

**ST. MARY PARISH'S CONSOLIDATED  
GRAVITY DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 2A  
MORGAN CITY, LOUISIANA**

Annual Financial Statements

September 30, 2021



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## **Independent Auditor's Report**

To the Board of Commissioners  
St. Mary Parish's Consolidated Gravity Drainage District No. 2A  
Morgan City, Louisiana

### **Report on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of St. Mary Parish's Consolidated Gravity Drainage District No. 2A (the District), a component unit of St. Mary Parish, Louisiana, as of and for the year ended September 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the entity'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 opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from 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 opinions.

## **Opinions**

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and each major fund of St. Mary Parish's Consolidated Gravity Drainage District No. 2A as of September 30, 2021, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

## **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 this missing information.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the budgetary comparison information on page 26 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 the District's basic financial statements. The schedule of compensation, benefits, and other payments to agency head, as required by Louisiana Revised Statute (R.S.) 24:513 A(3), is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The schedule of compensation, benefits, and other payments to agency head is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates 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. In our opinion, the schedule of compensation, benefits, and other payments to agency head is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

**Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards**

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated November 26, 2022 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 solely 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.



A Professional Accounting Corporation

Covington, LA  
November 26, 2022

**BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**ST. MARY PARISH'S CONSOLIDATED  
GRAVITY DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 2A  
Statement of Net Position  
September 30, 2021**

	<b>Governmental Activities</b>
<b>Assets</b>	
Cash	\$ 7,012,110
Investments	1,943,483
Prepaid Expenses	106,529
Capital Assets Being Depreciated, Net of Accumulated Depreciation	4,799,967
Capital Assets Not Being Depreciated	<u>20,856,683</u>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<u><u>34,718,772</u></u>
<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>	
Deferred Amount on Refunding of Debt	<u>301,397</u>
<b>Liabilities</b>	
Accounts Payable	387,113
Accrued Expenses	68,561
Bonds Payable	
Due Within One Year	732,983
Due in More than One Year	<u>10,096,841</u>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<u><u>11,285,498</u></u>
<b>Net Position</b>	
Net Investment in Capital Assets	20,846,978
Restricted - Debt Service	618,391
Unrestricted	<u>2,269,302</u>
<b>Total Net Position</b>	<u><u>\$ 23,734,671</u></u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

**ST. MARY PARISH'S CONSOLIDATED  
GRAVITY DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 2A  
Statement of Activities  
For the Year Ended September 30, 2021**

Functional Programs	Expenses	Program Revenues Capital Grants and Contributions	Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position
<b>Governmental Activities</b>			
Drainage Works	\$ 1,623,730	\$ -	\$ (1,623,730)
Interest on Long-Term Debt	358,912	-	(358,912)
<b>Total Governmental Activities</b>	\$ 1,982,642	\$ -	(1,982,642)
<b>General Revenues</b>			
Taxes			
Ad Valorem Taxes			2,206,335
Interest Income			6,004
Miscellaneous			28,351
<b>Total General Revenues</b>			2,240,690
<b>Change in Net Position</b>			258,048
<b>Net Position, Beginning of Year</b>			23,476,623
<b>Net Position, End of Year</b>			\$ 23,734,671

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.



**BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**ST. MARY PARISH'S CONSOLIDATED  
GRAVITY DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 2A  
Balance Sheet  
Governmental Funds  
September 30, 2021**

	General Fund	Debt Service Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Total Governmental Funds
<b>Assets</b>				
Cash	\$ 475,335	\$ 619,304	\$ 5,917,471	\$ 7,012,110
Investments	1,943,483	-	-	1,943,483
Prepaid Insurance	65,783	-	-	65,783
Due from Other Funds	913	-	-	913
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$ 2,485,514</b>	<b>\$ 619,304</b>	<b>\$ 5,917,471</b>	<b>\$ 9,022,289</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>				
Accounts Payable	\$ 198,836	\$ -	\$ 198,716	\$ 397,552
Due to Other Funds	-	913	-	913
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>198,836</b>	<b>913</b>	<b>198,716</b>	<b>398,465</b>
<b>Fund Balances</b>				
Nonspendable	65,783	-	-	65,783
Restricted	-	618,391	5,718,755	6,337,146
Unassigned	2,220,895	-	-	2,220,895
<b>Total Fund Balances</b>	<b>2,286,678</b>	<b>618,391</b>	<b>5,718,755</b>	<b>8,623,824</b>
<b>Total Liabilities and Fund Balances</b>	<b>\$ 2,485,514</b>	<b>\$ 619,304</b>	<b>\$ 5,917,471</b>	<b>\$ 9,022,289</b>

