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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

The Auditor General of the State of Arizona and
The Board of Supervisors
of La Paz County, Arizona

We have audited the accompanying Annual Expenditure Limitation Report of La Paz County, Arizona, for the year ended June 30, 2006. This report is the responsibility of the La Paz County, Arizona's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on this report based on our audit.

We conducted our audit 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 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 accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In our opinion, the Annual Expenditure Limitation Report of La Paz County, Arizona, for the year ended June 30, 2006, 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 and the Board of Supervisors, 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.

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Certified Public Accountants

March 15, 2010

**LA PAZ COUNTY, ARIZONA
ANNUAL EXPENDITURE LIMITATION REPORT - PART I
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2006**

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| 1. Economic Estimates Commission expenditure limitation | \$ 10,280,900 |
| 2. Amount subject to the expenditure limitation
(total amount from Part II, Line C) | <u>10,280,899</u> |
| 3. Amount under the expenditure limitation | <u>\$ 1</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: Ava Alcaida, Finance Director

Telephone Number: (928) 669-2247

Date: 3-15-10

See accompanying notes to report.

LA PAZ COUNTY, ARIZONA
ANNUAL EXPENDITURE LIMITATION REPORT - PART II
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2006

Description	<u>Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Enterprise Fund</u>	<u>Fiduciary Funds</u>	<u>Total</u>
A. Amounts reported on the Reconciliation, Line D	\$ 21,667,606	\$ 1,566,830	\$ 34,809,706	\$ 58,044,142
B. Less exclusions claimed:				
Debt service requirements on other long-term obligations (Note 2)	264,644	345,244		609,888
Dividends, interest, and gains on the sale or redemption of investment securities (Note 3)	389,504	12,240		401,744
Trustee or custodian (Note 4)	367,821		34,809,706	35,177,527
Grants and aid from the federal government (Note 5)	2,573,002			2,573,002
Grants, aid, contributions, or gifts from a private agency, organization, or individual, except amounts received in lieu of taxes (Note 9)	170,288			170,288
Amounts received from the State of Arizona (Notes 5 and 6)	3,359,026			3,359,026
Quasi-external interfund transactions (Note 7)	3,500			3,500
Highway user revenues in excess of those received in fiscal year 1979-80 (Note 5)	3,868,287			3,868,287
Contracts with other political subdivisions (Note 8)	21,468			21,468
Refunds, reimbursements, and other recoveries (Note 11)	464,359			464,359
Prior years carryforward (Note 10)	<u>1,114,154</u>	<u></u>	<u></u>	<u>1,114,154</u>
Total exclusions claimed	<u>12,596,053</u>	<u>357,484</u>	<u>34,809,706</u>	<u>47,763,243</u>
C. Amount subject to the expenditure limitation	<u>\$ 9,071,553</u>	<u>\$ 1,209,346</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 10,280,899</u>

LA PAZ COUNTY, ARIZONA
ANNUAL EXPENDITURE LIMITATION REPORT - RECONCILIATION
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2006

Description	<u>Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Enterprise Fund</u>	<u>Fiduciary Funds</u>	<u>Total</u>
A. Total expenditures/expenses/ deductions and applicable other financing uses reported within the fund financial statements	\$ 25,658,071	\$ 1,409,460	\$ 34,809,706	\$ 61,877,237
B. Subtractions:				
Items not requiring use of working capital:				
Depreciation		171,008		171,008
Expenditures of separate legal entities established under Arizona Revised Statutes (Note 12)	3,197,965			3,197,965
Long-term care contributions withheld by the State Treasurer (Note 13)	<u>792,500</u>			<u>792,500</u>
Total subtractions	<u>3,990,465</u>	<u>171,008</u>		<u>4,161,473</u>
C. Additions:				
Principal payments on long-term debt		314,401		314,401
Acquisition of capital assets		<u>13,977</u>		<u>13,977</u>
Total additions		<u>328,378</u>		<u>328,378</u>
D. Amounts reported on Part II, Line A	<u>\$ 21,667,606</u>	<u>\$ 1,566,830</u>	<u>\$ 34,809,706</u>	<u>\$ 58,044,142</u>

LA PAZ COUNTY, ARIZONA
NOTES TO ANNUAL EXPENDITURE LIMITATION REPORT
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2006

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 Section 41-1279.07, which excludes expenditures/expenses or deductions of certain revenues specified in the Arizona Constitution, Article IX, Section 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, the Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Fund Net Assets for the Proprietary Fund, Statement of Cash Flows for the Proprietary Fund, 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 in the Governmental Funds of \$264,644 consists of expenditures classified as principal and interest and recorded as debt service expenditures. The exclusion does not include \$256,775 of debt service expenditures attributable to the Jail District for which total expenditures were subtracted on the Reconciliation.

