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**SCIOTO COUNTY REGIONAL WATER DISTRICT #1  
SCIOTO COUNTY**

**SINGLE AUDIT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024**





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Board of Directors  
Scioto County Regional Water District #1  
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We have reviewed the *Independent Auditor's Report* of the Scioto County Regional Water District #1, Scioto County, prepared by Perry & Associates, Certified Public Accountants, A.C., for the audit period January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024. Based upon this review, we have accepted these reports in lieu of the audit required by Section 117.11, Revised Code. The Auditor of State did not audit the accompanying financial statements and, accordingly, we are unable to express, and do not express an opinion on them.

Our review was made in reference to the applicable sections of legislative criteria, as reflected by the Ohio Constitution, and the Revised Code, policies, procedures and guidelines of the Auditor of State, regulations and grant requirements. The Scioto County Regional Water District #1 is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

KEITH FABER  
Ohio Auditor of State

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Chief Deputy Auditor

January 22, 2026

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Scioto County Regional Water District #1  
Scioto County  
PO Box 310  
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To the Board of Directors:

### **Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements**

#### *Opinion*

We have audited the financial statements of the Scioto County Regional Water District #1, Scioto County, Ohio (the District), as of and for the year ended December 31, 2024, 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 accompanying financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Scioto County Regional Water District #1, Scioto County, Ohio as of December 31, 2024, and the changes in financial position and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with the 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 (GAAS) and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's 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 opinion.

#### ***Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements***

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for 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.

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***Auditor's 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 auditor's 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 GAAS and the financial audit standards in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government 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 GAAS and *Government 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.

***Required Supplementary Information***

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis, and schedules of net pension and other post-employment benefit liabilities and pension and other post-employment benefit contributions be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, 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 Information***

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements and the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards 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 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and 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, this schedule is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

***Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards***

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated September 19, 2025 on our consideration of the District's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.



**Perry & Associates**  
Certified Public Accountants, A.C.  
Marietta, Ohio

September 19, 2025

SCIOTO COUNTY REGIONAL WATER DISTRICT #1  
SCIOTO COUNTY

Management's Discussion and Analysis  
For the Year Ended December 31, 2024  
(Unaudited)

Our discussion and analysis of the Scioto County Regional Water District #1 financial performance provides an overview of the District's financial activities for the year ended December 31, 2024. Please read it in conjunction with the District's basic financial statements, which begin immediately following this analysis. This annual financial report consists of two parts – Management's Discussion and Analysis (this section) and the Basic Financial Statements and notes to those statements.

In June 1999, the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) issued Statement No. 34, Basic Financial Statements and Management's Discussion and Analysis for State and Local Governments. GASB No. 34 established financial reporting standards for state and local governments, including cities, villages and special purpose governments such as the District. GASB No. 34 required the following changes to the District's financial statements:

1. The *Statement of Net Position* presents information on all of the District's assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two 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 net position section is displayed in three categories: 1) Net Investment in Capital Assets 2) Restricted, and 3) Unrestricted.
2. 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. This statement measures the success of the District's operations over the past year and can be used to determine the District's creditworthiness.
3. The *Statement of Cash Flows* includes a summary of the cash flows from operations, capital and related financing and investments during the reporting period. As in the past, the *Statement of Cash Flows* continues to reconcile the reasons why cash from operating activities differs from operating income.

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**Overview of the Basic Financial Statements**

The District operates as a utility enterprise and presents its financial statements using the economic resources measurement focus and the full accrual basis of accounting. As an enterprise fund, the District's basic financial statements include four components:

- *Statement of Net Position*
- *Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position*
- *Statement of Cash Flows*
- *Notes to the Financial Statements*

The *Statement of Net Position* includes all of the District's assets, liabilities, deferred outflows and deferred inflows with the difference between the two reported as net position. Net position is displayed in three categories:

- Net Investment in Capital Assets
- Restricted
- Unrestricted

The *Statement of Net Position* provides the basis for evaluating the capital structure of the District and assessing its liquidity and financial flexibility.

The *Statement of Revenue, Expenses and Changes in Net Position* presents information which shows how the District's net position changed during the year. All of the current year's revenues and expenses are recorded when the underlying transaction occurs, regardless of the timing of the related cash flows. The Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position measures the success of the District's operations over the past year and determines whether the District has recovered its costs through water sales, user fees and other charges.

The *Statement of Cash Flows* provides information regarding the District's cash receipts and cash disbursements during the year. This statement reports cash activity in four categories:

- Operating
- Non-capital Financing
- Capital Financing
- Investing

This statement differs from the *Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position* in that it accounts only for transactions that result in cash receipts and cash disbursements.

The *Notes to the Financial Statements* provide a description of the accounting policies used to prepare the financial statements and present material disclosures required by generally accepted accounting principles that are not otherwise present in the financial statements.

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The net pension liability (NPL) is the largest single liability reported by the District at December 31, 2024 and is reported pursuant to GASB Statement 68, "Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions—an Amendment of GASB Statement 27." In 2018, the District adopted GASB Statement 75, "Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions," which significantly revised accounting for costs and liabilities related to other postemployment benefits (OPEB). For reasons discussed below, many end users of this financial statement will gain a clearer understanding of the District's actual financial condition by adding deferred inflows related to pension and OPEB, the net pension liability and the net OPEB liability to the reported net position and subtracting deferred outflows related to pension and OPEB.

Governmental Accounting Standards Board standards are national and apply to all government financial reports prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Prior accounting for pensions (GASB 27) and postemployment benefits (GASB 45) focused on a funding approach. This approach limited pension and OPEB costs to contributions annually required by law, which may or may not be sufficient to fully fund each plan's *net pension liability* or *net OPEB liability*. GASB 68 and GASB 75 take an earnings approach to pension and OPEB accounting; however, the nature of Ohio's statewide pension/OPEB plans and state law governing those systems requires additional explanation in order to properly understand the information presented in these statements.

GASB 68 and GASB 75 require the net pension liability and the net OPEB liability to equal the District's proportionate share of each plan's collective:

1. Present value of estimated future pension/OPEB benefits attributable to active and inactive employees' past service
- 2 Minus plan assets available to pay these benefits

GASB notes that pension and OPEB obligations, whether funded or unfunded, are part of the "employment exchange" – that is, the employee is trading his or her labor in exchange for wages, benefits, and the promise of a future pension and other postemployment benefits. GASB noted that the unfunded portion of this promise is a present obligation of the government, part of a bargained-for benefit to the employee, and should accordingly be reported by the government as a liability since they received the benefit of the exchange. However, the District is not responsible for certain key factors affecting the balance of these liabilities. In Ohio, the employee shares the obligation of funding pension benefits with the employer. Both employer and employee contribution rates are capped by State statute. A change in these caps requires action of both Houses of the General Assembly and approval of the Governor. Benefit provisions are also determined by State statute. The Ohio revised Code permits, but does not require the retirement systems to provide healthcare to eligible benefit recipients. The retirement systems may allocate a portion of the employer contributions to provide for these OPEB benefits.

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The employee enters the employment exchange with the knowledge that the employer's promise is limited not by contract but by law. The employer enters the exchange also knowing that there is a specific, legal limit to its contribution to the retirement system. In Ohio, there is no legal means to enforce the unfunded liability of the pension/OPEB plan *as against the public employer*. State law operates to mitigate/lessen the moral obligation of the public employer to the employee, because all parties enter the employment exchange with notice as to the law. The retirement system is responsible for the administration of the pension and OPEB plans.

Most long-term liabilities have set repayment schedules or, in the case of compensated absences (i.e. sick and vacation leave), are satisfied through paid time-off or termination payments. There is no repayment schedule for the net pension liability or the net OPEB liability. As explained above, changes in benefits, contribution rates, and return on investments affect the balance of these liabilities, but are outside the control of the local government. In the event that contributions, investment returns, and other changes are insufficient to keep up with required payments, State statute does not assign/identify the responsible party for the unfunded portion. Due to the unique nature of how the net pension liability and the net OPEB liability are satisfied, these liabilities are separately identified within the long-term liability section of the statement of net position.

In accordance with GASB 68 and GASB 75, the District's statements prepared on an accrual basis of accounting include an annual pension expense and an annual OPEB expense for their proportionate share of each plan's *change* in net pension liability and net OPEB liability, respectively, not accounted for as deferred inflows/outflows.

**Financial Highlights**

During the year ending December 31, 2024, the District's operating revenues were \$5,520,234. Operating expenses were \$5,528,331 resulting in (\$8,097) loss from operations. During 2024, the sale of bulk water was a significant source of revenue totaling \$1,159,354. This was a slight decrease of \$2,938 over 2023. We continue to be a back-up source for Southern Ohio Correctional Facility and a review of bulk water rate structures will happen in 2025.

