

Financial Statements and Federal Single Audit Report

Washington State Fruit Commission

For the period April 1, 2016 through March 31, 2017

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Office of the Washington State Auditor Pat McCarthy

December 14, 2017

Board of Commissioners Washington State Fruit Commission Yakima, Washington

Report on Financial Statements and Federal Single Audit

Please find attached our report on the Washington State Fruit Commission's financial statements and compliance with federal laws and regulations.

We are issuing this report in order to provide information on the Commission's financial condition.

Sincerely,

Pat McCarthy

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State Auditor

Olympia, WA

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SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

Washington State Fruit Commission April 1, 2016 through March 31, 2017

SECTION I – SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS

The results of our audit of the Washington State Fruit Commission are summarized below in accordance with Title 2 *U.S. Code of Federal Regulations* (CFR) Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance).

Financial Statements

We issued an unmodified opinion on the fair presentation of the basic financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP).

Internal Control over Financial Reporting:

- Significant Deficiencies: We reported no deficiencies in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be significant deficiencies.
- *Material Weaknesses:* We identified no deficiencies that we consider to be material weaknesses.

We noted no instances of noncompliance that were material to the financial statements of the Commission.

Federal Awards

Internal Control over Major Programs:

- Significant Deficiencies: We reported no deficiencies in the design or operation of internal control over major federal programs that we consider to be significant deficiencies.
- *Material Weaknesses:* We identified no deficiencies that we consider to be material weaknesses.

We issued an unmodified opinion on the Commission's compliance with requirements applicable to its major federal program.

We reported no findings that are required to be disclosed in accordance with 2 CFR 200.516(a).

Identification of Major Federal Programs:

The following program was selected as a major program in our audit of compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance.

The dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B programs, as prescribed by the Uniform Guidance, was \$750,000.

The Commission did not qualify as a low-risk auditee under the Uniform Guidance.

SECTION II – FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS

None reported.

SECTION III – FEDERAL AWARD FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

None reported.

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

Washington State Fruit Commission April 1, 2016 through March 31, 2017

Board of Commissioners Washington State Fruit Commission Yakima, Washington

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the Washington State Fruit Commission, Yakima County, Washington, as of and for the year ended March 31, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Commission's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated December 8, 2017.

INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Commission's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Commission's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Commission'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 Commission'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 the Commission's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of the Commission's 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 Commission'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 Commission's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited. It also serves to disseminate information to the public as a reporting tool to help citizens assess government operations.

Pat McCarthy

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State Auditor

Olympia, WA

December 8, 2017

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR FEDERAL PROGRAM AND REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE

Washington State Fruit Commission April 1, 2016 through March 31, 2017

Board of Commissioners Washington State Fruit Commission Yakima, Washington

REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR FEDERAL PROGRAM

We have audited the compliance of the Washington State Fruit Commission, Yakima County, Washington, with the types of compliance requirements described in the U.S. *Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the Commission's major federal programs for the year ended March 31, 2017. The Commission's major federal programs are identified in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs.

Management's Responsibility

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

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for each of the Commission's major federal programs based on our audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above. We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and the audit requirements of Title 2 *U.S. Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Those standards and the Uniform Guidance require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal

program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the Commission'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 program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination on the Commission's compliance.

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

In our opinion, the Commission complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended March 31, 2017.

REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE

Management of the Commission is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered the Commission's internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each major federal program in order to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion on compliance for each major federal program and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Commission's internal control over compliance.

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

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal

control 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.

Purpose of this Report

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The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited. It also serves to disseminate information to the public as a reporting tool to help citizens assess government operations.

Pat McCarthy

State Auditor

Olympia, WA

December 8, 2017

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Washington State Fruit Commission April 1, 2016 through March 31, 2017

Board of Commissioners Washington State Fruit Commission Yakima, Washington

REPORT ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Washington State Fruit Commission, Yakima County, Washington, as of and for the year ended March 31, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Commission's basic financial statements as listed on page 14.

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 an opinion 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 Commission'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 Commission'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 financial position of the Washington State Fruit Commission, as of March 31, 2017, and the changes in financial position and cash flows thereof for the year 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 and required supplementary information listed on page 14 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.

Supplementary and Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Commission's basic financial statements. The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by Title 2 *U.S. Code of Federal Regulations* (CFR) Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements*,

Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance). This schedule is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information 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. The 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 information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

OTHER REPORTING REQUIRED BY GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated December 8, 2017 on our consideration of the Commission'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 the Commission's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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State Auditor

Olympia, WA

December 8, 2017

FINANCIAL SECTION

Washington State Fruit Commission April 1, 2016 through March 31, 2017

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Management's Discussion and Analysis – 2017

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Schedule of Employer's Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability – PERS 1 and PERS 2/3 – 2017

Schedule of Employer Contributions – PERS 1 and PERS 2/3 – 2017

SUPPLEMENTARY AND OTHER INFORMATION

Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards – 2017 Notes to the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards – 2017

Management's Discussion and Analysis

As management of the Washington State Fruit Commission (Commission), we offer readers of the Commission's basic financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Commission for the fiscal years ending March 31, 2016 and March 31, 2017. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at the Commission's performance as a whole. Readers should also review the notes to the financial statements and the basic financial statements to enhance their understanding of the Commission's financial performance.

The Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) is an element of the new reporting model adopted by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) in their Statement No. 34 *Basic Financial Statements – and Management's Discussion and Analysis – for State and Local Governments* issued in June 1999. Certain comparative information between the current year and the prior year is required and has been presented in the MD&A.

Financial Highlights

Revenues -

Total FY17 Revenues for the Commission are \$8,704,986 of which assessment revenues generated \$3,370,216, the *Good Fruit Grower* Publication Revenue generated \$1,768,994, and Partner Income generated \$760,406 with governmental grants, administrative services income, investments, other income, completing the balance. The FY17 revenue reflects an increase of \$679,498 over FY16 \$8,025,489, mainly due to the increased size of the 2016 Oregon fresh cherry crop which suffered a severe freeze with the 2015 crop; an increase from *Good Fruit Grower* ad sales; and the increase to the federal MAP grant funds for the foreign promotion program.

