,579)
Certain governmental revenues will not be collected for several months after the fiscal year and are deferred in the governmental funds.	12,922
Repayment of long-term debt and capital leases is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the statement of net position.	402,218
-	\$(11,756,324)

CATOOSA COUNTY, GEORGIA STATEMENT OF NET POSITION PROPRIETARY FUNDS SEPTEMBER 30, 2014

	Business-Type Activities					
	Major Fund	Nonmajor Fund				
	Solid Waste Management Authority	Public Works Authority	Total			
ASS	<u>ETS</u>					
Due from other funds	\$ -	\$ 21,490	\$ 21,490			
CAPITAL ASSETS:						
Land	1,738,360	30,777	1,769,137			
Land improvements	6,601,955	898,093	7,500,048			
Buildings	40,465	-	40,465			
Equipment and vehicles	1,846,651	32,506	1,879,157			
	10,227,431	961,376	11,188,807			
Less accumulated depreciation	6,205,870	512,167	6,718,037			
Net capital assets	4,021,561	449,209	4,470,770			
Total assets	\$4,021,561	\$ 470,699	\$ 4,492,260			
LIABILITIES AN	D NET POSITI	<u>ON</u>				
CURRENT LIABILITIES:						
Accounts payable	\$ 16,670	\$ 54	\$ 16,724			
Due to other funds	1,430,784	-	1,430,784			
Accrued closure and postclosure						
care costs	295,754		295,754			
Total current liabilities	1,743,208	54	1,743,262			
LONG-TERM LIABILITIES:						
Accrued postclosure care costs	6,480,647		6,480,647			
Total liabilities	8,223,855	54	8,223,909			
NET POSITION:						
Net investment in capital assets Unrestricted	4,021,561 (8,223,855)	449,209 21,436	4,470,770 (8,202,419)			
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	(4,202,294)	470,645	(3,731,649)			
Total liabilities and net position	\$4,021,561	\$ 470,699	\$ 4,492,260			

CATOOSA COUNTY, GEORGIA STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION PROPRIETARY FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2014

	Business-Type Activities						
	Major Fund	Nonmajor Fund					
	Solid Waste Management Authority	Public Works Authority	Total				
OPERATING REVENUES:							
User fees	\$ 522,938	\$ 23,199	\$ 546,137				
Total revenues	522,938	23,199	546,137				
OPERATING EXPENSES:							
Depreciation General operating expenses	254,673 291,947	45,623 11,979	300,296 303,926				
Total expenses	546,620	57,602	604,222				
OPERATING LOSS	(23,682)	(34,403)	(58,085)				
NET POSITION: Beginning	(4,178,612)	505,048	(3,673,564)				
Ending	\$ (4,202,294)	\$ 470,645	\$ (3,731,649)				

CATOOSA COUNTY, GEORGIA STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS PROPRIETARY FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2014

	Business-Type Activities					
	Major Fund		Nonmajor Fund			
	Maı	id Waste nagement thority		ic Works hority		Total
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:						
Receipts from user fees	\$	522,938	\$	23,199	\$	546,137
Payments to suppliers for goods or services		(483,907)	т	(12,332)	т	(496,239)
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Net cash provided by operating						
activities		39,031		10,867		49,898
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED						
FINANCING ACTIVITIES:						
Loan from other funds		(39,031)		(10,867)		(49,898)
Not work and be worked and						
Net cash used by capital and		(20 021)		(10 967)		(40 000)
related financing activities		(39,031)		(10,867)		(49,898)
NET CHANGE IN CASH		_		_		_
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CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS						
Beginning		_		_		_
3						
Ending	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_
Bilding	<u>Y</u>		<u>Y</u>		<u>Y</u>	
RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING LOSS TO NET CASH PROVIDED BY						
OPERATING ACTIVITIES:						
Operating loss	\$	(23,682)	\$	(34,403)	\$	(58,085)
Adjustments to reconcile operating						
loss to net cash provided						
by operating activities -						
Depreciation		254,673		45,623		300,296
Net change in operating liabilities		(191 <u>,960</u>)		(353)		(192,313)
Net cash provided by operating	ċ	20 021	Ċ	10 067	.	40.000
activities	\$	39,031	\$	10,867	\$	49,898

CATOOSA COUNTY, GEORGIA STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY ASSETS AND LIABILITIES **SEPTEMBER 30, 2014**

	Agency Funds
ASSETS:	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$3,713,366
Total assets	\$3,713,366
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LIABILITIES:	
Due to heirs, litigants, and others	\$2,797,524
Due to other governmental entities	915,842
Total liabilities	\$3,713,366

CATOOSA COUNTY, GEORGIA STATEMENT OF NET POSITION COMPONENT UNITS SEPTEMBER 30, 2014

	Catoosa County Development Authority September 30, 2014			Catoosa County Health Department ne 30, 2014		Totals			
	<u>ASSETS</u>								
Cash and cash equivalents Due from other governments Inventory	\$	1,076,034 - -	\$	1,271,645 112,528 14,439	\$	2,347,679 112,528 14,439			
Restricted assets: Cash and cash equivalents Land and other depreciable		1,232,834		-		1,232,834			
assets		526,157		-		526,157			
Other capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation		300,000		13,376		313,376			
Total assets	\$	3,135,025	\$	1,411,988	\$	4,547,013			
LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION									
Liabilities:									
Accounts payable and accrued expenses Due to other governments	\$	574,843 1,403,208	\$	2,986 33,952	\$	577,829 1,437,160			
Long-term liabilities - Due within one year Due in more than one year		1,580,600 5,122,400		62,049		1,642,649 5,122,400			
Total liabilities	_	8,681,051	_	98,987	_	8,780,038			
Net position: Net investment in capital									
assets		826,157		13,376		839,533			
Unrestricted		(6,372,183)		1,299,625		(5,072,558)			
Total net position		(5,546,026)		1,313,001		(4,233,025)			
Total liabilities and net position	\$	3,135,025	\$	1,411,988	\$	4,547,013			

CATOOSA COUNTY, GEORGIA STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES COMPONENT UNITS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2014

		Program	Revenues	Net (Expense)	Revenue and Changes	in Net Assets
				Catoosa	Catoosa	
			Operating	County	County	
		Charges	Grants and	Development	Health	
Functions/Programs	Expenses	for Service	Contributions	Authority	Department	Total
Catoosa County Development Authority: Development Authority						
operations	\$ 1,729,686	\$ -	\$ 94,731	\$ (1,634,955)	\$ -	\$ (1,634,955)
Catoosa County Health Department:						
Health Department operations	1,559,944	543,506	633,883		(382,555)	(382,555)
Total component units	\$ 3,289,630	\$ 543,506	\$ 728,614	(1,634,955)	(382,555)	(2,017,510)
		GENERAL REVENUES	:			
		Intergovernmenta	al funding	-	486,168	486,168
		Interest		511	12,380	12,891
		Loss on sale of capital assets		(283,050)	-	(283,050)
		Other	_		434	434
		Total general	revenues	(282,539)	498,982	216,443
		Change in net	position	(1,917,494)	116,427	(1,801,067)
		NET POSITION:				
		Beginning		(3,628,532)	1,196,574	(2,431,958)
		Ending		\$ (5,546,02 <u>6</u>)	\$ 1,313,001	\$ (4,233,025)

(1) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

Organization -

Catoosa County, Georgia (the County) was organized by Georgia Acts of 1853. The County is governed by a five-member Board of Commissioners, with day-to-day operations vested in an appointed county manager.

The accounting policies of the County conform to generally accepted accounting principles applicable to local governments. The more significant accounting policies of the County are summarized below.

Reporting Entity -

The accompanying financial statements include all funds of Catoosa County, Georgia (the primary government) as well as its component units, entities for which the County is financially accountable.

The County's financial statements include the financial statements (the only ones available) of the Catoosa County Solid Waste Management Authority and the Catoosa County Public Works Authority. These entities are reported as blended component units, as they provide services to the County and its citizens and are governed by boards controlled by members of the Board of Commissioners. The rates for user charges and debt authorizations are subject to approval by the Catoosa County Board of Commissioners. The Authorities are reported as enterprise funds.

The discretely presented component units include organizations which are legally separate from the primary government. They are considered component units because a majority of their boards are appointed by the County and because there is a financial benefit/burden relationship with the County. Discretely presented component units are as follows:

The Catoosa County Development Authority and the Development Authority of Catoosa County (which had no assets and no activity during the current year) were created legislative act in the State of Georgia. The Boards of the two Authorities are the same, and are appointed by the County Board of Commissioners which must approve Authority debt for which the Board is ultimately responsible. The purpose of the development authorities is to develop industry in the County by assisting in the purchase and financing of property through bond issues and other debt. These component units operate as enterprise funds. the County's financial statements included in statements are the only complete financial financial statements available for the component units.

(1) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued):

Reporting Entity (continued) -

The Catoosa County Health Department was created by legislative act in the State of Georgia and provides health care services and education to County residents. The Catoosa County Board of Health, the governing authority of the Health Department, is composed of seven members, three of whom are appointed by the County Board of Commissioners and one of whom is the chief executive officer of the Board of Commissioners.

The Catoosa County Health Department issues separately audited financial statements. Copies of these financial statements may be obtained from the Catoosa County Health Department, Ringgold, Georgia. In its separately audited financial statements, the Catoosa County Health Department is reported as a general fund. The Health Department's fiscal year end is June 30.

The following organizations have separately selected governing bodies, and are legally separate and fiscally independent from the County. Therefore, they are not considered component units of Catoosa County and are excluded from the accompanying financial statements -

Catoosa County Board of Education Catoosa County Department of Family and Children's Services Catoosa Utility District

Basis of Presentation -

The County presents government-wide as well as fund level financial statements with activities both levels at categorized as either governmental or business-type. The government-wide statements of net position and activities have eliminated internal balances and transfers between the activities of the governmental funds, which were presented separately in the fund financial statements. Transfers between governmental activities and business-type activities of the primary government are separately stated on the government-wide statement of net position. As further discussed in Note 3, cash balances held by agency funds for governmental activities of the primary government are eliminated in the government-wide statement of net position and in the fund financial statements.

(1) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued):

Basis of Presentation (continued) -

The government-wide statement of activities reflects both the gross and net cost of functional categories which are otherwise supported by general government revenues. The statement of activities reduces gross expenses (including depreciation) by related program revenues, operating grants, and capital grants. Program revenues are those directly associated with the function and include revenues from fines and forfeitures, licenses and permit fees, and charges for services. Operating and capital grants and contributions are limited to the funding of a specific operating expense or capital acquisition.

