**Financial Statements with Supplementary Information** 

As of and for the Year Ended June 30, 2023

(With Independent Auditors' Report Thereon)

#### State of Louisiana Natchitoches Levee and Drainage District Annual Financial Report June 30, 2023

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

**Board of Commissioners** Natchitoches Levee and Drainage District Natchitoches, Louisiana

#### **Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements**

#### **Opinion**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the aggregate discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Natchitoches Levee and Drainage District as of and for the year ended June 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise Natchitoches Levee and Drainage District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the aggregate discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Natchitoches Levee and Drainage District as of June 30, 2023, and the respective changes in financial position, and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Basis for Opinion**

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. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of Natchitoches Levee and Drainage District and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

#### Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for 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.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Natchitoches Levee and Drainage District's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

#### Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and Government Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.



In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards*, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit 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 Natchitoches Levee and Drainage District's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt Natchitoches Levee and Drainage District's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

#### **Required Supplementary Information**

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis, as listed in the table of contents, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, 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.

#### Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise Natchitoches Levee and Drainage District's basic financial statements. The supplementary information, as listed in the table of contents, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information 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. The 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 supplementary information 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 August 23, 2023, on our consideration of Natchitoches Levee and Drainage 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 Natchitoches Levee and Drainage 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 Natchitoches Levee and Drainage District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

#### Broussard and Company

Lake Charles, Louisiana August 23, 2023

#### NATCHITOCHES LEVEE AND DRAINAGE DISTRICT

Management's Discussion & Analysis
June 30, 2023

The Management's Discussion and Analysis of the Natchitoches Levee and Drainage District's (the "District") financial performance presents a narrative overview and analysis of the District's financial activities for the period from July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023. This document focuses on the current year's activities, resulting changes, and currently known facts in comparison with the prior year's information. Please read this document in conjunction with the additional information contained in the District's financial statements.

#### Financial Highlights

- The District's assets exceeded its liabilities at the close of fiscal year 2023 by \$2,201,817. Assets consist primarily of cash and capital assets. Net position increased by \$292,519.
- The District's revenues totaled \$1,005,066 for the year ended June 30, 2023. These revenues are comprised primarily of taxes, state revenue sharing, and interest income. Revenues increased \$28,785 or 2.9% compared to the prior fiscal year.
- The District's expenditures totaled \$1,117,737 for the year ended June 30, 2023. These expenditures are comprised primarily of personnel, operating, professional services, and supplies. Expenditures increased \$32,291 or 3.0% compared to the prior fiscal year.

#### Overview of the Financial Statements

The following graphic illustrates the minimum requirements for Special Purpose Governments Engaged in Business-Type Activities established by Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement 34, *Basic Financial Statements--and Management's Discussion and Analysis--for State and Local Governments*.

Management's Discussion And Analysis

Basic Financial Statements

Required Supplementary Information (other than MD&A)

These financial statements consist of three sections – Management's Discussion and Analysis (this section), the Basic Financial Statements (including the notes to the financial statements) and Required Supplementary Information.

#### NATCHITOCHES LEVEE AND DRAINAGE DISTRICT

### Management's Discussion & Analysis June 30, 2023

#### **Basic Financial Statements**

The basic financial statements present information for the District as a whole, in a format designed to make the statements easier for the reader to understand. The statements in this section include the Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities.

The <u>Statement of Net Position</u> presents the assets and liabilities separately. The difference between total assets and total liabilities is net position and may provide a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the District improving or deteriorating.

The <u>Statement of Activities</u> presents information showing how the District's assets changed as a result of current year operations. Regardless of when cash is affected, all changes in net position are reported when the underlying transactions occur. As a result, there are transactions included that will not affect cash until future fiscal periods.

#### Financial Analysis of the Entity

### Statement of Net Position As of June 30,

	2023	2022
Current and other assets	\$ 1,944,218	\$ 2,462,624
Other assets	765	765
Capital assets, net	2,210,679	1,271,903
Total Assets	4,155,662	3,735,292
Deferred outflows related to pensions/OPEB	582,498	612,421
Total Assets & Deferred Outflows	\$ 4,738,160	\$ 4,347,713
Other current liabilities	\$ 210,411	\$ 72,938
Compensated absences payable	16,289	16,409
Other post-employment benefits payable	1,146,315	1,471,260
Net pension liability	728,079	518,089
Notes payable - non-current	11,912	59,092
Total liabilities	2,113,006	2,137,788
Deferred inflows related to pensions/OPEB	423,337	300,627
Net position:		
Invested in capital assets, net of debt	2,151,587	1,271,903
Unrestricted	50,230	637,395
Total Net Position	2,201,817	1,909,298
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows & Net Position	\$ 4,738,160	\$ 4,347,713

Unrestricted net position are those assets that do not have any limitations on how many the amounts may be spent.

#### NATCHITOCHES LEVEE AND DRAINAGE DISTRICT

### Management's Discussion & Analysis June 30, 2023

#### Statement of Activities For the year ended June 30,

	2023			2022
Expenses	\$	(1,117,737)	\$	(1,085,446)
Capital grants		405,190		75,327
Operating loss		(712,547)		(1,010,119)
General revenues		1,005,066		976,281
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Net increase (decrease) in net assets	<u> </u>	292,519	Ş	(33,838)

The District's general revenues increased by \$28,785 or 2.9%. The total cost of all programs and services increased by \$32,291 or 3.0%.

#### Capital Assets and Debt Administration

#### Capital Assets

At the end of fiscal year 2023, the District had \$2,210,679 invested in capital assets which primarily consists of land and infrastructure, equipment and vehicles. This amount represents a net increase of \$938,776 or 73.8% over the last year.

#### Debt

The District has obligations for compensated absences of \$16,289. The obligations decreased from \$16,409 for a decrease of \$120 or 0.73%.

The District has obligations for other post-employment retirement benefits of \$1,146,315. The obligations are recorded in accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 75 – Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions. See Notes to the following financial statements for further details.

The District has obligations under pensions of \$728,079. This obligation was recorded in accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 68 – Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Pensions. See Notes to the following financial statements for further details.

The District had 2 notes outstanding at June 30, 2023 secured by major equipment. The outstanding balances of these notes as of June 30, 2023 were \$59,092 with \$47,180 due within one year.

#### NATCHITOCHES LEVEE AND DRAINAGE DISTRICT

Management's Discussion & Analysis

June 30, 2023

#### Variations Between Actual and Budget Amounts

Revenues were \$374,256 over budget and expenditures were \$904,991 over budget. The overage in revenues is attributable to a FEMA reimbursement of over \$365,000. The overage in expenditures is attributable to the higher than anticipated infrastructure expenditures.

#### **Economic Factors and Next Year's Budget**

The District's officials considered the following factors and indicators when setting next year's budget:

- Ad valorem taxes
- Interest income
- Intergovernmental revenues (state and local grants)

The management of the District does not expect any significant changes in next year's results compared to the current year.

#### Contacting the District's Management

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers, investors and creditors with a general overview of the District's finances and to show the District's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact Karlton Methvin, President, Post Office Box 1036, Natchitoches, Louisiana 71458.

## State of Louisiana Natchitoches Levee and Drainage District Statement of Net Position June 30, 2023

ASSETS:		
Current Assets		
Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$	1,918,952
Prepaid Expense		25,266
Total Current Assets		1,944,218
Noncurrent Assets		2 240 670
Capital Assets (Net)		2,210,679
Other Assets		765
Total Noncurrent Assets		2,211,444
Deferred Outflows of Resources		
Deferred Outflows Related to Pensions		193,856
Deferred Outflows Related to OPEB Liability		388,642
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources		582,498
TOTAL ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	\$	4,738,160
LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION:		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts Payable	\$	92,538
Payroll Liabilities	Y	9,741
Retainage Payable		60,952
Notes Payable - Current Portion		47,180
Total Current Liabilities		210,411
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Noncurrent Liabilities		11.013
Notes Payable		11,912
Compensated Absences Payable		16,289
OPEB Liability		1,146,315
Net Pension Liability Total Noncurrent Liabilities		728,079 1,902,595
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Total Liabilities		2,113,006
Deferred Inflows of Resources		
Deferred Inflows Related to Pensions		7,091
Deferred Inflows Related to OPEB Liability		416,246
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources		423,337
Net Position		
Invested in Capital Assets		2,151,587
Unrestricted		50,230
Total Net Position		2,201,817
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND NET POSITION	\$	4,738,160

# State of Louisiana Natchitoches Levee and Drainage Levee District Statement of Activities June 30, 2023

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			Capita	l Grants and		Changes
<u>Activities</u>		Expenses	Con	tributions	in	Net Assets
Public Safety:						
Personnel Services	\$	428,876	\$	-	\$	(428,876)
Travel		306		-		(306)
Operating Services		303,564		405,190		101,626
Operating Supplies		214,034		-		(214,034)
<b>Professional Services</b>		46,900		-		(46,900)
Depreciation		124,057				(124,057)
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Total Public Safety	\$	1,117,737	\$	405,190		(712,547)
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	General Reven	ues:				
	Taxes					950,323
	State Revenue	Sharing				37,899
	Interest Incom	е				4,720
	Miscellaneous					12,124
	Total General	Revenues				1,005,066
	Change in Net	Assets				292,519
	Net Position at	Beginning of Yea	r			1,909,298
	Net Position at	End of Year			\$	2,201,817

