

# **District of Wells**

Meeting Dat	e June 14, 2016
Report Dat	e: June 7, 2016
Memo t	b: Mayor and Council
Fron	Andrew Young, Chief Administrative Officer
Subjec	t: 2016 Statement of Financial Information (SOFI) report

### Purpose/Issue:

To present to Council the District of Wells' 2016 Statement of Financial Information (SOFI) report for the year ended December 31, 2015.

### Background / Analysis:

The Ministry of Community, Sport and Cultural Development (MCSCD) requires British Columbia's local governments to annually provide a Statement of Financial Information (SOFI) report. This year's SOFI report is due by June 30, 2016. The report must be prepared in accordance with the Province's Financial Information Act. In addition, the SOFI report must be made available for public viewing by June 30 each year and be accessible for the following three years. Before the report can be filed with the MCSCD it must be presented to, and approved by, Council. For Council's consideration a copy of the District of Wells' 2016 Statement of Financial Information (SOFI) report for the year ended December 31, 2015 is attached to this report.

In brief, the District's SOFI report contains the following:

- Checklist;
- Schedule of payments to suppliers;
- Schedule of employee remuneration;
- Schedule of Council remuneration;
- Schedule identifying property tax exemptions;
- 2015 Audited Financial Statement;
- Management Letter;
- Schedule of Guarantee and Indemnity Agreements; and
- Statement of Financial Information Approval.

### **Budget, Policy, Staffing:**

None

### Legal Considerations:

None

### **Options / Recommendations:**

That Council:

- 1. Approves the 2016 Statement of Financial Information (SOFI) report for the year ended December 31, 2015, as presented; **OR**
- Approves the 2016 Statement of Financial Information (SOFI) report for the year ended December 31, 2015, as presented with any changes approved by Council; OR
- 3. Rejects the 2016 Statement of Financial Information (SOFI) report for the year ended December 31, 2015, as presented.

Staff recommends that Council approves #1.

Andrew Young, MCIP, RPP Chief Administrative Officer

Attachment:

• 2016 Statement of Financial Information (SOFI) report for the year ended December 31, 2015



# District of Wells

# 2016 Statement of Financial Information (SOFI)

For the year ended December 31, 2015

### Financial Information Act Financial Information Regulation (FIR), Schedule 1

### Statement of Financial Information (SOFI) Index to FIR Schedule 1 and the Checklist

### Page 1: Corporation Information

### **Ministry Information**

### **General: Section One**

- 1(1)(a) Statement of assets and liabilities
- 1(1)(b) Operational statement
- 1(1)(c) Schedule of debts
- 1(1)(d) Schedule of guarantee and indemnity agreements
- 1(1)(e) Schedule of employee remuneration and expenses
- 1(1)(f) Schedule of suppliers of goods and services
- 1(2) [Explanatory information for reference]
- 1(3) Statements prepared on a consolidated basis or for each fund
- 1(4) & (5) Notes to the statements and schedules in section 1(1)

### Page 2: Statement of Assets & Liabilities: Section Two

Balance sheet

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Changes in equity and surplus or deficit

### **Operational Statement: Section Three**

- 3(1) Statement of Income / Statement of Revenue and Expenditures
  - Statement of Changes in Financial Position
- 3(2) & (3) Omission of Statement of Changes in Financial Position, with explanation
- 3(4) Requirement for community colleges, school districts and municipalities

### Statement of Debts: Section Four

- 4(1)(a) & 4(2) List and detail the schedule of long-term debts
- 4(1)(b) Identify debts covered by sinking funds / reserves
- 4(3) & (4) Omission of schedule, with explanation

### Page 3: Schedule of Guarantee and Indemnity Agreements: Section Five

- 5(1) List agreements under the Guarantees and Indemnities Regulation
- 5(2) State the entities and amounts involved
- 5(3) & (4) Omission of schedule, with explanation

### Page 3 & 4: Schedule of Remuneration and Expenses: Section Six

- 6(1) [Definitions for reference]
- 6(2)(a) List remuneration / expenses for each elected official, member of board, Cabinet appointees
- 6(2)(b) List each employee with remuneration exceeding \$75,000, plus expenses
- 6(2)(c) Consolidated total for all employees with remuneration of \$75,000 or less
- 6(2)(d) Reconcile difference in total remuneration above with operational statement
- 6(3) Exclude personal information other than as required

### Page 3 & 4: Schedule of Remuneration and Expenses: Section Six (continued)

- 6(4) & (5) [Explanatory information for reference]
- 6(6) Report employer portion of EI and CPP as a supplier payment
- 6(7)(a) & (b) Statement of severance agreements
- 6(8) Explain an omission of statement of severance agreements
- 6(9) [Statement of severance agreements to minister not required unless requested]

### Page 4: Schedule of Suppliers of Goods or Services: Section Seven

- 7(1)(a) List suppliers receiving payments exceeding \$25,000
- 7(1)(b) Consolidated total of all payments of \$25,000 or less
- 7(1)(c) Reconcile difference in total above with operational statement
- 7(2)(a) [Explanatory information for reference]
- 7(2)(b) Statement of payments of grants or contributions
- 7(2)(c) [Explanatory information for reference]