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

Total Fund Balance	\$ 8,623,824
Prepaid expenses used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the fund financial statements.	40,746
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the fund financial statements.	25,656,650
Bonds payable are not reported in the fund financial statements.	(10,829,824)
Accrued interest associated with bonds payable is not reported in the fund financial statements.	(58,122)
Deferred amounts on bond refunding are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the fund financial statements.	301,397
<b>Net Position of Governmental Activities</b>	<b>\$ 23,734,671</b>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

**ST. MARY PARISH'S CONSOLIDATED  
GRAVITY DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 2A  
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances  
Governmental Funds  
For the Year Ended September 30, 2021**

	General Fund	Debt Service Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Total Governmental Funds
<b>Revenues</b>				
Ad Valorem Taxes	\$ 1,102,106	\$ 1,104,229	\$ -	\$ 2,206,335
Interest Income	1,413	1,215	3,376	6,004
Miscellaneous	28,351	-	-	28,351
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>1,131,870</b>	<b>1,105,444</b>	<b>3,376</b>	<b>2,240,690</b>
<b>Expenditures</b>				
Drainage Works				
Advertising and Publishing	5,507	-	-	5,507
Contract Labor - Excavator	35,262	-	-	35,262
Fuel and Electricity	132,284	-	-	132,284
Insurance	113,530	-	-	113,530
Miscellaneous	10,100	1,500	-	11,600
Office Expense	13,079	-	-	13,079
Pension	37,285	36,396	-	73,681
Per Diem - Board	6,435	-	-	6,435
Professional Fees	143,425	650	952	145,027
Rental - Excavator	60,634	-	-	60,634
Repairs and Maintenance	162,932	-	-	162,932
Salaries and Wages	405,975	-	-	405,975
Storm Related	10,081			10,081
Supplies	32,490			32,490
Debt Service - Principal	-	640,000	-	640,000
Debt Service - Interest and Fiscal Charges	-	380,217	-	380,217
Capital Outlay	533,713	-	271,771	805,484
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>1,702,732</b>	<b>1,058,763</b>	<b>272,723</b>	<b>3,034,218</b>
<b>Net Change in Fund Balances</b>	<b>(570,862)</b>	<b>46,681</b>	<b>(269,347)</b>	<b>(793,528)</b>
<b>Fund Balances, Beginning of Year</b>	<b>2,857,540</b>	<b>571,710</b>	<b>5,988,102</b>	<b>9,417,352</b>
<b>Fund Balances, End of Year</b>	<b>\$ 2,286,678</b>	<b>\$ 618,391</b>	<b>\$ 5,718,755</b>	<b>\$ 8,623,824</b>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

**ST. MARY PARISH'S CONSOLIDATED  
GRAVITY DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 2A  
Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures,  
and Changes in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds  
to the Statement of Activities  
For the Year Ended September 30, 2021**

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<b>Net Change in Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds</b>	<b>\$ (793,528)</b>
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Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:

Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which capital outlay exceeded depreciation expense in the current period.	410,515
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The issuance of long-term debt (e.g., certificates of indebtedness, bonds) provides current financial resources to governmental funds, while the repayment of the principal of long-term debt consumes the current financial resources of governmental funds. Neither transaction, however, has any effect on net position. Also, governmental funds report the effect of premiums, discounts, and similar items when debt is first issued, whereas these amounts are deferred and amortized in the statement of activities. These amounts are the net effect of these differences in the treatment of long-term debt and related items:

Principal Payments	640,000
Amortization of Premiums on Bonds Payable	62,363
Amortization of Deferred Loss on Bond Refunding	(43,056)
Change in Prepaid Expenses	(20,246)
Change in Accrued Interest	2,000
	258,048

<b>Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities</b>	<b>\$ 258,048</b>
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

# ST. MARY PARISH'S CONSOLIDATED GRAVITY DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 2A

## Notes to Financial Statements

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### Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The accounting and reporting policies of St. Mary Parish's Consolidated Gravity Drainage District No. 2A conform to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (U.S. GAAP) applicable to governmental entities. The following is a summary of significant accounting policies.

#### **Reporting Entity**

On April 24, 2020, the St. Mary Parish Council created St. Mary Parish's Consolidated Gravity Drainage District No. 2A (the District), a consolidated gravity drainage district which includes the boundaries of Consolidated Gravity Drainage District No. 2 (District 2) and Gravity Drainage District No. 6 (District 6).

The District was created and established pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 22, Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended. The District has full power and authority to drain lands in the District by construction, maintenance, and operation of pumping plants, dikes, levees, and other related works.

This report includes all funds which are controlled by or dependent on the District's executive and legislative branches (the Board of Commissioners). Control by or dependence on the District was determined on the basis of budget adoptions, taxing authority, authority to issue debt, election or appointment of governing body, and other general oversight responsibility. The District is an integral part of the Parish of St. Mary.