# State of Louisiana Natchitoches Levee and Drainage District Balance Sheet-Governmental Fund June 30, 2023

ASSETS: Cash & Cash Equivalents Long-term Receivable Total Assets	\$ - \$_	1,918,952 765 1,919,717
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE:		
Liabilities	ć	02.520
Accounts Payable	\$	92,538
Payroll Liabilities		9,741
Retainage Payable		60,952
Notes Payable - Current Portion	_	47,180
Total Current Liabilities	_	210,411
Fund Balance-		
Unassigned		1,709,306
Total Fund Balance	_	1,709,306
	_	
Total Liabilities & Fund Balance	\$_	1,919,717

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

# State of Louisiana Natchitoches Levee and Drainage District Reconciliation of the Governmental Fund Balance Sheet to the Statement of Net Assets For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

Total Fund Balance for Governmental Funds

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1,709,306

Total Net Assets reported for Governmental Activities in the Statement of Net Assets are different because:		
Capital Assets used in Governmental Activities are not financial resources and therefore, are not reported in the funds. Those assets consist of:		
Land Improvements	1,383,723	
Construction in Progress	660,353	
Equipment	1,066,560	
Less, Accumulated Depreciation	(899,957)	
Total Capital Assets		2,210,679
Long-term liabilities, including compensated absences payable, net pension liability, and the OPEB liability, are not due and payable in the current period and therefore		
are not reported in the fund liabilities.		(1,743,434)
Prepaid expenses are not reported in the fund assets.		25,266
Total Net Assets of Governmental Activities		\$ 2,201,817

# State of Louisiana Natchitoches Levee and Drainage District Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance- Governmental Fund June 30, 2023

Taxes	\$	950,323
State Revenue Sharing		37,899
Federal Grant		405,190
Use of Money and Property		4,720
Miscellaneous		12,124
	_	
Total Revenues	_	1,410,256
EXPENDITURES:		
Current-		
Public Safety-		
Personnel Services		401,346
Travel		306
Operating Services		345,376
Operating Supplies		215,230
Professional Services		46,900
Capital Outlay	_	1,062,833
Total Expenditures	-	2,071,991

Excess of Revenues over Expenditures

Fund Balance-Beginning of Year

Fund Balance-End of Year

**REVENUES:** 

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

(661,735)

2,371,041

1,709,306

#### State of Louisiana

#### Natchitoches Levee and Drainage District

#### Reconciliation of Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance of the Governmental Fund to the Statement of Activities For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

Net Change in Fund Balance-Total Governmental Fund	\$	(661,735)
The Change in Net Assets reported for Governmental Activities in the Statement of Activities is different because:		
Governmental Funds report Capital Outlays as expenditures. However, in the Statement of Activities, the cost of these assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. The cost of capital assets recorded in the current period is		1,062,833
Depreciation expense on capital assets is reported in the Governmental-wide financial statements, but does not require the use of current financial resources and is not reported in the Fund Financial Statements. Current year depreciation expense is		(124,057)
Governemental Funds report current year employer contributions to the state retirement system as an expense. However, in the Statement of Activities, current year employer contributions are included in the pension expense.		(23,615)
Changes in expenses from the Statement of Activities and Statement of Revenues and Expenses		43,009
Change in the net pension and OPEB liability is recorded on the Statemen of Activities but does not get reported in the Governmental Funds along with the associated deferred outflows.	t	(4,036)
Accrued Compesated Absences do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, ar not reported as expenditures in governmental funds.		120
Change in Net Assets of Governmental Activities \$	ŝ_	292,519

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

#### NATCHITOCHES LEVEE AND DRAINAGE DISTRICT

Notes to Financial Statements
June 30, 2023

#### (1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

#### a. <u>Introduction</u>

The Natchitoches Levee and Drainage District and its Board of Commissioners were created by the Louisiana State Legislature under the provisions of the Louisiana Revised Statute 38:291(Y). The Levee District includes most of Natchitoches Parish. The Levee District primarily provides flood protection for those areas contained in the District. The Board of Commissioners administers the operations and responsibilities of the Levee District in accordance with the provisions of Louisiana Statute. The eight members of the Board of Commissioners, which governs the District, are appointed by the governor of the State of Louisiana.

#### b. Government-Wide and Fund 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, 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.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expense of a given function or segment is 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*.

#### c. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Basis Presentation

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the *current financial resources measurement focus* and the *modified accrual basis of accounting*. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the district considers revenues to be available only if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt services expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recorded only when payment is due.

Property taxes, royalties, and interest associated with the current fiscal year are all considered to be susceptible to accrual and have been recognized as revenues of the current fiscal period. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the District.

### Notes to Financial Statements

June 30, 2023

Funds are used by the District to report on its financial position and the results of its operations. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid financial management by segregating transactions related to certain government functions or activities. A fund is a separate accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. The District has a General Fund only which is classified as a governmental fund type. The District has no proprietary or other fund types.

Governmental funds focus on the sources, uses, and balances of current financial resources. Expendable assets are assigned to governmental funds according to the purpose for which they may be used. Current liabilities are assigned to the fund from which they will be paid. The difference between governmental fund's assets and liabilities is reported as fund balance. In general, fund balance represents the accumulated expendable resources which may be used to finance future period programs or operations of the District.

GASB Codification Section 2100 establishes criteria for determining the governmental reporting entity and its component units. Component units are defined as legally separate organizations for which the elected officials of a primary government are financially accountable. The criteria used in determining whether financial accountability exists include the appointment of a voting majority of an organization's governing board, the ability of the primary government to impose its will on that organization or whether there is a potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefits or burdens to the primary government. Fiscal dependency may also play a part in determining financial accountability. In addition, a component unit can be another organization for which the nature and significance of its relationship with a primary government is such that exclusion would cause the reporting entity's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete.

In addition, it has been determined that the District is a component unit of the State of Louisiana for financial reporting-purposes. Annually, the State of Louisiana (the primary government) issues general-purpose financial statements, which include the activity contained in the accompanying financial statements.

#### d. Assets, Liabilities, and Net Position

#### Deposits with Financial Institutions

For reporting purposes, cash and cash equivalents includes amounts in savings, demand deposits, time deposits, and certificates of deposit. Under state law, the District may deposit funds within a fiscal agent bank selected and designated by the Interim Emergency Board. Further, the District may invest in time certificates of deposit of state banks organized under the laws of Louisiana, national banks having their principle office in the State of Louisiana, in savings accounts or shares of savings and loan associations and savings banks and in share accounts and share certificate accounts of federally or state-chartered credit unions.

For the purpose of the Statement of Cash Flows, all highly liquid investments (including negotiable CDs and restricted cash and cash equivalents) and deposits (including negotiable CDs and restricted cash and cash equivalents) with a maturity of three months or less when purchased are considered to be cash equivalents.

#### NATCHITOCHES LEVEE AND DRAINAGE DISTRICT

### Notes to Financial Statements June 30, 2023

#### Receivables and Bad Debts

All receivables are reported at their gross value and, when appropriate, are reduced by the estimated portion that is expected to be uncollectable. Uncollectable accounts receivable are recognized as bad debts through the establishment of an allowance account at the time information becomes available that would indicate the uncollectibility of the particular receivable.

#### Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include property, plant, and equipment, are included on the Statement of Net Assets and are capitalized at cost. Depreciation of all exhaustible fixed assets used by the entity is charged as an expense against operations. Accumulated depreciation is reported on the Statement of Net Assets. Donated assets are recorded as capital assets at their estimated fair market value at the date of donation. Expenditures for maintenance, repairs and minor renewals are charged to earnings as incurred.

No salvage value is taken into consideration for depreciation purposes. All capital assets, other than land, are depreciated for financial reporting purposes using the straight-line method over the following useful lives of the asset:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Years</u>
Buildings and building improvements	10
Vehicles	5
Equipment	10
Land Improvements	40

#### Inventories

Inventories of the District are recorded at cost and recognized as expenditures when purchased.

#### Compensated Absences

The District has the following policy on annual and sick leave:

Employees earn and accumulate annual and sick leave at various rates depending on their years of service. The amount of annual and sick leave that may be accumulated by each employee is unlimited. Upon termination, employees or their heirs are compensated for up to 300 hours of unused annual leave at the employee's hourly rate of pay at the time of termination. Upon retirement, unused annual leave in excess of 300 hours plus unused sick leave is used to compute retirement benefits.

The cost of leave privileges, computed in accordance with GASB Codification Section C60, is recognized as current year expenditure in the fund when leave is actually taken. The government-wide financial statements present the cost of accumulated sick leave as a liability. There is no liability for unpaid accumulated sick leave since the District does not have a policy to pay this amount when employees separate from service.

#### NATCHITOCHES LEVEE AND DRAINAGE DISTRICT

Notes to Financial Statements
June 30, 2023

#### **Estimates**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosures 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.

