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PEMBINA COUNTY
Cavalier, North Dakota

Audit for the Year Ended

December 31, 2009



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PEMBINA COUNTY
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COUNTY OFFICIALS

December 31, 2009

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Commissioner - Chairperson

Hetty Walker

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Gary Nilsson
Andy Adamson
Corene Vaughn

Commissioner
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Dorothy Robinson

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Board of County Commissioners
Pembina County
Cavalier, North Dakota

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the discretely presented component units, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of Pembina County, Cavalier, North Dakota, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2009, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of Pembina County, Cavalier, North Dakota management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America 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 opinions.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Pembina County, Cavalier, North Dakota, as of December 31, 2009, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated August 18, 2010, on our consideration of Pembina County, Cavalier, North Dakota'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 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 considered in assessing the results of our audit.

The budgetary comparison information on pages 24 through 30 are not a required part of the basic financial statements but are supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries 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.

Pembina County, Cavalier, North Dakota, has not presented the management's discussion and analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States has determined is necessary to supplement, although not required to be part of, the basic financial statements.

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Independent Auditor's Report - Continued

Our audit was performed for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise Pembina County, Cavalier, North Dakota, basic financial statements. The accompanying supplementary information, listed in the table of contents, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the 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 State and Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*, and is not a required part of the basic financial statements of Pembina County, Cavalier, North Dakota. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, except for the schedule of fund activity arising from cash transactions which is prepared on a cash basis, is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.



Robert R. Peterson
State Auditor

August 18, 2010

PEMBINA COUNTY
Cavalier, North Dakota

STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS
December 31, 2009

	Primary	Component Units	
	Governmental Activities	Water Resource District	Job Development Authority
ASSETS:			
Cash and investments	\$ 3,400,043	\$ 346,609	\$ 184,067
Accounts receivable	12,700	-	-
Intergovernmental receivable	277,633	-	-
Special Assessments Receivable	-	18,323	-
Road accounts receivable	95,230	-	-
Taxes receivable	173,067	7,284	5,091
Job development loans receivable (net of allowance)	-	-	233,245
Capital Assets (net of accumulated depreciation):			
Land	4,900	-	-
Construction in Progress	-	84,207	-
Buildings	1,381,939	-	-
Equipment and vehicles	1,202,135	15,679	-
Infrastructure	1,932,092	1,370,670	-
Total capital assets	\$ 4,521,066	\$ 1,470,556	\$ -
Total Assets	\$ 8,479,739	\$ 1,842,772	\$ 422,403
LIABILITIES:			
Accounts payable	\$ 108,077	\$ 84,208	\$ -
Retainage payable	-	9,356	-
Long-Term Liabilities:			
Due Within One Year:			
Capital leases payable	47,127	-	-
Lines of credit payable	95,000	539,211	-
Warrants payable	-	329,514	-
Compensated absences payable	8,244	-	-
Due After One Year:			
Capital leases payable	85,589	-	-
Compensated absences payable	74,189	-	-
Total liabilities	\$ 418,226	\$ 962,289	\$ -
NET ASSETS:			
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	\$ 4,293,350	\$ 931,345	\$ -
Restricted for:			
Debt Service	17,148	-	-
Public safety	39,883	-	-
Highways and bridges	1,976,442	-	-
Health and welfare	89,808	-	-
Culture and recreation	8,930	-	-
Conservation of natural resources	55,352	(50,862)	-
Emergencies	270,021	-	-
Economic Development	23,148	-	189,158
Loans	-	-	233,245
Unrestricted	1,287,431	-	-
Total Net Assets	\$ 8,061,513	\$ 880,483	\$ 422,403

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

PEMBINA COUNTY
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STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
For the Year Ended December 31, 2009

Functions/Programs	Expenses	Program Revenues			Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Assets		
		Fees, Fines, Forfeits and Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	Primary	Component Units	
					Governmental Activities	Water Resource District	Job Development Authority
Primary Government:							
General government	\$ 1,667,614	\$ 338,616	\$ 19,088	\$ -	\$ (1,309,910)		
Public safety	1,378,159	251,182	178,781	-	(948,196)		
Highways and bridges	2,466,479	176,397	2,701,398	-	411,316		
Health and welfare	993,821	54,928	271,155	-	(667,738)		
Conserv. of natural resources	175,234	-	35,537	-	(139,697)		
Culture and recreation	140,138	-	26,600	-	(113,538)		
Economic development	76,514	-	92	-	(76,422)		
Capital outlay	139,194	-	-	-	(139,194)		
Interest and service charges	9,699	-	-	-	(9,699)		
Total Governmental Activities	\$ 7,046,852	\$ 821,123	\$ 3,232,651	\$ -	\$ (2,993,078)		
Component Units:							
Water Resource District	\$ 964,430	\$ 241,870	\$ 219,992	\$ -	\$ (502,568)	\$ -	
Job Development Authority	45,979	-	-	-	-	(45,979)	
Total Component Units	\$ 1,010,409	\$ 241,870	\$ 219,992	\$ -	\$ (502,568)	\$ (45,979)	
General Revenues:							
Taxes:							
Property taxes; levied for general purposes				\$ 776,563	\$ 128,044	\$ -	
Property taxes; levied for special purposes				2,234,226	-	92,268	
Property Taxes; levied for drains/maintenance				-	421,560	-	
Grants and contributions not restricted to specific programs				421,851	-	5,363	
Unrestricted investment earnings				38,332	843	-	
Miscellaneous revenue				565,257	3,566	7,462	
Total General Revenues				\$ 4,036,229	\$ 554,013	\$ 105,093	
Change in Net Assets				\$ 1,043,151	\$ 51,445	\$ 59,114	
Net Assets - January 1				\$ 6,991,759	\$ 802,819	\$ 363,289	
Prior Period Adjustment				26,603	26,219	-	
Net Assets - January 1, as restated				\$ 7,018,362	\$ 829,038	\$ 363,289	
Net Assets - December 31				\$ 8,061,513	\$ 880,483	\$ 422,403	

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

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BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
December 31, 2009

	General	General Fund Reserve	Highway Funds	Farm to Market Road	Social Services	Social Service Levy	Flood Emergency Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
<u>ASSETS</u>									
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 577,400	\$ 293,389	\$ 804,355	\$ 287,655	\$ 3,037	\$ 30,959	\$ 765,769	\$ 637,479	\$ 3,400,043
Accounts receivable	11,460	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,240	12,700
Intergovernmental receivable	135,627	-	92,764	-	15,967	-	-	33,275	277,633
Road accounts receivable	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	95,230	95,230
Taxes receivable	40,223	-	-	18,210	-	28,631	-	86,003	173,067
Total Assets	\$ 764,710	\$ 293,389	\$ 897,119	\$ 305,865	\$ 19,004	\$ 59,590	\$ 765,769	\$ 853,227	\$ 3,958,673
<u>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</u>									
<u>Liabilities:</u>									
Accounts payable	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 108,077	\$ -	\$ 108,077
Deferred revenue	40,223	-	-	18,210	-	28,631	-	181,233	268,297
Total Liabilities	\$ 40,223	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 18,210	\$ -	\$ 28,631	\$ 108,077	\$ 181,233	\$ 376,374
<u>Fund Balances:</u>									
Reserved for debt service	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 12,106	\$ 12,106
Unreserved, reported in General Fund	724,487	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	724,487
Unreserved, reported in: Special revenue	-	293,389	897,119	287,655	19,004	30,959	657,692	659,888	2,845,706
Total Fund Balances	\$ 724,487	\$ 293,389	\$ 897,119	\$ 287,655	\$ 19,004	\$ 30,959	\$ 657,692	\$ 671,994	\$ 3,582,299
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$ 764,710	\$ 293,389	\$ 897,119	\$ 305,865	\$ 19,004	\$ 59,590	\$ 765,769	\$ 853,227	\$ 3,958,673

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

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RECONCILIATION OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET
TO THE STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS
December 31, 2009

Total *Fund Balances* of Governmental Funds \$ 3,582,299

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net assets are different because:

Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds.

Cost of Capital Assets	\$ 7,803,044	
Less Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(3,281,978)</u>	
Net Capital Assets		4,521,066

Property taxes and road dept. receivables will be collected after year-end, but are not available soon enough to pay for the current period's expenditures and, therefore, are reported as deferred revenues in the funds.