• Expenditures –

Total FY17 spending for the Commission of approximately \$7,618,360 consists mainly of Promotion expenses at \$4,168,894 and Salary and Benefit expenses at \$1,868,057; compared to FY16, spending for the Commission of approximately \$7,326,545 consisting mainly of \$4,156,421 toward Promotion programs and \$1,752,491 toward Salary and Benefits. Salaries and benefits in FY17 were up over prior year mainly due to the replacement of retired staff and the implementation of GASB 68 pension liability. Overall, FY17 expenses resulted in an increase over FY16 by approximately \$291,815.

• Capital Purchases –

Total spending for capital purchases in FY17 was \$134,937; up \$32,015 from FY16 \$102,923. Of the \$134,937 FY17 capital purchases, \$39,771 was attributed to the purchase of a new vehicle; \$13,676 for the purchase of computers and media equipment; \$68,491 for roof resurfacing; and \$13,000 for Construction in Progress for expansion of the Commission's W.L. Hanson Building.

• Bond Note -

The Commission's long-term debt for the building bond principal balance at March 31, 2017 is \$285,000. Balance at March 31, 2016 was \$375,000.

• Net Position –

The assets and outflows of the Commission exceeded its liabilities and inflows at the close of FY17 by \$5,477,654 (net position) and by \$4,391,027 at the close of FY16. The Commission's total FY17 net position of \$5,477,654 was an increase over prior FY16 net position by \$1,086,626.

• The Commission continues to operate without the need for operating debt borrowings during the current fiscal year.

Overview of the Basic Financial Statements

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the Commission's basic financial statements. The Commission's basic financial statements are comprised of two components: 1) comparative financial statements, and 2) notes to the financial statements.

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 Commission, like other state and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the funds of the Commission are reported as proprietary funds.

Proprietary funds – All of the Commission's services are reported in enterprise funds. They account for activities similar to those found in the private sector, where the determination of net income is necessary or useful to sound financial administration. They also are reported using the full accrual method of accounting in which all assets and all liabilities associated with the operation of these funds are included on the statement of net position. The focus of proprietary funds is on income measurement, which, together with the maintenance of equity, is an important financial indication.

The statement of net position presents information on the Commission's assets, liabilities, deferred outflow of resources, deferred inflow of resources, and net position. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the Commission is improving or deteriorating. The statement of net position can be found on page 10 of this report.

The statement of revenues and expenses combined with the statement of changes in net position presents information showing how the Commission'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 result in cash flows in future fiscal periods. The statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net position can be found on page 11 of this report.

The notes to the financial statements provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the fund financial statements. The notes to the financial statements can be found on pages 13 through 29 of this report.

Much of the Commission's revenues are derived from assessments collected on stone fruit crops, federal grant funding, and revenue from advertising sales. Future funding resources may be significantly affected due to weather and economic conditions.

Financial Analysis

The 2016 season was a whirlwind with the "official" crop start date of May 20th as the earliest start date, earlier than any season on record. The Northwest cherry industry shipped a record 12.3 million boxes in June of which 84% of the packed fruit reported row sizes of 10.5 or larger. Although the industry experienced several 100 plus degree days with rain events during both June and July, with the help of the industry optical sizing and sorting technology, the market stayed strong.

At March 31, 2017, the Commission's net position of \$5,477,654 is an increase of \$1,086,626 over FY16. Of this amount, \$4,270,774 was unrestricted. The largest portion of the Commission's net position (\$5,477,654) reflects its cash, investments, and fixed assets.

Table 1 Washington State Fruit Commission, Net Position

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Current and other assets	6,512,241	5,347,719
Capital assets, net	1,576,880	1,542,459
Deferred outflow of resources	332,524	218,726
TOTAL ASSETS & DEFERRED OUTFLOWS of RESOURCES	8,421,645	7,108,904
Current and other liabilities	909,137	632,790
Noncurrent liabilities	1,957,507	1,831,066
Deferred gain on bond refunding	31,389	40,357
Deferred inflows of resources	45,959	213,664
TOTAL LIABILITIES & DEFERRED INFLOWS of RESOURCES	2,943,991	2,717,877
Net investment in capital assets	1,206,880	1,092,459
Unrestricted Net Position	4,270,774	3,298,568
TOTAL NET POSITION	5,477,654	4,391,027

Table 2
Washington State Fruit Commission, Changes in Net Position

Operating Income:	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Assessment Revenue	3,370,216	3,485,383
Good Fruit Grower Publication Revenue	1,768,994	1,630,675
Partner Income	760,406	407,950
TOTAL OPERATING INCOME	5,899,616	5,524,008
Operating Expenses:		
Promotion Expenses	4,168,894	4,156,421
Production Expenses	541,065	476,256
Employee Salaries	1,430,879	1,395,118
Employee Benefits	437,178	357,373
Professional Services	3,259	5,874
Industry Dues & Memberships	74,147	75,000
Office & Board Expenses	34,843	25,998
Water	4,686	4,572
Electricity	14,810	14,443
Gas	4,103	3,497
Other Utilities	8,590	8,358
Materials & Other Maintenance Costs	36,660	29,734
Insurance Premiums	16,012	14,106
Taxes	20,621	19,555
Depreciation Expense	100,517	93,573
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	6,896,263	6,679,878
NET OPERATING INCOME OR (LOSS)	(996,648)	(1,155,870)
Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses):		
Gain/Loss of Sale of Fixed Assets	10,020	12,540
Governmental Operating Grants	1,958,154	1,756,326
Administrative Services Income	707,870	595,499
Administrative Services Expense	(621,318)	(526,741)
Industry Contributions	(89,247)	(105,270)
Rent Income	120,884	122,022
Other Income	-	-
Interest Income	8,443	15,093
Interest Expense TOTAL NONOPERATING REVENUES	(11,532)	(14,657)
(EXPENSES)	2,083,274	1,854,813
NET INCOME (LOSS)	1,086,626	698,944
Net Position (Beginning April 1)	4,391,027	5,231,268
Net Position , restated	-0-	(1,539,184)
NET POSITION, MARCH 31	5,477,654	4,391,027

Capital Assets and Long-Term Debt

CAPITAL ASSETS

The Commission's investment in capital assets as of March 31, 2017 total \$1,576,880 (net of accumulated depreciation.) This investment in capital assets includes land, buildings, building improvements and equipment. Compared to the FY16 investment in capital assets (net of accumulated depreciation) of \$1,542,459, the total increase in the Commission's investment in capital assets for the current fiscal year was \$34,421 or 2%.