#### **Fund Equity**

Beginning with fiscal year 2011, the District implemented GASB Statements No. 54, "Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions." This Statement provides more clearly defined fund balance categories to make the nature and extent of the constraints placed on a government's fund balances more transparent. The following classifications describe the relative strength of the spending constraints:

- Non-spendable fund balance-amounts that are not in non-spendable form (such as inventory) or are required to be maintained intact.
- Restricted fund balance-amounts constrained to specific purpose by their providers (such as grantors, bondholders, and higher levels of government), through constitutional provisions, or by enabling legislation.
- Committed fund balance-amounts constrained to specific purposes by the District itself, using its
  highest level of decision-making authority (i.e., Board of Directors). To be reported as committed,
  amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the District takes the same highest level
  action to remove or change the constraint.
- Assigned fund balance-amounts the District intends to use for a specific purpose. Intent is expressed by the Board of Directors.
- Unassigned fund Balance-amounts that are available for any purpose. Positive amounts are reported only in the general fund.

Beginning fund balances for the District's governmental funds have been restated to reflect the above classifications.

The Board of Directors establishes (and modifies or rescinds) fund balance commitments by passage of an ordinance or resolution. This is typically done through adoption and amendment of the budget. A fund balance commitment is further indicated in the budget document as a designation or commitment of the fund (such as for special incentives). Assigned fund balance is established by the Board of Directors through adoption or amendment of the budget as intended for specific purpose (such as the purchase of fixed assets, construction, debt service, or for other purposes).

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#### e. Pensions

For purposes of measuring the Net Pension Liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System (LASERS) and additions to/deductions from LASERS' fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by LASERS. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

#### General Information about the Pension Plan

#### Plan Description

Employees of the Natchitoches Levee & Drainage District are provided with pensions through a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit plan administered by the Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System (LASERS). Section 401 of Title 11 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes (La. R.S. 11:401) grants to LASERS Board of Trustees and the Louisiana Legislature the authority to review administration, benefit terms, investments, and funding of the plan. LASERS issues a publicly available financial report that can be obtained at www.lasersonline.org.

#### Benefits Provided

The following is a description of the plan and its benefits and is provided for general information purposes only. Participants should refer to the appropriate statutes for more complete information.

#### (2) Stewardship, Compliance, and Accountability

Formal budgetary accounting is employed as a management control. The District prepares and adopts a budget prior to July 1 of each year for its general fund in accordance with Louisiana Revised Statutes. The operating budget is prepared based on prior year's revenues and expenditures and the estimated increase therein for the current year, using the full accrual basis of accounting, with the exception that the gain or loss resulting from adjusting the carry value of investments to fair market value is not included in the budget as a revenue or expense. The District amends its budget when projected revenues are expected to be less than budgeted revenues by five percent or more and/or projected expenditures are expected to be more than budgeted amounts by five percent or more. All budget appropriation lapse at year-end.

#### (3) Deposits with Financial Institutions

Deposits in bank accounts are stated at cost, which approximates market. Under state law these deposits must be secured by federal deposit insurance or the pledge of securities owned by the fiscal agent bank. As of June 30, 2023, the District had no deposits that were uninsured and uncollateralized.

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The Deposits at June 30, 2023 consist of the following:

	Certificates of				
	Cash		D	eposit	Total
Book balance of bank accounts	\$	1,918,952	\$		\$ 1,918,952
Deposits in bank accounts per bank	\$	2,164,836	\$	-	\$ 2,164,836

The following is a breakdown by banking institution and amount of the "Deposits in bank accounts per bank" balances shown above:

Banking Institution	 Amount		
Hancock Whitney	\$ 2,164,836		
Total	\$ 2,164,836		

#### (4) Capital Assets

The following is a summary of changes in the general fixed assets account group during the period from July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023:

	Balance July 1, 2022	Additions	Deletions	Balance June 30, 2023
Capital Assets not being depreciated: Construction in progress	\$ -	\$ 660,353	\$ -	\$ 660,353
Capital Assets being depreciated:				
Infrastructure	1,269,343	114,380	-	1,383,723
Building	12,290	-	-	12,290
Machinery and equipment	797,846	288,100	(31,676)	1,054,270
Total capital assets \	2,079,479	402,480	(31,676)	2,450,283
Less accumulated depreciation				
Infrastructure	(303,944)	(33,122)	-	(337,066)
Building	(12,290)	-	-	(12,290)
Machinery and equipment	(491,342)	(90,935)	31,676	(550,601)
Total capital assets	(807,576)	(124,057)	31,676	(899,957)
Capital Assets, Net	\$ 1,271,903	\$ 938,776	\$ -	\$ 2,210,679

Depreciation expense for the year ended was \$124,057.

#### (5) Current Liabilities

Payables at June 30, 2023 were as follows:

		Current														
Accounts		Payroll		Portion -Notes		Retainage										
	Payable Liabilities Paya		Payable Liabilit		Payable		Payable		<u>Payable</u>		abilities P		le Payable			Total
General Fund	\$	92,538	\$	9,741	\$	47,180	\$	60,952	\$	210,411						

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#### (6) Compensated Absences

At June 30, 2023, employees of the District had accumulated \$16,289 in annual leave benefits, which were computed in accordance with GASB Codification Section C 60. The following is a summary of the changes in accumulated leave benefits for the year ended June 30, 2023:

Compensated absences payable, beginning of year	\$ 16,409
Additions	12,005
Reductions	 (12,125)
Compensated absences payable, end of year	\$ 16,289

#### (7) Retirement System

#### **Pensions**

For purposes of measuring the Net Pension Liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System (LASERS) and additions to/deductions from LASERS' fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by LASERS. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

#### General Information about the Pension Plan

#### **Plan Description**

Employees of the District are provided with pensions through a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit plan administered by the Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System (LASERS). Section 401 of Title 11 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes (La. R.S. 11:401) grants to LASERS Board of Trustees and the Louisiana Legislature the authority to review administration, benefit terms, investments, and funding of the plan. LASERS issues a publicly available financial report that can be obtained at <a href="https://www.lasersonline.org">www.lasersonline.org</a>.

#### **Benefits Provided**

The following is a description of the plan and its benefits and is provided for general information purposes only. Participants should refer to the appropriate statutes for more complete information.

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#### 1. Retirement

The age and years of creditable service required in order for a member to retire with full benefits are established by statute, and vary depending on the member's hire date, employer, and job classification. Our rank and file members hired prior to July 1, 2006, may either retire with full benefits at any age upon completing 30 years of creditable service or at age 60 upon completing ten years of creditable service depending on their plan. Those members hired between July 1, 2006 and June 30, 2015, may retire at age 60 upon completing five years of creditable service and those hired on or after July 1, 2015 may retire at age 62 upon completing five years of creditable service. The basic annual retirement benefit for members is equal to 2.5% to 3.5% of average compensation multiplied by the number of years of creditable service. Additionally, members may choose to retire with 20 years of service at any age, with an actuarially reduced benefit.

Average compensation is defined as the member's average annual earned compensation for the highest 36 consecutive months of employment for members employed prior to July 1, 2006. For members hired July 1, 2006 or later, average compensation is based on the member's average annual earned compensation for the highest 60 consecutive months of employment. The maximum annual retirement benefit cannot exceed the lesser of 100% of average compensation or a certain specified dollar amount of actuarially determined monetary limits, which vary depending upon the member's age at retirement. Judges, court officers, and certain elected officials receive an additional annual retirement benefit equal to 1.0% of average compensation multiplied by the number of years of creditable service in their respective capacity. As an alternative to the basic retirement benefits, a member may elect to receive their retirement throughout their life, with certain benefits being paid to their designated beneficiary after their death.

Act 992 of the 2010 Louisiana Regular Legislative Session, changed the benefit structure for LASERS members hired on or after January 1, 2011. This resulted in three new plans: regular, hazardous duty, and judges. The new regular plan includes regular members and those members who were formerly eligible to participate in specialty plans, excluding hazardous duty and judges. Regular members and judges are eligible to retire at age 60 after five years of creditable service and, may also retire at any age, with a reduced benefit, after 20 years of creditable service. Hazardous duty members are eligible to retire with twelve years of creditable service at age 55, 25 years of creditable service at any age or with a reduced benefit after 20 years of creditable service. Average compensation will be based on the member's average annual earned compensation for the highest 60 consecutive months of employment for all three new plans. Members in the regular plan will receive a 2.5% accrual rate, hazardous duty plan a 3.33% accrual rate, and judges a 3.5% accrual rate. The extra 1.0% accrual rate for each year of service for court officers, the governor, lieutenant governor, legislators, House clerk, sergeants at arms, or Senate secretary, employed after January 1, 2011, was eliminated by Act 992. Specialty plan and regular members, hired prior to January 1, 2011, who are hazardous duty employees have the option to transition to the new hazardous duty plan.

Act 226 of the 2014 Louisiana Regular Legislative Session established new retirement eligibility for members of LASERS hired on or after July 1, 2015, excluding hazardous duty plan members. Regular members and judges under the new plan are eligible to retire at age 62 after five years of creditable service and, may also retire at any age, with a reduced benefit, after 20 years of creditable service. Average compensation will be based on the member's average annual earned compensation for the highest 60 consecutive months of employment. Members in the regular plan will receive a 2.5% accrual rate, and judges a 3.5% accrual rate, with the extra 1.0% accrual rate based on all years of service as a judge.

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#### 1. Retirement (continued)

Members of the Harbor Police Retirement System who were members prior to July 1, 2014, may retire after 25 years of creditable service at any age, 12 years of creditable service at age 55, 20 years of creditable service at age 45, and 10 years of creditable service at age 60. Average compensation for the plan is the member's average annual earned compensation for the highest 36 consecutive months of employment, with a 3.33% accrual rate.

