ORLAND-ARTOIS WATER DISTRICT

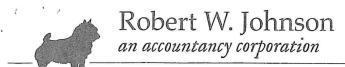
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

AND INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

for the year ended December 31, 2020

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Directors Orland-Artois Water District Orland, California

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Orland-Artois Water District, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2020, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States and the State Controller's Minimum Audit Requirements for California Special Districts. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control.

Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

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

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Orland-Artois Water District as of December 31, 2020, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, as well as the accounting systems prescribed by the State Controller's Office and State Regulations governing Special Districts.

Other-Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Management has omitted the Management's Discussion and Analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require to be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such missing 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. Our opinion on the basic financial statements is not affected by the missing information.

Other Information

The supplemental information listed in the table of contents is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements of Orland-Artois Water District. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

Robert W. Johnson, an account ancy Corporation

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated June 1 2021, on our consideration of the District's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards in considering the District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Citrus Heights, California

June 1, 2021

ORLAND-ARTOIS WATER DISTRICT STATEMENT OF NET POSITION December 31, 2020

ASSETS

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Cash and investments (Note 3)	\$ 3,005,316
Accounts receivable	98,090
Prepaid expenses	92,712
Total current assets	3,196,118

Non-current assets:

Capital assets (Notes 4 and 5)	
Less, accumulated depreciation	

15,617,568

\$18,813,686

LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION

Current liabilities: Current portion of long-term debt (Note 5) Customer prepayments Accounts payable Compensated absences Annexation deposits		\$ 826,342 64,875 5,091 19,126 39,931
Total current liabilities		955,365
Non-current liabilities: Long-term debt, net of current portion (Note 5)		13,603,175
Total liabilities		14,558,540
Net position: Net investment in capital assets	\$8,627,558	
Restricted	=	
Unrestricted	(4,372,412)	4,255,146
		\$ <u>18,813,686</u>

ORLAND-ARTOIS WATER DISTRICT STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION for the year ended December 31, 2020

Operating revenues: Water sales Operations charge Assessments Other Total operating revenues		\$ 3,203,132 1,122,155 580,009 28,123 4,933,419
Operating expenses: Source of supply Transmission and distribution Administrative Depreciation	\$ 3,243,444 661,436 308,501 343,683	1,755,117
Total operating expenses		4,557,064
Operating income		376,355
Non-operating income (expense): Interest income Rental income SGMA expenses Cost of issuance	26,372 720 (750) (104,609)	(78,267)
Income before Bureau construction recovery		298,088
Bureau construction recovery		1,201,478
Change in net position		1,499,566
Total net position: Beginning		2,755,580
Ending		\$ <u>4,255,146</u>

ORLAND-ARTOIS WATER DISTRICT STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS for the year ended December 31, 2020

Cash flows from operating activities: Receipts from customers Payments to suppliers Payments to employees		\$ 4,928,090 (3,937,166) (<u>360,945</u>)
Net cash provided by operating activities		629,979
Cash flows from noncapital financing activities: Rental income		720
Cash flows from capital and related financing activities: Capital expenditures Principal reduction on capital debt SGMA expenses	\$ - (578,188) (750)	(578,938)
Cash flows from investing activities: Interest income		26,372
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		78,133
Cash and cash equivalents: Beginning of year		2,927,183
End of year		\$ <u>3,005,316</u>

ORLAND-ARTOIS WATER DISTRICT STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS, continued for the year ended December 31, 2020

Reconciliation of operating income (loss) to net cash provided by operating activities:

Operating income (loss)

\$ 376,355

Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to net cash provided by operating activities:

Depreciation expense \$ 343,683

Changes in operating assets and liabilities:

Receivables		4,848
Prepaids	(8,834)
Accounts payable	(17,150)
Compensated absences	(377)
Customer prepayments	(44,952)
Annexation deposits	(23,594)

Total adjustments ____253,624

Net cash provided by operating activities \$_629,979

Supplemental disclosure of non-cash activities:

In 2020, the District recorded debt recovery of \$1,201,478 from the Bureau of Reclamation – Central Valley Project (CVP). The debt relief recovery resulted from the change in allocated construction costs, the District's purchased water rate from the Bureau of Reclamation and the discounted pay off amount of the CVP debt.

