

Financial Statements September 30, 2020

Lewis and Clark Regional Development Council



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Independent Auditor's Report

The Board of Directors Lewis and Clark Regional Development Council Mandan, North Dakota

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of the Lewis and Clark Regional Development Council (the Council) as of and for the year ended September 30, 2020, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Council's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

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

Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and each major fund of Lewis and Clark Regional Development Council, as of September 30, 2020, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the combined statement of revenues and expenditures - budget compared to actual on page 24 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods or 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.

Management has omitted the management's discussion and analysis that the accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require to be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such missing information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. Our opinion on the basic financial statements is not affected by the missing information.

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Lewis and Clark Regional Development Council's financial statements. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards, as required by Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* (CFR) Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards*, 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 schedule of expenditures of federal awards 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 a report dated December 8, 2020, on our consideration of the Council's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, grant agreements, and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Council's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Council's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Aberdeen, South Dakota

Ed Sailly LLP

December 8, 2020

	Governmental Activities
Assets	
Cash and cash equivalents Receivables Accounts receivable Loans, net of allowance for loan loss of \$1,228,660 Interest receivable Due from related parties	\$ 7,750,963 11,974 4,820,696 55,704 1,310,733
Capital assets, net of depreciation	1,156
Total assets	\$ 13,951,226
Liabilities and Net Position	
Liabilities	
Accounts payable Accrued liabilities Unearned revenue Interest payable Due to other governments Non-current liabilities Due within one year Due in more than one year Total liabilities	\$ 17,921 15,901 19,935 1,610 8,076,593 115,827 1,372,592 9,620,379
Net Position	
Net investment in capital assets Restricted for lending activities Unrestricted Total net position	1,156 2,846,683 1,483,008 4,330,847
Total liabilities and net position	\$ 13,951,226

Statement of Activities Year Ended September 30, 2020

Functions/Programs	Expenses		Program arges for Services	m Revenues Operating Grants			et Revenues d Changes in et Position
Governmental activities Economic development Interest	\$	739,954 14,384	\$ 385,099	\$	90,208	\$	(264,647) (14,384)
Total governmental activities	\$	754,338	\$ 385,099	\$	90,208		(279,031)
General revenues County member contributions Interest income on cash deposi Total general revenues	ts						139,335 81,134 220,469
Change in net position							(58,562)
Net position, September 30, 2019							4,389,409
Net position, September 30, 2020						\$	4,330,847

	(General	Revolving Loan Fund		 Total
Assets					
Cash and cash equivalents Receivables Accounts receivable Loans, net of allowance for loan loss of \$1,228,660 Interest receivable Due from related parties Due from other funds	\$	253,384 11,974 - - 1,310,733 8,879	\$	7,497,579 - 4,820,696 55,704 - 20	\$ 7,750,963 11,974 4,820,696 55,704 1,310,733 8,899
Total assets	\$	1,584,970	\$	12,373,999	\$ 13,958,969
Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Fund Ba	lances				
Liabilities					
Accounts payable Accrued liabilities Unearned revenue Due to other funds Due to other governments	\$	17,921 15,901 19,935 20	\$	- - - 8,879 8,076,593	\$ 17,921 15,901 19,935 8,899 8,076,593
Total liabilities		53,777		8,085,472	 8,139,249
Deferred Inflows of Resources					
Unavailable revenue		1,200,000		_	 1,200,000
Fund Balances					
Restricted for: Lending activities Unassigned		- 331,193		4,288,527 <u>-</u>	 4,288,527 331,193
Total fund balances		331,193		4,288,527	 4,619,720
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources and fund balances	\$	1,584,970	\$	12,373,999	\$ 13,958,969

Reconciliation of the Governmental Funds Balance Sheet to the Statement of Net Position Year Ended September 30, 2020

Total Fund Balances for Governmental Funds	\$ 4,619,720
Total net position reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position is different because:	
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds.	1,156
Certain receivables from services provided that are not available to	
pay for current period expenditures are not reported in the funds	1,200,000
Long-term liabilities applicable to the Council's governmental activities are not due and payable in the current period and accordingly are not reported as fund liabilities. Interest on long-term debt is not accrued in governmental funds; but, rather, is recognized as an expenditure when due. All liabilities, both current and long-term, are reported in the statement of net position. The balances at September 30, 2020, include:	
Compensated absences	(48,185)
Interest payable	(1,610)
Note payable - CommunityWorks ND	(25,000)
Note payable - ND Development Fund	(37,500)
Note payable - Rural Development	(1,377,734)
Total Net Position	\$ 4,330,847

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances – Governmental Funds Year Ended September 30, 2020