At the fund level, major funds are presented separately while nonmajor funds are combined into a single column. Major funds are determined based on their percentage of assets, liabilities, revenues or expenditures compared to the total of the same for all governmental funds, and on their percentage of the same for the total of all governmental and proprietary funds, as applicable. The general fund and the SPLOST capital projects fund are reported as major governmental funds. The Solid Waste Management Authority is a major enterprise fund.

Basis of Accounting -

The government-wide financial statements, consisting of the statement of net position and the statement of changes in net position are prepared using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when the liability is incurred. The government-wide financial statements report information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the County as a whole.

The fund-level financial statements of the governmental funds, consisting of the general fund, special revenue funds, and capital projects funds use the flow of current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under the modified accrual basis, revenues are recognized when they are susceptible to accrual, which is defined as being both measurable, meaning that the amount of the transaction can be determined, and available, meaning

(1) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued):

Basis of Accounting (continued) -

collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter (generally defined as within 60 days) to be used to pay liabilities of the current period. Those revenues susceptible to accrual are property and other taxes, federal and state grants, other state funds, interest income and charges for services. Expenditures are generally recognized when the liability is incurred. Exceptions to this general rule include accumulated unpaid vacation, sick pay and other employee amounts which are expected to be liquidated with future resources.

Since the governmental funds statements are presented on a different measurement focus and basis of accounting than the governmental activities column in the government-wide financial statements, a reconciliation is presented on the page following the applicable fund statement which reconciles the adjustments necessary to convert the fund financial statements to the governmental activities column of the government-wide presentation.

All business-type activities, including the primary government proprietary funds, use the flow of economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recognized when the liability is incurred. Operating revenues of proprietary funds are those revenues that result from the activities of the fund, such as charges for services. All other revenue is considered nonoperating revenue and includes grants, investment earnings, and gain on the sale of capital assets. Likewise, operating expenses are those expenses related to the principal activity of the fund, such as depreciation. Nonoperating expenses include all other expenses not considered operating, such as interest expense.

(1) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued):

Basis of Accounting (continued) -

Agency funds are custodial in nature, as they receive and disburse receipts for other funds and other entities. The County's agency funds are presented using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting.

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

Fund Accounting -

The accounts of the County are organized on the basis of funds, which are considered separate accounting entities. The operations of each fund are accounted for with a set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its liabilities, fund revenues and equity, expenditures. Government resources are allocated to and accounted for in individual funds based upon the purposes for which they are to be spent and the means by which spending activities are Amounts reported in the fund financial controlled. statements as due to or due from other funds are eliminated upon preparation of the government-wide statement of net position. The various funds are grouped into fund types as follows:

Governmental Funds:

General Fund -

The general fund is the general operating fund of the County. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund, or those for which it is considered fiscally responsible to be accounted for in a separate fund.

Special Revenue Funds -

Special revenue funds are used to account for and report the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are restricted or committed to expenditure for specified purposes other than debt service or capital projects.

Capital Projects Funds -

Capital projects funds are used to account for and report financial resources that are restricted, committed, or assigned to expenditure for capital outlays, including the acquisition or construction of capital facilities and other capital assets not financed by proprietary funds or for assets that will be held in trust for individuals, private organizations, or other governments.

(1) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued):

Fund Accounting (continued) -

Proprietary Funds:

Enterprise Funds -

Enterprise funds are used to account for operations that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprise and therefore funded primarily through user charges.

Internal Service Funds -

Internal service funds are used to account for the financing of goods or services provided by one department or agency to other departments or agencies of the County, or to other governments, on a cost-reimbursement basis.

Fiduciary Funds:

Trust and Agency Funds -

Trust and agency funds are used to account for assets held by the County in a trustee capacity or as an agent for individuals, private organizations, other governments and/or other funds.

Non-current governmental assets/liabilities:

The County eliminates the presentation of account groups, but provides for these records to be maintained and incorporated into the governmental activities section of the government-wide financial statements.

The County maintains the following funds:

General fund

Special revenue funds -

Confiscated Assets Fund, which accounts for revenues and expenditures associated with currency forfeitures and drug fines and restitution.

Emergency 911 Fund, which accounts for revenues and expenditures associated with the operation of a County 911 emergency service.

Multiple Grant Fund, which accounts for revenues and expenditures from certain grants.

JCSA Fund, which accounts for specific revenues and expenditures associated with the operation of the County jail.

State Library Fund, which accounts for specific revenues and expenditures of the County library.

(1) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued):

Fund Accounting (continued) -

Special revenue funds (continued) -

DATE Program Fund, which accounts for revenues and expenditures associated with drug awareness.

Salary Reimbursement United States Treasury, which accounts for specific revenues and expenditures associated with a program to work with at-risk youth.

Catoosa County Health Department (a discretely presented component unit), which provides health care services and health education to the residents of Catoosa County. In its separately issued financial statements, the Health Department is reported as a general fund.

Capital projects funds -

SPLOST Capital Projects Fund, which accounts for the acquisition of assets, and other specific projects, with proceeds from the special local option sales tax.

Capital projects grant fund, which accounts for acquisition of assets with proceeds from state or federal grants.

Proprietary funds -

Enterprise funds:

Public Works Authority (a blended component unit), which accounts for the operation of stormwater management.

Solid Waste Management Authority (a blended component unit), which accounts for the operation of the disposal of solid waste.

Development Authority of Catoosa County and Catoosa County Development Authority (discretely presented component units), which account for aid and assistance in the promotion and establishment of new business and recreation within the County.

Fiduciary funds -

Agency funds:

Tax Commissioner, which accounts for receipts and disbursements of property and other taxes.

Clerk of Superior Court, which accounts for receipts and disbursements of the Clerk's office, primarily court costs, fines and settlements.

Magistrate Court, which accounts for receipts and disbursements of the Magistrate Court, primarily court costs, fines and settlements.

Probate Judge, which accounts for receipts and disbursements of the Probate Judge office, primarily traffic fines and marriage license fees.

(1) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued):

Fund Accounting (continued) -

Fiduciary funds (Continued) -

Sheriff, which accounts for receipts and disbursements of the Sheriff's Department, primarily cash bonds.

Fund Equity -

Fund equity at the governmental fund level is classified as "fund balance." Fund equity for all other reporting is classified as "net position."

Fund balance - Generally fund balance represents the difference between assets and liabilities. In the fund financial statements, governmental funds report fund classifications that comprise a hierarchy based primarily on the extent to which the County is bound to honor constraints on the specific purposes for which amounts in those funds can be spent. Fund balances are classified as follows?

Nonspendable - Fund balances are reported as nonspendable when amounts cannot be spent because they are either (a) not in spendable form (i.e., items that are not expected to be converted to cash) or (b) legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.

Restricted - Fund balances are reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through the enabling legislation adopted by the County or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors or laws or regulations of other governments.

Committed - Fund balances are reported as committed when they can be used only for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal action of the County Board of Commissioners through the adoption of a resolution. The Board also may modify or rescind the commitment.

Assigned - Fund balances are reported as assigned when amounts are constrained by Board action to be used for specific purposes, but are neither restricted or committed.

(1) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued):

Fund Equity (continued) -

Unassigned - Fund balances are reported as unassigned when the residual amount does not meet any of the above criteria. The County reports positive unassigned fund balance only in the general fund. Negative unassigned fund balances may be reported in all funds.

When both restricted and unrestricted amounts of fund balance are available for expenditure, it is the County's policy to use restricted amounts first and then unrestricted amounts as they are needed. For unrestricted amounts of fund balance, it is the County's policy to use fund balances in the following order: committed, assigned, unassigned.

Net position - Net position represents the residual of all elements presented in a statement of financial position. Net investment in capital assets, consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowing used for the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets. Net position is reported as restricted as described in the fund balances section above. All other net position is reported as unrestricted.

Budget and budgetary control -

Although no budget to actual statements are presented in the basic financial statements, the County provides, information purposes, its budget requirements and process. Annual revenue estimates and expenditure appropriations, on the modified accrual basis of accounting, are prepared for all governmental funds, with the exception of the capital projects funds, for which no annual appropriation is required and none is adopted. The projects accounted for in the capital projects funds are subject to budgetary control on a project basis. Providing budgetary information on an annual basis does not provide meaningful information because projects extend over more than one reporting period. Although a budget is not required for proprietary fund types, the County adopts a budget on the accrual basis of accounting for its primary government proprietary funds.

(1) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued):

Budget and budgetary control (continued) -

The proposed budget is reviewed by the Board of Commissioners for determination of the property tax levy. The current tax levy, along with other required information, is filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Superior Court and published in the local newspaper with notice of public hearings to obtain taxpayer comments. The budget is legally enacted through adoption at a subsequent public hearing as required by law.

Expenditures may not legally exceed budgeted appropriations at the department level. Budgetary integration is employed as a management tool during the fiscal year. As needed during the year, the County finance manager is authorized to amend line items, with the exception of salaries, within a department. Approval by the Board of Commissioners is required for amendments to salary line items, or department or fund totals. The budget was amended within the above guidelines for the year ended September 30, 2014.

Receivables -

Receivables are reported at the outstanding principal amount. The County uses the direct write-off method to account for bad debts, which produces no material differences from the allowance method. Individual accounts are written off when they are determined to be uncollectible.

Capital Assets -

For the fund financial statements, capital assets of governmental funds are recorded as expenditures at the time of purchase. For its proprietary funds and for governmental funds at the government-wide presentation, the County capitalizes long-lived assets with an original cost of \$1,000 or more. Such assets are recorded at cost.

For its proprietary funds and for its governmental funds at the government-wide presentation, depreciation of property and equipment is provided over the estimated useful lives of individual assets by the straight-line method. Estimated lives are as follows: equipment, 3 to 7 years; buildings, 25 to 75 years; land improvements, 10 to 27 years; infrastructure, 40 to 60 years.

Public domain (infrastructure) assets, which include roads, streets, curbs, gutters, sidewalks, etc., are recorded in the funds as expenditures at the time of purchase, and as capital assets in the government-wide financial statements. Infrastructure assets acquired prior to July 1, 1979, are not reported in these financial statements.

(1) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued):

Notes payable -

Notes payable reported in governmental funds are expected to be liquidated with expendable, available resources.

Encumbrances -

Encumbrance accounting, under which purchase orders, contracts and other commitments for the expenditure of monies are recorded in order to reserve that portion of the applicable appropriation, is not employed by the County.

Prepaid expenses -

Prepaid expenses consist of certain payments which reflect costs applicable to future periods. In governmental funds, these types of costs are recorded as expenditures during the term of the benefit period, rather than when paid.

Discounts/premiums/issuance costs -

In governmental funds, at the fund-level presentation, these types of transactions are recognized as revenue when received or as expenditures in the period in which incurred.

In proprietary funds, and at the government-wide presentation for governmental activities, discounts and premiums are deferred and amortized over the benefit or payment period. Debt issuance costs, except for any portion related to prepaid insurance costs, should be recognized as an expense in the period incurred.

