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**LYNNFIELD CENTER  
WATER DISTRICT  
LYNNFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS**

Report on Examination of the Basic  
Financial Statements  
and Additional Information Year Ended  
June 30, 2022



**LYNNFIELD CENTER WATER DISTRICT**

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## **INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT**

To the Board of Water Commissioners  
Lynnfield Center Water District  
Lynnfield, Massachusetts

### **Opinions**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the activities of the Lynnfield Center Water District, (the "District") as of and for the year ended June 30, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the District as of June 30, 2022, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America

### **Basis for Opinions**

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the District and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

### **Responsibilities of Management 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.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the District's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

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.

### **Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements**

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.

Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit 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 District's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the District's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

### **Other Matters**

#### *Required Supplementary Information*

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis, and the schedules listed under the required supplementary information section in the accompanying table of contents be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, which is the responsibility of management, although not 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.

*Roselli Clark & Associates*

Roselli, Clark & Associates  
Certified Public Accountants  
Woburn, Massachusetts  
August 24, 2023

## MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

As the management of the District, we offer readers of the financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the District for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022. We encourage readers to consider the information presented here in conjunction with their review of the basic financial statements, notes to the financial statements, and required supplementary information as listed in the table of contents.

### **Financial Highlights**

- The assets and deferred outflows of financial resources exceeded its liabilities and deferred inflows of financial resources at the close of the most recent fiscal year by over \$7.6 million (*total net position*).
- The District's total net position increased by over \$0.6 million.
- The District's total long-debt increased by approximately \$3.1 million due to over \$3.2 million of general obligation bonds netted by regular scheduled maturities of approximately \$0.1 million.

### **Overview of the Financial Statements**

This discussion and analysis are intended to serve as an introduction to the District's basic financial statements. The District's basic financial statements comprise three components: 1) government-wide financial statements, and 2) fund financial statements, and 3) notes to the financial statements. This report also contains other supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements themselves.

**Government-wide Financial Statements** – The *government-wide financial statements* are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the District's finances, in a manner similar to a private-sector business. These financial statements are reported using the *economic resources measurement* focus and the *accrual basis of accounting*.

The *statement of net position* presents information on all of the District's assets, deferred outflows of financial resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of financial resources, with the difference between those categories reported as *net position*. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the District is improving or deteriorating.

The *statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net position* presents information showing how the District's net position changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods (e.g., uncollected user charges, earned but unused vacation leave, and earned future other postemployment benefits.)

The *statement of cash flows* presents information on the District's cash receipts, cash payments, and changes in cash resulting from operations, investments and financing activities.

**Fund Financial Statements.** A Fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The District uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. The District's Fund Financial Statements are limited to a fiduciary fund.

**Notes to the Financial Statements** – The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide financial statements.

**Other Information** – In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents certain required supplementary information as listed under the required supplementary information section in the accompanying table of contents.

**Government-wide Financial Analysis**

The following is a condensed Statement of Net Position:

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
<u>Assets</u>		
Current and other assets	\$ 5,956,830	\$ 2,600,957
Capital assets, net	<u>7,144,991</u>	<u>6,287,675</u>
Total assets	13,101,821	8,888,632
<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>	<u>687,229</u>	<u>387,409</u>
 <u>Liabilities</u>		
Long-term liabilities	5,324,594	1,979,133
Other liabilities	<u>355,888</u>	<u>130,660</u>
Total liabilities	5,680,482	2,109,793
<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>	<u>495,823</u>	<u>190,862</u>
 <u>Net Position</u>		
Net investment in capital assets	5,240,048	5,597,675
Unrestricted	<u>2,372,697</u>	<u>1,377,711</u>
Net Position	<u>\$ 7,612,745</u>	<u>\$ 6,975,386</u>

Net position reflects an accumulation of financial resources that may act as a useful indicator of the District’s financial position. In the case of the District, assets and deferred outflows of financial resources exceeded liabilities and deferred inflows of financial resources by over \$7.6 million at the close of the most recent fiscal year.

Of the District’s net position, a large portion reflects its investment in capital assets (e.g. land, buildings, infrastructure, vehicles, machinery, and equipment); less any related debt used to acquire those assets that is still outstanding. The District uses these capital assets to provide services to the rate payers; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. Although the District’s investment in its capital assets is reported net of related debt the resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities.

The remainder of the District’s annual net position represents resources that may be used for any legal purpose of the District. A portion of this balance has been internally designated for various projects, however these are not subject to external restrictions and may be used for any lawful purpose upon a vote of the users of the District. The increase over the prior year is a result of user charges exceeding expenses. The following is a condensed Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position:

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
<u>Revenues</u>		
Program revenues:		
Charges for services	\$ 2,085,463	\$ 2,321,410
Property taxes	1,005,979	916,925
Capital grants and contributions	-	250,000
Other revenues	<u>316,120</u>	<u>304,422</u>
Total revenues	3,407,562	3,792,757
<u>Expenses</u>		
Maintenance and operations	1,521,177	1,229,475
Salaries	928,303	893,681
Depreciation	209,355	205,554
Interest expense	<u>111,368</u>	<u>17,825</u>
Total expenses	2,770,203	2,346,535
 Increase (decrease) in net position	 <u>637,359</u>	 <u>1,446,222</u>
 Net position, beginning of year	 <u>6,975,386</u>	 <u>5,529,164</u>
 restated	 <u>\$ 7,612,745</u>	 <u>\$ 6,975,386</u>

The District's total net position increased over \$0.6 million versus \$1.4 million in the prior year.

Charges for services consist of user charges for water services based on consumption. In the current year, consumption was lower than the prior year resulting in a drop of \$250,000 in revenue. In addition, the District receives rental charges from cell tower agreements and property taxes which in total were consistent with the prior year. In the prior year, the District received contributions of property from a developer in the amount of \$250,000. This did not occur during fiscal 2022. These net differences resulted in a reduction in overall receipts of about \$0.4 million.

Maintenance and operations comprised approximately 54.9% of total expenses. This was approximately \$0.3 million over the prior year. All other expenses were fairly consistent except interest expense which increased significantly due to the new bond issuance. Overall expenses were over \$0.4 million greater than last year.