	General	Community Development and Planning Fund	Revolving Loan Fund	Total
Revenues Grant	\$ -	\$ 90,208	\$ -	\$ 90,208
Interest Services rendered and other	3,096	-	291,503	294,599
County member contributions	155,286 119,085	20,250	16,348	171,634 139,335
Total revenues	277,467	110,458	307,851	695,776
Expenditures				
Economic development	473,769	108,547	150,279	732,595
Debt service				
Interest	-	-	14,518	14,518
Principal	472.760	100 547	87,373	87,373
Total expenses	473,769	108,547	252,170	834,486
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues				
Over Expenditures	(196,302)	1,911	55,681	(138,710)
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Other Financing Sources (Uses)				
Transfer in	155,064	-	-	155,064
Transfer out		(1,911)	(153,153)	(155,064)
Total other financing sources (uses)	155,064	(1,911)	(153,153)	_
sources (uses)	133,004	(1,911)	(133,133)	
Change in Fund Balance	(41,238)		(97,472)	(138,710)
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year	372,431		4,385,999	4,758,430
Fund Balance, End of Year	\$ 331,193	\$ -	\$ 4,288,527	\$ 4,619,720

Reconciliation of Governmental Funds Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances to the Statement of Activities

Year Ended September 30, 2020

Net Change in Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds	\$ (138,710)
The changes in net position 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 those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense.	
Depreciation expense	(307)
Governmental funds report principal payments on debt service as expenditures; whereas, the statement of activities does not consider this as an expense.	87,373
Some expenses reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources and are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds.	
Net increase in compensated absences Net decrease in interest payable	 (7,052) 134

Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities

(58,562)

Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Nature of Activities

The purpose of the Lewis and Clark Regional Development Council (the Council) is to enhance the ability of the individual units of government to resolve common issues and problems through the establishment, preparation, and maintenance of long-term, continuing, comprehensive planning processes for the physical, social, and economic development of the central region of North Dakota. The Council also provides low-cost loans to individual businesses to aid in the economic expansion in their community.

The Council is a non-profit organization under 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code and is governed by the provision of 54-40.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, which qualifies it as a political sub-division of the State of North Dakota.

The financial statements of the Council have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) as applicable to governments. The Council, as described in Note 1, follows the pronouncements of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB), which is the accepted standard setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles.

Reporting Entity

For financial reporting purposes, the Council has included all funds. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board has set forth criteria to be considered in determining financial accountability. This criteria includes appointing a voting majority of an organization's governing body and (1) the ability of the Lewis and Clark Regional Development Council to impose its will on that organization, or (2) the potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefits to, or impose specific financial burdens on, Lewis and Clark Regional Development Council.

Based on these criteria, there are no component units to be included within Lewis and Clark Regional Development Council as a reporting entity.

Basis of Presentation

Government-Wide Statements – The statement of net position and the statement of activities display information about the primary government, the Council. These statements include the financial activities of the overall government. Eliminations have been made to minimize the double-counting of internal activities. Governmental activities, generally, are financed through intergovernmental revenues and other non-exchange transactions.

The statement of activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each function of the Council's governmental activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a program or function and, therefore, are clearly identifiable to a particular function. Program revenues include (a) fees, interest, and charges paid by the recipients of goods or services offered by the programs, and (b) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Revenues that are not classified as program revenues are presented as general revenues.

Fund Financial Statements – The fund financial statements provide information about the Council's funds. The emphasis of fund financial statements is on major governmental funds, each displayed in a separate column.

Description of Funds

The accounts of the Council are organized into separate funds, as follows:

- a) General Fund This is the general operating fund of the Council and is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.
- b) Community Development and Planning Fund The community development and planning fund is a special revenue fund and is used to account for the proceeds of special revenue sources that are legally restricted expenditures for a specific purpose. This fund is set up to account for operating grants received by the Council for community development and planning. Revenue sources consist of grants and county member contributions.
- c) Revolving Loan Fund The revolving loan fund is a special revenue fund used to account for lending activity including the receipt of principal and interest for various loan programs, as well as account for resources held by the Council for the Consortium of Cities' State Small Business Credit Initiative. Loans are made to regional businesses to provide for economic growth. Revenues sources consist of interest income on deposits, interest income on loans, and other related lending fees.

Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation

Government-Wide Financial Statements – The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded at the time liabilities are incurred, regardless of when the related cash flows take place. Non-exchange transactions, in which the Council gives (or receives) value without directly receiving (or giving) equal value in exchange, include grants, entitlements, and donations. Revenue from grants, entitlements, and donations is recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied.

Governmental Fund Financial Statements – Governmental funds are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenues are recognized when measurable and available. The Council considers all revenues reported in the governmental funds to be available if the revenues are collected within sixty days after year-end. Charges for services, interest income on loans, and investment income are considered susceptible to accrual. Revenues from county member contributions are recorded as revenue when received. Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, except for principal and interest on general long-term debt, claims and judgments, and compensated absences, which are recognized as expenditures to the extent they have matured. Generally, capital assets acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds.

September 30, 2020

Loans Receivable

Loans are reported at their outstanding unpaid principal balances adjusted for charge-offs and the allowance for loan losses. Interest income is accrued on the unpaid principal balance. Interest is generally accrued until a loan is deemed uncollectible and charged off against the allowance for loan losses, unless management deems non-accrual status is appropriate in the circumstances. All loans are collateralized by either mortgages on real estate, equipment, inventory, or accounts receivable.

Allowance for Loan Losses

The allowance for loan losses is established as losses are estimated to have occurred through a provision for loan losses charged to earnings. Loan losses are charged against the allowance when management believes the uncollectibility of a loan balance is confirmed. Subsequent recoveries of principal balances, if any, are credited to the allowance.