Major capital asset events during the current fiscal year included the following:

Office & Building Equipment Office Remodel Automobiles

Capital Assets at Year-end

	March 31, 2017
Land	\$ 174,240
Buildings	1,848,386
Construction in Progress	13,000
Leasehold Improvements	340,785
Furniture and Equipment	408,319
	<u>\$ 2,784,730</u>

Refer to financial notes for further information.

LONG TERM DEBT

The Commission's long-term debt for the building bond principal balance at March 31, 2017 is \$285,000. Balance at March 31, 2016 was \$375,000. During FY 2014, the Washington Office of the State Treasurer refunded \$665,000 of the series R-2004A bonds and issued a new debt under series R-2014A totaling \$600,000. Refer to financial notes for further information.

Economic Factors and Next Year's Budgets and Rates

The Commission is primarily dependent upon stone fruit assessment of tonnage for the funding of promotional programs, educational programs, and business operations. Therefore, the Commission is affected by the crop production. Early crop estimates indicate a 2017 crop close to or above industry average. Therefore, the budget for FY17 has been prepared and approved by the Commission. The Commission's 2017 fresh assessment rates and crop predictions are budgeted as followed:

		Budgeted	
Fruit*	Assessment Rate	Tonnage	Revenue
Cherries	\$18.00/ton	200,000**	\$3,600,000
Apricots	\$12.00/ton	5,000	\$60,000
Peaches	\$12.00/ton	8,000	\$96,000
Nectarines	\$12.00/ton	8,000	\$96,000
Prunes/Plums	\$12.00/ton	1,500	\$18,000

^{*}Includes fresh fruit only.

Additional revenue sources include the *Good Fruit Grower* publication. The recent economic conditions both nationally and world-wide have put a stronger spotlight on a publication's ability to generate advertising revenue. Content remains king in terms of attracting and retaining advertising revenue. Given the high, existing levels in usage of digital sources of information (websites, internet search, emails); the *Good Fruit Grower* continues to expand its digital presence thus providing further avenues of advertising exposure. Due to the industry specific readership that the *Good Fruit Grower* publication reaches, current advertisers have indicated continued support through advertising channels.

^{**}Includes 5 state partner tonnage

Washington State Fruit Commission STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

March 31, 2017

	<u>2017</u>
Current Assets: Cash-Unrestricted	2,924,377
Receivable, net	515,791
Investments-Unrestricted Prepaid Expense & Other Assets	3,011,164 60,701
Inventories-Supplies	208
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS Noncurrent Assets:	6,512,241
Land Buildings	174,240 1,848,386
Construction in Progress	13,000
Furniture & Equipment Leasehold Improvements	408,319 340,785
Accumulated Depreciation	(1,207,851)
TOTAL NONCURRENT ASSETS	1,576,880
TOTAL ASSETS	8,089,121
Deferred Outflows of Resources:	
Contributions to pension plan in current year	332,524
TOTAL DEFERRED OUTFLOWS of RESOURCES	332,524
TOTAL ASSETS and DEFERRED OUTFLOW OF RESOURCES	8,421,645
Current Liabilities:	
Accounts Payable	91,676
Assessments Payable	505,122
Accrued Payroll Taxes & Benefits Payable Accrued Vacation Liability	108,923 116,771
Accrued Business Tax Payable	1,646
Current Portion of Long Term Debt	<u>85,000</u>
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	909,138
Noncurrent Liabilities:	
Pension Liability	1,672,507
Bonds Payable TOTAL NONCURRENT LIABILTIES	285,000 1,957,507
TOTAL NONCOUNTENT LIABILITIES	2,866,644
Deferred Inflows of Resources:	
Deferred Gain on Bond Refunding	31,389
Pension Deferrals TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS of RESOURCES	45,959 77,348
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TOTAL LIABILITIES and DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	2,943,991
Net Position:	
Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt Unrestricted Net Position	1,206,880 4,270,774
TOTAL NET POSITION	5,477,654
TOTAL NET FOSITION	5,411,034
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES & NET POSITION	<u>8,421,645</u>

Washington State Fruit Commission STATEMENT OF REVENUE, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION

For the Year Ending March 31, 2017

	<u>2017</u>
Operating Income:	
Assessment Revenue	\$3,370,216
Good Fruit Grower Publication Revenue	1,768,994
Partner Income	<u>760,406</u>
TOTAL OPERATING INCOME	\$5,899,616
Operating Expenses:	
Promotion Expenses	\$4,168,894
Production Expenses	541,065
Employee Salaries	1,430,879
Employee Benefits	437,178
Professional Services	3,259
Industry Dues & Memberships	74,147
Office & Board Expenses	34,843
Water	4,686
Electricity	14,810
Gas	4,103
Other Utilities	8,590
Materials & Other Maintenance Costs	36,660
Insurance Premiums	16,012
Taxes	20,621
Depreciation Expense	100,517
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	\$6,896,263
NET OPERATING INCOME OR (LOSS)	\$(996,648)
Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses):	
Gain/Loss of Sale of Fixed Assets	\$ 10,020
Governmental Operating Grants	1,958,154
Administrative Services Income	707,870
Administrative Services Expense	(621,318)
Industry Contributions	(89,247)
Rent Income	120,884
Interest Income	8,443
Interest Expense	(11,532)
TOTAL NONOPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)	\$2,083,274
NET INCOME (LOSS)	\$1,086,626
Net position, April 1	\$4,391,027
NET POSITION, March 31	<u>\$5,477,654</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

