

# Cameron County Regional Mobility Authority

(A Component Unit of Cameron County, Texas)

Financial Report September 30, 2014

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Directors Cameron County Regional Mobility Authority Brownsville, Texas

# Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the business-type activities of Cameron County Regional Mobility Authority (the RMA), a component unit of Cameron County, Texas, as of and for the year ended September 30, 2014 and 2013, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the RMA's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

# Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

### Auditor's Responsibility

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 from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control.

Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

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

# Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the business-type activities of the RMA as of September 30, 2014 and 2013, and the respective changes in financial position, and cash flows thereof for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### Other Matters

# Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis on pages 4-9 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

# Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the RMA's basic financial statements. The schedule of expenditures of federal/state awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by U.S. Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations and State of Texas Single Audit Circular, and is not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The schedule of expenditures of federal/state awards is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying

accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion the schedule of expenditures of federal/state awards is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic 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 March 24, 2015, on our consideration of the RMA's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards in considering RMA's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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Brownsville, Texas March 24, 2015

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Management's Discussion and Analysis

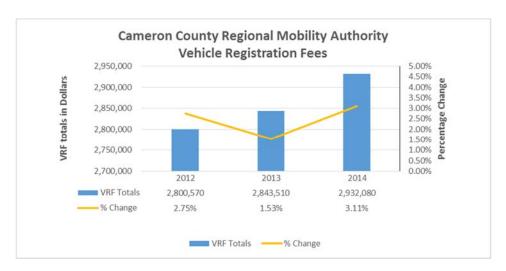
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The following is management's discussion and analysis of the financial performance and activity of the Cameron County Regional Mobility Authority (the RMA), and is designed to provide an overview that users may use to interpret the basic financial statements for the year ended September 30, 2014. This discussion and analysis has been prepared by management and should be used in conjunction with the basic financial statements and notes thereafter.

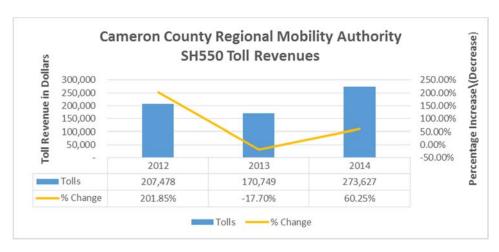
The RMA is governed by a board of directors consisting of seven members with operations overseen by an Executive Director. The RMA operates with a handful of staff members with many of its services contracted through local area professionals.

# 2014 Financial Highlights

• Vehicle registration fee revenue increased year over year in line with expectations



• Toll revenues experienced a significant increase due to the opening of the second toll gantry at the Port Spur location on SH550

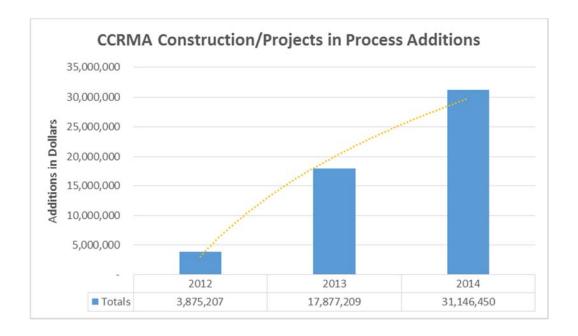


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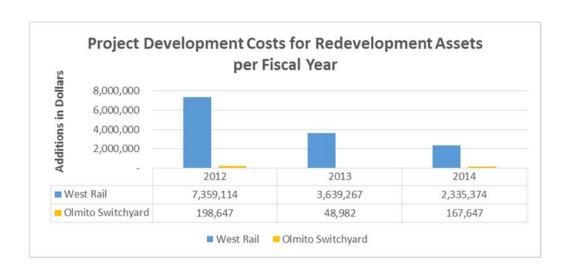
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• The RMA had a busy year in Construction/Projects in Process. The totals for 2014 increased substantially from the prior year.



• The Brownsville/Matamoros West Rail Relocation (West Rail) and Olmito Switchyard are projects in which the RMA leads in developing and will not retain ownership of them at completion. They are herein referred to as redevelopment assets. The RMA receives funds from Federal, State, and Local Government sources for the development of these projects. The West Rail project is scheduled to open for operations in April of 2015.



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### **Overview of Basic Financial Statements**

The RMA reports its business-type activities in a single enterprise fund, in which its operations and activities are reported similar to a private-sector business. The financial statements include comparative Statements of Net Position, Statements of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position, and the Statements of Cash Flows. These basic financial statements are prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as promulgated by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board also known as GASB.

The Statement of Net Position reports the net position of the RMA as of the end of each fiscal year presented. Net position represents the residual difference of all other elements of the statement of net position for all years presented in three component categories; net investment in capital assets, restricted, and unrestricted.

The Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position present the results of the business activities of the RMA over the course of the fiscal years presented and how ultimately those results affected the change in net position. As an enterprise fund, the RMA reports its operations using the economic resource measurement focus in which all revenues and expenses are recognized in the period which incurred with the difference reported as change in net position.

The Statement of Cash Flows unlike the Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position, reflects only the results of business activities as they affect cash over the course of the fiscal years presented. The results are reported in three categories of operating, capital and related financing, and investing activities with the net change in cash as the residual.

The notes to the financial statements provide required disclosures and other information that are essential to a full understanding of the data found in these financial statements, and should be read in conjunction with the MD&A and the basic financial statements.

## FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

# **Summary of Net Position**

The RMA's net position includes the total assets minus the total liabilities with the residual difference of net position. The RMA's net position for the years ending September 30, 2014, 2013, and 2012 were approximately \$12.7 million, \$7.8 million, and \$4.3 million, respectively. The largest component of total assets for all three years was the non-current assets. Non-current assets accounts for approximately 94%, 95%, and 96% for the years 2014, 2013, and 2012, respectively. These assets consist of unexpended bond funds, construction in process, and redevelopment assets.