During 2024, our Plant Filter Room Addition continued with completion expected in 2025. This project was funded using USDA loan and grant funds which is reflected in the District's liability section. Additional Plant projects included completion of the Sludge Spillway Upgrade, North Clarifier Rehab, and the Slaker #1 Rebuild. Distribution projects included Cornerstone Development, Linda Ave Line Replacement, Fairground Road PRV, Swauger Valley Line Upgrade, SR 728 Valve Replacement, and the Valley Pump Station Roof. In addition, several equipment and vehicle items were upgraded.

Our Work Force projects document preventative maintenance on our infrastructure and assets. A major focus has been on establishing flow regions within the system to allow for enhanced leak detection and resolution.

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**Financial Analysis of the District**

**Net Position** - The District's net position between fiscal years 2023 and 2024 increased slightly from \$14,801,796 to \$14,832,458. This is an increase of \$30,662.

**Table 1**  
**Net Position**

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>Change</b>
<b>Assets</b>			
Total Current Assets	\$ 3,525,096	\$ 3,790,303	\$ (265,207)
Total Non-Current Assets	19,053,276	17,282,481	1,770,795
<i>Total Assets</i>	<b>22,578,372</b>	<b>21,072,784</b>	<b>1,505,588</b>
<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>			
Deferred Charge on Debt	17,500	20,000	(2,500)
Deferred Hydrology	31,332	43,442	(12,110)
Deferred Pension Related	959,863	1,385,144	(425,281)
Deferred OPEB	94,025	218,801	(124,776)
<i>Total Deferred Outflows of Resources</i>	<b>1,102,720</b>	<b>1,667,387</b>	<b>(564,667)</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>			
Total Current Liabilities	889,753	737,926	151,827
Total Noncurrent Liabilities	7,892,709	7,173,874	718,835
<i>Total Liabilities</i>	<b>8,782,462</b>	<b>7,911,800</b>	<b>870,662</b>
<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>			
Pension	720	2,230	(1,510)
OPEB	65,452	24,345	41,107
Net investment in capital assets	14,560,934	13,998,107	562,827
Restricted for:			
Debt Service	-	-	-
Unrestricted	271,524	803,689	(532,165)
<b>Total Net Position</b>	<b>\$ 14,832,458</b>	<b>\$ 14,801,796</b>	<b>\$ 30,662</b>

Net position represents the difference between all other elements of the statement of financial position. Net invested in capital assets consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowings used for the acquisition, construction or improvements of those assets.

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**Change in Net Position** – The District's operating revenue was \$5,520,234; operating expenses were \$5,528,331.

In fiscal year 2024, 99% of the District's operating revenues came from water and tap sales with \$1,159,354 coming from bulk customers. Water Tap Sales were \$51,500 resulting in total revenue of \$5,603,786. Expenses in 2024 were \$5,573,124. In addition, the District approved a rate increase for 2024. This should provide additional revenue to deal with the rising operating costs.

**Table 2**  
**Changes in Net Position**

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>Increase (Decrease)</b>
<b>Operating Revenues</b>			
Water Sales	\$ 5,459,114	\$ 4,871,137	\$ 587,977
Water Tap Sales	51,500	42,800	8,700
Lab Test Fees	2,080	1,792	288
Miscellaneous	7,540	89,236	(81,696)
<b>Non-Operating Revenues</b>			
Gain/Loss on Sale of Asset	-	(10,088)	10,088
Interest Income	82,816	118,727	(35,911)
<i>Total Revenues</i>	<i>5,603,050</i>	<i>5,113,604</i>	<i>489,446</i>
<b>Operating Expenses</b>			
Supply and Treatment	1,952,712	1,941,093	11,619
Distribution	1,338,942	1,588,514	(249,572)
Administration, Billing, and Office	1,333,433	1,416,615	(83,182)
Board Expenses	18,682	18,563	119
Depreciation Expenses	884,562	842,067	42,495
<b>Non-Operating Expenses</b>			
Interest Expense	44,793	35,649	9,144
<i>Total Expenses</i>	<i>5,573,124</i>	<i>5,842,501</i>	<i>(269,377)</i>
Income Before Contributions	29,926	(728,897)	758,823
Total Capital Contributions	736	293,024	(292,288)
Change in Net Position	30,662	(435,873)	466,535
Net Position Beginning of Year	14,801,796	15,237,669	(435,873)
<i>Net Position End of Year</i>	<i>14,832,458</i>	<i>14,801,796</i>	<i>30,662</i>

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**Capital Position**

As of December 31, 2024, the District had invested over \$18.9 million in capital assets. This amount represents a net increase of \$1,661,211 over the prior year. Construction in Progress increased \$1,891,848 with the Plant Filter Room expansion and construction. More detailed information about the District's Capital Position is presented in Note 5 to the basic financial statements.

**Table 3**  
**Capital Assets**

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
Land	\$ 1,439,972	\$ 1,435,291
Construction in Progress	5,254,976	3,363,128
Source of Supply	2,695,873	2,703,785
Water Treatment Plant	5,938,322	5,857,304
Distribution System	19,562,123	19,095,578
Transportation Equipment	1,339,054	1,287,160
Office Furniture & Equipment	774,497	735,107
Other Equipment	1,876,821	1,860,094
Less Accumulated Depreciation	(19,937,946)	(19,054,966)
	<hr/> <u>\$ 18,943,692</u>	<hr/> <u>\$ 17,282,481</u>

**Budget Analysis**

The District did not meet revenue expectations as Metered Sales remained stagnant and outside grant funding was limited. Total receipts collected were over \$5.6 million. The District's expenses stayed within the budget of \$4,722,910 for 2024 excluding depreciation and GASB 68/75 pension expenses. The District expenses for 2024 totaled \$5,573,250 with depreciation and the GASB 68/75 pension expense.

**Debt Administration**

During 2024, the District continued to draw on the new USDA loan for construction of an additional Water Treatment Plant Filter Room. The balance on the USDA loan as of December 31, 2024 is \$4,223,423. The total OPWC debt is \$138,140. More detailed information about the District's long-term debt is presented in Note 6 to the Basic Financial Statements.

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**Economic Factors**

The District's financial condition remains stable as upgrades and improvements to the system are completed. Additional money for capital improvement was obtained through a USDA loan allowing the District to expand the filter rooms at the Water Treatment Plant. The District continues to upgrade and develop their system to improve water service delivery and efficiency. Development at the Portsmouth Regional Airport property has prompted the water district to run additional lines and start construction on a new tank in that area to prepare for the possible industrial development for that location. This may provide an additional source of industrial revenue once the buildings are complete. Revenues increased in 2024 due to the water rate increase on January 1, 2024. The local economy remains challenging and increased costs for chemicals and other items hit the District with higher costs. The District continues to see increased Tap Sales which is a promising indicator. Bulk Sales continue to be an integral part of the Revenue stream with \$1,159,354 in 2024.

**Contacting the District's Financial Management**

This financial report is designed to provide our customers, investors, and creditors with a general overview of the District's finances and to demonstrate the District's accountability for the financial resources it manages. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact the Kathie Martin, Treasurer at Scioto County Regional Water District #1 located at 181 State Route 728, Lucasville Ohio 45648, (740) 259-2301.

**Scioto County Regional Water District #1****Scioto County***Statement of Net Position**As of December 31, 2024*

	<b>Assets</b>	<b>2024</b>
<b>Current Assets</b>		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 1,960,133	
Accounts Receivable	797,333	
Deposits	3,900	
Inventories	709,053	
Prepaid Expenses	54,677	
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<u>3,525,096</u>	
<b>Non-Current Assets</b>		
Net OPEB Asset	<u>109,584</u>	
Capital Assets:		
Non-Depreciable Capital Assets	6,694,948	
Depreciable Capital Assets, Net of Accum Depreciation	<u>12,248,744</u>	
Total Capital Assets	<u>18,943,692</u>	
<b>Total Non-Current Assets</b>	<u>19,053,276</u>	
<b>Total Assets</b>	<u><b>22,578,372</b></u>	
<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>		
Deferred Charge on Debt	17,500	
Deferred Hydrology	31,332	
Deferred Pension Related	959,863	
Deferred OPEB	94,025	
<b>Total Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>	<u>1,102,720</u>	
<b>TOTAL ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS</b>	<u><b>\$ 23,681,092</b></u>	

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

**Scioto County Regional Water District #1**  
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*Statement of Net Position (Continued)*  
*As of December 31, 2024*

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	<b>Liabilities</b>	<b>2024</b>
<b>Current Liabilities</b>		
Accounts Payable	\$ 528,369	
Accrued Wages	26,105	
Employee Withholding Payable	3,914	
Unset Water Taps Payable	22,000	
Compensated Absences Payable	190,061	
Customer Deposits	2,812	
Current Bonds Payable	94,500	
Current OPWC Payable	17,228	
Current Lease Interest Payable	35	
Current Wells Fargo Capital Lease Payable	4,729	
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<b><u>889,753</u></b>	
<b>Noncurrent Liabilities</b>		
Long Term Compensated Absences	217,195	
Capital Lease Payable	16,465	
OPWC Loan Payable	120,913	
Net Pension Liability	3,409,213	
USDA Revenues Bonds Payable	4,128,923	
<b>Total Noncurrent Liabilities</b>	<b><u>7,892,709</u></b>	
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b><u>8,782,462</u></b>	
<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>		
Pension	720	
OPEB	65,452	
	<b><u>66,172</u></b>	
<b>Net Position</b>		
Net investment in capital assets	14,560,934	
Unrestricted	271,524	
	<b><u>14,832,458</u></b>	
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES DEFERRED INFLOWS AND NET POSITION</b>	<b><u>\$ 23,681,092</u></b>	

