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BIG SKY COUNTY WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT NO. 363 ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Directors Big Sky County Water and Sewer District No. 363 Big Sky, Montana

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the business-type activities of Big Sky County Water and Sewer District No. 363 as of and for the year ended June 30, 2007, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of Big Sky County Water and Sewer District No. 363's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion 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 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 opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the business-type activities of Big Sky County Water and Sewer District No. 363 as of June 30, 2007, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows thereof for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated October 8, 2007, on our consideration of the Big Sky County Water and Sewer District No. 363's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of the testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audit.

The management's discussion and analysis on pages 3 through 6 is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquires of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Big Sky County Water and Sewer District No. 363 basic financial statements. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by U.S. Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*, and is not a required part of the basic financial statements of Big Sky County Water and Sewer District No. 363. The schedule of expenditures of federal awards has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

October 8, 2007

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Management Discussion and Analysis Fiscal Year 7/1/2006 -6/30/2007

The Big Sky County Water & Sewer District 363 is accounted for as a governmental enterprise. As a result, the accounting is much the same as a for profit organization with the exception of state and federal income tax. The District is tax exempt. The basic financial statements produced by the District include the Statement of Net Assets, Statement of Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Fund Net Assets and Statement of Cash Flows. Each statement contains vital financial information regarding the District's financial position and overall financial stability. The statement of net assets contains the assets, liabilities, and fund equity. The statement of revenue, expenses, and changes in fund net assets contain the detail of revenue sources and the detail of where the revenue was expended to provide the water and sewer services to the District as well as the beginning net assets and end of year net assets total. The statement of cash flows provides the detail of cash sources and uses for operating activities, capital and related financing activities, and investing activities.

The total assets and total liabilities of the District increased as a result of the expansion of both the sewer system and water system. The sewer capital assets of the district increased from \$30,877,505 to \$30,997,411. The water capital assets increased from \$11,530,099 to \$13,369,703. The District's other asset category decreased from \$847,800 to \$597,800 as a result of the payment made for the Boyne Annual Settlement Agreement. This agreement stipulates among other things that Boyne will make a \$250,000 payment each April 1, through the year 2010.

The total long-term liabilities associated with the existing State Revolving Fund Loans of both systems decreased from \$16,746,731 to \$15,476,064. The District used low interest rate loans from State Revolving Loan Fund Program to finance both water and sewer projects substantially completed in 2004. The current liabilities of the District increased from \$1,466,173 to \$2,930,841. The increase is primarily the current portion of the long-term debt \$1,542,000 and performance bonds and retainage payable of \$683,599.

Year	Total Assets	Growth Rate	Total Liabilities	Growth Rate
2002-2003	\$31,078296	36.83%	\$10,814,644	55.36%
2003-2004	\$41,378,423	33.14%	\$18,935,606	75.09%
2004-2005	\$43,206,751	4.42%	\$18,988,427	0.28%
2005-2006	\$45,022,077	4.20%	\$18,212,904	-4.08%
2006-2007	\$47,593,123	5.70%	\$18,406,905	1.07%

The total operating revenues of the District increased to \$2,042,536 from \$1,843,098. The total sewer operating revenue was \$1,073,984. The total water operating revenue was \$968,552. Both water and sewer revenue increases are a result of the District's larger customer base. The District has a plant investment charge on the sewer plant but no plant investment charge on the water plant. The total non-operating revenue (net expenses) of the District increased slightly to \$2,235,148 from \$2,228,527. The District's collection of plant investment charges decreased from \$1,357,528 to \$1,165,057. The District received \$500,000 from the Big Sky Resort Tax Board for paying interest and principal on two of the State Revolving Fund loans for the sewer filter building and another \$170,000 for the State Revolving



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Fund loans for the sewer treatment plant. The Big Sky Resort Tax Board also provided an additional \$30,000 for the water project State Revolving Fund loans used to build the Hidden Village Water Tank and install the initial phase of the water meters. The Resort Tax also provided funding of \$11,080 (total award \$50,000 rolled \$38,920 to next fiscal year) for the pond liner project. The District received \$250,000 from Boyne on their annual payment agreement. The District also collected \$586,165 in tax receipts for payments on the State Revolving Fund Loans used to finance the water tank, water meters and sewer treatment plant.

The total operating expense for the District decreased to \$2,042,785 from \$2,215,548. This was primarily a result of a non-recurring item. In the prior fiscal year the District wrote off the snowmaking project capital costs in the amount of \$290,450. Excluding the prior fiscal year's capital asset write-off the total operating expense increased to \$2,042,785 from \$1,925,095. The total general and administrative expense increased to \$367,760 from \$341,854. The total sewer general and administrative expense decreased slightly to \$175,254 from \$175,367. Total sewer operation expense increased to \$839,623 from \$811,207 excluding the write-off of \$290,450. The total water general and administrative expense increased to \$175,416 from \$160,672. The total operating expense increase of 6.11% excluding the non-recurring item was primarily due to rising price levels for raw materials, labor and services. The sewer department had a temporary employee vacancy that reduced general and administrative expenses temporarily.