#### **Basis of Presentation**

The accompanying basic financial statements of the District have been prepared in conformity with governmental accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The accompanying basic financial statements have been prepared in conformity with GASB Statement No. 34, *Basic Financial Statements - and Management's Discussion and Analysis - for State and Local Governments*, issued in June 1999, as amended by GASB Statement No. 63 in June 2011.

#### **Government-Wide Financial Statements**

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net position and the statement of activities) report information on all of the non-fiduciary activities of the District. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. Governmental activities, which normally are supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business-type activities, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for support.

**ST. MARY PARISH'S CONSOLIDATED  
GRAVITY DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 2A**

**Notes to Financial Statements**

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**Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)**

**Basis of Presentation (Continued)**

***Government-Wide Financial Statements (Continued)***

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segment are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. Program revenues include 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment and 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment. Taxes and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenues.

***Fund Financial Statements***

The District uses funds to maintain its financial records during the year. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid management by segregating transactions related to certain district functions and activities. A fund is defined as a separate fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. The emphasis on fund financial statements is on major funds, each displayed in a separate column. A fund is considered major if it is the primary operating fund of the District or its total assets, liabilities, revenues, or expenditures are at least 10 percent of the corresponding total for all governmental and proprietary funds and at least 5 percent of the aggregate amount for all governmental and proprietary funds.

The District reports the following major governmental funds:

*General Fund* - The General Fund is the primary operating fund of the District. It accounts for all the financial resources except those that are required to be accounted for in other funds.

*Debt Service Fund* - The Debt Service Fund is used to account for the accumulation of funds for the periodic payment of principal and interest on general long-term debt.

*Capital Projects Fund* - The Capital Projects Fund is used to account for financial resources to be used for the acquisition or construction of major capital facilities or repair or replacement of major capital facilities.

**Measurement Focus / Basis of Accounting**

The amounts reflected in the governmental fund financial statements are accounted for using a current financial resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, only current assets and current liabilities are generally included on the balance sheet. The statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances reports on the sources (i.e., revenues and other financing sources) and uses (i.e., expenditures and other financing uses) of current financial resources. This approach is then reconciled, through adjustment, to the government-wide financial statements.

**ST. MARY PARISH'S CONSOLIDATED  
GRAVITY DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 2A**

**Notes to Financial Statements**

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**Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)**

**Measurement Focus / Basis of Accounting (Continued)**

The amounts reflected in the governmental fund financial statements use the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when susceptible to accrual (i.e., when they become both measurable and available). Measurable means the amount of the transaction can be determined, and available means collectible within the current period, or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. The District considers all revenues available if they are collected within 60 days after the fiscal year-end. Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, except for interest and principal payments on general long-term debt, which are recognized when payment is due, and certain compensated absences and claims and judgments, if any, which are recognized when the obligations are expected to be liquidated with expendable available financial resources.

The government-wide financial statements are accounted for using an economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting.

Under the accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recorded when the liability is incurred or economic asset used, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Ad valorem taxes and other major revenues are all considered to be susceptible to accrual and have been recognized as revenues of the current fiscal year. Ad valorem taxes are recognized as revenues in the year in which such taxes are levied and billed to taxpayers.

**Budget Policies**

The District is required by law to adopt an annual budget. The District adopted and prepared a budget for the General Fund on the modified accrual basis of accounting for the year ended September 30, 2021. This budget is presented with these financial statements in the required supplementary information section of the report on page 26.

This budget was integrated into the accounting system during the year as a management control device. Appropriations are valid only for the year in which they are made. The District does not use encumbrance accounting and appropriations lapse at the end of each year.

As required by state law, when actual revenues within a fund are failing to meet estimated annual budgeted revenues by 5 percent or more, and/or actual expenditures within a fund are exceeding estimated budgeted expenditures by 5 percent or more, a budget amendment to reflect such changes is adopted by the District in an open meeting. Budgeted amounts included in the financial statements include the original adopted budget and all subsequent amendments.

Because the budgets are prepared on a modified accrual basis, no differences in budget basis and U.S. GAAP basis occurs. Additional information on the original and final budgets can be found in the budgetary comparison schedule in the required supplementary information section of this report.

**ST. MARY PARISH'S CONSOLIDATED  
GRAVITY DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 2A**

**Notes to Financial Statements**

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**Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)**

**Cash and Investments**

Cash includes amounts in interest-bearing demand deposits. Cash equivalents would include amounts in time deposits and those investments with original maturities of 90 days or less. Under state law, the District may deposit funds in demand deposits, interest-bearing demand deposits, money market accounts, or time deposits with state banks organized under Louisiana law and national banks having their principal offices in Louisiana.