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

**Scioto County Regional Water District #1**  
**Scioto County**  
*Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position*  
*For the Year Ending December 31, 2024*

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	<b>2024</b>
<b>Operating Revenues</b>	
Water Sales	\$ 5,459,114
Water Tap Sales	51,500
Lab Test Fees	2,080
Miscellaneous	7,540
<b>Total Operating Revenues</b>	<b><u>5,520,234</u></b>
<b>Operating Expenses</b>	
Supply and Treatment	1,952,712
Distribution	1,338,942
Administration, Billing, and Office	1,333,433
Board Expenses	18,682
Depreciation Expenses	884,562
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<b><u>5,528,331</u></b>
<b>Operating Income</b>	<b><u>(8,097)</u></b>
<b>Non-Operating Revenues / Expenses</b>	
Interest Income	82,816
Interest Expense	(44,793)
<b>Total Non-Operating Revenues/Expenses</b>	<b><u>38,023</u></b>
<b>Income Before Contributions</b>	<b><u>29,926</u></b>
<b>Capital Contributions</b>	
Capital Contributions from Other Governments	736
<b>Total Capital Contributions</b>	<b><u>736</u></b>
<b>Change in Net Position</b>	<b>30,662</b>
<b>Net Position Beginning of Year</b>	<b><u>14,801,796</u></b>
<b>Net Position End of Year</b>	<b><u>\$ 14,832,458</u></b>

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

**Scioto County Regional Water District #1**  
**Scioto County**  
*Statement of Cash Flows*  
*For the Year Ending December 31, 2024*

	<b>2024</b>
<b>Cash flows from Operating Activities:</b>	
Receipts from Customers	\$ 5,490,855
Receipts from Others	(8,784)
Payments to Suppliers and Vendors	(1,392,696)
Payments to Employees	<u>(3,125,866)</u>
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>963,509</u>
<b>Cash Flows from Capital and Related Financing Activities:</b>	
Principal on USDA Bond	(93,300)
Interest on Bond	(44,793)
OPWC principal	(17,228)
Xerox principal	(1,385)
Proceeds from USDA Bond	1,095,733
Capital Contributions	736
Payments for Capital Acquisitions	<u>(2,431,174)</u>
Net cash used by capital financing activities	<u>(1,491,411)</u>
<b>Cash Flows from Investing Activities:</b>	
Interest earned	<u>82,816</u>
Net cash Provided by Investing Activities	<u>82,816</u>
Net increase/decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(445,086)
Cash and cash equivalents, January 1, 2024	2,405,219
<b>Cash and cash equivalents, December 31, 2024</b>	<b><u>\$ 1,960,133</u></b>

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**Scioto County Regional Water District #1**  
**Scioto County**  
*Statement of Cash Flows (Continued)*  
*For the Year Ending December 31, 2024*

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**Reconciliation of Operating Income to Net Cash Provided by**

Operating Income	\$ <u>(8,097)</u>
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**Adjustments:**

Depreciation Expense	884,562
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*Change in Assets*

(Increase) Decrease in Accounts Receivable	(38,161)
(increase) Decrease Deposits	(300)
(Increase) Decrease Inventories	(105,178)
(Increase) Decrease in Prepaid Expenses	(36,240)
(Increase) Decrease Deferred Charges	2,500
(Increase) Decrease Deferred Hydrology	12,110
(Increase)Decrease Deferred Outflows of Resources - Pensions	550,057

*Change in Liabilities*

Increase (Decrease) in Accounts Payable	189,084
Increase (Decrease) in Accrued Wages	(47,393)
Increase (Decrease) in Employee Withholding Payable	(7,261)
Increase (Decrease) in Water Taps Payable	(2,200)
Increase (Decrease) in Compensated Absences Payable	16,893
Increase (Decrease) in Pension Liability	(303,084)
Increase (Decrease) Deferred Inflows of Resources - Pensions	39,597
Increase (Decrease) in OPEB	<u>(183,380)</u>
Total Adjustments	<u>971,606</u>

Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	\$ <u>963,509</u>
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The notes to the basic financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

SCIOTO COUNTY REGIONAL WATER DISTRICT #1  
SCIOTO COUNTY

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements  
For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

**NOTE 1 - DESCRIPTION OF THE ENTITY**

The Scioto County Regional Water District #1 is a water district organized under the provisions of Section 6119 of the Ohio Revised Code by the Common Pleas Court of Scioto County in August of 1966. The Regional Water District Number One operates under the direction of a seven member board of trustees. An appointed staff consisting of a superintendent, a plant superintendent, a distribution superintendent, and an office manager are responsible for fiscal control of the resources of the District. The District was established to provide an adequate and uncontaminated water supply for the consumption of the water district users, for industrial and business use, and for fire protection. The District serves all or parts of the following political subdivisions:

Bloom Township  
Clay Township  
Harrison Township  
Jefferson Township  
Madison Township  
Porter Township  
Valley Township  
Vernon Township  
South Webster Village

***Reporting Entity***

A reporting entity is composed of the primary government, component units, and other organizations that are included to ensure the financial statements are not misleading. The primary government consists of all fund, department, board, and agencies that are not legally separate from the District. For Scioto County Regional Water District #1 this includes general operations of the District.

Component units are legally separate organizations for which the District is financially accountable. The District is financially accountable for an organization if the District appoints a voting majority of the organization's governing board and (1) the District is able to significantly influence the programs or services performed or provided by the organization; or (2) the District is legally entitled to or can otherwise access the organization's resources; the District is legally obligated or has otherwise assumed the responsibility to finance the deficits of, or provide financial support to, the organization; or the District is obligated for the debt of the organization. Component units may also include organizations that are fiscally dependent on the District in that the District approves the budget, the issuance of debt, or the levying of taxes. The District has no component units.

**NOTE 2 – 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 governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The more significant of the District's accounting policies are described below.

**Measurement Focus and Basic of Accounting**

The District's operations are financed and operated in a manner similar to a private business enterprises where the intent is that costs (expenses, including depreciation) of providing services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges or where it has been decided that periodic determination of revenues earned, expenses incurred, and/or net income is appropriate for capital maintenance, public policy management control, accountability or other purposes.

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**NOTE 2 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

**Measure Focus and Basic of Accounting (Continued)**

The District's operations are accounted for on a flow of economic resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, all assets and all liabilities associated with the operation are included on the Statement of Net Position. The operating statements present increases (i.e. revenues) and decreases (i.e. expenses) in total net position. The Statement of Cash Flows provides information about how the District finances and meets its cash flow needs.

Basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenses are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. Basis of accounting relates to the timing of the measurements made.

The District uses the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized in the accounting period in which they are earned, and expenses are recognized at the time they are incurred.

The District's basic financial statements consist of a Statement of Net Position, a Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position, and a Statement of Cash Flows.

For financial reporting, the District uses an enterprise fund presentation. Enterprise fund reporting focuses on the determination of the change in net position, financial position and cash flows. An enterprise fund may be used to account for any activity for which a fee is charged to external users for goods and services.

**Capital Assets**

Capital assets acquired or constructed for the general use of the District in providing service are recorded at cost. Donated assets are recorded at their acquisition value at the time received. Capital Assets are defined as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$2,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of three years. Depreciation of capital assets of the District is calculated utilizing the straight line method. All assets reported in the financial statements are at cost less accumulated depreciation.

The estimated useful lives by major capital asset class are as follows:

Source of Supply	8 years
Transportation Equipment	5 years
Water Treatment Plant	40 years
Other Equipment	5 years
Distribution System & Lines	40 years
Furniture and Office Equipment	10 years

**Inventory**

The District maintains material inventory for its proprietary fund. Inventory is valued at cost and the District uses the first-in, first-out (FIFO) flow assumption in determining cost.

**Accounts Receivable**

The District considers accounts receivable to be fully collectible; accordingly, no allowance for doubtful accounts is included in the financial statements. When amounts are deemed uncollectible, they are expensed in the year in which that determination is made.

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**NOTE 2 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

**Restricted Assets**

The District is required to keep an account in reserve that is equal to the year with the highest principal and interest total on the bond amortization schedule. This amount is \$189,419. The District is also required to maintain accounts for the principal and interest payments on the bond.

**Compensated Absences**

Accumulated vacation leave and accumulated compensatory time are recorded as an expense and liability of the District as the benefits accrue to the employees. In accordance with the provisions of Governmental Accounting Standards Statement No.16, Accounting for Compensated Absences, a liability is recorded for vested sick pay benefits which have been defined by District policy as available to those employees with ten years or more of service up to a maximum of 480 hours.