Cash equivalents -

For purposes of these financial statements, the County considers all highly liquid investments with a maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources -

The County has adopted the provisions of GASB Statement Number 63, Financial Reporting of Deferred Outflows of Resources, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Net Position. Under this Statement, GASB has defined deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources as follows:

Deferred outflows of resources - a consumption of net assets by the government that is applicable to a future reporting period.

Deferred inflows of resources - an acquisition of net assets by the government that is applicable to a future reporting period.

(1) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued):

Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources (continued) -

As of September 30, 2014, the County did not have any deferred outflows of resources and had deferred inflows of resources from deferred property taxes of \$173,663 and deferred grant revenue of \$103,884.

(2) CASH AND INVESTMENTS:

The County reports its cash and other investments under the provisions of governmental auditing standards.

At September 30, 2014, the County reports cash equivalents as follows -

	Weighted Average Maturity	
	(Years)	Fair Value
Certificates of deposit	0.89	\$15,207,721

Interest Rate Risk - As a means of limiting its exposure to losses resulting from rising interest rates, the County's usual policy is to invest in certificates of three years or less. The exposure to interest rate changes is presented using the weighted average maturity method. Its policy is to limit exposure to interest rate risk by requiring sufficient liquidity in the investment portfolio. The County's investments experienced no significant fluctuations in fair value during the year.

Custodial Credit Risk - The County's policies limit deposits and investments to those instruments allowed by applicable state laws. State statutes require that all deposits with financial institutions must be collateralized by securities whose market value is equal to 110% of the value of the uninsured deposits. The deposits must be covered by federal deposit insurance, by collateral held by the County's agent in the County's name, or by Federal Reserve Banks acting as third party agents. State statutes also authorize the types of investments in which the County may participate. The County's policy is to limit its investments to certificates of deposit and savings and money market accounts with local banks and Georgia Fund 1, a combined state and local government investment pool.

(2) CASH AND INVESTMENTS (Continued):

Custodial Credit Risk (continued) -

Georgia Fund 1, created by OCGA 36-83-8, is a stable net asset value investment pool that follows Standard and Poor's criteria for AAA rated money market funds. The State of Georgia Office of Treasury and Fiscal Services is the oversight agency for the Fund, which is operated in a manner consistent with Rule 2a-7 of the Investment Company Act of 1940, and is considered to be a 2a-7-like pool. The pool is not registered with the SEC as an investment company. The pool's primary objectives are capital, investment income, liquidity, diversification while maintaining principal. Net asset value is calculated weekly to ensure stability. The pool distributes earnings (net of management fees) on a monthly basis and determines participants' shares sold and redeemed based on \$1 per share.

<u>Credit Risk</u> - The County's policies are designed to maximize its earnings, while protecting the security and providing maximum liquidity, in accordance with all applicable state laws.

(3) INTERFUND RECEIVABLES AND PAYABLES AND TRANSFERS:

Most interfund receivable and payable balances are attributable to unsettled balances for charges between funds, and are expected to be paid within one year.

General fund payables to other governmental funds result from revenues received for these funds being held in a general fund cash account until an expenditure need arises. The balances in the confiscated assets and JCSA funds are not expected to be repaid within one year. It is anticipated that the balance in the other funds will be repaid within one year

The general fund receivable from the SPLOST capital project fund results from the general fund disbursing funds for a project which was determined to be a SPLOST project. It is anticipated that the balance will be repaid within one year

The general fund receivable from the solid waste fund resulted from the general fund disbursing funds in a prior year for the Landfill Gas to Energy Project. This project is generating revenues that are funding the postclosure care cost on the landfill with the excess going to reduce the balance due to the general fund.

(3) INTERFUND RECEIVABLES AND PAYABLES AND TRANSFERS (Continued):

Payables from the agency funds to other funds consist of taxes, fines and forfeitures, and fees collected by the agency funds on behalf of other funds. At September 30, 2014, payables from agency funds to other funds were \$291,070, and have been eliminated and reported as cash and cash equivalents in the fund for which the revenue was collected.

Interfund receivables and payables at September 30, 2014, consist of the following -

Amounts receivable to the general fund from the following funds Major governmental fund SPLOST capital projects \$ 47,523
Major enterprise funds Solid waste \$1,430,784

Nonmajor governmental funds Capital projects \$ 16,147

Amounts payable from the general fund to the following funds - Nonmajor governmental funds -

\$ 21,490
\$ 29,545
\$ 36,060
\$ 129,318
\$ 94,151
\$ 19,903
\$ 163,862
\$ 116,818
- \$ \$ \$ \$ \$

The purpose of transfers are to allocate revenues from the fund that collects them to the fund that expends the resources based on the budgetary operations of the County.

Transfers for the 2014 year were as follows -

From general fund to Emergency 911 fund \$ 106,503

In addition to the receivables and payables between the various funds of the primary government, the general fund advanced the Development Authority \$1,403,208, for the purpose of land development, and other expenses for industrial revenue projects. The repayment for the DEFAC's property in the amount of \$258,928 will be repaid from the proceeds from the sale of the property by the Development Authority. Approximately 35.79 acres of the Highway 151 property was sold to the Technical College System of Georgia with the remaining 12.01 acres being sold to the Commercial Developer/D&B Holdings Ringgold-East, LLC. The Development

(3) INTERFUND RECEIVABLES AND PAYABLES AND TRANSFERS (Continued):

Authority is to provide the roadway into the property and the City of Ringgold is to provide utilities. The remaining balance of \$29,751 represents the legal and engineering cost associated with closing this project and will be repaid from the proceeds from the sale. The Highway 2-A Intersection Improvement Project was a joint project between the evelopment Authority and the City of Fort Oglethorpe at an estimated cost of \$700,000 with a guarantee from Larry Armour, the developer. The current balance of \$270,307 is net of a progress payment from the City of Fort Oglethorpe in the amount of \$250,000. The Development Authority portion of the debt is to be funded by intergovernmental revenues by the County which is expected to be generated by an increase in property and sales tax collections. The Hill Top 11/Cabelas Project is an agreement between the Development Authority and Larry Armour, the developer for site acquisition and development agreement for additional acreage on the Hill Top Site to include the Cabelas site. The estimated cost of \$2,200,000 was approved by the Development Authority with a guarantee from Larry Armour. The current balance of \$844,222 represents progress payments. It is anticipated that the repayment of the \$2,200,000 to the County will be funded by intergovernmental revenues to the Development Authority by the County which is expected to be generated by an increase in property and sales tax collections, or from subsequent Special Local Option Sales Tax.

(4) TAX ANTICIPATION NOTE:

In June, 2010, the County negotiated a tax anticipation note with Northwest Georgia Bank in the amount of \$4,500,000, which matured on December 31, 2010. The purpose of this note was to fund the expenses of the Catoosa County Development Authority for land development for an industrial revenue project, and is expected to be paid as payments are received from the Development Authority for its payable to the County, as discussed in Note 3.

The note was renewed in February, 2012, and increased to \$4,877,740 for additional expenses incurred on the project, and matured on December 31, 2012. In January, 2013, the note was renewed at a variable annual rate of 70% of the prime rate with no floor, which was 2.275% at the time of renewal and matured on December 31, 2013. The note was renewed with First Tennessee Bank National Association, Chattanooga, Tennessee in the amount of \$4,877,740 as Catoosa County, Georgia Taxable

(4) TAX ANTICIPATION NOTE (Continued):

Tax Anticipation Note, Series 2014, dated May 27, 2014 at the rate of 1.28% per annum and payable in a single installment of principal and accrued interest on August 1, 2014. The tax anticipation note was paid off from funds applied from the Development Authority Series 2014 Bond issue dated July 10,2014.

A summary of changes in the note is as follows -

Beginning Balance	Adjustments and Additions	Adjustments and Retirements	Ending Balance
\$4,877,740	\$ _	\$ (4,877,740)	\$ -

(5) CAPITAL ASSETS:

Governmental activities

A summary of changes in capital assets and accumulated depreciation for governmental activities is as follows -

	Beginning	Additions	Dispositions and Reclass- ifications	Ending
Nondepreciable capital assets -				
Land Construction in	\$ 4,377,221	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,377,221
progress	150,183	1,379,031	(892,553)	636,661
	\$ 4,527,404	\$ 1,379,031	\$ (892,553)	\$ 5,013,882
Depreciable capital				
assets - Land improvements	\$ 2,585,752	\$ 1,800	¢ 000 EE0	\$ 3,480,105
Infrastructure	758,352,923	Ş 1,600 -		758,352,923
Buildings Equipment, vehicles, furniture and	33,288,514	88,927	-	33,377,441
fixtures	18,113,541	506,587	(654,206)	17,965,922
	812,340,730	597,314	238,347	813,176,391

(5) CAPITAL ASSETS (Continued):

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Governmental activiti	es (continue	ed) -		
Less accumulated				
depreciation -				
Land improvements	870,769	•	_	1,012,904
Infrastructure	325,787,077	• •	_	336,131,763
Buildings Equipment, vehicles, furniture and	6,874,037	506,047	_	7,380,084
fixtures	13,831,999	1,606,593	(654,206)	14,784,386
	347,363,882	12,599,461	(654,206)	359,309,137
Depreciable capital assets, net	<u>\$464,976,848</u>	\$(12,002,147)\$	892,553	\$453,867,254
Depreciation expense functions as follows	_	mental activi	ties is o	charged to
General government				\$ 150,701
Judicial				43,554
Public safety				1,503,300
Public works				10,550,506
Health and welfare				96,242
Culture and recreat	ion			224,706
Housing and develop	ment			30,452
Total			=	\$12,599,461

Business-type activities

A summary of changes in capital assets and accumulated depreciation for the business-type activities is as follows -

	Beginning	Additions	Dispositions and Reclass- ifications	Ending
Nondepreciable capital assets - Land	\$ 1,769,137	\$ -	<u>\$</u> _	\$ 1,769,137
Depreciable capital asse				
Land improvements Buildings	\$ 7,500,048 40,465	\$ - -	\$ -	\$ 7,500,048 40,465
Equipment and vehicles	- ,			1,879,157
	9,419,670			9,419,670

(5) CAPITAL ASSETS (Continued):

Business-type activities	es (continue	d) -		
Less accumulated deprecia	ation -			
Land improvements	5,960,949	116,792	_	6,077,741
Buildings	40,465	_	_	40,465
Equipment and vehicles	416,327	183,504		599,831
	6,417,741	300,296	<u> </u>	6,718,037
Depreciable capital assets, net	<u>\$ 3,001,929</u> <u>\$</u>	(300,296)\$	<u> </u>	\$ 2,701,633

Depreciation expense for the business-type activities totaled \$300,296.