Under state law, the District may invest in United States bonds, treasury notes, treasury certificates, or the State Treasurer's Investment Pool. These are classified as investments if their original maturities exceed 90 days; however, if the original maturities are 90 days or less, they are classified as cash equivalents. Investments are stated at fair market value.

**Capital Assets**

All capital assets purchased or acquired with an original cost of \$500 or more are reported at historical cost or estimated historical cost. Contributed assets are reported at fair market value as of the date received. Additions, improvements, and other capital outlays that significantly extend the useful life of an asset are capitalized. Other costs incurred for repairs and maintenance are expensed as incurred.

Depreciation on all assets is provided on the straight-line basis over the following estimated useful lives:

Buildings, Pump Stations, and Improvements	5 - 40 Years	Straight-Line
Drainage Improvements	5 - 40 Years	Straight-Line
Pumps, Engines, and Equipment	5 - 30 Years	Straight-Line
Land, Canals, Levees, and Construction in Progress		Not Being Depreciated

**Bonds Payable**

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

**Equity Classifications**

In accordance with GASB Statement No. 34, *Basic Financial Statements - and Management's Discussion and Analysis - for State and Local Governments*, as amended, net position is classified into three components: net investment in capital assets, restricted, and unrestricted.



**ST. MARY PARISH'S CONSOLIDATED  
GRAVITY DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 2A**

**Notes to Financial Statements**

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**Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)**

**Equity Classifications (Continued)**

These classifications are defined as follows:

*Net Investment in Capital Assets* - This component of net position consists of the historical cost of capital assets, including any restricted capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, and reduced by the outstanding balances of any bonds, mortgages, notes, or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets, plus deferred outflows of resources, less deferred inflows of resources related to those assets.

*Restricted* - This component of net position consists of assets that have constraints that are externally imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments, or constraints imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

*Unrestricted* - All other net position is reported in this category.

In the governmental fund financial statements, fund balances are classified as follows:

1. Nonspendable Fund Balance - Amounts that cannot be spent either because they are in nonspendable form or because they are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.
2. Restricted Fund Balance - Amounts that can be spent only for specific purposes because of enabling legislation or externally imposed conditions by grantors, creditors, or citizens.
3. Unassigned Fund Balance - All amounts not included in other spendable classifications.

**Estimates**

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

**ST. MARY PARISH'S CONSOLIDATED  
GRAVITY DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 2A**

**Notes to Financial Statements**

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**Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)**

**Recent Accounting Pronouncements**

The GASB issued Statement No. 84, *Fiduciary Activities*. The objective of GASB 84 is to improve guidance regarding the identification of fiduciary activities for accounting and financial reporting purposes and how those activities should be reported. In May 2020, the GASB issued Statement No. 95, *Postponement of the Effective Dates of Certain Authoritative Guidance*, postponing the effective date of Statement No. 84 to reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2019. This adoption had no impact on the District's financial statements.

The GASB issued Statement No. 87, *Leases*, in June 2017. The objective of GASB 87 is to better meet the information needs of financial statement users by improving accounting and financial reporting for leases by governments. Under this Statement, a lessee is required to recognize a lease liability and an intangible right-to-use lease asset, and a lessor is required to recognize a lease receivable and a deferred inflow of resources. In May 2020, the GASB issued Statement No. 95, *Postponement of the Effective Dates of Certain Authoritative Guidance*, postponing the effective date of Statement No. 87 to reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2021.

The GASB issued Statement No. 89, *Accounting for Interest Cost Incurred before the End of a Construction Period*. The objectives of GASB 89 are to enhance the relevance and comparability of information about capital assets and the cost of borrowing for a reporting period and to simplify accounting for interest cost incurred before the end of a construction period. This Statement establishes accounting requirements for interest cost incurred before the end of a construction period. In May 2020, the GASB issued Statement No. 95, *Postponement of the Effective Dates of Certain Authoritative Guidance*, postponing the effective date of Statement No. 89 to reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2020.

The GASB issued Statement No. 96, *Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements*. The Statement provides guidance on the accounting and financial reporting for subscription-based information technology arrangements for government end users. The Statement is effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2022.

**Note 2. Cash**

At September 30, 2021, cash consisted of demand deposits with a carrying value of \$7,012,110 and a bank balance of \$7,034,582. These deposits are stated at cost which approximates market.

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GRAVITY DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 2A**

**Notes to Financial Statements**

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**Note 2. Cash (Continued)**

**Custodial Credit Risk - Deposits**

Under state law, these deposits (or the resulting bank balances) must be secured by federal deposit insurance or the pledge of securities owned by the fiscal agent bank. The market value of the pledged securities plus the federal deposit insurance must at all times equal the amount on deposit with the fiscal agent bank. These securities are held in the name of the pledging fiscal agent bank in a holding or custodial bank that is mutually acceptable to both parties.