WASHINGTON STATE FRUIT COMMISSION Statements of Cash Flows Year Ending March 31, 2017

	2017
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:	
Cash received from customers	5,772,102
Cash payments to suppliers	(4,730,482)
Cash payments to employees for services	(1,868,057)
Net cash provided by operating activities	(826,437)
CASH FLOWS FROM NON-CAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES:	
Administrative services income	707,870
Administrative services expense	(621,318)
Operating Grant	1,958,154
Rental income	120,884
Net cash provided by non-capital financing activities	2,165,590
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES:	
Fixed Assets (Net)	(134,937)
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets	10,020
Industry contributions	(89,247)
Principal paid on debt issues	(80,000)
Deferred refunding of debt	(8,968)
Interest paid on various contracts and debt issues	(11,532)
Net cash (used) for capital and related financing activities	(314,664)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:	
Interest on Investments	8,443
Purchases of investments	(495,152)
Net cash used for investing activities	(486,710)
Net increase/decrease in cash and cash equivalents	537,780
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	2,386,597
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	2,924,377
Reconciliation of Operating Income(Loss) to Net Cash Provided by Operating	Activities:
Operating income (loss)	(996,648)
Adjustments to reconcile operating income to net cash provided by operating	g activities:
Depreciation Expense	100,517
Increase (decrease) in net pension	(65,063)
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	35,454
Change in assets and liabilities:	
Receivables, net	(127,513)
Prepaids	(4,502)
Inventories	425
Accounts and other payables	265,686
Accrued expenses	661
	134,757
Net Cash provided by operating activities	(826,437)

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

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements of the Commission have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applied to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The significant accounting policies are described below.

A. Reporting Entity

The Washington State Fruit Commission, (the Commission), a corporation and Washington State Agency defined under RCW15.28, was created in order to develop and promote Washington's soft tree fruits as part of an existing comprehensive regulatory scheme, vital to the continued economic well-being of the citizens of this state and their general welfare that its soft tree fruits be properly promoted by (a) enabling the soft tree fruit industry to help themselves in establishing orderly, fair, sound, efficient, and unhampered cooperative marketing, grading, and standardizing of soft tree fruits they produce; and (b) working to stabilize the soft tree fruit industry by increasing consumption of soft tree fruits within the state, the nation, and internationally.

The commission is governed by a board composed of seventeen voting members, as follows: Ten producers, four dealers, and two processors, and the director of WSDA, or an authorized representative. A majority of the voting members constitute a quorum for the transaction of any business.

An annual assessment is levied upon all commercial soft tree fruits grown in the state or packed as Washington soft tree fruit. The commission's comparative financial statements include the financial position and results of operations.

B. Basis of Accounting

The commission uses the full-accrual basis of accounting where revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recognized when incurred. Capital asset purchases are capitalized and long-term liabilities are accounted for in the appropriate funds. Grant revenues are recognized when earned.

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from non-operating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues of the Commission are assessments levied on all commercial tree fruit produced in Washington State or held out as being produced in Washington State for fresh or processing use.

Operating expenses for enterprise funds and internal service funds include the cost of sales and services, administrative expenses, and depreciation on capital assets. All revenue and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating revenues and expenses.

C. Budgets

The commission is not required to prepare a budget.

D. Assets, Liabilities and Fund Balance

1. Cash and Cash Equivalents

The commission considers cash and equivalents to include all checking, savings, and municipal investments accounts with no maturity dates. It is the commission's policy to invest all temporary cash surpluses. The amount is classified on the balance sheet as cash and equivalents in various funds. The interest on these investments is pro-rated to the various funds.

2. Temporary Investments - See Note 2

3. Receivables

Receivables consist of amounts due from assessments, advertising in the *Good Fruit Grower* magazine, and administrative and accounting services provided to other industry members relating to the tree fruit industry.

4. Inventories

The inventory consists of *Good Fruit Grower* book inventory and is valued by the cost when the books are purchased and/or printed.

5. Capital Assets and Depreciation - See Note 3

6. Deferred outflow/inflows of resources

In addition to assets, the statement of financial position will report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element *Deferred Outflows of Resources*, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period and so will not be recognized as an expense or expenditure until then. The Commission has one item that meets this criterion, contributions made to the pension plan in the 2017 fiscal year. In addition to liabilities, the statement of financial position will report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, *Deferred*

Inflows of Resources, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period and so will not be recognized as revenue until then. The Commission has two items that meets the criterion for this category – deferrals of pension expense that result from the implementation of GASB Statement 68 and the bond refunding.

Pensions

For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of all state sponsored pension plans and additions to/deductions from those plans' fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the Washington State Department of Retirement Systems. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

7. Accumulated Unpaid Employee Leave Benefits

Compensated absences are absences for which employees will be paid, such as vacation (and sick) leave. All vacation and sick pay is accrued when incurred. Vacation pay, which may be accumulated up to 240 hours (30 days), is payable upon resignation, retirement, or death. Sick leave may accumulate up to 240 hours (30 days) and is not payable upon resignation, retirement or death.

8. Accrued Liabilities – See Note 4 and Note 5

These accounts consist of accrued wages and accrued employee benefits.

Accrued 1	<u>Liabilities</u>	
	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>
Accrued Expenses	\$1,646	\$5,038
Employee Benefits	\$225,693	\$214,795
Pension Liability	\$1,672,507	\$1,456,066
Totals	\$1,899,846	\$1,675,899

9. Long-Term Debt - See Note 6

NOTE 2 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

As required by state law, all deposits and investments of the commission are obligations of the U.S. Government or deposits with Washington State banks and savings and loan institutions.