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# **Summary of Net Position** – Continued

Total liabilities as of September 30, 2014, 2013, 2012 were approximately \$129.4 million, \$120.4 million, and \$111.9 million, respectively. Non-current liabilities account for the majority of the total liabilities and consist of Financial Assistance Agreements with TxDot, amounts due to other agencies, and long term bond payables. A more detailed description is provided in the notes to the financial statements.

# **Summary of Net Position**

Summary of Net Position			
	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
Assets:			
Current assets	\$ 8,385,030	\$ 6,409,117	\$ 4,477,042
Capital assets, net	15,822,623	16,223,404	2,378,478
Construction in Process	59,555,495	28,409,045	26,973,755
Other non-current	58,388,710	77,164,353	82,379,179
Total Assets	\$ 142,151,858	\$128,205,919	\$116,208,454
Liabilities:			
Current liabilities	\$ 5,439,982	\$ 6,017,391	\$ 2,260,395
Non-Current liabilities	123,980,559	114,376,006	109,628,518
Total Liabilities	\$ 129,420,541	\$ 120,393,397	\$ 111,888,913
Net position:			
Net investment in capital assets	6,075,314	8,761,616	547,674
Restricted	4,513,260	1,661,207	2,816,031
Unrestricted	2,142,743	(2,610,301)	955,836
Total net position	\$ 12,731,317	\$ 7,812,522	\$ 4,319,541

# **Capital & Other Non-Current Assets**

Capital assets of the RMA include the infrastructure portion of the SH550 toll road placed in service along with toll equipment net of accumulated depreciation. The projects undergoing construction, traffic studies, environmental and preliminary engineering studies are recorded as construction in process. As of September 30, 2014, 2013, and 2012 the RMA had approximately \$59.6 million, \$28.4 million, and \$27 million in construction in process.

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# Capital & Other Non-Current Assets – Continued

# **Capital & Other Non-Current Assets**

	<u>2014</u>		<u>2013</u>		<u>2012</u>
Capital Assets:					
Capital Assets, net	\$ 15,822,623		\$ 16,223,404	\$	2,378,478
Non-Current Assets					
Restricted Assets	16,364,428		37,651,010		46,549,902
Construction in Process	59,555,495		28,409,045		26,973,755
Redevelopment and other non-current assets	42,024,282	_	39,513,343	 	35,829,277
Totals	\$ 133,766,828	_	\$ 121,796,802	 \$	111,731,412

# **Non-Current Liabilities**

Due to other agencies as of September 30, 2014, 2013, and 2012 were approximately \$48.4 million, \$43 million, and \$37.3 million, respectively. These amounts include financial assistance agreements with TxDot and funds provided to the RMA for redevelopment assets. In the totals for long-term bonds payable, the RMA has both tax exempt and non-tax exempt issuances. A more detailed description to these bond issuances can be found in the notes to the financial statements.

### **Non-Current Liabilities**

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
Non-Current Liabilities:			
Due to Other Agencies	\$ 48,365,516	\$ 42,981,244	\$ 37,305,362
Long-Term Bond Payable	75,615,043	71,394,762	72,323,156
Totals	\$ 123,980,559	\$114,376,006	\$ 109,628,518

# **Changes in Net Position**

The RMA's total revenues for the year ending September 30, 2014, 2013, and 2012 were approximately \$7.7 million, \$9.8 million, and \$3.1 million, respectively. The RMA received in 2014 a settlement in the amount of \$4.0 million which is presented as a special item in the Statements of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position. This settlement was related to the SH550 Direct Connector project. Total revenues experienced a significant increase in 2013 from 2012, largely due to grant funds received for the Construction of the SH550 Direct Connector. These revenues were used entirely in the construction of that project.

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# **Changes in Net Position** – Continued

Total expenses for the year ending September 30, 2014, 2013, and 2012 were approximately \$2.8 million, \$6.3 million, and \$2.5 million, respectively. In 2013 a total of \$3.4 million of operating expense was attributed to the completion of work provided by the RMA for the US 77/I-69 Project which had been capitalized in the prior years as the services were provided and expensed in the current year.

# **Changes in Net Position**

<b>-</b>	2014	2013	2012
Revenues:			
Vehicle registration fees	\$ 2,932,080	\$ 2,843,510	\$ 2,800,570
Toll revenue	273,627	170,749	207,478
Transportation reinvestment zone	295,907	-	46,148
Other operating revenue	166,602	120,000	-
Non-operating revenue	4,019,461	 6,690,376	7,767
Total Revenues	7,687,677	9,824,635	3,061,963
Expenses:			
Operating	1,143,583	4,703,014	1,183,350
Non-operating	1,625,299	1,628,640	1,297,164
Total Expenses	2,768,882	6,331,654	2,480,514
Change in Net Position	\$ 4,918,795	\$ 3,492,981	\$ 581,449

# **Contacting the RMA's Financial Management**

The financial report is designed to provide customers, investors, and creditors with a general overview of the RMA's finances and to demonstrate the RMA's accountability for all inflows and outflows of resources. If you have any questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact the Cameron County Regional Mobility Authority, 1100 E. Monroe, Ste. 256, Brownsville, Texas 78520 or visit www.ccrma.org for more information.