**Pensions/Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB)**

For purposes of measuring the net pension/OPEB liability/(asset), information about the fiduciary net position of the pension/OPEB plans and additions to/deductions from their fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the pension/OPEB plan. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. The pension/OPEB plans report investments at fair value.

**Cash and Cash Equivalents**

To improve cash management, cash received by the District is pooled. The Proprietary fund's interest in the pool is presented as "cash and cash equivalents" on the Statement of Net Position.

During 2024, the District invested in negotiable certificates of deposit, federal agency securities, mutual funds, and Start Ohio. Investments are reported at fair value which is based on quoted market price or current share price. Star Ohio is an investment pool, managed by the State Treasurer's Office, which allows governments within the State to pool their funds for investment purposes. Star Ohio is not registered with the SEC as an investment company but has adopted Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 79, "Certain External Investment Pools and Pool Participants". The District measures the investment in Star Ohio at the net asset value (NAV) per share provided by Star Ohio. The NAV per share is calculated on an amortized cost basis that provides a NAV that approximates fair value.

For 2024, there were no limitations or restrictions on any participant withdrawals due to redemption notice periods, liquidity fees, or redemption gates. However, notice must be given twenty-four hours in advance of all deposits and withdrawals exceeding \$25 million. Star Ohio reserves the right to limit the transaction to \$50 million requiring the excess amount to be transacted the following business day(s) but only to the \$50 million limit. All accounts of the participant will be combined for this purpose.

**Fund Accounting**

The District maintains its accounting records in accordance with the principles of "fund" accounting. Fund accounting is a concept developed to meet the needs of government entities in which legal or other restraints require the recording of specific revenues and expenses. The transactions of each fund are reflected in a self-balancing group of accounts, an accounting entity which stands separate from the activities reported in other funds. The restriction associated with each type of fund is as follows:

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**NOTE 2 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

**Fund Accounting (Continued)**

**Proprietary Fund** - The proprietary fund is used to account for the District's ongoing activities that are similar to those found in the private sector. The following is the District's proprietary fund type:

**Enterprise Fund** - This fund is used to account for operations (a) that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises - where the intent of the governing body is that the costs of providing goods and services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges; or (b) where the governing body has decided that periodic determination of revenues earned, expenses incurred, and/or net income is appropriate for capital maintenance, public policy, management control, accountability or other purpose.

**Deferred Charges**

Deferred charges are non-regularly recurring, non-capital costs of operations that benefit future periods. These costs include those incurred in connection with a Hydrology studies in the Well Field. These charges totaled \$55,553 and will be amortized annually for 10 years.

Additional Deferred Charges for Bond Issuance Costs were incurred in 2024. The total cost was \$20,000 and will be amortized annually for 10 years.

**Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources**

In addition to assets, the statements of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. Deferred outflows of resources represent a consumption of net position that applies to a future period and will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. For the District, deferred outflows of resources are reported on the statement of net position for pension, other post-employment benefits (OPEB) and deferred debt charges. The deferred outflows of resources related to pension and OPEB are explained in Notes 10 and 11.

In addition to liabilities, the statements of financial position report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. Deferred inflows of resources represent an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period and will not be recognized until that time. For the District, deferred inflows of resources are reported on the statement of net position for pension and OPEB. The deferred inflows of resources related to pension and OPEB are explained in Notes 10 and 11.

**Prepaid Expenses**

Prepaid Expenses are charges entered in the accounts for benefits not yet received. Prepaid expenses differ from deferred charges in that they are spread over a shorter period of time than deferred charges and are regularly recurring costs of operation. Prepaid expenses for 2024 were \$54,677.

**Estimates**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results may differ from those estimates.

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**NOTE 2 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

**Net Position**

Net position represents the differences in all other elements of the statement of financial position. Net Investment in Capital Assets consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowings used for the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets.

Net position is reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors, or laws and regulations of other governments. Net position restricted for debt service consists of monies and other resources which are restricted to satisfy debt service requirements as specified in debt agreements.

The District applies restricted resources when an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net position is available.

**Operating Revenues and Expenses**

Operating revenues are those revenues that are generated directly from the primary activities of the District. These revenues consist of certain sales and fees. Operating expenses are necessary costs incurred to provide the goods or services that are the primary activity of the District. Revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating.

**NOTE 3 – RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

The appointed board members serve as the governing Board for the District. Related party transactions between board members and the District during the year ended December 31, 2024 were as follows:

The District purchased propane fuel from Arrick's Propane (Ralph Arrick). The total paid for these services was \$4,746 for the year ended December 31, 2024.

The District purchased gasoline fuel from Shoemaker's Service Station (James Shoemaker). The total paid for these purchases was \$217 for the year ended December 31, 2024.

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**NOTE 4 - EQUITY IN POOLED CASH AND INVESTMENTS**

State statutes classify monies held by the District into three categories.

Active deposits are public deposits necessary to meet current demands on the treasury. Such monies must be maintained either as cash in the District Treasury, in commercial accounts payable or can be withdrawn on demand, including negotiable order of withdrawal (NOW) accounts, or in money market deposit accounts.

Inactive deposits are public deposits the Board has identified as not required for use within the current two year period of designation of depositories. Inactive deposits must either be evidenced by certificates of deposit maturing not later than the end of the current period of designation of depositories, or by savings or deposit accounts including, but not limited to, passbook accounts.

Interim deposits are deposits of interim monies. Interim monies are those monies which are not needed for immediate use but which will be needed before the end of the current period of designation of depositories. Interim deposits must be evidenced by time certificates of deposit maturing not more than one year from the date of deposit or by savings accounts, including passbook accounts.

Protection of the District's deposits is provided by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), by eligible securities pledged by the financial institution as security for repayment, by surety company bonds deposited with the Treasurer by the financial institution, or by a single collateral pool established by the financial institution to secure the repayment of all public money deposited with the institution.

Interim monies may be deposited or invested in the following securities:

1. United States Treasury Notes, Bills, Bonds, or any other obligation or security issued by the United States Treasury or any other obligation guaranteed as to principal and interest by the United States;
2. Bonds, notes, debentures, or any other obligations or securities issued by any federal government agency or instrumentality, including but not limited to, the federal national mortgage association, federal home loan bank, federal farm credit bank, federal home loan mortgage corporation, government national mortgage association, and student loan marketing association. All federal agency securities shall be direct issuances of federal government agencies or instrumentalities;
3. Written repurchase agreements in the securities listed above provided that the market value of the securities subject to the repurchase agreement must exceed the principal value of the agreement by at least two percent and be marked to market daily, and that the term of the agreement must not exceed thirty days;
4. Bond and other obligations of the State of Ohio;
5. No-load money market mutual funds consisting exclusively of obligations described in division (1) or (2) and repurchase agreements secured by such obligations, provided that investments in securities described in this division are made only through eligible institutions;
6. The State Treasurer's investment pool (STAROhio);
7. Certain bankers' acceptances and commercial paper notes for a period not to exceed one hundred and eighty days in an amount not to exceed twenty-five percent of the interim moneys available for investment at any one time; and,

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**NOTE 4 - EQUITY IN POOLED CASH AND INVESTMENTS (Continued)**

8. Under limited circumstances, debt interests rated in either of the two highest rating classifications by at least two nationally recognized rating agencies.

Investments in stripped principal or interest obligations reverse repurchase agreements and derivatives are prohibited. The issuance of taxable notes for the purpose of arbitrage, the use of leverage and short selling are also prohibited. An investment must mature within five years from the date of purchase unless matched to a specific obligation or debt of the District, and must be purchased with the expectation that it will be held to maturity.

Investments may only be made through specified dealers and institutions. Payment for investments may be made only upon delivery of the securities representing the investments to the Treasurer or qualified trustee or, if the securities are not represented by a certificate, upon receipt of confirmation of transfer from the custodian.

According to state law, public depositories must give security for all public funds on deposit. These institutions may either specifically collateralize individual accounts in lieu of amounts insured by FDIC, or may pledge a pool of government securities valued at least 105% of the total value of public monies on deposit at the institution. These securities must be obligation of or guaranteed by the United States and mature or be redeemable within 5 years of the date of the related repurchase agreement. State law does not require security for public deposits and investments to be maintained in the District's name.

**Cash on Hand** - At year end, the District had \$400 in undeposited cash on hand which is included on the Statement of Net Position of the District as part of "cash and cash equivalents".

**Deposits** At year end, the carrying amount of the District's deposits and the bank balance was \$548,212. Of the bank balance at year end 2024, \$250,000 was covered by federal depository insurance. The remaining balances were covered by a 105% public depository pool, which was collateralized with securities held by the pledging institution trust department but not in the District's name. Although all State statutory requirements for the deposit of money had been followed, non-compliance with federal requirements could potentially subject the District to a successful claim by the FDIC.