### Page 5: Inactive Corporations: Section Eight

- 8(1) Ministry to report for inactive corporations
- 8(2)(a) Contents of report statements and schedules under section 1(1) to extent possible
- 8(2)(b) Contents of report operational status of corporation

### Approval of Financial Information: Section Nine

- 9(1) Approval of SOFI for corporations (other than municipalities)
- 9(2) Approval of SOFI for municipalities
- 9(3) Management report
- 9(4) Management report must explain roles and responsibilities
- 9(5) Signature approval is for all contents of the SOFI

### Access to the Financial Information: Section Ten

10(1) to (3) [Explanatory information for reference]

### Financial Information Regulation, Schedule 1 Checklist – Statement of Financial Information (SOFI)

#### For the Corporation: Corporate Name: District of Wells Andrew Young Contact Name: (250) 994-3330 31 December 2015 Fiscal Year End: Phone Number: 15 June 2016 administrator@wells.ca Date Submitted: E-mail: For the Ministry: Ministry Name: Reviewer: Date Received: Yes No Deficiencies: No Date Reviewed: Deficiencies Addressed: Yes Further Action Taken: Approved (SFO): Legislative Library Distribution: **Ministry Retention** FIR Yes No N/A Comments Item Schedule 1 Section General 1 (1) (a) Statement of assets and liabilities × 1 (1) (b) **Operational statement** × Schedule of debts 1(1)(c)× Schedule of guarantee and 1 (1) (d) × indemnity agreements Schedule of employee remuneration 1 (1) (e) × and expenses 1 (1) (f) Schedule of suppliers of goods and × services 1 (3) Statements prepared on a × consolidated basis or for each fund, as appropriate 1 (4) Notes to the financial statements for 1 (5) × the statements and schedules listed above

FIR Schedule 1 Section	ltem	Yes	No	N/A	Comments
	Statemen	t of Ass	sets & I	∟iabilit	ies
2	<ul> <li>A balance sheet prepared in accordance with GAAP or stated accounting principles / policies, and</li> <li>Show changes in equity and surplus or deficit due to operations</li> </ul>	X			
	Оре	rational	Staten	nent	
3 (1)	<ul> <li>Prepared in accordance with GAAP or stated accounting principles / policies and consists of:</li> <li>a Statement of Income or Statement of Revenue and Expenditures, and</li> <li>a Statement of Changes in Financial Position</li> </ul>	X			
3 (2) 3 (3)	<ul> <li>The Statement of Changes in Financial Position may be omitted if it provides no additional information</li> <li>The omission must be explained in the notes</li> </ul>			×	
3 (4)	Community colleges, school districts, and municipalities must prepare a Statement of Changes in Financial Position for the Capital Fund	X			
	So	chedule	of Deb	ts	
4 (1) (a) 4 (2)	List each long-term debt (secured by debentures, mortgages, bonds, etc.), stating the amount outstanding, the interest rate, and the maturity date	X			
4 (1) (b)	Identify debts covered by sinking funds or reserves and amounts in these accounts			X	
4 (3) 4 (4)	<ul> <li>The schedule may be omitted if addressed under section 2 or 5 and it provides no additional information</li> <li>The omission must be explained in a note to the schedule</li> </ul>			X	

FIR Schedule 1 Section	Item	Yes	No	N/A	Comments
	Schedule of Guara	antee ar	nd Inde	mnity /	Agreements
5 (1)	List financial agreements that required government approval prior to being given (see Guarantees and Indemnities Regulation in FIA Guidance Package)			×	
5 (2)	State the entities involved, and the specific amount involved if known			×	
5 (3) 5 (4)	<ul> <li>The schedule may be omitted if addressed under section 2 or 4 and it provides no additional information</li> <li>The omission must be explained in a note to the schedule</li> </ul>		0	×	
	Schedule of F (See Guidance				
6 (2) (a)	List separately, by name and position, the total remuneration and the total expenses for each elected official, member of the board of directors, and employee appointed by Cabinet	X		0	
6 (2) (b)	List alphabetically each employee whose total remuneration exceeds \$75,000 and the total expenses for each [excluding the persons listed under 6 (2) (a)]	X			
6 (2) (c)	Include a consolidated total for employees whose remuneration is \$75,000 or less [excluding the persons listed under 6 (2) (a)]	×			
6 (2) (d)	Reconcile or explain any difference between total remuneration in this schedule and related information in the operational statement	X			
6 (3)	Exclude personal information other than name, position, function or remuneration and expenses of employees	×			

FIR Schedule 1 Section	Item	Yes	No	N/A	Comments
	Schedule of F (See Guidance				
6 (6)	Report the employer portion of EI and CPP as a supplier payment to the Receiver General for Canada rather than as employee remuneration	X			
6 (7) (a) 6 (7) (b)	<ul> <li>Include a statement of severance agreements providing:</li> <li>the number of severance agreements under which payment commenced in the fiscal year being reported on for non-union employees, and</li> <li>the range of equivalent months' compensation for them (see Guidance Package for suggested format)</li> </ul>		٥	X	
6 (8)	Provide the reason for omitting a statement of severance agreements in a note to the schedule of remuneration and expenses			×	
	Schedule of Su (See Guidance				
7 (1) (a)	List in alphabetical order all suppliers of goods and services who received aggregate payments exceeding \$25,000	X			
7 (1) (b)	Include a consolidated total of all payments to suppliers who received \$25,000 or less	×			
7 (1) (c)	Reconcile or explain any difference between the consolidated total and related figures in the operational statement	X			
7 (2) (b)	Include a statement of payments for the purposes of grants or contributions	×			