# CAMERON COUNTY REGIONAL MOBILITY AUTHORITY (A Component Unit of Cameron County, Texas)

**Statements of Net Position** September 30, 2014 and 2013

	2014	2013
ASSETS:		
Current Assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 6,056,636	\$ 2,111,181
Accounts receivable	757,670	549,424
Due from other agencies	1,570,724	3,740,092
Prepaid expenses		8,420
Total Current Assets	8,385,030	6,409,117
Non-Current Assets:		
Restricted Assets:		
Cash-trustee funds	10,885,656	34,634,832
Cash-debt reserve	2,256,741	2,256,740
Cash-debt service	3,222,031	759,438
Total Restricted Assets	16,364,428	37,651,010
Capital assets, net	15,822,623	16,223,404
Construction in process	59,555,495	28,409,045
Redevelopment assets	41,895,820	39,392,798
Unamortized bond insurance	128,462	120,545
Total Non-Current Assets	133,766,828	121,796,802
Total Assets	\$ 142,151,858	\$ 128,205,919
LIABILITIES		
Current Liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 4,014,987	\$ 4,577,306
Accrued interest payable	477,495	425,085
Due to other governments	167,500	250,000
Current maturities of bonds	780,000	765,000
Total Current Liabilities:	5,439,982	6,017,391
Non-Current Liabilities:		
Due to other agencies	48,365,516	42,981,244
Long-term bond payable	75,615,043	71,394,762
Total Non-Current Liabilities	123,980,559	114,376,006
Total Liabilities	129,420,541	120,393,397
NET POSITION		
Net investment in capital assets	6,075,314	8,761,616
Restricted	4,513,260	1,661,207
Unrestricted	2,142,743	(2,610,301)
Total Net Position	12,731,317	7,812,522
Total Liabilities and Net Position	\$ 142,151,858	\$ 128,205,919

See Accompanying Notes to the Financial Statements

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Statements of Revenues, Expenses

# And Changes in Net Position

Years Ended September 30, 2014 and 2013

	2014	2013	
Operating Revenues			
Vehicle registration fee	\$ 2,932,080	\$ 2,843,510	
Toll revenue	273,627	170,749	
Transportation Reinvestment Zone	295,907	-	
Other operating revenue	166,602	120,000	
Total Operating Revenues	3,668,216	3,134,259	
Operating Expenses			
Advertising	2,076	8,921	
Contractual services	371,591	447,350	
Insurance	22,283	4,039	
Miscellaneous	18,504	53,403	
Office supplies	7,103	7,882	
Professional services	42,610	103,618	
Travel	37,081	52,178	
Toll services	107,904	103,468	
Utilities	10,023	5,023	
Depreciation	524,408	471,931	
Project expensed	-	3,445,201	
Total Operating Expenses	1,143,583	4,703,014	
Operating Income (Loss)	2,524,633	(1,568,755)	
Non-Operating Revenues (Expenses)			
Bond issuance costs	(159,265)	_	
Interest expense	(1,466,034)	(1,628,640)	
Interest income	8,234	5,818	
Other revenue	11,227	388,024	
Total Non-Operating Revenue (Expenses)	(1,605,838)	(1,234,798)	
Income (Loss) before capital contributions and special item	918,795	(2,803,553)	
Conital contributions		6 206 524	
Capital contributions	4,000,000	6,296,534	
Special item-settlement proceeds	4,000,000	2 402 001	
Change in Net Position	4,918,795	3,492,981	
Net Position-beginning of year	7,812,522	4,319,541	
Net Position-end of year	\$ 12,731,317	\$ 7,812,522	

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# **Statements of Cash Flows**

Years Ended September 30, 2014 and 2013

	2014	 2013
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:		
Receipts from vehicle registration fees	\$ 2,899,320	\$ 3,026,130
Receipts from toll revenues	265,121	156,778
Receipts from other operating sources	298,529	361,877
Payments to vendors	(208,087)	(1,132,063)
Payments to employees	 (243,286)	 
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	 3,011,597	 2,412,722
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES:		
Acquisitions of property and equipment	(579,013)	(774,815)
Payments on interest	(1,456,589)	(1,628,640)
Acquisitions of construction in progress	(34,115,960)	(13,491,609)
Payments on bond principal	(765,000)	(600,000)
Bond and grant proceeds	6,832,449	6,296,534
Advances from TxDot FAA and other project agreements	9,723,157	(2,027,690)
Net cash provided by (used in) capital and related financing activities	(20,360,956)	(12,226,220)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:		
Receipts from interest income	8,232	 5,818
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(17,341,127)	(9,807,680)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	39,762,191	50,217,689
Prior period adjustment affecting cash	-	(647,818)
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	\$ 22,421,064	\$ 39,762,191
RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING INCOME (LOSS) TO NET CASH		
PROVIDED BY (USED) BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Operating income (Loss)	\$ 2,524,633	\$ (1,568,756)
Adjustments to reconcile operating income to net cash provided by		, , , ,
operating activities:		
Net prior period adjustment affecting operations	_	290,444
Depreciation expense	524,408	471,931
Amortization of premium/discount	521,100	155,143
Changes in assets and liabilities:		133,113
(Increase) decrease in prepaid expenses and other assets	8,420	(8,419)
(Increase) decrease in due from other agencies	(306,728)	(3,480,261)
(Decrease) increase in accounts payable	260,712	3,583,746
(Decrease) increase in due to other agencies	200,712	3,080,644
(Decrease) increase in accrued interest payable	_	8,250
(Decrease) increase in accrued interest payable  (Decrease) increase in other liabilities	152	(120,000)
Net cash flows provided by operating activities	\$ 3,011,597	\$ 2,412,722
See Accompanying Notes to the Financial Statements		(continued)

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# **Statements of Cash Flows - Continued**

Years Ended September 30, 2014 and 2013

	2014	2013
RECONCILIATION OF ENDING CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS TO THE	 	
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION		
Ending cash - Statement of Cash Flows	\$ 22,421,064	\$ 39,762,191
Less: amount reported in restricted assets	16,364,428	37,651,010
Ending cash - Statement of Net Position	\$ 6,056,636	\$ 2,111,181

See Accompanying Notes to the Financial Statements

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Notes to Financial Statements

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# Note 1 – Organization and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The financial statements of the RMA have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) as applied to government units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The more significant of the RMA's accounting policies are described below:

# A. Reporting Entity

The Cameron County Regional Mobility Authority (RMA) was authorized for creation in September 30, 2004 by the Texas Transportation Commission to promote and improve regional mobility within Cameron County. Since its creation, the RMA has committed itself to an ambitious series of economically sustainable projects to improve the quality of life for area residents and enable quality economic development. The RMA receives funds from Vehicle Registration Fees in Cameron County as well as toll revenues and grant funds for projects. The RMA is governed by a board of directors consisting of seven members with operations overseen by an Executive Director. The RMA operates with a small handful of staff members and contracts many of its services with local area professionals.

