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Financial Audit Division

Expenditure Limitation Report

Cochise County

Year Ended June 30, 2010



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Cochise County Report on Audit of Annual Expenditure Limitation Report Year Ended June 30, 2010

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Independent Auditors' Report

Members of the Arizona State Legislature

The Board of Supervisors of Cochise County, Arizona

We have audited the accompanying Annual Expenditure Limitation Report of Cochise County for the year ended June 30, 2010. This report is the responsibility of the County's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on this report based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the report is free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the report. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall report presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

The accompanying Annual Expenditure Limitation Report was prepared for the purpose of complying with the uniform expenditure reporting system as discussed in Note 1, and is not intended to be a presentation in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

In our opinion, the Annual Expenditure Limitation Report of Cochise County for the year ended June 30, 2010, referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the information required by the uniform expenditure reporting system on the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the members of the Arizona State Legislature, the Board of Supervisors, management, and others within the County, and for filing with the Auditor General of the State of Arizona, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties. However, this report is a matter of public record, and its distribution is not limited.

Jay Zsorey, CPA Financial Audit Director

May 18, 2011

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Cochise County Annual Expenditure Limitation Report—Part I Year Ended June 30, 2010

1.	Economic Estimates Commission expenditure limitation	\$66,069,831
2.	Amount subject to the expenditure limitation (total amount from Part II, Line C)	53,423,304
3.	Amount under the expenditure limitation	<u>\$12,646,527</u>

I hereby certify, to the best of my knowledge and belief, that the information contained in this report is accurate and in accordance with the requirements of the uniform expenditure reporting system.

Signature of Chief Fiscal Officer:			
Name and Title: Lois Klein, Director of Finance	9		
Telephone Number: <u>(520) 432-8370</u>	Date:	5-18-11	

See accompanying notes to report.

Cochise County Annual Expenditure Limitation Report—Part II Year Ended June 30, 2010

Description	Governmental	Enterprise _ Funds_	Internal Service _ Funds_	Fiduciary Funds	
Description		<u> </u>			<u></u>
 A. Amounts reported on the Reconciliation, Line D B. Less exclusions claimed: Debt service requirements on other long-term 	\$ 74,467,381	\$38,370,078	\$ 13,155,197	\$ 207,531,559	\$ 333,524,215
obligations (Note 2) Dividends, interest, and gains on the sale or	992,943	87,407	243,118		1,323,468
redemption of investment securities	289,760	175,329			465,089
Trustee or custodian (Note 3)	2,561,540	,		207,531,559	210,093,099
Grants and aid from the federal government (Note 4)	10,403,296				10,403,296
Amounts received from the State of Arizona (Note 4)	5,295,725				5,295,725
Quasi-external interfund transactions (Note 5)			12,912,079		12,912,079
Highway user revenues in excess of those received in					
fiscal year 1979-80 (Note 4)	5,993,162				5,993,162
Contracts with other political subdivisions (Note 6)		33,614,993			33,614,993
Total exclusions claimed	25,536,426	33,877,729	13,155,197	207,531,559	280,100,911
C. Amounts subject to the expenditure limitation	\$ 48,930,955	\$ 4,492,349	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$</u>	\$ 53,423,304

See accompanying notes to report.

Cochise County Annual Expenditure Limitation Report—Reconciliation Year Ended June 30, 2010

Description	Governmental	Enterprise _Funds_	Internal Service Funds	Fiduciary _Funds	_Total_
A. Total expenditures/expenses/deductions and applicable other financing uses, special items, and extraordinary items reported within the fund financial statements	\$ 81,522,825	\$ 39,674,996	\$ 13,514,643	\$ 207,531,559	\$ 342,244,023
 B. Subtractions: Items not requiring use of working capital: Depreciation Loss on disposal of capital assets Landfill closure and postclosure care costs 		789,809 452,091 220,664	1,398,688 5,985		2,188,497 458,076 220,664
Expenditures of separate legal entities established under Arizona Revised Statutes (Note 7) Long-term care contributions withheld by the State Treasurer (Note 8)	2,843,240				2,843,240
Total subtractions	7,055,444	1,462,564	1,404,673		9,922,681
C. Additions: Principal payments on long-term debt Acquisition of capital assets Landfill closure and postclosure care costs paid in the		81,911 35,652	164,150 881,077		246,061 916,729
current year but reported as expenses in previous years (Note 9) Total additions		40,083 157,646	1,045,227		40,083 1,202,873
D. Amounts reported on Part II, Line A	\$74,467,381	\$38,370,078	\$13,155,197	\$207,531,559	\$ 333,524,215

See accompanying notes to report.