Property Taxes Receivable	\$ 173,067	
Road Department Accounts Receivable	<u>95,230</u>	268,297

Long-term liabilities applicable to the county's governmental activities are not due and payable in the current period and accordingly are not reported as fund liabilities. Interest on long-term debt is not accrued in governmental funds, but rather is recognized as an expenditure when due. All liabilities-both current and long-term- are reported in the statement of net assets. Balances at December 31, 2009 are:

Capital Leases Payable	\$ (132,716)	
Lines of Credit Payable	(95,000)	
Compensated Absences Payable	<u>(82,433)</u>	
Total Long-Term Liabilities		<u>(310,149)</u>

Net Assets of Governmental Activities \$ 8,061,513

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STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
For the Year Ended December 31, 2009

	General	General Fund Reserve	Highway Funds	Farm to Market Road	Social Services	Social Service Levy	Flood Emergency Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Revenues:									
Taxes	\$ 772,473	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 304,128	\$ -	\$ 465,728	\$ -	\$ 1,447,587	\$ 2,989,916
Intergovernmental	386,214	23,075	1,222,317	20,127	164,434	37,525	1,478,418	322,393	3,654,503
Charges for services	576,712	-	158,107	-	53,725	-	-	11,058	799,602
Licenses, permits and fees	3,230	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,230
Interest income	38,332	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	38,332
Miscellaneous	76,943	60,971	250,635	-	1,804	-	-	174,904	565,257
Total Revenues	\$ 1,853,904	\$ 84,046	\$ 1,631,059	\$ 324,255	\$ 219,963	\$ 503,253	\$ 1,478,418	\$ 1,955,942	\$ 8,050,840
Expenditures:									
Current:									
General government	\$ 714,223	\$ 12,966	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 847,416	\$ 1,574,605
Public safety	893,918	-	-	-	-	-	-	418,352	1,312,270
Highways and bridges	-	-	1,127,540	314,730	-	-	826,585	45,580	2,314,435
Health and welfare	164,089	-	-	-	691,313	49,885	-	100,868	1,006,155
Culture and recreation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	140,138	140,138
Conserv. of natural resources	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	195,062	195,062
Economic development	22,540	-	-	-	-	-	-	53,974	76,514
Capital Outlay	-	139,194	-	-	-	-	-	-	139,194
Debt Service:									
Principal	-	-	44,683	-	-	-	-	85,000	129,683
Interest and fiscal charges	-	-	8,364	-	-	-	-	1,335	9,699
Total Expenditures	\$ 1,794,770	\$ 152,160	\$ 1,180,587	\$ 314,730	\$ 691,313	\$ 49,885	\$ 826,585	\$ 1,887,725	\$ 6,897,755
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures	\$ 59,134	\$ (68,114)	\$ 450,472	\$ 9,525	\$(471,350)	\$ 453,368	\$ 651,833	\$ 68,217	\$ 1,153,085
Other Financing Sources (Uses):									
Loan proceeds	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 95,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 95,000
Transfers in	-	-	-	-	472,000	-	-	46,125	518,125
Transfers out	(3,600)	-	-	-	-	(472,000)	-	(42,525)	(518,125)
Total Other Financing Sources and Uses	\$ (3,600)	\$ -	\$ 95,000	\$ -	\$ 472,000	\$(472,000)	\$ -	\$ 3,600	\$ 95,000
Net Change in Fund Balances	\$ 55,534	\$ (68,114)	\$ 545,472	\$ 9,525	\$ 650	\$ (18,632)	\$ 651,833	\$ 71,817	\$ 1,248,085
Fund Balances - January 1	\$ 668,953	\$ 361,503	\$ 351,647	\$ 278,130	\$ 18,354	\$ 49,591	\$ 5,859	\$ 600,177	\$ 2,334,214
Fund Balances - December 31	\$ 724,487	\$ 293,389	\$ 897,119	\$ 287,655	\$ 19,004	\$ 30,959	\$ 657,692	\$ 671,994	\$ 3,582,299

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

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RECONCILIATION OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
For the Year Ended December 31, 2009

Net Change in *Fund Balances* - Total Governmental Funds \$ 1,248,085

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:

Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which depreciation expense exceeded capital outlays in the current year.

Current Year Capital Outlay	\$ 127,800	
Current Year Depreciation Expense	<u>(416,815)</u>	(289,015)

The issuance of debt decreases long-term liabilities, while the repayment of debt principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the statement of net assets. This is the amount by which debt payments exceeded debt proceeds.

Issuance of Debt - Loan	\$ (95,000)	
Repayment of Debt	<u>129,683</u>	34,683

Some expenses reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources and are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds. This consists of a net decrease in compensated absences. 10,235

Some revenues reported on the statement of activities are not reported as revenues in the governmental funds since they do not represent available resources to pay current expenditures. This consists of the following:

Increase in Taxes Receivable	\$ 20,873	
Increase in Road Accounts Receivable	<u>18,290</u>	<u>39,163</u>

Change in Net Assets of Governmental Activities \$ 1,043,151

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

PEMBINA COUNTY
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STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET ASSETS
FIDUCIARY FUNDS
December 31, 2009

	<u>Agency Funds</u>
<u>Assets:</u>	
Cash and cash equivalents	<u>\$ 2,763,960</u>
<u>Liabilities:</u>	
Due to other governments	<u>\$ 2,763,960</u>

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
December 31, 2009

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements of Pembina County have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) as applicable to governments. 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 county's accounting policies are described below.

A. Reporting Entity

The accompanying financial statements present the activities of Pembina County. The county has considered all potential component units for which the county is financially accountable and other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationships with the county such that exclusion would cause the county's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board has set forth criteria to be considered in determining financial accountability. This criteria includes appointing a voting majority of an organization's governing body and (1) the ability of Pembina County to impose its will on that organization or (2) the potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefits to, or impose specific financial burdens on Pembina County.

Based on these criteria, there are two discretely presented component units to be included within Pembina County as a reporting entity.

COMPONENT UNITS

In conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial statements of the component units have been included in the financial reporting entity as discretely presented component units.

Discretely Presented Component Units: The component unit columns in the basic financial statements include the financial data of the county's two component units. These units are reported in separate columns to emphasize that they are legally separate from the county.

Pembina County Job Development Authority - The County's governing board appoints a voting majority of the members of the Pembina County Job Development Authority. The county has the authority to approve or modify the Job Development Authority's operational and capital budgets. The county's governing board must approve the tax levy established by the Job Development Authority. The Job Development Authority has the authority to issue bonded debt.

Pembina County Water Resource District - The County's governing board appoints a voting majority of the members of the Pembina County Water Resource District Board. The county has the authority to approve or modify the Water Resource District operational and capital budgets. The county also must approve the tax levy established by the Water Resource District.

Component Unit Financial Statements: The financial statements of the discretely presented component units are presented in the County's basic financial statements. Complete financial statements of the component units can be obtained from the Pembina County Auditor/Treasurer, Pembina County, 301 Dakota Street West, Cavalier, North Dakota, 58220.

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Notes to the Financial Statements - Continued

Related Organizations - The County is accountable for the following legally separate entities because it appoints a voting majority to their governing boards. Although the county is not financially accountable for these entities, as defined by GASB Statement 14, the county did provide operating grants to them as follows:

Historical Society	\$ 8,275
Senior Citizens	53,976
County Fair	49,652
Bookmobile Library	137,17
County Ambulance	162,842

B. Basis of Presentation

Government-wide statements: The statement of net assets and the statement of activities display information about the primary government, Pembina County and its component units. These statements include the financial activities of the overall government, except for fiduciary activities. Eliminations have been made, when applicable, to minimize the double-counting of internal activities. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, intergovernmental revenues, and other nonexchange transactions.

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

Fund Financial Statements: The fund financial statements provide information about the county's funds including its fiduciary funds. Separate statements for each fund category-*governmental* and *fiduciary*-are presented. The emphasis of fund financial statements is on major governmental funds, each displayed in a separate column. All remaining governmental funds are aggregated and reported as nonmajor funds.

The county reports the following major governmental funds:

General Fund. This is the county's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

General Fund Reserve Fund. This fund accounts for the accumulation of resources over time for various county courthouse and other improvement projects.