Year	Total Revenues	Growth Rate	Total Expenses	Growth Rate
2002-2003	\$3,091,031	-4.24%	\$1,619,308	4.22%
2003-2004	\$2,608,068	-15.62%	\$1,900,410	17.36%
2004-2005	\$3,434,187	31.68%	\$2,529,075	33.08%
2005-2006	\$4,755,185	38.47%	\$2,899,112	14.63%
2006-2007	\$4,924,499	3.56%	\$2,689,600	-7.23%

The District received \$142,147 in donated capital assets. The donated capital assets are the water and sewer extensions as well as other infrastructure required to install and complete new construction projects and subdivisions within the District. All these assets are acquired by the District through formal transfer agreements recorded at the appropriate county office. The District is also given a two-year warranty on these assets in most cases, with a 10% of asset cost deposit made by the developer. The District increased the warranty period this last fiscal year from a one-year period to a two-year period to more appropriately match the time periods over which the water and sewer extensions are under construction and connections made on the water and sewer extensions. The contributed assets are then recorded as either water or sewer assets on the books of the District and depreciated accordingly. The recorded value of the asset is recognized as income in the year of acceptance.

The District's total net assets at June 30, 2007 were \$29,186,218. The total amount includes \$21,747,073 invested in capital assets, net of related debt, \$5,611,720 in unrestricted assets, and \$1,827,425 restricted for debt service. The total represents an increase of \$2,377,046 over the prior fiscal year total. The amount invested in capital assets, net of related debt increased by \$2,240,372 due to asset additions, contributions and debt reduction. The amount unrestricted decreased by \$985,244 due to plant



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investment funds expended for new water and sewer projects not yet put in service. The amount restricted for debt service increased to \$1,827,425 from \$988,507 due to the additional payments due next year for the latest State Revolving Fund Loan of five million dollars.

The District's overall financial position is stable with sufficient reserves and financing sources available to fund both the operating and non-operating activities of the District. The District's operating revenue was insufficient to cover all operating expenses in fiscal 2006-2007, which were covered by reserves. The District is also expecting to use reserves for the fiscal year 2007-2008 in an effort to continue the policy of rate stability. The District is expecting to operate at break-even by the end of fiscal year 2007-2008. The District had an extended period of positive operating results through fiscal 2003 and will continue to use these reserves to cover the current operating expenses that exceed operating revenues. The Board continues to monitor the revenues and expenses on a monthly basis and will take appropriate action if warranted. The District has rate setting authority, so if the Board believes the current status will not change as expected, both water and sewer rates can be changed subsequent to a public hearing to insure sufficient operating revenue to cover operating expenses associated with both water and sewer operations.

The budget for fiscal 2006-2007 at year-end did not have any significant negative variations with the exception of the contributed capital asset category. In the case of the non-operating category of donated capital assets (sewer and water extensions) the District estimated donations of \$500,000, however, donations totaled only \$142,147. The overall operating loss of \$249 was negligible. Generally, the budget for 2006-2007 was met with the revenue and expense projections within a tolerable range from the actual to budget results.

The District drew an additional \$18,640 in State Revolving Fund loan obligations to expand the sewer system. Even though this loan is not closed out, bi-annual payments must be made. As a result, the District paid down the principal on this particular loan by \$245,000 for a net decrease of \$226,360 for this particular State Revolving Fund Loan. The District has a total of six State Revolving Fund Loans with an outstanding balance at fiscal year-end of \$16,115,853 including the current portion of the long-term debt. As mentioned earlier, the District obtained approval for another State Revolving Fund Loan in the amount of \$5,000,000. This loan will close early in July 2007. As a result, the District increased the mill levy on the water debt service mill levy and reduced the mill levy on the sewer debt service mill levy to service the outstanding State Revolving Fund Loans for fiscal 2007-2008. The District increased the amount of plant investment money on the sewer debt service to accomplish the lower sewer mill levy. The Board will attempt to utilize all available other resources to pay the principal and interest on the State Revolving Fund Loans to minimize the tax implications for District property owners. The new State Revolving Fund Loan as well as the existing State Revolving Fund Loans will not impact planned future capital outlays.

The District sent out information to District property owners on the new projects in the Fall of 2006 with District property owners approving the proposed projects in December 2006. The District started the new water projects to connect existing water supply systems for system redundancy and new wells for additional supply. The District used an inter-fund loan of \$2,500,000 from the sewer plant investment fund. The funds were used to finance the first phase of the project anticipating the funds loaned to the



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water system would be repaid from the proceeds of the new loan. The District received approval for the new State Revolving Fund Loan of \$5,000,000 and will repay the appropriate costs from the proceeds of the new loan. The District applied for Resort Tax Funding for the debt service on the new water system redundancy and supply projects for the 2007-2008 fiscal year, however the application was denied. The District will reapply for Resort Tax Funding in the 2008-2009 fiscal year.