The commission's deposits and certificates of deposit are entirely covered by federal depository insurance (FDIC) or by collateral held in a multiple financial institution collateral pool administered by the Washington Public Deposit Protections Commission (PDPC). The bank balances for year end 2017 was 5,981,125; the book balance for year end 2017 was \$5,935,391 with a difference of \$45,734 due to outstanding deposits and checks.

The commission's investments are categorized to give an indication of the risk assumed at year-end. The following summary shows the commission's investments at year-end. Investments are insured, registered or held by the commission or its agent in the commission's name.

Investment Type	3/31/17	3/31/17	3/31/16	3/31/16
	Carrying	Market	Carrying	Market
CD's	\$3,011,164	\$3,011,164	\$2,516,012	\$2,516,012

NOTE 3 - CAPITAL ASSETS AND DEPRECIATION

A. General Policies

All capital assets in excess of \$1,000 are capitalized and depreciated. Maintenance, repairs, and minor renewals are accounted for as expenditures or expenses when incurred.

B. Proprietary Fund Capital Assets

The Commission's investment in capital assets as of March 31, 2017 amounts to \$1,576,880 (net of accumulated depreciation). This is an increase of \$34,421, or less than 2%, from capital assets consisting of \$1,542,459 (net of accumulated depreciation) at March 31, 2016.

Capital assets of proprietary funds are capitalized in their respective balance sheets and are recognized at historical cost or estimated historical cost when purchased or constructed.

Capital assets of proprietary funds are depreciated using the straight-line method over the useful life of the asset as follows:

	<u>Years</u>		Years
Computers	4	Improvements	15
Vehicles	5	Buildings	50
Equipment	5	_	

A summary of changes in capital assets are represented in the following table:

CAPITAL ASSETS AND DEPRECATION

Business Type
Activities 3/31/15 Increases Decreases 3/31/16 s Decreases 3/31/16
Not being depreciated:
Not being Head He
Land 174,240 174,240 174,2 Construction in Progress 13,000 - 13,0 Total Capital Assets, not being depreciated: Capital Assets, being depreciated: Building 1,848,386 1,848,386 1,848,386
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Building 1,848,386 - 1,848,386 - 1,848,3
1,848,386 1,848,386 - 1,848,3
Leasehold
Improvements 250,268 22,026 - 272,294 68,491 - 340,7
Furniture and
Equipment 400,218 80,896 74,337 406,778 53,447 51,905 408,3
Total Capital
Assets, being 2 400 072 102 022 74 227 2 507 450 121 027 2 507 4
depreciated: 2,498,872 102,923 74,337 2,527,458 121,937 51,905 2,597,4
Less
accumulated
depreciation
for:
Building 721,732 37,069 - 758,800 36,968 - 795,7
Building 721,732 37,069 - 758,800 36,968 - 795,7 Leasehold
Improvements 99,627 16,279 - 115,906 20,793 - 136,6
Furniture and - 113,900 20,793 - 130,0
Equipment 318,644 40,125 74,236 284,533 41,911 51,061 275,3
Total
accumulated
depreciation 1,140,003 93,473 74,236 1,159,239 99,672 51,061 1,207,8
1,110,000 70,110 1,100,100 77,012 31,001 1,207,0
Total capital
assets, being
depreciated, net 1,358,870 9,450 101 1,368,219 22,265 844 1,389,6
Business Type
Activities
capital assets,
net 1,533,110 9,450 101 1,542,459 35,265 844 1,576,8

NOTE 4 - PENSION PLANS

The following table represents the aggregate pension amounts for all plans subject to the requirements of the GASB Statement 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions* for the year 2016:

Aggregate Pension Amounts – All Plans						
Pension liabilities	(\$1,672,507)					
Deferred outflows of resources	\$332,524					
Deferred inflows of resources	(\$45,959)					
Pension expense	\$127,287					

State Sponsored Pension Plans

Substantially all the Commission's full-time and qualifying part-time employees participate in one of the following statewide retirement systems administered by the Washington State Department of Retirement Systems, under cost-sharing, multiple-employer public employee defined benefit and defined contribution retirement plans. The state Legislature establishes, and amends, laws pertaining to the creation and administration of all public retirement systems.

The Department of Retirement Systems (DRS), a department within the primary government of the State of Washington, issues a publicly available comprehensive annual financial report (CAFR) that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for each plan. The DRS CAFR may be obtained by writing to:

Department of Retirement Systems Communications Unit P.O. Box 48380 Olympia, WA 98540-8380

Or the DRS CAFR may be downloaded from the DRS website at www.drs.wa.gov.

Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS)

PERS members include elected officials; state employees; employees of the Supreme, Appeals and Superior Courts; employees of the legislature; employees of district and municipal courts; employees of local governments; and higher education employees not participating in higher education retirement programs. PERS is comprised of three separate pension plans for membership purposes. PERS plans 1 and 2 are defined benefit plans, and PERS plan 3 is a defined benefit plan with a defined contribution component.

PERS Plan 1 provides retirement, disability and death benefits. Retirement benefits are determined as two percent of the member's average final compensation (AFC) times the

member's years of service. The AFC is the average of the member's 24 highest consecutive service months. Members are eligible for retirement from active status at any age with at least 30 years of service, at age 55 with at least 25 years of service, or at age 60 with at least five years of service. Members retiring from active status prior to the age of 65 may receive actuarially reduced benefits. Retirement benefits are actuarially reduced to reflect the choice of a survivor benefit. Other benefits include duty and non-duty disability payments, an optional cost-of-living adjustment (COLA), and a one-time duty-related death benefit, if found eligible by the Department of Labor and Industries. PERS 1 members were vested after the completion of five years of eligible service. The plan was closed to new entrants on September 30, 1977.