Component Units

A summary of changes in capital assets and accumulated depreciation is as follows -

	Beginning	Additions	Dispositions and Reclass- ifications	Ending
Nondepreciable capital	Degiiniing	- IIGGI CIOID	IIICACIOND	manng
assets -				
Land	\$ 2,287,758	\$ -	\$ (2,028,830)	\$ 258,928
Construction in				
progress		267,229		267,229
Nondepreciable				
capital assets	\$ 2,287,758	\$ 267,229	\$ (2,028,830)	\$ 526,157
Depreciable capital asset	ts -			
Vehicles	\$ -	\$ 300,000	\$ -	\$ 300,000
Machinery and	01 000			01 000
equipment	21,200			21,200
	21,200	300,000		321,200
Less accumulated				
<pre>depreciation - Vehicles</pre>				
Machinery and	_	_	_	_
equipment	4,795	3,029		7,824
	4,795	3,029	_	7,824
Depreciable capital				
assets, net	<u>\$ 16,405</u>	<u>\$ 296,971</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	\$ 313,376

Depreciation expense for the component unit totaled \$3,029.

The Catoosa County Development Authority owned land which was sold during the year ended September 30, 2014.

(6) LONG-TERM DEBT:

Governmental activities

Debt for governmental activities reported in the government-wide statement of net position represents amounts not expected to be paid with expendable, available resources, and consists of the following -

Capital lease obligations recorded in the government-wide statement of net position consist of the following -

Lease financed with SunTrust Leasing, for construction of a building in the amount of \$2,000,000 under a lease purchase agreement, payable in variable monthly payments, including interest at 3.85%, through October, 2015

\$ 361,111

Lease financed with Regions Bank, for vehicles in the amount of \$216,997 under a lease purchase agreement, payable in monthly payments of \$4,781, including interest at 2.77%, through July, 2017

156,167

\$ 517,278

Maturities of lease obligations are as follows -

	P	Gross ayments	mputed nterest]	Net Present Value
For the year ending		_	 		
September 30, 2015 2016 2017	\$	398,727 85,240 47,809	\$ 11,668 2,229 601	\$	387,059 83,011 47,208
	\$	531,776	\$ 14,498	\$	517,278

(6) LONG-TERM DEBT (Continued):

Governmental activities (continued)

The gross amount of governmental activities assets recorded under existing capital leases in the government-wide statement of net position is \$2,216,997. Of this amount, \$2,000,000 is for building leases and \$216,997 represents vehicles. Accumulated depreciation of assets acquired under capital leases is recorded at \$314,758. Amortization expense of \$81,268 under existing capital leases is included in depreciation expense.

A summary of changes in long-term debt for governmental activities is as follows -

		eginning Balance	_	stments and ditions	justments and cirements		Ending Balance
Capital lease obligations	\$	919,497	\$	-	\$ (402,219)	\$	517,278
absences		488,635		50,579	 <u> </u>		539,214
	\$1	,408,132	\$	50,579	\$ (402,219)	\$1	,056,492

Presentation of long-term debt of governmental activities in the government-wide statement of net position is as follows -

Due within one year -	
Capital lease obligations	\$ 387,059
Compensated absences	539,214
	926,273
Due in more than one year	130,219
	\$1,056,492
	

The resources of the general fund have been used in prior years to liquidate the balance of the compensated absences.

(6) LONG-TERM DEBT (Continued):

Business-type activities

As discussed in Note 13, the Solid Waste Management Authority has an estimated liability for postclosure care costs in the amount of \$6,967,640. Maturities of the estimated landfill obligation are as follows -

For the year ending September	30, 2015	\$ 295,754
	2016	295,754
	2017	295,754
	2018	295,754
	2019	295,754
	2020-2024	1,478,771
	2025-2029	1,478,771
	2030-2034	1,375,862
	2035-2039	964,227
		<u>\$6,776,401</u>

A summary of changes in long-term debt for business-type activities is as follows -

	Beginning Balance	Adjustments and Additions	Adjustments and Retirements	Ending Balance
Landfill postclosure	\$6,967,640	\$ -	\$ (191,23 <u>9</u>)	\$6,776,401

Presentation of long-term debt of business-type activities in the government-wide statement of net position is as follows -

Due within one year Due within more than one year	\$ 295,754 <u>6,480,647</u>
	\$6,776,401

As further addressed in Note 16, it is anticipated that a portion of the landfill postclosure liability will be liquidated with general government resources.

(6) LONG-TERM DEBT (Continued):

Component Units

Bonds payable of the Catoosa County Development Authority consist of the following -

Tax exempt revenue bond series 2014A to First Tennessee Bank, original borrowings of \$2,509,000, payable in biannual principal payments of \$250,900 plus interest at 1.45%, through July, 2019	\$2,509,000
Taxable revenue bond series 2014B to First Tennessee Bank, original borrowings of \$3,894,000, payable in biannual principal payments of \$389,400 plus interest at 2.13%, through July, 2019	3,894,000
Tax exempt revenue bond series 2014C to First Tennessee Bank, original borrowings of \$300,000, payable in biannual principal payments of \$150,000 plus interest at 0.99%, through July, 2015	300,000

\$6,703,000

Maturities of bonds payable are as follows -

	Gross Payments	Imputed Interest	Net Present Value
For the year ending			
September 30, 2015	\$1,694,788	\$ 114,188	\$1,580,600
2016	1,371,384	90,784	1,280,600
2017	1,347,190	66,590	1,280,600
2018	1,322,991	42,391	1,280,600
2019	1,298,797	18,197	1,280,600
	\$7,035,150	\$ 332,150	\$6,703,000

(6) LONG-TERM DEBT (Continued):

Component Units (continued) -

A summary of changes in long-term debt for component units is as follows -

		eginning Balance	ar	tments nd tions	justments and irements	Endi Bala	_
Notes payable Bonds payable Compensated	\$	923,746	\$ 6,70	- 03,000	\$ (923,746)	\$ 6,703	,000
absences	_	64,961			 (2,912)	62	,049
	\$	988,707	\$6,70	03,000	\$ (926,658)	<u>\$6,765</u>	,049

Presentation of long-term debt of component units is as follows

Due within one year -	
Bonds payable	\$1,580,600
Compensated absences	62,049
Due within more than one year -	
Bonds payable	5,122,400
	\$6,765,049

The note payable to Northwest Georgia bank of \$923,746 was paid off with the sale of the Highway 151 property to the State of Georgia.

Catoosa County Development Authority Tax-Exempt Revenue Bond "Series 2014A" in the amount of \$2,509,000 at the "Bank Qualified Rate" of 1.45% per annum for a term of 60 months, was issued for the purpose of providing funds to pay or to be applied toward the cost of refunding a portion (\$1,009,000) of the 2014 TAN Note used to refinance the Infrastructure Improvements related to the Costco Improvements Project and \$1,500,000 of the 2014 Public Facilities Improvement Project at Jack Mattox Park.

(6) LONG-TERM DEBT (Continued):

Component Units (continued) -

Taxable Revenue Bond "Series 2014B" in the amount of \$3,894,000 at the "Bank Qualified Rate" of 2.13% per annum for a term of 60 months, was issued for the purpose of providing funds to pay or to be applied toward the cost of refunding a portion of the 2014 Tan Note equal to the amount of the proceeds (\$3,869,000) of the 2014 Tan Note used to refinance the funding of the Costco Improvements and paying a portion (\$25,000) of the cost of issuance of the Bonds.

Tax-Exempt Revenue Bond "Series 2014C" in the amount of \$300,000 at the "Bank Qualified Rate" of .99% per annum for a term of 12 months, issued for the purpose of providing funds to pay or to be applied toward the cost of financing the acquisition of the vehicles to possess and use the same for the benefit of citizens of the County.

Authority the County have entered The and an Intergovernmental Installment Sale Agreement, dated as of July 1, 2014 under which the Authority has agreed construct and acquire the 2014 Project, the Infrastructure Improvements and the Vehicles and to sell the same to the County, and County has agreed to purchase from the Authority the 2014 Project, the Infrastructure Improvements and Vehicles and to possess and use the same for the benefit of the citizens of the County for a term extending through July 1, 2019 to be repaid from proceeds of the 2014 SPLOST. The County has obligated itself to make payments to the Authority in amounts sufficient to enable the Authority to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds as same become due and payable.

(7) TAXES:

Property taxes are levied for the calendar year on October 20 and are delinquent after December 20 of each year. Property taxes attach as an enforceable lien on property as of the levy date.

The County is required by state law to reduce the property tax levy by the amount of local option sales tax collections for the previous calendar year.

(8) CONTINGENCY:

The County has a contract with the Hospital Authority of Walker, Dade and Catoosa Counties (the "Authority") to assure that medical care and hospitalization is provided to indigent individuals. Walker County and Dade County are also parties to the same contract.

The Authority owns or leases certain hospital buildings and related facilities (the "Hospital"), including, but not limited to Hutcheson Medical Center. Hutcheson Medical Center, Inc., ("HMC") a nonprofit corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Georgia currently leases from the Authority and operates the Hospital.

The Authority in order to obtain additional funding for the operation and maintenance of the Hospital entered into a line of credit note (the "Note") with Chattanooga-Hamilton County Hospital Authority d/b/a Erlanger Health System, a hospital authority organized under the Tennessee Hospital Authority The line of credit may not exceed \$20,000,000 in principal with loan proceeds being paid to Hutcheson Medical Center, Inc. The Authority agreed to execute and deliver to the holder a Deed to Secure Debt and Security Agreement (the "Security Deed") to which it shall grant security title to its interest in certain real estate (the "Property") on which the Hospital is located as security for repayment of the In order to assist the Authority in obtaining the necessary funding provided under the Note, the Board of Commissioners of Catoosa County, along with the sole Commissioner of Walker County, Georgia, has guaranteed the line of credit in the event of an unsecured default by the Hospital Authority. Each of the Counties separately agreed to pay the Authority, or its assigns, an amount equal to onehalf of the principal and interest then due and payable on the note with a maximum liability of \$10,000,000 each.

(8) CONTINGENCY (Continued):

To the extent necessary to honor its obligations the County shall levy an annual tax on taxable property located within the boundaries of Catoosa for the purpose of providing medical care or hospitalization for the indigent, sick and others entitled to the use of the Hospital, at such rate or rates, within the limits now prescribed or such higher limits as may hereafter be prescribed by the Hospital Authorities Law, as may be necessary to make the payments called for by the Agreement.

In addition to the \$20,000,000 line of credit provided by Erlanger under its Management Agreement with Hutcheson requested that Erlanger advance an additional \$550,000 in May, 2013. In order to assist the Authority in obtaining the additional funding, the Board of Commissioners of Catoosa County, along with the sole commissioner of Walker County did guarantee the additional line of credit in the event of an unsecured default by the Hospital Authority. Each of the Counties separately agree to pay the Authority, or its assigns, an amount equal to one-half of the principal and interest to be repaid on or before December 1, 2013. At the time this transaction was completed, it was anticipated that Catoosa Walker County and Hutcheson would issue Anticipation Notes followed by long term bonded indebtedness to re-structure Hutcheson's finances.

