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Independent Auditor's Report

Commissioners of the Arkansas Natural Resources Commission

Board of Directors Arkansas Development Finance Authority Little Rock, Arkansas

Report on the Combined Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying combined financial statements of the State of Arkansas Construction Assistance Revolving Loan Fund Program, which comprise the combined statements of net position as of June 30, 2021 and 2020, and the related combined statements of revenues, expenses and changes in net position, and cash flows for the years then ended and the related notes to the combined financial statements.

Management's Responsibility for the Combined Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these combined 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 combined financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these combined 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 combined financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the combined financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the combined 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 combined 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 opinions. 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 combined financial statements.

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

Opinions

In our opinion, the combined financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the State of Arkansas Construction Assistance Revolving Loan Fund Program as of June 30, 2021 and 2020, and the changes in its financial position and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Emphasis of Matter

As discussed in Note 1.a., the accompanying combined financial statements present only the State of Arkansas Construction Assistance Revolving Loan Fund Program and do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of the State of Arkansas as of June 30, 2021 and 2020, and the changes in its financial position and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis information on pages 4 through 9 be presented to supplement the basic combined financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic combined 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 combined 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 combined financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audits of the basic combined 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 combined financial statements that collectively comprise the State of Arkansas Construction Assistance Revolving Loan Fund Program's basic combined financial statements. The schedule of expenditures of federal awards, as required by the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards*, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic combined financial statements.

The supplementary information on pages 24 through 26 and the schedule of expenditures of federal awards on page 33 are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic combined financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audits of the basic combined 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 combined financial statements or to the basic combined financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the supplementary information and the schedule of expenditures of federal awards are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic combined financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated October 29, 2021, on our consideration of the State of Arkansas Construction Assistance Revolving Loan Fund Program'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 solely 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 effectiveness of the State of Arkansas Construction Assistance Revolving Loan Fund Program's 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 the State of Arkansas Construction Assistance Revolving Loan Fund Program's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Certified Public Accountants

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Little Rock, Arkansas October 29, 2021

Management's Discussion and Analysis

For the Years Ended June 30, 2021 and 2020

This discussion and analysis is designed to assist the reader in focusing on significant issues and activities and to identify any significant changes in the financial position of the State of Arkansas Construction Assistance Revolving Loan Fund Program (the "Program"). Readers are encouraged to consider the information presented in conjunction with the combined financial statements and notes as a whole, which follow this section of the report.

Discussion of Combined Financial Statements

The June 30, 2021 basic combined financial statements include three required statements: the combined statement of net position; the combined statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net position; and the combined statement of cash flows. Comparative totals as of and for the years ended June 30, 2020 and 2019 are also presented. Although not required, these comparative totals are intended to facilitate an enhanced understanding of the Program's financial position and results of operations for the current fiscal year in comparison to the prior fiscal years. Additional information, following the *Notes to Combined Financial Statements*, includes the combining statement of net position; the combining statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net position; as well as the combining statement of cash flows. These combining statements detail the Revolving Loan Fund and the Fees and Expense Fund, which comprise the Program.

Condensed Financial Information – Combined Statements of Net Position

		<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
(In thousands)	•		4.5.04.0	
Total assets	\$	433,212	\$ 435,818	\$ 422,489
Liabilities				
Current liabilities		240	2,960	3,107
Noncurrent liabilities			 15,879	 18,850
Total liabilities		240	 18,839	 21,957
Net position Restricted by bond resolution, enabling legislation				
and Program requirements	\$	432,972	\$ 416,979	\$ 400,532

The Program's total assets have fluctuated over the past three years. At June 30, 2021, total assets decreased \$2.6 million, which is primarily attributable to the decline of \$34.1 million in cash and cash equivalents, investments – current portion and accrued interest on loans, which is offset by an increase of \$31.8 million in loans receivable – restricted. At June 30, 2020, the total assets increased \$13.3 million as compared to June 30, 2019. The increase is primarily attributed to the increases in cash and cash equivalents and loans receivable – restricted of \$67.4 million, which is offset by a decrease in investments – current portion of \$53.9 million. The Program's investment portfolio all matured by the end of the prior year and was not reinvested. The Program did purchase a Federal Farm Credit Bank investment at par which is a private offering and cannot be remarketed.

Management's Discussion and Analysis (cont.)

For the Years Ended June 30, 2021 and 2020

The following table reports loan activity for each year:

	<u>2021</u>		<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
(In thousands)				
Loan disbursements	\$ 45,414	\$	39,894	\$ 38,789
Loan repayments	 13,604	_	24,825	 14,410
Net increase in loans receivable	\$ 31,810	\$	15,069	\$ 24,379

The following table reflects the disbursement of funds to new and existing loan borrowers:

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
(In thousands)			
New loans	\$ 82,659	\$ 54,900	\$ 18,000
Loan disbursements - new loans	7,291	135	25
Existing loans	\$ 340,267	\$ 219,250	\$ 174,550
Loan disbursements - existing loans	38,123	39,759	38,764

The Program continuously funds loans from Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") federal grant funds, prepayment funds, state matching funds and revolving Program funds. In the current fiscal year, the Program committed an additional \$82.7 million of Program and grant funds of which only \$7.3 million has been disbursed. The Program has disbursed \$38.1 million from Program funds, base federal grants and state match funds to loans still in construction. In the prior fiscal year, the Program disbursed funds for loans of \$6.1 million from federal grants, \$31.8 million from Program funds and \$2.1 million from state match. The Program received federal subsidy in the form of an annual capitalization grant (Base). Per EPA guidelines and Arkansas Natural Resources Commission ("ANRC") policy, all state match funds must be matched with federal dollars on or prior to the receipt of the federal funds and ANRC has chosen to fund loans with state match funds prior to utilizing the federal capitalization grant. The 2009 Issue Prepayment Funds (Prepayments) fluctuate based upon the loan payoffs. The Program's general bond resolution allows prepayment funds to be used to make new loans within 90 days of receipt, pay principal and interest at debt service or pay principal and interest on called bonds. In fiscal years 2021 and 2020, the Program did not utilize any Prepayment funds for loan fundings. The Program has available \$10.0 million and \$9.4 million of the Federal fiscal year 2020 and 2019, respectively, grants to utilize for additional subsidy and repayable loans.