The allowance for loan losses is evaluated on a regular basis by management and is based upon management's periodic review of the collectability of the loans in light of historical experience, the nature and volume of the loan portfolio, adverse situations that may affect the borrower's ability to repay, estimated value of any underlying collateral, and prevailing economic conditions. This evaluation is inherently subjective, as it requires estimates that have a potential for significant revision as more information becomes available.

A loan is considered impaired when, based on current information and events, it is probable that the Council will be unable to collect the scheduled payments of principal or interest when due according to the contractual terms of the loan agreement. Factors considered by management in determining impairment include payment status, collateral value, and the probability of collecting scheduled principal and interest payments when due. Loans that experience insignificant payment delays and payment shortfalls generally are not classified as impaired. Management determines the significance of payment delays and payment shortfalls on a case-by-case basis, taking into consideration all of the circumstances surrounding the loan and the borrower, including the length of delay, the reasons for the delay, the borrower's prior payment record, and amount of the shortfall in relation to the principal and interest owed. As of September 30, 2020, loans with a balance of \$1,337,262 were considered impaired.

Capital Assets

Furniture and equipment are recorded at cost with acquisitions of furniture and equipment having a cost of \$5,000 or more are capitalized. Replacements, maintenance, and repairs which do not improve or extend the lives of respective assets are charged to expenditures. Depreciation is computed on the useful life of the furniture and equipment and is depreciated on a straight-line basis over the following estimated lives:

Furniture and equipment

10 - 15 years

Compensated Absences

Vacation is earned at a rate of 8 to 20 hours per month depending upon length of service. Employees can accumulate up to 240 hours of annual leave. Sick leave is granted to all employees at 8 hours per month. If the sick pay is not used, upon termination, the employee will be paid 10% to 25% of the accrued balance based on a sliding scale of years of service.

Deferred Inflows of Resources

Deferred inflows of resources represent acquisitions of net position that applies to a future period or periods. These items will not be recognized as an inflow of resources until the applicable future period. Deferred inflows of resources in the general fund consists of unavailable revenue from providing administrative services to Lewis and Clark Certified Development Company, a related party (see Note 11).

Fund Equity

The following classifications describe the relative strength of the spending constraints:

- Nonspendable fund balance—amounts that are not in spendable form (such as inventory) or are required to be maintained intact.
- Restricted fund balance—amounts constrained to specific purposes 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 Council itself, using its
 highest level of decision-making authority (i.e., Lewis and Clark Regional Development Council Board of
 Directors). To be reported as committed, amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the
 Council takes the same highest-level action to remove or change the constraint.
- Assigned fund balance—amounts the Council intends to use for a specific purpose. Intent can be
 expressed by the Board of Directors or by an official or body to which the Board of Directors delegates
 the authority.
- Unassigned fund balance—amounts that are available for any purpose. Positive amounts are reported only in the general fund.

When an expenditure is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted fund balance is available, the Council considers restricted funds to have been spent first. When an expenditure is incurred for which committed, assigned, or unassigned fund balances are available, the Council considers amounts to have been spent first out of committed funds, then assigned funds, and, finally, unassigned funds, as needed, unless the Council's Board of Directors has provided otherwise in its commitment or assignment actions.

Government-Wide Net Position

Net position in the government-wide statements is displayed in three components:

- Net investment in capital assets consists of capital assets net of accumulated depreciation.
- Restricted net position consists of net position with constraints on their use either by (a) external
 groups such as creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws and regulations of other governments; or (b)
 law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. As of September 30, 2020, restricted net
 position was restricted by grantors for revolving lending activities.
- Unrestricted net position all other net position that does not meet the definition of restricted or net investment in capital assets.

Income Taxes

The Council is exempt from federal and state income taxes under Section 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Allocation of Costs

A method of cost allocation is utilized whereby employee time records are maintained daily and specifically allocate time to various program functions.

Indirect costs are allocated on the basis of a percentage of direct salary and benefit costs. Costs that can be identified with a specific program are charged directly to the program.

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 disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Note 2 - Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash includes deposits in checking accounts and money market accounts. Cash equivalents include deposits in highly liquid investments with an original maturity of three months or less.

Deposits must either be deposited with the Bank of North Dakota or in other financial institutions situated and doing business within the state. Deposits, other than with the Bank of North Dakota, must be fully insured or bonded. In lieu of a bond, a financial institution may provide a pledge of securities equal to 110% of the deposits not covered by insurance or bonds.

In accordance with North Dakota statutes, the Council maintains deposits at the depository banks designated by the governing board. All depositories are members of the Federal Reserve System.

Authorized collateral includes bills, notes, or bonds issued by the United States government, its agencies or instrumentalities, all bonds and notes guaranteed by the United States government, federal land bank bonds, bonds, notes, warrants, certificates of indebtedness, insured certificates of deposit, shares of investment companies registered under the Investment Companies Act of 1940, and all other forms of securities issued by the State of North Dakota, its boards, agencies or instrumentalities, or by any county, city, township, school district, park district, or other political subdivision of the State of North Dakota, whether payable from special revenues or supported by the full faith and credit of the issuing body, and bonds issued by another state of the United States, or such other securities approved by the banking board.