The District refinanced both CVP debt and contract 9(d) loan with BBVA Bank for \$14,429,517.

1. Organization:

Orland-Artois Water District (the "District") was formed in 1953 and started water deliveries in 1977. The District currently consists of 29,918 acres located in Glenn County in the Sacramento Valley; the District has 5 diversions off of the Tehama Colusa Canal and delivers water using 110 miles of underground pipeline with about 300 metered deliveries. The District has a contract with the USBR for 53,000 acre-feet of irrigation water annually. The District is governed by a Board of Directors which is elected by the landowners.

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies:

The basic financial statements of Orland-Artois Water District have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles as applied to government units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The more significant of the District's accounting policies are described below.

Basis of Presentation - Fund Accounting

The District's resources are allocated to and accounted for in these basic financial statements as an enterprise fund type of the proprietary fund group. The enterprise fund is used to account for operations that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises, where the intent of the governing body is that the costs (expenses, including depreciation) of providing goods or services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges, or where the governing body has decided that periodic determination of revenues earned, expenses incurred, and/or net income is appropriate for capital maintenance, public policy, management control, accountability, or other policies. Net position for the enterprise fund represents the amount available for future operations.

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, continued:

Basis of Accounting

The accounting and financial reporting treatment applied to a fund is determined by its measurement focus. The enterprise fund type is accounted for on a flow of economic resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, all assets, deferred outflows, liabilities, and deferred inflows associated with the operation of this fund are included on the balance sheet. Net position is segregated into amounts invested in capital assets, net of related debt, amounts restricted and amounts unrestricted. Enterprise fund type operating statements present increases (i.e., revenues) and decreases (i.e., expenses) in net total position.

The District uses the accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded at the time liabilities are incurred. The District's books and accounts are based upon the Uniform System of Accounts for Public Utilities as prescribed by the Division of Local Government Fiscal Affairs of the State of California.

Operating revenues and expenses consist of those revenues and expenses that result from the ongoing principal operations of the District. Operating revenues consist primarily of charges for services. Nonoperating revenues and expenses consist of those revenues and expenses that are related to financing and investing types of activities and result from nonexchange transactions or ancillary activities.

Depreciation and Amortization

Capital assets are recorded at historical cost. Assets acquired by contribution are recorded at estimated cost or fair market value at the date of acquisition.

Depreciation is calculated by the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the respective assets.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

For purposes of the statement of cash flows, the District considers all highly liquid debt instruments purchased with an initial maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents, including restricted assets. Cash in bank and deposits in the State of California Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF) are considered to be cash and cash equivalents.

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, continued:

Compensated Absences

The District's policy allows employees to accumulate earned but unused vacation which will be paid to employees upon separation from service to the District, subject to a vesting policy. The cost of vacation is recorded in the period earned.

Sick pay is not vested.

Net Position

Net position is classified in the following categories:

Net Investment in capital assets – groups all capital assets, including infrastructure, into one component of net position. Accumulated depreciation and the outstanding balances of debt that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of these assets reduce this category.

<u>Restricted</u> – presents external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors or laws and regulations of other governments and restrictions imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

<u>Unrestricted</u> – represents the net position of the District, which are not restricted or invested in capital assets net of related debt.

Use of Estimates

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

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, continued:

Budget and Budgetary Accounting

The Board of Directors annually adopts an operating budget. The operating budgets are prepared on the accrual basis to match the operating statements.

Investments

Investments consist of LAIF (State of California pooled investment fund) and money market savings accounts. Investments are stated at fair value. Such investments are within the State statutes and the District's investment policy.