The Authority in order to finance the working capital needs of the Facilities entered into an Interim Working Capital Promissory Note (Loan Agreement) dated May 17, 2013 in original principal amount of \$2,500,000 due December 31, 2013 between the Authority and Regions Bank. In order to assist the Authority in obtaining the funding provided under the Note, the Board of Commissioners of Catoosa County along with the sole Commissioner of Walker County has guaranteed the line of credit in the event of a default by the Authority. Each of the Counties separately agreed to pay the Authority, or its assigns, and amount equal to one-half of the principal and interest.

On June 27, 2013, the Authority and Regions determined to amend and modify the Loan Agreement, the Note, and the Assignment in order to increase the amount of the Loan from \$2,500,000 to \$6,000,000, pursuant to the terms of a Modification of Loan Agreement and Security Agreement (the "Modification") to be entered into between the Authority and Regions. The counties of Catoosa and Walker entered in to a First Amendment to Contract with the Authority in order to reaffirm its obligations under the contract in light of the increase in the amount of the loan pursuant to the modification.

(9) EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLANS:

Primary Government -

The Catoosa County Pension Plan is a defined contribution pension plan established by the County to provide benefits at retirement age to full-time, permanent employees of the County. This plan is administered by trustees appointed by the Board of Commissioners. Participation in the plan is elective, subject to certain eligibility requirements. At September 30, 2014, there were approximately 236 participants in the plan. Participants are required to contribute 3% of covered salary, and the County is required to contribute 7%. For the year ended September 30, 2014, employer and employee contributions were \$592,087 and \$253,749, respectively. Plan provisions and contribution requirements are established and may be amended by the Catoosa County Board of Commissioners.

Catoosa County Development Authority -

The Catoosa County Development Authority has no employees and, therefore, no pension plan.

Catoosa County Health Department -

All permanent personnel of the Health Department are covered by Employee's Retirement System of Georgia cost-sharing, multiple-employer retirement system administered by the State of Georgia for the benefit of public employees. Complete pension disclosures are in the Health Department's separately issued financial statements. Actuarially determined employer contribution requirements were met for the year ended June 30, 2012, the latest year for which an actuarial study has been completed. Condensed disclosures for the Health Department's defined benefit plan are as follows:

Year Ended	Required of APC		Percentage of APC Contributed		Annual	Net Pension Obligation	
6/30/12 6/30/11 6/30/10	\$\$ \$\$ \$\$	273,623 261,132 263,064	100.2% 100% 100%	ያ ያ	274,170 261,132 263,064	\$ \$ \$	- - -

(10) CONDUIT DEBT:

The Catoosa County Development Authority has special limited obligations related to various projects that represent conduit debt obligations. Conduit debt obligations are limited-obligation bonds or similar instruments issued by a governmental unit to provide capital financing for a third

(10) CONDUIT DEBT (Continued):

party that is not part of the reporting entity. Debt proceeds are typically used to finance development of industry, hospital, or environmental facilities within the governmental unit's jurisdiction that are transferred to the third party by sale or lease. The governmental unit has no obligation for the debt beyond the resources received from the third party by sale or lease. The obligations issued by the Development Authority do not constitute an indebtedness or pledge of the faith and credit of the Development Authority or the County.

As of September 30, 2014, the Development Authority had no outstanding conduit debt obligations.

(11) LITIGATION:

The County is currently the defendant in certain legal actions which are being vigorously defended. It is the opinion of management and legal counsel that these proceedings will not have a material effect on the financial position of the County.

(12) COMMITMENTS:

The County has construction commitments totaling \$4,846,677. As of September 30, 2014, the remaining balance on these commitments totaled \$2,494,007.

(13) LANDFILL CLOSURE AND POSTCLOSURE CARE COST:

Catoosa County operates the S.R. 151 Municipal Solid Waste Landfill. This facility is permitted for operation by the Georgia Department of Natural Resources Environmental Protection Division, which specifies the requirements for its design, operation, closure and postclosure care.

State and federal laws and regulations require the County to place a final cover on its landfill site when it stops accepting waste and to perform certain maintenance and monitoring functions at the site for thirty years after closure.

(13) LANDFILL CLOSURE AND POSTCLOSURE CARE COST (Continued):

Site 1 ceased operation in July, 1998. The certificate of closure was issued, and the thirty year postclosure care period began on July 15, 2003. The current estimate of postclosure care cost is approximately \$102,099 per year. A liability of \$1,955,278 represents 100% of the estimated postclosure care costs for Site 1.

Site 2 ceased operation in October, 2004. The certificate of closure was issued on July 10, 2008, and the thirty year postclosure care period began approximately one year later. The current estimate of postclosure care cost is approximately \$192,845 per year. A liability of \$4,821,123 represents 100% of the estimated postclosure care costs for Site 2.

The above estimates are based on what it would cost to perform postclosure care in 2014. Because of the potential for change, due to inflation, technology, or laws and regulations, actual costs may be higher, when the costs are actually incurred.

The County has complied with Environmental Protection Agency rules regarding financial assurance relative to projected closure and postclosure care costs.

(14) RISK FINANCING ACTIVITIES:

It is the policy of the County to purchase commercial insurance for the risks of losses to which it is exposed. These risks include general liability and property and casualty, with a \$25,000 deductible per claim. Settled claims have not exceeded commercial coverage in the past three fiscal years. Deductibles for which the County was responsible were \$-, \$32,182, and \$34,871 for the fiscal years ended September 30, 2014, 2013, and 2012, respectively.

Pursuant to Title 34, Chapter 9, Article 5 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, Catoosa County became a member of the Association of County Commissioners of Georgia Workers' Compensation Self Insurance Fund. The effective date of membership was January 1, 1989. The liability of the fund to the employees of any employer (Catoosa County) is specifically limited to such obligations as are imposed by applicable state laws against the employer for workers' compensation and/or employer's liability.

(14) RISK FINANCING ACTIVITIES (Continued):

As a member of the Fund, the County is jointly and severally liable for the liabilities of the Fund. The County pays an annual premium to the Fund, based on the estimated payrolls in various job classifications. Based on the overall incidence of claims during the year, the Fund either distributes a dividend if the claims history has been better than expected, or assesses additional premiums if the claims history has been much worse than expected. The County participates in these dividends or assessments on a pro-rata basis, based on the County's actual payrolls as a percentage of the total payrolls in the Fund.

The Fund is to defend, in the name of and on behalf of the members, any suits or other proceedings which may at any time be instituted against them on account of injuries and demanding compensation thereto, although such suits, other proceedings, allegations or demands may be wholly groundless, false or fraudulent. The Fund is to pay all costs taxed against members in any legal proceeding defended by the members, all interest accruing after entry of judgment, and all expenses incurred for investigation, negotiation or defense.

(15) COMPENSATED ABSENCES:

The County has a policy of compensated annual vacation/personal leave from 6 to 40 days based upon years of service. The leave is cumulative and vesting, to a maximum of 320 hours, and any unused leave is payable upon the employee's termination, resignation, retirement, death, or request.

The County has a policy of compensated sick leave of 48 hours per year. The leave is cumulative and vesting, to a maximum of 160 hours, and any unused leave is payable upon termination, resignation, retirement or death. Any unused leave may be payable, under specific circumstances, upon request of the employee.

An estimated liability, in the amount of \$539,214, for unpaid vacation and sick leave is recorded in the government-wide financial statements. There is no liability for business-type activities. None of the government activities liability is recorded in the fund financial statements, because any payments, even those which would be paid in the next twelve months, if susceptible to a reasonable estimate, are expected to be liquidated with future resources.

(15) COMPENSATED ABSENCES (Continued):

The Catoosa County Health Department provides for vacation and sick leave, with specific vesting options. Complete disclosures are in the Health Department's separately issued financial statements. An estimated liability, in the amount of \$62,049 for unpaid vacation and sick leave is reported in the component units and government-wide statements of net position.

(16) DEFICIT FUND EQUITY:

At September 30, 2014, the Solid Waste Management Authority has a net position deficit in the amount of \$4,202,294, resulting primarily from the liability for landfill postclosure care costs.

As discussed in Note 13, the Authority has a liability of approximately \$6.8 million to fund the estimated postclosure care costs. Effective with the fiscal year ending September 30, 2012, the Solid Waste Management Authority placed equipment in service which generates electricity from the methane generated by the landfill. The anticipated revenue from the sale of electricity is expected to fund a portion of the liability for postclosure care costs. It is anticipated that the County general government will fund the remaining balance.

(17) JOINT VENTURE:

Under Georgia law, the County, in conjunction with other cities and counties in the eleven county northwest Georgia area, is a member of the Coosa Valley Regional Development Center (RDC) and is required to pay annual dues thereto. During the year ended September 30, 2014, the County paid approximately \$52,000 in such dues. Membership in an RDC is required by the Official Code of Georgia Annotated (OCGA) Section 50-8-34, which provides for the organizational structure of the RDC in Georgia. The RDC Board membership includes the chief elected

(17) JOINT VENTURE (Continued):

official of each county and municipality of the area. OCGA 50-8-39.1 provides that the member governments are liable for any debts or obligations of an RDC. Separate financial statements may be obtained from -

Coosa Valley Regional Development Center P. O. Box 1793 Rome, Georgia 30162-1793

(18) BOND ANTICIPATION NOTE:

As reported in the prior year financial statements, Catoosa County, Georgia, as well as Walker County, Georgia, agreed to pledge its credit backing to support \$25,000,000 in short-term bond anticipation notes at 1% interest to assist Hutcheson Medical Center in paying off its debt service and getting operating capital to operate the Hospital. At that time Hutcheson Medial Center had debt at approximately \$70,000,000. At the time of the agreement, the short term bond anticipation note would be converted to long-term bonds of \$25,000,000 at 3.7% interest. There were several specific conditions added to both Counties ability to participate and provide the credit of the taxpayers as standby credit, most of which had to do with the make-up of the Hospital Authority, the appointment process of the Hospital Authority, the ability of the Counties to have input as to how the \$25,000,000 would be used, the bond anticipation notes would be in the form of a line of credit and would not be drawn down immediately, the Hospital would be required to inform each of the Counties what they proposed to use the money for, Catoosa and Walker would have input and be able to approve the uses before draws were made so that the Counties could control the flow of funds. Most of the monies would be used to pay down or pay off the existing Medicare debt of \$12,000,000 which would help the Hospital in its operation. The bonds would be paid first and foremost from the revenues of the Hospital and would be conditioned on Erlanger (who, at the time, had a management agreement with the hospital) and Regions Bank (who had a significant amount of debt outstanding to the Hospital) both agreeing that the bond payments be made first before Erlanger or Regions were to be paid back any money and then and only then if the Hospital could not make its payments would Catoosa be responsible for half of the payment and Walker responsible for the other half.