Contributions

The **PERS Plan 1** member contribution rate is established by State statute at 6 percent. The employer contribution rate is developed by the Office of the State Actuary and includes an administrative expense component that is currently set at 0.18 percent. Each biennium, the state Pension Funding Council adopts Plan 1 employer contribution rates. The PERS Plan 1 required contribution rates (expressed as a percentage of covered payroll) for 2016 were as follows:

PERS Plan 1							
Actual Contribution Rates: Employer Employee							
PERS Plan 1	6.23%	6.00%					
PERS Plan 1 UAAL	4.77%	6.00%					
Administrative Fee	0.18%						
Total	11.18%	6.00%					

PERS Plan 2/3 provides retirement, disability and death benefits. Retirement benefits are determined as two percent of the member's average final compensation (AFC) times the member's years of service for Plan 2 and 1 percent of AFC for Plan 3. The AFC is the average of the member's 60 highest-paid consecutive service months. There is no cap on years of service credit. Members are eligible for retirement with a full benefit at 65 with at least five years of service credit. Retirement before age 65 is considered an early retirement. PERS Plan 2/3 members who have at least 20 years of service credit and are 55 years of age or older, are eligible for early retirement with a benefit that is reduced by a factor that varies according to age for each year before age 65. PERS Plan 2/3 members who have 30 or more years of service credit and are at least 55 years old can retire under one of two provisions:

- With a benefit that is reduced by three percent for each year before age 65; or
- With a benefit that has a smaller (or no) reduction (depending on age) that imposes stricter return-to-work rules.

PERS Plan 2/3 members hired on or after May 1, 2013 have the option to retire early by accepting a reduction of five percent for each year of retirement before age 65. This option is available only to those who are age 55 or older and have at least 30 years of service credit. PERS Plan 2/3 retirement benefits are also actuarially reduced to reflect the choice of a survivor benefit. Other PERS Plan 2/3 benefits include duty and non-duty disability payments, a cost-of-living allowance (based on the CPI), capped at three percent annually and a one-time duty related death benefit, if found eligible by the Department of Labor and Industries. PERS 2 members are vested after completing five years of eligible service. Plan 3 members are vested in the defined benefit portion of their plan after ten years of service; or after five years of service if 12 months of that service are earned after age 44.

PERS Plan 3 defined contribution benefits are totally dependent on employee contributions and investment earnings on those contributions. PERS Plan 3 members choose their contribution rate upon joining membership and have a chance to change rates upon changing employers. As established by statute, Plan 3 required defined contribution rates are set at a minimum of 5 percent and escalate to 15 percent with a choice of six options. Employers do not contribute to the defined contribution benefits. PERS Plan 3 members are immediately vested in the defined contribution portion of their plan.

Contributions

The PERS Plan 2/3 employer and employee contribution rates are developed by the Office of the State Actuary to fully fund Plan 2 and the defined benefit portion of Plan 3. The Plan 2/3 employer rates include a component to address the PERS Plan 1 UAAL and an administrative expense that is currently set at 0.18 percent. Each biennium, the state Pension Funding Council adopts Plan 2 employer and employee contribution rates and Plan 3 contribution rates. The PERS Plan 2/3 required contribution rates (expressed as a percentage of covered payroll) for 2016 were as follows:

PERS Plan 2/3							
Actual Contribution Rates:	Employer 2/3	Employee 2					
PERS Plan 2/3	6.23%	6.12%					
PERS Plan 1 UAAL	4.77%						
Administrative Fee	0.18%						
Employee PERS Plan 3		varies					
Total	11.18%	6.12%					

The Commission's actual PERS plan contributions were \$88,113 to PERS Plan 1 and \$104,239 to PERS Plan 2/3 for the year ending March 31, 2017.

Actuarial Assumptions

The total pension liability (TPL) for each of the DRS plans was determined using the most recent actuarial valuation completed in 2016 with a valuation date of June 30, 2015. The actuarial assumptions used in the valuation were based on the results of the Office of the State Actuary's (OSA) 2007-2012 Experience Study.

Additional assumptions for subsequent events and law changes are current as of the 2015 actuarial valuation report. The TPL was calculated as of the valuation date and rolled forward to the measurement date of June 30, 2016. Plan liabilities were rolled forward from June 30, 2015, to June 30, 2016, reflecting each plan's normal cost (using the entry-age cost method), assumed interest and actual benefit payments.

- **Inflation:** 3% total economic inflation; 3.75% salary inflation
- Salary increases: In addition to the base 3.75% salary inflation assumption, salaries are also expected to grow by promotions and longevity.
- Investment rate of return: 7.5%

Mortality rates were based on the RP-2000 report's Combined Healthy Table and Combined Disabled Table, published by the Society of Actuaries. The OSA applied offsets to the base table and recognized future improvements in mortality by projecting the mortality rates using 100 percent Scale BB. Mortality rates are applied on a generational basis; meaning, each member is assumed to receive additional mortality improvements in each future year throughout his or her lifetime.

There were minor changes in methods and assumptions since the last valuation.

- For all systems, except LEOFF Plan 2, the assumed valuation interest rate was lowered from 7.8% to 7.7%. Assumed administrative factors were updated.
- Valuation software was corrected on how the nonduty disability benefits for LEOFF Plan 2 active members is calculated.
- New LEOFF Plan 2 benefit definitions were added within the OSA valuation software to model legislation signed into law during the 2015 legislative session.

Discount Rate

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability for all DRS plans was 7.5 percent.

To determine that rate, an asset sufficiency test included an assumed 7.7 percent long-term discount rate to determine funding liabilities for calculating future contribution rate requirements. (All plans use 7.7 percent except LEOFF 2, which has assumed 7.5 percent). Consistent with the long-term expected rate of return, a 7.5 percent future investment rate of return on invested assets was assumed for the test. Contributions from plan members and employers are assumed to continue being made at contractually required rates (including PERS 2/3, PSERS 2, SERS 2/3, and TRS 2/3 employers, whose rates include a component for the PERS 1, and TRS 1 plan liabilities). Based on these assumptions, the pension plans' 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 of 7.5 percent was used to determine the total liability.