3. Cash and Investments:

At December 31, 2020, the carrying amount of the District's deposits was \$954,367 and the balance in financial institutions was \$961,647. Of the balance in the financial institutions, \$250,000 was covered by federal depository insurance and \$711,647 was collateralized as required by State Law (Government Code Section 53630), by the pledging financial institution with assets held in a common pool for the District and other agencies, but not in the name of the District.

	Balance December 31, 2020
Petty cash/till float Checking Money market (3)	\$ 402 33,201 <u>920,764</u>
	\$ <u>954,367</u>

3. Cash and Investments, continued:

Investments:

California statutes authorize the District to invest in a variety of credit instruments as provided for in the California Government Code Section 53600, Chapter 4 – Financial Affairs. The Government Code allows investments in obligations of the U.S. Treasury, agencies, and instrumentalities, commercial paper rated A-1 by Standard & Poor's or P-1 by Moody's Commercial Paper Record, bankers' acceptances, repurchase agreements, medium-term corporate notes, mutual funds and the State Treasurer's Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF). The investment in LAIF is reported at fair value.

Carrying Amount	Maturity - 12 Months or Less
\$2,050,949	\$2,050,949

Pursuant to Government Accounting Standards Board Statement 3, the investment in LAIF is not classified in categories of credit risk. The District's funds in LAIF are invested in a diversified portfolio (of underlying investments e.g. U.S. Treasury obligations) such that it considers the risk of material loss to be minimal. The funds held in LAIF can be withdrawn on demand.

4. Capital Assets:

Changes in capital assets for the year ended December 31, 2020 are as follows:

	Balance			Balance
	1/1/20	Additions	_Disposals_	12/31/20
Distribution system	\$23,705,915	\$ -	\$ -	\$23,705,915
District distribution	358,769	-	-	358,769
Building improvements	136,101		-	136,101
Machinery	58,710	i - -	-	58,710
Furniture	29,782	-	_	29,782
Wells	1,062,368	-	-	1,062,368
Vehicles	104,027	-	-	104,027
Office equipment	7,475	-		7,475
	\$ <u>25,463,147</u>	\$	\$	\$ <u>25,463,147</u>

5. Long-term Debt:

Long-term debt activities for the year ended December 31, 2020 are as follows:

	Balance <u>1/1/20</u>	New Debt	Debt <u>Retired</u>	Balance 12/31/20	Current Portion
Bureau – Distribution	\$ 7,516,450	\$ -	\$ 7,516,450	\$ -	\$ -
Bureau – Service Contrac	t 8,588,124	-	8,588,124	_	_
BBVA Bank 9(d) Loan	-	6,990,010	-	6,990,010	400,300
BBVA Bank 9(e) Loan		7,439,507		7,439,507	426,042
	\$ <u>16,104,574</u>	\$ <u>14,429,517</u>	\$ <u>16,104,574</u>	\$ <u>14,429,517</u>	\$ <u>826,342</u>

5. Long-term Debt, continued:

Contract 9d Loan with the United States Bureau of Reclamation

On February 26, 1976, the District entered into a contract with the United States Government for the construction of a distribution system. The original loan amount was \$23,127,537. Payments on the loan began in February 1993 and are due in two equal installments of \$289,094 per year. The last payment was scheduled for August 2032. The loan bears no interest. The District charges a repayment assessment to landowners that are using the system, equal to the debt service payment. In accordance with Article 17 of the Contract, title to the distribution system shall be, and remain in, the name of the United States until otherwise provided for by Congress, notwithstanding the fact of full repayment of the obligation. The intangible right to use Central Valley Project water supply system is included with capital assets in accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 51, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Intangible Assets.

Contract 9e Water Service Contract – Central Valley Project Water Supply System

The Reclamation Act of 1939 provided for the construction of multiple purpose irrigation projects and the construction costs would be shared among the carious beneficiaries that provided irrigation. The construction cost allocated to the Orland-Artois Water District totaled \$21,434,868. The costs allocated change by year based on the services provided to the District. Irrigators are responsible for repaying their allocated share of the project's construction costs as limited by a determination of their ability to pay. As of September 30, 2013, the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation determined, based on an ability to pay study for the District's eligibility for full relief from payment of the construction costs be continued. Payments of the cost of construction were made through future deliveries of water through 2030. No interest is being charged on this liability.