Highway Funds. This fund accounts for repair and improvement of highways that are legally restricted from state highway tax distribution.

Farm-to-Market Road Fund. This fund accounts for repair and improvement of highways and bridges that are legally restricted from taxes levied.

Social Services Fund. This fund accounts for the costs of providing social service benefits and programs to needy residents of the county.

Social Service Levy Fund. This fund accounts for the levy and collection of taxes for social service programs that are transferred to the social services fund.

Flood Emergency Fund. This is the County's fund used to account for Federal Homeland Security disaster funds received and used for repairs caused by natural disasters.

The County reports the following fund type:

Agency Funds. These funds account for assets by the County in a custodial capacity as an agent on behalf of others. The County's agency funds are used to account for property taxes collected on behalf of other governments.

C. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation

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

Governmental Fund Financial Statements. Governmental funds are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenues are recognized when measurable and available. The County considers all revenues reported in the governmental funds to be available if the revenues are collected within sixty days after year-end. All revenues are considered to be susceptible to accrual. Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, except for principal and interest on long-term debt, claims and judgments, and compensated absences, which are recognized as expenditures to the extent they have matured. Capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Proceeds of long-term debt and acquisitions under capital leases are reported as other financing sources.

Under the terms of grant agreements, the County funds certain programs by a combination of specific cost-reimbursement grants and general revenues. Thus, when program expenses are incurred, there are both restricted and unrestricted net assets available to finance the program. It is the County's policy to first apply cost-reimbursement grant resources to such programs, and then by general revenues.

D. Cash, Cash Equivalents and Investments

Cash and cash equivalents include amounts in demand deposits, money market accounts and highly liquid short-term investments with original maturities of 3 months or less.

E. Capital Assets

PRIMARY GOVERNMENT:

Capital assets, which include property, plant, and equipment, are reported in the governmental activities column in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the government as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$5,000. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date of donation.

General infrastructure assets acquired prior to January 1, 2004 consisting of various road and bridge network assets are not reported in the financial statements, as the County was required to prospectively report infrastructure assets beginning January 1, 2004 as a Phase III GASB 34 implementation entity. The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets lives are not capitalized. Interest incurred during the construction phase of capital assets is not capitalized.

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Notes to the Financial Statements - Continued

Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects are constructed.

Capital assets are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

Assets	Years
Buildings	40
Machinery & Equipment	5 - 15
Vehicles	3 - 5
Office Equipment	3 - 5
Infrastructure	40

DISCRETELY PRESENTED COMPONENT UNIT:

Pembina County Water Resource District:

Capital assets of the Pembina County Water Resource District, a discretely presented component unit of Pembina County, include equipment and infrastructure. Assets are reported in a discretely presented component unit column in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the District as assets with an initial, individual cost of \$5,000 or more. Such assets are recorded at cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date of donation. The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets lives are not capitalized. Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects are constructed. Interest incurred during the construction phase of capital assets is not capitalized.

General infrastructure assets acquired prior to January 1, 2004 consisting of various drain and dam projects are not reported in the financial statements, as the District was required to prospectively report infrastructure assets beginning January 1, 2004 as a Phase III GASB 34 implementation entity. The District reported various infrastructure projects in progress at December 31, 2004 as construction in progress.

Capital assets are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

Assets	Years
Infrastructure	20
Equipment	5 - 7

F. Compensated Absences

Vacation leave is earned at the rate of one to two days per month depending on years of service. Employees are allowed to accrue a maximum of 30 days of vacation. Upon termination of employment, employees will be paid for vacation benefits that have accrued through the last day of the week. Sick leave benefits are earned at the rate of one day per month regardless of the years of service. An unlimited number of sick leave hours may be carried over. However, employees are not paid for their accumulated sick leave at retirement. A liability for the vested portion of compensated absences for governmental funds is reported in the government-wide statement of net assets.

Years of Service	Hours per Month
1 through 3 years	8
4 through 7 years	10
8 through 12 years	12
13 through 18 years	14
19 years and above	16

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G. Long-Term Obligations

In the government-wide financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the governmental activities statement of net assets for the primary government and the Pembina County Water Resource District, a discretely presented component unit. Bond premiums, discounts and issuance costs, when applicable, are recognized in the current period since the amounts are not material.

In the fund financial statements, governmental fund types recognize bond premiums, discounts and issuance costs in the current period. The face amount of the debt is reported as other financing sources. Premiums received on debt issuances are reported as other financing sources while discounts on debt issuances are reported as other financing uses. Issuance costs are reported as debt service expenditures.

H. Fund Balances / Net Assets Equity

In the fund financial statements, governmental funds report reservations of fund balance for amounts that are not available for appropriation or are legally restricted by outside parties for use for a specific purpose, primarily for debt service. Restrictions of net assets on the government-wide statement of net assets primarily include certain functions legally restricted by specified tax levies.

I. Interfund Transactions

In the governmental fund statements, transactions that constitute reimbursements to a fund for expenditures initially made from it that are properly applicable to another fund, are recorded as expenditures in the reimbursing fund and as reductions of expenditures in the fund that is reimbursed.

All other interfund transactions, except reimbursements, are reported as transfers.

In the government-wide financial statements, interfund transactions have been eliminated.

NOTE 2: LEGAL COMPLIANCE - BUDGETS

BUDGET AMENDMENTS

The board of county commissioners amended the county budget for 2009 as follows:

	EXPENDITURES		
	Original Budget	Budget Amendment	Amended Budget
Major Funds:			
General Fund	\$1,684,256	\$114,115	\$1,798,371
Highway Fund	942,410	288,431	1,230,841
Flood Emergency	150,000	568,508	718,508
Non-major Funds:			
<u>Special Revenue Funds:</u>			
Road and Bridge	42,000	3,580	45,580
Comprehensive Health	294,000	49,824	343,824
Retirement and Social Security	256,000	5,483	261,483
Historical Society	8,200	75	8,275
Senior Citizen	82,900	2,526	85,426
Insurance Reserve	86,000	11,913	97,913
Weed Control	100,650	14	100,664
Sheriff Special Trust	7,500	54,396	61,896
Document Preservation	6,000	1,289	7,289
County Nurse Trust	150	90	240
Hazardous Chemicals	9,000	8,735	17,735
Tobacco Fund	32,902	1,376	34,278

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OVERSPENT FUNDS

The following funds were overspent:

Overspent Funds:	Budget	Actual	Overspent
Major Funds:			
Flood Emergency	\$718,508	\$826,585	\$(108,077)
County Agent Trust	-	3,311	(3,311)

The highway funds were overspent due to an accounts payable audit adjustment and were not overspent on the client basis.

NOTE 3: DEPOSITS

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

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

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

At year ended December 31, 2009, the county's carrying amount of deposits was \$5,650,216 and the bank balances totaled \$6,021,476. Of the bank balances, \$1,864,461 was deposited at the Bank of North Dakota, and \$1,250,000 was covered by Federal Depository Insurance. The remaining bank balances totaling \$3,197,717 were collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's agent in the government's name. At year ended December 31, 2009, the water resource district's carrying amount of deposits was \$256,609 and the bank balances totaled \$389,195. Of the bank balances, \$250,000 was covered by Federal Depository Insurance. The remaining bank balances totaling \$153,114 were collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's agent in the government's name.

Credit Risk:

The county may invest idle funds as authorized in North Dakota Statutes, as follows:

- (a) Bonds, treasury bills and notes, or other securities that are a direct obligation insured or guaranteed by, the treasury of the United States, or its agencies, instrumentalities, or organizations created by an act of congress.
- (b) Securities sold under agreements to repurchase written by a financial institution in which the underlying securities for the agreement to repurchase are the type listed above.
- (c) Certificates of Deposit fully insured by the federal deposit insurance corporation.
- (d) Obligations of the state.

As of December 31, 2009, the county had certificates of deposit totaling \$1,565,000, all of which were considered deposits.

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Concentration of Credit Risk:

The county does not have a limit on the amount it may invest in any one issuer.

NOTE 4: TAXES RECEIVABLE

The taxes receivable represents the past four years of delinquent uncollected taxes. No allowance has been established for uncollectible taxes receivable because any defaults will be covered by enforcement of the liens.