### **Capital Asset and Debt Administration**

**Capital Assets** – The District's investment in capital assets as of June 30, 2022 was approximately \$7.1 million (net of accumulated depreciation). This investment in capital assets includes land, buildings and improvements, vehicles, machinery and equipment and infrastructure (water delivery system components).

During the year, the District invested almost \$1.1 million in capital asset acquisitions and installations, a majority of which related to cyclical replacement of the system.

Additional information on the District's capital assets can be found in the notes to this report.

**Long-Term Debt** – At the end of the current fiscal year, the District had nearly \$4.1 million in total outstanding debt, which includes unamortized premium.



The District currently maintains a credit rating of AA. This represents one notch below Standard and Poor's highest grade of investment, and is commensurate with outstanding financial condition, effective management and demographics.

Additional information on the District's debt can be found in the notes to this report.

### **Economic Factors and Next Year's Budgets and Rates**

In May 2022, the District's proposed budget was adopted by the users of the District. Assumptions in preparing the budget were as follows:

- Revenues would include approximately \$1.2 million from property taxes and approximately \$1.5 million from user charges and other related water services and \$0.2 million from free cash.
- Expenses were appropriated at approximately \$3.7 million, which included capital infrastructure and equipment.
- Free cash for fiscal 2023 was certified at \$1.0 million.

These factors were considered in preparing the District's budget for the 2023 fiscal year which was adopted at the District's annual user meeting held in May 2022.

### **Requests for Information**

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the District's finances for all those with an interest in the District's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or request for additional financial information should be addressed to the Lynnfield Center Water District, Office of the Treasurer, 83 Phillips Road, Lynnfield, Massachusetts, 01940.

**LYNNFIELD CENTER WATER DISTRICT**

**PROPRIETARY FUNDS  
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION  
JUNE 30, 2022**

	Business-Type Activities
	Enterprise Fund - Water Services
<b>Assets:</b>	
Current Assets:	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 5,017,106
Receivables, net of allowance	
User charges	927,818
Property taxes	10,390
Other	1,516
Total Current Assets	5,956,830
Noncurrent assets:	
Capital assets, not being depreciated	2,333,700
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	4,811,291
Total noncurrent assets	7,144,991
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>13,101,821</b>
<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources:</b>	
Related to net pension liability	566,117
Related to net other postemployment benefits liability	121,112
Total deferred outflows	687,229
<b>Liabilities:</b>	
Current liabilities:	
Warrants, accounts payable and payroll	23,194
Other liabilities	96,958
Bonds and notes payable	235,736
Total current liabilities	355,888
Noncurrent liabilities:	
Bonds and notes payable	3,822,538
Net pension liability	1,456,630
Net other postemployment benefits liability	45,426
Total noncurrent liabilities	5,324,594
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>5,680,482</b>
<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources:</b>	
Related to net pension liability	367,467
Related to net other postemployment benefits liability	128,356
Total deferred inflows	495,823
<b>Net Position:</b>	
Net investment capital assets	5,240,048
Unrestricted	2,372,697
<b>Total Net Position</b>	<b>\$ 7,612,745</b>

See accompanying notes to basic financial statements.

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**LYNNFIELD CENTER WATER DISTRICT**  
**PROPRIETARY FUNDS**  
**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION**  
**YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022**

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	Business-Type Activities
	Enterprise Fund - Water Services
<b>Operating Revenues:</b>	
Water rate charges	\$ 2,085,463
Property taxes	1,005,979
Other	47,481
<b>Total Operating Revenues</b>	<b>3,138,923</b>
<b>Operating Expenses:</b>	
Operating and maintenance costs	1,521,177
Salaries	928,303
Depreciation	209,355
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<b>2,658,835</b>
<b>Operating Income (Loss)</b>	<b>480,088</b>
<b>Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses):</b>	
Intergovernmental	44,927
Interest income	8,906
Lease revenue	214,806
Interest expense	(111,368)
<b>Total Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses)</b>	<b>157,271</b>
<b>Changes in Net Position</b>	<b>637,359</b>
<b>Total Net Position - Beginning</b>	<b>6,975,386</b>
<b>Total Net Position - Ending</b>	<b>\$ 7,612,745</b>
See accompanying notes to basic financial statements.	\$ -

**LYNNFIELD CENTER WATER DISTRICT**

**PROPRIETARY FUNDS  
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS  
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022**

	Business-Type Activities Enterprise Fund - Water Services
<b>Cash Flows from Operating Activities:</b>	
Receipts from users	\$ 2,870,329
Payments to employees and vendors	(2,241,926)
	628,403
<b>Cash Flows from Capital and Related Financing Activities:</b>	
Lease revenue	214,806
Intergovernmental revenue	44,927
Acquisition and construction of capital assets	(1,066,669)
Debt issuance	3,220,000
Debt premium issuance	263,274
Principal payments on bonds and notes	(115,000)
Interest expense	(111,368)
	2,449,970
<b>Cash Flows from Investing Activities:</b>	
Interest income	8,906
	8,906
<b>Net Change in Cash and Cash Equivalents</b>	<b>3,087,279</b>
<b>Cash and Cash Equivalents:</b>	
Beginning of year	1,929,827
End of year	\$ 5,017,106
<b>Reconciliation of Operating Income to Net Cash Provided By (Used For) Operating Activities:</b>	
Operating income (loss)	\$ 480,088
Depreciation expense	209,355
Changes in assets and liabilities:	
Receivables	(268,594)
Pension and OPEB	103,064
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	104,490
	628,403
Net Cash Provided by (Used for) Operating Activities	\$ 628,403

See accompanying notes to basic financial statements.

**LYNNFIELD CENTER WATER DISTRICT**  
**STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION**  
**JUNE 30, 2022**

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	<u>Other Postemployment Benefits Trust Fund</u>
<b>Assets</b>	
Cash and Equivalents	\$ 1,119
Equities	162,991
Fixed Income	72,804
Other	<u>14,977</u>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<u><u>251,891</u></u>
<b>Net Position</b>	
Held in trust for other postemployment benefits	<u>251,891</u>
<b>Total Net Position</b>	<u><u>\$ 251,891</u></u>

See accompanying notes to basic financial statements.