A member leaving employment before attaining minimum retirement age, but after completing certain minimum service requirements, becomes eligible for a benefit provided the member lives to the minimum service retirement age, and does not withdraw their accumulated contributions. The minimum service requirement for benefits varies depending upon the member's employer and service classification.

#### 2. Deferred Retirement Benefits

The State Legislature authorized LASERS to establish a Deferred Retirement Option Plan (DROP). When a member enters DROP, their status changes from active member to retiree even though they continue to work and draw their salary for a period of up to three years. The election is irrevocable once participation begins. During DROP participation, accumulated retirement benefits that would have been paid to each retiree are separately tracked. For members who entered DROP prior to January 1, 2004, interest at a rate of one-half percent less than the System's realized return on its portfolio (not to be less than zero) will be credited to the retiree after participation ends. At that time, the member must choose among available alternatives for the distribution of benefits that have accumulated in the DROP account. Members who enter DROP on or after January 1, 2004, are required to participate in LASERS Self-Directed Plan (SDP) which is administered by a third-party provider. The SDP allows DROP participants to choose from a menu of investment options for the allocation of their DROP balances. Participants may diversify their investments by choosing from an approved list of mutual funds with different holdings, management styles, and risk factors.

Members eligible to retire and who do not choose to participate in DROP may elect to receive at the time of retirement an initial benefit option (IBO) in an amount up to 36 months of benefits, with an actuarial reduction of their future benefits. For members who selected the IBO option prior to January 1, 2004, such amount may be withdrawn or remain in the IBO account earning interest at a rate of one-half percent less than the System's realized return on its portfolio (not to be less than zero). Those members who select the IBO on or after January 1, 2004, are required to enter the SDP as described above.

For members who are in the Harbor Police Plan, the annual DROP Interest Rate is the three-year average (calculated as the compound average of 36 months) investment return of the plan assets for the period ending the June 30th immediately preceding that given date. The average rate so determined is to be reduced by a "contingency" adjustment of 0.5%, but not to below zero. DROP interest is forfeited if member does not cease employment after DROP participation.

#### 3. Disability Benefits

Generally, active members with ten or more years of credited service who become disabled may receive a maximum disability retirement benefit equivalent to the regular retirement formula without reduction by reason of age.

Upon reaching retirement age, the disability retiree may receive a regular retirement benefit by making application to the Board of Trustees.

For injuries sustained in the line of duty, hazardous duty personnel in the Hazardous Duty Services Plan will receive a disability benefit equal to 75% of final average compensation or 100% of final average compensation if the injury was the result of an intentional act of violence.

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Members of the Harbor Police Retirement System who become disabled may receive a non-line of duty disability benefit after five years or more of credited service. Members age 55 or older may receive a disability benefit equivalent to the regular retirement benefit. Under age 55, the disability benefit is equal to 40% of final average compensation. Line of duty disability benefits are equal to 60% of final average compensation, regardless of years of credited service. If the disability benefit retiree is permanently confined to a wheelchair, or, is an amputee incapable of serving as a law enforcement officer, or the benefit is permanently legally binding, there is no reduction to the benefit if the retiree becomes gainfully employed.

#### 4. Survivor's Benefits

Certain eligible surviving dependents receive benefits based on the deceased member's compensation and their relationship to the deceased. The deceased regular member hired before January 1, 2011 who was in state service at the time of death must have a minimum of five years of service credit, at least two of which were earned immediately prior to death, or who had a minimum of twenty years of service credit regardless of when earned in order for a benefit to be paid to a minor or handicapped child. Benefits are payable to an unmarried child until age 18, or age 23 if the child remains a full-time student. The aforementioned minimum service credit requirement is ten years for a surviving spouse with no minor children, and benefits are to be paid for life to the spouse or qualified handicapped child.

The deceased regular member hired on or after January 1, 2011, must have a minimum of five years of service credit regardless of when earned in order for a benefit to be paid to a minor child. The aforementioned minimum service credit requirements for a surviving spouse are 10 years, 2 years being earned immediately prior to death, and active state service at the time of death, or a minimum of 20 years of service credit regardless of when earned. A deceased member's spouse must have been married for at least one year before death.

A Hazardous Duty Services Plan member's surviving spouse and minor or handicapped or mentally incapacitated child or children are entitled to survivor benefits of 80% of the member's final average compensation if the member was killed in the line of duty. If the member dies in the line of duty as a result of an intentional act of violence, survivor benefits may be increased to 100% of the member's final average compensation.

Non-line of duty survivor benefits of the Harbor Police Retirement System may be received after a minimum of five years of credited service. Survivor benefits paid to a surviving spouse without children are equal to 40% of final average compensation and cease upon remarriage. Surviving spouse with children under 18 benefits are equal to 60% of final average compensation, and cease upon remarriage, and children turning 18. No minimum service credit is required for line of duty survivor benefits which are equal to 60% of final average compensation to surviving spouse, regardless of children. Line of duty survivor benefits cease upon remarriage, and then benefit is paid to children under 18.

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#### 5. Permanent Benefit Increases/Cost-of-Living Adjustments

As fully described in Title 11 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes, the System allows for the payment of permanent benefit increases, also known as cost-of-living adjustments (COLAs), that are funded through investment earnings when recommended by the Board of Trustees and approved by the State Legislature.

#### **Contributions**

Contribution requirements of active employees are governed by Section 401 of Title 11 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes (La. R.S. 11:401) and may be amended by the Louisiana Legislature. Employee and employer contributions are deducted from a member's salary and remitted to LASERS by participating employers. The rates in effect during the year ended June 30, 2023 for the various plans follow:

Plan	Plan Status	Employee Contribution Rate	Employer Contribution Rate
Regular Employees and Appellate Law Clerks			
Pre Act 75 (hired before 7/1/2006)	Closed	7.5%	39.5%
Post Act 75 (hired after 6/30/2006)	Closed	8.0%	39.5%
Optional Retirement Plan (ORP)			
Pre Act 75 (hired before 7/1/2006)	Closed	7.5%	37.6%
Post Act 75 (hired after 6/30/2006)	Closed	8.0%	37.6%

The District's contractually required composite contribution rate for the year ended June 30, 2022 was 39.5% of annual payroll, actuarially determined as an amount that, when combined with employee contributions, is expected to finance the costs of benefits earned by employees during the year, with an additional amount to finance any Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability. Contributions to the pension plan from the District were \$70,106 for the year ended June 30, 2023.

### Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions

At June 30, 2023, the Employer reported a liability of \$728,079 for its proportionate share of the Net Pension Liability. The Net Pension Liability was measured as of June 30, 2022 and the total pension liability used to calculate the Net Pension Liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The Agency's proportion of the Net Pension Liability was based on a projection of the Agency's long-term share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating employers, actuarially determined. At June 30, 2022, the Agency's proportion was 0.96300%, which was an increase of 0.02200% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2021.

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For the year ended June 30, 2023, the Agency recognized pension expense of \$96,436 less employer's amortization of change in proportionate share and differences between employer contributions and proportionate share of contributions, \$2,717.

At June 30, 2023, the Agency reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of	Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources		
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$	1,986	\$ -	_	
Changes of assumptions		13,238	-		
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments		-	7,091		
Changes in proportion and differences between Employer contributions and proportionate share of contributions		108,526	-		
Employer contributions subsequent to the measurement date		70,106		_	
Total	\$	193,856	\$ 7,091	_	

The District reported \$70,106 as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from the District's contributions subsequent to the measurement date. This will be recognized as a reduction of the Net Pension Liability in the year ended June 30, 2023. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

#### Year ended June 30:

\$ 75,996
\$ 15,289
\$ (14,829)
\$ 40,202
\$

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#### **Actuarial Assumptions**

A summary of the actuarial methods and assumptions used in determining the total pension liability as of June 30, 2022 are as follows:

Valuation DateJune 30, 2022Actuarial Cost MethodEntry Age Normal

**Actuarial Assumptions:** 

**Expected Remaining** 

Service Lives 2 years

**Investment Rate of Return** 7.25% per annum, net of investment expenses\*

**Inflation Rate** 2.3% per annum

Mortality Non-disabled members – The RP-2014 Blue Collar (males/females)

and White Collar (females) Healthy Annuitant Tables projected on a fully generational basis by Mortality Improvement Scale MP-

2018.

**Disabled members** – Mortality rates based on the RP-2000 Disabled Retiree Mortality Table, with no projection for mortality

improvement.

Termination, Disability, and Retirement Termination, disability, and retirement assumptions were

projected based on a five-year (2014-2018) experience study

of the System's members.

Salary Increases Salary increases were projected based on a 2014-2018 experience

study of the System's members. The salary increase ranges for

specific types of members are:

Member Type	Lower Range	Upper Range
Regular	3.0%	12.8%
Judges	2.6%	5.1%
Corrections	3.6%	13.8%
Hazardous Duty	3.6%	13.8%
Wildlife	3.6%	13.8%

**Cost of Living Adjustments** 

The present value of future retirement benefits is based on benefits currently being paid by the System and includes previously granted cost of living increases. The projected benefit payments do not include provisions for potential future increases not yet authorized by the Board of Trustees as they were deemed not to be substantively automatic.