The county treasurer acts as an agent to collect property taxes levied in the county for all taxing authorities. Any material collections are distributed after the end of the month.

Property taxes are levied as of January 1. The property taxes attach as an enforceable lien on property on January 1. The tax levy may be paid in two installments: the first installment includes one-half of the real estate taxes and all the special assessments; the second installment is the balance of the real estate taxes. The first installment is due by March 1 and the second installment is due by October 15. A 5% discount is allowed if all taxes and special assessments are paid by February 15. After the due dates, the bill becomes delinquent and penalties are assessed.

Most property owners choose to pay property taxes on or before February 15 and receive the 5% discount on the property taxes.

NOTE 5: ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Accounts receivable consists of money due the county at December 31, 2009. No allowance has been established for estimated uncollectible accounts receivable.

NOTE 6: ROAD ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Road accounts receivable consist of amounts due for road work for townships, cities and private citizens.

NOTE 7: INTERGOVERNMENTAL RECEIVABLE

Intergovernmental receivables consist of amounts due from the state for the state and federal share of various social service programs, highway tax distribution, state aid and other state and federal grants.

NOTE 8: JOB DEVELOPMENT LOANS RECEIVABLE

The Job Development Authority, a discretely presented component unit of Pembina County, provides loans to businesses for either start up costs or expansion costs. The Development Authority receives applications from various businesses within the community and either approves or denies the applications based on majority board decision. The Authority had the following activity in loans outstanding for the year ended December 31, 2009.

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Name/Business	Beginning Balance 1-1-09	New Loans/ Additions	Payments	Ending Balance 12-31-09
Northern Valley Growers	\$ 4,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,000
Main Street Café	274	-	-	274
Valley Building Center	6,667	-	4,167	2,500
QMAS	8,736	-	-	8,736
Sally Dog Grooming	600	-	-	600
Tamel USA	1,297	-	-	1,297
St. Thomas Sales	1,295	-	1,159	136
John Carpenter	5,000	-	-	5,000
Valley Crete Products	25,275	-	-	25,275
La Tea Da	8,714	-	-	8,714
Hank's Corner Hardware	946	-	-	946
T & M Restaurant	2,652	-	1,484	1,168
T & M Restaurant	978	-	678	300
Dakota Valley Growers, LLP	25,000	-	4,713	20,287
Pete Marciniak Enterprises	27,483	-	1,728	25,755
HBS of ND LLC	78,847	-	-	78,847
Agrimaxx, Inc.	58,145	-	-	58,145
Total Loans Receivable	\$255,909	\$ -	\$13,929	\$241,980
Allowance for Doubtful Loans	(8,736)	-	-	(8,736)
Total Net Loans Receivable	\$247,173	\$ -	\$13,929	\$233,244

NOTE 9: CAPITAL ASSETS

The following is a summary of changes in capital assets for the year ended December 31, 2009:

PRIMARY GOVERNMENT: Governmental Activities:	Balance 1-1-09	Adjustments	Increases	Decreases	Balance 12-31-09
<i>Capital assets not being depreciated:</i>					
Land	\$ 4,900	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,900
<i>Capital assets being depreciated:</i>					
Buildings	\$2,706,659	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$2,706,659
Equipment	2,900,405	(30,996)	127,800	-	2,997,209
Infrastructure	2,094,276	-	-	-	2,094,276
Total Capital Assets, Being Depreciated	\$7,701,340	\$(30,996)	\$ 127,800	\$ -	\$7,798,144
<i>Less Accumulated Depreciation for:</i>					
Buildings	\$1,264,000	\$ -	\$ 60,720	\$ -	\$1,324,720
Equipment	1,548,934	(57,599)	303,739	-	1,795,074
Infrastructure	109,828	-	52,356	-	162,184
Total Accumulated Depreciation	\$2,922,762	\$(57,599)	\$ 416,815	\$ -	\$3,281,978
Total Capital Assets Being Depreciated, Net	\$4,778,578	\$ 26,603	\$(289,015)	\$ -	\$4,516,166
<i>Governmental Activities Capital Assets, Net</i>	\$4,783,478	\$ 26,603	\$(289,015)	\$ -	\$4,521,066

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

Governmental Activities:	Amounts
General Government	\$ 93,407
Public Safety	100,893
Highways and Bridges	201,590
Health and Welfare	5,365
Conservation of Natural Resources	15,560
Total Depreciation Expense – Governmental Activities	\$416,815

Pembina County Water Resource District:

The following is a summary of changes in capital assets for the Pembina County Water Resource District, a discretely presented component unit of Pembina County, for the year ended December 31, 2009:

WATER RESOURCE DISTRICT	Balance				Balance
Governmental Activities:	1-1-09	Increases	Decreases	Transfers	12-31-09
<i>Capital assets being depreciated:</i>					
Construction in Progress	\$ 171,360	\$129,852	\$ -	\$(217,005)	\$ 84,207
<i>Capital assets being depreciated:</i>					
Equipment	\$ 134,391	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 134,391
Infrastructure	1,216,056	206,563	-	217,005	1,639,624
Total Capital Assets, Being Depreciated	\$1,350,447	\$206,563	\$ -	\$ 217,005	\$1,774,015
<i>Less Accumulated Depreciation for:</i>					
Equipment	\$ 98,739	\$ 19,973	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 118,712
Infrastructure	186,973	81,981	-	-	268,954
Total Accumulated Depreciation	\$ 285,712	\$101,954	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 387,666
Total Capital Assets Being Depreciated, Net	\$1,064,735	\$104,609	\$ -	\$ 217,005	\$1,386,349
Total Capital Assets	\$1,236,095	\$234,461	\$ -	\$ -	\$1,470,556

Depreciation expense totaling \$101,954 was charged to the conservation of natural resources function for the year ended December 31, 2009.

NOTE 10: ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Accounts payable consists of a liability account reflecting amounts on open accounts owing to private persons or organizations for goods and services received prior to December 31.

NOTE 11: LONG-TERM DEBT

Primary Government:

Changes in Long-Term Liabilities - During the year ended December 31, 2009; the following changes occurred in governmental activities long-term liabilities for the primary government:

Governmental Activities:	Balance			Balance	Due Within
	1-1-09	Increases	Decreases	12-31-09	One Year
Leases Payable	\$177,399	\$ -	\$ 44,683	\$132,716	\$ 47,127
Loan Payable	85,000	95,000	85,000	95,000	95,000
Compensated	92,668	-	10,235	82,433	8,243
Total Governmental Activities	\$355,067	\$95,000	\$139,918	\$310,149	\$150,370

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Capital Leases - The primary government has entered into lease agreements in prior years as lessee for financing the acquisition of a Sterling Truck, JD Excavator (total principal cost of \$232,888). These lease agreements qualify as capital leases for accounting purposes and, therefore, have been recorded at the present value of the future minimum lease payments as of the inception date.

The future minimum lease obligations and the net present value of these minimum lease payments as of December 31, 2009, were as follows:

Year Ending 12-31-09	Principal	Interest
2010	\$ 47,127	\$ 5,920
2011	49,704	3,343
2012	35,886	819
Total	\$132,716	\$10,082

Loan Payable - The \$95,000 county loan payable is due in one payment in 2009 with total interest owed of \$923.97.

DISCRETELY PRESENTED COMPONENT UNIT:

Pembina County Water Resource District:

During the year ended December 31, 2009, the following changes occurred in the long-term liabilities of the Water Resource District:

Governmental Activities:	Balance 1-1-09	Adjustment	Increases	Decreases	Balance 12-31-09	Due Within One Year
Warrants Payable	\$147,962	\$ -	\$307,707	\$126,174	\$329,495	\$329,495
Lines of Credit Payable	558,836	(14,727)	281,344	286,242	539,211	539,211
Compensated Absences	4,258	-	-	4,258	-	-
Total Governmental Activities	\$711,056	\$(14,727)	\$589,051	\$416,674	\$868,706	\$868,706

WRD Lines of Credit Payable:

\$200,000 Line of credit from Choice Financial Bank for Drain #72, no set payment schedule, interest at 5.15%.	\$127,450
\$210,026 Line of credit from United Valley Bank, no set payment schedule, interest at 4.0-4.25%.	172,839
\$163,988 Line of Credit from Choice Financial Bank for Walhalla Drain #2, no set payment schedule, interest at 4.25%.	147,996
\$93,414 Line of Credit from Choice Financial Bank for Walhalla Drain #3, no set payment schedule, interest at 4.25%	<u>90,926</u>
Total Water Resource District Lines of Credit Payable	<u>\$539,211</u>

There are no set payment schedules for the warrants and lines of credit payable, thus the future debt payments separated into principal and interest portions for the next five years individually and five year increments thereafter are not disclosed. Most, if not all is due within one year.