Management's Discussion and Analysis (cont.)

For the Years Ended June 30, 2021 and 2020

The table below reflects the amounts used from each funding source for fiscal years 2021, 2020 and 2019:

		<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
(In thousands)				
EPA federal base	\$	6,016	\$ 6,063	\$ 3,701
State matching funds		2,079	2,078	2,100
Revolving Program funds		37,319	 31,753	 32,988
	<u>\$</u>	45,414	\$ 39,894	\$ 38,789

Also, the Program utilized its cash within the Program as an additional funding source, essentially revolving the assets. The Federal fiscal year 2021 Base grant has been approved by the EPA in the amount of \$10.4 million and became available in October 2021.

The Program's total liabilities decreased to \$240,000 at June 30, 2021 from \$18.8 million at June 30, 2020, from \$22.2 million at June 30, 2019. In fiscal year 2021, the Program optionally redeemed \$18.5 million of the Revolving Loan Fund Series 2011 C ("2011 C Issue") with the 2009 Prepayment and Program funds. In fiscal year 2020, the Program's decline in total liabilities was primarily attributable to the payment of scheduled principal payments on the 2011 C Issue of \$2.7 million.

Management's Discussion and Analysis (cont.)

For the Years Ended June 30, 2021 and 2020

Condensed Financial Information – Combined Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>		<u>2020</u>		<u>2019</u>
(In thousands)						
Operating revenues						
Total interest income	\$ 5,226	\$	6,082	\$ 7,125		
Other	 3,065		3,451	 3,308		
Total operating revenues	 8,291		9,533	 10,433		
Operating expenses						
Total interest on bonds and notes	730		922	1,067		
Total amortization expense	(1,044)		(331)	(384)		
Federal financial assistance - base federal grants	695		5,962	741		
Administrative expenses	 477		278	268		
Total operating expenses	 858		6,831	 1,692		
Operating income	7,433		2,702	8,741		
Base federal grants	7,109		12,416	4,816		
Transfers in (out), net	 1,451		1,329	 (800)		
Changes in net position	15,993		16,447	12,757		
Net position - beginning of year	 416,979		400,532	 387,775		
Net position - end of year	\$ 432,972	\$	416,979	\$ 400,532		

Total operating revenues have declined over the past three years. In the current fiscal year, the operating revenues declined \$1.2 million, which is primarily attributable due to decreases of \$1.3 million in investment income and \$547,000 in the net appreciation of fair value of investments, which is offset by increases of \$408,000 in interest on loans and \$161,000 in financing fee income. In the prior fiscal year, total operating revenues declined \$900,000. The Program's investment income and net appreciation of investments declined \$1.7 million, which is offset by increases in the loan investment income and financing fee income of \$800,000. The Program's investment income declined due to the decline of money market mutual funds and State Treasurer Money Management Trust Fund ("MMTF") investment rates. The rate decline was due the Coronavirus pandemic which saw the federal funds rate decline to 0.01% in March 2020 and rates continue to remain at 0.08% at fiscal year-end 2021. The Program monitors cash and investment yields and the cash needs of the Program to ensure liquidity and to maximize investment options.

Management's Discussion and Analysis (cont.)

For the Years Ended June 30, 2021 and 2020

Interest on loans has increased over the past three years. Interest on loans increased \$408,000 and \$552,000 in fiscal years 2021 and 2020, respectively. Financing fee income, which represents the up to 1% financing fee paid by the borrowers, has increased over the past three years. Financing fee income increased \$161,000 and \$249,000 during fiscal years 2021 and 2020, respectively. The Program received \$180,000 in Prepayment funds in fiscal year 2021. The Program received \$11.3 million in Prepayment funds in fiscal year 2020. The Program is continually working to meet the challenges the Program is facing due to the economy, loan prepayment rate, the interest rate environment and the regulations placed on the Program by governing agencies. The average return on loans was 1.63%, 1.62% and 1.56% for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2021, 2020 and 2019, respectively.

Interest on investments was \$127,000, \$1.4 million and \$3.0 million for fiscal years ended June 30, 2021, 2020 and 2019, respectively. In fiscal year 2021, the interest rate of money market funds continued to remain at low rates. The Program maintains liquidity to fund projects as needed. During fiscal year 2020, the Program's investments matured and were held as cash and cash equivalents. Another investment option the Program utilized is the MMTF. The Program has \$79.3 million invested in the MMTF at fiscal year-end 2021, which is reported as a part of cash and cash equivalents. The yield as of June 30, 2021 and 2020 was 0.14% and 0.51%, respectively. The average return on cash, cash equivalents and investments was 0.10%, 1.43% and 1.93% for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2021, 2020 and 2019, respectively.

Total operating expense decreased \$6.0 million in fiscal year 2021, which is primarily attributable to a decrease in federal financial assistance - base federal grants, amortization of bond premiums and bond interest. Total operating expense increased \$5.1 million in fiscal year 2020, which is primarily attributable to an increase in federal financial assistance - base federal grants. Federal financial assistance - base federal grants fluctuates with the volume of principal forgiveness loans available for funding and the rate at which the borrowers request reimbursement. During fiscal years 2021 and 2020, the Program forgave principal of \$695,000 and \$6.0 million, respectively. The Program's interest on bonds and notes decreased \$192,000 and \$145,000 during fiscal years 2021 and 2020, respectively, which correlated to the decrease in bonds payable. The amortization of bond premiums increased by \$712,000 due the optional redemption of 2011 C Issue bonds which accelerated the bond premium amortization. Program administration expenses totaled \$477,000, \$278,000 and \$268,000 for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2021, 2020 and 2019, respectively. These expenses included amounts paid for audit expense, trustee fees, legal fees, membership fees to national water related authorities, loan reporting software costs and the administrative fee paid to the Arkansas Development Finance Authority ("ADFA").