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The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a building-block method In which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation of 2.3% and an adjustment for the effect of rebalancing/diversification. The resulting expected long-term rate of return is 8.34% for 2022. Best estimates of geometric real rates of return for each major asset class included in the pension plan's target asset allocation as of June 30, 2022 are summarized in the following table:

#### **Expected Long Term Real Rates of Return**

Asset Class	
Cash	0.39%
Domestic Equity	4.57%
International Equity	5.76%
Domestic Fixed Income	1.48%
International Fixed Income	5.04%
Alternative Investments	8.30%
Total Fund	5.91%

#### **Discount Rate**

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.25%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that employee contributions will be made at the current contribution rates and that contributions from participating employers will be made at the actuarially determined rates approved by PRSAC taking into consideration the recommendation of the pension plan's actuary. Based on those assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

#### Sensitivity of the Employer's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate

The following presents the Employer's proportionate share of the Net Pension Liability using the discount rate of 7.25%, as well as what the Employer's proportionate share of the Net Pension Liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower or one percentage point higher than the current rate:

		Current						
	1.09	6 Decrease	Dis	count Rate	1.0% Increas			
		(6.25%)		(7.25%)		(8.25%)		
Employer's proportionate								
share of the net pension								
liability	\$	916,136	\$	728,079	\$	556,598		

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#### **Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position**

Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued LASERS 2021 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report at www.lasersonline.org.

#### (8) Postretirement Benefits Other Than Pensions (OPEB)

#### General Information about the OPEB Plan

#### Plan Description and Benefits Provided

The Office of Group Benefits (OGB) administers the State of Louisiana Post-Retirement Benefits Plan – a defined-benefit, multi-employer other postemployment benefit plan. The plan provides medical, prescription drug, and life insurance benefits to retirees, disabled retirees, and their eligible beneficiaries through premium subsidies. Current employees, who participate in an OGB health plan while active, are eligible for plan benefits if they are enrolled in the OGB health plan immediately before the date of retirement and retire under one of the state sponsored retirement systems (Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System, Teachers' Retirement System of Louisiana, Louisiana School Employees' Retirement System, or Louisiana State Police Retirement System) or they retire from a participating employer that meets the qualifications in the Louisiana Administrative Code 32:3:303. Benefit provisions are established under R.S. 42:851 for health insurance benefits and R.S. 42:821 for life insurance benefits. The obligations of the plan members, employer(s), and other contributing entities to contribute to the plan are established or may be amended under the authority of R.S. 42:802. The Plan does not issue a stand-alone report

There are no assets accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria of paragraph 4 of GASB Statement 75. Effective July 1, 2008, and OPEB trust fund was statutorily established; however, this plan is not administered as a trust and no plan assets have been accumulated as of June 30, 2020. The plan is funded on a "pay-as-you-go basis" under which the contributions to the plan are generally made at about the same time and in about the same amount as benefit payments become due.

Employer Contributions are based on plan premiums and the employer contribution percentage. Premium amounts vary depending on the health plan selected and if the retired member has Medicare coverage. OGB offers retirees four self-insured healthcare plans and one fully insured plan. Retired employees who have Medicare Part A and Part B coverage also have access to four fully insured Medicare Advantage plans. The employer contribution percentage is based on the date of participation in an OGB plan and employee years of service at retirement. Employees who begin participation or rejoin the plan before January 1, 2002, pay approximately 25% of the cost of coverage (except single retirees under age 65, who pay approximately 25% of the active employee cost). For those beginning participation or rejoining on or after January 1, 2002, the percentage of premiums contributed by the employer and retiree is based on the following schedule:

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	Employer	Retiree
OGB Participation	Share	Share
Under 10 years	19%	81%
10 - 14 years	38%	62%
15 - 19 years	56%	44%
20+ years	75%	25%

In addition to healthcare benefits, retirees may elect to receive life insurance benefits. Basic and supplemental life insurance is available for the individual retirees and spouses of retirees subject to maximum values. Employers pay approximately 50% of monthly premiums for individual retirees. The retiree is responsible for 100% of the premium for dependents. The total monthly premium for retirees varies according to age group.

#### **Total Collective OPEB Liability and Changes in Total Collective OPEB Liability**

At June 30, 2023, the District reported a liability of \$1,146,315 for its proportionate share of the total collective OPEB liability. The total collective OPEB liability was measured as of July 1, 2022 and was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date.

The District's proportionate share percentage is based on the employer's individual OPEB actuarial accrued liability in relation to the total OPEB actuarial accrued liability for all participating entities included in the State of Louisiana reporting entity. At June 30, 2023, the District's proportion was .0170% which was an increase of 0.0009% from the District's proportion at June 30, 2022.

The total collective OPEB liability in the July 1, 2022 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial methods, assumptions and other inputs, applied to all periods included in the measurement, unless otherwise specified:

Actuarial Cost Method Entry Age Normal, level percentage of pay

Expected Remaining Service Lives 4.50 years

Inflation Rate Consumer Price Index (CPI) 2.4%
Salary increase rate Consistent with state's pension plan

Discount rate 4.09% based on the S&P Municipal Bond 20-year high grade rate index

Mortality rates

Based on the RP-2014 Blue Collar Employee Table, adjusted by .978 for males and
1.144 for females, projected from 2014 on a fully generational basis by Mortality

Improvement Scale MP-2018

Healthcare cost trend rates 7.00% for pre-Medicare eligible employees grading down by .25% each year,

beginning in 2023-2024, to an ultimate rate of 4.5% in 2033; 5.50% for post-Medicare eligible employees grading down by .25% each year, beginning in 2023-2024, to an ultimate rate of 4.5% in 2033 and thereafter; the initial trend was developed using the National Health Care Trend Survey; the ultimate trend was developed using a building block approach which considers Consumer Price Index,

Gross Domestic Product, and technology growth.

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Changes of assumptions and other inputs reflect a change in the discount rate from 2.18% as of July 1, 2021 to 4.09% as of July 1, 2022.

#### Sensitivity of the proportionate share of the total collective OPEB liability to changes in the discount rate

The following presents the District's proportionate share of the total collective OPEB liability using the current discount rate as well as what the District's proportionate share of the total collective OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage-point lower or one percentage-point higher than the current rate:

	1.0	% Decrease (3.09%)	Current Discount Rate (4.09%)		1.0% Increase (5.09%)	
Proportionate Share of Total Collective OPEB liability	\$	1,272,334	\$	1,146,315	\$	1,040,408

Sensitivity of the proportionate share of the total collective OPEB liability to changes in the healthcare cost trend rates

The following presents the District's proportionate share of the total collective OPEB liability using the current healthcare cost trend rates as well as what the District's proportionate share of the total collective OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using healthcare cost trend rates that are one percentage-point lower or one percentage-point higher than the current rates:

				ent Healthcare t Trend Rates		
	•	% decreasing to 3.5%)	(7.00% decreasing to 4.5%)		(8.00% decreasing to 5.5%)	
Proportionate Share of Total Collective OPEB liability	\$	1,047,766	\$	1,146,315	\$	1,261,985

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#### OPEB Expense and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB

For the year ended June 30, 2023, the District recognized OPEB expense of \$76,597. As of June 30, 2023, the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

		red Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources		
Differences between expected and actual					
experience	\$	34,871	\$	-	
Changes of assumptions and other inputs		78,619		376,688	
Changes in proportion and differences between					
Employer contributions and proportionate					
share of contributions		212,618		39,558	
Employer Contributions subsequent to the					
measurement date	,	62,534		_	
Total	\$	388,642	\$	416,246	

Deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB resulting from the District's benefit payments subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the total collective OPEB liability in the year ended June 30, 2023. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

	Net Amount			
	Recognized in			
Year Ended	OPEB Expense			
2024	\$	24,516		
2025		(8,171)		
2026		(68,362)		
2027		(38,123)		
	\$	(90,140)		

#### (9) Leases

The District leased certain equipment under the provisions of a lease classified as an operating lease for accounting purposes for the year ended June 30, 2023. Total rent expense under the terms of this lease amounted to \$61,399 for the year ending June 30, 2023.

#### Notes to Financial Statements

June 30, 2023

#### (10) Long-term Liabilities

The following is a summary of long-term debt transactions of the entity for the year ended June 30, 2023:

	Ва	lance at					Ва	lance at	Amo	ounts Due		
	June	30, 2022	A	dditions	Reductions		Reductions		ons June 30, 202		Within One Year	
Notes payable	\$	104,794	\$	-	\$	(45,702)	\$	59,092	\$	47,180		
Compensated absences		16,409		12,005		(12,125)		16,289		-		
OPEB payable		1,471,260		-		(324,945)		1,146,315		-		
Net pension liability		518,089		209,990		-		728,079		-		
		_				_						
Total long-term liabilities	\$ :	2,110,552	\$	221,995	\$	(382,772)	\$	1,949,775	\$	47,180		

During the current year, the District financed the purchases of a backhoe loader and a dozer that were previously leased equipment. As of June 30, 2023, the details of these financing agreements are as follows:

11,912

John Deere financing agreement dated July 9, 2021
in the amount of \$71,155 payable in 36 monthly
installments of \$2,034, bearing interest at 1.88%;
collateral: backhoe loader. \$ 24,163

Komatsu financing agreement dated December 13, 2021
in the amount of \$67,534 payable in 36 monthly
installments of \$2,012, bearing interest at 4.6%;
collateral: dozer. 34,929

Total as of June 30, 2023 59,092

Less principal amounts due within one year (47,180)

Maturities of notes payable for each of the three years succeeding June 30, 2023 are as follows:

Non-current balance as of June 30, 2023

Year		Amount			
2024		47,180			
2025	11,912				
	\$	59,092			

#### NATCHITOCHES LEVEE AND DRAINAGE DISTRICT

Notes to Financial Statements
June 30, 2023

#### (11) Levee District Taxes

Article 6, Section 30 of the 1974 Louisiana Constitutions provides that the District may levy an annual tax not to exceed 5.0 mills to construct and maintain levees, levee drainage, flood protection, hurricane flood protection, and all other purposes incidental thereto. For the 2022 taxes levied on the assessed value of property within the District, the adjusted mileage rate was set at 4.22 mills.