**Investments** The District had the following investments at December 31, 2024:

	Carrying Amount	Fair Value/NAV
Star Ohio	\$1,411,521	\$1,411,521
Total Investments	\$1,411,521	\$1,411,521

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 the 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 above chart identifies the District's recurring fair value measurements as of December 31, 2024. All of the District's investments measured at fair value are valued using quoted market prices (Level 1 inputs).

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**NOTE 4 - EQUITY IN POOLED CASH AND INVESTMENTS (Continued)**

***Investments (Continued)***

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. The District's policy requires that, to the extent possible, the Treasurer will attempt to match investments with anticipated cash flow requirements to take best advantage of prevailing economic and market conditions.

The District's investment policy does not address any restriction on investments relating to interest rate, credit or custodial credit risks. The investment policy restricts investment in anything other than as identified in the Ohio Revised Code, except that all investments must mature within two years from the date of investments unless they are matched to a specific obligation or debt of the District. Purchasing investments that cannot be held until the maturity date is also restricted.

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**NOTE 5 – CAPITAL ASSETS**

A summary of the District's capital assets as of December 31, 2024, are as follows:

	2023	Additions	Deletions	2024
<b>Capital Assets, Not being Depreciated</b>				
Land	\$ 1,435,291	\$ 4,681	\$ -	\$ 1,439,972
Construction in Progress	3,363,128	1,891,848	-	5,254,976
<b>Total Capital Assets, Not Being Depreciated</b>	<b>4,798,419</b>	<b>1,896,529</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>6,694,948</b>
<b>Capital Assets Being Depreciated</b>				
Source of Supply	2,703,785	4,698	(12,610)	2,695,873
Water Treatment Plant	5,857,304	81,467	(449)	5,938,322
Distribution System	19,095,578	466,545	-	19,562,123
Transportation Equipment	1,287,160	51,894	-	1,339,054
Office Furniture & Equipment	735,107	39,962	(572)	774,497
Other Equipment	1,860,094	17,291	(564)	1,876,821
<b>Total Capital Assets Being Depreciated</b>	<b>31,539,028</b>	<b>661,857</b>	<b>(14,195)</b>	<b>32,186,690</b>
<b>Less Accumulated Depreciation</b>				
Source of Supply	(1,341,278)	(97,494)	-	(1,438,772)
Water Treatment Plant	(4,385,078)	(114,555)	446	(4,499,187)
Distribution System	(10,609,236)	(441,330)	-	(11,050,566)
Transportation Equipment	(862,509)	(129,012)	-	(991,521)
Office Furniture & Equipment	(364,285)	(38,865)	572	(402,578)
Other Equipment	(1,492,580)	(63,306)	564	(1,555,322)
<b>Less Accumulated Depreciation</b>	<b>(19,054,966)</b>	<b>(884,562)</b>	<b>1,582</b>	<b>(19,937,946)</b>
<b>Total Capital Assets Being Depreciated, Net</b>	<b>12,484,062</b>	<b>(222,705)</b>	<b>(12,613)</b>	<b>12,248,744</b>
<b>Total Capital Assets, net</b>	<b>\$ 17,282,481</b>	<b>\$ 1,673,824</b>	<b>\$ (12,613)</b>	<b>\$ 18,943,692</b>

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**NOTE 6 - DEBT OBLIGATIONS**

A schedule of changes in bonds and other long-term obligations of the District during 2024, follows:

	Amount Outstanding 12/31/23	Additions	Deletions	Amount Outstanding 12/31/24	Amounts Due in One Year
Water System Revenue Refunding & Improvement Bonds (2023)	\$ 3,126,490	\$ 1,190,233	\$ 93,300	\$ 4,223,423	\$ 94,500
OPWC Loans 1999-2013 (0.00%)	156,500	-	18,360	138,140	17,228
Compensated Absences	390,363	16,893	-	407,256	190,061
Net OPEB	73,796	-	183,380	(109,584)	-
Net Pension Liability	3,712,297	-	303,084	3,409,213	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 7,459,446</b>	<b>\$ 1,207,126</b>	<b>\$598,124</b>	<b>\$ 8,068,448</b>	<b>\$ 301,789</b>

The revenue refunding and improvement bonds are special obligations of the District, payable solely from the pledged revenues of its water system and the revenue fund created under the indenture. The 2023 bonds were issued to fund Water System Improvements which included constructing a third filter room for the Water Treatment Plant. Payments are made semi-annually in February and August.

The OPWC loans were issued for the purpose of financing the CC Water Line, and the Woods Ridge Stand Pipe projects. Payments of \$8,614 with 0% interest are made semi-annually.

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**NOTE 6 - DEBT OBLIGATIONS (Continued)**

Principal and interest requirements to retire the District's long-term obligations outstanding at December 31, 2024 are as follows:

Year Ending	2023 Improvement Bonds		OPWC Loans		Total	
	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest
2025	\$94,500	\$65,458	\$17,228	\$ -	\$111,728	\$65,458
2026	95,900	64,159	17,228	-	113,128	64,159
2027	97,100	62,840	17,228	-	114,328	62,840
2028	98,500	61,505	17,228	-	115,728	61,505
2029	99,900	60,151	17,227	-	117,127	60,151
2030-2034	520,400	279,773	23,637	-	544,037	279,773
2035-2039	557,200	242,996	23,637	-	580,837	242,996
2040-2044	596,800	203,613	4,727	-	601,527	203,613
2045-2049	639,100	161,435	-	-	639,100	161,435
2050-2054	684,400	116,267	-	-	684,400	116,267
2055-2059	733,000	67,898	-	-	733,000	67,898
2060-2063	6,623	25,651	-	-	6,623	25,651
	<b>\$4,223,423</b>	<b>\$1,411,746</b>	<b>\$138,140</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$4,361,463</b>	<b>\$1,411,746</b>

**NOTE 7 - LEASE**

The District is the lessee in various leases (as defined by GASB 87) related to equipment under noncancelable leases.

The capital asset acquired in 2024 by the lease has been capitalized in the statement of net position in the amount of \$24,336 which is equal to the present value of the minimum lease payments at the time of acquisition. A corresponding liability was recorded on the statement of net position. Principal payments in fiscal year 2024 totaled \$3,245.

The capital asset acquired in 2019 by the lease has been capitalized in the statement of net position in the amount of \$21,258 which is equal to the present value of the minimum lease payments at the time of acquisition. A corresponding liability was recorded on the statement of net position. Principal payments in fiscal year 2024 totaled \$1,385.

The following is a schedule of the future long-term minimum lease payments required under the capital leases and the present value of the minimum lease payments as of December 31, 2024:

	Amount Outstanding 12/31/23				Amount Outstanding 12/31/24	Due in One Year
		Additions	Deletions			
Xerox Copier 2020	\$1,385	\$ -	\$1,385	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Toshiba Copiers	-	24,336	3,245	21,091	4,729	
	<b>\$1,385</b>	<b>\$ 24,336</b>	<b>\$4,630</b>	<b>\$21,091</b>	<b>\$4,729</b>	

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**NOTE 7 – LEASE (Continued)**

The following is a schedule of the future long-term minimum lease payments required under the capital leases and the present value of the minimum lease payments as of December 31, 2024:

	Year Ending
	<u>2024</u>
<b>Lease expense</b>	
Amortization expense by class of underlying asset	
Copy Machine	\$ 3,245
Total amortization expense	3,245
Interest on lease liabilities	300
Variable lease expense	-
<b>Total</b>	<u><u>\$ 3,545</u></u>

<b>Lease Assets</b>	Beginning of Year	Additions	Modifications & Remeasurements		End of Year	Amounts Due Within One Year
			\$	-		
Copy Machine	\$ -	\$ 24,336			\$ -	\$ 24,336
	-	24,336		-	-	24,336
<b>Less: Accumulated Amortization</b>						
Copy Machine	-	(3,245)		-	-	(3,245)
	-	(3,245)		-	-	(3,245)
<b>Total Lease Assets, net</b>						
	-	21,091		-	-	21,091
<b>Lease Liabilities</b>	\$ -	23,910			\$ -	\$ (2,716) \$ 21,194 \$ 4,729

<b>Maturity Analysis</b>	Principal	Interest	Total
			Payments
Year Ending 2025-12	\$ 4,729	\$ 381	\$ 5,110
Year Ending 2026-12	4,825	285	5,110
Year Ending 2027-12	4,922	188	5,110
Year Ending 2028-12	5,020	90	5,110
Year Ending 2029-12	1,698	7	1,703
<b>Total Future Payments</b>	<u><u>\$ 21,194</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 951</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 22,143</u></u>

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**NOTE 8 – INSURANCE AND RISK MANAGEMENT**

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The Water District maintains insurance coverage for bodily injury, personal injury, general liability, boiler and machinery coverage and fleet (automotive) insurance in addition to professional liability coverage for officers and board members. In 2024, the Water District had coverage through PEP Ohio (Public Entities Pool of Ohio). There has been no significant reduction in insurance coverages from coverages in the prior year.