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NOTE 12: CONDUIT DEBT

From time to time, the county has issued Community Development Block Grant Loans to provide financial assistance to private-sector entities for the acquisition and construction of industrial and commercial facilities deemed to be in the public interest. The loans and bonds are secured by the property financed and are payable solely from payments received on the underlying mortgage loans. Upon repayment of the loans and bonds, ownership of the acquired facilities transfers to the private-sector entity served by the loan issuance. Neither the County, the State, nor any political subdivision thereof is obligated in any manner for repayment of the loans. Accordingly, the loans are not reported as liabilities in the accompanying financial statements.

As of December 31, 2009, there is one Community Development Block Grant Loan outstanding (Dakota Valley Growers), with a principal amount payable of \$118,254.

NOTE 13: TRANSFERS

The following is reconciliation between transfers in and transfers out as reported in the basic financial statements of the governmental activities for the year ended December 31, 2009:

Fund	Transfers In	Transfers Out
Major Funds:		
General Fund	\$ -	\$ 3,600
Social Services Fund	472,000	-
Social Services Levy	-	472,000
Non-major Funds:		
Health OASIS	-	42,525
Comprehensive Health	46,125	-
Total Transfers	\$518,125	\$518,125

NOTE 14: PENSION PLAN

Pembina County contributes to the North Dakota Public Employees Retirement System (NDPERS), a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit plan administered by the State of North Dakota. NDPERS provides for retirement, disability and survivor benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Benefits and contributions provisions are administered in accordance with chapter 54-52 of the North Dakota Century Code. NDPERS issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for NDPERS. That report may be obtained by writing to NDPERS, 400 E. Broadway, Suite 505, PO Box 1214, Bismarck, North Dakota, 58502-1214.

Plan members are required to contribute 4% of their annual salary and the county is required to contribute 5.12% of the employee's salary that consists of 4.12% for employee retirement and 1% for retiree health benefits fund. The county has agreed to pay 100% of the member assessments in lieu of a salary increase. The contributions requirements of the plan members and the county are established and may be amended by the State legislature. The county's contributions to NDPERS for the years ended December 31, 2009, 2008 and 2007 were \$168,643, \$167,624, and \$164,730, respectively, equal to the required contributions for each year.

NOTE 15: RISK MANAGEMENT

Pembina County is exposed to various risks of loss relating to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters.

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In 1986, state agencies and political subdivisions of the state of North Dakota joined together to form the North Dakota Insurance Reserve Fund (NDIRF), a public entity risk pool currently operating as a common risk management and insurance program for the state and over 2,000 political subdivisions. Pembina County pays an annual premium to NDIRF for its general liability, automobile, and inland marine insurance coverage. The coverage by NDIRF is limited to losses of two million dollars per occurrence for general liability and automobile and \$1,309,139 for mobile equipment and portable property.

Pembina County also participates in the North Dakota Fire and Tornado Fund and the State Bonding Fund. Pembina County pays an annual premium to the Fire and Tornado Fund to cover property damage to buildings and personal property. Replacement cost coverage is provided by estimating replacement cost in consultation with the Fire and Tornado Fund. The Fire and Tornado Fund is reinsured by a third party insurance carrier for losses in excess of one million dollars per occurrence during a 12-month period. The State Bonding Fund currently provides Pembina County with blanket fidelity bond coverage in the amount of \$2,000,000 for its employees. The State Bonding Fund does not currently charge any premium for this coverage.

Pembina County has workers compensation with the Workforce, Safety and Insurance. The water resource district purchases commercial insurance for employee health and accident insurance. The County pays the entire health insurance premium for a single employee and all but \$88.70 per month for a married employee.

Settled claims resulting from these risks have not exceeded insurance coverage in any of the past three years.

NOTE 16: JOINT VENTURES

Under authorization of state statutes, the Pembina County Water Resource District joined the Maple River Water Resource District, Rush River Water Resource District, Southeast Cass Water Resource District, North Cass Water Resource District, and the water resource districts of Pembina County, Traill County, Grand Forks County, Steele County, Walsh County, Nelson County, Ransom County, and Sargent County to establish and operate a joint exercise of powers agreement for water management districts located within the Red River Valley, known as the Red River Valley Joint Water Resource Board, the agreement was established for the mutual advantage of the governments. Each government appoints one member of the board of directors for the joint venture. The operating and capital expenses are funded by contributions from each government. Each government's share of assets, liabilities, and fund equity cannot be determined as no provision is made for this in the joint venture agreement and each government's contribution depends on where the Red River Joint Water Resource Board projects are being undertaken.

The following is a summary of financial information on the joint venture as of and for the year ended December 31, 2008, which is the most current audited information available.

	Red River Joint Water Resource District
Total Assets	\$3,210,755
Total Liabilities	49,333
Total Equity	\$3,161,422
Revenues	\$ 900,932
Expenditures	380,535
Net Increase in Fund Balance	\$ 520,397

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NOTE 17: DEFICIT CASH FUND BALANCES

At December 31, 2009, the following funds had deficit cash fund balances.

County Funds	Balance
WIC	\$ (2,656)
Bikepath Project	(1,876)
Homeland Security Funds	(13,246)

It is anticipated that future grant reimbursements, program fees, tax revenues and/or transfers from the general fund will alleviate the deficit fund balances.

NOTE 18: PRIOR PERIOD ADJUSTMENT

Prior period errors were noted in capital assets for cost and depreciation from the prior period for Pembina County. The result of the errors was to increase beginning net assets equity by a total of \$26,603 on the statement of activities.

	Governmental Wide
Net Assets Equity as previously reported	\$6,991,759
Adjustments to restate the January 1, 2009 net assets equity for the following:	
The net change in capital assets due to the adjustments for cost and depreciation	26,603
Net Assets Equity January 1, 2008 as restated	\$7,018,362

Prior period errors were noted in lines of credit payable, taxes receivable and in special assessments receivable for the Water Resource District. The result of the errors was to increase beginning net assets equity by a total of \$26,219 on the statement of activities.

	Governmental Wide
Net Assets Equity as previously reported	\$802,820
Adjustments to restate the January 1, 2009 net assets equity for the following:	
Loan Payable Adjustment	14,748
Special Assessments Receivable Adjustment	13,082
Taxes Receivable Adjustment	(1,611)
Net Assets Equity January 1, 2008 as restated	\$829,039

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BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE
GENERAL FUND
For the Year Ended December 31, 2009

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual Amounts	Variance with Final Budget
<u>Revenues:</u>				
Taxes	\$ 764,354	\$ 764,354	\$ 772,473	\$ 8,119
Intergovernmental	353,800	353,800	386,214	32,414
Charges for services	318,142	318,142	576,712	258,570
Licenses, permits and fees	2,000	2,000	3,230	1,230
Interest income	40,000	40,000	38,332	(1,668)
Miscellaneous	30,960	30,960	76,943	45,983
Total Revenues	\$ 1,509,256	\$ 1,509,256	\$ 1,853,904	\$ 344,648
<u>Expenditures:</u>				
Current:				
General government	\$ 762,968	\$ 706,059	\$ 714,223	\$ (8,164)
Public safety	760,758	904,391	893,918	10,473
Health and welfare	136,448	163,839	164,089	(250)
Economic development	24,082	24,082	22,540	1,542
Total Expenditures	\$ 1,684,256	\$ 1,798,371	\$ 1,794,770	\$ 3,601
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures	\$ (175,000)	\$ (289,115)	\$ 59,134	\$ 348,249
<u>Other Financing Sources (Uses):</u>				
Transfers out	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (3,600)	\$ (3,600)
Net Change in Fund Balances	\$ (175,000)	\$ (289,115)	\$ 55,534	\$ 344,649
Fund Balances - January 1	\$ 668,953	\$ 668,953	\$ 668,953	\$ -
Fund Balances - December 31	\$ 493,953	\$ 379,838	\$ 724,487	\$ 344,649

The notes to the required supplementary information are an integral part of this statement.