#### (12) Risk Management

The Natchitoches Levee and Drainage 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. The District maintains commercial insurance coverage to protect against each of these risks of loss. Management believes such coverage is sufficient to preclude any significant uninsured losses to the District.

#### (13) Contingent Liabilities

There was no outstanding litigation against the Natchitoches Levee and Drainage District at June 30, 2023.

#### (14) Related Party Transactions

The Natchitoches Levee and Drainage District had no related party transactions in the year ended June 30, 2023.

#### (15) Evaluation of Subsequent Events

The District has evaluated subsequent events through August 16, 2023, the date which the financial statements were available to be issued. Management is not aware of any subsequent events which would require recognition or disclosure in the financial statements.

#### (16) Other Commitments

At June 30, 2023, the District had commitments outstanding, in the form of contracts relating to infrastructure construction projects involving levee restorations, of approximately \$100,000.

#### State of Louisiana

#### Natchitoches Levee and Drainage District

## Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance of the Governmental Fund-Budget (GAAP Basis) and Actual For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

					Favorable
		Budget	_	Actual	(Unfavorable)
REVENUES:					
Taxes	\$	945,000	\$	950,323	\$ 5,323
Intergovernmental-					
State Revenue Sharing		40,000		37,899	(2,101)
Use of Money and Property		4,000		4,720	720
Federal Grant		40,000		405,190	365,190
Miscellaneous		7,000		12,124	5,124
Total Revenues		1,036,000	- -	1,410,256	374,256
EXPENDITURES:					
Current-					
General Government-					
Personnel Services		400,000		401,346	(1,346)
Travel		2,000		306	1,694
Operating Services		450,000		345,376	104,624
Supplies		75,000		215,230	(140,230)
Professional Services		50,000		46,900	3,100
Capital Outlay		190,000		1,062,833	(872,833)
Total Expenditures		1,167,000	_	2,071,991	(904,991)
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenue					
over Expenditures		(131,000)		(661,735)	(530,735)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)					
Sale of Assets		-	_		
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenue and					
Other Sourcees over Expenditrues and Other Uses		(131,000)		(661,735)	(530,735)
Fund Balance - Beginning of Year	_	2,371,041	. <u>-</u>	2,371,041	
Fund Balance - End of Year	\$	2,240,041	\$	1,709,306	\$ (530,735)

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

## State of Louisiana Natchitoches Levee and Drainage District Schedule of Per Diem Paid to Board Members For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

Commissioners	<u> </u>	<u>\mount</u>
Terry G. Sklar	\$	750
Lewis C. Messenger		450
Jolley Nash		675
Mary Jones		75
Karlton Methvin		12,000
Nolan Jones		825
Ronald Corkern		900
Rayburn Smith		900
Mark Swafford		900
	_	_
Total	\$_	17,475

The schedule of compensation paid to board members was prepared in compliance with House Concurrent Resolution No. 54 of the 1979 Session of the Louisiana Legislature. Per Diem payments are authorized by Louisiana Revised Statute 38:308 and are included in the personnel services expenses. Board members are paid \$75 per day up to a maximum of 36 days per year for board meetings and/or official business. The board president may receive compensation not to exceed \$1,000 per month in lieu of per diem.

# State of Louisiana Natchitoches Levee and Drainage District Schedule of State Funding For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

Exhibit I Page 36

State Revenue Sharing

\$ 37,899

Note: This schedule is required for all local auditees, including quasi-public entities.

Schedule of Compensation, Benefits and Other Payments to Agency Head or Chief Executive Officer

Year Ended: June 30, 2023

**Agency Head:** Karlton Methvin, President-Commissioner

Purpose	Amount
Salary	12,000
Benefits-insurance	
Benefits-retirement	
Benefits (otherlist here)	
Car allowance	
Reimbursements (meals)	
Travel (mileage, parking, tolls, taxi, etc)	-
Registration fees	
Conference travel (air fare)	
Housing / Hotel	
FY TOTAL:	12,000

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Natchitoches Levee and Drainage District Schedule of Employer's Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability Last Ten Fiscal Years (1) (2)

Schedule K

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Employer's Proportion of the Net Pension Liability	0.96300%	0.00941%	0.00772%	0.00971%	0.00797%	0.00645%	0.00794%	0.00451%	0.00375%
Employer's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	\$ 728,079 \$	518,089 \$	638,247 \$	703,264 \$	543,616 \$	453,934 \$	623,807 \$	306,816 \$	234,483
Employer's Covered-Employee Payroll	\$ 173,530 \$	196,075 \$	172,040 \$	187,416 \$	186,948 \$	120,239 \$	149,359 \$	85,614 \$	69,077
Employer's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability as a Percentage of its Covered-Employee Payroll	419.57%	264.23%	370.99%	375.24%	290.78%	377.53%	417.66%	358.37%	339.45%
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability	63.7%	72.8%	58.0%	62.9%	64.3%	45.3%	57.7%	62.7%	65.0%

 $<sup>(1) \ \</sup> Schedule \ is \ intended \ to \ show \ information \ for \ 10 \ years. \ \ Additional \ years \ will \ be \ displayed \ as \ they \ become \ available.$ 

 $<sup>(2) \ \ \</sup>textit{The amounts presented have a measurement date of June 30th of the year shown}$ 

		ontractually Required	Contributions in Relation to Contractually Required	(	Contribution Deficiency	Employer's Covered Employee	Contributions as a % of Covered Employee	
Date	C	ontribution	Contribution		(Excess)	Payroll	Payroll	
2023	\$	82,767	\$ 70,106	\$	12,661	\$ 173,530	40.40%	
2022	\$	78,586	\$ 77,450	\$	1,136	\$ 196,075	39.50%	
2021	\$	64,908	\$ 68,988	\$	(4,080)	\$ 172,040	40.10%	
2020	\$	78,582	\$ 76,278	\$	2,304	\$ 187,416	40.70%	
2019	\$	58,464	\$ 70,583	\$	(12,119)	\$ 186,948	37.76%	
2018	\$	45,571	\$ 45,011	\$	560	\$ 120,239	37.43%	
2017	\$	53,470	\$ 51,733	\$	1,737	\$ 149,359	34.64%	
2016	\$	31,848	\$ 36,544	\$	(4,696)	\$ 85,614	42.68%	
2015	\$	25,697	\$ 28,449	\$	(2,752)	\$ 69,077	41.18%	

The amounts presented have a measurement date of the previous fiscal year end.

- (1) Schedule is intended to show information for 10 years. Additional years will be displayed as they become available. For reference only:
- 1. Employer contribution rate multiplied by employer's covered employee payroll.
- 2. Actual employer contributions remitted to Retirement Systems
- 3. Employer's covered employee payroll amount for fiscal year ended June 30, 2023.

