SABINE RIVER AUTHORITY OF TEXAS AND SABINE RIVER AUTHORITY, STATE OF LOUISIANA TOLEDO BEND - JOINT OPERATION

> FINANCIAL REPORT AUGUST 31, 2020

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# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

To the Board of Directors, Sabine River Authority of Texas, and The Board of Commissioners, Sabine River Authority, State of Louisiana

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the business-type activities of the Toledo Bend – Joint Operation, a joint operation between the Sabine River Authority of Texas and Sabine River Authority, State of Louisiana as of and for the years ended August 31, 2020 and 2019, and the related notes to financial statements, which collectively comprise the Joint Operation's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

## Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

# Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits 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 audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

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

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

## 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 the Toledo Bend - Joint Operation, as of August 31, 2020 and 2019, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows thereof for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

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## Other Matters

## **Required Supplementary Information**

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis on pages 3-5 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

### Other Information

Our audits were conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Toledo Bend - Joint Operation's basic financial statements. The schedule of insurance in force and schedule of compensation, benefits and other payments to agency head are presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The schedule of compensation, benefits and other payments to agency head is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the schedule of compensation, benefits and other payments to agency head is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

The schedule of insurance in force has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on it.

## Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated November 23, 2020 on our consideration of the Toledo Bend - Joint Operation'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 that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards in considering Toledo Bend - Joint Operation's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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Lafayette, Louisiana November 23, 2020

## MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

This section of the Toledo Bend – Joint Operation (the "Joint Operation") annual financial report presents a discussion and analysis of the Joint Operation's financial performance during the fiscal year that ended August 31, 2020. The financials of Joint Operation are a representation of the total assets, liabilities, income and expenses that are solely owned and shared equally between Sabine River Authority of Texas and Sabine River Authority, State of Louisiana. Please read this section in conjunction with the Joint Operation's financial statements, which follow this section.

## FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Joint Operation's net position was \$73,675,867 at August 31, 2020. Of this amount, \$70,191,585 was invested in capital assets and a surplus of \$3,484,282 was considered unrestricted. Net position increased by \$6,133,274 in 2020, decreased by \$3,312,754 in 2019 and increased by \$464,451 in 2018.

Transfers into Joint Operations were \$12,800,000, \$7,900,000, and \$4,412,418 during the 2020, 2019, and 2018 fiscal years, respectively, and operating expenses were \$11,589,444, \$15,886,434, and \$6,090,997, respectively.

# **OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

The financial report consists of three parts: Management's Discussion and Analysis (this section), the basic financial statements, and the notes to the financial statements.

The basic financial statements present information for the Joint Operations as a whole, in a format designed to make the statements easier for the reader to understand. The statements in this section include the statements of net position and the statements of revenues, expenses and changes in net position.

The statements of net position presents the assets and liabilities. The difference between total assets and total liabilities is the net position and may provide a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the Joint Operation is improving or deteriorating.

The statements of revenues, expenses and changes in net position presents information showing how the Joint Operation' assets changed as a result of current year operations. Regardless of when cash is affected, all changes in net position are reported when the underlying transactions occur. As a result, transactions are recorded that will not affect cash until future periods.

The financial statements provide information about the Joint Operation's overall financial status. The financial statements also include notes that explain some of the information in the financial statements and provide more detailed data.

Joint Operation's financial statements are prepared on an accrual basis in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) as applied to governmental units. Under this basis of accounting, revenues are recognized in the period in which they are earned and expenses are recognized in the period in which they are incurred. All assets and liabilities associated with the operation of the Joint Operation are included in the statements of net position.

## CONDENSED FINANCIAL INFORMATION

The following tables reflect condensed financial information represented in Joint Operations:

# TABLE I CONDENSED STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

ASSETS Current assets Capital assets Other assets	2020 \$ 4,248,472 70,191,585 143,430	2019 \$ 2,181,158 68,712,010 353,363	2018 \$ 2,635,215 69,485,535 267,487
Total assets	<u>\$74,583,487</u>	<u>\$71,246,531</u>	<u>\$72,388,237</u>
LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION			
Current liabilities Net position: Invested in capital assets Unrestricted (deficit) Total net position	\$ 907,620 \$70,191,585 <u>3,484,282</u> \$73,675,867	\$ 3,703,938 \$68,712,010 (1,169,417) \$67,542,593	\$ 1,532,890 \$69,485,535 
Total liabilities and net position	\$74,583,487	\$71,246,531	<u>\$72,388,237</u>