At year-end September 30, 2020, the Council's carrying amount of deposits was \$7,750,963 and the bank balance was \$7,722,543, all of which was insured and collateralized.

Credit Risk

Credit risk is the risk that an issuer or other counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligations. The Council does not have a formal investment policy that specifically addresses credit risk. At September 30, 2020, the Council did not have any investments that are subject to credit risk.

Concentration of Credit Risk

In the case of cash and investments, this is the risk that, in the event of the failure of a depository financial institution, the Council will not be able to recover deposits or will not be able to recover collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The Council does not have a formal policy that limits the amount that may be deposited with one institution.

Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of investments. The Council does not have a formal investment policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to potential fair value losses arising from future changes in interest rates.

Note 3 - Loans Receivable

The Council provides low cost loans to individual businesses to aid in the economic expansion in their community. During the year ended September 30, 2020, the Council was approved for a new revolving loan fund from a grant awarded by the U.S. Department of Commerce Economic Adjustment Assistance program in the amount of \$1,133,000, consisting of \$1,000,000 in drawable revolving loan funds and \$133,000 for admin costs. As of September 30, 2020, no loans have been made under this program and no funds have been drawn or requested from the program.

The Council had the following loans receivable under the special revenue fund as of September 30, 2020:

Revolving Loan Fund

The Revolving Loan Fund was established with a federal grant from the Department of Commerce of \$500,000 and \$168,050 of local sources to provide loans to entities. The purpose of the fund is to provide flexible and accessible loans, primarily gap financing, that will strengthen, create, or save business and job opportunities.

\$ 444,549

Intermediary Relending Program

The initial funding for this program was a \$500,000 loan from the USDA, Rural Development, and \$168,000 from local sources. The purpose of the loan fund is to provide flexible and accessible loans, primarily gap financing, that will strengthen, create, or save business and job opportunities in non-metropolitan areas of the region.

115,232

Intermediary Relending Program II

The initial funding for this program was a \$450,000 loan from the USDA, Rural Development, and \$151,300 from local sources. The purpose of the loan fund is to provide flexible and accessible loans, primarily gap financing, that will strengthen, create, or save business and job opportunities in non-metropolitan areas of the region.

151,451

Intermediary Relending Program - Mandan

The initial funding for this program was a \$750,000 loan from the USDA, Rural Development, and \$250,000 from local sources. The purpose of the loan fund is to provide a revolving loan fund for Mandan, North Dakota, to attract new retail and primary sector businesses and help small business owners to acquire land, capital, and inventory.

456,070

Intermediary Relending Program II - Mandan

The initial funding for this program was a \$750,000 loan from the USDA, Rural Development, and \$250,000 from local sources. The purpose of the loan fund is to provide a revolving loan fund for Mandan, North Dakota, to attract new retail and primary sector businesses and help small business owners to acquire land, capital, and inventory.

654,782

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In 1999, the Economic Development Administration (EDA) of the U.S. Department of Commerce awarded the Council a recapitalization grant of \$250,000. The Council provided \$83,334. The purpose of this fund is for recapitalization of the funds described above.

174,992

State Small Business Credit Initiative

The funding for this program is from an award made to the Mandan Consortium from the U.S. Department of the Treasury provided for under the State Small Business Credit Initiative Act of 2010. The Council was contracted by the Mandan Consortium to administer the loan fund. The purpose of the loan fund is to provide loans to small businesses and manufacturers to expand and create jobs.

4,052,280

Total Less allowance for loan loss 6,049,356 (1,228,660)

Total loans receivable, net of allowance

4,820,696

An analysis of the allowance for loan losses follows:

Allowance for
Loan Losses

Balance, September 30, 2019 Loans charged off Provision 1,166,938 (527,875) 589,597

Balance, September 30, 2020

\$ 1,228,660

Note 4 - Due From/To Other Funds

Due from/to other funds consisted of the following at September 30, 2020:

Fund	e from er Funds	Due to Other Funds		
General Revolving Loan Fund	\$ 8,879 20	\$	20 8,879	
Total all funds	\$ 8,899	\$	8,899	

Interfund transactions constitute reimbursements to a fund for expenditures initially made from it that are properly applicable to another fund. These balances are a result of the time lag between the dates that reimbursable expenditures occur and payments between funds are made.

Note 5 - Capital Assets

The following is a summary of changes in capital assets for the year ended September 30, 2020:

Governmental Activities

	Balance October 1		ditions	Dele	tions	Balance September 30		
Capital assets, being depreciated Furniture and equipment	\$ 9,790	\$		\$		\$	9,790	
Total capital assets, being depreciated	9,790		<u>-</u>				9,790	
Less accumulated depreciation Furniture and equipment	 8,327		307				8,634	
Total accumulated depreciation	8,327		307				8,634	
Total capital assets, net	\$ 1,463	\$	(307)	\$	_	\$	1,156	

Depreciation expense was charged to functions/programs of the Council as follows:

Governmental activities
Economic development \$ 307

Note 6 - Due to Other Governments

The Council administers the State Small Business Credit Initiative (SSBCI) program for the Consortium of Cities. Under the operating agreement, the Council receives funds for the SSBCI program and makes loans to eligible recipients. If the SSBCI program ends, the Council will be required to return the funds to the Consortium of Cities less ten percent of the funds, which the Council will retain. The funds will only be required to be repaid if the Consortium of Cities chooses to end the SSBCI program, which they can do through a majority, or if the Consortium of Cities would choose to have a different entity administer the program. At September 30, 2020, the Council had a liability for \$8,076,593 recorded for the amount of funds that would be required to be returned to the Consortium of Cities if the program ended.