In addition, the District has a Cyber Liability policy through PEP Ohio to cover losses related to Cyber Incident Response, Cyber Crime, System Damage and Business Interruption, Network Security Liability, Media Liability, Technology Errors and Omissions, and Court Attendance Costs.

Workers' Compensation claims are covered through the District's participation in the State of Ohio's program. The District pays the State Workers' Compensation System a premium based upon a rate established by the State on an annual basis. The rate is determined based on accident history and administrative costs.

The District has elected to provide a health and life insurance plan for the District's full-time employees through Starmark Small Business. It relies on an Aetna Network. The District also provides employees with a Heath Savings Plan to supplement for the cost of a high-deductible health plan.

**NOTE 9 - COMPENSATED ABSENCES**

All full time District employees earn vacation at varying rates based upon length of service. Upon separation from the Water District, the employee (or his estate) is paid for his accumulated unused vacation leave balance. All full time District employees earn sick leave at the rate of 1.25 days per calendar month of active service. Upon retirement from the District, an employee shall receive monetary compensation for a portion of each day of unused sick leave; the monetary compensation shall be at the hourly rate of the employee at the time of retirement.

District employees who work on holidays and in an occasional overtime status are primarily paid on a current basis. However, in some instances the employees are permitted to accrue compensatory time to be taken as time off or to be paid at a later date. At December 31, 2024, the total vested liability for accumulated unpaid vacation, sick leave and compensatory time recorded was \$407,256.

The District allows employees to use or sell any of their leave annually. If it is earned in the current year, it is reported to PERS. If isn't earned in the current year, it is not reported to PERS. Also, with sick leave once an employee is employed with for 10 years, they are eligible to have their sick leave paid out if employment is terminated. The payment is limited in hours and percent. Based on these assumptions, our Compensated Absences liability is calculated as follows using each employees' balances as of December 31, 2024 along with the appropriate formula. The short-term liability includes comp hours and vacation hours with a liability of \$190,061. The long-term liability includes sick hours with a maximum of 960 hours at 50% the hourly rate for a liability of \$217,195. The leave is attributable to services already rendered and it accumulates and can either be used or paid out.

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**NOTE 10 – DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS**

***Net Pension Liability***

The net pension liability reported on the statement of net position represents a liability, to employees for pensions. Pensions are a component of exchange transactions—between an employer and its employees—of salaries and benefits for employee services. Pensions are provided to an employee—on a deferred-payment basis—as part of the total compensation package offered by an employer for employee services each financial period. The obligation to sacrifice resources for pensions is a present obligation because it was created as a result of employment exchanges that already have occurred.

The net pension liability represents the District's proportionate share of each pension plan's collective actuarial present value of projected benefit payments attributable to past periods of service, net of each pension plan's fiduciary net position. The net pension liability calculation is dependent on critical long-term variables, including estimated average life expectancies, earnings on investments, cost of living adjustments and others. While these estimates use the best information available, unknowable future events require adjusting this estimate annually.

Ohio Revised Code limits the District's obligation for this liability to annually required payments. The District cannot control benefit terms or the manner in which pensions are financed; however, the District does receive the benefit of employees' services in exchange for compensation including pension.

GASB 68 assumes the liability is solely the obligation of the employer, because (1) they benefit from employee services; and (2) State statute requires all funding to come from these employers. All contributions to date have come solely from these employers (which also includes costs paid in the form of withholdings from employees). State statute requires the pension plans to amortize unfunded liabilities within 30 years. If the amortization period exceeds 30 years, each pension plan's board must propose corrective action to the State legislature. Any resulting legislative change to benefits or funding could significantly affect the net pension liability. Resulting adjustments to the net pension liability would be effective when the changes are legally enforceable.

The proportionate share of each plan's excess unfunded benefits is presented as a long-term net pension liability on the accrual basis of accounting. Any liability for the contractually-required pension contribution outstanding at the end of the year is included in accrued personnel costs on both the accrual and modified accrual bases of accounting.

***Plan Description***

Plan Description - District employees participate in the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS). OPERS administer three separate pension plans. The traditional pension plan is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan. The member-directed plan is a defined contribution plan and the combined plan is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan with defined contribution features. While members (e.g. District employees) may elect the member-directed plan and the combined plan, substantially all employee members are in OPERS' traditional plan; therefore, the following disclosure focuses on the traditional pension plan.

OPERS provides retirement, disability, survivor and death benefits, and annual cost of living adjustments to members of the traditional plan. District to establish and amend benefits is provided by Chapter 145 of the Ohio Revised Code. OPERS issues a stand-alone financial report that includes financial statements, required supplementary information and detailed information about OPERS' fiduciary net position that may be obtained by visiting <https://www.opers.org/financial/reports.shtml>, by writing to the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System, 277 East Town Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-4642, or by calling 800-222-7377.

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**NOTE 10 – DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS (Continued)**

***Plan Description (Continued)***

Senate Bill (SB) 343 was enacted into law with an effective date of January 7, 2013. In the legislation, members were categorized into three groups with varying provisions of the law applicable to each group. The following table provides age and service requirements for retirement and the retirement formula applied to final average salary (FAS) for the three member groups under the traditional plan as per the reduced benefits adopted by SB 343 (see OPERS CAFR referenced above for additional information):

<b>Group A</b>	<b>Group B</b>	<b>Group C</b>
<b>State and Local</b>	<b>State and Local</b>	<b>State and Local</b>
Eligible to retire prior to January 7, 2013 or five years after January 7, 2013	20 years of service credit prior to January 7, 2013 or eligible to retire ten years after January 7, 2013	Members not in the other Groups and members hired on or after January 7, 2013
<b>Age and Service Requirements:</b> Age 60 with 60 months of service credit or Age 55 with 25 years of service credit	<b>Age and Service Requirements:</b> Age 60 with 60 months of service credit or Age 55 with 25 years of service credit	<b>Age and Service Requirements:</b> Age 57 with 25 years of service credit or Age 62 with 5 years of service credit
<b>Formula:</b> 2.2% of FAS multiplied by years of service for the first 30 years and 2.5% for service years in excess of 30	<b>Formula:</b> 2.2% of FAS multiplied by years of service for the first 30 years and 2.5% for service years in excess of 30	<b>Formula:</b> 2.2% of FAS multiplied by years of service for the first 35 years and 2.5% for service years in excess of 35

Final Average Salary (FAS) represents the average of the three highest years of earnings over a member's career for Groups A and B. Group C is based on the average of the five highest years of earnings over a member's career.

Members who retire before meeting the age and years of service credit requirement for unreduced benefits receive a percentage reduction in the benefit amount.

When a benefit recipient has received benefits for 12 months, an annual cost of living adjustment (COLA) is provided. This COLA is calculated on the base retirement benefit at the date of retirement and is not compounded. For those retiring prior to January 7, 2013, the COLA will continue to be a 3 percent simple annual COLA. For those retiring subsequent to January 7, 2013, beginning in calendar year 2019, the COLA will be based on the average percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index, capped at 3 percent.

**Funding Policy** - The Ohio Revised Code (ORC) provides statutory District for member and employer contributions as follows:

	<u>State and Local</u>
<b>Statutory Maximum Contribution Rates</b>	
Employer	14.0%
Employee	10.0%
<b>Actual Contribution Rates</b>	
Employer:	
Pension	14.0%
Post-employment Health Care Benefits	0.0%
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Total Employer	14.0%
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Employee	10.0%
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**NOTE 10 – DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS (Continued)**

***Plan Description (Continued)***

Employer contribution rates are actuarially determined and are expressed as a percentage of covered payroll. The District's contractually required contribution for the period ended December 31, 2024 were \$308,593. 100% has been contributed for 2024. Of this amount, \$0 is reported as accrued salaries payable.

***Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions***

The net pension liability was measured as of December 31, 2023, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The District's proportion of the net pension liability was based on the District's share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the contributions of all participating entities. Following is information related to the proportionate share and pension expense:

	<b>Traditional Pension Plan</b>
Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	\$ 3,409,213
Proportion of the Net Pension Liability	0.013022%
Increase/(decrease) in % from prior proportion measured	-0.000455%
Pension Expense	\$ 283,530

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**NOTE 10 – DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (Continued)**

At December 31, 2024, the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	<b>Traditional Pension Plan</b>
<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>	
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	\$688,125
Differences between expected and actual experience	55,721
Changes in proportion and differences contributions and proportionate share of contributions	53,174
District contributions subsequent to the measurement date	162,843
<b>Total Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>	<b>\$959,863</b>
<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>	
Changes in proportion and differences contributions and proportionate share of contributions	\$720
<b>Total Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>	<b>\$720</b>

\$162,843 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pension resulting from District contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ending December 31, 2025. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pension will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

<b>Fiscal year End December 31:</b>	<b>Traditional Pension Plan</b>
2025	\$ 208,276
2026	246,898
2027	439,122
2028	(97,996)
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 796,300</b>

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**NOTE 10 – DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (Continued)**

***Actuarial Assumptions - OPERS***

OPERS' total pension asset and liability was determined by their actuaries in accordance with GASB Statement No. 67, as part of their annual actuarial valuation for each defined benefit retirement plan. Actuarial valuations of an ongoing plan involve estimates of the value of reported amounts (e.g., salaries, credited service) and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events far into the future (e.g., mortality, disabilities, retirements, employment termination). Actuarially determined amounts are subject to continual review and potential modifications, as actual results are compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future.