# TABLE II CONDENSED STATEMENT OF REVENUE, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION

Operating revenues	<u>2020</u> \$ 4,895,703	<u>2019</u> \$ 4,629,352	<u>2018</u> \$ 456,136
Operating expenses:			
Contract services	\$ 6,719,023	\$ 5,279,394	\$ 3,478,531
Depreciation	1,099,630	1,084,144	1,072,302
Supplies	80,374	83,134	85,950
Maintenance	3,514,844	9,318,187	1,174,055
Power plant operations	-	-	100,000
Other operating expenses	175,573	121,575	180,159
Total operating expenses	\$11,589,444	\$ 15,886,434	\$ 6,090,997
Operating loss	\$ (6,693,741)	\$(11,257,082)	\$ (5,634,861)
Other non-operating revenue, net	27,015	44,938	1,689,011
Loss on disposal of fixed assets	-	(610)	(2,117)
Transfers in	12,800,000	7,900,000	4,412,418
Change in net position	\$ 6,133,274	<u>\$ (3,312,754</u> )	\$ 464,451

## FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

Joint Operation's total net position increased by \$6,133,274 in 2020 or 9.08%, decreased by \$3,312,754 or 4.68% and increased by \$464,451 or .66% for the years ended August 31, 2019 and 2018, respectively. The increase in net position for the year ended August 31, 2020 related primarily to higher capital transfers from Sabine River Authorities of Louisiana and Texas along with certain insurance recoveries. These amounts were partially offset by needed repairs to the structures and spillway.

# CAPITAL ASSETS

As of August 31, 2020, Joint Operations recorded \$70,191,585 (net of accumulated depreciation) invested in capital assets. These assets are solely owned and equally shared between the Sabine River Authorities of Louisiana and Texas. During the 2020 fiscal year, the Joint Operation also incurred capital purchases of \$2,579,205 related to the Hydroelectric Power Plant and other equipment. These costs are being capitalized and depreciated over the expected useful lives of the assets. The following table reflects the Joint Operation's recorded capital assets net of accumulated depreciation:

# TABLE III CAPITAL ASSETS NET OF ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION

	2020	2019	2018
CIP – transformer replacement	\$ 155,884	\$ 155,884	\$ 155,884
Reservoir and waterways	36,001,159	36,001,159	36,001,159
Construction in progress	85,500	-	32,941
Dam and spillway	18,901,715	19,535,411	20,171,738
Hydroelectric power plant	14,094,935	12,095,302	12,439,365
Buildings, structures, and equipment	952,392	924,254	684,448
Total	\$70,191,585	\$68,712,010	\$69,485,535

## CURRENTLY KNOWN FACTS, DECISIONS, OR CONDITIONS

There are currently no known facts, decisions, or conditions that are expected to have a significant effect on financial position or results of operations.

#### CONTACTING JOINT OPERATION'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designated to provide our legislatures, state officials, the Louisiana Legislative Auditor's office, patrons, and other interested parties with a general overview of Joint Operation's finances and to demonstrate Joint Operation's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact Ms. Holly Smith at (409) 746-2192.

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# BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# STATEMENTS OF NET POSITION August 31, 2020 and 2019

ASSETS	2020	2019
CURRENT ASSETS:		
Cash	\$ 2,112,491	\$ 246,231
Certificate of deposit	556,967	551,692
Due from other governments	162,199	297,989
Investments	353,582	71,027
Accrued interest receivable	1,545	1,054
Prepaid expenses	1,061,688	1,013,165
	\$ 4,248,472	\$ 2,181,158
CAPITAL ASSETS:		
Non-depreciable	\$ 36,242,543	\$ 36,157,043
Depreciable, net	33,949,042	32,554,967
	\$ 70,191,585	\$ 68,712,010
OTHER ASSETS:		
Investments – long term	<u>\$ 143,430</u>	\$ 353,363
Total assets	<u>\$ 74,583,487</u>	\$ 71,246,531
LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION		
CURRENT LIABILITIES:		
Accounts payable	\$ 722,648	\$ 2,924,398
Retainage payable	-	778,628
Due to other governments	184,972	912
Total current liabilities	<u>\$ 907,620</u>	\$ 3,703,938
NET POSITION		
Net investment in capital assets	\$ 70,191,585	\$ 68,712,010
Unrestricted (deficit)	3,484,282	(1,169,417)
Total net position	\$ 73,675,867	<u>\$ 67,542,593</u>
Total liabilities and net position	<u>\$ 74,583,487</u>	<u>\$ 71,246,531</u>