FIR Schedule 1 Section	ltem	Yes	No	N/A	Comments
	Inac	tive Co	rporati	ons	
8 (1)	The ministry reports for the corporation if the corporation is not operating to the extent required to produce a SOFI			×	
8 (2) (a)	The ministry's report contains the statements and schedules required under section 1 (1), to the extent possible			×	
8 (2) (b)	The ministry's report contains a statement of the operational status of the corporation (see Guidance Package regarding what to include)			×	
	Approval	of Finar	ncial In	format	ion
9 (1)	Corporations other than municipalities – the SOFI is signed as approved by the board of directors or the governing body (see Guidance Package for example)			×	
9 (2)	Municipalities – the SOFI is approved by its council and by the officer assigned responsibility for financial administration (see Guidance Package for example)	X			
9 (3)	A management report is included, signed by the head and chief financial officer, or by the municipal officer assigned responsibility for financial administration (see examples in annual report at <u>http://www.gov.bc.ca/cas/popt/</u> )	X	0	0	
9 (4)	The management report explains the roles and responsibilities of the board of directors or governing body, audit committee, management, and the auditors	X			
9 (5)	Signature approvals required in section 9 are for each of the statements and schedules of financial information, not just the financial statements	X			

### STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL INFORMATION DISTRICT OF WELLS

### Schedule Showing Payments Made for the Provision of Goods or Services in 2015

1. Alphabetical list of suppliers who received aggregate payments exceeding \$25,000

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Supplier name	Aggregate amount paid to supplier
BC Hydro and Power Authority	\$ 42,834.24
BC Pension Corporation	\$ 36,575.28
Cariboo Regional District	\$ 36,832.24
City of Quesnel	\$ 29,730.50
CUETS Financial	\$ 25,259.41
Emcon Services Inc.	\$ 72,352.35
Jepson Petroleum Ltd.	\$ 35,261.94
Ministry of Finance (BC)	\$ 75,127.83
Receiver General of Canada	\$ 71,319.09
Total aggregate amount paid to suppliers:	\$ 425,292.88
<ol> <li>Consolidated total paid to suppliers who received aggregate payments of \$25,000 or less:</li> </ol>	\$ 324,403.56
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3. Total paid to suppliers:	\$ 749,696.44

### STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL INFORMATION DISTRICT OF WELLS

### Staff 2015 Remuneration and Expenses

Name	Position	Salary	Expenses
Katrina Leckovic	Chief Administrative Officer	\$ 88,058	\$ 2,474
Other under \$75,000	)	\$ 204,374	\$ 8,030
TOTAL SALARIES and	EXPENSES	\$ 292,432	\$ 10,504

### Mayor and Council 2015 Remuneration and Expenses

Name	Position	Remuneration	Expenses
Robin Sharpe	Mayor	\$ 8,359	\$ 4534
Mandy Kilsby	Councillor	\$ 3,400	\$ 2689
Lorraine Kozar	Councillor	\$ 3,400	\$ 4426
Virginia Wilkins	Councillor	\$ 3,400	\$ 2726
<b>Richard Wright</b>	Councillor	\$ 3,400	\$ 200

### Employer portions of CPP and EI

CPP: \$ 10,661.04 EI: \$ 5,888.29

### Statement of Financial Information District of Wells Tax Exemptions for 2015 Tax Year (per Bylaw 137, 2014) UNDER DIVISION 7, PART 7 OF THE COMMUNITY CHARTER

Name of Organization	Folio #	Class	2015 Rates	2015 Assessment	Tax Exempted
Wells Historical Society	09351.002	6	24.42194	\$109,700	\$3,153
Wells Historical Society	05541.991	6	24.42194	\$29,700	\$1,199
Island Mountain Arts Society	01650.000	6	24.42194	\$53,600	\$1,783
Island Mountain Arts Society	01771.010	1	10.0630	\$20,700	\$208
Wells Recreation Society	01480.002	6	24.42194	\$338,900	\$8,751
Royal Canadian Legion Branch 128	01433.001	6	24.42194	\$81,100	<u>\$990</u>

TOTAL \$16,085

### STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL INFORMATION APPROVAL

The undersigned, as authorized by the Financial Information Regulation, Schedule 1, subsection 9(2), approves all the statements and schedules included in this Statement of Financial Information, produced under the *Financial Information Act*.

Andrew Young Position of Financial Officer/Administrator Date: June 14, 2016

Robin Sharpe Mayor Date: June 14, 2016 Consolidated Financial Statements of

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# DISTRICT OF WELLS

Year ended December 31, 2015



**Consolidated Financial Statements** 

Year ended December 31, 2015

**Consolidated Financial Statements** 

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### MANAGEMENT'S RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The accompanying consolidated financial statements of District of Wells (the "District") are the responsibility of management and have been prepared in compliance with legislation, and in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles for local governments established by the Public Sector Accounting Board of The Canadian Institute of Chartered Professional Accountants. A summary of the significant accounting policies are described in Note 1 to the consolidated financial statements. The preparation of consolidated financial statements necessarily involves the use of estimates based on management's judgment, particularly when transactions affecting the current accounting period cannot be finalized with certainty until future periods.