NOTE 3 – The exclusion claimed for dividends, interest, and gains on the sale or redemption of investment securities of \$389,504 in the Governmental Funds includes interest on investments expended of \$260,924 and interest on delinquent taxes expended of \$128,580, which was recorded as tax revenue. This exclusion does not include \$20,647 of investment income attributable to the Jail District for which total expenditures were subtracted on the Reconciliation, and \$42,233 of unexpended interest on investments in the Road Fund which will be recorded as a carryforward to be used in future years.

NOTE 4 – The exclusion claimed for trustee or custodian of \$367,821 in the Governmental Funds consists of \$259,548 in contributions recorded as health expenditures by the County to the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System for acute care, administrative cost contributions, and uncompensated care contributions, and \$108,273 of general government expenditures from revenues in the County Attorney RICO Fund, which benefited other governmental entities.

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NOTE 5 – The following schedule presents revenues from which exclusions have been claimed for federal grants and aid, amounts received from the State of Arizona, highway user revenues, contracts with other political subdivisions, and grants, aid, contributions, or gifts from a private agency, organization, or individual in the Governmental Funds. The amounts excluded do not exceed expenditures of such revenues.

<u>Description</u>	<u>Governmental Funds</u>
Grants and aid from the Federal government	\$ 2,573,002
Amounts received from the State of Arizona	2,769,650
Highway user revenues in excess of those received in fiscal year 1979-80	3,868,287
Contracts with other political subdivisions (Note 8)	21,468
Grants, aid, contributions, or gifts from a private agency, organization, or individual (Note 9)	170,288
Other revenues – nonexcludable	<u>3,647,277</u>
Total intergovernmental revenues as reported in the fund financial statements	<u>\$ 13,049,972</u>

NOTE 6 - Amounts received from the State of Arizona include an exclusion of \$589,376 for motor vehicle license tax reported as taxes in the Road Fund in the fund financial statements.

NOTE 7 – The exclusion for quasi-external interfund transactions consists of \$3,500 of general government expenditures that were also recorded as miscellaneous revenues in Governmental Funds.

NOTE 8 – The exclusions claimed for contracts with other political subdivisions of \$21,468 consists of revenues of \$10,258 expended pursuant to a contract with the Town of Quartzsite to provide services for elections reported as intergovernmental revenues in the fund financial statements and \$11,210 of revenues expended for operation of the Animal Shelter and Cattery for the Town of Parker reported as intergovernmental revenues in the fund financial statements.

NOTE 9 - The exclusion claimed for grants, aid, contributions, or gifts from a private agency organization, or individual consists of \$92,086 of grants and \$78,202 of miscellaneous private contributions.

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NOTE 10 – Carryforward consists of constitutionally excludable revenues unexpended in the year of receipt that have been accumulated for exclusion in future years.

Description

Carryforward balance from fiscal year 2004-05	\$ 4,737,139
Unexpended Road Fund investment income	42,233
Carryforward utilized in fiscal year 2005-06:	
Amounts received from the State of Arizona	<u>(1,114,154)</u>
Total carryforward available for use in future years	<u>\$ 3,665,218</u>

NOTE 11 - The exclusions claimed for refunds, reimbursements, and other recoveries consist of recovery of expenditures and recovery of damage claims related to employee embezzlement litigation which are reported as miscellaneous revenue in the fund financial statements.

NOTE 12 – The subtraction of \$3,197,965 for separate legal entities established under Arizona Revised Statutes consists of the following expenditures included within the County's reporting entity but not included in the Economic Estimates Commission base limit calculations.

Description

Public safety expenditures for the Jail District	\$ 2,877,573
Capital outlay expenditures for the Jail District	26,121
Debt service expenditures for the Jail District	256,775
Public safety expenditures for various street lighting districts	7,124
Health expenditures for the Health Services District	<u>30,372</u>
Total expenditures of separate legal entities established under Arizona Revised Statutes subtraction	<u>\$ 3,197,965</u>

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NOTE 13 – 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 long-term 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.