**LYNNFIELD CENTER WATER DISTRICT**

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION  
JUNE 30, 2022**

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	<u>Other Postemployment Benefits Trust Fund</u>
<b>Additions</b>	
Contributions:	
Employer	\$ 33,055
Other	-
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Total contributions	33,055
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Investment income:	
Interest and dividends (loss)	(40,616)
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<b>Total Additions</b>	<b>(7,561)</b>
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<b>Deductions</b>	
Benefits paid	8,055
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<b>Total Deductions</b>	<b>8,055</b>
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CHANGE IN NET POSITION	(15,616)
<b>NET POSITION AT BEGINNING OF YEAR</b>	<b>267,507</b>
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<b>NET POSITION AT END OF YEAR</b>	<b>\$ 251,891</b>
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See accompanying notes to basic financial statements.

## LYNNFIELD CENTER WATER DISTRICT

### NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

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#### **I. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

The basic financial statements of the District have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applied to state and local governments. GAAP is prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB), which is the primary standard-setting body for state and local governmental entities. The following is a summary of the more significant policies and practices used by the District:

##### **A. Reporting Entity**

The District is a corporate body that manages the supply and distribution of drinking water to area residents and businesses.

The affairs of the District are administered by a Board of three Water Commissioners. All are elected by the registered voters of the District. The main office facilities are located at 83 Phillips Road Lynnfield, Massachusetts approximately 15 miles north of Boston in Essex County. The District is supplied with water from its wells which it stores in water tanks.

Component units, while separate entities, are in substance part of the governmental operations if the significance of their operations and/or financial relationship with the District meet certain criteria. Pursuant to these criteria there are no component units required to be included in the financial statements nor is the District a component unit of any other entity.

##### **B. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation**

The accounting policies of the District conform to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as applicable to governmental units.

The following are the accounting and reporting policies of the District:

***Basis of Presentation*** – The District’s financial statements are reported using the *economic resources measurement focus* and the *accrual basis of accounting* as specified by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board’s (“GASB”) requirements for an enterprise fund.

Under this method, revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. User fees are recognized as revenues in the year in which they are used, as either assessed or unbilled.

Proprietary funds distinguish *operating* revenues and expenses from *non-operating* items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing or delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund’s principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues are user charges and fees associated with water distribution which are assessed periodically to users throughout the year, while operating expenses consist of salaries, ordinary maintenance, and depreciation.

Fiduciary fund financial statements are used to account for assets held in a trustee capacity for others that may not be used for governmental programs.

The District reports the following fiduciary fund:

*Other Postemployment Benefits Trust Fund* – is used to accumulate funds for future payments of other postemployment benefits for retirees, such as health and life insurance.

*Taxes* – The District is exempt from all federal and state income taxes and real estate taxes.

### **C. Assets, Liabilities, Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources and Net Position**

*Deposits and Investments* – The District’s cash and cash equivalents are generally considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits, and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition. Other short-term investments may also be classified as cash and cash equivalents due to their highly liquid nature.

Investments are recorded at fair value in accordance with GASB Statement No. 72, *Fair Value Measurement and Application*. Accordingly, the change in fair value of investments is recognized as an increase or decrease to investment assets and investment income.

*Receivables* – The District is supported by both water rates and real estate property taxes.

Water rates are established each year at the District’s Annual Meeting. The Board of Commissioners has also been granted the authority to raise the water rates should additional revenues be needed to operate the District. Bills are sent to residential customers quarterly, staggered by District regions, throughout the year and are based on a standard meter size and consumption. Commercial customers are billed quarterly throughout the year; commercial rates fluctuate depending on the size of the meter installed. An annual usage amount is automatically charged to each residential dwelling or commercial entity, thereby allowing the District to collect a minimum amount from each user.

Real estate and personal property taxes are assessed on January 1 every year. Bills are sent quarterly and are due on August 1, November 1, February 1, and May 1, or thirty days subsequent to the mailing date. Interest accrues on delinquent taxes at the rate of 14% per annum. Property taxes levied are recorded as receivables in the fiscal year of the levy.

Real estate taxes are secured through a lien process in the second quarter of the following fiscal year and are considered 100% collectible. Accordingly, an allowance for uncollectible accounts for these receivables is not reported.

*Inventories and Prepaid Items* – Inventories, which are not material to the basic financial statements, are considered to be expenses at the time of purchase. Certain payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as prepaid items in the basic financial statements.

*Capital Assets* – Capital assets, which include land, buildings and their improvements, plant facilities, vehicles and equipment, are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at the estimated fair market value at the date of donation. Net interest incurred during the construction phase of capital assets, if material, is included as part of the capitalized value of the assets constructed.



All purchases and construction costs in excess of \$5,000 are capitalized at the date of acquisition or construction, respectively, with expected lives of greater than two years. The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets lives are not capitalized.

Capital assets (excluding land and construction-in-process) are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

Buildings and improvements	20-40 years
Machinery and equipment	5-10 years
Vehicles	5-10 years
Infrastructure	40-50 years

Compensated Absences – It is the District’s policy to permit employees to accumulate earned but unused vacation time. Vested accumulated vacation time is accrued at their current rate of pay and recorded as an expense and a liability in the District’s financial statements. The amount was not material to the financial statements in the current year.

Debt Obligations – Long-term debt is reported as liabilities in the statement of net position. Bond premiums and discounts are amortized over the life of the bonds using the straight-line method. Bond anticipation notes payable are reported net of the applicable bond premium or discount.

Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources – In addition to assets, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of financial resources. This separate financial statement element represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. The District has two types of items that are reported on the statement of net position which relate to outflows from changes in the net pension and other postemployment liabilities. The deferred pensions and other postemployment benefit liability items will be recognized in pension expense and benefits expense in future years as more fully described in later notes to the financial statements.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of net position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, *deferred inflows of financial resources*, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The District reports a deferred inflow related to its net pension and net other postemployment benefit liabilities, which will be recognized in pension and benefits expense in future years as more fully described in later notes to the financial statements.

Net Position – Net position reported as “net investment in capital assets” includes capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, less the principal balance of outstanding debt used to acquire capital assets. Unspent proceeds of capital related debt are not considered to be capital related debt.