The District's management maintains a system of internal controls designed to provide reasonable assurance that assets are safeguarded, transactions are properly authorized and recorded in compliance with legislative and regulatory requirements, and reliable financial information is available on a timely basis for preparation of the consolidated financial statements. These systems are monitored and evaluated by management.

Mayor and Council meet with management and the external auditors to review the consolidated financial statements and discuss any significant financial reporting or internal control matters prior to their approval of the consolidated financial statements.

The consolidated financial statements have been audited by KPMG LLP, independent external auditors appointed by the District. The accompanying Independent Auditors' Report outlines their responsibilities, the scope of their examination and their opinion on the District's consolidated financial statements.

Mr. Andrew Young

Chief Administrative Officer



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### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Mayor and Council of District of Wells

We have audited the accompanying consolidated financial statements of District of Wells, which comprise the consolidated statement of financial position as at December 31, 2015, the consolidated statements of operations, changes in net assets and cash flows for the year then ended, and notes, comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

### Management's Responsibility for the consolidated Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these consolidated financial statements in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for private enterprises, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

### Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements. The procedures selected depend on our judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, we consider internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated 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. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the consolidated financial statements.

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



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#### Opinion

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of District of Wells as at December 31, 2015, and its consolidated results of operations and its consolidated cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for private enterprises.

### Other Matter

Without modifying our opinion, we draw attention to Note 14 to the consolidated financial statements which indicates that the comparative information presented as at and for the year ended December 31, 2014 has been restated. The consolidated financial statements of the District of Wells as at and for the year ended December 31, 2014, excluding the restatement described in Note 14 to the consolidated financial statements, were audited by another auditor who expressed an unmodified opinion on those consolidated financial statements on April 24, 2015.

As part of our audit of the consolidated financial statements as at and for the year ended December 31, 2015, we audited the restatement described in Note 14 to the consolidated financial statements that was applied to restate the comparative information as at and for the year ended December 31, 2014, In our opinion, the restatement is appropriate and has been properly applied.

We were not engaged to audit, review, or apply any procedures to the December 31, 2014 consolidated financial statements, the December 31, 2013 consolidated financial statements (not presented herein), other than with respect to the restatement described in Note 14 to the consolidated financial statements. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion or any other form of assurance on those consolidated financial statements taken as a whole.

KPMG LLP

**Chartered Professional Accountants** 

April 19, 2016 Prince George, Canada



Consolidated Statement of Financial Position

December 31, 2015, with comparative information for 2014

	2015	 2014 (restated - note 14)
Financial assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 303,256	\$ 356,862
Accounts receivable (note 2)	191,756	156,506
Investment in and advances to Wells Barkerville		
Community Forest Corporation (note 3)	955	955
	\$ 495,967	\$ 514,323
Financial liabilities:		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 30,838	\$ 98,593
Deferred revenue	-	1,138
Long-term debt, net of sinking funds (note 4)	 12,387	24,184
	43,225	123,915
Net financial assets	452,742	 390,408
Non-financial assets:		
Prepaid expenses	8,240	-
Property acquired for taxes	4,620	4,620
Tangible capital assets (note 5)	 6,026,882	6,174,081
	6,039,742	6,178,701
Accumulated surplus (note 6)	\$ 6,492,484	\$ 6,569,109

Commitments and contingencies (note 7)

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer



Consolidated Statement of Operations and Accumulated Surplus

Year ended December 31, 2015, with comparative information for 2014

	2015	2015		2014
	Budget	Actual		Actual
				(restated - note 14)
	 	 	*****	10(6 14)
Revenues:				
Taxation (note 8)	\$ 176,338	\$ 185,543	\$	181,042
Government transfers (note 9):				
Federal	77,000	61,435		62,843
Provincial	449,228	407,461		389,358
Other	76,649	82,114		67,197
Other revenue from own sources	48,935	77,442		63,847
Utility user fees	74,660	72,866		76,251
Sale of services	 14,620	16,799		14,484
Total revenues	917,430	903,660		855,022
Expenditures:				
General government services	632,593	766,629		776,219
Protective services	16,881	12,136		12,136
Water utility	80,541	110,973		119,376
Sewer utility	74,611	 90,547		83,255
Total expenditures	804,626	980,285		990,986
Annual surplus (deficit)	 112,804	(76,625)		(135,964)
Accumulated surplus, beginning of year	6,569,109	6,569,109		6,705,073
Accumulated surplus, end of year	\$ 6,681,913	\$ 6,492,484	\$	6,569,109

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.