The District's current financial position is stable. There are no significant facts, decisions or conditions that are expected to have a significant effect on the financial position of the District or results of operations.

LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY

Current liabilities:	
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 705,242
Performance bonds and retainage payable	683,599
Current portion of long-term debt	1,542,000
Total current liabilities	2,930,841
Long-term liabilities:	
Deferred revenue	847,800
Compensated absences payable	54,411
General obligation bonds	15,955,154
Office building loan	160,699
Less: current portion of long-term debt	(1,542,000)
Total long-term liabilities	15,476,064
Total liabilities	18,406,905
Net assets:	
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	21,747,073
Unrestricted	5,611,720
Restricted for debt service	1,827,425
Total fund equity	29,186,218
Total liabilities and fund equity	\$ 47,593,123_

Operating expenses (Continued):

Sewer general and administrative:	
Salaries and wages	113,007
Workers' compensation insurance	32,655
Payroll taxes and benefits	18,568
Dues and subscriptions	2,052
Telephone	3,814
Office supplies	331
Education expense	4,827
Total sewer general and administrative	175,254
Sewer plant expense:	
Fuel - equipment and vehicles	10,554
Vehicle repair and maintenance	2,777
Vehicle insurance	1,508
Utilities	147,689
Chemicals	43,440
Stream water quality monitoring	484
Waste water monitoring	18,547
Lab testing equipment	975
Lab fees	833
Compost supplies	6,773
Safety equipment	1,451
Operating supplies	147
Discharge permit fees	1,650
Sewer repairs and maintenance	27,807
Treatment plant repairs and maintenance	11,972
Maintenance and repairs - building and grounds	15,383
Tools	6,423
Equipment rental	40
Jetting - sewer lines	14,418
Miscellaneous	703
Depreciation expense	526,049
Total sewer plant expense	839,623

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See accompanying notes to financial statements

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Nonoperating revenues (expenses):	
Other nonoperating revenue	344
Interest income	419,299
Tax receipts for bond payments	586,165
Plant investment charges	1,165,075
Resort tax revenue	711,080
Interest expense	(646,815)
Total nonoperating revenues (expenses)	2,235,148
Income before contributions	2,234,899
Contributed capital	142,147
Increase in net assets	2,377,046
Net assets, beginning of year	26,809,172
Net assets, end of year	\$ 29,186,218

Reconciliation of operating (loss) to net cash provided by operating activities:

Operating (loss)	\$	(249)
Adjustments to reconcile operating (loss) to net cash provided by operating activities	es:	
Depreciation		781,094
Nonoperating income		2,462,664
(Increase) decrease in current assets:		
Accounts receivable		(1,696)
Prepaid expenses		31,169
Inventory		20,136
Notes receivable		250,000
(Increase) decrease in current liabilities:		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses		589,918
Compensated absences payable		(191)
Deferred revenue		(250,000)
		3,883,094
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$	3,882,845

Supplemental Schedule of Non-cash Investing and Financing Activities:

During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007, developers contributed water and sewer extensions valued at \$142,147 and meters valued at \$96,093 to the District.

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements of the Big Sky County Water & Sewer District No. 363 (District) have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as applied to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The more significant of the District's accounting policies are described below.

A. Reporting Entity

The District was created by resolution by the Board of County Commissioners of Gallatin County, Montana, and Madison County, Montana, on August 3, 1993 and August 4, 1993, respectively. The District was created for the purpose of constructing, repairing, operating, managing, maintaining, and acquiring a sanitary sewer facility on the West Fork of the West Gallatin River, Gallatin County, Montana. The District acquired Lone Mountain Springs Water District, as part of a settlement agreement reached with Boyne USA on July 25, 1997. The District is governed by a Board of Directors elected by members of the District and establishes its own budget independent of any other government entity so it is therefore considered to be a primary government. The daily affairs of the District are conducted under the supervision of the District's general manager. The District serves approximately 2,400 customers.

B. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

The term measurement focus is used to denote what is being measured and reported in the District's operating statements. The District is accounted for on the flow of "economic resources" measurement focus. The accounting objectives of this measurement focus are the determination of operating income, changes in net assets (or cost recovery), financial position and cash flows. All assets and liabilities (whether current or noncurrent) associated with their activities are reported and equity is reported as net assets.

The term basis of accounting is used to determine when a transaction or event is recognized on the District's financial statements. The District uses the full accrual basis of accounting, with revenues recorded when earned and expenses recorded when incurred, even though actual payment or receipt may not occur until after the period ends.