In fiscal year 2021, base federal grants revenue declined \$5.3 million, which was primarily attributable to the disbursements for principal forgiveness loans. The Program has approximately \$19.4 million in 2019 and 2020 grant awards available for funding. In fiscal year 2020, base federal grant revenue increased to a balance of \$12.4 million. The Program funded \$6.0 million each in repayable loans and principal forgiveness loans and \$400,000 for administration of the Program. At fiscal year-end 2020, the Program had \$6.1 million and \$10.1 million in the Federal fiscal year grants 2018 and 2019, respectively, available for future fundings. The loans of the Program have approximately a two to five-year construction period in which many existing loans are being funded. The Program receives base federal grant revenue for reimbursement of the Program's expenses.

Management's Discussion and Analysis (cont.)

For the Years Ended June 30, 2021 and 2020

Information regarding when base federal grant awards were expended for construction draws and principal forgiveness loans is as follows:

	Be	ginning		Aı	In			
	Balance			<u>2021</u> <u>2020</u>				2019
Federal Award Year								
2016	\$	4,217	\$	-	\$	-	\$	4,217
2017		8,315		-		8,089		226
2018		10,080		6,145		3,935		-
2019		9,978		566				
	\$	32,590	\$	6,711	\$	12,024	\$	4,443

Transfers in and out are comprised of transfers to or from other state programs or agencies. In current fiscal year, the Program had transfers in (out), net of \$1.5 million which comprised of \$2.0 million from the ANRC Water, Waste Disposal and Pollution Abatement Facilities General Obligation Bond Fund Program to fund the Program's state match, which is offset by transfers out of \$535,000 to ANRC for administrative expenses. The funding source for the administrative expenses is the 4% set aside of the EPA base capitalization grant along with other funds deposited into the Fees and Expense Fund.

The net position of the Program increased \$32.4 million in the past two years. The bond resolutions and the Program restrict all of the net position.

The overall financial position and results of operations of the Program have improved.

Contact Regarding the Program

This financial report is designed to provide bondholders, constituents and business partners with a general overview of the Program's finances and to show the Program's accountability for the funds it administers. Questions about this report and requests for additional financial information should be directed to the ADFA Chief Financial Officer by telephoning 501.682.5900 or by contacting the ANRC Water Development Division Chief at 501.682.1611.

Combined Statements of Net Position

June 30, 2021 and 2020

(In Thousands)

		<u>2021</u>		<u>2020</u>
<u>Assets</u>				
Current assets				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	104,884	\$	138,558
Accrued interest receivable				
Investments		9		33
Loans		78		301
Accounts receivable				
Borrowers		64		169
Environmental Protection Agency		38		-
Investments		2,051		2,479
Total current assets	-	107,124		141,540
Noncurrent assets				
Loans receivable - restricted				
Construction loans		325,754		293,944
Wetlands mitigation		334		334
Total noncurrent assets		326,088		294,278
Total assets		433,212		435,818
<u>Liabilities and Net Position</u>				
Current liabilities				
Accounts payable		240		254
Accrued interest payable		-		66
Current portion of bonds payable		_		2,640
Total current liabilities		240	-	2,960
Noncurrent liabilities				
Bonds payable, net of unamortized premiums				15,879
Total liabilities		240		18,839
Net position Restricted by bond resolution, enabling legislation and Program requirements	\$	432,972	\$	416,979
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of these combined financial statements.

Combined Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position

For the Years Ended June 30, 2021 and 2020

(In Thousands)

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
Operating revenues		
Interest on investments	\$ 127	\$ 1,391
Interest on loans	5,099	4,691
Financing fee income	3,062	2,901
Net appreciation of investments	 3	 550
Total operating revenues	 8,291	 9,533
Operating expenses		
Program administration	477	278
Federal financial assistance - base federal grants	695	5,962
Bond interest	730	922
Amortization of bond premiums	 (1,044)	 (331)
Total operating expenses	 858	 6,831
Operating income	7,433	2,702
Nonoperating income		
Base federal grants	 7,109	 12,416
Income before transfers in, net	14,542	15,118
Transfers in, net	 1,451	 1,329
Changes in net position	15,993	16,447
Net position - beginning of year	 416,979	 400,532
Net position - end of year	\$ 432,972	\$ 416,979

Combined Statements of Cash Flows

For the Years Ended June 30, 2021 and 2020

(In Thousands)

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
Cash flows from operating activities		
Financing fee income received	\$ 3,167	\$ 2,902
Cash paid for program administration	(428)	(308)
Net cash provided by operating activities	2,739	2,594
Cash flows from noncapital financing activities		
Repayment of bonds payable	(17,475)	(2,745)
Cash paid for interest	(796)	(933)
Nonoperating grants received	7,008	12,523
Transfers in, net	1,451	1,329
Net cash (used) provided by noncapital financing activities	(9,812)	10,174
Cash flows from investing activities		
Interest received on investments	151	1,549
Interest received on loans	5,322	4,673
Purchase of investments	(2,051)	(2,501)
Proceeds from maturities of investments	2,482	56,906
Loan disbursements	(45,414)	(39,894)
Principal payments on loans	13,604	24,825
Federal grant funds expended	(695)	(5,962)
Net cash (used) provided by investing activities	(26,601)	39,596
Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents	(33,674)	52,364
Cash and cash equivalents - beginning of year	138,558	86,194
Cash and cash equivalents - end of year	\$ 104,884	\$ 138,558

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
Reconciliation of changes in net position to net cash provided by operating activities		
Operating income	\$ 7,433	\$ 2,702
Adjustments to reconcile operating income of changes in		
net position to net cash provided by operating activities		
Interest on investments	(127)	(1,391)
Interest on loans	(5,099)	(4,691)
Bond interest	730	922
Amortization of bond premiums	(1,044)	(331)
Net appreciation of investments	(3)	(550)
Federal grants expended	695	5,962
In-kind federal grant	63	-
Changes in operating assets and liabilities		
Accounts receivable - borrowers	105	1
Accounts payable	 (14)	(30)
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 2,739	\$ 2,594

Notes to Combined Financial Statements

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1. Nature of Operations and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

a. Nature of operations and reporting entity – The State of Arkansas Construction Assistance Revolving Loan Fund Program (the "Program"), an enterprise fund of the State of Arkansas, was created pursuant to the 1987 Amendments (P.L. 100-4) to the "Clean Water Act" (P.L.92-500) to provide a perpetual fund for financing the construction of wastewater treatment facilities for municipalities and other public entities. The Program is to be capitalized with federal grants from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") and state matching funds on a ratio of five federal dollars to one state dollar.

