# CHATFIELD WATERSHED AUTHORITY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS December 31, 2010

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#### <u>Independent Auditor's Report</u>

Board of Directors Chatfield Watershed Authority Castle Rock, Colorado

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and major fund of the Chatfield Watershed Authority as of and for the year ended December 31, 2010, which collectively comprise the basic financial statements of the Chatfield Watershed Authority, as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Chatfield Watershed Authority's management. 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. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our 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 major fund of Chatfield Watershed Authority as of December 31, 2010, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require the budgetary comparison information on page 8 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance. Management has omitted the Management Discussion & Analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires 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 the financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. Our opinion on the basic financial statements is not affected by this missing information.



## CHATFIELD WATERSHED AUTHORITY GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCE SHEET/ STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS DECEMBER 31, 2010

	General Fund	Adjustments (Note 5)*	Statement of Net Assets
Assets Cash and investments Total Assets	\$ 82,558 82,558	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ 82,558 82,558
<u>Liabilities and Fund Balance/Net Assets</u> Liabilities			
Accounts payable Unearned revenues Total liabilities	3,469 2,250 5,719	$\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 0 \\ \hline 0 \end{array}$	3,469 2,250 5,719
Fund Balance Unassigned Total fund balance	76,839 76,839	<u>(76,839)</u> <u>(76,839)</u>	<u>0</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	<u>\$ 82,558</u>		
Net Assets Unrestricted		76,839	76,839
Total Liabilities and Net Assets		\$ 76,839	\$ 76,839

## CHATFIELD WATERSHED AUTHORITY STATEMENT OF GOVERNMENTAL FUND REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE/STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES DECEMBER 31, 2010

Revenues	<u>Ger</u>	neral Fund		ote 5)*		tement of et Assets
Fees	\$	120 260	\$	20,000	\$	160 260
Membership Interest income	Þ	138,360 248	Þ	30,000	<b>Þ</b>	168,360 248
Donations		_		$0 \\ 0$		
Donations		7,663		<u> </u>		7,663
Total revenues		146,271		30,000		176,271
Expenditures/Expenses						
Current		64.707		0		64.707
Management and administration		64,737		0		64,737
Office expense		260		0		260
Professional fees		1,300		0		1,300
Website		1,800		0		1,800
Monitoring		5,250		30,000		35,250
Public outreach		23,694		0		23,694
Project implementation		11,160		0		11,160
Contingency		6,316		0		6,316
Total expenditures/expenses		114,517		30,000		144,517
Excess of revenues over expenditures		31,754		(31,754)		0
Changes in net assets		0		31,754		31,754
Fund balance/net assets, January 1, 2010		45,085		0		45,085
Fund balance/net assets, December 31, 2010	\$	76,839	\$	0	\$	76,839

#### <u>CHATFIELD WATERSHED AUTHORITY</u> NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Chatfield Watershed Authority (Authority) was created in 1984 as authorized by the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment. The Authority promotes protection of water quality in the Chatfield Watershed for recreation, fisheries, drinking water supplies, and other beneficial uses.

The Authority is governed by an eighteen member board of directors (Board). Each membership entity has a seat on the Board. The Authority has no employees and all operations and administrative functions are contracted.

The accounting policies of the Authority conform to generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to governments. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. Following is a summary of the more significant policies.

#### **Reporting Entity**

The financial reporting entity consists of the Authority and organizations for which the Authority is financially accountable. All funds, organizations, institutions, agencies, departments and offices that are not legally separate are part of the Authority. In addition, any legally separate organizations for which the Authority is financially accountable are considered part of the reporting entity. Financial accountability exists if the Authority appoints a voting majority of the organization's governing board and is able to impose its will on the organization, or if the organization provides benefits to, or imposes financial burdens on the Authority.

Based upon the application of these criteria, the Authority does not report additional organizations within its reporting entity.

#### Measurement Focus, Basis Of Accounting And Financial Statement Presentation

The statement of net assets column on the governmental fund balance sheet/statement of net assets and the statement of activities column on the statement of governmental fund revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balance/statement of activities are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows.

The governmental funds column on the governmental fund balance sheet/statement of net assets and the statement of governmental revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balance/statement of activities 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 Authority considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Membership fees, and interest associated with the

### CHATFIELD WATERSHED AUTHORITY NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

## Measurement Focus, Basis Of Accounting And Financial Statement Presentation (Continued)

current year are considered to be susceptible to accrual and so have been recognized as revenues of the current year. All other revenues are considered measurable and available only when cash is received by the Authority. For the year ended December 31, 2010, four members accounted for approximately 73% of total revenues. The two largest members were each 22% of total revenues.

Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting.

Private-sector standards of accounting and financial reporting issued after November 30, 1989, generally are followed in both the statement of net assets column on the governmental fund balance sheet/statement of net assets and the statement of activities column on the statement of governmental fund revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balance/statement of activities to the extent that those standards do not conflict with or contradict guidance of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. Governments also have the option of following subsequent private-sector guidance subject to this same limitation. The Authority has elected not to follow subsequent private-sector guidance.

In the fund financial statements, the Authority reports the following major governmental fund.