In evaluating how to define the RMA, for financial reporting purposes, management has determined that there are no entities over which the RMA exercises significant influence. Significant influence or accountability is based primarily on operational or financial relationships with the RMA. Since the RMA does not exercise significant influence or accountability over other entities, it has no component units.

# B. Basis of Accounting

The operations of the RMA are accounted for as an enterprise fund on an accrual basis in order to recognize the flow of economic resources. Under the accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized in the period in which they are earned, expenses are recognized in the period in which they are incurred, depreciation of assets is recognized and all assets and liabilities associated with the operation of the RMA are included in the Statement of Net Position.

# C. Estimates

The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with GAAP 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 financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

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# Note 1 – Organization and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies – Continued

# D. Cash & Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, and demand deposits. These deposits are fully collateralized or covered by federal deposit insurance.

# E. Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include property, equipment and infrastructure assets, are reported at cost. Depreciation is computed on the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

Road and bridges, 40 years Improvements, 5-20 years Buildings, 20-30 years Equipment, 3-20 years

A full month's depreciation is taken in the month an asset is placed in service. When property and equipment are disposed, depreciation is removed from the respective accounts, and the resulting gain or loss, if any, is recorded in operations.

## F. Capital Contributions

Capital Contributions are comprised of federal, state, and local grants. The portion of the grants and reimbursements used for capital purposes are reflected as capital contributions in the Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position. The funds are reimbursable contributions, whereas the RMA first pays for the project and then the granting agency reimburses the RMA for its eligible expenses. The RMA considers all grants and contributions to be 100% collectible in accordance with contract terms.

# G. Income Taxes

The RMA is a political subdivision of the State of Texas. As such, income earned in the exercise of its essential government functions is exempt from state or federal income taxes. Bond obligations issued by state and local governments are tax-exempt only if the issuers pay rebate to the federal government of the earnings on the investment of the proceeds of a tax-exempt issue in excess of the yield on such obligations and any income earned on such excess.

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# Note 1 – Organization and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies – Continued

# H. Classification of Operating and Non-operating Revenues and Expenses

The RMA defines operating revenues and expenses as those revenues and expenses generated by a specified program offering either a good or service. This definition is consistent with GASB Statement No. 9 which defines operating receipts as cash receipts from customers and other cash receipts that do not result from transactions defined as capital and related financing, non-capital financing or investing activities. Operating expenses for the RMA include the costs of administrative expenses, indirect administrative costs and costs for contractual services associated with operations or project studies. Revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating revenues and expenses.

# I. Net Position

In June 2011, GASB issued its Statement No. 63, Financial Reporting of Deferred Outflows of Resources, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Net Position, which became effective for periods beginning after December 15, 2011, consequently implemented with these basic financial statements and retroactively applied to all reporting periods. This statement provides guidance to financial reporting of deferred outflows and inflows of resources, and identifies net position as the residual of all other elements presented in a statement of financial position. Based on the implementation of GASB Statement No. 63, the RMA's net position comprises the following components:

- Net investment in capital assets consists of capital assets net of accumulated depreciation, outstanding balances on borrowings attributable to the acquisition of capital assets, and deferred outflows and inflows of resources attributable to the acquisition of capital assets.
- Restricted consists of restricted assets reduced by liabilities and deferred inflows
  of resources related to those assets.
- *Unrestricted* net amount of assets, deferred outflows, liabilities, and deferred inflows not included in the determination of net investment in capital assets, or the restricted component of net position.

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Notes to Financial Statements

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# Note 1 – Organization and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies – Continued

#### J. Reclassifications

Certain amounts reported in previous periods have been reclassified to conform to the current year presentation.

# K. Subsequent Events

Management has evaluated subsequent events through March 24, 2015, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

# L. Restricted Assets

Certain proceeds of the RMA's bonds and grants, as well as certain other resources are classified as restricted assets in the statements of net position because their use is limited by applicable bond covenants and grant agreements. It is the RMA's policy to first apply restricted resources when an expense is incurred for purposes in which both restricted and unrestricted net assets are available.

### M. Bond Premiums, Discounts, and Issuance Costs

The RMA amortizes premiums and discounts over the estimated life of the bonds as an adjustment to capitalized interest. Bond issuance costs are expensed as incurred, in accordance with GASB Statement No. 65 "Items Previously Reported as Assets and Liabilities". The RMA early implemented GASB Statement No. 65 "Items Previously Reported as Assets and Liabilities" in their Fiscal Year ending September 30, 2013.

### **Note 2 – Deposits and Investments**

#### Custodial Credit Risk

Custodial credit risk for deposits is the risk that, in the event of the failure of a depository financial institution, the RMA will not be able to recover its deposits or will not be able to recover its collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The RMA complies with its investment policy for all its cash and cash equivalent accounts, which calls for safety of principal as the first priority in its deposit accounts. As of September 30, 2014, the carrying amount of the RMA's cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash was \$22,421,064. Of this total, \$16,364,428 was restricted and held in various bond trustee accounts in the BNY Mellon in accordance with bond indenture agreements. The remainder \$6,056,636 was held in business interest checking accounts.

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# Note 2 - Deposits and Investments - Continued

There is no limit on the amount the RMA may deposit in any one institution. However, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation only insures up to \$250,000 per institution. The RMA is fully collateralized with pledged securities for amounts in excess of the FDIC limit for the year ended September 30, 2014.