Net position is reported as restricted when amounts are not available for appropriation or are legally restricted by outside parties for a specific use. None of the net position has been restricted.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the District’s policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources, as they are needed.

## D. Use of Estimates

The preparation of basic financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure for contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the basic financial statements and the reported amounts of the revenues and expenses during the fiscal year. Actual results could vary from estimates that were used.

## II. Detailed Notes to All Funds

### A. Deposits and Investments

A cash and investment pool is maintained that is available for use by all funds. Each fund type's portion of this pool is displayed on the balance sheet as "cash and cash equivalents." The deposits and investments of trust funds are held separately from those of other funds.

The State Treasurer's investment pool (the "Pool") meets the criteria of an external investment pool. The Pool is administered by the Massachusetts Municipal Depository Trust, or MMDT, which was established by the Treasurer of the Commonwealth who serves as Trustee. The fair value of the position in the Pool is the same as the value of the Pool shares.

Custodial Credit Risk: Deposits - In the case of deposits, this is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the District's deposits may not be returned to it. The District does not have a deposit policy for custodial credit risk relative to cash holdings. At year-end, the carrying amount of the District's deposits was \$5,018,383 and the bank balance was \$5,555,864. All the District's bank balances were insured by either federal depository insurance corporation or by collateralization agreements as of June 30, 2022.

Custodial Credit Risk: Investments - In the case of investments, this is the risk that in the event of the invested party not being able to provide required payments to investors, ceasing to exist, or filing of bankruptcy, the District may not be able to recover the full amount of its principal investment and/or investment earnings. The District's investment in the MMDT of \$92,028 is not included in the above deposits is not exposed to custodial credit risk because its existence is not evidenced by securities that exist in physical or book entry form.

Fair Value Measurement - Statement #72 of the Government Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") Fair Value Measurements and Application, sets forth the framework for measuring fair value. That framework provides a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3 measurements). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy under GASB 72 are described as follows:

Level 1 - Inputs to the valuation methodology are unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in active markets that the District has the ability to access.

Level 2 - Inputs to the valuation methodology include:

- Quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets;
- Quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in inactive markets;
- Inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability;
- Inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means.

Level 3 - Inputs to the valuation methodology are unobservable and significant to the fair value measurement. Unobservable inputs reflect the Districts' own assumptions about the inputs market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability (including assumptions about risk). Unobservable inputs are developed based on the best information available in the circumstances and may include the District's own data.

The District holds investments that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis. Because investing is not a core part of the District's mission, the District determined that the disclosures related to these investments only need to be disaggregated by major type. The District chooses a tabular format for disclosing the levels within the fair value hierarchy.

In addition, the District is a participant in Massachusetts Municipal Depository Trust (MMDT) a pooled investment trust established by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. MMDT offers a cash portfolio and a short term bond portfolio. The pool meets the criteria of an external investment pool. The investments of the pool are measured at amortized cost.

The District categorizes its fair value measurements within the fair value hierarchy established by generally accepted accounting principles. The hierarchy is based on the valuation inputs used to measure the fair value of an asset. Level 1 inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical assets; Level 2 inputs are significant other observable inputs; Level 3 inputs are significant unobservable inputs. The following table identifies the Groups investments by Level at:

	Amount	Fair Value Measurements Using		
		Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
<u>Investments by fair value level</u>				
<u>Debt securities:</u>				
Bond mutual funds	\$ 73,580	\$ -	\$ 73,580	\$ -
Total debt securities	73,580	-	73,580	-
Total investments by fair value level	73,580	\$ -	\$ 73,580	\$ -
<u>Investments measured at amortized cost</u>				
State Treasurer investment pool (MMDT)	92,028			
Money market mutual funds	177,034			
Total investments measured at fair value	\$ 342,642			

Interest Rate Risk: Deposits – The District does not have formal investment policies that limit investment maturities as a way of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from rising interest rates. However, such risk is reduced by the fact that the District maintains such funds in highly liquid bank accounts; thereby, allowing for timely re-allocation of such holdings should the need arise. The District does not hold any investments with maturities.

Concentration of Credit Risk – The District does not place a limit on the amount that may be invested in any one issuer. During the fiscal year, the District did not maintain balances in any single investment that would represent more than 5% of the District's total investments. The District maintains all bank accounts within four separate banking institutions.

Credit risk - is the risk that an issuer of an investment will not fulfill its obligation to the holder of the investment. Credit risk is measured by the assignment of a rating by a nationally recognized statistical rating organization.

Obligations of the U.S. Government and certain of its agencies are not considered to have credit risk and therefore no rating is disclosed in following table. Equity securities are not rated as to credit risk. The District does not have an investment policy which limits the overall portfolio allocation but is not specific as to limit investment choices to certain ratings. Currently none of the District's securities are rated.

**B. Receivables**

Receivables of the District as of June 30, 2022, are as follows:

Revenue Classifications	Amount
Water rates	\$ 927,818
Property taxes	10,390
Other fees	1,516
Gross receivables	939,724
Allowance for uncollectible accounts	-
Net receivables	<u>\$ 939,724</u>

**C. Capital Assets**

Capital asset activity for the year ended June 30, 2022, was as follows:

	Beginning Balance	Increases	Decreases	Ending Balance
Capital assets not being depreciated:				
Land	\$ 1,215,184	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,215,184
Construction in progress	81,723	1,036,793	-	1,118,516
Total capital assets not being depreciated	<u>1,296,907</u>	<u>1,036,793</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,333,700</u>
Capital assets being depreciated:				
Buildings and improvements	1,692,973	-	-	1,692,973
Infrastructure	7,198,093	-	-	7,198,093
Machinery and equipment	450,915	-	-	450,915
Vehicles	133,950	29,876	-	163,826
Total capital assets being depreciated	<u>9,475,931</u>	<u>29,876</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>9,505,807</u>
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Buildings and improvements	(1,027,756)	(44,896)	-	(1,072,652)
Infrastructure	(3,046,936)	(126,162)	-	(3,173,098)
Machinery and equipment	(321,437)	(22,475)	-	(343,912)
Vehicles	(89,032)	(15,822)	-	(104,854)
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>(4,485,161)</u>	<u>(209,355)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(4,694,516)</u>
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	<u>4,990,770</u>	<u>(179,479)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,811,291</u>
Total capital assets, net	<u>\$ 6,287,677</u>	<u>\$ 857,314</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 7,144,991</u>

Total depreciation expense was charged to operations was as follows:

Water operations	<u>\$ 209,355</u>
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#### D. Temporary Debt

The District is authorized to borrow on a temporary basis to fund the following:

Current Operating Costs – Prior to the collection of revenues, expenses may be financed through the issuance of revenue anticipation notes (RANS).