Consolidated Statement of Changes in Net Financial Assets

Year ended December 31, 2015, with comparative information for 2014

	Budget	2015	2014 (restated - note 14)
Annual surplus (deficit)	\$ 112,804 \$	(76,625)	\$ (135,964)
Acquisition of tangible capital assets Amortization of tangible capital assets Loss on disposal of tangible capital assets	(109,000) - -	(30,645) 175,625 2,219	(9,355) 175,385
	(109,000)	147,199	166,030
Purchase of prepaid expenses	-	(8,240)	-
Change in net financial assets	3,804	62,334	 30,066
Net financial assets, beginning of year	390,408	390,408	360,342
Net financial assets, end of year	\$ 394,212 \$	452,742	\$ 390,408

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.



Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows

Year ended December 31, 2015, with comparative information for 2014

		2015		2014 (restated - note 14)
Cash provided by (used in):				
Operating activities:				
Annual deficit	\$	(76,625)	\$	(135, 964)
Items not involving cash:	2.4 Z	· · · · ·		, . ,
Amortization of tangible capital assets		175,625		175,385
Loss on disposal of tangible capital assets		2,219		-
Changes in non-cash operating working capital:				
Accounts receivable		(35,251)		7,034
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities		(67,754)		(11,691)
Prepaid expenses		(8,240)		-
Deferred revenue		(1,138)		(123,471)
Net change in cash from operating activities		(11,164)		(88,707)
Capital activities:				
Acquisition of tangible capital assets		(30,645)		(9,355)
Financing activities:				
Repayment of long-term debt		(11,797)		(52,415)
Decrease in cash and cash equivalents		(53,606)		(150,477)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year		356,862		507,339
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	\$	303,256	9	356,862

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.



Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

Year ended December 31, 2015

District of Wells (the "District") is a municipality that was created in 1998 under the Community Charter, formerly the Municipal Act, a statute of the Province of British Columbia. The District's principal activities include the provision of local government services to residents of the incorporated area. These services include administrative, protective, water and sewer services.

### 1. Significant accounting policies:

The consolidated financial statements of the the District are prepared in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles for governments as recommended by the Public Sector Accounting Board ("PSAB") of the Canadian Institute of Chartered Professional Accountants. Significant accounting policies adopted by the District are as follows:

- (a) Basis of consolidation:
  - (i) Consolidated entities:

The consolidated financial statements reflect the assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses of the reporting entity. The reporting entity is comprised of all organizations, committees and local boards accountable for the administration of their financial affairs and resources to the District and which are owned or controlled by the District.

(ii) Accounting for Region and School Board Transactions:

The taxation, other revenues, expenses, assets and liabilities with respect to the operations of the Region and the School Board are not reflected in these consolidated financial statements.

(iii) Trust funds:

Trust funds and their related operations administered by the District are not included in these consolidated financial statements.



Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (continued)

Year ended December 31, 2015

### 1. Significant accounting policies (continued):

- (a) Basis of consolidation (continued):
  - (iv) Investment in Government Business Enterprises:

The District's investment in the Wells Barkerville Community Forest Corporation, a wholly-owned subsidiary, is accounted for on a modified equity basis, consistent with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles as recommended by PSAB. Under the modified equity basis, the Wells Barkerville Community Forest Corporation's accounting policies are not adjusted to conform with those of the District and inter-organizational transactions and balances are not eliminated. The District recognizes its equity interest in the annual earnings or loss of the Wells Barkerville Community Forest Corporation in its consolidated statement of operations and accumulated surplus with a corresponding increase or decrease in its investment asset account. Any dividends that the District may receive from the Wells Barkerville Community Forest Corporation will be reflected as reductions in the investment asset account.

(b) Basis of accounting:

The District follows the accrual method of accounting for revenues and expenses. Revenues are normally recognized in the year in which they are earned and measurable. Expenses are recognized as they are incurred and measurable as a result of receipt of goods or services and/or the creation of a legal obligation to pay.

(c) Revenue recognition:

Revenues are recognized in accordance with the provisions of the Community Charter. The District is required to act as the agent for the collection of certain taxes and fees imposed by other authorities. Collections for other authorities are excluded from the District's taxation revenues.

Revenue unearned in the current period is reported on the consolidated statement of financial position as deferred revenue or deposits.

(d) Investment income:

Investment income is reported as revenue in the period earned. When required by the funding agency or related Act, investment income earned on deferred revenue is added to the investment and forms part of the deferred revenue balance.



Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (continued)

Year ended December 31, 2015

### 1. Significant accounting policies (continued):

(e) Cash and cash equivalents:

Cash equivalents include short-term highly liquid investments with a term to maturity of 90 days or less at acquisition.

(f) Property acquired for taxes:

Property acquired for taxes is carried at the lower of cost and net realizable value. Cost consists of the original purchase price and applicable carrying charges.

(g) Non-financial assets:

Non-financial assets are not available to discharge existing liabilities and are held for use in the provision of services. They have useful lives extending beyond the current year and are not intended for sale in the ordinary course of operations.

(i) Tangible capital assets:

Tangible capital assets are recorded at cost which includes amounts that are directly attributable to acquisition, construction, development or betterment of the asset. The cost, less residual value, of the tangible capital assets, excluding land, are amortized on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives as follows:

Asset	Useful life
Building and site improvements	15 - 40 years
Machinery and equipment	5 - 20 years
Mountain trail systems	20 years
Road infrastructure	15 - 50 years
Water infrastructure	25 - 80 years
Sewer infrastructure	50 - 80 years

Tangible capital assets are tested annually for any impairment in value based on continued usefulness of the assets and their related carrying values. Any impairment in carrying value would be recorded in the period that the impairment occurs.



Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (continued)

Year ended December 31, 2015

### 1. Significant accounting policies (continued):

- (g) Non-financial assets (continued):
  - (ii) Contributions of tangible capital assets:

Tangible capital assets received as contributions are recorded at their fair value at the date of receipt and also are recorded as revenue.

(iii) Interest capitalization:

The District does not capitalize interest costs associated with the acquisition or construction of a tangible capital asset.

(h) Contaminated sites:

Contaminated sites are defined as the result of contamination being introduced in air, soil, water or sediment of a chemical, organic, or radioactive material or live organism that exceeds an environmental standard.

A liability for remediation of contaminated sites is recognized, net of any expected recoveries, when all of the following criteria are met:

- (a) an environmental standard exists,
- (b) contamination exceeds the environmental standard,
- (c) the organization is directly responsible or accepts responsibility for the liability,
- (d) future economic benefits will be given up, and
- (e) a reasonable estimate of the liability can be made.
- (i) Use of estimates:

The preparation of the consolidated financial statements 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 consolidated financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the year. Significant items subject to such estimates and assumptions include the carrying amount of tangible capital assets and obligations related to employee future benefits. Actual results could differ from those estimates.



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### 2. Accounts receivable:

	2015	 2014
Taxes	\$ 86,117	\$ 72,139
Grants	83,416	76,055
Sales tax	14,124	6,537
Miscellaneous	8,099	1,775
	\$ 191,756	\$ 156,506

### 3. Investment in and advances to Wells Barkerville Community Forest Corporation:

	2015	 2014
Advances Investment in shares	\$ 855 100	\$ 855 100
	\$ 955	\$ 955

There are no specific terms of repayment on the unsecured, non-interest bearing advances. The above company is in the process of developing a community forest, the economic benefits of which will accrue to the local area. The District has submitted and received approval on their community forest, but no operations have occurred as at December 31, 2015.



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### 4. Long-term debt, net of sinking funds:

The District issues debt instruments through the Municipal Finance Authority of British Columbia ("MFA"), pursuant to security issuing bylaws under authority of the Community Charter, to finance certain capital expenditures.

Sinking Fund balances, managed by MFA, are used to reduce long-term debt.

	By-Law Number		Year of maturity	Gross debt	Sinking Fund Assets	Net debt 2015	Net debt 2014
Water Fu Water	nd: 3264	5.69%	2016 \$	47,413 \$	35,026 \$	12,387 \$	24,184

Debt is reported net of sinking fund balances on the statement of financial position.

(a) Principal and sinking fund payments due within the next year are as follows:

	V	Vater Fund
2016	\$	6,256
Estimated sinking fund income		6,131
	\$	12,387

(b) Sinking fund instalments are invested by the MFA and earn income which, together with principal payments, are expected to be sufficient to retire the sinking debt at maturity. For sinking fund agreements, the MFA has established either a normal sinking fund or a capital repayment equalization fund.



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### 5. Tangible capital assets:

		Duibling				201	15				
	Land	Building and site improvement	N	lountain trail systems	М	achinery and equipment		Road infrastructure	Water infrastructure	Sewer infrastructure	Total
Cost: Balance, beginning of year Additions Disposal	\$ 257,524 - -	\$ 2,864,850 7,195	\$	181,580 - -	\$	672,637 5,163 (9,800)	\$	708,957 \$ 18,287	2,274,191 \$ - -	1,319,257 - -	\$ 8,278,996 30,645 (9,800
Balance, end of year	257,524	2,872,045		181,580		668,000		727,244	2,274,191	1,319,257	8,299,841
Accumulated amortization: Balance, beginning of year Disposal	:	752,763		6,576		529,725 (7,581)		164,579 -	382,708 -	268,564	2,104,915 (7,581)
Amortization expense	-	71,711		1,135		43,499		14,362	28,427	16,491	175,625
Balance, end of year	-	824,474		7,711		565,643		178,941	411,135	285,055	2,272,959
Net book value, end of year	\$ 257,524	\$ 2,047,571	\$	173,869	\$	102,357	\$	548,303 \$	1,863,056 \$	1,034,202	\$ 6,026,882

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### 5. Tangible capital assets (continued):

			Duilding				201	4				
	Land	in	Building and site provements	M	ountain trail systems	Ma	chinery and equipment	ir	Road hfrastructure	Water infrastructure	Sewer infrastructure	Total
Cost: Balance, beginning of year Additions	\$ 257,524	\$	2,855,495 9,355	\$	181,580	\$	672,637 -	\$	708,957 \$ -	2,274,191 \$ -	1,319,257	\$ 8,269,641 9,355
Balance, end of year	257,524		2,864,850		181,580		672,637		708,957	2,274,191	1,319,257	8,278,996
Accumulated amortization: Balance, beginning												
of year Amortization expense	-		681,259 71,504		5,441 1,135		486,076 43,649		150,400 14,179	354,280 28,427	252,074 16,491	1,929,530
Balance, end of year	-		752,763		6,576		529,725		164,579	382,707	268,565	2,104,915
Net book value, end of year	\$ 257,524	\$	2,112,087	\$	175,004	\$	142,912	\$	544,378 \$	1,891,484 \$	1,050,692	\$ 6,174,081



Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (continued)

Year ended December 31, 2015

### 6. Accumulated surplus:

Accumulated surplus consists of individual fund surpluses and reserve funds as follows:

	2015	2014 (restated - note 14)
Surplus (deficiency):		
Invested in tangible capital assets	\$ 6,014,495	\$ 6,149,897
General fund	295,696	273,289
Water utility fund	(58,463)	(46,056)
Sewer utility fund	21,345	22,098
Total surplus	6,273,073	6,399,228
Reserves set aside by Council:		
Water operating	65,121	62,108
Fire department	23,853	22,749
Road capital	62,911	60,000
CWF restricted capital funding	67,526	25,024
Total reserve funds	219,411	169,881
	\$ 6,492,484	\$ 6,569,109



Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (continued)

Year ended December 31, 2015

### 7. Commitments and contingencies:

- (a) The District is responsible, as a member of the Cariboo Regional District, for its portion of any operating deficits or capital debt related to functions in which it participates.
- (b) The District issues debt instruments through the MFA. As a condition of these borrowings, 1% of gross proceeds are required by the MFA for the District to deposit into a debt reserve fund. The District is also required to execute demand notes in connection with each debenture whereby the District may be required to loan certain amounts to the MFA. These demand notes are contingent in nature and are not reflected in the accounts. The demand notes issued at December 31, 2015 aggregated \$5,655 (2014 -\$5,655).
- (c) The District and its employees contribute to the Municipal Pension Plan ("the Plan"), a jointly trusteed pension plan. The Board of Trustees, representing plan members and employers, is responsible for administering the Plan, including investment of assets and administration of benefits. The Plan is a multi-employer defined benefit pension plan. Basic pension benefits provided are based on a formula. As at December 31, 2014, the Plan has about 185,000 active members and approximately 80,000 retired members. Active members include approximately 4 contributors from the District.

Every three years, an actuarial valuation is performed to assess the financial position of the plan and adequacy of plan funding. The actuary determines an appropriate combined employer and member contribution rate to fund the Plan. The actuary's calculated contribution rate is based on the entry-age normal cost method, which produces the long-term rate of member and employer contributions sufficient to provide benefits for average future entrants to the Plan. This rate is then adjusted to the extent there is amortization of any funding deficit.

The most recent actuarial valuation for the Municipal Pension Plan as at December 31, 2012 indicated a \$1,370 million funding deficit for basic pension benefits on a going concern basis.

The next valuation will be as at December 31, 2015, with results available in 2016.



Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (continued)

Year ended December 31, 2015

### 7. Commitments and contingencies (continued):

Employers participating in the Plan record their pension expense as the amount of employer contributions made during the fiscal year (defined contribution pension plan accounting). This is because the Plan records accrued liabilities and accrued assets for the Plan in aggregate, resulting in no consistent and reliable basis for allocating the obligation, assets and cost to the individual employers participating in the Plan.

The District paid \$19,225 (2014 - \$13,698) for employer contributions to the Plan in fiscal 2015.

(d) The District is obligated to collect and transmit property taxes levied on District of Wells taxpayers in respect of the following bodies:

Ministry of Education, Province of British Columbia Cariboo Regional District Cariboo-Chilcotin Regional Hospital District British Columbia Assessment Authority Municipal Finance Authority Royal Canadian Mounted Police

(e) The District is a participant in the Municipal Insurance Association of British Columbia. Should the Association pay out claims in excess of premiums received, it is possible that the District, along with other participants, would be required to contribute toward the deficit.



Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (continued)

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### 8. Net taxation revenue:

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As indicated in note 7(d), the District is required to collect taxes on behalf of and transfer the appropriate portion of these amounts to the government agencies below:

		2015	2014
Taxes collected:			
General purposes	\$	174,088	\$ 167,909
Grants in lieu of taxes	2	14,419	13,133
Collection of other governments		127,424	129,595
		315,931	310,637
Transfers to other governments:			
Provincial government		70,857	68,732
Cariboo Regional District		34,773	35,411
Cariboo-Chilcotin Regional Hospital District		13,890	14,218
B.C. Assessment Authority		1,472	1,522
Royal Canadian Mounted Police		9,396	9,712
		130,388	129,595
	\$	185,543	\$ 181,042



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### 9. Government transfers:

The District recognizes the transfer of government funding as expenses or revenues in the period that the events giving rise to the transfer occurred. The government transfers reported on the Consolidated Statement of Operations and Accumulated Surplus are:

	 2015	 2014
Provincial grants:		
Unconditional	\$ 401,338	\$ 385,276
Miscellaneous	6,123	 4,082
Subtotal provincial grants	407,461	389,358
Federal grants:		
Gas tax	60,789	59,843
Community health	646	3,000
Subtotal federal grants	61,435	62,843
Other grants:		
Northern Development Initiative Trust	82,114	67,197
Total government transfers	\$ 551,010	\$ 519,398



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### 10. Segmented information:

The District is a diversified municipal organization that provides a wide range of services to its citizens. For management reporting purposes, the District's operations and activities are organized and reported by service areas. Municipal services are provided by departments and their activities are reported in these service areas. Service areas that have been separately disclosed in the segmented information, along with the services they provide, are as follows:

a) General Government Services:

General government services operations provides the functions of corporate administration and legislative services and any other functions categorized as non-departmental in the District.

b) Protective Services:

Protective services is comprised of emergency management and regulatory services.

c) Water Utility:

The water utility installs and maintains the water systems and facilities within the District. The treatment and distribution of water in the District through Public Works is included in this segment.

d) Sewer Utility:

The sewer utility installs and maintains the sewer systems and facilities within the District. The collection of sewage in the District through Public Works is included in this segment.