Big Sky County Water and Sewer District No. 363 has elected, as allowed in paragraph 7 of Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 20, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Proprietary Funds and Other Governmental Entities that use Proprietary Fund Accounting, not to follow Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) pronouncements issued subsequent to November 30, 1989. Therefore, the District follows all GASB pronouncements and FASB pronouncements issued on or before November 30, 1989, unless those pronouncements conflict or contradict GASB pronouncements.

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

B. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting (continued)

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2004, the District adopted the provisions of GASB Statement No. 34, Basic Financial Statements – and Management's Discussion and Analysis – for State and Local Governments. Statement 34 established standards for external financial reporting for all states and local governmental entities, which includes a statement of net assets, a statement of revenues, expenses, and changes in fund net assets and a statement of cash flows.

It requires the classification of net assets into three components as described below:

- Invested in capital assets, net of related debt This component of net assets consists of capital assets, including restricted capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances of any bonds or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets.
- Restricted This component of net assets consists of restrictions placed on net assets as a result of external constraints imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments or constraints imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
- Unrestricted net assets This component of net assets consist of net assets that do not meet the definition of "restricted" or "invested in capital assets, net of related debt."

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2006, the District adopted the provisions of GASB Statement No. 40, *Deposit and Investment Risk Disclosures* to amend GASB Statement No. 3. This new Statement updates the custodial credit risk disclosure requirements of Statement 3 and establishes a more comprehensive disclosure requirement. It also addresses other common risks of the deposits and investments of state and local governments. Statement 40 eliminates Category 1 and 2 custodial credit risk and disclosures are now limited to the following:

- Deposits that are not covered by depository insurance and are (a) uncollateralized, (b) collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution, or (c) collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent but not in the depositor-government's name.
- Investment securities that are uninsured, are not registered in the name of the government, and are held by either (a) the counterparty or (b) the counterparty's trust department or agent but not in the government's name.

C. Revenues and Expenses

Revenues and expenses are distinguished between operating and nonoperating items. Operating revenues generally result from providing services in connection with the District's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues of the District are water and wastewater user charges. Revenue from user charges and sales of services is recognized as the related service is provided. Refunds to customers are charged to income in the period in which those refunds are paid. Operating expenses include the costs associated with the conveyance of water and wastewater, treatment of wastewater, administrative expenses, and depreciation of capital assets.

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

C. Revenues and Expenses (continued)

All revenues and expenses not meeting these definitions are reported as nonoperating revenues and expenses.

D. Water and Wastewater User Charges

Property owners are assessed sewer and water fees annually based on the number of single-family equivalent units. Most of the accounts have been converted to a metering system. No allowance has been made for uncollectible accounts because the District submits any delinquent accounts to the County Treasurer for collection.

E. Cash and Investments

The District is authorized by statute to invest in time and savings deposits with a bank, savings and loan association, or credit union in the state. In addition, it may also invest in obligations of the United States Government, securities issued by agencies of the United States, repurchase agreements, and the State Short-Term Investment Pool (STIP).

To minimize custodial credit risk in relation to the District's deposits, it is the District's policy to have uninsured deposits covered by collateral held by the pledging bank's agent in the District's name.

The District does not have a policy regarding concentration of credit risk in relation to its investments.

For the purpose of the cash flow statement, cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, deposits in demand accounts and money market accounts.

F. Restricted Cash

According to a bond resolution, cash in the amount of \$865,840 is restricted; this is the amount that has accumulated in the Debt Service Fund. Cash in the amount of \$961,585 is restricted as the result of a legally binding agreement. Both of these restrictions are for debt repayment.

G. Inventory

Inventory is recorded at lower of cost or market and consists primarily of operating materials.

H. Internal Balances

Internal receivable and payable balances have been eliminated in the Statement of Net Assets.

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

I. Capital Assets

The District's capital assets are capitalized at historical cost or estimated historical cost. Contributions of capital assets are recorded at fair market value when received. Depreciation of capital assets is calculated using the straight-line method with estimated useful lives as follows:

Office building	39 years
Water and sewer system and equipment	7-75 years
Vehicles	5 years
Computer equipment and software	3-5 years

Maintenance and repair costs are expensed as incurred. Replacements, which improve or extend the life of a fixed asset, are capitalized. Proceeds received from government or other grantors, for the purchase or construction of fixed assets, are credited to income. All interest costs associated with new construction are capitalized.

J. Compensated Absences

Employees accrue vacation time at 10 hours per month (increasing to 12 hours after 10 years up to 16 hours after 21 years) and sick leave at 8 hours per month. Upon termination, unused sick time is paid at 25%. Unused vacation may not be accrued beyond two times the annual amount. Excess time must be used within 90 days of the next calendar year or be forfeited.

K. Tax Revenue

Property tax levies are set by the Counties according to the rates approved by the voters and are based on taxable values listed as of January 1 for all real property located in the District. Taxable values are established by the Montana Department of Revenue based on market values. A revaluation of all property is required to be completed on a periodic basis. Taxable value is defined by Montana statute as a fixed percentage of market value.