Note 7 - Non-Current Liabilities

During the year ended September 30, 2020, the following changes occurred in governmental activities non-current compensated absences:

Balance October 1			Increases		Decreases		Balance September 30		Due Within One Year	
Compensated absences	\$	41,133	\$	27,583	\$	20,531	\$	48,185	\$	27,583

Note 8 - Long-Term Debt

During the year ended September 30, 2020, the following changes occurred in governmental activities long-term debt direct borrowings:

	Balance October 1	Increases		Increases Decreases		Balance September 30	Due Within One Year	
Long-term debt direct borrowings	\$ 1,527,607	\$	-	\$	87,373	\$ 1,440,234	\$	88,244

The Council borrowed a total of \$2,450,000 from the U.S. Department of Agriculture – Rural Development to fund the Intermediary Relending Program as of September 30, 2020. The loans bear interest at 1% and are repayable over 30 years with varying maturity dates through 2039. The collateral for these loans are the Notes Receivable in the Intermediary Relending Program, Intermediary Relending Program II, Intermediary Relending Program – Mandan II. The total outstanding balance due the U.S. Agriculture – Rural Development at September 30, 2020 was \$1,377,734.

The Council borrowed \$37,500 from the North Dakota Development Fund. The loan is unsecured and bears interest of 1% compounded monthly, payable annually, and principal is due April 1, 2027. Annual interest payments of \$380 are due each April 1, with final payment due April 1, 2027 of \$37,880.

The Council borrowed \$20,000 from CommunityWorks North Dakota, a related party. The loan is unsecured and bears interest of 0%, due April 13, 2035. In addition, the Council borrowed another \$5,000 from CommunityWorks North Dakota, and this loan bears interest of 0%, due April 13, 2038.

Debt service requirements on long-term debt at September 30, 2020, are as follows:

	Long-Te	Long-Term Debt			
	Principal	Interest			
2021	\$ 88,244	\$ 13,780			
2022	89,128	12,896			
2023	90,019	12,005			
2024	90,758	11,106			
2025	90,918	10,197			
2026 - 2030	402,276	39,219			
2031 - 2035	408,306	20,612			
2036 - 2039	180,585	3,923			
	\$ 1,440,234	\$ 123,738			

Total interest paid on long-term debt was \$14,652 for the year ended September 30, 2020.

Note 9 - Lease

The Council leases its office space from CommunityWorks North Dakota, a related party, under an operating lease ending May 31, 2029. The lease provides for monthly rent of \$900 plus thirty-three percent of estimated operating expenses, which was \$1,000 per month in 2020, and will be negotiated annually during the life of the lease. Total rent expense for 2020 was \$20,900. Under this operating lease, future commitments are \$22,800 each year 2021 through 2025, and \$83,600 thereafter.

Note 10 - Retirement Plan

The Council has a Simplified Employee Pension Plan through Mutual of America. It is a fully-vested, defined contribution plan with the Council contributing the same percentage of compensation for every employee, limited annually to the smaller of \$41,000 or 10% of compensation. Employees over 21 years old who have been employed in at least one of the immediately preceding five years are eligible to participate in the plan. The Council is only responsible for current contributions. The amount of pension expense for 2020, 2019, and 2018 was \$29,722, \$31,906, and \$30,864, respectively.

Note 11 - Related Party

The Council is related to CommunityWorks North Dakota through common management and the organizations are co-located. Each organization has its own board of directors with one member serving on each board. The Council has entered into a working agreement with CommunityWorks North Dakota.

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Shared expenses with CommunityWorks North Dakota consist of telephone, postage, supplies, equipment, employees, and the executive director. Each entity is responsible for paying its own share of these expenses, except for payroll costs, which are reimbursed. Payments made to CommunityWorks North Dakota for reimbursed expenses during 2020 were \$104,164. The Council received payments of \$11,540 from CommunityWorks North Dakota for shared staff health benefits in 2020. As of September 30, 2020, the Council had accounts payable due to CommunityWorks North Dakota of \$6,871. The general fund had a \$101,164 loan receivable made to CommunityWorks North Dakota. The loan has a fixed interest rate of 2%, matures on June 1, 2029, and is secured by an assignment of leases. Principal and interest payments on the loan totaled \$10,541 and \$2,179 during fiscal year 2020.