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BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE
GENERAL FUND RESERVE FUND
For the Year Ended December 31, 2009

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual Amounts	Variance with Final Budget
<u>Revenues:</u>				
Intergovernmental	\$ 75,000	\$ 75,000	\$ 23,075	\$ (51,925)
Interest income	15,000	15,000	-	(15,000)
Miscellaneous	-	-	60,971	60,971
Total Revenues	\$ 90,000	\$ 90,000	\$ 84,046	\$ (5,954)
<u>Expenditures:</u>				
Current:				
General government	\$ 132,000	\$ 132,000	\$ 12,966	\$ 119,034
Capital outlay	100,000	100,000	139,194	(39,194)
Total Expenditures	\$ 232,000	\$ 232,000	\$ 152,160	\$ 79,840
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures	\$ (142,000)	\$ (142,000)	\$ (68,114)	\$ 73,886
Fund Balances - January 1	\$ 361,503	\$ 361,503	\$ 361,503	\$ -
Fund Balances - December 31	\$ 219,503	\$ 219,503	\$ 293,389	\$ 73,886

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BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE
HIGHWAY FUNDS
For the Year Ended December 31, 2009

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual Amounts	Variance with Final Budget
<u>Revenues:</u>				
Intergovernmental	\$ 776,500	\$ 776,500	\$ 1,222,317	\$ 445,817
Charges for services	24,000	24,000	158,107	134,107
Miscellaneous	35,000	35,000	250,635	215,635
Total Revenues	\$ 835,500	\$ 835,500	\$ 1,631,059	\$ 795,559
<u>Expenditures:</u>				
Current:				
Highways and bridges	\$ 942,500	\$ 1,230,841	\$ 1,127,540	\$ 103,301
Debt Service:				
Principal	-	-	44,683	(44,683)
Interest	-	-	8,364	(8,364)
Total Expenditures	\$ 942,500	\$ 1,230,841	\$ 1,180,587	\$ 50,254
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures	\$ (107,000)	\$ (395,341)	\$ 450,472	\$ 845,813
<u>Other Financing Sources (Uses):</u>				
Loan proceeds	\$ 90,000	\$ 90,000	\$ 95,000	\$ 5,000
Net Change in Fund Balances	\$ (17,000)	\$ (305,341)	\$ 545,472	\$ 850,813
Fund Balances - January 1	\$ 351,647	\$ 351,647	\$ 351,647	\$ -
Fund Balances - December 31	\$ 334,647	\$ 46,306	\$ 897,119	\$ 850,813

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BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE
FARM TO MARKET ROAD FUND
For the Year Ended December 31, 2009

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual Amounts	Variance with Final Budget
<u>Revenues:</u>				
Taxes	\$ 315,200	\$ 315,200	\$ 304,128	\$ (11,072)
Intergovernmental	25,300	25,300	20,127	(5,173)
Total Revenues	<u>\$ 340,500</u>	<u>\$ 340,500</u>	<u>\$ 324,255</u>	<u>\$ (16,245)</u>
<u>Expenditures:</u>				
Current:				
Highways and bridges	\$ 595,000	\$ 595,000	\$ 314,730	\$ 280,270
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures	<u>\$ (254,500)</u>	<u>\$ (254,500)</u>	<u>\$ 9,525</u>	<u>\$ 264,025</u>
Fund Balances - January 1	<u>\$ 278,130</u>	<u>\$ 278,130</u>	<u>\$ 278,130</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Fund Balances - December 31	<u>\$ 23,630</u>	<u>\$ 23,630</u>	<u>\$ 287,655</u>	<u>\$ 264,025</u>

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PEMBINA COUNTY
Cavalier, North Dakota

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE
SOCIAL SERVICES FUND
For the Year Ended December 31, 2009

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual Amounts	Variance with Final Budget
<u>Revenues:</u>				
Intergovernmental	\$ 120,000	\$ 120,000	\$ 164,434	\$ 44,434
Charges for services	34,500	34,500	53,725	19,225
Miscellaneous	-	-	1,804	1,804
Total Revenues	\$ 154,500	\$ 154,500	\$ 219,963	\$ 65,463
<u>Expenditures:</u>				
Current:				
Health and welfare	\$ 840,138	\$ 840,138	\$ 691,313	\$ 148,825
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures	\$ (685,638)	\$ (685,638)	\$ (471,350)	\$ 214,288
<u>Other Financing Sources (Uses):</u>				
Transfers in	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 472,000	\$ 472,000
Net Change in Fund Balances	\$ (685,638)	\$ (685,638)	\$ 650	\$ 686,288
Fund Balances - January 1	\$ 18,354	\$ 18,354	\$ 18,354	\$ -
Fund Balances - December 31	\$ (667,284)	\$ (667,284)	\$ 19,004	\$ 686,288

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PEMBINA COUNTY
Cavalier, North Dakota

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE
SOCIAL SERVICE LEVY FUND
For the Year Ended December 31, 2009

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual Amounts	Variance with Final Budget
<u>Revenues:</u>				
Taxes	\$ 481,761	\$ 481,761	\$ 465,728	\$ (16,033)
Intergovernmental	45,600	45,600	37,525	(8,075)
Total Revenues	\$ 527,361	\$ 527,361	\$ 503,253	\$ (24,108)
<u>Expenditures:</u>				
Current:				
Health and welfare	\$ 61,126	\$ 61,126	\$ 49,885	\$ 11,241
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures	\$ 466,235	\$ 466,235	\$ 453,368	\$ (12,867)
<u>Other Financing Sources (Uses):</u>				
Transfers out	\$ (506,235)	\$ (506,235)	\$ (472,000)	\$ 34,235
Net Change in Fund Balances	\$ (40,000)	\$ (40,000)	\$ (18,632)	\$ 21,368
Fund Balances - January 1	\$ 49,591	\$ 49,591	\$ 49,591	-
Fund Balances - December 31	\$ 9,591	\$ 9,591	\$ 30,959	\$ 21,368

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PEMBINA COUNTY
Cavalier, North Dakota

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE
FLOOD EMERGENCY FUND
For the Year Ended December 31, 2009

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual Amounts	Variance with Final Budget
<u>Revenues:</u>				
Intergovernmental	\$ 150,000	\$ 150,000	\$ 1,478,418	\$ 1,328,418
<u>Expenditures:</u>				
<u>Current:</u>				
Highways and bridges	\$ 718,508	\$ 718,508	\$ 826,585	\$ (108,077)
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures	\$ (568,508)	\$ (568,508)	\$ 651,833	\$ 1,220,341
Fund Balances - January 1	\$ 5,859	\$ 5,859	\$ 5,859	\$ -
Fund Balances - December 31	\$ (562,649)	\$ (562,649)	\$ 657,692	\$ 1,220,341

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PEMBINA COUNTY
Cavalier, North Dakota

NOTES TO THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
December 31, 2009

NOTE 1: STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY

Budgetary Information:

- The county commission adopts an "appropriated budget" on the modified accrual basis of accounting.
- The county auditor prepares an annual budget for the general fund and each special revenue fund of the county. NDCC 11-23-02. The budget includes proposed expenditures and means of financing them.
- The county commission holds a public hearing where any taxpayer may appear and shall be heard in favor of or against any proposed disbursements or tax levies. When the hearing shall have been concluded, the board shall adopt such estimate as finally is determined upon. All taxes shall be levied in specific amounts and shall not exceed the amount specified in the published estimates. NDCC 11-23-04
- The board of county commissioners, on or before the October meeting shall determine the amount of taxes that shall be levied for county purposes and shall levy all such taxes in specific amounts. NDCC 11-23-05
- Each budget is controlled by the county auditor at the revenue and expenditure function/object level.
- The current budget, except for property taxes, may be amended during the year for any revenues and appropriations not anticipated at the time the budget was prepared. NDCC 57-15-31.1
- All appropriations lapse at year-end.