Real property taxes and special assessments are generally billed in October and are payable one half by November 30 and one half by May 31. After these dates, taxes and assessments become delinquent and become a lien on the property. Personal property is assessed and personal property taxes are billed throughout the year, with a significant portion generally billed in May, June, and July. Personal property taxes are based on levies set during the prior August. These taxes become delinquent 30 days after billing.

Taxes and assessments that become delinquent are charged interest at the rate of 5/6 of 1% per month from the time of delinquency until paid plus a penalty of 2%. Real property on which taxes and assessments remain delinquent and unpaid may be sold at tax sales. In the case of personal property, the property is seized and sold after the taxes become delinquent.

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

L. Use of Estimates

The preparation of the basic financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

M. Tax Exempt Status

The District is a municipal corporation and, therefore, is not liable for federal and state income taxes pursuant to Internal Revenue Code 501(c)(1).

2. CASH AND INVESTMENTS

As of June 30, 2007, the carrying amount of the District's deposits (cash and interest-bearing money market accounts) at local banks was \$8,658,751 and the bank balance was \$8,637,942. Of the bank balance, \$215,382 was covered by federal depository insurance and the remaining balance was covered by collateral held by the pledging bank's agent in the District's name.

At June 30, 2007, the District's only investment was in the Montana Short-Term Investment Pool (STIP). STIP was created by the State of Montana Board of Investments to allow qualifying funds, per sections 17-6-201, 202 and 204, MCA, to participate in a diversified pool. The carrying amount of this investment as of June 30, 2007 was \$320,691.

The Montana Short Term Investment Pool (STIP) invests in securities required to be disclosed per the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). Due to the GASB requirements, STIP's fiscal year 2007 financial statement reports "variable interest rate" securities as a separate investment type. An unaudited copy of the STIP fiscal year 2007 and 2006 financial statements is available online at www.investmentmt.com/Programs/STIP Program.

The STIP portfolio includes Variable Rate (Floating-Rate) Securities to provide diversification and a competitive rate of return. These securities offer many advantages of short-term bonds because they are designed to minimize the investor's interest rate risk. As with variable rate loans issued by banks, the interest rate paid by the issuer of these securities is reset periodically depending on market conditions. The value of these securities will usually remain at or near par because their interest rates are reset to maintain a current market yield. STIP's variable rate securities float to the London Interbank Offering Rate (LIBOR), which is similar to the European federal funds rate.

2. CASH AND INVESTMENTS (Continued)

GASB 31

According to GASB Statement No. 31, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Certain Investments and External Investment Pools, STIP is considered an external investment pool. An external investment pool is defined as an arrangement that pools the monies of more than one legally separate entity and invests, on the participant's behalf in an investment portfolio. STIP is also classified as a "2a7-like" pool. A 2a7-like pool is an external investment pool that is not registered with the Security and Exchange Commission (SEC) as an investment company, but has a policy that it will, and does, operate in a manner consistent with the SEC's Rule 2a7 of the Investment Company Act of 1940. If certain conditions are met, 2a7-like pools are allowed to use amortized cost rather that fair market value to report net assets and to compute unit values. The Board of Investments has adopted a policy to treat STIP as a 2a7-like pool.

GASB 40

Effective June 30, 2005, the Board implemented the provisions of GASB Statement No. 40 - Deposit and Investment Risk Disclosures. STIP investments are categorized to disclose credit rate risk as of June 30, 2007 and 2006. Credit risk reflects the security quality rating, by investment security type, as of the June 30 report date. If a security investment type is unrated, the quality type is indicated by NR (not rated). Although the STIP investments have been rated by investment security type, STIP, as an external investment pool, has not been rated.

STIP addresses certain risks as follows:

Custodial Credit Risk

As of June 30, 2007, all STIP securities were registered in the nominee name for the Montana Board of Investments and held in the possession of the Bank. According to the STIP Investment Policy, "repurchase agreements will be collateralized by the market value plus accrued income of U.S. Treasury, U.S. Agency and money market securites at 102% of the value of the repurchase agreement".

Concentration of Credit Risk

Concentration of credit risk is the risk of loss attributed to the magnitude of a government's investment in a single issuer. The STIP Investment Policy Statement addresses concentration of credit risk by investment category. The STIP portfolio, by issuer, had no concentration of credit risk exposure as of June 30, 2007.

STIP investments are categorized to disclose credit rate risk as of June 30, 2007 in the financial statements that can be found at the above website.