As of July 2001, the Arkansas Natural Resources Commission ("ANRC") became the lead agency for the Program (previously led by Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality). Effective July 1, 2019, ANRC is a division of the Arkansas Department of Agriculture and is still the lead agency for the Program. ANRC is responsible for performing technical project reviews, monitoring construction and coordinating the total management of the Program. Act 1243 of 2006 authorized the name change to ANRC, which has not had an impact on the Program. Arkansas Development Finance Authority ("ADFA"), which as of July 1, 2019 is a division of the Arkansas Department of Commerce, serves as financial manager for the Program under an interagency agreement. ADFA is responsible for investing and disbursing funds as authorized by the lead agency, servicing loans, preparing and submitting monthly financial reports and annual combined financial statements and procuring audit services. ADFA is reimbursed for the Program's administration costs through a calculation based on loans outstanding in accordance with the interagency agreement. The amounts incurred to ADFA for administration costs were approximately \$240,000 and \$226,000 for the years ended June 30, 2021 and 2020, respectively, and are included in the Program's administration expenses.

The Arkansas Agriculture Water Quality Loan Program ("AAWQLP") is accounted for within the Program. Under the AAWQLP, the ANRC establishes noninterest-bearing cash accounts with financial institutions. In fiscal 2007, an agreement was established with AgriBank in which AAWQLP would purchase a noninterest-bearing bond in conjunction with loans made by AgriBank under the AAWQLP guidelines. Loans are originated by the financial institution or AgriBank to the farmers or property owners that provide for the installation of water quality, antipollution equipment. Interest income normally earned on these balances at the financial institutions or on the bond is used to reduce the interest rates applicable to the loans obtained by the farmers or other property owners. ANRC has established a program contribution limit to AAWQLP in the amount of \$25 million. As of June 30, 2021 and 2020, the AAWQLP had \$4.3 million and \$5.4 million, respectively, in deposits and investments with various financial institutions.

b. Use of estimates – The preparation of combined financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the combined financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Material estimates that are particularly susceptible to significant change relate to the determination of fair values of investments.

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1. Nature of Operations and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (cont.)

c. **Measurement focus and basis of accounting** – The Program is accounted for as an enterprise fund for financial reporting purposes and utilizes the economic resource measurement focus and accrual basis of accounting wherein revenues are recognized when earned and expenses when incurred.

Operating revenues and expenses are distinguished from nonoperating items in the Program's combined statements of revenues, expenses and changes in net position. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services in connection with the principal ongoing operations. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as nonoperating items.

d. Recently issued accounting pronouncements – Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") Statement No. 93, "Replacement of Interbank Offered Rates." This statement will enhance comparability of accounting and financial reporting requirements and will improve the consistency of authoritative literature. More comparable reporting will improve the usefulness of information for users of state and local government financial statements. The removal of the London Interbank Offered Rate as an appropriate benchmark interest rate is effective for reporting periods ending after December 31, 2021. All other requirements of this statement are effective for reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2020. Earlier application is encouraged. During the year ended June 30, 2021, the Program adopted this statement which did not have a material effect on its combined financial statements.

GASB Statement No. 95, "Postponement of the Effective Dates of Certain Authoritative Guidance." This statement will provide temporary relief to governments and other stakeholders in light of the Coronavirus Disease 2019 ("COVID-19") pandemic. That objective is accomplished by postponing the effective dates of certain provisions in Statements and Implementation Guides that became effective or are scheduled to become effective for periods beginning after June 15, 2018 and later. The effective dates of certain provisions are postponed by one year and others are pushed back by 18 months. The Program will follow new implementation dates for adoption of the upcoming standards.

GASB Statement No. 96, "Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements." This statement provides guidance on the accounting and financial reporting for a subscription-based information technology arrangement ("SBITA") for government end users. This statement (1) defines a SBITA; (2) establishes that a SBITA results in a right-to-use subscription asset, an intangible asset and a corresponding subscription liability; (3) provides the capitalization criteria for outlays other than subscription payments, including implementation costs of a SBITA; and (4) requires note disclosures regarding a SBITA. The requirements of this statement are effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2022. Earlier application is encouraged. During the year ended June 30, 2021, the Program early adopted this statement which did not have a material effect on its combined financial statements.

Notes to Combined Financial Statements

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1. Nature of Operations and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (cont.)

e. Cash and cash equivalents – The Program considers all liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less to be cash equivalents. At June 30, 2021 and 2020, cash equivalents of approximately \$104.9 million and \$138.6 million, respectively, consisted primarily of money market mutual funds with variable interest rates and the State Treasurer Money Management Trust Fund ("MMTF"), which is recorded at fair value.

Included in cash equivalents on the Program's combined statements of net position is the Fees and Expense Fund with a balance of approximately \$16.6 million and \$14.1 million at June 30, 2021 and 2020, respectively. This fund contains fees charged on loans of the Program as allowed by the EPA, federal grant administration set aside funds and interest earnings of the fund. These funds may be used at the discretion of the ANRC to fund expenses of the Program.

- f. **Investments** Investments are carried at fair value. Fair value is determined using quoted market prices. Investment income is related to interest earned on cash, cash equivalents and investments.
- g. **Bond premiums** Premiums on sales of bonds are capitalized and are amortized over the term of the bonds using the effective interest method. Early retirement of bonds results in the acceleration of amortization of premiums.
- h. **Financing fees** The Program receives up to a 1% annual financing fee from borrowers as part of the contractual payment.
- i. Net position restricted by bond resolution, enabling legislation and Program requirements Net position restricted by bond resolution, enabling legislation and Program requirements represent funds restricted due to the specific provisions of the Program.
- j. **Income taxes** As an essential government function of the State of Arkansas, the Program is exempt from income taxes under Section 115 of the Internal Revenue Code and a similar provision of state law.