# Note 3 – Capital Assets

Depreciation expense for 2014 and 2013 was \$524,408 and \$471,931, respectively. The following schedule summarizes the capital assets and Construction in Process of the RMA as of September 30, 2014:

Capital Assets	October 1, 2013	Additions		Deletions		September 30, 2014	
Depreciable							
Software	\$ 19,792	\$	-	\$	-	\$	19,792
Infrastructure	12,958,232		-		-		12,958,232
Equipment	3,888,658		123,626		-		4,012,284
Total	\$ 16,866,682	\$	123,626	\$	-	\$	16,990,308
Accumulated Depreciation							
Software	\$ -	\$	(3,958)	\$	-	\$	(3,958)
Infrastructure	(323,956)		(323,956)		-		(647,912)
Equipment	(319,322)		(196,493)		-		(515,816)
Total	\$ (643,278)	\$	(524,408)	\$	-	\$	(1,167,686)
Net Capital Assets	 16,223,404		(400,781)	\$	_		15,822,623
Non-Depreciable							
Construction in process	\$ 28,409,045	\$	31,146,450	\$	_	\$	59,555,495

The additions related to construction in process for 2014 are as follows:

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Project	 Additions				
SH 550 (Direct					
Connector)	\$ 26,682,405				
SPI 2nd Access	3,797,541				
SH 32 (East	337,029				
Outer Parkway	127,444				
Port Isabel	48,686				
General Brant	27,819				
West Parkway	13,036				
FM803	112,489				
	 _				
Total	\$ 31,146,450				

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# Note 3 - Capital Assets - Continued

The following schedule summarizes the capital assets and Construction in Process of the RMA as of September 30, 2013:

Capital Assets	October 1,					Se	eptember 30,
	 2012	Additions Deletions		Deletions	2013		
Depreciable							
Software	\$ 1,093	\$	18,699	\$	-	\$	19,792
Infrastructure	-		12,958,232		-		12,958,232
Equipment	2,548,732		1,393,727		(53,801)		3,888,658
Total	\$ 2,549,825	\$	14,370,658	\$	(53,801)	\$	16,866,682
Accumulated Depreciation							
Software	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Infrastructure	-		(323,956)		-		(323,956)
Equipment	(171,347)		(147,975)		-		(319,322)
Total	\$ (171,347)	\$	(471,931)	\$	-	\$	(643,278)
Net Capital Assets	 2,378,478		13,898,727		(53,801)		16,223,404
Non-Depreciable							
Construction in process	\$ 26,973,755	\$	17,877,209	\$	(16,441,919)	\$	28,409,045

The additions related to construction in process for 2013 are as follows:

Construction in process additions							
Project		Additions					
SH 550 (Direct							
Connector)	\$	16,119,122					
East Loop		810,124					
SPI 2nd Access		685,483					
General Brant		96,796					
281 Connector		79,567					
West Pkwy		31,212					
FM 803		24,459					
Outer Pkwy		17,216					
Port Isabel		13,230					
	<u></u>						
Total	\$	17,877,209					

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# Note 4 – Redevelopment Assets

The RMA has authorization by the State to participate, develop, and construct projects on behalf of other entities. The RMA has begun work on several projects in which the RMA will not retain ownership when work is completed. These projects are recorded as Redevelopment assets on the Statement of Net Position. At completion these redevelopment assets will be removed along with any associated liabilities and any difference will be adjusted through current operations. The following schedules summarize the redevelopment assets shown on the Statement of Net Position as of September 30, 2014 and 2013:

Redevelopment Assets	October 1,				Se	eptember 30,
	2013		 Additions	Deletions		2014
Brownsville/Matamoros West Rail Relocation Olmito Switchyard	\$	26,930,439 12,462,359	\$ 2,335,374 167,647	- -	\$	29,265,813 12,630,007
Total Redevelopment Assets	\$	39,392,798	\$ 2,503,021	-	\$	41,895,820
Redevelopment Assets	October 1, 2012		 Additions Deletio		Se	eptember 30, 2013
Brownsville/Matamoros West Rail Relocation Olmito Switchyard	\$	23,291,172 12,413,377	\$ 3,639,267 48,982	- -	\$	26,930,439 12,462,359
Total Redevelopment Assets	\$	35,704,549	\$ 3,688,249	_	\$	39,392,798

# **Note 5 – Disaggregation of Receivable and Payable Balances**

Of the current receivables, 98% are due from the Cameron County for Vehicle Registration Fees and Transportation Reinvestment Zone revenue outstanding as of September 30, 2014. The Due from other agencies consists of amounts pending reimbursement for construction project expenditures. Payable balances are comprised 9% from operations, contractors, and professional services at September 30, 2014. The remaining 91% of accounts payable represents the construction obligations for construction in process outstanding at September 30, 2014.

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# Note 6 - Non-Current Liabilities

Due to other agencies is comprised of the following projects:

<b>Due to Other Agencies</b>	 October 1, 2013	 Additions	Reductions	S	eptember 30, 2014
Due to other agencies - West Rail Project Due to other agencies -	\$ 26,067,010	\$ 1,391,651	-	\$	27,458,661
Olmito Switch Yard Project TxDot FAA - South Padre	9,028,321	815,737	-		9,844,058
Island 2nd Access TxDot FAA - West Parkway	 5,641,324 2,244,589	3,176,883	- -		8,818,207 2,244,589
Total	\$ 42,981,244	\$ 5,384,271	<u>-</u>	\$	48,365,516
Due to Other Agencies	October 1, 2012	Additions	Reductions	Se	eptember 30, 2013
Due to other agencies - West Rail Project Due to other agencies -	\$ 20,817,005	\$ 5,250,005	-	\$	26,067,010
Olmito Switch Yard Project TxDot FAA - South Padre	9,028,321	-	-		9,028,321
Island 2nd Access TxDot FAA - West Parkway	 5,215,447 2,244,589	 425,877	- -		5,641,324 2,244,589
Total	\$ 37,305,362	\$ 5,675,882	<u> </u>	\$	42,981,244

(Funds provided for the Brownsville/Matamoros West Rail and the Olmito Switchyard projects vary between Federal, State, and Local funds.)

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# Note 7 – Long-Term Bonds Payable

On April 1, 2010, the RMA issued \$28.7 million of special revenue bonds, consisting of two series of bonds, 2010A and 2010B both secured by vehicle registration fees of Cameron County. The \$13.2 million and \$15.5 million of the 2010A and 2010B bonds were issued as term bonds. The 2010A bonds carry interest rates of 2.0% to 5.0% and mature between February 2012 and February 2026. The 2010B bonds carry an interest rate of 6.5%, maturing on February 2036. All term bonds are subject to mandatory redemption in prescribed amounts before the maturity dates. At September 30, 2014, \$27,015,000 remains outstanding.