3. CHANGES IN CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital assets not being depreciated:		Balance <u>7/1/06</u>	<u> </u>	Additions	<u>Re</u>	tirements		Balance <u>6/30/07</u>
Land	\$	1,063,038	\$	_	\$	_	\$	1,063,038
Land easements	•	58,117	•	_	•	_	•	58,117
Sewer construction in progress		2,339,343		50,840		_		2,390,183
Water construction in progress				1,614,667		<u>-</u>		1,614,667
Total capital assets not								
being depreciated	_	3,460,498		1,665,507			_	5,126,005
Capital assets being depreciated:								
Office building		463,738		-		_		463,738
Sewer infrastructure		27,011,386		146,357		-		27,157,743
Water infrastructure		11,471,982		222,631		(74,985)		11,619,628
Total capital assets								
being depreciated		38,947,106		368,988		(74,985)		39,241,109
Accumulated depreciation		(6,437,172)		(781,790)	***	74,985		(7,143,977)
Net depreciable capital assets		32,509,934	_	(412,802)		-		32,097,132
Total capital assets	<u>\$</u>	35,970,432	\$	1,252,705	<u>\$</u>	-	<u>\$</u>	37,223,137

As of June 30, 2007, approximately \$99,820 of interest has been capitalized as capital assets.

4. OUTSTANDING DEBT

The following is a summary of long-term debt at June 30, 2007:

Variable rate note payable to American Bank of Montana dated April 7, 2000 to finance the new office building, secured by the property. Payable in monthly installments of \$1,048 over 25 years. The rate at June 30, 2007 was 7%.

\$ 160,699

General obligation bonds

4% State Revolving Loan #1 dated May 28, 1996 for \$5,513,000 with the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation of the State of Montana under the Wastewater Treatment Works Revolving Fund Program, for the design, construction, and installation of mandated improvements to the District's wastewater treatment system, satisfying the Interim Action Work Plan mandated by the Montana Water Quality Bureau, Payable in 33 semi-annual installments of approximately \$232,000 until January 1, 2013. (continued)

2,450,000

4. OUTSTANDING DEBT (Continued)

4% State Revolving Loan #2 dated December 11, 1997 for \$417,000 with the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation of the State of Montana under the Wastewater Treatment Works Revolving Fund Program; for wastewater treatment system; payable in 30 semi-annual installments of approximately \$19,000 until January 1, 2013.

198,000

4% State Revolving Fund (DNRC Revolving Loan Program) Series 2002 dated September 24, 2002 for \$7,000,000 for the purpose of constructing a wastewater treatment plant. Funds advanced as of June 30, 2007 totaled \$6,766,000. Payable in 40 semi-annual installments of approximately \$260,000 until July 1, 2023.

6,138,000

4% State Revolving Fund (DNRC Drinking Water Revolving Loan Program) Series 2002 dated September 24, 2002 for \$534,000 for the purchase and installation of water meters. Payable in 42 semi-annual installments of approximately \$39,000 until July 1, 2023.

468,000

3.75% State of Montana General Obligation Bonds, Wastewater Revolving Fund Program totaling \$6,500,000, dated October 1, 2003 to finance construction of the water treatment plant. Payable in 40 installments of approximately \$232,000 until July 1, 2023. Amount advanced at June 30, 2007 was \$5,725,154.

4,905,154

4% State Revolving Fund (DNRC Drinking Water Revolving Loan Program) Series 2003 dated May 20, 2003 for the construction of a water tank. Total loan commitment of \$1,966,000. Payable in 42 semi-annual installments of approximately \$72,000 until July 1, 2024.

1,796,000

The general obligation bonds are to be repaid semi-annually through 2024 with resort tax revenue appropriated to the District, a mill levy approved in 2004, District plant investment charges, and operating revenue and reserves. The appropriation will not exceed the lesser of \$500,000 or 50% of the total amount of the annual resort tax revenue collected in any fiscal year.

4. OUTSTANDING DEBT (Continued)

	Balance 6/30/06	Additions	Reductions	Amounts Balance Due within 6/30/07 One Year
Bonds and notes payable:				
State Revolving Loan #1	\$ 2,629,000	\$ -	\$ (179,000)	\$ 2,450,000 \$ 559,000
State Revolving Loan #2	212,000	-	(14,000)	198,000 45,000
SRF Treatment Plant	6,269,000	· -	(131,000)	6,138,000 407,000
SRF Water Meters	478,000	-	(10,000)	468,000 31,000
SRF Water Tank	1,831,000	-	(35,000)	1,796,000 110,000
SRF Treatment Plant	5,010,514	18,640	(124,000)	4,905,154 384,000
American Bank Off. Bldg	166,872	-	(6,173)	160,699 6,000
Total bonds and				
notes payable	16,596,386	18,640	(499,173)	16,115,853 1,542,000
Compensated absences	54,602	·	(191)	54,411
Total long-term liabilities	<u>\$ 16,650,988</u>	<u>\$ 18,640</u>	<u>\$ (499,364)</u>	<u>\$16,170,264</u> <u>\$1,542,000</u>

Debt service requirements at June 30, 2007, were as follows:

Year Ended		
June 30,	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>
2008	\$ 1,542,000	\$ 601,600
2009	1,084,000	560,300
2010	1,127,000	517,200
2011	1,169,000	472,400
2012	1,218,000	425,900
2013-2017	4,405,000	1,552,800
2018-2022	4,727,000	661,900
2023-2025	844,000	<u>31,900</u>
Total	\$ 16,116,000	\$ 4,824,000

4. OUTSTANDING DEBT (Continued)

Sewer System General Obligation Bonds - Debt Restrictions

- a. The District must establish a debt service fund for money to be set aside to pay the debt of the SRF loan.
- b. Liability insurance must be carried.
- c. All fund properties, buildings, equipment, and fixtures must be adequately insured with a reputable carrier.
- d. The District must maintain adequate accounting records.
- e. The District may invest money in securities, which are fully and unconditionally guaranteed.
- f. The Sewer Fund must be audited on an annual basis.

The District was in compliance with the bond covenants at June 30, 2007.

5. DEFERRED REVENUE

The District entered into a Settlement Agreement, dated July 25, 1997, with Boyne USA (Boyne), owner of the Big Sky Ski & Summer Resort and the Big Sky Owner's Association (BSOA). They agreed to settle the litigation regarding the actions of the parties related to the short- and long-term development of the sewer system for the Big Sky area. This case had been pending since 1991 in the Eighteenth Judicial District, Gallatin County, Montana. The District Court signed an order to dismiss the case on November 18, 1997. Boyne agreed to pay the District \$250,000 per year for a period of 13 years beginning April 1, 1998. The remaining amount due of \$750,000 at June 30, 2007 is offset by deferred revenue of \$750,000.

Changes in deferred revenue were as follows:

	Balance		Revenue	Balance
	6/30/06	<u>Additions</u>	Recognized	<u>6/30/07</u>
Boyne settlement	\$ 1,000,000	\$ -	\$ (250,000)	\$ 750,000
Farmhouse	97,800		-	97,800
	<u>\$ 1,097,800</u>	<u>\$</u>	\$ (250,000)	<u>\$ 847,800</u>

6. NET ASSETS - RESTRICTED

Net assets are restricted as follows:

Restricted for debt service

\$ 1,827,425

7. EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS

Plan Description and Provisions – All full-time District employees participate in one of two statewide cost-sharing multiple-employer retirement benefit plans administered by the Public Employees Retirement Division (PERD). Contributions to the two plans are as required by State statute. Fiscal year 2007 total payroll and covered payroll for both retirement plans was \$413,827. Financial information for the two plans is reported in the Public Employees' Retirement Board's published Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the fiscal year end. It is available from PERD at 100 North Park Avenue, Suite 220, P.O. Box 200131, Helena, MT 59620-0131. The authority to establish, amend and provide cost of living adjustments to the plans is assigned to the State legislature. The authority to establish and amend contribution rates to the plans is also assigned to the State legislature.

Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS)

All District employees are provided pension benefits by this multi-employer plan. Funding is provided by participating units of government and their covered employees. The District is required to contribute 6.8% of members' compensation, which was \$28,140, \$26,665, and \$24,433 for the years ended June 30, 2007, 2006, and 2005 respectively. Plan members are required to contribute 6.9% of their compensation, which was \$28,554, \$27,058, and \$24,792 for the years ended June 30, 2007, 2006, and 2005, respectively. The State is required to contribute .1% of members' compensation, which was \$414, \$392, and \$329 for the years ended June 30, 2007, 2006, and 2005, respectively. One hundred percent of required contributions were made for all three years.

Defined Benefit Retirement Plan (DBRP) – Participants become eligible for benefits after age 60 and 5 years of service, after age 65 regardless of service, or 30 years of service regardless of age. The benefit is 1/56 of the final compensation for each year of credited service, paid as a modified cash refund annuity. A participant is eligible for early retirement benefits after age 50 and 5 years of service or after 25 year of service regardless of age. Rights become vested after 5 years of service.

Defined Contribution Retirement Plan (DCRP) – Participants may elect the defined contribution plan, in which the contributions into the plan are known, but the benefit is not. The retirement benefit received is based upon account balance, which is determined by contributions made plus investment earnings, or losses, less administrative costs.

8. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

Risk Management

The District faces a considerable number of risks of loss, including a) damage to and loss of property and contents, b) employee torts, c) professional liability (i.e. errors and omissions), d) environmental damage, and e) workers' compensation (i.e., employee injuries).

The District participates in a risk pool, which provides general liability insurance, auto liability insurance, crime/bond coverage, errors and omissions insurance, and property insurance. This pool purchases commercial insurance to cover the members' risks; the District does not assume the liabilities of other entities.

Workers' compensation insurance coverage is provided through a commercial policy.