Projections of benefits for financial reporting purposes are based on the substantive plan (the plan as understood by the employers and plan members) and include the types of benefits provided at the time of each valuation and the historical pattern of sharing benefit costs between the employers and plan members to that point. The projection of benefits for financial reporting purposes does not explicitly incorporate the potential effects of legal or contractual funding limitations.

Actuarial calculations reflect a long-term perspective. For a newly hired employee, actuarial calculations will take into account the employee's entire career with the employer and also take into consideration the benefits, if any, paid to the employee after termination of employment until the death of the employee and any applicable contingent annuitant. In many cases actuarial calculations reflect several decades of service with the employer and the payment of benefits after termination.

Key methods and assumptions used in calculating the total pension liability in the latest actuarial valuation, prepared as of December 31, 2023 are presented below:

<b>Key Methods and Assumptions Used in Valuation of Total Pension Liability</b>	
Actuarial Information	Traditional Pension Plan
Valuation Date	December 31, 2023
Experience Study	5 Year Period Ended December 31, 2020
Actuarial Cost Method	Individual entry age
Actuarial Assumptions:	
Investment Rate of Return	6.90%
Wage Inflation	2.75%
Projected Salary Increases	2.75% to 10.75% (Includes wage inflation of 2.75%)
Cost-of-Living Adjustments	Pre - 1/7/2013 Retirees: 3.00% Simple; Post - 1/7/2013 Retirees: 2.30% Simple through 2024, then 2.05% Simple

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**NOTE 10 – DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (Continued)**

***Actuarial Assumptions – OPERS (Continued)***

Pre-retirement mortality rates are based on 130% of the Pub-2010 General Employee Mortality tables (males and females) for State and Local Government divisions and 170% of the Pub-2010 Safety Employee Mortality tables (males and females) for the Public Safety and Law Enforcement divisions. Post-retirement mortality rates are based on 115% of the PubG-2010 Retiree Mortality Tables (males and females) for all divisions. Post-retirement mortality rates for disabled retirees are based on the PubNS-2010 Disabled Retiree Mortality Tables (males and females) for all divisions. For all of the previously described tables, the base year is 2010 and mortality rates for a particular calendar year are determined by applying the MP-2020 mortality improvement scales (males and females) to all of these tables.

The most recent experience study was completed for the five year period ended December 31, 2020.

The long-term rate of return on defined benefit investment assets was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected real rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage, adjusted for inflation.

During 2023, OPERS managed investments in three investment portfolios: the Defined Benefit portfolio, the Health Care portfolio and the Defined Contribution portfolio. The Defined Benefit portfolio contains the investment assets of the Traditional Pension Plan, the defined benefit component of the Combined Plan and the annuitized accounts of the Member-Directed Plan. Within the Defined Benefit portfolio, contributions into the plans are all recorded at the same time, and benefit payments all occur on the first of the month. Accordingly, the money-weighted rate of return is considered to be the same for all plans within the portfolio. The annual money-weighted rate of return expressing investment performance, net of investment expenses and adjusted for the changing amounts actually invested, for the Defined Benefit portfolio was a loss of 11.2% for 2023.

The allocation of investment assets with the Defined Benefit portfolio is approved by the Board of Trustees as outlined in the annual investment plan. Plan assets are managed on a total return basis with a long-term objective of achieving and maintaining a fully funded status for the benefits provided through the defined benefit pension plans. The table below displays the Board-approved asset allocation policy for 2023 and the long-term expected real rates of return:

Asset Class	Target Allocation for 2023	Weighted Average Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return (Arithmetic)
Fixed Income	24%	2.85%
Domestic Equities	21%	4.27%
Real Estate	13%	4.46%
Private Equity	15%	7.52%
International Equities	20%	5.16%
Risk Parity	2%	4.38%
Other Investments	5%	3.46%
<b>Total</b>	<b>100%</b>	

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**NOTE 10 – DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (Continued)**

**Discount Rate** The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 6.9%, post experience study results, for the Traditional Pension Plan. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members and those of the contributing employers are made at the statutorily required rates as actuarially determined. Based on those assumptions, the pension plan'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.

**Sensitivity of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate** The following table presents the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the current period discount rate assumption of 6.9 percent, as well as what the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one-percentage-point lower (5.9 percent) or one-percentage-point higher (7.9 percent) than the current rate:

Employer's Net Pension Liability	1% Decrease	Current Discount	1% Increase
Traditional Pension Plan	\$ 5,367,017	\$ 3,409,213	\$ 1,780,889

**NOTE 11 – DEFINED BENEFIT OPEB PLAN**

***Net OPEB Liability/(Asset)***

OPEB is a component of exchange transactions—between an employer and its employees—of salaries and benefits for employee services. OPEB are provided to an employee—on a deferred-payment basis—as part of the total compensation package offered by an employer for employee services each financial period.

The net OPEB liability/(asset) represents the District's proportionate share of each OPEB plan's collective actuarial present value of projected benefit payments attributable to past periods of service, net of each OPEB plan's fiduciary net position. The net OPEB liability/(asset) calculation is dependent on critical long-term variables, including estimated average life expectancies, earnings on investments, cost of living adjustments and others. While these estimates use the best information available, unknowable future events require adjusting these estimates annually.

Ohio Revised Code limits the District's obligation for this liability/(asset) to annually required payments. The District cannot control benefit terms or the manner in which OPEB are financed; however, the District does receive the benefit of employees' services in exchange for compensation including OPEB.

GASB 75 assumes the liability/(asset) is solely the obligation of the employer, because they benefit from employee services. OPEB contributions come from these employers and health care plan enrollees which pay a portion of the health care costs in the form of a monthly premium. The Ohio Revised Code permits, but does not require, the retirement systems to provide healthcare to eligible benefit recipients. Any change to benefits or funding could significantly affect the net OPEB liability/(asset). Resulting adjustments to the net OPEB liability/(asset) would be effective when the changes are legally enforceable. The retirement systems may allocate a portion of the employer contributions to provide for these OPEB benefits.

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**NOTE 11 – DEFINED BENEFIT OPEB PLAN (Continued)**

***Plan Description***

The District's employees participate in the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System of Ohio (OPERS), which is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer retirement plan. OPERS maintains one health care trust, the 115 Health Care Trust (115 Trust), which was established in 2014 to initially provide a funding mechanism for a health reimbursement arrangement (HRA), as the prior trust structure could not support the HRA. In March 2016, OPERS received two favorable rulings from the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) allowing OPERS to consolidate health care assets into the 115 Trust. The 401(h) Health Care Trust (401(h) Trust) was a pre-funded trust that provided health care funding for eligible members of the Traditional Pension Plan and the Combined Plan through December 31, 2015, when plans funded through the 401(h) Trust were terminated. The Voluntary Employees' Beneficiary Association Trust (VEBA Trust) accumulated funding for retiree medical accounts for participants in the Member- Directed Plan through June 30, 2016. The 401(h) Trust and the VEBA Trust were closed as of June 30, 2016 and the net positions transferred to the 115 trust on July 1, 2016. Beginning in 2016, the 115 Trust, established under Internal Revenue Code (IRC) Section 115, is the funding vehicle for all health care plans. The Plan is included in the report of OPERS which can be obtained by visiting [wwwopers.org](http://wwwopers.org) or by calling (800) 222-7377.

Funding Policy – Ohio Revised Code Chapter 145 authorizes OPERS to offer the Plan and gives the OPERS Board of Trustees discretionary District over how much, if any, of the health care costs will be absorbed by OPERS. Active employee members do not contribute to the Health Care Plan. Nearly all health care plan enrollees, for the most recent year, pay a portion of the health care costs in the form of a monthly premium. Under Ohio law, funding for post-employment health care may be deducted from employer contributions, currently 14.00% of covered payroll. For the year ended December 31, 2023, in the Traditional Plan OPERS allocated 0.00% of employer contributions to post-employment health care.