5. Long-term Debt, continued:

WIIN Act Loan Conversion

The WIIN Act of 2016 has a section which address early pay outs for CVP Construction loans for Water Services Contractors. The Act allows for the converted contracts to set the current allocation of water to a permanent status and offers a discount for early pay off. Once pay outs are executed, the "paid out" District will no longer be under the Reclamation Reform Act (RRA) if the District has no other interest free obligations with Reclamation. This means the ownership and acreage restrictions will no longer apply.

In November of 2020, the District converted its 25-year Water Service Contract to a permanent Contract and refinanced its two loans with Bureau of Reclamation under the WIIN Act of 2016. The District also refinanced its two loans with the Bureau. The refinancing of the 9e, CVP Construction, loan received a discount under the WIIN Act and the refinancing of the 9d, Distribution System, loan made the District "paid out" and relieved it from the rules of RRA. The loans were taken out with BBVA Bank at 1.89% interest for 15 years. The amounts borrowed was \$6,990,010 for the 9d loan, and \$7,439,507 for the 9e loan.

The 9d loan with BBVA Bank requires annual principal (December 15) and semi-annual interest (June 15 and December 15) payments of \$540,118 through 2035.

The 9e loan with BBVA Bank requires annual principal payments (December 15) and semi-annual interest (June 15 and December 15) payments of \$574,850 through 2035.

The two new bank loans are not secured by a net revenue pledge. The District has the ability to use water revenue for repayment if it chooses, but the primary source of repayment are the District's land-based charges.

Debt reserve accounts will be established and maintained. The District has the flexibility to invest the funds (in LAIF, bank account, etc.) but the reserve accounts are legally reserved for debt repayment and can't be used for any other purpose. The loan covenant provides that, after seven (7) years, the District can use the reserve fund to prepay the loan balances.

5. Long-term Debt, continued:

The future annual maturity of long-term borrowings as of December 31, 2020 are as follows:

<u>Year</u>	Principal	Interest	_ Total_	
2021 2022 2023 2024 2025 2026-2030 2031-2035	\$ 826,342 857,868 874,083 890,603 907,435 4,801,007 5,272,179	\$ 288,626 257,100 240,886 224,366 207,534 773,835 302,663	\$ 1,114,968 1,114,968 1,114,969 1,114,969 1,114,969 5,574,842 5,574,842	
	\$ <u>14,429,517</u>	\$ <u>2,295,010</u>	\$ <u>16,724,527</u>	

6. Pension Plan:

On December 19, 1984, the District established a deferred compensation plan. The plan is a single-employer Simplified Employee Pension (SEP) plan with the assets held in trust by New York Life. The Plan is administered by the management of the District and the provisions of the plan can be changed and amended by the Board of Directors of the District. All full-time salaried employees are eligible to participate in the plan after completing three years of service with the District.

The District pays 100% of the contribution, based on an annual percentage of 7% of the employee's wage. Participant's accounts are credited with the employer contributions. The amount the District contributes each year on behalf of the participating employee is established by the Board of Directors. Investment earnings and losses as well as administrative expenses are also charged to the participant accounts. Allocations are based on participant's earnings and losses of chosen investments or account balances. Employees are vested in the plan upon entrance into the plan. The amount of the contribution for 2020 was \$19,699.

7. Water Revenue Recognition:

For the 2020 water year, the District purchased water under a water service contract from Reclamation and purchased project water from settlement contractors for its water users. Reclamation announced 50% water allocation for water service contractors and a non-Shasta Critical year for settlement contractors. The water purchased from settlement contractors and its use was defined under settlement contractor's rules. These rules allow that the water cannot be used after October 31st and the water was used in June, July and August of 2020. The remainder of the water the District delivered was project water from its water service contact and it paid for it only if used. The District pumped 980 acre-feet of water using its 2 deep wells.