Long-Term Expected Rate of Return

The long-term expected rate of return on the DRS pension plan investments of 7.5 percent was determined using a building-block-method. The Washington State Investment Board (WSIB) used a best estimate of expected future rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense, including inflation) to develop each major asset class. Those expected returns make up one component of WSIB's capital market assumptions. The WSIB uses the capital market assumptions and their target asset allocation to simulate future investment returns at various future times. The long-term expected rate of return of 7.5 percent approximately equals the median of the simulated investment returns over a 50-year time horizon.

Estimated Rates of Return by Asset Class

Best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class included in the pension plan's target asset allocation as of June 30, 2016, are summarized in the table below.

The inflation component used to create the table is 2.2 percent and represents the WSIB's most recent long-term estimate of broad economic inflation.

Asset Class	Target Allocation	% Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return Arithmetic
Fixed Income	20%	1.70%
Tangible Assets	5%	4.40%
Real Estate	15%	5.80%
Global Equity	37%	6.60%
Private Equity	23%	9.60%
	100%	

Sensitivity of Net Pension Liability/(Asset)

The table below presents the *Commission*'s proportionate share* of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.5 percent, as well as what the *Commission*'s proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage point lower (6.5 percent) or 1-percentage point higher (8.5 percent) than the current rate.

	1% Decrease	Current Discount	1% Increase
	(6.5%)	Rate	(8.5%)
		(7.5%)	
PERS 1	\$977,719	\$810,780	\$667,119
PERS 2/3	\$1,641,891	\$891,760	(\$464,213)

Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position

Detailed information about the State's pension plans' fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued DRS financial report.

Pension Liabilities (Assets), Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions.

At March 31, 2017, the *Commission* reported a total pension liability of \$1,672,507 for its proportionate share of the net pension liabilities as follows:

	Liability (or Asset)
PERS 1	\$810,780
PERS 2/3	\$861,727

At March 31, the *Commission*'s proportionate share of the collective net pension liabilities was as follows:

	Proportionate Share 3/31/15	Proportionate Share 6/30/16	Change in Proportion
PERS 1	.015766%	.015097%	(.00067%)
PERS 2/3	.017670%	.017115%	(.00056%)

Employer contribution transmittals received and processed by DRS for the fiscal year ended March 31 are used as the basis for determining each employer's proportionate share of the collective pension amounts reported by DRS in the *Schedules of Employer and Nonemployer Allocations* for all plans except LEOFF 1.

Pension Expense

For the year ended March 31, 2017, the *Commission* recognized pension expense as follows:

	Pension Expense		
PERS 1	\$6,347		
PERS 2/3	\$120,940		
TOTAL	\$127,287		

Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources

At March 31, 2017, the *Commission* reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	PER	RS 1	PERS	2 & 3
	Deferred	Deferred	Deferred	Deferred
	Outflows	Inflows of	Outflows	Inflows of
	of	Resources	of	Resources
	Resources		Resources	
Differences between				
expected and actual				
experience				
	\$-0-	\$-0-	\$45,886	(\$28,447)
Net difference between				
projected and actual				
investment earnings on				
pension plan investments				
	\$20,414	\$-0-	\$105,450	\$-0-
Changes of assumptions				
	\$-0-	\$-0-	\$8,907	\$-0-
Changes in proportion and				
differences between				
contributions and				
proportionate share of				
contributions				
	\$-0-	\$-0-	\$8,494	(\$17,512)
Contributions subsequent				
to the measurement date				
	\$66,581	\$-0-	\$76,792	\$
TOTAL	\$86,995	\$-0-	\$245,529	(\$45,959)

Deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from the *Commission*'s contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended March 31, 2017. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year ended March 31:	PERS 1	PERS 2 & 3
2016	(\$5,026)	(\$1,338)
2017	(\$5,026)	(\$1,338)
2018	\$18,748	\$76,572
2019	\$11,719	\$48,883
Thereafter	\$-0-	\$-0-
TOTAL	\$20,414	\$122,779

NOTE 5 - DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN

The Commission offers its employees, through the Washington State Retirement System, Deferred Compensation Program (DCP), a supplemental retirement savings program (an IRC Section 457 plan). The plan, available to eligible employees, permits them to defer a portion of their salary until future years. The deferred compensation is not available to employees until termination, retirement, death or unforeseeable emergency.

NOTE 6 – LONG TERM DEBT

In 1995, a \$1,510,000 State of Washington General Obligation Bond, Series 1995C, was issued on behalf of the commission for the purpose of providing funds to finance a facility for the State's Fruit Commission, located at 105 S. 18th Street, Yakima, WA 98901. In 2003, Series 1995C was rescheduled into two separate bond schedules (Series 1995C & Series R2004A). In 2013, Series R2004A was rescheduled into a new bond schedule (Series 2014A). Series 2014A is secured by an unconditional pledge of the full faith and credit of the State. Under provision of Article VIII of the State Constitution, as amended, the Legislature is obligated to provide by appropriation for the payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds from general State revenues.

These Bonds are excluded from the Statutory Debt Limitation.

The long-term debt for this bond is due in biannual payments with maturity in the year 2020. During FY 2014, the Washington Office of the State Treasurer refunded \$665,000 of the series R-2004A bonds and issued a new debt under series R-2014A totaling \$600,000. The rescheduling of the bond Series 2014A resulted with a savings of \$67,261 which will be amortized over the remaining life of the bond.