# See Notes to Financial Statements.

# STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION Years Ended August 31, 2020 and 2019

	2020	2019
OPERATING REVENUES		
Miscellaneous	\$ 612,248	\$ 445,950
Spillway repair support and insurance recoveries	4,283,455	4,183,402
Total operating revenues	\$ 4,895,703	\$ 4,629,352
OPERATING EXPENSES		
Contract services	\$ 6,719,023	\$ 5,279,394
Depreciation	1,099,630	1,084,144
Supplies	80,374	83,134
Maintenance:		
Structures and spillway	3,435,111	9,245,863
Equipment	79,733	72,324
Other operating expenses	175,573	121,575
Total operating expenses	<u>\$11,589,444</u>	<u>\$ 15,886,434</u>
Operating loss	<u>\$ (6,693,741</u> )	<u>\$(11,257,082</u> )
Non-operating revenue (expenses):		
Interest income	\$ 27,015	\$ 44,938
Loss on disposal of fixed assets		(610)
Total non-operating revenue (expenses)	<u>\$ 27,015</u>	\$ 44,328
Loss before contributions and transfers	\$ (6,666,726)	\$(11,212,754)
Transfers in	12,800,000	7,900,000
Change in net position	\$ 6,133,274	\$ (3,312,754)
Net position, beginning	67,542,593	
Net position, ending	<u>\$ 73,675,867</u>	\$ 67,542,593

See Notes to Financial Statements.

# STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS Years Ended August 31, 2020 and 2019

	2020	2019
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES Paid to suppliers Other receipts	\$(13,334,655) 5,031,002	\$(12,634,034) 4,556,225
Net cash used in operating activities	\$ (8,303,653)	<u>\$ (8,077,809</u> )
CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES Transfers in	<u>\$ 12,800,000</u>	<u>\$ 7,900,000</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Purchase of fixed assets	<u>\$ (2,579,205)</u>	<u>\$ (311,229)</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES Purchase of certificate of deposit	\$ (5,275)	\$ (3,221)
Purchases of investments	(181,648)	(209,355)
Sales and maturities of investments	109,026	276,547
Investment income receipts	27,015	44,938
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	<u>\$ (50,882</u> )	<u>\$ 108,909</u>
Net increase (decrease) in cash	\$ 1,866,260	\$ (380,129)
Balance, at beginning of year	246,231	626,360
Balance, at end of year	\$ 2,112,491	<u>\$ 246,231</u>
RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING LOSS TO NET CASH USED IN OPERATING ACTIVITIES:		
Operating loss Adjustments to reconcile operating loss to net cash	\$ (6,693,741)	\$(11,257,082)
used in operating activities –		
Depreciation expense	1,099,630	1,084,144
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
Due from other governmental entities	135,790	(72,073)
Accrued interest receivables	(491)	(1,054)
Prepaid expenses	(48,523)	(2,792)
Accounts payable Due to other governmental entities	(2,980,378) <u>184,060</u>	2,305,983 (134,935)
Due to other governmental entities	104,000	(134,933)
Net cash used in operating activities	<u>\$ (8,303,653</u> )	<u>\$ (8,077,809)</u>

See Notes to Financial Statements.

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The financial statements of the Toledo Bend - Joint Operation (the "Joint Operation") have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America ("GAAP") applicable to state and local governments. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The significant accounting and reporting policies and practices used by the Operation are described below.

#### Reporting entity:

The Joint Operation is a joint operation between the Sabine River Authority of Texas and Sabine River Authority, State of Louisiana, and was established by joint resolution of the Texas and Louisiana Sabine River Authorities. The operation is administered by an Operating Board composed of three members appointed by the Texas Authority and three members appointed by the Louisiana Authority. The financials of the Joint Operation are merely a representation of the total assets, liabilities, income and expenses that are solely owned and shared equally by the two Authorities. Each Authority records half of the assets, liabilities, income and expenses within their respective financial statements.