Capital Projects and Other Approved Costs – Projects may be temporarily funded through the issuance of bond anticipation notes (BANS) or state aid anticipation notes (SANS).

In certain cases, prior to the issuance of these temporary notes, the governing body must take the necessary legal steps to authorize the issuance of the general obligation bonds. Temporary notes may not exceed the aggregate amount of bonds authorized or the grant award amount.

Temporary notes are general obligations of the District and carry maturity dates not in excess of one year and are interest bearing and will be paid through future issuance of general obligation bonds. There were no temporary notes outstanding during the year ended June 30, 2022.

#### E. Long-Term Obligations

The District issues general obligation bonds and notes to provide funds for the acquisition and construction of major capital facilities. Additionally, the District incurs various other long-term obligations relative to employee benefits. The District has begun to accumulate resources to provide for these obligations.

The following reflects the activity in the long-term liability accounts:

Description of Items	Beginning Balance	Additions	Deletions	Ending Balance	Due within one year
General Obligation Bonds	\$ 690,000	\$ 3,220,000	\$ (115,000)	\$ 3,795,000	\$ 195,000
Unamortized bond premium	-	263,274	-	263,274	40,736
Net pension liability	1,308,328	850,386	(702,084)	1,456,630	-
Net other postemployment benefits liability	95,805	146,793	(197,172)	45,426	-
Total	<u>\$ 2,094,133</u>	<u>\$ 4,480,453</u>	<u>\$ (1,014,256)</u>	<u>\$ 5,560,330</u>	<u>\$ 235,736</u>

The following is a summary of outstanding long-term debt obligations for the year ended June 30, 2022:

Debt Description	Maturing Fiscal Year	Interest Rate	Beginning Balance	Additions	Maturities	Ending Balance
GO Bond	2042	2 - 5%	<u>\$ 690,000</u>	<u>\$ 3,220,000</u>	<u>\$ (115,000)</u>	<u>\$ 3,795,000</u>

The following table represents the District’s future maturities of outstanding debt:

Years	Principal		Interest		Total Debt
	GOB	Total	GOB	Total	
2023	\$ 195,000	\$ 195,000	\$ 159,041	\$ 159,041	\$ 354,041
2024	245,000	245,000	103,512	103,512	348,512
2025	250,000	250,000	94,301	94,301	344,301
2026	255,000	255,000	84,838	84,838	339,838
2027	260,000	260,000	77,012	77,012	337,012
2028 - 2032	830,000	830,000	275,062	275,062	1,105,062
2033 - 2037	835,000	835,000	139,637	139,637	974,637
2038 - 2042	925,000	925,000	50,093	50,093	975,093
Totals	<u>\$ 3,795,000</u>	<u>\$ 3,795,000</u>	<u>\$ 983,496</u>	<u>\$ 983,496</u>	<u>\$ 4,778,496</u>

The District maintains authorized and unissued debt of approximately \$7.6 million purposed to fund its long-term capital improvement program.

### III. Other Information

#### A. Retirement System

Plan Description – The District contributes to the Essex Regional Retirement System (the System), a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan established under Chapter 32 of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts General Laws (MGL) and administered by the Essex Regional Retirement Board. Stand-alone audited financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2021 were issued and may be obtained by writing to the Essex Regional Retirement System, 491 Maple Street, Suite 202, Danvers MA 01923.

Membership – Membership in the System as of December 31, 2021, was as follows:

Retired participants and beneficiaries receiving benefits	2,039
Inactive participants entitled to a return of their employee contributions	972
Active members	<u>3,118</u>
Total	<u>6,129</u>

Benefit Terms – The System provides retirement, disability and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Chapter 32 of the MGL assigns authority to establish and amend benefit provisions of the plan. Cost-of-living adjustments granted between 1981 and 1997 and any increase in other benefits imposed by the Commonwealth’s state law during those years are borne by the Commonwealth and are deposited into the pension fund directly. Cost-of-living adjustments granted after 1997 must be approved by the Board and are borne by the System.

Membership in the System is mandatory for all full-time employees and non-seasonal, part-time employees who, in general, regularly work more than twenty hours per week. Members of the System do not participate in the federal Social Security retirement system.

Massachusetts contributory retirement system benefits are uniform from retirement system to retirement system. The System provides for retirement allowance benefits up to a maximum of 80% of a participant’s highest three-year or five-year average annual rate of regular compensation, depending on the participant’s date of hire. Benefit payments are based upon a participant’s age, length of creditable service, level of compensation and job classification.

Contributions Requirements – The System has elected provisions of Chapter 32, Section 22D (as amended) of Massachusetts General Laws, which require that a funding schedule be established to fully fund the pension plan by June 30, 2040. Under provisions of this law, participating employers are assessed their share of the total retirement cost based on the entry age, normal actuarial cost method.

The District contributed \$173,831 to the System in fiscal year 2022, which was the actuarially determined contribution requirement for the fiscal year. The District’s contributions as a percentage of covered payroll was approximately 24% in fiscal year 2022.

Net Pension Liability – At June 30, 2022, the District reported a liability of \$1,456,630 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of December 31, 2021, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of January 1, 2022. These figures were updated by the independent actuary as of December 31, 2021. There were no material changes made in this update to the actuarial assumptions (see below) nor were there any material changes to the System’s benefit terms since the actuarial valuation.

The District’s proportion of the net pension liability is based on a projection of the District’s long-term share of contributions to the System relative to the projected contributions of all employers. The District’s proportion was approximately 0.42% at December 31, 2021.

Pension Expense – The District recognized \$284,269 in pension expense in the statement of activities in fiscal year 2022.

Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources – At June 30, 2022, the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual earnings	-	322,896
Changes in assumptions	161,353	-
Changes in proportion differences	404,643	-
Differences between expected and actual experience	121	44,571
Changes in proportion differences	-	-
	<u>\$ 566,117</u>	<u>\$ 367,467</u>

The deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources are expected to be recognized in the District’s pension expense as follows:

Year Ended June 30,	Amount
2023	\$ 89,987
2024	44,328
2025	38,186
2026	26,149
Total	<u>\$ 198,650</u>

Discount Rate – The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.0%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed plan member contributions were made at the current contribution rate and that employer contributions will be made at rates equal to the actuarially determined contribution rates and the member rate. Based on those assumptions, the Retirement System’s fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

Actuarial Valuation – The measurement of the System’s total pension liability is developed by an independent actuary. The latest actuarial valuation was performed as of January 1, 2022. The significant actuarial assumptions used in the January 1, 2022 actuarial valuation included:

Investment rate of return	Full prefunding: 7.0% per year, net of investment expenses
Discount Rate	7.00%
Interest on contributions	3.50%
Salary Increases	7.5% decreasing to 3.75% after 5 years of service
Pre-Retirement Mortality	RP-2014 Employee Mortality Table projected generationally with Scale MP 2021
Post-Retirement Mortality	RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table projected generationally with Scale MP 2021
Disabled Mortality	RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table set forward two years projected generationally with Scale MP 2021

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. The target allocations and best estimates of arithmetic real returns for each major asset class are summarized in the following table:



Asset Class	Target Allocation	Expected Investment Rate of Return
Domestic Equity	22.00%	6.11%
International Equity	11.50%	6.49%
International Emerging Markets	4.50%	8.12%
Core fixed income	15.00%	0.38%
High Yield Fixed Income	8.00%	2.48%
Real Estate	10.00%	3.72%
Timberland	4.00%	3.44%
Hedge Fund, GTAA, Risk Parity	10.00%	2.63%
Private Equity	15.00%	9.93%
	100.00%	

Sensitivity Analysis – The following presents the District’s proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.0% as well as the District’s proportionate share of the net pension liability using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower or one percentage point higher than the current rate:

Net Pension Liability			
Discount Rate			
Current Rate	1% lower	Current	1% greater
7.00%	\$ 1,969,902	\$ 1,456,630	\$1,025,602

**B. Risk Financing**

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft, damage, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; and natural disasters for which the District carries commercial insurance. The amount of claim settlements has not exceeded insurances coverage in any of the previous three years.

The District is a part of a premium-based self-insurance group which insures for worker’s compensation, and general and personal liability, through the Massachusetts Inter-Local Insurance Association (MIIA). The Trust offers a variety of premium based plans to its members with each participating governmental unit charged a premium for coverage based on rates established by the Group. The District is obligated to pay the Trust its required premiums and, in the event the group is terminated, its proportionate share of a deficit, should one exist. The District essentially transfers its risk through payment of its annual assessment which is adjusted according to the District’s experience history.

**C. Other Postemployment Benefits**

The District administers a single-employer defined benefit healthcare plan (the “OPEB Plan”) that provides health, dental and life insurance benefits (other postemployment benefits) to retirees and their dependents/beneficiaries in accordance with Section 20 of Massachusetts General Law Chapter 32B.

An employee shall become eligible to retire under this plan upon the completion of 10 years of creditable service and the attainment of age 55 as an active member or with 20 years of service regardless of age.

Specific benefit provisions and contribution rates are established by state law and District ordinance. All benefits are provided through the District’s premium-based insurance programs, and these include comprehensive medical insurance. Pre-65 retirees are provided with HMO Blue New England Plan and Post 65 retirees have Medex II.

Employees Covered by Benefit Terms – The following employees were covered by the benefit terms as of June 30, 2022:

Active employees	7
Inactives currently receiving benefits	<u>5</u>
Total	<u>12</u>

The total OPEB liability in the most recent actuarial valuation was determined using the following key actuarial assumptions applied to all periods included in the measurement, unless otherwise specified:

Investment rate of return	6.50%
Single Equivalent Discount Rate	6.50%
Inflation	2.20%
Health Care Trend Rate	7.5%; trending down to 3.9%
Pre-Retirement Mortality	RP-2014 Employees Mortality Table base year MP2021 projected with generational mortality improvement using Scale BB
Post-Retirement Mortality	RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table base year MP2021 projected with generational mortality improvement using Scale BB

Key Changes in Assumptions – No significant changes to assumptions.

Contributions – The contribution requirements of OPEB Plan members and the District are established and may be amended by the District. Retirees contributed 50% of the set premium for medical insurance during fiscal 2022. The remainder of the cost is funded from taxation and user charges.

The District currently contributes enough money to the Plan to maintain over 80% funding status. The costs of administering the OPEB Plan are paid by the District. For the year ended June 30, 2022, the District’s average contribution rate was 3.6% of covered-employee payroll.

Net OPEB Liability – The District’s net OPEB liability was measured as of June 30, 2022, and the total OPEB liability used to calculate the net OPEB liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2021.

Discount Rate – The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability was 6.5% which was based on the long-term investment rate of return.

Long Term Expected Rate of Return – The long-term expected rate of return on OPEB Plan investments was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of OPEB Plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class.

These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation.

The target allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return were as reflected in the following table:

Asset Class	Target Allocation	Expected Investment Rate of Return
Domestic Equity	34.00%	4.66%
International Equity	22.00%	5.88%
Domestic Bond	20.00%	1.30%
International Bond	4.00%	1.33%
Alternatives	20.00%	5.28%
Cash	0.00%	0.00%
	100.00%	

Sensitivity Analyses – The following presents the District’s net OPEB liability as well as what the District’s net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1.0% lower or 1.0% higher than the current discount rate as well as if the healthcare cost trend rates are 1% lower or higher than the current healthcare cost trend rates:

Net OPEB Liability (asset)			
Discount Rate			
Current Rate	1% lower	Current	1% greater
6.50%	\$ 95,958	\$ 45,426	\$ 5,412
Health Care Rate			
Current Rate	1% lower	Current	1% greater
7.5% trending to 3.9%	\$ (1,296)	\$ 45,426	\$ 106,947