PEMBINA COUNTY
Cavalier, North Dakota

SCHEDULE OF FUND ACTIVITY ARISING FROM CASH TRANSACTIONS
For the Year Ended December 31, 2009

	Balance 1-1-09	Receipts	Transfers In	Debt Proceeds	Transfers Out	Disbursements	Balance 12-31-09
Major Funds:							
General Fund	\$ 491,467.63	\$ 1,884,303.23	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,600.00	\$ 1,794,770.85	\$ 577,400.01
Special Revenue Funds:							
General Fund Reserve & Windows	\$ 354,547.21	\$ 91,001.57	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 152,159.48	\$ 293,389.30
Social Service	3,687.98	218,661.72	472,000.00	-	-	691,312.99	3,036.71
Social Service Levy	35,835.71	517,008.53	-	-	472,000.00	49,885.27	30,958.97
Farm to Market Road	270,791.12	331,594.81	-	-	-	314,730.46	287,655.47
Flood Emergency Fund	5,858.69	1,478,417.74	-	-	-	718,507.96	765,768.47
Highway Funds	313,025.91	1,627,170.48	-	95,000.00	-	1,230,840.96	804,355.43
Total Major Special Revenue Funds	\$ 983,746.62	\$ 4,263,854.85	\$ 472,000.00	\$ 95,000.00	\$ 472,000.00	\$ 3,157,437.12	\$ 2,185,164.35
Total Major Funds	\$ 1,475,214.25	\$ 6,148,158.08	\$ 472,000.00	\$ 95,000.00	\$ 475,600.00	\$ 4,952,207.97	\$ 2,762,564.36
Nonmajor Funds:							
County Road & Bridge	\$ 24,873.71	\$ 33,154.24	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 45,580.47	\$ 12,447.48
Emergency	190,974.10	138,657.93	-	-	-	63,253.36	266,378.67
Correctional Center Levy	15,951.50	86,287.23	-	-	-	89,287.79	12,950.94
County Agent	10,191.01	79,232.22	-	-	-	83,798.35	5,624.88
Veteran's Service	5,273.82	22,139.22	-	-	-	22,745.02	4,668.02
OASIS & Social Security	44,006.92	275,126.86	-	-	-	261,483.28	57,650.50
Technology/OASIS	25,018.57	60,941.24	-	-	-	72,682.95	13,276.86
Health OASIS	333.97	42,620.87	-	-	42,524.92	-	429.92
County Loan Fund (Debt Service)	7,262.01	91,179.04	-	-	-	86,334.66	12,106.39
Advertising	22,158.96	16,577.14	-	-	-	16,057.00	22,679.10
Weed Control	(9,562.42)	132,745.91	-	-	-	100,664.03	22,519.46
Abandoned Cemetery	13,693.10	0.05	-	-	-	-	13,693.15
County Fair	123.19	49,733.16	-	-	-	49,652.02	204.33
WIC	(2,618.96)	43,568.17	-	-	-	43,605.31	(2,656.10)
County Library	79.90	34,524.15	-	-	-	34,449.36	154.69
Bookmobile	13.82	123.61	-	-	-	137.17	0.26
Historical Society Fund	20.54	8,288.51	-	-	-	8,274.96	34.09
Senior Citizen Fund	82.15	54,030.42	-	-	-	53,976.34	136.23
Senior Citizen Fund-Faith In Action	40.86	30,086.84	-	-	-	30,004.81	122.89
Airport	335.33	54,107.57	-	-	-	53,974.14	468.76
Ambulance	410.64	163,112.37	-	-	-	162,841.98	681.03
Comprehensive Health Fund	108,721.53	294,247.97	46,124.92	-	-	343,823.67	105,270.75
Insurance Reserve	37,881.44	84,591.71	-	-	-	97,913.39	24,559.76
Hazardous Chem. Preparedness	9,852.48	14,104.50	-	-	-	17,734.69	6,222.29
Bike Path Project	(1,444.30)	1,444.30	-	-	-	-	-
Victim Witness	(2,693.65)	32,024.14	-	-	-	31,206.34	(1,875.85)
Tobacco Funds	3,663.77	32,591.63	-	-	-	34,277.95	1,977.45
CTP Grant	(5,079.44)	5,079.44	-	-	-	-	-
Homeland Security Funds	(29,893.38)	51,207.06	-	-	-	34,559.63	(13,245.95)
Sheriff Special Trust	46,166.71	59,065.89	-	-	-	61,895.53	43,337.07
Asset Forfeiture Account	12,375.71	-	-	-	-	-	12,375.71
Document Preservation	4,562.65	6,879.95	-	-	-	7,288.53	4,154.07
County Nurse Special Trust	110.00	230.00	-	-	-	240.00	100.00
County Agent Special Trust	9,027.22	5,315.78	-	-	-	3,311.09	11,031.91
Hazard Mitigation (Reg. Council)	10,612.00	16,877.00	-	-	-	27,489.00	-
Total Nonmajor Funds	\$ 552,525.46	\$ 2,019,896.12	\$ 46,124.92	\$ -	\$ 42,524.92	\$ 1,938,542.82	\$ 637,478.76
Total Governmental Funds	\$ 2,027,739.71	\$ 8,168,054.20	\$ 518,124.92	\$ 95,000.00	\$ 518,124.92	\$ 6,890,750.79	\$ 3,400,043.12

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PEMBINA COUNTY
Cavalier, North Dakota

SCHEDULE OF FUND ACTIVITY ARISING FROM CASH TRANSACTIONS
For the Year Ended December 31, 2009

	Balance 1-1-09	Receipts	Transfers In	Debt Proceeds	Transfers Out	Disbursements	Balance 12-31-09
<i>CONTINUED....</i>							
Agency Funds:							
Investment Interest	\$ (1,975.69)	\$ 41,184.76	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 38,331.54	\$ 877.53
Restitution Special Trust	1,542.16	810.00	-	-	-	250.00	2,102.16
Pembina County Water Resource	328.57	127,561.64	-	-	-	127,345.34	544.87
Drain Funds	97.32	406,015.60	-	-	-	403,079.56	3,033.36
Clerk of Court Special Trust Fund	9,999.68	184,546.69	-	-	-	164,471.65	30,074.72
State	82.16	30,515.32	-	-	-	30,461.25	136.23
Fines	2,390.00	59,770.65	-	-	-	62,160.65	-
Court Administration Fees	-	300.50	-	-	-	300.50	-
Domestic Violence	35.00	1,295.00	-	-	-	1,330.00	-
Bond Forfeitures	-	10,100.00	-	-	-	10,600.00	(500.00)
Municipal Court Transfer	300.00	1,855.61	-	-	-	2,155.61	-
Displaced Homemaker	50.00	500.00	-	-	-	550.00	-
Civil Legal Services	360.00	4,035.00	-	-	-	3,300.00	1,095.00
Civil Filing Fees	1,675.00	12,345.00	-	-	-	14,615.00	(595.00)
Court Appointed Counsel	225.62	3,990.80	-	-	-	4,216.42	-
Divorce Modifications	90.00	90.00	-	-	-	180.00	-
Victim Witness	298.00	4,155.14	-	-	-	4,178.14	275.00
Indigent Defense	-	515.00	-	-	-	515.00	-
Criminal Administration	1,240.00	24,720.40	-	-	-	25,960.40	-
Defense Facility Administration Fee	1,350.00	17,153.37	-	-	-	18,503.37	-
Comm Service Supervision Fee	-	60.00	-	-	-	60.00	-
State's Attorney Trust Fund	1,715.83	-	-	-	-	-	1,715.83
Protest Fund	13,345.63	17,775.57	-	-	-	22,433.74	8,687.46
Prepaid Taxes	2,958,280.84	2,641,106.16	-	-	-	2,958,280.84	2,641,106.16
Advance Tax Fund	73.46	22,870.30	-	-	-	22,883.80	59.96
Fire District Funds	264.22	56,573.62	-	-	-	56,552.56	285.28
City Funds	93,717.01	1,868,152.73	-	-	-	1,927,098.71	34,771.03
Township Funds	2,068.30	661,633.86	-	-	-	661,413.18	2,288.98
School Funds	20,460.44	6,584,074.14	-	-	-	6,572,838.92	31,695.66
Red River Water Resource	82.15	31,082.80	-	-	-	31,028.72	136.23
Game and Fish Fund	12,613.35	45,753.00	-	-	-	52,313.00	6,053.35
Pembina Co Soil Conservation Dist.	82.17	28,389.53	-	-	-	28,355.22	116.48
Township Road Fund	-	428,654.44	-	-	-	428,654.44	-
Total Agency Funds	\$ 3,120,791.22	\$ 13,317,586.63	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 13,674,417.56	\$ 2,763,960.29
Total Primary Government	\$ 5,148,530.93	\$ 21,485,640.83	\$ 518,124.92	\$ 95,000.00	\$ 518,124.92	\$ 20,565,168.35	\$ 6,164,003.41
Job Development Authority	\$ 112,057.48	\$ 117,988.79	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 45,978.79	\$ 184,067.48
Total Reporting Entity	\$ 5,260,588.41	\$ 21,603,629.62	\$ 518,124.92	\$ 95,000.00	\$ 518,124.92	\$ 20,611,147.14	\$ 6,348,070.89