Yellowstone Mountain Club Agreement

On March 28, 2001, the District signed an agreement with the Yellowstone Mountain Club and other related entities owned by a Developer for the sale of water, treatment of wastewater, and right to use land for the storage and disposal of treated wastewater. The District shall have the right to dispose up to 160,000,000 gallons of treated wastewater per year on land owned by the Developer in exchange for a capital asset commitment of approximately \$18 million. The Developer will construct storage ponds and a golf course irrigation system totaling approximately \$6.6 million.

BIG SKY COUNTY WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT NO. 363 SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

Federal Pass-through
CFDA Entity Identifying Total Loan Federal
Federal grantor/Program title Number Number Amount Expenditures

Office of Water, Environmental Protection Agency Passed through Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation:

State Revolving Fund (DNRC Drinking Water Revolving Loan Program Series 2003) -Wastewater Treatment Plant

66.458 SRF C-301184-04 \$6,500,000 \$4,905,154

NOTE 1. BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The schedule of expenditures of federal awards includes the federal grant activity of the Big Sky County Water and Sewer District No. 363 and is presented on the accrual basis of accounting. The information in this schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-profit Organizations*.

NOTE 2. LOANS OUTSTANDING

The District had the following loan balance outstanding at June 30, 2007. This loan balance outstanding is also included in the federal expenditures presented in this schedule.

Program Title	Federal CFDA Number	Outstanding Amount at 6/30/06	Outstanding Amount at 6/30/07
Office of Water, Environmental Protection Agency Passed through Montana Department of			
Natural Resources and Conservation:			
State Revolving Fund (DNRC Drinking Water			
Revolving Loan Program Series 2003) -			
Wastewater Treatment Plant	66.458	\$5,010,514	\$ 4,905,154



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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

To the Board of Directors Big Sky County Water and Sewer District No. 363 Big Sky, Montana

We have audited the financial statements of Big Sky County Water and Sewer District No. 363 (a nonprofit organization) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2007, and have issued our report thereon dated October 8, 2007. 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.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered Big Sky County Water & Sewer District No. 363's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Big Sky County Water & Sewer District No. 363's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Big Sky County Water & Sewer District No. 363's internal control over financial reporting.

A control deficiency 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 misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the entity's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the entity's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

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Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Big Sky County Water & Sewer District No. 363's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, the Board of Directors, others within the entity, and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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October 8, 2007



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REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH OMB CIRCULAR A-133

To the Board of Directors
Big Sky County Water and Sewer District No. 363
Big Sky, Montana

Compliance

We have audited the compliance of Big Sky County Water and Sewer District No. 363 (a nonprofit organization) with the types of compliance requirements described in the U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement that are applicable to its major federal program for the year ended June 30, 2007. Big Sky County Water & Sewer District No. 363's major federal program is identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. Compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to its major federal program is the responsibility of Big Sky County Water & Sewer District No. 363's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on Big Sky County Water & Sewer District No. 363's compliance based on our audit.

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 OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*. Those standards and OMB Circular A-133 require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on the major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about Big Sky County Water & Sewer District No. 363'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. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of Big Sky County Water & Sewer District No. 363's compliance with those requirements.

In our opinion, Big Sky County Water & Sewer District No. 363 complied, in all material respects, with the requirements referred to above that are applicable to its major federal program for the year ended June 30, 2007.

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Internal Control over Compliance

The management of the Big Sky County Water & Sewer District No. 363 is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to federal programs. In planning and performing our audit, we considered Big Sky County Water & Sewer District No. 363's internal control over compliance with requirements that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on compliance, 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 Big Sky County Water & Sewer District No. 363's internal control over compliance.

A control deficiency in an entity's internal control over compliance 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 noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the entity's ability to administer a federal program such that there is more than a remote likelihood that noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control.

Our consideration of the internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, the Board of Directors, others within the entity, and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

October 8, 2007

Holmes Curner

BIG SKY COUNTY WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT NO. 363 SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

Summary of auditor's results

- 1. The auditor's report expresses an unqualified opinion on the financial statements of Big Sky County Water and Sewer District No. 363
- 2. No instances of noncompliance material to the financial statements of Big Sky County Water and Sewer District No. 363 were disclosed during the audit.
- 3. The auditor's report on compliance for the major federal award programs for Big Sky County Water and Sewer District No. 363 expresses an unqualified opinion on all major federal programs.
- 5. There were no audit findings relating to major programs that are required to be reported in accordance with Section 510(a) of OMB Circular A-133.
- 6. The auditee's major program is follows:

Office of Water, Environmental Protection Agency
Passed-through Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation
State Revolving Fund (DNRC Drinking Water Revolving Loan Program Series
2003) – Wastewater Treatment Plan
CFDA #66.458

- 7. The \$300,000 threshold was used in distinguishing between Type A and Type B programs.
- 8. Big Sky County Water and Sewer District No. 363 was determined to be a low-risk auditee.

BIG SKY COUNTY WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT NO. 363 CURRENT STATUS OF PRIOR YEAR RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

There were no findings, questioned costs, or reportable conditions for the year ended June 30, 2006.