Notes to Required Supplementary Information For the Year Ended June 30, 2022

#### Notes to Required Supplementary Information

#### Changes of Benefit Terms include:

- 2015 1) A 1.5% COLA, effective July 1, 2014, provided by Act 102 of the 2014 Louisiana Regular Legislative Session, and,
- 2015 2) Improved benefits for certain members employed by the Office of Adult Probation and Parole within the Department of Public Safety and Corrections as established by Act 852 of 2014, and,
- $\textbf{2017 3)} \ A \ 1.5\% \ COLA, effective \ July \ 1, 2016, provided \ by \ Acts \ 93 \ and \ 512 \ of \ the \ 2016 \ Louisiana \ Regular \ Legislative \ Session, and, \\ \textbf{2016} \ Louisiana \ Regular \ Legislative \ Session, and, \\ \textbf{2016} \ Louisiana \ Regular \ Legislative \ Session, and, \\ \textbf{2016} \ Louisiana \ Regular \ Legislative \ Session, and, \\ \textbf{2016} \ Louisiana \ Regular \ Legislative \ Session, and, \\ \textbf{2016} \ Louisiana \ Regular \ Legislative \ Session, and, \\ \textbf{2016} \ Louisiana \ Regular \ Legislative \ Session, and, \\ \textbf{2016} \ Louisiana \ Regular \ Legislative \ Session, and, \\ \textbf{2016} \ Louisiana \ Regular \ Legislative \ Session, and, \\ \textbf{2016} \ Louisiana \ Regular \ Legislative \ Session, and, \\ \textbf{2016} \ Louisiana \ Regular \ Legislative \ Session, and, \\ \textbf{2016} \ Louisiana \ Regular \ Legislative \ Session, and, \\ \textbf{2016} \ Louisiana \ Regular \ Legislative \ Session, and, \\ \textbf{2016} \ Louisiana \ Regular \ Legislative \ Session, and, \\ \textbf{2016} \ Louisiana \ Regular \ Legislative \ Session, and, \\ \textbf{2016} \ Louisiana \ Regular \ Legislative \ Session, and, \\ \textbf{2016} \ Louisiana \ Regular \ Legislative \ Session, and, \\ \textbf{2016} \ Louisiana \ Regular \ Legislative \ Session, and, \\ \textbf{2016} \ Louisiana \ Regular \ Legislative \ Session, and, \\ \textbf{2016} \ Louisiana \ Regular \ Legislative \ Session, and, \\ \textbf{2016} \ Louisiana \ Regular \ Legislative \ Session, \\ \textbf{2016} \ Louisiana \ Regular \ Legislative \ Session, \\ \textbf{2016} \ Louisiana \ Regular \ Legislative \ Session, \\ \textbf{2016} \ Louisiana \ Regular \ Legislative \ Session, \\ \textbf{2016} \ Louisiana \ Regular \ Legislative \ Session, \\ \textbf{2016} \ Louisiana \ Regular \ Legislative \ Session, \\ \textbf{2016} \ Louisiana \ Regular \ Legislative \ Session, \\ \textbf{2016} \ Louisiana \ Regular \ Legislative \ Legislative \ Regular \ Regular \ Legislative \ Regular \ Legislative \ Regular \ Regular \ Regular \ Regular$
- 2017 4) Added benefits for members of the Harbor Police Retirement System which was merged with LASERS effective July 1, 2015 by Act 648 of 2014.
- 2018 No changes in benefit terms in the June 30, 2017 valuation.
- 2019 No changes in benefit terms in the June 30, 2018 valuation.
- ${\bf 2020}\,$  No changes in benefit terms in the June 30, 2019 valuation.
- ${\bf 2021}\,$  No changes in benefit terms in the June 30, 2020 valuation.
- 2022 No changes in benefit terms in the June 30, 2021 valuation.2023 No changes in benefit terms in the June 30, 2022 valuation.

#### Changes of Assumptions include:

- 2018 There were several changes in assumptions for the June 30, 2017 valuation. The Board adopted a plan to gradually reduce the discount rate from 7.75% to 7.50% in .05% annual increments, beginning July 1, 2017. Therefore, the discount rate was reduced from 7.75% to 7.70% for the June 30, 2017 valuation. A 7.65% discount rate was used to determine the projected contribution requirements for fiscal year 2018/2019. The Board reduced the inflation assumption from 3.0% to 2.75%, effective July 1, 2017. Since the inflation assumption is a component of the salary increase assumption, all salary increase assumptions decreased by .25%. In addition, the projected contribution requirement for fiscal year 2018/2019 includes direct funding of administrative expenses, rather than a reduction in the assumed rate of return, per Act 94 of 2016.
- 2019 For the valuation year ended June 30, 2018, the investment rate of return was decreased from 7.70% to 7.65%. The inflation rate was also decreased from 2.75% to 2.5%.
- 2020 For the valuation year ended June 30, 2019, the investment rate of return was decreased from 7.65% to 7.60%.
- 2021 For the valuation year ended June 30, 2020, the investment rate of return was decreased from 7.60% to 7.55%. The inflation rate was also decreased from 2.5% to 2.3%.
- 2022 For the valuation year ended June 30, 2021, the investment rate of return was decreased from 7.55% to 7.40%.

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Schedule of the Employer's Proportionate Share of the Total Collective OPEB Liability For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

		Fiscal Year*									
		2023	202	22		2021	2020	2019	2018		2017
Employer's proportion of the total collective OPEB liability Employer's proportionate share of the total collective OPEB liability Employer's covered-employee payroll	\$ \$	0.0170% 1,146,315 202,884		61% ,471,260 156,181		0.0168% 1,394,284 196,077	0.0125% 963,137 186,947	0.0127% 1,088,068 118,573	0.0127% 1,107,613 120,239		0.0127% 1,156,322 115,673
Employer's proportionate share of the total collective OPEB liability as a percentage of the covered-employee payroll		565.01%	942.0	02%		711.09%	515.19%	917.64%	921.18%		999.65%
*The amounts presented were determined as of the measurement date (July 1).											
This schedule is intended to show information for 10 years. Additional years will be presented as they become available.											

#### Notes to Required Supplementary Information (Schedule 1)

There are no assets accumulated in a trust that meet the requirements in paragraph 4 of GASB Statement 75 to pay related benefits.

#### Changes in assumptions -

In the valuation for 2017, the discount rate increased from 2.71% to 3.13%.

In the valuation for 2018, the discount rate decreased from 3.13% to 2.98%. Baseline per capita costs were updated to reflect 2018 claims and enrollment and retiree contributions were updated based on 2019 premiums. The impact of the High Cost Excise Tax was revised for the Louisiana State Police Retirement System, the Louisiana School Employees' Retirement System and the Teachers' Retirement System of Louisiana to reflect experience studies. The mortality assumption for the Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System was updated from the RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant and Employee tables for males and females with generational projections using projection scale MP-2018. The percentage of future retirees assumed to elect medical coverage was modified based on recent plan experience.

For the July 1, 2019 valuation, the discount rate changed from 2.98% to 2.79%. Baseline per capital costs wer updated to reflect 2019 claims and enrollment and retiree contributions were updated based on 2020 premiums. Life insurance contributions were updated to reflect 2020 premium schedules. The impact of the High Cost Excise Tax was removed. The High Cost Excise Tax was repealed in December 2019. Demographic assumptions were revised for the Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System to reflect the recent experience study.

For the July 1, 2020 valuation, the discount rate changed from 2.79% to 2.66%. Baseline per capita costs were updated to reflect 2020 claims and enrollment for the prescription drug costs and retiree contributions were updated based on 2021 premiums. 2020 medical claims and enrollment experience were reviewed by not included in the projection of expected 2021 plan costs. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the actuary does not believe this experience is reflective of what can be expected in future years. The salary scale assumptions were revised for the Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana.



SCHEDULE N

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

Board of Commissioners Natchitoches Levee and Drainage District Natchitoches, Louisiana

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities and the major fund of Natchitoches Levee and Drainage District (the District), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated August 23, 2023.

#### **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 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 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 no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

#### **Purpose of this Report**

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

### Broussard and Company

Lake Charles, Louisiana August 23, 2023



## STATE OF LOUISIANA NATCHITOCHES LEVEE AND DRAINAGE DISTRICT SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

#### A. SUMMARY OF AUIDTOR'S RESULTS

Financial Statements:			
Type of auditor's report issued: unmodified			
Internal control over financial reporting:			
Material weakness identified?	yes	X	no
• Significant deficiencies identified that are	-		
not material weaknesses	 yes	X	_ no
Noncompliance material to financial			
statements noted?	 yes	X	_ no
Financial Statements:			
Type of auditor's report issued: unmodified			
Internal control over financial reporting:			
Internal control over financial reporting:  • Material weakness identified?	 yes	X	_ no
	 yes	X	_ no
• Material weakness identified?	 yes yes		_
<ul><li> Material weakness identified?</li><li> Significant deficiencies identified that are</li></ul>	 ,		_

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION – DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATION REPORTING PACKAGE

AGENCY: 20-14-10 - Natchitoches Levee and Drainage District

**PHONE NUMBER:** 337-439-6600 EMAIL ADDRESS: Mike.defalco@bc-cpa.com **SUBMITTAL DATE:** 08/23/2023 08:31 AM

PREPARED BY: Michael DeFalco

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION	
ASSETS	
CURRENT ASSETS:	
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	1,918,952.41
RESTRICTED CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	0.00
INVESTMENTS	0.00
RESTRICTED INVESTMENTS	0.00
DERIVATIVE INSTRUMENTS	0.00
RECEIVABLES (NET)	0.00
PLEDGES RECEIVABLE (NET)	0.00
LEASES RECEIVABLE (NET)	0.00
P3 RECEIVABLE (NET) (Only relates to Transferor)	0.00
AMOUNTS DUE FROM PRIMARY GOVERNMENT	0.00
DUE FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT	0.00
INVENTORIES	0.00
PREPAYMENTS	25,266.26
NOTES RECEIVABLE	0.00
OTHER CURRENT ASSETS	0.00
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	\$1,944,218.67
NONCURRENT ASSETS:	
RESTRICTED ASSETS:	
CASH	0.00
INVESTMENTS	0.00
RECEIVABLES (NET)	0.00
NOTES RECEIVABLE	0.00
OTHER	0.00
INVESTMENTS	0.00
RECEIVABLES (NET)	0.00
NOTES RECEIVABLE	0.00
PLEDGES RECEIVABLE (NET)	0.00
LEASES RECEIVABLE (NET)	0.00
P3 RECEIVABLE (NET) (Only relates to Transferor)	0.00
CAPITAL ASSETS (NET OF DEPRECIATION & AMORTIZATION)	
LAND	0.00
BUILDINGS AND IMPROVEMENTS	0.00
MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT	503,669.05
INFRASTRUCTURE	1,046,657.60
OTHER INTANGIBLE ASSETS	0.00
CONSTRUCTION IN PROGRESS	660,352.50
INTANGIBLE RIGHT-TO-USE ASSETS:	
LEASED LAND	0.00
LEASED BUILDING & OFFICE SPACE	0.00
LEASED MACHINERY & EQUIPMENT	0.00
SUBSCRIPTION-BASED INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY ARRANGEMENTS (SBITA)	0.00
PUBLIC-PRIVATE AND PUBLIC-PUBLIC PARTNERSHIP ARRANGEMENTS (P3) (Only relates to Operator)	0.00
OTHER NONCURRENT ASSETS	765.00
TOTAL NONCURRENT ASSETS	\$2,211,444.15
TOTAL ASSETS	\$4,155,662.82
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	
ACCUMULATED DECREASE IN FAIR VALUE OF HEDGING DERIVATIVE INSTRUMENTS	0.00
DEFERRED AMOUNTS ON DEBT REFUNDING	0.00