Subsequent to reporting the above at September 30, 2012, the Bond Anticipation Notes were not approved by Catoosa County and Walker County.

(18) BOND ANTICIPATION NOTE (Continued):

The Authority desired to renew the \$6,000,000 Line of Credit for one year or until December 31, 2014 to give additional time to work through its issues and have a more definite strategy. Catoosa County and Walker County agreed with the renewal with Regions at 2% until December 31, 2014.

Pursuant to the terms of the loan agreement, the obligation to Regions Bank for the above mentioned line of credit matured on December 31, 2014. The amount due, including principal and accrued interest, of \$3,496,098 is included as a payable in the financial statements. The County paid this loan subsequent to year-end. See Note 19 for further details.

The liability recognized for the above nonexchange financial guarantee as of September 30, 2014 is as follows:

Beginning Balance	Adjustments and Additions	Adjustments and <u>Retirements</u>	Ending Balance	
\$ -	\$3,496,098	\$ -	\$3,496,098	

(19) SUBSEQUENT EVENTS:

County incurred two subsequent events related to the Hutcheson unsecured (Notes) which repayment was guaranteed by the Board of Commissioners of Catoosa County along with the sole Commissioner of Walker County. The first being on November 19, 2014 Judge Murphy, United States District Judge found in favor of Erlanger as a matter of law on the issue of liability for the payment of the Promissory Note in the principal amount of \$550,000 between the Hospital Authority and Erlanger. The amount due including accrued interest and fees was \$685,212.80. The second event was the obligation to Regions Bank for the Note in the principal amount of \$6,000,000 matured on December 31,2014 and the Counties received "Notice of Event of Default and Demand for Payment" The amount due including accrued interest and fees was \$6,293,893.72. Catoosa Count paid their portion (one/half) of both obligations plus 12 days of default rate of interest on Catoosa County's portion of the Regions Note on January 12, 2015, in the amount of \$3,496,098. Note 18 for treatment of this payment.

Management has evaluated subsequent events through March 27, 2015, the date which this financial statement was available for issue.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

GENERAL FUND

The general fund is used to account for resources traditionally associated with government which are not required legally or by sound financial management to be accounted for in another fund.

SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND

CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL

	В	udget		Variance with Final	
	Original	Final	Actual	Budget	
TAXES:					
Property taxes -					
Real property	\$ 8,885,295	\$ 8,966,786		\$ 1	
Vehicle ad valorem	-	1,363,421		1	
MV title ad valorem tax	790,276	586,427		-	
Mobile home ad valorem	54,959	53,715	53,716	1	
Railroad ad valorem	-	2,676	2,677	1	
Heavy duty equipment	15,026	3,181	3,182	1	
Timber	661	258	259	1	
Penalties and interest	342,000	293,201	293,202	1	
	10,088,217	11,269,665	11,269,672		
Other taxes - Intangible recording	314,000	157,668	157,669	1	
Malt beverage	343,000	367,185	367,186	1	
Local option sales tax	6,700,000	6,370,545	6,370,545	_	
Insurance premium tax	2,294,483	2,384,745	2,384,746	1	
Financial institutions	82,000	74,356	74,356	-	
Timanetal inscitations		74,550	71,550		
	9,733,483	9,354,499	9,354,502	3	
	19,821,700	20,624,164	20,624,174	10	
LICENSES AND FRANCHISES:					
Malt beverage licenses	7,000	32,475	32,475	_	
Business licenses	-	37,650	37,650	_	
Other licenses	_	450	450	_	
Cable television franchises	318,000	348,652	348,653	1	
	325,000	419,227	419,228	1	
CHARGES FOR CURRENT SERVICES:					
Recreation fees	108,000	80,563	80,564	1	
Concession income	75,000	42,965	42,965	_	
Zoning fees	92,000	73,843	73,843	_	
Inspection fees	166,000	247,697	247,697	_	
inspection rees					
	441,000	445,068	445,069	1	
INTERGOVERNMENTAL:					
State revenue -					
Boarding State prisoners	27,000	2,694	2,694	_	
Real estate transfer tax	55,000	45,063			
	82,000	47,757	47,757		

SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL

	Budget			Variance with Final	
	Original	·	Final	Actual	Budget
Other revenue - Federal financial assistance:					
Transportation grants	\$ 251,287	\$	255,178	\$ 255,179	\$ 1
Transportation grants - capital	-		88,388	88,388	-
Juvenile services grant Federal payments in lieu of taxes	400.000		-	-	-
Salary reimbursement	400,000 63,000		444,740 70,340	444,740 70,340	-
Sarary remindratement	03,000		70,340	70,340	
	714,287		858,646	858,647	1
	796,287		906,403	906,404	1
TINES FEES AND FORESTEINES					
FINES, FEES AND FORFEITURES: Magistrate Court	158,000		150,888	150,889	1
Juvenile Court	3,000		4,296	4,297	1
Clerk of Courts	752,000		645,602	645,603	1
Probate Judge	747,400		713,290	713,291	1
Tax Commissioner	776,000		910,798	910,800	2
Sheriff	54,340		51,550	51,552	2
	2,490,740		2,476,424	2,476,432	8
INVESTMENT EARNINGS:					
Interest	26,000		25,847	25,848	1
OTHER:					
Animal control fees	33,900		44,143	44,146	3
Election qualifying fees	_		125	125	-
Theater admissions	80,200		124,004	124,004	-
Passenger fares	35,000		64,076	64,077	1
Building rentals	221,200		231,734	231,734	-
Prisoner reimbursements	132,000		98,861	98,862	1
Library fees	28,000		23,839	23,840	1
Donations	_		283,705	283,706	1
Fire service contract	179,410		184,670	184,671	1
Other income	103,800		139,507	139,511	4
	813,510		1,194,664	1,194,676	12
	24 714 227		26 001 525	26 021 221	2.4
	24,714,237	-	26,091,797	26,091,831	34

SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES -

BUDGET AND ACTUAL

	В	udget		Variance with Final	
	Original	Final	Actual	Budget	
EXPENDITURES:					
Judicial -					
Magistrate Court	\$ 551,103	\$ 558,010	\$ 558,009	\$ 1	
Superior Court	318,906	285,666	285,666	-	
Juvenile Court	413,401	398,461	398,452	9	
Clerk of Court	622,587	622,587	594,129	28,458	
Probate Judge	455,538	435,582	435,581	1	
Public Defender	280,294	258,358	258,356	2	
District Attorney	518,028	507,874	507,873	1	
Total judicial	3,159,857	3,066,538	3,038,066	28,472	
General Government -					
Board of Commissioners	271,011	255,640	255,638	2	
County manager	202,355	194,613	194,609	4	
County attorney	118,000	136,131	136,130	1	
Finance	211,706	212,713	212,706	7	
Finance administration	119,996	118,625	118,621	4	
Purchasing	52,331	50,092	50,088	4	
Information systems	101,957	100,074	100,070	4	
Tax Commissioner	907,959	907,959	880,231	27,728	
Tax Assessor	540,600	526,264	526,253	11	
Elections	249,461	235,739	235,745	(6)	
Malt Beverage Board	6,600	1,448	1,448	-	
Public buildings	772,979	951,698	951,689	9	
Projects administration	51,790	52,221	52,213	8	
Other agencies	74,000	93,891	93,890	1	
Risk management	180,000	153,069	153,068	1	
Geographic information system	42,050	24,020	24,019	1	
Human resources	122,249	122,140	122,139	1	
Total general government	4,025,044	4,136,337	4,108,557	27,780	
Public Safety -					
Sheriff	4,045,817	4,039,797	3,917,184	122,613	
Traffic control	347,338	353,361	353,358	3	
Jail operations	3,300,769	3,300,769	3,266,882	33,887	
Coroner	66,496	64,153	64,144	9	
Animal control	299,155	259,948	259,939	9	
Emergency management	52,134	22,336	22,331	5	
Ambulance service	150,000	150,000	150,000	-	
Fire service	3,313,732	3,161,539	3,161,538	1	
Total public safety	11,575,441	11,351,903	_11,195,376	156,527	

SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL

	Budget			Variance with Final	
	Original		Final	Actual	Budget
Public Works -	.		0 100 000	4 0 105 005	
Roads and bridges	\$ 2,194,305	\$	2,107,307	\$ 2,107,295	\$ 12
Public works administration	71,898		74,202	74,197	5
Total public works	2,266,203		2,181,509	2,181,492	17
Health and Welfare -					
Public health	503,168		506,878	506,878	-
Public welfare	36,800		36,332	36,332	-
Payments to others	-		3,496,099	3,496,098	1
Public transportation	580,368		656,902	656,896	6
Total health and welfare	1,120,336		4,696,211	4,696,204	7
Housing and Development -					
Planning and zoning	242,772		248,758	248,743	15
Economic development	105,750		116,284	116,282	2
Agriculture Extension Service	101,926		103,444	103,435	9
Building inspection	182,834		179,599	179,591	8
Total housing and development	633,282		648,085	648,051	34
Culture and Recreation -					
Libraries	519,423		519,423	517,344	2,079
General recreation	372,804		392,300	392,294	6
Jack Mattox Recreation Park	246,821		416,036	416,027	9
McConnell Park	_		1,503	1,501	2
County recreation programs	45,000		45,000	45,000	_
Elsie Holmes Nature Park	14,425		23,526	23,522	4
Adult Literacy Center	129,378		123,294	123,289	5
Senior Center	107,159		77,623	77,617	6
Amphitheater	4,300		1,307	1,305	2
Colonnade/Civic Center	406,944		427,605	427,599	6
Total culture and recreation	1,846,254		2,027,617	2,025,498	2,119
Debt Service -					
Principal	52,380		52,260	52,260	_
Interest	115,962	-	40,314	40,313	1
Total debt service	168,342		92,574	92,573	1
Total expenditures	24,794,759		28,200,774	27,985,817	214,957
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES					
OVER EXPENDITURES	(80,522)		(2,108,977)	(1,893,986)	214,991

SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES -

BUDGET AND ACTUAL

FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2014

	Ві	ıdget		Variance with Final
	Original	Final	Actual	Budget
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):				
Proceeds from sale of assets	\$ 10,000	\$ 73,192	\$ 73,192	\$ -
Insurance proceeds	-	18,184	18,185	1
Transfers to other funds	(175,773)	(106,503)	(106,503)	
	(165,773)	(15,127)	(15,126)	1
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES OVER EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	(246,295)	(2,124,104)	(1,909,112)	214,992
FUND BALANCES: Beginning	12,853,691	12,853,691	12,853,691	
Ending	\$12,607,396	<u>\$ 10,729,587</u>	\$10,944,579	\$ 214,992

NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

The budget is prepared on the same basis as the expenditures are presented, therefore no reconciliation between the budget basis and the basis under generally accepted accounting principles is required.