In June 2012 the RMA and Cameron County entered into the SH550 Funding and Development Agreement, for a project titled "SH550 Direct Connector Transportation Project". Cameron County issued Revenue and Tax bonds, Series 2012 (State Highway 550 Project) \$40,000,000 dated August 8, 2012 providing funding for this project. As a condition of funding, the Authority is obligated to repay the funding together with interest on the unpaid principal balance at the same stated rates the County will pay on the Series 2012 bonds in addition to an administrative fee also known as a "CAF Fee". The bonds carry interest rates of 2.125% to 5.0% and mature between February 2017 and February 2032. At September 30, 2014 \$40,000,000 remain outstanding.

With the purpose of continuing the funding for the "SH550 Direct Connector Transportation Project" and in accordance with the SH550 Funding and Development agreement entered into on June 2012 and amended on Jan 29, 2014, Cameron County issued \$5,000,000 Revenue and Tax Bonds, Series 2014 (State Highway 550 Project) dated March 1, 2014. As a condition of such funding, the RMA is obligated to repay the funding together with interest on the unpaid principal balance at the same stated rates of interest the County will pay on the Series 2014 bonds. Similarly to the Series 2012 Bonds, the RMA is obligated to continue payment of the annual CAF Fee as calculated on the original issuance of the Series 2012 bonds. Series 2014 bonds carry interest rates of 2.0% to 4.5% and mature between February 2018 and February 2034. The amount that remains outstanding at September 30, 2014 is \$5,000,000.

## Long-Term Bonds Payable is summarized as follows:

Bonds Payable	salance as of tober 1, 2013	 Additions	R	eductions	_	ealance as of eptember 30, 2014	Due	e within one year
2010 Revenue Bonds	\$ 27,780,000	-	\$	(765,000)	\$	27,015,000	\$	(780,000)
Plus: Premium on Refunding	70,327	-		(6,115)		64,212		-
2012 Revenue & Tax Bonds	40,000,000	-		-		40,000,000		-
Plus: Premium on Refunding	4,309,435	-		(149,028)		4,160,407		-
2014 Revenue & Tax Bonds	_	5,000,000		-		5,000,000		-
Plus: Premium on Refunding	_	155,424		-		155,424		-
_	\$ 72,159,762	\$ 5,155,424	\$	(920,143)	\$	76,395,043	\$	(780,000)

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Note 7 - Long-Term Bonds Payable - Continued

Bonds Payable	Balance as of October 1, 2012	Additions	Reductions	Balance as of September 30, 2013	Due within one year
2010 Revenue Bonds	\$ 28,380,000	-	\$ (600,000)	\$ 27,780,000	\$ (765,000)
Plus: Premium on Refunding	76,442	-	(6,115)	70,327	-
2012 Revenue & Tax Bonds	40,000,000	-	-	40,000,000	-
Plus: Premium on Refunding	4,458,463		(149,028)	4,309,435	
	\$ 72,914,905	\$ -	\$ (755,143)	\$ 72,159,762	\$ (765,000)

The annual requirements to retire the revenue bonds outstanding at September 30, 2014 and 2013 are as follows:

		2010A Bonds			2010B Bonds	;	
	Principal	Interest	Total	Principal	Interest		Total
2015	\$ 780,000	\$ 455,675	\$ 1,235,675	\$ -	\$ 1,017,853	\$	1,017,853
2016	800,000	435,875	1,235,875	-	1,017,853		1,017,853
2017	825,000	411,500	1,236,500	-	1,017,853		1,017,853
2018	850,000	384,250	1,234,250	-	1,017,853		1,017,853
2019	885,000	353,888	1,238,888	-	1,017,853		1,017,853
2020-2024	4,990,000	1,189,350	6,179,350	-	5,089,265		5,089,265
2025-2029	2,350,000	119,000	2,469,000	3,985,000	4,705,155		8,690,155
2030-2034	-	-	-	7,890,000	2,535,624		10,425,624
2035-2036				3,660,000	242,424		3,902,424
	\$ 11,480,000	\$ 3,349,538	\$ 14,829,538	\$ 15,535,000	\$17,661,733	\$	33,196,733

	2012	2012 Revenue & Tax Bonds			4 Revenue & Tax	k Bond	ls
	Principal	Interest	Total	Principal	Interest		Total
2015	\$ -	\$ 1,911,700	\$ 1,911,700	-	\$ 271,010	\$	271,010
2016	-	1,911,700	1,911,700	-	198,300		198,300
2017	840,000	1,899,100	2,739,100	-	198,300		198,300
2018	860,000	1,876,288	2,736,288	50,000	197,800		247,800
2019	880,000	1,856,725	2,736,725	150,000	195,800		345,800
2020-2024	4,935,000	8,749,813	13,684,813	1,310,000	832,970		2,142,970
2025-2029	6,320,000	7,363,000	13,683,000	1,570,000	574,856		2,144,856
2030-2034	8,115,000	5,567,375	13,682,375	1,920,000	220,263		2,140,263
2035-2039	10,425,000	3,261,625	13,686,625	\$ 5,000,000	\$ 2,689,299	\$	7,689,299
2040-2042	7,625,000	584,625	8,209,625				
	\$ 40,000,000	\$ 34,981,951	\$ 74,981,951				

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# **Note 8- Interest Capitalization/Expense**

The RMA capitalized a total of \$1,836,093 of debt interest to construction in process projects. The interest capitalized is from the 2010, 2012, and 2014 Bond Series. The detailed capitalization is outlined in the schedule below. The remaining interest was expensed in the total amount of \$1,466,034 for the year ending September 30, 2014.