UNEARNED REVENUE

TOTAL LIABILITIES

TOTAL NONCURRENT LIABILITIES

AGENCY: 20-14-10 - Natchitoches Levee and Drainage District PREPARED BY: Michael DeFalco PHONE NUMBER: 337-439-6600 EMAIL ADDRESS: Mike.defalco@bc-cpa.com SUBMITTAL DATE: 08/23/2023 08:31 AM 0.00 LEASE RELATED P3-RELATED (Only relates to Operator) 0.00 GRANTS PAID PRIOR TO MEETING TIME REQUIREMENTS 0.00 INTRA-ENTITY TRANSFER OF FUTURE REVENUES (TRANSFEREE) 0.00 LOSSES FROM SALE-LEASEBACK TRANSACTIONS 0.00 DIRECT LOAN ORIGINATION COSTS FOR MORTGAGE LOANS HELD FOR SALE 0.00 ASSET RETIREMENT OBLIGATIONS 0.00 OPEB-RELATED 388,642.00 PENSION-RELATED 193.856.00 TOTAL DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES \$582,498.00 TOTAL ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES \$4,738,160.82 LIABILITIES **CURRENT LIABILITIES:** ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND ACCRUALS 163,230.39 ACCRUED INTEREST 0.00 DERIVATIVE INSTRUMENTS 0.00 AMOUNTS DUE TO PRIMARY GOVERNMENT 0.00 DUE TO FEDERAL GOVERNMENT 0.00 AMOUNTS HELD IN CUSTODY FOR OTHERS 0.00 UNEARNED REVENUES 0.00 OTHER CURRENT LIABILITIES 0.00 **CURRENT PORTION OF LONG-TERM LIABILITIES:** CONTRACTS PAYABLE 0.00 COMPENSATED ABSENCES PAYABLE 0.00 LEASE LIABILITY 0.00 SBITA LIABILITY 0.00 P3 LIABILITY (Only relates to Operator) 0.00 ESTIMATED LIABILITY FOR CLAIMS NOTES PAYABLE 47,180.00 **BONDS PAYABLE** 0.00 OPEB LIABILITY 0.00 POLLUTION REMEDIATION OBLIGATIONS 0.00 OTHER LONG-TERM LIABILITIES 0.00 TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES \$210,410.39 NONCURRENT PORTION OF LONG-TERM LIABILITIES: CONTRACTS PAYABLE 0.00 COMPENSATED ABSENCES PAYABLE 16,288.55 LEASE LIABILITY 0.00 SBITA LIABILITY 0.00 P3 LIABILITY (Only relates to Operator) 0.00 ESTIMATED LIABILITY FOR CLAIMS 0.00 NOTES PAYABLE 11,912.34 **BONDS PAYABLE** 0.00 OPEB LIABILITY 1.146,315.00 NET PENSION LIABILITY 728,079.00 POLLUTION REMEDIATION OBLIGATIONS 0.00 OTHER LONG-TERM LIABILITIES 0.00

0.00

\$1,902,594.89

\$2,113,005.28

AGENCY: 20-14-10 - Natchitoches Levee and Drainage District

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#### DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES

091.00
246.00
0.00
0.00
0.00
0.00
0.00
0.00
0.00
0.00
0.00
0.00

#### NET POSITION:

NET POSITION:	
NET INVESTMENT IN CAPITAL ASSETS	2,151,586.81
RESTRICTED FOR:	
CAPITAL PROJECTS	0.00
DEBT SERVICE	0.00
NONEXPENDABLE	0.00
EXPENDABLE	0.00
OTHER PURPOSES	0.00
UNRESTRICTED	\$50,231.73
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$2,201,818.54

AGENCY: 20-14-10 - Natchitoches Levee and Drainage District

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NET POSITION - ENDING

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#### STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

\$2,201,818.54

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EXPENSES	CHARGES FOR SERVICES	OPERATING GRANTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS	CAPITAL GRANTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS	NET (EXPENSE) REVENUE
1,117,735.38	0.00	405,189.93	0.00	\$(712,545.45)
GENERAL R	EVENUES			
PAYMENTS I	FROM PRIMARY GOVERNME	ENT		37,899.00
OTHER				967,166.96
ADDITIONS 7	TO PERMANENT ENDOWME	NTS		0.00
CHANGE IN	NET POSITION			\$292,520.51
NET POSITIO	N - BEGINNING			\$1,909,298.03
NET POSITIO	ON - RESTATEMENT			0.00

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#### DUES AND TRANSFERS

Account Type Amounts due from Primary Government	Intercompany (Fund)		Amount	
		Total		\$0.00
Account Type Amounts due to Primary Government	Intercompany (Fund)		Amount	
		Total		\$0.00

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#### SCHEDULE OF BONDS PAYABLE

Series Issue	Date of Issue	Original Issue Amount	Principal Outstanding PFY	Issue (Redeemed)	Principal Outstanding CFY	Interest Outstanding CFY
		0.00	0.00	0.00	\$ 0.00	0.00
		Totals	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Series - Unamortiz	zed Premiums:					
Series Issue	Date of Issue		Principal Outstanding PFY	Issue (Redeemed)	Principal Outstanding CFY	
			0.00	0.00	\$ 0.00	
		Totals	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Series - Unamortiz	zed Discounts:					
Series Issue	Date of Issue		Principal Outstanding PFY	Issue (Redeemed)	Principal Outstanding CFY	
			0.00	0.00	\$ 0.00	
		Totals	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	

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#### SCHEDULE OF BONDS PAYABLE AMORTIZATION

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Fiscal Year Ending:	Principal	Interest
2024	0.00	0.00
2025	0.00	0.00
2026	0.00	0.00
2027	0.00	0.00
2028	0.00	0.00
2029	0.00	0.00
2030	0.00	0.00
2031	0.00	0.00
2032	0.00	0.00
2033	0.00	0.00
2034	0.00	0.00
2035	0.00	0.00
2036	0.00	0.00
2037	0.00	0.00
2038	0.00	0.00
2039	0.00	0.00
2040	0.00	0.00
2041	0.00	0.00
2042	0.00	0.00
2043	0.00	0.00
2044	0.00	0.00
2045	0.00	0.00
2046	0.00	0.00
2047	0.00	0.00
2048	0.00	0.00
2049	0.00	0.00
2050	0.00	0.00
2051	0.00	0.00
2052	0.00	0.00
2053	0.00	0.00
2054	0.00	0.00
2055	0.00	0.00
2056	0.00	0.00
2057	0.00	0.00
2058	0.00	0.00
Premiums and Discounts	\$0.00	
Total	\$0.00	\$0.00

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#### Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB)

If your agency has active or retired employees who are members of the Office of Group Benefits (OGB) Health Plan, please provide the following information: (Note: OGB has a 6/30/2022 measurement date for their OPEB valuation)

Benefit payments made subsequent to the measurement date of the **OGB** Actuarial Valuation Report until the employer's fiscal year end. (Benefit payments are defined as the employer payments for retirees' health and life insurance premiums). For agencies with a 6/30 year end this covers the current fiscal year being reported. For calendar year end agencies, it covers the period 7/1 to 12/31 for the current year being reported.

65,711.16

Covered Employee Payroll for the PRIOR fiscal year (not including related benefits)

196,074.64

**For calendar year-end agencies only:** Benefit payments or employer payments for retirees' health and life insurance premiums made for the next year's valuation reporting period (7/1/2022 - 6/30/2023). This information will be provided to the actuary for the valuation report early next year.

0.00

For agencies that have employees that participate in the LSU Health Plan, provide the following information: (Note: The LSU Health Plan has a measurement date of 6/30/2023 for their OPEB valuation report.)

Covered Employee Payroll for the CURRENT fiscal year (not including related benefits)

0.00

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#### FUND BALANCE/NET POSITION RESTATEMENT

Account Name/Description	Restatement Amount
Total	\$0.00

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#### SUBMISSION

Before submitting, ensure that all data (statements, notes, schedules) have been entered for the agency.

Once submitted no changes can be made to any of the agency data for the specified year.

By clicking 'Submit' below you certify that the financial statements herewith given present fairly the financial position and the results of operations for the year ended in accordance with policies and practices established by the Division of Administration or in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles as prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board.

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