PEMBINA COUNTY
Cavalier, North Dakota

SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
For the Year Ended December 31, 2009

Federal Grantor/ Pass-Through Grantor/ Program Title	Federal CFDA Number	Expenditures
<u>U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE:</u>		
<u>Passed Through State Attorney General's Office:</u>		
Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program	16.738	\$ 4,423
<u>Passed through State Department of Health:</u>		
Violence Against Women Formula Grants	16.588	12,500
Total U.S. Department of Justice		\$ 16,923
<u>U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES:</u>		
<u>Passed through State Department of Human Services:</u>		
Maternal and Child Health Services Block Grant to the States	93.994	\$ 758
Child Support Enforcement	93.563	994
Child Support Enforcement (Stimulus)	93.563	47
Medical Assistance Program	93.778	9,267
Children's Health Insurance Program	93.767	853
Foster Care - Title IV-E (Stimulus)	93.658	27,339
Adoption Assistance (Stimulus)	93.659	383
Child Welfare Services - State Grants	93.645	6,638
Low-Income Home Energy Assistance	93.568	107
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families	93.558	43,360
Child Care Mandatory and Matching Funds of the Child Care and Development Fund	93.596	3,225
Promoting Safe and Stable Families	93.556	9,060
Total U.S. Department of Health and Human Services		\$ 102,031
<u>U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION:</u>		
<u>Passed through State Department of Human Services:</u>		
Rehabilitation Services - Vocational Rehabilitation Grants to the States	84.126	\$ 475
<u>U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION:</u>		
<u>Passed through the State Highway Department:</u>		
Highway Planning and Construction (Stimulus)	20.205	\$ 21,759
<u>U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE:</u>		
<u>Passed through the North Dakota Department of Human Services:</u>		
State Administrative Matching Grants for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (STIMULUS)	10.561	\$ 513
<u>U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY:</u>		
<u>Passed through State Division of Emergency Management:</u>		
Public Safety Interoperable Communications Grant Program	11.555	\$ 26,597
Interagency Hazardous Materials Public Sector Training and Planning Grants	20.703	9,600
Disaster Grants - Public Assistance (Presidentially Declared Disasters)	97.036	633,976
Emergency Management Performance Grants	97.042	5,847
Pre-Disaster Mitigation	97.047	7,500
Homeland Security Grant Program	97.067	239,592
State Homeland Security Program (SHSP)	97.073	20,244
Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Program (LETPP)	97.074	21,372
Total U.S. Department of Homeland Security		\$ 964,728
Total Expenditures of Federal Awards		\$ 1,106,429

NOTES: BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards represents amounts expended from Federal Programs during the year ended December 31, 2009 as determined based on the modified accrual basis of accounting. The amounts reported on the schedule have been reconciled to and are in material agreement with amounts recorded in the accounting records from which the financial statements have been reported.

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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*

Board of County Commissioners
Pembina County
Cavalier, North Dakota 58506

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, the discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Pembina County, Cavalier, North Dakota as of and for the year ended December 31, 2009, which collectively comprise Pembina County's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated August 18, 2010. 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 Pembina County's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Pembina County's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Pembina County'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 County'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 County's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the County's internal control. We consider the deficiencies described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses to be significant deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting. The significant deficiency is described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as item 09-1.

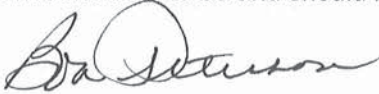
A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by the County's internal control.

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.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Pembina County'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 is required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, the Board of County Commissioners, others within the County, 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.



Robert R. Peterson
State Auditor

August 18, 2010 .

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

Board of County Commissioners
Pembina County
Cavalier, North Dakota

Compliance

We have audited the compliance of Pembina County, Cavalier, North Dakota, 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 each of its major federal programs for the year ended December 31, 2009. Pembina County's major federal programs are 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 each of its major federal programs is the responsibility of Pembina County's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on Pembina County'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 a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about Pembina County, Cavalier, North Dakota'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 Pembina County, Cavalier, North Dakota's compliance with those requirements.

In our opinion, Pembina County, Cavalier, North Dakota complied, in all material respects, with the requirements referred to above that are applicable to each of its major federal programs for the year ended December 31, 2009.

Internal Control Over Compliance

The management of Pembina County, Cavalier, North Dakota's 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 Pembina County's internal control over compliance with the 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 the Pembina County's internal control over compliance.

A *control deficiency* in Pembina County'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 Pembina County'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 Pembina County'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 Pembina County's internal control.

Our consideration of 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 County Commissioners, others within Pembina County, 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.



Robert R. Peterson
State Auditor

August 18, 2010

PEMBINA COUNTY
Cavalier, North Dakota

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
For the Year Ended December 31, 2009

Section I - Summary of Auditor's Results

Financial Statements

Type of Report Issued?	
Governmental Activities	Unqualified
Component Units	Unqualified
Major Funds	Unqualified
Aggregate Remaining Fund Information	Unqualified

Internal control over financial reporting:

Material weaknesses identified?	_____ Yes	_____ <u>X</u> No
Significant deficiencies identified not considered to be material weaknesses?	_____ <u>X</u> Yes	_____ No
Noncompliance material to financial statements noted?	_____ Yes	_____ <u>X</u> No

Federal Awards

Internal Control over major programs:

Material weaknesses identified?	_____ Yes	_____ <u>X</u> No
Reportable conditions identified not considered to be material weaknesses?	_____ Yes	_____ <u>X</u> None reported
Type of auditor's report issued on compliance for major programs:	Unqualified	
Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with Circular A-133, Section .510(a)?	_____ Yes	_____ <u>X</u> No

Identification of major programs:

CFDA Numbers	Name of Federal Program Or Cluster
97.036	Disaster Grants – Public Assistance (Presidentially Declared Disasters)

Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and B programs:

\$300,000

Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?	_____ <u>X</u> Yes	_____ No
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PEMBINA COUNTY

Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs - Continued

Section II - Financial Statement Findings

09-1 - LACK OF SEGREGATION OF DUTIES - Water Resource District

Condition:

The Pembina County Water Resource District has one secretary/treasurer responsible for the accounting functions. A lack of segregation of duties exists as one employee is responsible to collect monies, deposit monies, issue checks, send checks to vendors, record receipts and disbursements in journals, maintain the general ledger, and perform bank reconciliations

Effect:

The lack of segregation of duties increases the risk of fraud and the risk of misstatement of the water resource districts financial condition.

Cause:

Due to the size, complexity and the economic realities of each water resource district, it is presently not feasible to obtain proper separation of duties.

Criteria:

Proper internal control surrounding custody of assets, the recording of transactions, reconciling bank accounts and preparation of financial statements dictates that there should be sufficient accounting personnel so duties of employees are properly segregated. The segregation of duties would provide better control over the assets of the water resource district.

Recommendation:

Due to the size, complexity and the economic realities of the water resource district, it is presently not feasible to obtain proper separation of duties. We recommend that if it becomes feasible to segregate duties in the future, that duties are segregated to the extent possible to reduce the potential risk of loss.

Views of Responsible Officials / Planned Corrective Actions:

The Pembina County Water Resource District acknowledges the increased risk and agrees that it is not feasible to obtain proper separation of duties. All expenditures are approved through motion of the board and all bills reviewed.

Section III - Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs

No matters were reported.