#### Basis of presentation:

The financial statements were prepared using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues, expenses, gains, losses, assets and liabilities resulting from exchange or exchange like transactions are recognized when the exchange occurs (regardless of when cash is received or disbursed).

Operating income reported within the financial statements includes revenues and expenses related to the primary continuing operations of the fund. Principal operating revenues include water royalties as well as other miscellaneous charges. Principal operating expenses are the costs associated with the operations of the fund and include administrative expenses and depreciation of capital assets. Other revenues and expenses are classified as non-operating in the financial statements.

Proprietary funds are accounted for using a flow of economic resources measurement focus and a determination of net income and capital maintenance. With this measurement focus, all assets and liabilities associated with the operation of these funds are included on the balance sheet. The proprietary fund uses the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when they are earned, and expenses are recognized at the time liabilities are incurred.

#### Use of estimates:

The preparation of 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.

### Cash, cash equivalents and investments:

Cash includes amounts in demand and savings deposits and cash on hand. For purposes of the statements of cash flows, all highly liquid investments with an original maturity of three months or less are considered to be cash equivalents.

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Investments are reported at fair value with adjustments to fair value recognized in current year earnings. Interest, gains and losses, both realized and unrealized, on investments are included in non-operating revenue. The Joint Operation's investment objectives are preservation of capital, liquidity and yield. Each Authority selects the financial institution and investment types for the respective accounts. All funds are invested in compliance with applicable laws of each state. Investments consists of municipal bonds, corporate bonds and U.S. government and agency securities.

### Capital assets:

Capital assets, which include the dam, spillway, hydroelectric power plant, reservoir, waterways, buildings, structures and equipment are reported at historical cost. All capital assets are depreciated using the straight line method over the following estimated useful lives:

	Years
Dam and spillway	67
Hydroelectric power plant	67
Buildings, structures and equipment	5 - 40

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#### Impairments:

A capital asset is considered impaired when its service utility has declined significantly and unexpectedly. The Joint Operation is required to evaluate prominent events or changes in circumstances affecting capital assets to determine whether impairment of a capital asset has occurred. A capital asset generally should be considered impaired if both (a) the decline in service utility of the capital asset is large in magnitude and (b) the event or change in circumstance is outside the normal life cycle of the capital asset. The Joint Operation recorded no impairment losses during the years ended August 31, 2020 and 2019.

Prepaid expenses:

Certain payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as prepaid expenses.

#### Net position and flow of funds:

Restricted net position is legally restricted by outside parties for a specific purpose. Net investment in capital assets represents the Joint Operation's investment in capital assets, less outstanding debt, if any, that was issued to construct or acquire the capital asset. Unrestricted net position consists of net position that does not meet the definition of restricted or net investment in capital assets. If restricted or unrestricted funds are available for spending, the restricted funds are spent first.

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Fair value measurements:

Investments measured and reported at fair value are classified according to the following hierarchy:

- Level 1 investments reflect prices quoted in active markets.
- Level 2 investments reflect prices that are based on similar observable assets either directly or indirectly, which may include inputs in markets that are not considered to be active.
- Level 3 investments reflect prices based upon unobservable sources.

The categorization of investments within the hierarchy is based upon the pricing transparency of the instrument and should not be perceived as the particular investment's risk.

Debt securities classified as Level 1 of the fair value hierarchy are valued directly from a predetermined primary external pricing vendor. Investments classified as Level 2 are subject to pricing by an alternative pricing source due to lack of information available by the primary vendor. Investments classified as Level 3 are valued based upon unobservable sources.

#### Note 2. Deposits and Investments

2020

Custodial Credit Risk - Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the Joint Operation's deposits may not be returned to it. The Joint Operation's policy to ensure there is no exposure to this risk is to require each financial institution to pledge their own securities to cover any amount in excess of Federal Depository Insurance Coverage. These securities must be pledged in the Joint Operation's name. As of August 31, 2020 and 2019, the Joint Operation had \$2,950,998 and \$1,090,492, respectively, of deposits with financial institutions for which securities were pledged to cover the excess over Federal Depository Insurance Coverage, respectively.