At September 30, 2021, the District had \$7,034,582 in deposits (collected bank balances). These deposits are secured from risk by \$294,720 in federal deposit insurance and \$6,739,862 of pledged securities held by the custodial bank in the name of the fiscal agent bank.

**Note 3. Investments**

Investments held at September 30, 2021 consisted of \$1,943,483 in the Louisiana Asset Management Pool (LAMP), a local government investment pool which is reported in the governmental activities column of the statement of net position. LAMP is administered by Louisiana Asset Management Pool, Inc., a non-profit corporation organized under the laws of the State of Louisiana. Only local government entities having contracted to participate in LAMP have an investment interest in its pool of assets. The primary objective of LAMP is to provide a safe environment for the placement of public funds in short-term, high quality investments. The LAMP portfolio includes only securities and other obligations in which local governments in Louisiana are authorized to invest in accordance with R.S. 33:2955.

GASB Statement No. 40, *Deposit and Investment Risk Disclosure*, requires disclosure of credit risk, custodial credit risk, concentration of credit risk, interest rate risk, and foreign currency risk for all public entity investments.

LAMP is an investment pool that, to the extent practical, invests in a manner consistent with GASB Statement No. 79. The following facts are relevant for investment pools:

- Credit Risk: LAMP is rated AAAM by Standard & Poor's.
- Custodial Credit Risk: LAMP participants' investments in the pool are evidenced by shares of the pool. Investments in pools should be disclosed, but not categorized because they are not evidenced by securities that exist in physical or book-entry form. The public entity's investment is with the pool, not the securities that make up the pool; therefore, no disclosure is required.
- Concentration of Credit Risk: Pooled investments are excluded from the 5 percent disclosure requirement.

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**Note 3. Investments (Continued)**

- Interest Rate Risk: LAMP is designed to be highly liquid to give its participants immediate access to their account balances. LAMP prepares its own interest rate risk disclosure using the weighted average maturity (WAM) method. The WAM of LAMP assets is restricted to not more than 60 days, and consists of no securities with a maturity in excess of 397 days or 762 days for U.S. Government floating/variable rate investments. The WAM for LAMP's total investments is .0369% and 53 days as of September 30, 2021.
- Foreign Currency Risk: Not applicable.

The investments in LAMP are stated at fair value. The fair value is determined on a weekly basis by LAMP and the value of the position in the external investment pool is the same as the net asset value of the pool shares.

LAMP, Inc. is subject to the regulatory oversight of the state treasurer and the board of directors. LAMP is not registered with the SEC as an investment company.

**Note 4. Interfund Receivables and Payables**

The composition of interfund balances at September 30, 2021, consisted of the following:

	<b>Interfund Receivables</b>	<b>Interfund Payables</b>
General Fund	\$ 913	\$ -
Debt Service Fund	-	913
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 913</b>	<b>\$ 913</b>

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**Note 5. Capital Assets**

Capital assets activity for the year ended September 30, 2021 was as follows for the governmental activities:

<b>Governmental Activities</b>	<b>Beginning Balance</b>	<b>Increases</b>	<b>Decreases</b>	<b>Ending Balance</b>
<b>Capital Assets Not Being Depreciated</b>				
Land	\$ 2,789,972	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,789,972
Construction in Progress	17,294,424	772,287	-	18,066,711
<b>Total Capital Assets Not Being Depreciated</b>	<b>20,084,396</b>	<b>772,287</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>20,856,683</b>
<b>Capital Assets Being Depreciated</b>				
Pumps, Engines, and Equipment	3,752,720	28,014	-	3,780,734
Pump Station Improvements	7,562,133	5,183	-	7,567,316
Drainage Improvements	3,117,745	-	-	3,117,745
Buildings	294,227	-	-	294,227
Vehicles	40,363	-	-	40,363
<b>Total Capital Assets Being Depreciated</b>	<b>14,767,188</b>	<b>33,197</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>14,800,385</b>
<b>Less Accumulated Depreciation for:</b>				
Pumps, Engines, and Equipment	(2,713,271)	(89,019)	-	(2,802,290)
Pump Station Improvements	(4,676,531)	(208,408)	-	(4,884,939)
Drainage Improvements	(1,891,797)	(96,607)	-	(1,988,404)
Buildings	(283,487)	(935)	-	(284,422)
Vehicles	(40,363)	-	-	(40,363)
<b>Total Accumulated Depreciation</b>	<b>(9,605,449)</b>	<b>(394,969)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(10,000,418)</b>
<b>Total Capital Assets Being Depreciated, Net</b>	<b>5,161,739</b>	<b>(361,772)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4,799,967</b>
<b>Capital Assets, Net</b>	<b>\$ 25,246,135</b>	<b>\$ 410,515</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 25,656,650</b>

Depreciation expense in the amount of \$394,969 was charged to drainage works for the year ended September 30, 2021.