The following statement provides additional information for the foregoing functions. The accounting policies used in these segments are consistent with those followed in the preparation of the consolidated financial statements as disclosed in Note 1.



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### 10. Segmented information (continued):

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	General Government		Protective Services			Water Utility		Sewer Utility		Tota	
		overnment		00111003		Othity		Otinity		1010	
Revenue:											
Government transfers	\$	551,010	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	551,010	
Taxation		100,157		÷		46,116		39,270		185,543	
Other revenue from											
own sources		77,442		-		-		-		77,442	
Utility user fees		-		-		38,833		34,033		72,866	
Sale of services		16,799		-		-		-		16,799	
Total revenue		745,408		-		84,949		73,303		903,660	
Expenses:											
Salaries, wages and											
employee benefits		328,102		907		-		-		329,009	
Operating		322,946		9,691		27,312		27,960		387,909	
Interest		1,001		-		4,395		-		5,396	
Insurance		24,975		1,538		-		-		26,513	
Professional services		23,778		-		-		-		23,778	
Amortization		130,707		-		28,427		16,491		175,625	
Administrative recovery		(96,935)		-		50,839		46,096			
Loss on disposal of tangible											
capital assets		2,219		-		-		-		2,219	
Mayor and council remuneration											
and travel		29,836		-		-		-		29,836	
Total expenses		766,629		12,136		110,973		90,547		980,285	
Annual deficit	\$	(21,221)	\$	(12,136)	\$	(26,024)	\$	(17,244)	\$	(76,625	



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### 10. Segmented information (continued):

	2014									
	General Government		Protective Services			Water Utility		Sewer Utility		Total
Revenue:										
Government transfers	\$	519,398	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	519,398
Taxation		94,294		-		46,848		39,900		181,042
Other revenue from										
own sources		63,847		-		-		-		63,847
Utility user fees		3		-		40,542		35,709		76,251
Sale of services		14,484		-		-		-		14,484
Total revenue		692,023		-		87,390		75,609		855,022
Expenses:										
Salaries, and employee										
benefits		346,557		907		-		<del>_</del>		347,464
Operating		303,700		11,229		47,440		22,776		385,145
Interest		1,157		-		4,816		-		5,973
Insurance		24,529		-		-		-		24,529
Professional services		16,079		-		-		-		16,079
Amortization		130,468		-		28,427		16,490		175,385
Administrative recovery		(82,682)				38,693		43,989		-
Mayor and council remuneration										
and travel		36,411		-		-		<b>#</b> 3		36,411
Total expenses		776,219		12,136		119,376	10	83,255		990,986
Annual deficit	\$	(84,196)	\$	(12,136)	\$	(31,986)	\$	(7,646)	\$	(135,964



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### 11. Budget data:

The budget data presented in these consolidated financial statements is based upon the 2015 operating and capital budgets approved by Council on May 5, 2015. Amortization was not contemplated on development of the budget and, as such, has not been included. The table below reconciles the approved budget to the budget figures reported in these consolidated financial statements.

	Budget amou					
Revenues:	7					
Operating budget		\$	925,235			
Less:						
Transfer from other funds			(7,805)			
Total revenue			917,430			
Expenses:						
Operating budget			919,882			
Less:						
Capital expenditures			(109,000)			
Debt principal payments			(6,256)			
Total expenses			804,626			
Annual surplus		\$	112,804			

### 12. Comparative information:

Certain 2014 comparative figures have been reclassified to conform with the consolidated financial statement presentation adopted for the current year.

### 13. Economic dependence:

The District derives a significant portion of its government grant revenue from the Province of British Columbia through the Small Community Protection Program. Any changes to this funding could have an impact on the ongoing operation of the District.



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### 14. Restatement:

During the year, management determined that unspent funds received under the Federal Gas Tax program were included in deferred revenue instead of being included in revenue and accumulated surplus.

As a result, the prior year consolidated financial statements have been restated on a retroactive basis. The effect of the restatement is as follows:

	A	s Previously Reported	Increase (Decrease)	As Restated		
Consolidated Statement of Financial Position as at December 31, 2014: Deferred revenue	\$	26,162	\$ (25,024)	\$	1,138	
Consolidated Statement of Operations and Accumulated Surplus for the year ended December 31, 2014:						
Government grants		494,374	25,024		519,398	
Annual deficit	\$	(160,988)	\$ 25,024	\$	(135,964)	
Accumulated surplus, beginning		6,705,073	-		6,705,073	
Accumulated surplus, ending	\$	6,544,085	\$ 25,024	\$	6,569,109	