As of September 30, 2020, the general fund has accounts receivable of \$9,795 due from Lewis and Clark Certified Development Company, a separate non-profit organization related through common management, for administrative expenses. The general fund also has a \$1,200,000 long-term receivable from the Lewis and Clark Certified Development Company for unpaid administrative expenses. The receivable is non-interest bearing, matures on October 1, 2033, and will be repaid when cash flows are deemed available.

Note 12 - Risk Management

The Council 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 Council pays an annual premium to Cincinnati Insurance Companies for its general insurance coverage. The coverage by Cincinnati Insurance Companies is limited to losses of \$2,000,000 per occurrence. The Council carries commercial insurance for all other risks of loss of \$1,000,000 per occurrence.

The Council also participates in the State Bonding Fund. The State Bonding Fund currently provides the Council with blanket fidelity bond coverage in the amount of \$1,586,556 for its employees. The State Bonding Fund does not currently charge any premium for this coverage.

The Council carries commercial insurance for all other risks of loss, including workers' compensation, and employee health and accident insurance. No claims from these risks have exceeded insurance coverage in any of the past three years. Loans are concentrated in the central region of North Dakota, but are issued to a wide variety of types of business in varying dollar amounts.

Note 13 - Indirect Expenses

Indirect (common) costs are costs incurred for a common, or joint, purpose which benefit more than one grant or program. The Council allocates indirect costs on the basis of a ratio of program direct salary and benefit costs to total salary and benefit costs on a monthly basis pursuant to Office of Management and Budget and Uniform Guidance. A detailed summary of the indirect costs for fiscal year 2020 are as follows:

Salaries	\$	87,241
Fringe benefits	•	30,919
Travel		4,053
Printing and publishing		1,239
Subscriptions		464
Supplies		742
Rent		20,900
Postage		285
Dues		4,000
Equipment		8,716
Professional		23,985
Insurance		5,816
Other		84
Total indirect expenses	<u>Ş</u>	188,444

Note 14 - Transfer In/Transfer Out

Transfer in/out of other funds consisted of the following at September 30, 2020:

Transfers	General Fund	Community Development and Planning Fund	Revolving Loan Fund
Transfer In Transfer Out	\$ 155,064 	\$ - (1,911)	\$ - (153,153)
Total of Transfers	\$ 155,064	\$ (1,911)	\$ (153,153)

Transfers into the general fund from the revolving loan fund were made to move revenues earned for the administration of the State Small Business Credit Initiative (SSBCI) program. Transfers out of the community development and planning fund to the general fund were made to transfer excess county member contributions in excess of expenses.

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Note 15 - Contingencies

During fiscal year 2020, the world-wide coronavirus pandemic impacted national and global economies. The Council is closely monitoring its operations, liquidity, and capital resources and is actively working to minimize the current and future impact of this unprecedented situation. As of the date of issuance of these financial statements, the current and future full impact to the Council is not known.



Required Supplementary Information September 30, 2020

Lewis and Clark Regional Development Council

Combined Statement of Revenues and Expenditures – Budget Compared to Actual Year Ended September 30, 2020

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual (Budgetary Basis)	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
Revenues				
Grants	\$ 77,500	\$ 77,500	\$ 90,208	\$ 12,708
Interest	545,804	545,804	294,599	(251,205)
Services rendered and other	246,550	246,550	171,634	(74,916)
Dues income	139,335	139,335	139,335	-
Total revenues	1,009,189	1,009,189	695,776	(313,413)
Expenditures				
Economic Development				
Salaries	289,308	289,308	285,235	4,073
Fringe benefits	96,338	96,338	96,699	(361)
Travel	9,320	9,320	6,828	2,492
Printing and publications	2,850	2,850	495	2,355
Supplies	1,300	1,300	1,752	(452)
Seminars and dues	6,400	6,400	16,910	(10,510)
Equipment	10,701	10,701	14,190	(3,489)
Marketing	21,330	21,330	9,266	12,064
Processing, closing fees	1,050	1,050	1,095	(45)
Telephone & postage	420	420	21	399
Indirect costs	193,525	193,525	188,442	5,083
Bad debt expense	-	-	81,640	(81,640)
Depreciation	1,500	1,500	307	1,193
Interest	15,720	15,720	14,518	1,202
Professional fees	12,800	12,800	29,316	(16,516)
Other	2,327	2,327	399	1,928
Total expenses	664,889	664,889	747,113	(82,224)
Excess of Revenue over				
(under) Expenditures	\$ 344,300	\$ 344,300	\$ (51,337)	\$ (395,637)

Combined Statement of Revenues and Expenditures – Budget Compared to Actual Year Ended September 30, 2020

An explanation of differences between budgetary outflows and GAAP expenditures follows:	
Actual amounts (budgetary basis) from the budgetary comparison schedule	\$ 747,113
Differences - Budgetary to GAAP The Council budgets for debt principal payments on the accrual basis rather than the modified accrual basis	87,373
Total expenditures as reported on the statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances	\$ 834,486
An explanation of differences between budgetary revenues over expenditures and GAAP revenues over expenditures follows:	
Actual excess revenues over (under) expenditures (budgetary basis) from the budgetary comparison schedule	\$ (51,337)
Differences - Budgetary to GAAP The Council budgets for debt principal payments on the accrual basis rather than the modified accrual basis	(87,373)
Excess of revenues over (under) expenditures as reported on the statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balance	\$ (138,710)

Note 1 - Stewardship, Compliance and Accountability

Budgetary Information

The budget is prepared for the total entity (all funds combined) on the accrual basis of accounting. All annual budget amounts expire at year-end. As the Council does not prepare the budget on a fund basis, budget-to-actual presentation by fund is not available. The legal level of control is by line item.