OTHER SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

COMBINING FINANCIAL STATEMENTS NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

CATOOSA COUNTY, GEORGIA NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS COMBINING BALANCE SHEET SEPTEMBER 30, 2014

Special Revenue

	Special Revenue															
		nfiscated Assets	Em	ergency 911		Multiple Grant	JCSA		State rant for Library		DATE cogram	Total	P	Capital Projects Pant Fund	N	Total onmajor ernmental Funds
ASSETS: Cash and cash equivalents	\$	-	\$	_	\$	_	\$ -	\$	_	\$	_	\$ -	\$	13,554	\$	13,554
Due from other funds		29,545	_	36,060	_	94,151	129,318	_	19,903	:	163,862	 472,839		116,818		589,657
Total assets	\$	29,545	\$	36,060	\$	94,151	\$ 129,318	\$	19,903	\$:	163,862	\$ 472,839	\$	130,372	\$	603,211
LIABILITIES:																
Accounts payable Due to other funds	\$	490	\$	2,655	\$	10,290	\$ 10,455 	\$ 	16,054	\$ —	<u>-</u>	\$ 39,944	\$	14,511 16,147	\$ 	54,455 16,147
Total liabilities	\$	490	\$	2,655	\$	10,290	\$ 10,455	\$	16,054	\$		\$ 39,944	\$	30,658	\$	70,602
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES: Deferred revenue			_			79,263	<u>-</u> _	_				 79,263		24,621		103,884
Total deferred inflows of resources	\$		\$		\$	79,26 <u>3</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	\$		\$		\$ 79,263	\$	24,621	\$	103,884
FUND BALANCES: Reserved for restricted																
activities Unreserved		29,055		33,405		4,598	118,863	_	3,849		163,862 	 316,378 37,254		75,093 <u>-</u>		391,471 37,254
Total fund balances	\$	29,055	\$	33,405	\$	4,598	\$ 118,863	\$	3,849	\$:	163,862	\$ 353,632	\$	75,093	\$	428,725

CATOOSA COUNTY, GEORGIA NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2014

Special Revenue Total Capital Nonmajor State Confiscated Emergency Multiple Grant for Projects Governmental DATE 911 Library Assets Grant JCSA Program Total Grant Fund Funds REVENUES: Charges for services \$ 1,088,135 \$ \$ \$ \$ 1,088,135 \$ 1,088,135 Intergovernmental 723,424 630,807 494,006 136,801 92,617 Fines, fees and forfeitures 20,237 141,341 110,145 271,723 271,723 Other 85,760 85,760 Interest 25 25 Total revenues 20,237 1,088,135 494,006 141,341 136,801 110,145 1,990,665 178,402 2,169,067 **EXPENDITURES:** Current -Public safety 1,378,667 1,179,263 87,722 35,375 1,336,729 41,938 34,369 Health and welfare 495,708 495,708 495,708 Culture and recreation 136,527 136,527 16,965 153,492 Capital outlay 20,416 20,416 121,924 142,340 Total expenditures 34,369 1,179,263 495,708 87,722 156,943 35,375 1,989,380 180,827 2,170,207 EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES (14, 132)(91, 128)(1,702)53,619 (20, 142)74,770 1,285 (2,425)(1,140)OTHER FINANCING SOURCES: Transfer from other funds 106,503 106,503 106,503 EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES OVER EXPENDITURES (14, 132)15,375 (1,702)74,770 107,788 (2,425)105,363 53,619 (20, 142)**FUND BALANCES:** Beginning 6,300 23,991 89,092 245,844 323,362 43,187 18,030 65,244 77,518

\$ 4,598

\$ 118,863

\$ 3,849

\$ 163,862

29,055

33,405

Ending

353,632

75,093

\$ 428,725

AGENCY FUNDS

Agency funds are used to account for funds collected by the County as an agent for individuals, private organizations, other governments, and other funds.

CATOOSA COUNTY, GEORGIA AGENCY FUNDS COMBINING STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN ASSETS AND LIABILITIES SEPTEMBER 30, 2014

	Beginning	Additions	Deductions	Ending
ASSETS:				
Cash and cash equivalents				
Tax Commissioner	\$ 879,487	\$ 37,176,992	\$ 37,140,637	\$ 915,842
Clerk of Superior Court	1,318,050	4,377,553	2,939,193	2,756,410
Magistrate Court Probate Judge	6,064	319,192	313,054	12,202
Sheriff	- 33,192	1,093,802	1,095,669	(1,867) 30,779
Sheriii	33,192	473,877	476,290	30,779
Total assets	\$ 2,236,793	\$ 43,441,416	\$ 41,964,843	\$ 3,713,366
LIABILITIES:				
Due to other funds -				
Tax Commissioner	\$ -	\$ 11,518,066	\$ 11,518,066	\$ -
Clerk of Superior Court	_	964,157	964,157	_
Magistrate Court	-	156,450	156,450	-
Probate Judge Sheriff	-	818,122	818,122	_
Sherifi		117,209	117,209	
		13,574,004	13,574,004	
Due to other governments -				
Tax Commissioner	879,487	25,658,926	25,622,571	915,842
Due to heirs, litigants and others -				
Clerk of Superior Court	1,318,050	3,413,396	1,975,036	2,756,410
Magistrate Court	6,064	162,742	156,604	12,202
Probate Judge	_	275,680	277,547	(1,867)
Sheriff	33,192	356,668	359,081	30,779
	1,357,306	4,208,486	2,768,268	2,797,524
Total liabilities	\$ 2,236,793	\$ 43,441,416	\$ 41,964,843	\$ 3,713,366

FINANCIAL SCHEDULES

CATOOSA COUNTY, GEORGIA SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN PROPERTY TAXES RECEIVABLE FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2014

	2013	2012	2011	2010	Prior to 2010	Total
TAXES RECEIVABLE, Beginning	\$ -	\$ 166,010	\$ 12,035	\$ 6,136	\$ 2,775	\$ 186,956
TAX LEVY	8,974,746	-	-	-	-	8,974,746
ADJUSTMENTS: Releases, net of pickups	8,723	(1,248)	(972)	(284)	(261)	5,958
COLLECTIONS	(8,789,963)	(145,519)	(6,469)	(1,010)	(930)	(8,943,891)
TAXES RECEIVABLE, Ending	\$ 193,506	\$ 19,243	\$ 4,594	\$ 4,842	\$ 1,584	\$ 223,769

INTERNAL CONTROL AND COMPLIANCE SECTION

CATOOSA COUNTY, GEORGIA SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2014

Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor/Program Title	Federal CFDA Number	Contract or Pass-Through Number	Beginning Accrued (Deferred)	Cash Receipts (Refunds)	Expenditures	Ending Accrued (Deferred)	
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services:							
Substance Abuse and							
Mental Health Services (CAP I)	93.243	441-93-11110293-01	\$ (15,318)	\$ -	\$ 10,584	\$ (4,734)	
Substance Abuse and							
Mental Health Services (CAP II) Substance Abuse and	93.959	44100-026-0000014883	(8,768)	193,860	188,343	(14,285)	
Mental Health Services (CAP III)	93.959	44100-906-0000029200	(55,527)	238,200	247,433	(46,294)	
			(64,295)	432,060	435,776	(60,579)	
Total Health and Human Services			(79,613)	432,060	446,360	(65,313)	
U.S. Department of							
Transportation:							
Pass-through from Georgia							
Department of Transportation - Mass Transportation							
Assistance	20.507	TT003878	=	604	604	=	
	20.507	TT004760 TT005044	65,604	236,525	185,682	14,761	
	20.507	11005044			68,893	68,893	
			65,604	237,129	255,179	83,654	
Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and							
Individuals with Disabilities	20.513		-	58,076	64,076	6,000	
Capital for Transportation - ARRA	20.509	TT003938		88,312	88,312		
Total Department of Transportati	.on		65,604	383,517	407,567	89,654	
U.S. Department of Homeland							
Security:							
Disaster Grants - Public Assistance	97.036		47,347	-	-	47,347	
Pass-through from Georgia							
Emergency Management Agency -							
Emergency Management	07 040	DOO 0 141		10 102	10 102		
Performance Grants	97.042 97.042	P08-9-141		19,183 219	19,183 219		
				19,402	19,402		
Hazard Mitigation Assistance	97.047	HMGP 1973-0020	9,937	9,818	(119)	-	
	97.047	HMGP 1973-0021		38,720	38,720		
			9,937	48,538	38,601		
Pass-through from Governor's							
Office of Highway Safety - Intoxilyzer 9000	20.600	GA-2013-000-00578	7,998	7,998			
Total Department of Homeland Sec	urity		65,282	75,938	58,003	47,347	
U.S. Department of Justice: Byrne Justice Assistance							
Grant Byrne Justice Assistance	16.738	2009-SU-B9-0003	-	313	313	-	
Grant	16.738	2012-B82-8-333		7,080	7,080		
Total Department of Justice				7,393	7,393		
			A				
Total Federal Awards			\$ 51,273	\$ 898,908	\$ 919,323	\$ 71,688	

NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF FEDERAL AWARDS:

The Schedule of Federal Awards is prepared on the modified accrual basis of accounting.

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

To the Board of Commissioners Catoosa County, Georgia:

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the aggregate discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Catoosa County, Georgia as of and for the year ended September 30, 2014, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated March 27, 2015. We did not audit the financial statements of the Catoosa County Health Department, which represent 31%, 100%, and 95%, respectively, of the assets, positive net position, and revenues of the discretely presented component units. Those financial statements were audited by other auditors whose report thereon has been furnished to us, and our opinion, insofar as it relates to the amounts included for the Catoosa County Health Department, is based solely on the report of the other auditors.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

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

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



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control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

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

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the 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*.

Purpose of this Report

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

Johnson, Weikey & Meuchen, P.C.

March 27, 2015

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

To the Board of Commissioners Catoosa County, Georgia:

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

We have audited Catoosa County, Georgia's compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *OMB Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of Catoosa County, Georgia's major federal programs for the year ended September 30, 2014. Catoosa County, Georgia's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditors' results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

Management's Responsibility

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

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for each of Catoosa County, Georgia's major federal programs based on our audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above. We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-profit Organizations*. Those standards and OMB Circular A-133 require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about Catoosa County, Georgia'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 on compliance for each major federal program. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of Catoosa County, Georgia's compliance.