Projects with capitalized interest							
2010 Bonds							
West Parkway Project	\$	514					
Outer Parkway		5,024					
SH 32 (East Loop)		13,286					
FM 803		4,434					
General Brant		1,097					
Port Isabel Access Rd		1,919					
Total		26,274					
2012 Bonds							
State Highway 550 Project		1,766,854					
2014 Bonds							
State Highway 550 Project		42,965					
Total	\$	1,836,093					

Capitalized interest as of September 30, in 2013 is shown in the following schedule.

Projects with capitalized	intere	st
2010 Bonds		
SH 32 (East Loop)	\$	151,452
2012 Bonds		
State Highway 550 Project		1,403,620
Total	\$	1,555,072

# Note 9 – Retirement Plan

# **Plan Description**

The RMA initiated a retirement plan for its employees in May of 2014. The plan provides only retirement and disability benefits and not death benefits as of fiscal year end. The RMA does plan to include death benefits in the plan at a future date.

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### Note 9 – Retirement Plan – Continued

The plan is a nontraditional defined benefit pension plan offered through the Texas County and District Retirement System (TCDRS). TCDRS was established by the Texas Legislature under section 67 of Article XVI of the Texas Constitution. TCDRS is a statewide multiple-employer public employee retirement system overseen by a Board of Trustees which issues an aggregate comprehensive annual financial report (CAFR) on a calendar year basis. As of calendar year 2013, TCDRS consisted of 641 total nontraditional defined benefit pension plans.

The provisions of the retirement plan are adopted by the governing body of the employer in accordance with Subtitle F of Title 8 of the Texas Government Code also known as the TCDRS Act. RMA members are eligible to retire at age 60 with 8 or more years of service, when age plus years of service equal 75, or with 20 years of service regardless of age. Vesting requirements are 8 years of service and members are required to leave their accumulated contributions within the plan in order to receive any employer financed benefit. Members who withdraw their personal contributions in a lump sum are not entitled to any amounts contributed by the employer. The plan retirement benefits are determined by the sum of employee contributions, interest accumulation, and employer-financed monetary credits with accumulated interest. The level of these monetary credits is adopted by the governing body of the employer within the actuarial constraints imposed by the TCDRS Act so that the resulting benefits can be adequately financed by the employer's contribution commitment. At retirement, death, or disability the benefit is calculated by converting the sum of the employee's accumulated contributions and the employerfinanced contributions and monetary credits to a monthly annuity using annuity purchase rates prescribed by the TCDRS Act.

### **Funding Policy**

The employer has elected the annually determined contribution rate (ADCR) plan provisions of the TCDRS Act. The plan is funded by monthly contributions from both employee members and the employer's actuarially determined contributions. The employer contributed using the actuarially determined rate of 10.13% from inception to the close of the fiscal year. The contribution rate payable by the employee members is 7.00% as adopted by the governing body of the employer. The employee contribution rate may be changed by the governing body of the employer within the options available in the TCDRS Act.

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### Note 9 - Retirement Plan - Continued

# **Annual Pension Cost**

For the employer's accounting year ended September 30, 2014, the annual pension cost for the TCDRS plan for its employees was \$6,112 and the actual employer contributions were \$8,845. Employer contribution represents the amount the RMA is required to contribute to responsibly fund future benefits for current and future retired employees. The annual required contributions were actuarially determined as a percent of the covered payroll of the participating employees, and were in compliance with GASB statement No. 27 parameters based on the actuarial valuations as of May 1, 2014, the basis for determining the contribution rates for calendar year 2014. The required contribution was determined as of May 1, 2014 actuarial valuation using the entry age actuarial cost method. The actuarial assumptions at May 1, 2014 included (a) 8.00% investment rate of return (net of administrative expenses), and (b) projected salary increases of 4.9%. Both (a) and (b) included an inflation component of 3.00%. The actuarial value of assets was determined using techniques that spread the effects of short-term volatility in the market value of investments over a ten-year period. The unfunded actuarial accrued liability is being amortized as a level percentage of payroll on a closed basis. The remaining amortization period at May 1, 2014 was 20 years.

# **Actuarial Valuation Information**

Actuarial valuation date	5/1/2014	12/31/2013
Actuarial cost method	entry age	N/A
Amortization method	level percentage of payroll, closed	N/A
Amortization period (in years)	20	N/A
Asset valuation method:		
Subdivision Accumulation Fund	5-yr smoothed value	N/A
Employees Saving Fund	Fund value	N/A
Actuarial Assumptions:		
Investment return	8.00	N/A
Projected salary increases	4.90	N/A
Inflation	3.00	N/A
Cost of living adjustments	0.00	N/A

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### Note 9 - Retirement Plan - Continued

# **Funded Status & Funding Progress**

As of May 1, 2014 the plan was zero percent funded. The actuarial accrued liability for benefits was \$13,558, and the actuarial value of assets was zero, resulting in an unfunded actuarial accrued liability (UAAL) of \$13,558. The covered payroll (annual covered payroll for active employees covered by the plan) was \$181,200, and the ratio of the UAAL to the covered payroll was 7.48%.

# Schedule of Funding Progress for the Retirement Plan for the employees of Cameron County Regional Mobility Authority

		Actuarial				UAAL as a
	Actuarial	Accrued			Annual	Percentage of
Actuarial	Value of	Liability	Unfunded AAL	Funded	Covered	Covered
Valuation	Assets	(AAL)	(UAAL)	Ratio	Payroll	Payroll
Date	[a]	[b]	[b-a]	[a/b]	[c]	[UAAL/c]
5/14/2014	\$ 0.00	\$ 13,558	\$ 13,558	\$ 0.00	\$ 181,200	7.48%
12/31/2013	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

### **Note 10 – Due to other Governments**

# **Cameron County**

On April 11, 2006 Cameron County (County) entered into an agreement with the RMA whereby the County would provide a loan of \$250,000 for the purpose of assisting the RMA in its organizational efforts. As of September 30, 2014, there has been a payment of \$82,500 on this loan, leaving an outstanding balance of \$167,500.