At September 30, 2021, the District's construction in progress consisted of survey and certification services for several levee improvement projects and ongoing construction and materials for improvements to various pumping stations.

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**Note 6. Deferred Outflows of Resources - Refunding of Debt**

In 2014, the District implemented GASB Statement No. 65, *Items Previously Reported as Assets and Liabilities*, and GASB Statement No. 63, *Financial Reporting of Deferred Outflows of Resources, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Net Position*. These Statements provide guidance on reporting the difference between the reacquisition price and net carrying amount of old debt for current and advance refunding resulting in defeasance of debt. The difference is reported as a deferred outflow of resources or deferred inflow of resources and recognized as a component of interest expense over the remaining life of the old debt. At September 30, 2021, the District had a deferred amount on refunding debt of \$301,397, which resulted from the advance refunding of the General Obligations Bonds, Series 2005 and 2009.

**Note 7. Payables**

The payables, as reported on the statement of net position at September 30, 2021 included the following:

	<b>Governmental Activities</b>	<b>Total</b>
Accounts Payable	\$ 387,113	\$ 387,113
Accrued Expenses	68,561	68,561
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 455,674</b>	<b>\$ 455,674</b>

**Note 8. Bonds Payable**

The following is a summary of bonds payable of the District as of September 30, 2021:

\$6,320,000 General Obligation Bonds dated November 1, 2009; balance due in annual principal installments, starting March 1, 2012, of \$175,000 - \$380,000, plus semi-annual interest payments, through March 1, 2022, with interest at 4% to 5%. During 2017, the bond maturities for the years 2023 through 2029 were defeased.	\$ 380,000
\$3,280,000 General Obligation Refunding Bonds dated August 20, 2014; balance due in annual principal installments, starting March 1, 2015, of \$285,000 - \$505,000, plus semi-annual interest payments, through March 1, 2025, with interest at 2.39%.	905,000

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**Note 8. Bonds Payable (Continued)**

\$3,130,000 General Obligation Refunding Bonds dated February 22, 2017; balance due in annual principal installments, starting March 1, 2023, of \$360,000 - \$535,000, plus semi-annual interest payments, through March 1, 2029, with interest at 3% to 4%.	3,130,000
\$6,115,000 General Obligation Bonds dated August 30, 2017; balance due in annual principal installments, starting March 1, 2019, of \$65,000 - \$565,000, plus semi-annual interest payments, through March 1, 2037, with interest at 2% to 4%.	<u>5,905,000</u>
<b>Total</b>	<u><u>\$ 10,320,000</u></u>

The following is a summary of debt transactions of the District for the year ended September 30, 2021:

	Debt Payable October 1, 2020	Issued	Retired	Debt Payable September 30, 2021	Due Within 1 Year
<b>Governmental Activities</b>					
\$6,320,000 General Obligation Bonds, Series 2009	\$ 740,000	\$ -	\$ (360,000)	\$ 380,000	\$ 220,000
\$3,280,000 General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2014	1,115,000	-	(210,000)	905,000	380,000
\$3,130,000 General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2017	3,130,000	-	-	3,130,000	-
\$6,115,000 General Obligation Bonds, Series 2017	5,975,000	-	(70,000)	5,905,000	70,000
Unamortized Premium on Debt	572,187	-	(62,363)	509,824	62,983
<b>Total Governmental Activities</b>	<u>11,532,187</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(702,363)</u>	<u>10,829,824</u>	<u>732,983</u>
<b>Total Debt</b>	<u>\$ 11,532,187</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (702,363)</u>	<u>\$ 10,829,824</u>	<u>\$ 732,983</u>

General obligation bonds are secured by an annual ad valorem tax levy. In accordance with Louisiana Revised Statute 39:562, the District is legally restricted from incurring long-term bonded debt in excess of 10% of the assessed value of taxable property in the District. At September 30, 2021, the District had not exceeded this statutory limit.