Encumbrances represent commitments related to unperformed contracts for goods and services. Encumbrance accounting – under which purchase orders, contracts, and other commitments for the expenditure of resources are recorded to reserve that portion of the applicable appropriation – is not utilized in the Council funds.

Actual expenditures exceeded budgeted expenditures for the total entity by \$82,224 for the year ended September 30, 2020. This was due in large part to bad debt expense incurred related to loans receivable that is not annually budgeted for due to its annual variability and overall difficulty to budget.



Supplementary Information September 30, 2020

Lewis and Clark Regional Development Council



Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with Government Auditing Standards

The Board of Directors Lewis and Clark Regional Development Council Mandan, North Dakota

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of the Lewis and Clark Regional Development Council (the Council) as of and for the year ended September 30, 2020, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Council's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated DATE.

Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Council'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 Council's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Council'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 over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and, therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that have not been identified. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. We did identify certain deficiencies in internal control, described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as items 2020-001 and 2020-002 that we consider to be significant deficiencies.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Council'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 financial statements. 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*.

Council's Response to Findings

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

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the 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.

Aberdeen, South Dakota December 8, 2020

Esde Saelly LLP



Independent Auditor's Report on Compliance for The Major Federal Program and Report on Internal Control over Compliance Required by the Uniform Guidance

The Board of Directors Lewis and Clark Regional Development Council Mandan, North Dakota

Report on Compliance for the Major Federal Program

We have audited the Lewis and Clark Regional Development Council's (the Council's) compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *OMB Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on the Council's major federal program for the year ended September 30, 2020. The Council's major federal program is identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for compliance with the federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of its federal awards applicable to its federal programs.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the compliance for the Council's major federal program based on our audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above. We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Those standards and the Uniform Guidance require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the Council's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion on compliance for the major federal program. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of the Council's compliance.

Opinion on the Major Federal Program

In our opinion, the Council complied, in all material respects, with the compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on the major federal program for the year ended September 30, 2020.

Report on Internal Control over Compliance

Management of the Council is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered the Council's internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on the major federal program to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion on compliance for the major federal program and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Council's internal control over compliance.

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

Our consideration of internal control over compliance 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. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

Aberdeen, South Dakota December 8, 2020

Esde Saelly LLP

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Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards Year Ended September 30, 2020

Federal Grantor/Pass-through Grantor/ Program or Cluster Title	Federal CFDA Number	Pass-through Entity Identifying Number	Expenditures
Direct Federal Financial Assistance			
Department of Agriculture			
Intermediary Relending Program (see Note D)	10.767		\$ 1,465,107
Department of Commerce			
Economic Development Support for			
Planning Organizations	11.302		52,500
Economic Development Cluster			
Economic Adjustment Assistance - Revolving			
Loan Fund - (see Note E)	11.307		788,828
CARES Act Recovery Assistance - Economic			
Adjustment Assistance - Grant	11.307		30,065
Total Department of Commerce			871,393
Indirect Federal Financial Assistance			
U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development			
Passed through ND Division of Community Services			
Community Development Block Grants	14.228	4742-CDBG20	7,643
Total Federal Financial Assistance			\$ 2,344,143

Note A – Basis of Presentation

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards (the schedule) includes the federal award activity of the Lewis and Clark Regional Development Council (the Council) under programs of the federal government for the year ended September 30, 2020. The information is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirement, Cost Principles, and Audit requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Because the schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of the Council, it is not intended to ,and does not, present the financial position or changes in net position or fund balance of the Council.

Note B – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Expenditures reported in the schedule are reported on the accrual basis of accounting. When applicable, such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in the Uniform Guidance, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement. No federal financial assistance has been provided to a subrecipient.

Note C – Indirect Cost Rate

The Council does not draw for administrative expenses and has not elected to use the 10% de minimis cost rate.

Note D - Intermediary Relending Program Expenditures

Expenditures of the Intermediary Relending Program (CFDA # 10.767) consist of the beginning of the year outstanding loan balances plus advances made on the loans during the year (if any) as follows:

IRP Loan #1 Note payable outstanding at September 30, 2019	\$ 122,000
IRP Loan #2 Note payable outstanding at September 30, 2019 IRP Loan Mandan	281,081
Note payable outstanding at September 30, 2019 IRP Loan Mandan II	505,571
Note payable outstanding at September 30, 2019	 556,455
Total federal expenditures	\$ 1,465,107

The balance of IRP notes payable outstanding at September 30, 2020, was \$1,377,734.