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

To the Board of Commissioners Catoosa County, Georgia:

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

We have audited Catoosa County, Georgia's compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *OMB Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of Catoosa County, Georgia's major federal programs for the year ended September 30, 2014. Catoosa County, Georgia's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditors' results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

Management's Responsibility

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

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for each of Catoosa County, Georgia's major federal programs based on our audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above. We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and OMB Circular A-133, Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-profit Organizations. Those standards and OMB Circular A-133 require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about Catoosa County, Georgia'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 on compliance for each major federal program. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of Catoosa County, Georgia's compliance.

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

In our opinion, Catoosa County, Georgia complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended September 30, 2014.

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

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

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

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

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

Johnson, Neikey & Mencheson, P.C.

CATOOSA COUNTY, GEORGIA SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2014

SUMMARY OF AUDIT RESULTS:

The auditors' report expresses an unmodified opinion on the financial statements of Catoosa County, Georgia.

No significant deficiencies were reported. No material weaknesses were reported.

No instances of noncompliance material to the financial statements were reported.

No significant deficiencies or material weaknesses over the major programs were reported.

The auditor's report on compliance with the material compliance requirements of the major federal award programs expressed an unqualified opinion.

The programs tested as major programs were:

CFDA #93.959 Substance Abuse & Mental Health Services

The threshold for distinguishing Types A and B programs was \$300,000.

Catoosa County, Georgia was determined to be a low-risk auditee.

FINDINGS RELATING TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS WHICH ARE REQUIRED TO BE REPORTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GENERALLY ACCEPTED GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Current Year Findings -

None

Prior Year Findings Corrected-

2013-1 Payment of Credit Card from Altered Invoice:

Condition:

During the prior year under audit, auditors noted two credit card statements that were paid from copied and altered invoices and not the original invoice. This was corrected for the year ended September 30, 2014.

CATOOSA COUNTY, GEORGIA SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RESPONSES FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2014

Prior Year Findings Corrected (Continued) -

2012-1 Capital Asset Purchases Without Proper Quotes: Condition:

During the 2012 year, a 2009 Ford Passenger Van was purchased for \$14,491. Proper quotes were not received for this purchase. The only quotes provided to auditors were print outs from Auto Trader. During the 2013 year, a piece of equipment was purchased for \$9,753. Two proper quotes were received but the required third quote was from the internet. This does not serve as proper, competitive quotes. This was corrected for the year ended September 30, 2014.

FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS RELATED TO FEDERAL AWARDS

None reported

SPECIAL LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON SPECIAL 1 PERCENT SALES AND USE TAX

To the Board of Commissioners Catoosa County, Georgia:

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the aggregate discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Catoosa County, Georgia as of and for the year ended September 30, 2014, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated March 27, 2015. We have also audited the accompanying schedules of the County's projects constructed with special local option sales tax funds, for the year ended September 30, 2014, (the specific projects allowed having been identified in resolutions dated April 3, 2003, June 17, 2008, and January 15, 2013 calling for imposition of the special sales and use tax authorized by Section 48-8-110 OCGA). These schedules are the responsibility of the management of Catoosa County, Georgia. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the schedules based on our audit.

We conducted our audit of the schedules in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the schedules of the County's projects constructed with special local option sales tax funds are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the schedules. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the schedules. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the schedules of the County's projects constructed with special local option sales tax funds, as referred to above, present fairly, in all material respects, the amounts of projects constructed with proceeds from the County's special local option sales tax for the year ended September 30, 2014, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Board of Commissioners, management, others within the organization, and state regulatory agencies and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Johnson, Weikey & Meuchesm, P.C.



INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON SPECIAL 1 PERCENT SALES AND USE TAX

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Johnson, Niekey & Merchen, P.C.

March 27, 2015

CATOOSA COUNTY, GEORGIA NOTE TO SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX PROJECTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2014

(1) ADJUSTMENTS:

Due to reporting errors for earlier years, debt service payments on public safety and public works equipment leases were reported on more than one line item. The adjustment to the prior years' balance is to reflect the correction of the duplicate reporting.

CATOOSA COUNTY, GEORGIA SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX PROJECTS - 2004 CYCLE FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2014

	ORIGINAL		REVISED	EXPENDITURES				PERCENTAGE	CUMULATIVE
	ESTIMATED		ESTIMATED	PRIOR		CURRENT		OF	OTHER
PROJECT	COST	REALLOCATIONS	COSTS	YEARS	ADJUSTMENTS	YEAR	TOTAL	COMPLETION	FUNDING
Fort Oglethorpe sewer, water									
and capital outlay projects	\$ 5,461,000	\$ -	\$ 5,461,000	\$ 5,609,689	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,609,689	100%	\$ 341,362
Ringgold sewer, water and capital outlay projects	1,935,000	_	1,935,000	1,986,126	-	-	1,986,126	100%	69,881
Catoosa Utility District water projects	2,500,000	-	2,500,000	2,562,322	-	-	2,562,322	100%	59,612
Fort Oglethorpe sewer projects	2,000,000	-	2,000,000	1,789,112	-	-	1,789,112	89%	-
Catoosa County sewer projects	16,190,000	-	16,190,000	12,797,755	-	46,540	12,844,295	79%	438,738
Stormwater projects	2,000,000	-	2,000,000	1,998,628	-	-	1,998,628	100%	-
Keith projects	637,000	-	637,000	652,763	-	-	652,763	100%	-
Recreation	2,000,000	-	2,000,000	2,049,490	-	-	2,049,490	100%	-
Public safety equipment	5,015,000	-	5,015,000	5,133,503	-	5,595	5,139,098	100%	-
Public works vehicles	685,000	-	685,000	701,950	-	-	701,950	100%	-
Multi-purpose buildings	550,000	-	550,000	563,610	-	-	563,610	100%	-
Roads and bridges	2,000,000	-	2,000,000	2,261,965	-	-	2,261,965	100%	161,611
Library enhancement	350,000		350,000	358,510		150	358,660	100%	
	\$ 41,323,000	\$ -	\$ 41,323,000	\$ 38,465,423	\$ -	\$ 52,285	\$ 38,517,708		\$ 1,071,204
Reconciliation of current year ex SPLOST 2004 expenditures per fina Less debt service principal						\$ 52,285			
						\$ 52,285			

CATOOSA COUNTY, GEORGIA SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX PROJECTS - 2009 CYCLE FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2014

	ORIGINAL REVISED EXPENDITURES				PERCENTAGE	CUMULATIVE			
	ESTIMATED		ESTIMATED	PRIOR		CURRENT		OF	OTHER
PROJECT	COST	REALLOCATIONS	COSTS	YEARS	ADJUSTMENTS	YEAR	TOTAL	COMPLETION	FUNDING
Fort Oglethorpe sewer, water and capital outlay projects	\$ 7,112,000	\$ -	\$ 7,112,000	\$ 4,734,323	¢ _	\$ 1,013,600	\$ 5,747,923	81%	\$ 29,154
and capital outlay projects	\$ 7,112,000	φ -	\$ 7,112,000	\$ 4,734,323	φ –	\$ 1,013,000	\$ 5,141,925	01.9	\$ 29,134
Ringgold sewer, water and									
capital outlay projects	2,520,000	-	2,520,000	849,914	-	341,701	1,191,615	47%	32,868
Catoosa Utility District									
water projects	4,000,000	-	4,000,000	2,660,457	-	571,464	3,231,921	81%	15,518
Catoosa County sewer projects	15,750,000	-	15,750,000	9,336,897	=	580,647	9,917,544	63%	_
Recreation	2,000,000	_	2,000,000	819,117	-	329,913	1,149,030	57%	-
Public safety equipment	5,509,000	=	5,509,000	2,563,745	=	180,128	2,743,873	50%	_
Public works vehicles	1,500,000	-	1,500,000	781,145	-	296,517	1,077,662	72%	-
Multi-purpose buildings	1,190,000	_	1,190,000	242,668	-	280,257	522,925	44%	_
Roads, buildings, and stormwater	9,869,000	=	9,869,000	6,232,533	=	3,790,194	10,022,727	100%	2,087,050
Library enhancement	500,000	-	500,000	-	=	50,060	50,060	10%	-
Economic development	2,000,000	-	2,000,000	1,324,904	-	94,731	1,419,635	71%	-
GIS department	400,000	=	400,000	52,611	_	1,755	54,366	14%	5,940
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Historical tourism/greenspace	750,000	<u>=</u>	750,000	168,054		222,946	391,000	52%	10,000
	\$ 53,100,000	\$ -	\$ 53,100,000	\$ 29,766,368	\$ -	\$ 7,753,913	\$ 37,520,281		\$ 2,180,530
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Reconciliation of current year expe									
SPLOST 2009 expenditures per finance Less debt service principal	cial statements					\$ 8,108,101 (354,188)			
ness dent service bringipal						(334,100)			
						\$ 7,753,913			

CATOOSA COUNTY, GEORGIA SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX PROJECTS - 2014 CYCLE FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2014

	ORIGINAL REVISED EXPENDITURES							PERCENTAGE	CUMULATIVE	
	ESTIMATED		ESTIMATED	PRIOR		CURRENT		OF	OTHER	
PROJECT	COST	REALLOCATIONS	COSTS	YEARS	ADJUSTMENTS	YEAR	TOTAL	COMPLETION	FUNDING	
Fort Oglethorpe sewer, water and capital outlay projects	\$ 7,150,000	\$ -	\$ 7,150,000	\$ -	\$ - \$	70,806 \$	70,806	1%	\$ 19	
Ringgold sewer, water and capital outlay projects	2,500,000	-	2,500,000	-	-	-	-	0%	7	
Catoosa Utility District water projects	2,300,000	=	2,300,000	-	-	27,126	27,126	1%	7	
Catoosa County sewer projects	12,400,000	-	12,400,000	-	-	-	-	0%	-	
Recreation	2,263,101	-	2,263,101	=	-	-	=	0%	=	
Public safety equipment and buildings	9,222,399	-	9,222,399	-	-	45,965	45,965	0%	-	
Roads and bridges	9,000,000	-	9,000,000	-	=	1,032,959	1,032,959	11%	-	
Equipment and vehicles	2,164,500	-	2,164,500	-	-	-	-	0%	-	
Public buildings and grounds	800,000	=	800,000	-	-	-	-	0%	-	
Courthouse renovation	2,200,000	-	2,200,000	-	-	-	-	0%	-	
Stormwater projects	3,000,000	-	3,000,000	=	=	=	=	0%	=	
GIS department	300,000	_	300,000	=	 _		<u>-</u>	0%	_	
	\$ 53,300,000	\$ -	\$ 53,300,000	\$ -	<u>\$ -</u> <u>\$</u>	1,176,856 \$	1,176,856		\$ 33	
Reconciliation of current year expendit SPLOST 2014 expenditures per financial Less debt service principal					\$	1,179,205 (2,349)				

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