The Commission's bond principal balance at March 31, 2017 is \$370,000. The bond principal balance at March 31, 2016 is \$450,000. The Commission's deferred bond gain on refunding balance at March 31, 2017 is \$31,389; the balance at March 31, 2016 is \$40,357. The total payment for 2017 is \$100,500 consisting of \$80,000 for principal and \$20,500 for interest. The annual requirements to amortize outstanding debt, including interest, are as follows:

	P	Bond rincipal	Bond nterest	Bond Principal Balance
Balance at 2017	\$	-	\$ -	\$370,000
2018	\$	85,000	\$ 16,375	\$285,000
2019	\$	90,000	\$ 12,000	\$195,000
2020	\$	95,000	\$ 7,375	\$100,000
2021	\$	100,000	\$ 2,500	\$ -
Total	\$	370,000	\$ 38,250	

Changes in the Washington State Fruit Commission's long-term and vacation liabilities during the years ending March 31, 2017 and 2016 are summarized below.

	Balance at March 31, 2015	Increase	Decrease	Balance at March 31, 2016	Increase	Decrease	Balance at March 31, 2017	Amounts Due within One Year
2014A	\$525,000	\$0	\$75,000	\$450,000	\$0	\$80,000	\$370,000	\$85,000
Net Pension Liability	\$-0-	\$1,456,066		\$1,456,066	\$216,441	\$-0-	\$1,672,507	\$-0-
Compensated Absences	\$117,999	\$0	\$4,984	\$113,016	\$3,755	\$0	\$116,771	\$116,771
TOTALS	\$642,999	\$1,456,066	\$79,984	\$2,019,082	\$220,196	\$80,000	\$2,159,278	\$201,771

NOTE 7 - CONTINGENCIES AND LITIGATION

The commission has recorded in its financial statements all material liabilities.

NOTE 8 – RISKS

Although risk can never be eliminated, the Washington State Fruit Commission makes every effort to minimize risks by implementing internal controls and procedures, segregating duties, and procuring adequate insurance coverage.

The Washington State Fruit Commission maintains applicable insurance coverage through a self-procured insured policy obtained through Conover Insurance and a policy obtained through the Washington State Liability Self Insurance Program.

The Washington State Self-Insurance policy provides coverage up to \$10 million with no deductible for general and auto liability while the self-procured policy through Conover provides coverage up to \$2 million aggregate for general liability with a \$1 million per occurrence general liability. The Conover policy also includes \$1 million in coverage for auto liability with a \$3 million umbrella that extends over the general liability and the auto liability.

Further, the Washington State Fruit Commission, per RCW 15.28.190, obtains up to \$50,000 in coverage for the State Public Officials Bond and also up to \$10 million in coverage for crime coverage.

As stated in RCW 15.28.250, for the purpose of securing collection of soft fruit assessments, the Washington State Department of Agriculture shall cease to provide inspection services under Chapter 15.17 RCW to any delinquent party until that party pays all delinquent assessments, interest, and penalties.

NOTE 9 – OTHER DISCLOSURES

A. The Pacific Northwest Canned Pear Service (PNCPS), a non-profit organization established in Washington State in February 1998, was organized exclusively for the promotion and marketing of canned pears grown and/or processed in Oregon or Washington. The Commission is not financially accountable for PNCPS.

Schedule of Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability					
Plan PERS 1					
As of June 30					
		2015	2016		
Employer's proportion of the net pension liability (asset)	%	.015766	.015097		
Employer's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$	824,708	810,780		
Employer's covered employee payroll	\$	1,674,093	1,684,595		
Employer's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a	%	49.26	48.13		
percentage of covered employee payroll					
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension	%	59.10	57.03		
liability					

Schedule of Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability					
Plan PERS 2,3					
As of June 30					
		2015	2016		
Employer's proportion of the net pension liability (asset)	%	.01767	.017115		
Employer's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$	631,359	861,727		
Employer's covered employee payroll	\$	1,568,020	1,594,303		
Employer's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a	%	40.26	54.05		
percentage of covered employee payroll					
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension	%	89.20	85.82		
liability					

Schedule of Employer Contributions Plan PERS 1					
As of March 31					
		2016	2017		
Contractually required contributions	\$	81,562	87,917		
Contributions in relation to the contractually required					
contributions	\$	81,562	87,917		
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$	0	0		
Covered employer payroll	\$	1,672,422	1,720,259		
Contributions as a percentage of covered employee					
payroll	%	4.87	5.11		

Schedule of Employer Contributions					
Plan PERS 2,3					
As of March 31					
		2016	2017		
Contractually required contributions	\$	93,543	101,312		
Contributions in relation to the contractually required					
contributions	\$	93,543	101,312		
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$	0	0		
Covered employer payroll	\$	1,583,622	1,626,197		
Contributions as a percentage of covered employee					
payroll	%	5.89	6.23		

WASHINGTON STATE FRUIT COMMISSION SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2017

SCHEDULE 16

				Expenditures				
Federal Agency Name/Pass- Through Agency Name	Federal Progra m Name	CFDA Number	Other I.D. Number	From Pass- Through Awards	From Direct Awards	Total	Pass Through to Subrecipient	Footnote Reference
U.S. Department of	Market Access Program	10.601	MAP	\$ -0-	\$1,856,153	\$1,856,153	\$ -0-	1, 2
Agriculture Foreign Agriculture Service	(MAP) Specialty Crop Block	10.170	WSDA- K1263	\$ 42,001	\$ -0-	\$ 42,001	\$ -0-	1, 2
	Grant Program		WSDA- K1277	\$ 60,000	\$ -0-	\$ 60,000	\$ -0-	1, 2
			Subtotal	\$102,001	\$ -0-	\$ 102,001	\$ -0-	
Total Federal Expended	Awards			\$102,001	\$1,856,153	\$1,958,154	\$ -0-	

WASHINGTON STATE FRUIT COMMISSION

NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS (AND STATE/LOCAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE)

NOTE 1 – BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

This schedule is prepared on the same basis of accounting as the commission's financial statements. The commission uses the accrual basis of accounting.

NOTE 2 – PROGRAM COSTS

The amounts shown as current year expenditures represent only the federal grant portion of the program costs. Entire program costs, including the commission's portion, may be more than shown.

NOTE 3 – INDIRECT COST RATE

The Commission has not elected to use the 10-percent de minimis indirect cost rate allowed under the Uniform Guidance..

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