As of August 31, 2020 and 2019, the Joint Operation had the following investments and maturities:

2020						
	Credit	Fair		Investment Ma	turities in Years	
Investment Type	Rating	_Value	< 1 Year	1 - 3 Years	<u>3 – 5 Years</u>	> 5 Years
U.S. government and agencies	Aaa	\$279,442	\$ 227,850	\$ 51,592	\$-	\$-
Municipal bonds	AA	65,412	25,038	40,374	-	-
Corporate bonds	Aaa – Aa3	152,158	100,694	51,464	-	
Total		\$497.012	\$ 353,582	<u>\$ 143,430</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$</u> -
<u>2019</u>						
	Credit	Fair		Investment Ma	turities in Years	
Investment Type	Rating	Value	< 1 Year	1 - 3 Years	3-5 Years	> 5 Years
U.S. government and agencies	Aaa	\$228,392	\$ -	\$ 228,392	\$-	\$ -
Municipal bonds	Aa2 – Aa3	95,942	71,027	24,915	.=.	-
Corporate bonds	Aaa – Aa3	100,056		100,056		
Total		\$ 121 200	\$ 71,027	\$ 252.262	¢	¢
Total		\$424,390	5 11,041	\$ 353,363	<u> </u>	2 -

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

As of August 31, 2020 and 2019, the Joint Operation's fair value measurements were classified as follows:

Investments by Fair Value Level	Fair Value	Fair Va Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)
2020				
U.S. government and agencies	\$279,442	\$ 279,442	\$-	\$ -
Municipal bonds	65,412	-	65,412	-
Corporate bonds		<u> </u>	152,158	<u> </u>
Total	\$497,012	<u>\$ 279,442</u>	<u>\$ 217.570</u>	<u>\$</u> -
2019				
U.S. government and agencies	\$228,392	\$ 228,392	\$-	\$-
Municipal bonds	95,942	-	95,942	-
Corporate bonds	100,056	<u> </u>	100,056	<u> </u>
Total	\$424,390	<u>\$_228,392</u>	\$ 195,998	<u>\$</u> -

Interest Rate Risk – The Joint Operation does not have a formal policy limiting investment maturities that would help manage its exposure to fair value losses from increasing interest rates. However, fixed income investments are limited to maturities of less than five years. The table on page 13 includes the maturities of the Joint Operation's investments.

Credit Risk for Investments – Credit risk for investments is the risk that an issuer or other counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligations. The Joint Operation does not have a formal investment policy for credit risk but follows the applicable state statutes regarding minimum credit ratings of fixed rate investments in order to minimize credit risk. Credit ratings for the Joint Operation's investments are noted in the table on page 13.

Concentration of Credit Risk for Investments – The Joint Operation places no limit on the amount it may invest in any one issuer. As of August 31, 2020, the Joint Operation had investments with 8 separate issuers which accounted for between 5% and 8% each of the total portfolio value. All other investments were in U.S. government securities.

# NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# Note 3. Capital Assets

Capital assets activity for the years ended August 31, 2020 and 2019 was as follows:

	Balance			Balance
	09/01/2019	Increases	Decreases	08/31/2020
Capital assets not being depreciated:				
Transformer replacement	\$ 155,884	\$-	\$ -	\$ 155,884
Reservoir and waterways	36,001,159	-	-	36,001,159
Construction in process	<del>.</del>	85,500		85,500
	<u>\$36,157,043</u>	<u>\$ 85,500</u>	<u>\$</u> -	\$36,242,543
Capital assets being depreciated:				
Dam and spillway	\$33,976,610	\$	\$-	\$33,976,610
Hydroelectric power plant	25,413,628	2,346,800	-	27,760,428
Buildings, structures and equipment	2,375,731	146,905		2,522,636
	<u>\$61,765,969</u>	<u>\$ 2,493,705</u>	<u>\$</u> -	<u>\$64,259,674</u>
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Dam and spillway	\$14,441,199	\$ 633,696	\$-	\$15,074,895
Hydroelectric power plant	13,318,326	347,167	-	13,665,493
Buildings, structures and equipment	1,451,477	118,767		1,570,244
	\$29,211,002	<u>\$ 1,099,630</u>	<u>\$</u>	\$30,310,632
Capital assets being depreciated, net	<u>\$32,554,967</u>	<u>\$ 1,394,075</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$33,949,042</u>
Total capital assets, net	\$68,712,010	<u>\$ 1,479,575</u>	<u>\$</u>	\$70,191,585