The *General Fund* is the Authority's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the Authority, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

#### Assets, Liabilities and Net Assets/Fund Balances

#### Receivables

All receivables are reported at their gross values and, where appropriate, are reduced by the estimated portion that is expected to be uncollectible.

#### **Estimates**

The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results may differ from those estimates.

#### **Budgets**

In accordance with the State Budget Law, the Authority's Board of Directors approves the budget and appropriates the funds for the ensuing year. The appropriation is at the total fund expenditure level and lapses at year end. The Authority's Board of Directors can modify the budget by line item within the total appropriation without notification. The appropriation can only be modified upon completion of notification and publication requirements. The budget includes each fund on its basis of accounting.

### CHATFIELD WATERSHED AUTHORITY NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### NOTE 2 - CASH AND INVESTMENTS

#### **Deposits**

The Colorado Public Deposit Protection Act (PDPA) requires that all units of local government deposit cash in eligible public depositories. Eligibility is determined by state regulations. Amount on deposit in excess of federal insurance levels must be collateralized by eligible collateral as determined by the PDPA. PDPA allows the financial institution to create a single collateral pool for all public funds held. The pool is to be maintained by another institution, or held in trust for all the uninsured public deposits as a group. The market value of the collateral must be at least equal to 102% of the uninsured deposits. At December 31, 2010, all Authority deposits, with a bank and carrying balance totaling \$86,558 and \$82,558 were covered by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) insurance.

#### Investments

The Authority is required to comply with State statutes which specify instruments meeting defined rating, maturity and concentration risk criteria in which local governments may invest. State statutes do not address custodial risk. The Authority has no investment policy but follows State statutes which allow the following investments.

- Obligations of the United States and certain U.S. Agency securities
- Certain international agency securities
- General obligation and revenue bonds of U.S. local government entities
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- Bankers' acceptances of certain banks
- Commercial paper
- Local government investment pools
- Written repurchase agreements collateralized by certain authorized securities
- Certain money market funds
- Guaranteed investment contracts

The Authority had no investments at December 31, 2010. As such, the Authority has no exposure to credit risk, concentration of credit risk, custodial credit risk, or interest rate risk.

#### <u>CHATFIELD WATERSHED AUTHORITY</u> NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### NOTE 3 - NET ASSETS

The Authority has net assets consisting of three components - invested in capital assets, restricted and unrestricted. At December 31, 2010, all the Authority's net assets were unrestricted.

#### NOTE 4 - FUND BALANCE

During the year ended December 31, 2010, the Authority adopted GASB Statement Number 54, *Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Funds Type Definitions*. Based on that statement fund balances of the governmental funds are classified as follows:

Nonspendable — Amounts that cannot be spent either because they are in nonspendable form or because they are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. The Authority has no unspendable funds.

Restricted — Amounts that can be spent only for specific purposes because of constitutional provisions or enabling legislation or because of constraints that are externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or the laws or regulations of other governments. The Authority has no restricted funds.

Committed — Amounts that can be used only for specific purposes determined by a formal action of Authority's Board. The Board is the highest level of decision-making body for the Authority. Commitments may be established, modified, or rescinded only through ordinances or resolutions approved by the Board. The Authority had no committed funds.

Assigned — Amounts that do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed but that are intended to be used for specific purposes. Only the Board may assign fund balances for specific purposes.

*Unassigned* — All other spendable amounts.

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

## NOTE 5 - <u>RECONCILIATION OF GOVERNMENT WIDE AND FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS</u>

The statement of governmental fund revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balance/statement of activities includes reconciliation between changes in fund balances-governmental funds and changes in net assets of governmental activities. The addition of \$30,000 in both membership revenues and monitoring expense represents the donation of services by the Denver Water Department.

#### <u>CHATFIELD WATERSHED AUTHORITY</u> NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### NOTE 6 - RISK MANAGEMENT

The Authority is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; and natural disasters. For these risks of loss, the Authority is self insured. Due to the nature of the Authority and its operations, management believes commercial insurance is not necessary.

#### NOTE 7 - COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

#### **Tabor Amendment**

Colorado voters passed an amendment to the State Constitution, Article X, Section 20 (the "Amendment") which has several limitations, including revenue raising, spending abilities, and other specific requirements of state and local government. The Amendment is complex and subject to judicial interpretation. Due to the nature of its formation, the Authority does not believe it is subject to the provisions of this amendment.



## CHATFIELD WATERSHED AUTHORITY GENERAL FUND

## SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES BUDGET AND ACTUAL

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2010

Revenues	Original and Final Budget	Actual	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)	
Fees Membership Interest income	\$ 141,720 450	\$ 138,360 248	\$ (3,360) (202)	
Other Total revenues	<u>0</u> 142,170	7,663 146,271	7,663 4,101	
Expenditures/Expenses Current				
Management and administration Office expense Professional fees Website Project implementation Public outreach Monitoring Contingency Total expenditures/expenses	64,710 500 11,500 1,800 15,500 23,000 5,250 5,000 127,260	64,737 260 1,300 1,800 11,160 23,694 5,250 6,316 114,517	(27) 240 10,200 0 4,340 (694) 0 (1,316) 12,743	
Excess of revenues over expenditures	<u>\$ 14,910</u>	31,754	<u>\$ 16,844</u>	
Fund balance, January 1, 2010		45,085		
Fund Balance, December 31, 2010		\$ 76,839		