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**Note 8. Bonds Payable (Continued)**

The following is a schedule of future principal debt service requirements:

<b>Year Ending September 30,</b>	<b>General Obligation Bonds</b>		
	<b>Principal</b>	<b>Interest</b>	<b>Total</b>
2022	\$ 670,000	\$ 356,918	\$ 1,026,918
2023	705,000	336,180	1,041,180
2024	735,000	316,028	1,051,028
2025	765,000	293,046	1,058,046
2026	805,000	268,988	1,073,988
2027-2031	3,550,000	922,950	4,472,950
2032-2036	2,525,000	421,675	2,946,675
2037	565,000	22,600	587,600
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 10,320,000</b>	<b>\$ 2,938,385</b>	<b>\$ 13,258,385</b>

**Note 9. Ad Valorem Taxes**

Ad valorem taxes attach as an enforceable lien on property within the District's taxing area as of January 1<sup>st</sup> of each year. Taxes are levied by the District in September or October and are actually billed to taxpayers in November or December. Billed taxes become delinquent on January 1<sup>st</sup> of the following year. The St. Mary Parish Sheriff bills and collects the District's property taxes using the assessed values determined by the Tax Assessor of St. Mary Parish. District property tax revenues are budgeted in the year billed.

The following is a summary of authorized and levied ad valorem taxes:

	<b>Authorized Mills</b>	<b>Levied Mills</b>
<u>District 2</u>		
Maintenance and Operations	7.50	6.68
Debt Service	9.25	9.25
<u>District 6</u>		
Maintenance and Operations	7.83	6.68



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**Note 10. Compensation Paid to Board Members**

For the year ended September 30, 2021, the following individuals served on the Board of Commissioners and received per diem allowances as follows:

Harry K. Hoffpauir	\$	1,646
Larry Aucoin		1,517
Leroy Trim		1,452
Charlie Solar, Jr.		650
Theodore Bailey		390
Glen Swain		260
Scott Singleton		195
Newton Gaudet		130
Tom Nguyen		130
Gerald Ohmer, Jr.		65
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<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>6,435</b>

**Note 11. Risk Management**

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. During the year ended September 30, 2021, the District carried insurance through various commercial carriers to cover all risks of loss. The District had no settled claims resulting from these risks that exceeded its commercial coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

**Note 12. Tax Abatements**

For the year ended September 30, 2021, a total of \$67,332 in ad valorem taxes receivable by the District was abated on tax-exempt properties.

**Note 13. Operating Lease**

The District leases an excavator under an operating lease expiring in August 2022, requiring monthly rental payments of \$4,948. Total rent expense related to this agreement totaled \$59,381 for the year ended September 30, 2021.

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**Note 13. Operating Lease (Continued)**

Future minimum lease expense from this agreement is as follows:

<b>Year Ending September 30,</b>	<b>Amount</b>
2022	<u>\$ 54,433</u>
<b>Total</b>	<u><u>\$ 54,433</u></u>

**Note 14. Subsequent Events**

Management has evaluated subsequent events through the date that the financial statements were available to be issued, November 26, 2022, and determined that no events occurred that requires disclosure. No subsequent events occurring after this date have been evaluated for inclusion in these financial statements.

## **REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

**ST. MARY PARISH'S CONSOLIDATED  
GRAVITY DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 2A  
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in  
Fund Balance - Budget and Actual - General Fund  
For the Year Ended September 30, 2021**

	Budget		Actual	Variance with Final Budget Favorable (Unfavorable)
	Original	Final		
<b>Revenues</b>				
Ad Valorem Taxes	\$ 748,500	\$ 1,100,153	\$ 1,102,106	\$ 1,953
Grant Revenue	200,000	-	-	-
Interest Income	3,200	1,447	1,413	(34)
Miscellaneous	17,700	19,197	28,351	9,154
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>969,400</b>	<b>1,120,797</b>	<b>1,131,870</b>	<b>11,073</b>
<b>Expenditures</b>				
Drainage Works				
Advertising and Publishing	1,600	7,611	5,507	2,104
Contract Labor - Excavator	30,000	32,481	35,262	(2,781)
Fuel and Electricity	111,200	112,240	132,284	(20,044)
Fuel - Excavator	1,800	-	-	-
Insurance	135,000	130,075	113,530	16,545
Miscellaneous	-	-	10,100	(10,100)
Office Expense	13,950	23,882	13,079	10,803
Pension	28,400	37,285	37,285	-
Per Diem - Board	7,340	6,728	6,435	293
Professional Fees	89,100	165,746	143,425	22,321
Rental - Excavator	59,381	61,424	60,634	790
Repairs and Maintenance	294,100	206,216	162,932	43,284
Salaries and Wages	310,065	312,984	405,975	(92,991)
Storm Related	-	6,169	10,081	(3,912)
Supplies	16,500	28,659	32,490	(3,831)
Capital Outlay	279,000	504,163	533,713	(29,550)
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>1,377,436</b>	<b>1,635,663</b>	<b>1,702,732</b>	<b>(67,069)</b>
<b>Net Change in Fund Balance</b>	<b>\$ (408,036)</b>	<b>\$ (514,866)</b>	<b>(570,862)</b>	<b>\$ (55,996)</b>
<b>Fund Balance, Beginning of Year</b>			<b>2,857,540</b>	
<b>Fund Balance, End of Year</b>			<b>\$ 2,286,678</b>	

