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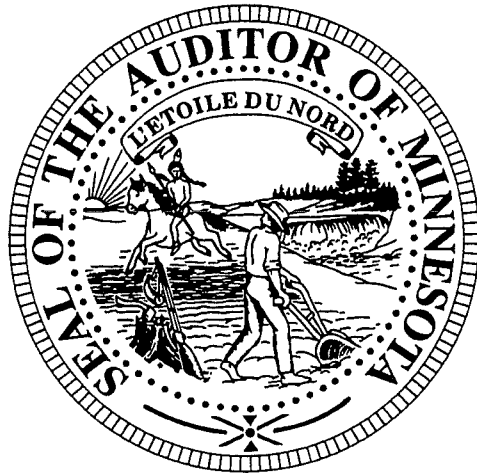
MANAGEMENT AND COMPLIANCE REPORT
PREPARED AS A RESULT OF THE AUDIT OF THE

COON CREEK WATERSHED DISTRICT
ANOKA COUNTY, MINNESOTA

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2010

**COON CREEK WATERSHED DISTRICT
ANOKA COUNTY, MINNESOTA**

For the Year Ended December 31, 2010



Management and Compliance Report

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**COON CREEK WATERSHED DISTRICT
ANOKA COUNTY, MINNESOTA**

**SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2010**

I. INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING

PREVIOUSLY REPORTED ITEM RESOLVED

Accounting for Escrow Accounts (01-2)

We found differences in cash balances between the detailed records of the escrow accounts maintained by the Coon Creek Watershed District and the general ledger control account maintained by Anoka County Finance and Central Services; the difference at December 31, 2009, was \$1,198.

Resolution

There were no changes to this difference during 2010. Since the difference has decreased over the past several years to an immaterial level, we consider this issue to be resolved.

II. OTHER ITEM FOR CONSIDERATION

GASB Statement 54

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) recently issued Statement No. 54, *Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions*. The intention of this standard is to enhance the usefulness of information included in the financial report about fund balance through clearer fund balance classifications that can be more consistently applied, as well as to clarify existing governmental fund type definitions.

Fund Balance Reporting

Statement 54 establishes new fund balance classifications based on constraints imposed on how resources can be spent. The existing components of fund balance reserved, unreserved, designated, and undesignated are being replaced by nonspendable, restricted, committed, assigned, and unassigned as defined below:

- *Nonspendable* - amounts that cannot be spent because they are either not in spendable form (for example, inventory or prepaid items) or legally or contractually required to be maintained intact (such as the corpus of a permanent fund).



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REPORT ON MINNESOTA LEGAL COMPLIANCE

Board of Managers
Coon Creek Watershed District

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of the Coon Creek Watershed District as of and for the year ended December 31, 2010, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the provisions of the *Minnesota Legal Compliance Audit Guide for Political Subdivisions*, promulgated by the State Auditor pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 6.65. Accordingly, the audit included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

The *Minnesota Legal Compliance Audit Guide for Political Subdivisions* contains six categories of compliance to be tested: contracting and bidding, deposits and investments, conflicts of interest, public indebtedness, claims and disbursements, and miscellaneous provisions. Our study included all of the listed categories, except that we did not test for compliance in public indebtedness because the Coon Creek Watershed District has no public debt, and claims and disbursements because that section does not apply to watershed districts.

The results of our tests indicate that, for the items tested, the Coon Creek Watershed District complied with the material terms and conditions of applicable legal provisions.

Included in the Schedule of Findings and Recommendations is an other item for consideration. We believe this information to be of benefit to the Coon Creek Watershed District, and it is reported for that purpose.

This communication is intended solely for the information and use of the Board of Managers, management, and others within the Coon Creek Watershed District and is not intended to be, and should not be, used by anyone other than those specified parties.

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