Changes in the Net OPEB Liability (Asset) – The following table summarizes the changes in the net OPEB liability for the year ended June 30, 2022:

	Total OPEB Liability (a)	Plan Fiduciary Net Position (b)	Net OPEB Liability/(Asset) (a) - (b)
Balances at June 30, 2021	\$ 363,312	\$ 267,507	\$ 95,805
Changes for the year:			
Service cost	14,861	-	\$ 14,861
Interest	24,319	-	24,319
Changes in assumptions	(8,217)	-	(8,217)
Difference between expected and actual experience	(88,903)	-	(88,903)
Employer contributions	-	33,055	(33,055)
Benefit payments withdrawn from trust	-	(8,055)	8,055
Net investment income	-	(40,616)	40,616
Benefit payments	(8,055)	-	(8,055)
Net changes	(65,995)	(15,616)	(50,379)
Balances at June 30, 2022	\$ 297,317	\$ 251,891	\$ 45,426

OPEB Expense and Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB – For the year ended June 30, 2022, the District recognized OPEB expense of \$25,681, and deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB were reported as follows:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Changes in assumptions	\$ 52,713	\$ 36,687
Differences between actual and expected experience	41,240	91,669
Differences between expected and actual earnings	27,159	-
	\$ 121,112	\$ 128,356

Amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense (benefit) as follows:

June 30,	
2023	\$ 3,386
2024	2,946
2025	2,680
2026	10,820
2027	(1,359)
thereafter	(25,717)
	\$ (7,244)

Net OPEB Liability – The components of the net OPEB liability of the District at June 30, 2022 were as follows:

Total OPEB Liability	\$	297,317
Plan fiduciary net position		<u>(251,891)</u>
Net OPEB liability	\$	<u>45,426</u>
Plan fiduciary net position as		
a percentage of the total		
OPEB liability		84.7%

Investment Custody – In accordance with Massachusetts General Laws, the District Treasurer is the custodian of the OPEB Plan and since the District has not designated a Board of Trustees, the District Treasurer is also the Trustee and as such is responsible for the general supervision of the management, investment and reinvestment of the OPEB Plan assets. OPEB Plan assets may be invested and reinvested by the custodian consistent with the prudent investor rule established in Chapter 203C and may, with the approval of the State Retiree Benefits Trust Fund Board of Trustees, be invested in the State Retiree Benefits Trust Fund established in Section 24 of Chapter 32A. OPEB Plan assets must be segregated from other funds and not be subject to the claims of any general creditor of the District.

Investment Policy – The OPEB Plan follows the same investment policies that apply to all other District Trust funds. Notably it can be invested in accordance with State Statutes that govern Trust investments including PRIM which is an external investment pool managed by the State.

Investment Rate of Return – For the year ended June 30, 2022, the annual money-weighted rate of return on investments, net of investment expense, was minus 15.06%. The money-weighted rate of return expresses investment performance, net of investment expense, adjusted for the changing amounts actually invested.

#### **D. Implementation of New GASB Pronouncements**

Current Year Implementations –

In June 2017, the GASB issued GASB Statement No. 87, *Leases*. This Statement redefined the manner in which long-term leases are accounted and reported. As amended, the provisions of this Statement became effective in fiscal year 2022. The adoption of this standard did not have a material impact on the District’s financial statements in fiscal 2022.

In June 2018, the GASB issued GASB Statement No. 89, *Accounting for Interest Cost Incurred Before the End of a Construction Period*. This statement established accounting requirements for interest costs incurred before the end of a construction period. As amended, the provisions of this Statement became effective in fiscal year 2022. The adoption of this standard did not have a material impact on the District’s financial statements.

In June 2020, the GASB issued GASB Statement No. 97, *Certain Component Unit Criteria, and Accounting and Financial Reporting for Internal Revenue Code Section 457 Deferred Compensation Plans – An Amendment of GASB Statements No. 14 and No. 84, and a Supersession of GASB Statement No. 32*. The objective of this Statement was to (1) increase

consistency and comparability related to the reporting of fiduciary component units in circumstances in which a potential component unit does not have a governing board and the primary government performs the duties that a governing board typically would perform; (2) mitigate costs associated with the reporting of certain defined contribution pension plans, defined contribution OPEB plans, and employee benefit plans other than pension plans or OPEB plans (other employee benefit plans) as fiduciary component units in fiduciary fund financial statements; and (3) enhance the relevance, consistency, and comparability of the accounting and financial reporting for Internal Revenue Code Section 457 deferred compensation plans that meet the definition of a pension plan and for benefits provided through those plans. The provisions of this Statement became effective in fiscal year 2022. The adoption of this standard did not have a material impact on the District's financial statements.

#### Future Year Implementations

In May 2019, the GASB issued GASB Statement No. 91, *Conduit Debt Obligations*. The objective of this Statement is to standardize the reporting of conduit debt obligations by issuers by clarifying the existing definition of conduit debt obligation, among other matters. As amended, the provisions of this Statement are effective for financial reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2021 (fiscal year 2023). The District is currently evaluating whether adoption will have a material impact on the financial statements.

In March 2020, the GASB issued GASB Statement No. 94, *Public-Private and Public-Public Partnerships and Availability Payment Arrangements*. The objective of this Statement is to improve financial reporting by addressing issues related to public-private and public-public partnership arrangements. The provisions of this Statement are effective for financial reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2022 (fiscal year 2023). The District is currently evaluating whether adoption will have a material impact on the financial statements.

In May 2020, the GASB issued GASB Statement No. 96, *Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements*. The objective of this Statement is to address accounting for subscription-based information technology arrangements to government end users based on the standards established in Statement No. 87, as amended. The provisions of this Statement are effective for financial reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2022 (fiscal year 2023). The District is currently evaluating whether adoption will have a material impact on the financial statements.

In June 2022, the GASB issued GASB Statement No. 100, *Accounting Changes and Error Corrections – An Amendment of GASB Statement No 62*. The objective of this Statement is to enhance accounting and financial reporting requirements for accounting changes and error corrections to provide more understandable, reliable, relevant, consistent and comparable information for decision making or assessing accountability. The provisions of this Statement are effective for financial reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2023 (fiscal year 2024). The District is currently evaluating whether adoption will have a material impact on the financial statements.