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Capital assets not being depreciated:	Balance 09/01/2018	Increases	Decreases	Balance 08/31/2019
Transformer replacement	\$ 155,884	\$-	\$-	\$ 155,884
Reservoir and waterways	36,001,159	÷ -	÷ -	36,001,159
Construction in process	32,941	16,131	49,072	-
	\$36,189,984	\$16,131	\$ 49,072	\$36,157,043
Capital assets being depreciated:				
Dam and spillway	\$33,979,244	\$	\$ 2,634	\$33,976,610
Hydroelectric power plant	25,410,994	2,634	-	25,413,628
Buildings, structures and equipment	2,048,781	344,170	17,220	2,375,731
	\$61,439,019	<u>\$ 346,804</u>	<u>\$ 19,854</u>	\$61,765,969
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Dam and spillway	\$13,807,506	\$ 633,693	\$-	\$14,441,199
Hydroelectric power plant	12,971,629	346,697	-	13,318,326
Buildings, structures and equipment	1,364,333	103,754	16,610	1,451,477
	\$28,143,468	<u>\$ 1,084,144</u>	<u>\$ 16,610</u>	\$29,211,002
Capital assets being depreciated, net	\$33,295,551	<u>\$ (737,340</u> )	<u>\$ 3,244</u>	\$32,554,967
Total capital assets, net	\$69,485,535	<u>\$ (721,209</u> )	<u>\$ 52,316</u>	<u>\$68,712,010</u>

Depreciation expense attributable to water conservation and reclamation totaled \$1,099,630 and \$1,084,144 for the years ended August 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively.

#### Note 4. Contingent Liabilities

Public Law 98-571 directed the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) to waive annual administration charges for the use of United States lands during the remaining term of the license to operate the Joint Project. On August 29, 2014, FERC issued a new 50 year license for the project. The current license expires 50 years from August 29, 2014. The waiver is contingent upon FERC determining that the power from the project is sold to the public without profit. All exemptions applied for through August 31, 2020 have been approved.

Joint Operation is involved in various legal actions in which claims of varying amounts are being asserted against the Joint Operation. The practice of providing for these claims when a loss is probable and a loss becomes fixed or determinable in amount is followed. In the opinion of management, these actions will not result in a significant impact of the Joint Operation's financial position.

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## Note 5. Service Items

Service items included in the categories contract services represent the expenses incurred by Sabine River Authority of Texas and Sabine River Authority, State of Louisiana, individually, for the Joint Operation Water Supply and Hydroelectric System Fund. The associated expense was \$1,761,726 and \$1,646,278 for the years ended August 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively.

#### Note 6. Risk Management

Joint Operation is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of asset; errors and omissions; and natural disasters. Significant losses resulting from such claims are covered by commercial insurance.

### Note 7. Amounts Due To and From Other Governmental Agencies

Amounts due from other governmental agencies for water royalties and hazard mitigation costs were as follows as of August 31:

	2020	2019
Newton County - Texas Sabine River Authority, State of Louisiana	\$ - 162,199	\$ 83,523 214,466
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Amounts due to other governmental agencies primarily for contract services and hazard mitigation services performed were as follows as of August 31:

		2020	2	019
Sabine River Authority of Texas	\$	73,992	\$	912
Sabine River Authority, State of Louisiana		73,856		-
Vernon Parish Police Jury		37,124		-
	\$ 1	84,972	\$	912

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## Note 10. Spillway Repairs

The spillway incurred significant damage due to record releases in 2016. Significant repairs were made to the spillway during fiscal years 2020 and 2019 and are shown on the statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net position in the maintenance: structures and spillway line item. Based on a prior agreement with the energy companies, they agreed to fund the deductible for the repairs in excess of \$1,000,000. Their contributions during fiscal year 2019 are shown on the statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net position as spillway repair support and insurance recoveries. Total support provided by the energy companies amounted to \$4,183,402 during 2019. The Operation also filed an insurance claim for the damages to the spillway. Insurance proceeds were received during fiscal year 2020 are shown on the statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net position as spillway repair support and insurance recoveries. Total proceeds received from the insurance companies amounted to \$4,283,343 during 2020.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