2. Deposits and Investments

Deposits

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the Program's deposits may not be returned to it. The Program's deposit policy for custodial credit risk requires compliance with the provisions of state law and bond indentures. Deposits are collateralized for those amounts exceeding federal depository insurance, typically with obligations of the U.S. Treasury, U.S. agencies or instrumentalities or municipal bonds having an aggregate market value at least equal to 105% of the amount of the deposits as directed in the State Board of Finance Cash Management of Funds Rule 2012-A.

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June 30, 2021 and 2020

2. <u>Deposits and Investments</u> (cont.)

At June 30, 2021 and 2020, \$1.1 million and \$1.5 million, respectively, of the Program's deposits (and carrying value) of \$2.3 million and \$3.0 million, respectively, were exposed to custodial credit risk as follows:

	<u> 2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
(In thousands)		
Uninsured and collateral held by Pledging		
Financial Institution agent in the Program's name	\$ 1,068	\$ 1,540

Investments

Arkansas statutes and the Program's General Resolution authorizes the Program to invest in direct obligations of the U.S. government; obligations on which the principal and interest are fully guaranteed or are fully secured, insured or covered by commitments or agreements to purchase by the U.S. government; obligations of agencies and instrumentalities created by act of the United States Congress and authorized thereby to issue securities or evidence of indebtedness, regardless of guarantee of repayment by the U.S. government; obligations of political subdivisions of the United States; certain obligations issued by the State Board of Education; short-term warrants of political subdivisions of the State of Arkansas and municipalities; the sale of federal funds with a maturity of not more than one business day; demand, savings or time deposits fully insured by a federal deposit insurance agency; repurchase agreements that are fully insured by obligations of the U.S. government, any U.S. state or any political subdivision thereof; securities of, or other interest in, any open-end type investment company or investment trust registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, and which is considered a money market fund, provided that the portfolio is limited principally to U.S. government obligations and the investment company or trust takes delivery of collateral either directly or through an authorized custodian; guaranteed investment contracts; and bank certificates of deposit.

At June 30, 2021 and 2020, the Program had the following investments, State Treasurer MMTF and maturities:

			Matu	ritie	s in	Years				
	Le	ess than 1	<u>1 - 5</u>			<u>6 - 10</u>		More	than 10	<u>Total</u>
(In thousands)										
<u>June 30, 2021</u>										
U.S. agencies obligations	\$	2,051	\$	-	\$		-	\$	-	\$ 2,051
Money market mutual funds		23,340		-			-		-	23,340
State Treasurer MMTF		79,275			_		_			 79,275
	\$	104,666	\$	_	\$		_	\$		\$ 104,666

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June 30, 2021 and 2020

2. <u>Deposits and Investments</u> (cont.)

		Maturities in Years									
	Le	ess than 1		<u>1 - 5</u>			<u>6 - 10</u>		More	than 10	<u>Total</u>
(In thousands)											
<u>June 30, 2020</u>											
U.S. agencies obligations	\$	2,479	\$		-	\$		-	\$	-	\$ 2,479
Money market mutual funds		52,972			-			-		-	52,972
State Treasurer MMTF		82,634	_								 82,634
	\$	138,085	\$			\$		_	\$		\$ 138,085

- a. Interest rate risk As a means of limiting its exposure to fair value losses due to rising interest rates, the Program limits the maturity of investments to expected cash flow needs of the Program. The Program has also begun investing in an internal governmental investment pool administrated by the State of Arkansas. The Program may request withdrawal of its funds with one business days' notice.
- b. Credit risk Credit risk is the risk the issuer or other counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligations. At June 30, 2021 and 2020, the Program does not have any investments in U.S. agencies obligations not directly guaranteed by the U.S. government. The Program's investments in money market mutual funds, or investments of those funds, were rated "AAAm" or "AAA" by Standard & Poor's and "Aaa-mf" or "Aaa" by Moody's Investors Service.
- c. Custodial credit risk For an investment, custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the Program will not be able to recover the value of its investment or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The Program's investment in mutual funds is not classified by custodial credit risk category, as they are not evidenced by securities in physical or book entry form.
- d. Concentration of credit risk The Program places no limit on the amount that may be invested in any one issuer. Investments of the Program (not guaranteed by the U.S. government or considered mutual funds) representing 5% or more of total investments are as follows:

		202	21	2020					
<u>Issuer</u>	<u>Fa</u>	ir Value	<u>Percentage</u>	<u>Fai</u>	r Value	Percentage			
(In thousands)									
State Treasurer MMTF	\$	79,275	76%	\$	82,634	60%			

Notes to Combined Financial Statements

June 30, 2021 and 2020

2. <u>Deposits and Investments</u> (cont.)

Summary of Carrying Values

The carrying values of deposits and investments are included in the combined statements of net position as follows:

		<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
(In thousands)			
Carrying value			
Deposits	\$	2,269	\$ 2,952
Investments and State Treasurer MMTF		104,666	 138,085
	<u>\$</u>	106,935	\$ 141,037
Included in the following combined statements of net position	n cap	otions:	
(In thousands)		<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	104,884	\$ 138,558
Investments		2,051	 2,479

106,935 \$

141,037

3. Loans Receivable

The Program originates loans with Arkansas municipalities, sewer improvement districts, and water facilities boards for financing the construction of wastewater treatment facilities. The loans are payable in semiannual installments. At June 30, 2021 and 2020, such loans had a carrying value of approximately \$326.1 million and \$294.3 million, respectively, of which approximately \$100.3 million and \$126.0 million, respectively, are for projects still under construction. The loans bear interest ranging from 0.00% to 3.75% and are collateralized by special assessments, user charges or sales and use tax bonds issued by the municipalities, sewer improvement districts and water facilities board.