## **OTHER SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

**ST. MARY PARISH'S CONSOLIDATED  
GRAVITY DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 2A  
Schedule of Compensation, Benefits, and Other Payments  
to Agency Head  
For the Year Ended September 30, 2021**

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Louisiana Revised Statute (R.S.) 24:513(A)(3) as amended by Act 706 of the 2014 Regular Legislative Session requires that the total compensation, reimbursements, and benefits of an agency head or political subdivision head or chief executive officer related to the position, including but not limited to travel, housing, unvouchered expense, per diem, and registration fees, be reported as a supplemental report within the financial statements of a local government and quasi-public auditees. In 2015, Act 462 of the 2015 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature further amended R.S. 24:513(A)(3) to clarify that nongovernmental entities or not-for-profit entities that receive public funds shall report only the use of public funds for the expenditures itemized in the supplemental report.

**Agency Head**

Harry "Hanko" Hoffpauir, Board Chairman

<b>Purpose</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Salary	\$0
Benefits - Insurance	\$0
Benefits - Retirement	\$0
Benefits - Other	\$0
Car Allowance	\$0
Vehicle Provided by Government	\$0
Per Diem	\$1,646
Reimbursements	\$0
Travel	\$0
Registration Fees	\$0
Conference Travel	\$0
Continuing Professional Education Fees	\$0
Housing - Relocation Expense	\$0
Miscellaneous Expenses	\$0
Special Meals	\$0

See independent auditor's report.

**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 Commissioners  
St. Mary Parish's Consolidated Gravity Drainage District No. 2A  
Morgan City, Louisiana

We have audited, 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, the financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of St. Mary Parish's Consolidated Gravity Drainage District No. 2A (the District), as of and for the year ended September 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated November 26, 2022.

**Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the District's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing 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 the District's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of 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 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 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 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 District's financial statements are free from 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 an instance of noncompliance or other matter that is required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards* and which is described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses as item 2021-001.

**Board of Commissioners Response to Finding**

The District's response to the finding identified in our audit is described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses. The District's response was not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

**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 result 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. Under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, this report is distributed by the Louisiana Legislative Auditor as a public document.



A Professional Accounting Corporation

Covington, LA  
November 26, 2022



**ST. MARY PARISH'S CONSOLIDATED  
GRAVITY DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 2A  
Schedule of Findings and Responses  
For the Year Ended September 30, 2021**

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**Part I - Summary of Auditor's Results**

Financial Statements

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| 1. Type of auditor's report issued:  | Unmodified    |
| 2. Internal control over financial reporting:                                    |               |
| a. Material weaknesses identified?   | No            |
| b. Significant deficiencies identified not considered to be material weaknesses? | None reported |
| c. Noncompliance material to the financial statements noted?                     | No            |
| 3. Management letter comment provided?   | None          |

Federal Awards

Not applicable.

**Part II - Financial Statement Findings**

**2021-001 Louisiana Audit Law**

- Criteria:* Louisiana Revised Statute (R.S.) 24:513.
- Condition:* The District did not timely report as required by state law.
- Cause:* This was partly due to the District being effected by Hurricane Ida, as well as the consolidation of District 2 and District 6 during the fiscal year.
- Effect:* Noncompliance with R.S. 24:513.
- Recommendation:* The District should engage a CPA firm prior to the District's fiscal year end to perform the required audit to ensure the timely reporting.

**ST. MARY PARISH'S CONSOLIDATED  
GRAVITY DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 2A  
Summary Schedule of Prior Audit Findings  
For the Year Ended September 30, 2021**

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**District 2**

**2020-001      Open Meetings Law**

This finding has been resolved.

**District 6**

**2020-001      Segregation of Duties**

This finding has been resolved.

**2020-002      Financial Reporting**

This finding has been resolved.

**2020-003      Bank Reconciliations**

This finding has been resolved.

**2020-004      Minutes**

This finding has been resolved.



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**ST. MARY PARISH**  
**CONSOLIDATED GRAVITY DRAINAGE DISTRICT # 2**

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November 26, 2022

LaPorte CPAs & Business Advisors  
5100 Village Walk, Suite 300  
Covington, La 70433

Re: 2021 – 001 Late Filing of Audit

Dear Sir:

St. Mary Parish Consolidated Gravity Drainage District 2A encountered several set backs while preparing the financial audit for 2020 -2021. Currently we have engaged a CPA firm to oversee the consolidation and to complete the audit in a timely fashion moving forward.

Charlie Solar, Jr.  
Chairman

Juliana M Senette  
Office Manager