# Note 11 – Advertising

The RMA incurs advertising expenditures to promote community awareness of existing and ongoing projects. These expenditures include public relation events, website and social media marketing of toll operations, and other general advertising-related activities. These expenditures are capitalized as an indirect cost using the RMA indirect cost allocation plan in accordance with OMB Circular A-87.

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# Note 12 – Special Item – Settlement Proceeds

The RMA received a settlement in 2014 in relation to litigation on the SH550 project. The total proceeds from the settlement were \$4.0 million. This revenue is a component of other non-operating revenue and has been reported on a separate line item as special item.

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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

To the Board of Directors Cameron County Regional Mobility Authority Brownsville, Texas

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the business-type activities of Cameron County Regional Mobility Authority (RMA), a component unit of Cameron County, Texas, as of and for the year ended September 30, 2014, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise RMA's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated March 24, 2015.

# **Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered RMA'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 financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of RMA's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of RMA's internal control.

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

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

# Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether RMA's 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.

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Brownsville, Texas March 24, 2015



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# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY OMB CIRCULAR A-133 AND STATE OF TEXAS SINGLE AUDIT CIRCULAR

To the Board of Directors Cameron County Regional Mobility Authority Brownsville, Texas

# Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal/State Program

We have audited Cameron County Regional Mobility Authority's (RMA) compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *OMB Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement and State of Texas Single Audit Circular* that could have a direct and material effect on each of RMA's major federal/state programs for the year ended September 30, 2014. RMA's major federal/state 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 the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to its federal/state programs.

### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for each of RMA's major federal/state 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 OMB Circular A-133, Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit and State of Texas Single Audit Circular. Those standards, OMB Circular A-133, and State of Texas Single Audit Circular 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/state program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about RMA'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 on compliance for each major federal/state program. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of RMA's compliance.

# Opinion on Each Major Federal/State Program

In our opinion, the RMA, 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/state programs for the year ended September 30, 2014.

# Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

Management of the RMA 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 RMA's internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each major federal/state 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/state program and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with OMB Circular A-133 and State of Texas Single Audit Circular, 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 RMA'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/state 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/state 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/state 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 OMB Circular A-133 and State of Texas Single Audit Circular. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

LONG CHILTON, LLP

Brownsville, Texas March 24, 2015

# CAMERON COUNTY REGIONAL MOBILITY AUTHORITY (A COMPONENT UNIT OF CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS)

### SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AND STATE AWARDS

Year Ended September 30, 2014

Federal/State Grantor	CFDA Number	Contract Number	2014 Expenditures		
Federal					
US Department of Transportation Passed through the Texas Department of Transportation					
Advance Funding Agreement - West Rail Relocation Project	20.205	CSJ 0921-06-073 & CSJ 0921-06-233	\$	1,552,481	
SH550 Direct Connector Project	20.205	PT-2011-013-01 & CSJ 3622- 01-003		22,732,096	
Olmito Switchyard Project	20.205	CSJ 0921-06-230		144,773	
US Department of Transportation Passed through the Federal Rail Administration					
West Rail Relocation Project	20.314	FR-LRI-0023-11-01-00		555,344	
			\$	24,984,694	
State					
Texas Department of Transportation					
South Padre Island 2nd Access Project		CSJ 0921-06-163	\$	3,793,999	

#### **Notes to Schedule**

<sup>1.</sup> This schedule includes the federal/state awards activity of the Cameron County Regional Mobility Authority, and is presented on the accrual basis of accounting. The information in this schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of OMB Circular A-133 Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations and State of Texas Single Audit Circular. Therefore, some amounts presented in this schedule may differ from amounts presented in, or used in the preparation of, the basic financial statements.

# CAMERON COUNTY REGIONAL MOBILITY AUTHORITY (A COMPONENT UNIT OF CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS)

# SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS – FEDERAL AND STATE AWARDS

For Year Ended September 30, 2014

# I. SUMMARY OF INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S RESULTS

<u>Financial Statements</u>				
Type of auditor's report issued: <u>Unmodified</u>				
Internal control over financial reporting:				
<ul> <li>Material weakness(es) identified?</li> <li>Significant deficiencies identified that are not considered to be material weaknesses?</li> <li>Noncompliance material to financial statements noted?</li> </ul>	YesXNoYesXNone ReportedYesXNo			
<u>Federal/State Awards</u>				
Internal control over major programs:				
<ul> <li>Material weakness(es) identified?</li> <li>Significant deficiencies identified that are not considered to be material weaknesses?</li> </ul>	YesXNoYesXNone Reported			
Type of auditors' report issued on compliance for major programs: <u>Unmodified</u>				
<ul> <li>Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with Section 510(a) of Circular A-133?</li> </ul>	YesXNo			
Identification of major programs:				
CFDA Numbers	Name of Federal/State Program or Cluster			
Federal –				
20.205	Highway Planning and Construction - TX Department of Transportation			
20.314	Federal Railroad Administration			
State –				
CSJ 0921-06-163	SPI 2 <sup>ND</sup> Causeway Project			

# CAMERON COUNTY REGIONAL MOBILITY AUTHORITY (A COMPONENT UNIT OF CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS)

# SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS -FEDERAL AND STATE AWARDS - CONTINUED

For Year Ended September 30, 2014

#### I. **SUMMARY OF INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S RESULTS - CONTINUED**

	Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B Federal programs	Type A \$749,541	Type B \$100,00
	Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?	XYes	No
	Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B State programs	Type A \$ 300, 000	<u>Type B \$100,000</u>
	Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?	XYes	No
II.	FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS  None noted which were required to be reported.		
III.	FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS OF FEDER	RAL/STATE AWAI	RDS
	None noted which were required to be reported.		
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# CAMERON COUNTY REGIONAL MOBILITY AUTHORITY (A COMPONENT UNIT OF CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS) SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS – FEDERAL AND STATE AWARDS – PRIOR YEAR

For Year Ended September 30, 2014

# II. FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS

None noted which required reporting.

# III. FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS OF FEDERAL/STATE AWARDS

None noted which required reporting.