In fiscal 2010, the Program funded loans with American Recovery and Reinvestment Act ("ARRA") federal funds. As of June 30, 2021, the Program's current loan balance of ARRA loans was \$1.1 million, which was funded with ARRA and other program funds. This balance is included in loans receivable - restricted in the accompanying combined statements of net position.

During the years ended June 30, 2021 and 2020, \$952.8 million and \$870.2 million, respectively, in cumulative loans had been approved for funding. At June 30, 2021 and 2020, \$156.8 million and \$119.7 million, respectively, remained encumbered and awaiting disbursement to loan recipients.

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4. Bonds Payable

Bonds payable consist of the following:

<u>Series</u>	Interest Rate Range	Final Maturity <u>Dates</u>	2021 (In tho	usand	2020 (s)
2011 C Serial	3.25% - 5.00% Unamortized premiums	June 1, 2028	\$ - -	\$	17,475 1,044
			\$ 	\$	18,519
Activity in	bonds payable consists of the fo	ollowing:			

	Begini Balar	•	Addition	ıs	Red	ductions	Ending Balance	 ount Due hin One Year
(In thousands) June 30, 2021								
2011 C Serial	<u>\$ 1</u>	7,475	\$		\$	(17,475)	\$ 	\$
June 30, 2020 2011 C Serial	\$ 2	0,220	\$	<u>-</u>	\$	(2,745)	\$ 17,475	\$ 2,640

The 2011 C Series bonds were optionally redeemed in June of 2021. The principal amount shown above differs from the amount on the combined statements of net position due to unamortized premiums of approximately \$1.0 million at June 30, 2020.

The Program has not had new bond issuances in fiscal 2021 nor 2020.

5. Fair Value of Financial Instruments

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. Fair value measurements must maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs. There is a hierarchy of three levels of inputs that may be used to measure fair value:

• Level I – Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets that are accessible at the measurement date for identical, unrestricted assets or liabilities.

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5. Fair Value of Financial Instruments (cont.)

- Level II Quoted prices in markets that are not active or inputs, which are observable, either directly or indirectly, for substantially the full term of the asset or liability.
- Level III Prices or valuation techniques that require inputs that are both significant to the fair value measurement and unobservable (i.e., supported by little or no market activity).

Recurring Measurements

The following table presents the fair value measurements of assets recognized in the accompanying combined financial statements measured at fair value on a recurring basis and the level within the fair value hierarchy in which the fair value measurements fall:

	<u>Fa</u>	ir Value	in A Mark Ide As	d Prices Active kets for ntical ssets evel I)	Ob	gnificant Other oservable Inputs Level II)	Unol I	nificant oservable nputs evel III)
(In thousands)								
<u>June 30, 2021</u>								
U.S. agencies obligations	\$	2,051	\$	-	\$	-	\$	2,051
State Treasurer MMTF		79,275			-	79,275		
	\$	81,326	\$		\$	79,275	\$	2,051
June 30, 2020								
U.S. agencies obligations	\$	2,479	\$	-	\$	-	\$	2,479
State Treasurer MMTF		82,634				82,634		
	\$	85,113	\$	_	\$	82,634	\$	2,479

The following is a description of the valuation methodologies and inputs used for assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis and recognized in the accompanying combined financial statements, as well as the general classification of such assets pursuant to the valuation hierarchy. There have been no significant changes in the valuation techniques during the years ended June 30, 2021 or 2020.

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June 30, 2021 and 2020

5. Fair Value of Financial Instruments (cont.)

Where quoted market prices are available in an active market, securities are classified within Level I of the valuation hierarchy. The Program's investments were not classified as Level I securities at June 30, 2021 or 2020. Level II securities include the State Treasurer MMTF and U.S. Treasury notes. If quoted market prices are not available, then fair values are estimated by an independent third party pricing service using pricing models, quoted prices of securities with similar characteristics or discounted cash flows. For these investments, the inputs used by the pricing service to determine fair value may include one, or a combination of observable inputs such as benchmark yields, reported trades, broker/dealer quotes, issuer spreads, two-sided markets, benchmark securities, bids, offers and reference data market research publications. The fair value of State Treasurer MMTF is calculated by the internal governmental investment pool. All these types of the Program's investments are classified within Level II of the valuation hierarchy. In certain cases where Level I or Level II inputs are not available, securities are classified within Level III of the hierarchy. The Program has classified one investment as Level III. The Program has a relationship with AgriBank in where the Program purchases a Federal Farm Credit Bank bond. This investment is marketed only to the Program and the Program has concluded the fair market value to be equal to the par amount.

The fair value amounts in the previous table do not reflect all investments included in the amounts presented in the combined statements of net position. GASB Statement No. 72, "Fair Value Measurement and Application," provides certain exceptions for money market mutual funds.

6. Concentrations

Economic Dependency

The Program's federal revenue is dependent upon the amount of annual federal grants awarded and the amounts available for disbursement. The amount awarded varies from year to year and does have an impact on the Program's total revenue. For the years ended June 31, 2021 and 2020, the Program received 46% and 57%, respectively, of total revenue in the form of federal grants. As of June 31, 2021 and 2020, the Program has \$19.4 million of the Federal fiscal years 2020 and 2019 grants remaining to disburse.

Principal Forgiveness Loans

In fiscal 2013, the Program began funding principal forgiveness ("PF") loans with base federal capitalization grant funds. The EPA requires, as part of the base capitalization grant requirements, that a percentage of the grant be available as subsidy to eligible borrowers. States are not required to provide a minimum amount of additional subsidization for this grant. However, the above requirement only applies to the portion of the total base capitalization grant federal appropriation that exceeds \$1 billion.

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6. Concentrations (cont.)

The amendments to the Clean Water Act, also known as the Water Resources Reform and Development Act ("WRRDA") signed into law by President Obama on June 10, 2014, provide an additional 30% available for additional subsidization (WRRDA Sec. 603 (i)) and applies to amounts received by the state in capitalization grants for fiscal years beginning after September 30, 2014. Going forward, there is no minimum additional subsidy requirement that CWSRFs must comply with per the amendments.