In June 2022, the GASB issued GASB Statement No. 101, *Compensate Absences*. The objective of this Statement is to update the recognition and measurement guidance for compensated absences by aligning the recognition and measurement guidance under a unified model and by amending certain previously required disclosures. The provisions of this Statement are effective for financial reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2023 (fiscal year 2025). The District is currently evaluating whether adoption will have a material impact on the financial statements.

**LYNNFIELD CENTER WATER DISTRICT**

**REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION - PENSIONS  
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022**

**SCHEDULE OF THE DISTRICT'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY**

Year Ended December 31,	Proportion of the Net Pension Liability	Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	Covered Payroll	Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability as a Percentage of Covered Payroll	Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability
2021	0.419%	\$ 1,456,630	\$ 724,229	201.13%	67.01%
2020	0.330%	1,308,328	691,876	189.10%	59.73%
2019	0.290%	1,221,441	669,540	182.43%	55.50%
2018	0.280%	1,182,017	379,260	311.66%	51.90%
2017	0.269%	1,013,969	362,590	279.65%	55.40%
2016	0.239%	921,596	327,435	281.46%	51.10%
2015	0.339%	1,229,513	430,641	285.51%	51.00%
2014	0.319%	1,081,212	413,901	261.22%	52.30%

**SCHEDULE OF THE DISTRICT'S CONTRIBUTIONS TO PENSION PLAN**

Year Ended June 30,	Actuarially Determined Contribution	Contributions in Relation to the Actuarially Determined Contribution	Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	Covered Payroll	Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll
2022	\$ 173,831	\$ 173,831	\$ -	\$ 724,229	24.00%
2021	127,264	127,264	-	691,876	18.39%
2020	104,123	104,123	-	669,540	15.55%
2019	93,500	93,500	-	379,260	24.65%
2018	83,902	83,902	-	362,590	23.14%
2017	69,306	69,306	-	327,435	21.17%
2016	92,967	92,967	-	430,641	21.59%
2015	81,665	81,665	-	413,901	19.73%

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**LYNNFIELD CENTER WATER DISTRICT**

**REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION - UNAUDITED  
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022**

**SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN NET OPEB LIABILITY AND RELATED RATIOS  
LAST 10 FISCAL YEARS**

	June 30					
	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
Total OPEB liability:						
Service cost	\$ 14,861	\$ 17,250	\$ 8,646	\$ 6,800	\$ 4,740	\$ 4,558
Interest	24,319	22,253	16,744	15,489	16,491	17,007
Difference between expected and actual experience	(88,903)	-	64,541	-	(34,161)	-
Changes in assumptions	(8,217)	(38,851)	53,728	24,398	13,611	-
Other	-	-	(9,381)	-	-	-
Benefit payments	(8,055)	(7,537)	(6,998)	(6,974)	(25,247)	(31,985)
Net change in total OPEB liability	(65,995)	(6,885)	127,280	39,713	(24,566)	(10,420)
Total OPEB liability - beginning of year	363,312	370,197	242,917	203,204	227,770	238,190
Total OPEB liability - end of year (a)	<u>\$ 297,317</u>	<u>\$ 363,312</u>	<u>\$ 370,197</u>	<u>\$ 242,917</u>	<u>\$ 203,204</u>	<u>\$ 227,770</u>
Plan fiduciary net position:						
Contributions - employer	\$ 33,055	\$ 37,537	\$ 36,998	\$ 35,974	\$ 45,247	\$ 54,377
Net investment income (loss)	(40,616)	45,033	9,487	6,605	3,849	3,988
Benefit payments	(8,055)	(7,537)	(6,998)	(6,974)	(25,247)	(31,985)
Plan fiduciary net position - beginning of year	267,507	192,474	152,987	117,382	93,533	67,153
Plan fiduciary net position - end of year (b)	<u>\$ 251,891</u>	<u>\$ 267,507</u>	<u>\$ 192,474</u>	<u>\$ 152,987</u>	<u>\$ 117,382</u>	<u>\$ 93,533</u>
Net OPEB liability (asset) - end of year (a) - (b)	<u>\$ 45,426</u>	<u>\$ 95,805</u>	<u>\$ 177,723</u>	<u>\$ 89,930</u>	<u>\$ 85,822</u>	<u>\$ 134,237</u>
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total OPEB liability	84.72%	73.63%	51.99%	62.98%	57.77%	41.06%
Covered-employee payroll	\$ 909,994	\$ 864,241	\$ 813,725	\$ 665,185	\$ 713,838	\$ 619,743
Net OPEB liability/(asset) as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	4.99%	11.09%	21.84%	13.52%	12.02%	21.66%

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**LYNNFIELD CENTER WATER DISTRICT**

**REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION - UNAUDITED  
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022**

**SCHEDULE OF CONTRIBUTIONS  
LAST 10 FISCAL YEARS**

	June 30					
	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
Actuarially-determined contribution	\$ 23,162	\$ 30,887	\$ 16,293	\$ 14,575	\$ 16,458	\$ 26,138
Contributions in relation to the actuarially-determined contribution	(33,055)	(37,537)	(36,998)	(35,974)	(45,247)	(54,377)
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>\$ (9,893)</u>	<u>\$ (6,650)</u>	<u>\$ (20,705)</u>	<u>\$ (21,399)</u>	<u>\$ (28,789)</u>	<u>\$ (28,239)</u>
Covered-employee payroll	\$ 909,994	\$ 864,241	\$ 813,725	\$ 665,185	\$ 713,838	\$ 619,743
Contribution as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	3.63%	4.34%	4.55%	5.41%	6.34%	8.77%
Valuation Date	July 1, 2021					
Amortization Period	30 years					
Investment rate of return	6.50%					
Single Equivalent Discount Rate	6.50%					
Inflation	2.40%					
Healthcare cost trend rates	7.5% to 3.9%					
Actuarial Cost Method	Individual Entry Age Normal					
Asset Valuation Method	Market Value of Assets as of Reporting Date					

**SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENT RETURNS  
LAST 10 FISCAL YEARS**

	June 30					
	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
Annual money-weighted rate of return, net of investment expense	-15.06%	23.40%	5.92%	5.63%	4.12%	5.94%

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