Note E – Economic Development Assistance Expenditures

Expenditures for the Economic Development Assistance Revolving Loan Fund Program (CFDA # 11.307) are comprised of the following:

	RLF # 1		RLF # 2		Total RLF	
Revolving loan fund (RLF) loans receivable outstanding at September 30, 2020	\$	444,549	\$	174,992	\$	619,541
Cash balance in the RLF at September 30, 2020 Administrative expenses paid out of		201,888	·	223,445		425,333
RLF income during 2020		10,605		8,538		19,143
		657,042		406,975		1,064,017
Federal share of the RLF		74.29%		73.89%		74.14%
Total federal expenditures	\$	488,108	\$	300,720	\$	788,828

Section I – Summary of Auditor's Results

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Type of auditor's report issued Unmodified

Internal control over financial reporting:

Material weakness identified No

Significant deficiency identified not considered

to be a material weaknesses Yes

Noncompliance material to financial

statements noted No

FEDERAL AWARDS

Internal control over federal programs:

Material weakness identified No

Significant deficiency identified not considered

to be a material weakness None reported

Type of auditor's report issued on compliance

with major programs Unmodified

Any audit findings disclosed that are required

to be reported in accordance with Uniform

Guidance 2 CFR 200.516: No

Identification of major programs:

Name of Federal Program CFDA number

Intermediary Relending Program 10.767

Dollar threshold used to distinguish between

Type A and Type B programs \$750,000

Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee No

Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs Year Ended September 30, 2020

Section II – Financial Statement Findings

2020-001 – Audit Adjustments Significant Deficiency in Internal Control over Financial Reporting

Criteria: An organization's internal control structure should provide for the complete and accurate recording of all necessary adjustments in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

Condition: During our engagement, we discovered errors based on our audit procedures and proposed certain current year adjustments to amounts in the financial statements that were corrected by management.

Cause: Existing internal controls did not prevent or detect these misstatements which were identified and corrected during our audit.

Effect: The identification of proposed audit adjustments increases the risk that unidentified and uncorrected misstatements in the financial statements exist and interim financial information being utilized by management and the board of directors may not be materially correct.

Recommendation: We recommend increased level of oversight over loan interest income accruals and other year-end adjustments to ensure the proper adjustment of all account balances.

Views of Responsible Officials: Management agrees with the finding.

Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs Year Ended September 30, 2020

2020-002 – Non-accrual Loans Significant Deficiency in Internal Control over Financial Reporting

Criteria: An organization's internal control structure and loan administration function should provide for the proper identification of loans that are 90 days or more past due and should be placed in non-accrual status in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles and industry practice.

Condition: During our engagement, we identified certain loans that were in excess of 90 days or more past due with no recent or established repayment history that were accruing interest and, based on industry standards, should be placed in non-accrual status. We proposed an audit adjustment for these loans which was corrected by management.

Cause: Existing internal controls in the loan administration function did not adequately identify loans that should be placed in a non-accrual status so that current period income is not overstated.

Effect: Not properly identifying past due loans and placing them in a non-accrual status has an effect of overstating income which potentially could be material to the financial statements.

Recommendation: We recommend implementing a formal policy to which all loans that are not well-collateralized and in the process of collection that become 90 days or more past due to be placed in a non-accrual status. We also recommend a monthly review of the loans past due report be performed to identify any loans 90 days or more past due that should be placed on non-accrual status.

Views of Responsible Officials: Management agrees with the finding.

Section III – Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs

No findings reported in the current year.



Management's Response to Auditor's Findings: Summary Schedule of Prior Audit Findings and Corrective Action Plan September 30, 2020

Prepared by Management of Lewis and Clark Regional Development Council



Finding 2019-001

Initial Fiscal Year Finding Occurred: 2019

Finding Summary: Eide Bailly LLP assisted in preparing our draft consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes to the financial statements. Also, during their audit, Eide Bailly LLP identified and proposed audit adjustments to the financial statements and corrected an error in previously issued financial statements.

Status: Corrective action was taken

2020-001 - Audit Adjustments

Finding Summary: The auditors identified misstatements based on their audit procedures and proposed certain current year adjustments to the amounts in the financial statements that were corrected by management.

Responsible Individuals: Brent Ekstrom, Executive Director

Corrective Action Plan: Management will increase oversight and review final statements prior to audit, including accrual/non-accrual status, interest income and year-end adjustments. Management has reviewed and agree with the adjustments proposed during the audit and those adjustments were corrected by management.

Anticipated Completion Date: Adjustments corrected immediately and oversight and review of final statements prior to audit is ongoing

2020-002 - Non-accrual Loans

Finding Summary: The auditors identified certain loans that were in excess of 90 days or more past due with no recent or established repayment history that were accruing interest and, based on industry standards, should be placed in non-accrual status. The auditors proposed an audit adjustment for these loans which was corrected by management.

Responsible Individuals: Brent Ekstrom, Executive Director
Matt Burthold, Commercial Lending Director

Corrective Action Plan: During fiscal year 2020 RDC converted its loan tracking software from LoanBase to Ventures. In the conversion process the loans which were on non-accrual in LoanBase were missed and not placed on non-accrual in the new system. As CWND rarely changes software programs the issue should not happen again, however, staff and management will implement procedures including increased monitoring of past due loans and non-accrual status.

Anticipated Completion Date: Implemented Immediately