The 2016 through the 2020 Cap Grant conditions has a minimum for additional subsidy. In addition to the additional subsidy that can be used at a state's discretion as described in the WRRDA, the recipient agrees to use 10% of the funds available in the capitalization grant to provide additional subsidy to eligible recipients.

Affordability Criteria/Additional Subsidization

The Federal Water Pollution Control Act section 603(i)(2) requires states to develop affordability criteria that will assist them in identifying applicants that would have difficulty financing projects without additional subsidization. Arkansas provides additional subsidization in the form of principal forgiveness.

ANRC has developed the following affordability criteria to determine if a project is eligible for additional subsidization funds for the Clean Water Revolving Loan Fund ("CWRLF"):

- 1. The current utility rates or proposed utility rates for 4,000 gallons of water on an annual basis are at least 1.5% of the Median Household Income ("MHI") for the project area.
- 2. If 51% of the customers who benefit from a project are either low or moderate income as defined by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's Community Block Grant Program; and have 1.25% of MHI.

Once a project has been determined to be eligible for additional subsidization from the CWRLF, additional priority will be given to projects that meet the Green standards set by ANRC. ANRC has allocated approximately \$24.0 million for projects or project components eligible for additional subsidization.

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6. Concentrations (cont.)

The chart below shows the minimum and maximum allowed for PF loans:

Federal Fiscal Year				Minimum		Minimum		Minimum		d Minimum		Maximum <u>Amount</u>	nulative arsements	PF Amount Remaining to Fund		
Tiscal Teal	_				(1n	inousunus)										
2017	\$	8,661	\$	866	\$	3,464	\$ 689	\$	177							
2018		10,500		1,050		4,200	-		1,050							
2019		10,394		1,039		4,158	-		4,158							
2020		10,395		1,039		4,158	 8		4,150							
							\$ 697	\$	9,535							

The EPA has financially and programmatically closed all Cap grants through the 2015 Cap Grant. The Program has allocated the minimum amount for 2017 and 2018 and the maximum amount for 2019 and 2020 base capitalization grants are presented above. The Program has the option to spend up to the maximum amount for each base capitalization grant.

The Program forgives the loans as the construction draws are disbursed. In fiscal years 2021 and 2020, \$695,000 and \$6.0 million, respectively, in PF loans were expensed.

Contingencies

The Program is partially capitalized by state funds and a federal grant program, which are governed by various rules and regulations of the grantor agency. Costs charged to the respective grant programs are subject to audit and adjustments by the grantor agency; therefore, to the extent the Program has not complied with the rules and regulations governing the grants, refunds of any money received may be required and the collectibility of any related receivable may be impaired. In the opinion of the management of the Program, there are no significant contingent liabilities relating to compliance with the rules and regulations governing the respective grants; therefore, no provision has been recorded in the accompanying combined financial statements for such a contingency.

7. Subsequent Events Evaluation Date

The Program evaluated the events and transactions subsequent to its June 30, 2021 combined statement of net position date and determined there were no significant events to report through October 29, 2021, which is the date the Program issued its combined financial statements.

Combining Statement of Net Position

June 30, 2021

(In Thousands)

Assets	evolving oan Fund	ees Expense	Total
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 88,315	\$ 16,569	\$ 104,884
Accrued interest receivable			
Investments	8	1	9
Loans	78	-	78
Accounts receivable			
Borrowers	-	64	64
EPA	-	38	38
Investments	 2,051	 _	 2,051
Total current assets	 90,452	16,672	 107,124
Noncurrent assets			
Loans receivable - restricted			
Construction loans	325,754	-	325,754
Wetlands mitigation	-	334	334
Total noncurrent assets	 325,754	334	326,088
Total assets	416,206	17,006	433,212
Liabilities and Net Position			
Current liabilities			
Accounts payable	 1	 239	 240
Net position Restricted by bond resolution, enabling legislation			
and Program requirements	\$ 416,205	\$ 16,767	\$ 432,972

Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position

For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

(In Thousands)

	Revolving <u>Loan Fund</u>			Fees and Expense		<u>Total</u>
Operating revenues Interest on investments	\$	116	\$	11	\$	127
Interest on loans	Ф	5,099	Ф	11	Ф	5,099
Financing fee income		3,099		3,062		3,062
Net appreciation of investments		2		3,002		3,002
Total operating revenues				3,074		8,291
Total operating revenues		5,217		3,074		8,291
Operating expenses						
Program administration		-		477		477
Federal financial assistance - base federal grants		695		-		695
Bond interest		730		-		730
Amortization of bond premiums		(1,044)		_		(1,044)
Total operating expenses		381		477		858
Operating income		4,836		2,597		7,433
Nonoperating income						
Base federal grants		6,711		398		7,109
Income before transfers in (out), net		11,547		2,995		14,542
Transfers in (out), net		2,066		(615)		1,451
Changes in net position		13,613		2,380		15,993
Net position - beginning of year		402,592		14,387		416,979
Net position - end of year	\$	416,205	\$	16,767	\$	432,972

Combining Statement of Cash Flows

For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

(In Thousands)