For water year 2020 the District base irrigation water was \$85 per acre-foot.

8. 2021 Water Supply Outlook:

In 2020 the District delivered about 37,000 acre-feet of water. The winter of 2020 and 2021 was very dry. In March of 2021, the District received a 5% initial allocation for the 2020 water year. With the District's multiple year contracts with Settlement Contractors, the District will not have enough water for its landowner's irrigation needs. The District will allocate water per acre applied for. If water is left unpurchased, the remaining water will be reallocated to applied for acres. If more water is requested, the District will look for available water for transfer and purchase it according to the requests of landowners. All water will be prepaid by the landowners.

For 2020 the District has agreements with three (3) settlement contractors for water, one for 2,600 acre-feet, another 4,500-6,000 acre-feet and another for 3,500 acre-feet of water. These contracts have the contingency to provide water in critical years if the District buys the water every year. The total critical year supply is 6,973 acre-feet. These agreements ensure landowners are in a good position for critical years at reasonable costs.

The District also has two (2) deep wells which can produce 2,000 to 3,000 acre-feet of water if needed. For 2021 both wells will be operating. These wells are tested for water quality every 2 years and Warren Act Contracts are in place. The Warren Act Contract covers several landowner wells as well. The Warren Act Contract permits groundwater to be pumped into the canal and used in the District for a nominal fee per acre-foot.

9. Sites Reservoir Project:

The Sites Reservoir Project continues to move forward although the District is no longer a participant. The District submitted its letter of withdrawal from the Sites Project Authority on August 22, 2018 to be effective on November 22, 2018. The District continued to participate on the Reservoir committee to the end of Phase 1, March 22, 2019.

In 2019 all funds raised with the Sites Charge were added to the LAIF General Reserves. In 2019 the District received two reimbursements from the Sites Project; one for \$178,541 for reservoir construction and another for \$33,254 for the District's share of unused funds at the end of Phase 1. These funds were also added to LAIF General Reserves. Because the total of the two reimbursements, \$211,795 was more than the Sites Charge projected income of \$207,998 for 2019, the Board of Directors decided not to collect the Sites Charge in 2020. FY 2020 would have been the final year for the Sites Charge. At the December 2019 Board meeting, the Directors approved a budget for 2020 which did not include the Sites Charge.

For 2020 the Sites Project continued to move forward and has increased its membership. On December 31, 2020 the District balance to be reimbursed was \$758,205.

10. Risk of Loss:

Orland-Artois Water District is exposed to various risks of loss related to theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; and injuries to employees. During the 2020 fiscal year, the District purchased certain commercial insurance coverages to provide for these risks.

11. Subsequent Events:

Management has evaluated subsequent events through June 1, 2021, the date these December 31, 2020 financial statements were available to be issued.

12. COVID-19:

In March 2020, the World Health Organization declared a global health pandemic of the Coronavirus Disease COVID-19. The District is committed to maintaining water delivery services to customers in its community. To date there has been very little adverse effect on the District's financial position.

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ORLAND-ARTOIS WATER DISTRICT PRINCIPAL OFFICIALS

for the year ended December 31, 2020

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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Vice President

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REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROLS AND COMPLIANCE

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

Independent Auditor's Report

To the Board of Directors Orland-Artois Water District Orland, California

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States and the State Controller's Minimum Audit Requirements for California Special Districts, the financial statements of Orland-Artois Water District as of and for the year ended December 31, 2020, and the related notes to the financial statements which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated June 1, 2021.

Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered Orland-Artois Water District's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control.

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

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

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Orland-Artois Water District's financial statements are free from material misstatements, 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*.

We noted certain other minor matters that we reported to management of the Orland-Artois Water District in a separate letter dated June 1, 2021.

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.

Robert W. Johnson, an accountancy Corporation

Citrus Heights, California

June 1, 2021