## SCHEDULE OF INSURANCE IN FORCE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING AUGUST 31, 2020 (Policy Period June 30, 2020 Through June 30, 2021)

NAME OF COMPANY	POLICY NO.	DESCRIPTION	LIMITS
Everest National Insurance Company	EN4GL00325-201	Commercial General Liability (includes terrorism)	\$1,000,000 Each Occurrence \$2,000,000 General Aggregate
AEGIS	XJ511608P	Excess Liability (includes terrorism)	\$35,000,000 Each Occurrence \$70,000,000 General Aggregate
AEGIS – 50% Swiss RE/Westport – 30% Princeton Excess & Surplus – 20%	PO5714504P UTP 2000414-00 58A3PP000023601	Property, Boiler and Machinery, Business Interruption, Flood and Earthquake (includes terrorism)	<ul> <li>\$150,000,000 Limits, Contractor's Equipment, Marine Equipment and Communications Equipment - per schedule</li> <li>\$3,000,000 Business Interruption</li> </ul>
Everest Commercial Auto Great Lakes – Auto	EN4CA00409201 RK58964A20	Auto Liability Physical Damage	\$1,000,000 Bodily Injury/ Property Damage
Everest National Insurance Company	EN4WC00216-201	Worker's Compensation	\$1,000,000 Each Accident \$1,000,000 Policy Limit \$1,000,000 Each Employee
Admiral Insurance Company	*FEI-EIL-18716-06 (*policy period 1/8/20-1/8/21)	Underground Storage Tank	\$1,000,000 Each Occurance \$2,000,000 Annual Aggregate
Illinois Union Insurance Company (CHUBB)	PPLG46785836002	New Pollution Incidents, Non-Owned Disposal Sites, Transported Cargo Liability	\$2,000,000 Aggregate Limit \$1,000,000 Each Incident Limit (\$25,000 Self Insured Retention)

# SCHEDULE OF COMPENSATION, BENEFITS AND OTHER PAYMENTS TO AGENCY HEAD For the Year Ended August 31, 2020

Agency Head: Ned Goodeaux, Chairman

There was no compensation, benefits or other payments to agency head for the year ending August 31, 2020.

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

To the Board of Directors, Sabine River Authority of Texas, and The Board of Commissioners, Sabine River Authority, State of Louisiana

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the business-type activities of the Toledo Bend – Joint Operation, a joint operation between the Sabine River Authority of Texas and Sabine River Authority, State of Louisiana, as of and for the year ended August 31, 2020, and the related notes to financial statements, which collectively comprise the Toledo Bend – Joint Operation's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated November 23, 2020.

## Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered Toledo Bend - Joint Operation's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Toledo Bend – Joint Operation's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Toledo Bend – Joint Operation's internal control.

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

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or, significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

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## Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Toledo Bend - Joint Operation'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*.

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

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Lafayette, Louisiana November 23, 2020

# SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RESPONSES Year Ended August 31, 2020

We have audited the basic financial statements of Toledo Bend - Joint Operation, a joint operation between the Sabine River Authority of Texas and Sabine River Authority, State of Louisiana, as of and for the year ended August 31, 2020, and have issued our report thereon dated November 23, 2020. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our audit of the financial statements as of August 31, 2020 resulted in an unmodified opinion.

Section I - Summary of Auditors' Reports

### A. Report on Internal Control and Compliance Material to the Financial Statements

Internal Control		
Material Weakness(es) Identified	Yes	<u>X</u> No
Control Deficiencies Identified That		
Are Not Considered to be Material		
Weakness(es)	Yes	X None Reported
Compliance		
Noncompliance Material to Financial		
Statements	Yes	<u>X</u> No
Section II - Financial Statement Findings		

No matters are reported.

# SCHEDULE OF PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS For the Year Ended August 31, 2020

- Section I. Internal Control and Compliance Material to the Financial Statements None reported.
- Section II. Internal Control and Compliance Material to Federal Awards Not applicable.
- Section III. Management Letter

There were no matters reported in a separate management letter for the year ended August 31, 2019.