	Revolving Loan Fund	a	Fees nd Expense	Total
Cash flows from operating activities	<u> </u>	-	<u></u>	1000
Financing fee income received	\$ -	\$	3,167	\$ 3,167
Cash paid for program administration	(28)	(400)	(428)
Net cash (used) provided by operating activities	(28)	2,767	 2,739
Cash flows from noncapital financing activities				
Repayment of bonds payable	(17,475)	-	(17,475)
Cash paid for interest	(796)	-	(796)
Nonoperating grants received	6,711		297	7,008
Transfers in (out), net	2,066		(615)	 1,451
Net cash used by noncapital financing activities	(9,494) _	(318)	 (9,812)
Cash flows from investing activities				
Interest received on investments	139		12	151
Interest received on loans	5,322		-	5,322
Purchase of investments	(2,051)	-	(2,051)
Proceeds from maturities of investments	2,481		1	2,482
Loan disbursements	(45,414)	-	(45,414)
Principal payments on loans	13,604		-	13,604
Federal grant funds expended	(695)		(695)
Net cash (used) provided by investing activities	(26,614) _	13	 (26,601)
Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents	(36,136)	2,462	(33,674)
Cash and cash equivalents - beginning of year	124,451	. <u>-</u>	14,107	 138,558
Cash and cash equivalents - end of year	\$ 88,315	\$	16,569	\$ 104,884
Reconciliation of changes in net position to net cash (used) provided by				
operating activities				
Operating income	\$ 4,836	\$	2,597	\$ 7,433
Adjustments to reconcile operating income of changes in net position to net cash (used) provided by operating activities				
Interest on investments	(116)	(11)	(127)
Interest on loans	(5,099		-	(5,099)
Bond interest	730		_	730
Amortization of bond premiums	(1,044		-	(1,044)
Net appreciation of investments	(2		(1)	(3)
Federal grants expended	695		-	695
In-kind federal grant	-		63	63
Changes in operating assets and liabilities				
Accounts receivable - borrowers	-		105	105
Accounts payable	(28)	14	 (14)
Net cash (used) provided by operating activities	\$ (28) \$	2,767	\$ 2,739

See independent auditor's report.



Independent Auditor's 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

Commissioners of the Arkansas Natural Resources Commission

Board of Directors Arkansas Development Finance Authority Little Rock, Arkansas

We have audited, 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, the combined financial statements of the State of Arkansas Construction Assistance Revolving Loan Fund Program (the "Program"), which comprise the combined statement of net position as of June 30, 2021, and the related combined statements of revenues, expenses and changes in net position, and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the basic combined financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated October 29, 2021, which contained an "emphasis of matter" paragraph regarding a definition of the reporting entity.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the combined financial statements, we considered the Program'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 opinions on the combined financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Program's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Program'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 combined 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 over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Program's combined financial statements are free from 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*.

Purpose of this Report

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.

Certified Public Accountants

Frast, PLLC

Little Rock, Arkansas October 29, 2021



Independent Auditor's Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program and Report on Internal Control Over Compliance in Accordance With the Uniform Guidance

Commissioners of the Arkansas Natural Resources Commission

Board of Directors Arkansas Development Finance Authority Little Rock, Arkansas

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

We have audited the State of Arkansas Construction Assistance Revolving Loan Fund Program's (the "Program") compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the U.S. Office of Management and Budget *Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the Program's major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2021. The Program's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for compliance with federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of its federal awards applicable to its federal programs.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for each of the Program's major federal programs based on our audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above. 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 the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* ("Uniform Guidance"). Those standards and Uniform Guidance 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 the Program's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of the Program's compliance.

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

In our opinion, the Program complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2021.

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

Management of the Program is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered the Program's internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each major federal program to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion on compliance for each major federal program and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, 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 Program's internal control over compliance.

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

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

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

Certified Public Accountants

Frast, PLLC

Little Rock, Arkansas October 29, 2021

Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs

For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

Section I – Summary of Auditor's Results

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Combined Financial Statements		
Type of auditor's report issued: Unmodified		
Internal control over financial reporting:		
 Material weakness(es) identified? 	Yes	X No
• Significant deficiency(ies) identified?	Yes	_X_ None Reported
Noncompliance material to combined financial statements noted?	Yes	X No
Federal Awards		
Internal control over major programs:		
• Material weakness(es) identified?	Yes	X No
• Significant deficiency(ies) identified?	Yes	_X_ None Reported
Type of auditor's report issued on compliance for major federal programs.		Unmodified
Are any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with 2 CFR 200.516(a)?	Yes	X No
Identification of major federal programs:		
Federal Assistance Listing ("FAL") Number(s) and Name of Federal Program or Cluster		
Capitalization Grants for Clean Water State Revolving Funds	66.458	
Dollar threshold used to distinguish between type A and type B programs:	\$ 750,000	
Auditee qualified as a low-risk auditee?	X Yes	No

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Summary Schedule of Prior Audit Findings

For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

Reference Number	Summary of Finding	Status
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No matters were reported in the June 30, 2020 Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs.

Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards

For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

(In Thousands)

			Total
Federal Grantor/Pass-Through	FAL	Provided to	Federal
Grantor Program or Cluster Title	<u>Number</u>	Subrecipients	Expenditures
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency/Capitalization			
Grants for Clean Water State Revolving Funds			
(Clean Water State Revolving Fund Cluster)	66.458	\$ 6,711	\$ 7,109

Notes to Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards

For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

- 1. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards ("SEFA") includes the federal award activity of the State of Arkansas Construction Assistance Revolving Loan Fund Program (the "Program") under programs of the federal government for the year ended June 30, 2021. The information in the SEFA is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* ("Uniform Guidance"). Because the SEFA presents only a selected portion of the operations of the Program, it is not intended to and does not present the net position, changes in net position or cash flows of the Program.
- 2. Expenditures reported on the SEFA are reported on the accrual basis of accounting. Disbursements are recognized following the cost principles contained in the U.S. Office of Management and Budget's Uniform Guidance, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement. The Program has elected not to use the 10% de minimis indirect cost rate allowed under the Uniform Guidance.
- 3. Expenditures reflected in FAL 66.458, Capitalization Grants for the Clean Water State Revolving Funds, include loans to municipalities and other public entities for construction of water treatment facilities. The funding source for these loans includes federal grant funds, state match funds, bond funds and revolving Program funds. The funds are disbursed to the subrecipients after expenses have been incurred as forgiveness of principal and repayable loans. The Program's outstanding loan receivable balance from subrecipients from all funding sources was \$325.8 million for the year ended June 30, 2021. During fiscal year 2021, approximately \$695,000 of loans were forgiven. Total federal disbursements totaled approximately \$6.7 million during fiscal year 2021, which represented funding for principal forgiveness and repayable loans. For the year ended June 30, 2021, the Program received \$398,000 in federal funds for administrative costs.