Cochise County Notes to Annual Expenditure Limitation Report Year Ended June 30, 2010

Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The Annual Expenditure Limitation Report (AELR) is presented on the basis of accounting prescribed by the uniform expenditure reporting system (UERS), as required by Arizona Revised Statutes §41-1279.07, which excludes expenditures, expenses, or deductions of certain revenues specified in the Arizona Constitution, Article IX, §20, from the total expenditures, expenses, or deductions reported in the fund financial statements.

In accordance with the UERS requirements, a note to the AELR is presented below for any exclusion claimed on Part II and each subtraction or addition in the Reconciliation that cannot be traced directly to an amount reported in the fund financial statements. All references to financial statement amounts in the following notes refer to the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances for the Governmental Funds; Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Fund Net Assets for the Proprietary Funds; Statement of Cash Flows for the Proprietary Funds; and the Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Assets for the Fiduciary Funds.

Note 2 - The exclusion claimed for debt service requirements on other long-term obligations of \$992,943 in the Governmental Funds consists of principal and interest and other charges of \$714,525 and \$278,418, respectively.

The exclusion claimed for debt service requirements on other long-term obligations of \$87,407 in the Enterprise Funds consists of principal paid on capital leases and interest paid on capital leases of \$81,911 and \$5,496, respectively.

The exclusion claimed for debt service requirements on other long-term obligations of \$243,118 in the Internal Service Funds consists of principal paid on capital leases and interest paid on capital leases of \$164,150 and \$78,968, respectively.

- Note 3 The exclusion claimed for trustee or custodian in the Governmental Funds consists of \$2,561,540 in contributions by the County to the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System for acute care, uncompensated care, and administrative costs.
- Note 4 The following schedule presents revenues from which exclusions have been claimed for federal grants and aid, amounts received from the State of Arizona, and highway user revenues in the Governmental Funds:

Cochise County Notes to Annual Expenditure Limitation Report Year Ended June 30, 2010

Description	
Grants and aid from the federal government	\$10,403,296
Amounts received from the State of Arizona	5,295,725
Highway user revenues in excess of those received	
in fiscal year 1979-80	5,993,162
Other revenues—(nonexcludable)	14,440,673
Total intergovernmental revenues as reported in	
the fund financial statements	<u>\$36,132,856</u>

- Note 5 The exclusion claimed for quasi-external interfund transactions of \$12,912,079 in the Internal Service Funds consists of charges for services expended of \$5,878,883 and charges for health insurance expended of \$7,033,196.
- Note 6 The exclusion claimed for contracts with other political subdivisions of \$33,614,993 in the Enterprise Funds consists of charges for services expended.
- Note 7 The subtraction of \$2,843,240 for separate legal entities established under Arizona Revised Statutes consists of expenditures of special assessment districts included within the County's reporting entity, but not included in the Economic Estimates Commission base limit calculations, and are reported in the Governmental Funds category in the fund financial statements:

Special Assessment Districts	
General government	\$ 42,241
Public safety	1,629,192
Culture and recreation	<u>1,171,807</u>
Total	<u>\$2,843,240</u>

- Note 8 The subtraction for long-term care contributions withheld by the State Treasurer consists of transaction privilege taxes withheld by the State Treasurer to meet the County's share of longterm care costs that was reported as a revenue and an offsetting expenditure in the County's Governmental Funds. Consequently, this expenditure has been subtracted on the Reconciliation.
- Note 9 The addition of \$40,083 for landfill closure and postclosure care costs paid in the current year, but reported as expenses in previous years, consists of cash payments in the current year for those costs reported as expenses in previous years in the Enterprise Funds.