***Net OPEB Liability/(Asset)***

The net OPEB liability/(asset) was measured as of December 31, 2023, and the total OPEB liability/(asset) used to calculate the net OPEB liability/(asset) was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The District's proportion of the net OPEB liability/(asset) was based on the District's share of contributions to the respective retirement systems relative to the contributions of all participating entities. Following is information related to the proportionate share:

<b>OPERS</b>		
Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability/(Asset)	\$	(109,584)
Proportion of the Net OPEB Liability/(Asset)		0.012142%
Increase/(decrease) in % from prior proportion measured		0.000438%
OPEB Expense/(Offset)	\$	(17,497)

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**NOTE 11 – DEFINED BENEFIT OPEB PLAN (Continued)**

***Net OPEB Liability/(Asset) (Continued)***

At December 31, 2024, the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	<b>OPERS</b>
<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>	
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	\$ 65,812
Changes in assumptions	<u>28,213</u>
 Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	 <u>\$ 94,025</u>
 <b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>	
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 15,597
Changes in assumptions	47,107
Changes in proportion and differences between committee contributions and proportionate share of contributions	<u>2,748</u>
 Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	 <u>\$ 65,452</u>

Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

<b>Fiscal Year Ending</b> <b>December 31:</b>	<b>OPERS</b>
2025	\$ (24,643)
2026	24,211
2027	51,228
2028	<u>(22,223)</u>
 Total	 <u>\$ 28,573</u>

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**NOTE 11 – DEFINED BENEFIT OPEB PLAN (Continued)**

***Actuarial Assumptions - OPERS***

The actuarial valuation used the following actuarial assumptions applied to all prior periods included in the measurement in accordance with the requirements of GASB 74:

<b>Key Methods and Assumptions Used in Valuation of Total OPEB Liability</b>	
Actuarial Information	Traditional Pension Plan
Valuation Date	December 31, 2022
Rolled-forward measurement date	December 31, 2023
Experience Study	5 Year Period Ended December 31, 2020
Actuarial Cost Method	Individual entry age
Actuarial Assumptions:	
Single Discount Rate	5.70%
Investment Rate of Return	6.00%
Municipal Bond Rate	3.77%
Wage Inflation	2.75%
Projected Salary Increases	2.75%-10.75% (Includes wage inflation at 2.75%)
Health Care Cost Trend Rate	5.50% initial, 3.50% ultimate in 2038

Pre-retirement mortality rates are based on 130% of the Pub-2010 General Employee Mortality tables for males and females for State and Local Government divisions and 170% of the Pub-2010 Safety Employee Mortality tables (males and females) for the Public Safety and Law Enforcement divisions. Post-retirement mortality rates are based on 115% of the PubG-2010 Retiree Mortality Tables (males and females) for all divisions. Post-retirement mortality rates for disabled retirees are based on the PubNS-2010 Disabled Retiree Mortality Tables (males and females) for all divisions. For all of the previously described tables, the base year is 2010 and mortality rates for a particular calendar year are determined by applying the MP-2020 mortality improvement scales (males and females) to all of these tables.

A single discount rate of 5.22% was used to measure the total OPEB liability on the measurement date of December 31, 2022; however the single discount rate used at the beginning of the year was 6%. Projected benefit payments are required to be discounted to their actuarial present value using a single discount rate that reflects (1) a long-term expected rate of return on OPEB plan investments (to the extent that the health care fiduciary net position is projected to be sufficient to pay benefits), and (2) a tax-exempt municipal bond rate based on an index of 20-year general obligation bonds with an average AA credit rating as of the measurement date (to the extent that the contributions for use with the long-term expected rate are not met). This single discount rate was based on the actuarial assumed rate of return on the health care investment portfolio of 6.00% and a municipal bond rate of 4.05%. The projection of cash flows used to determine this single discount rate assumed that employer contributions will be made at rates equal to the actuarially determined contribution rate. Based on these assumptions, the health care fiduciary net position and future contributions were sufficient to finance health care costs through the year 2054. As a result, the actuarial assumed long-term expected rate of return on health care investments was applied to projected costs through the year 2054, and the municipal bond rates was applied to all health care costs after that date.

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**NOTE 11 – DEFINED BENEFIT OPEB PLAN (Continued)**

***Actuarial Assumptions - OPERS***

The following table presents the OPEB liability/(asset) calculated using the single discount rate of 5.22%, and the expected net OPEB liability/(asset) if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1.00% lower or 1.00% higher than the current rate.

	1% Decrease 4.70%	Current Discount Rate 5.70%	1% Increase 6.70%
District's proportionate share of the Net OPEB Liability/(Asset)	\$ 60,224	\$ (109,584)	\$ (250,247)

Changes in the health care cost trend rate may also have a significant impact on the net OPEB liability/(asset). The following table presents the net OPEB liability/(asset) calculated using the assumed trend rates, and the expected net OPEB liability/(asset) if it were calculated using a health care cost trend rate that is 1.00% lower or 1.00% higher than the current rate.

Retiree health care valuations use a health care cost trend assumption with changes over several years built into that assumption. The near-term rates reflect increases in the current cost of health care; the trend starting in 2024 is 5.50%. If this trend continues for future years, the projection indicates that years from now virtually all expenditures will be for health care. A more reasonable alternative is the health care cost trend will decrease to a level at, or near, wage inflation. On this basis, the actuaries project premium rate increases will continue to exceed wage inflation for approximately the next decade, but by less each year, until leveling off at an ultimate rate, assumed to be 3.50% in the most recent valuation.

	1% Decrease	Current Health Care Cost Trend Rate Assumption	1% Increase
District's proportionate share of the Net OPEB Liability/(Asset)	\$ (114,135)	\$ (109,584)	\$ (104,421)

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**NOTE 11 – DEFINED BENEFIT OPEB PLAN (Continued)**

***Actuarial Assumptions – OPERS (Continued)***

The allocation of investment assets within the Health Care portfolio is approved by the Board as outlined in the annual investment plan. Assets are managed on a total return basis with a long-term objective of continuing to offer a sustainable health care program for current and future retirees. The System's primary goal is to achieve and maintain a fully funded status for benefits provided through the defined pension plans. Health care is a discretionary benefit. The table below displays the Board-approved asset allocation policy for 2023 and the long-term expected real rates of return.

Asset Class	Target Allocation for 2023	Weighted Average Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
		(Arithmetic)
Fixed Income	37.00%	2.82%
Domestic Equities	25.00%	4.27%
REITs	5.00%	4.68%
International Equities	25.00%	5.16%
Risk Parity	3.00%	4.38%
Other Investments	5.00%	2.43%
Total	100.00%	

The long-term expected rate of return on health care investment assets was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected real rate of return by weighing the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage, adjusted for inflation.

During 2023, OPERS managed investments in three investment portfolios: the Defined Benefit portfolio, the Health Care portfolio and the Defined Contribution portfolio. The Health Care portfolio includes the assets for health care expenses for the Traditional Pension Plan, Combined Plan and Member-Directed Plan eligible members. Within the Health Care portfolio, contributions into the plans are assumed to be received continuously throughout the year based on the actual payroll payable at the time contributions are made, and health care-related payments are assumed to occur mid-year. Accordingly, the money-weighted rate of return is considered to be the same for all plans within the portfolio. The annual money-weighted rate of return expressing investment performance, net of investment expenses and adjusted for the changing amounts actually invested, for the Health Care portfolio was a gain of 14.0% for 2023.

**SCIOTO COUNTY REGIONAL WATER DISTRICT NO. 1**  
**SCIOTO COUNTY**  
**REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**  
**Schedule of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability**  
**Ohio Public Employees Retirement System - Traditional Plan**  
**Last Ten Years (1)**

**For the Calendar Year Ended December 31 2024**

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>
District's Proportion of the Net Pension Liability	0.013022%	0.012567%	0.012588%	0.012549%	0.012137%	0.012287%	0.012167%	0.012383%	0.011834%	0.011584%
District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	\$ 3,409,213	\$ 3,712,297	\$ 1,095,207	\$ 1,858,234	\$ 2,398,960	\$ 3,365,160	\$ 1,908,766	\$ 2,811,969	\$ 2,049,798	\$ 1,397,160
District's Covered Payroll	\$ 2,143,508	\$ 1,948,034	\$ 1,826,836	\$ 1,768,503	\$ 1,707,699	\$ 1,659,630	\$ 1,607,824	\$ 1,600,774	\$ 1,472,893	\$ 1,424,908
District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll	159.05%	190.57%	59.95%	105.07%	140.48%	202.77%	118.72%	175.66%	139.17%	98.05%
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability	79.01%	75.74%	92.62%	86.88%	82.17%	74.70%	84.66%	77.25%	81.08%	86.45%

(1) Information is presented on a calendar year basis, consistent with measurement year used by OPERS.

**SCIOTO COUNTY REGIONAL WATER DISTRICT NO. 1**  
**SCIOTO COUNTY**  
**REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**  
**Schedule of District's Contributions**  
**Ohio Public Employees Retirement System - Traditional Plan**  
**Last Ten Fiscal Years (1)**  
**For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31 2024**

	<b>FY2024</b>	<b>FY2023</b>	<b>FY2022</b>	<b>FY2021</b>	<b>FY2020</b>	<b>FY2019</b>	<b>FY2018</b>	<b>FY2017</b>	<b>FY2016</b>	<b>FY2015</b>
Contractually Required Contribution	\$ 308,593	\$ 300,091	\$ 272,742	\$ 255,757	\$ 247,590	\$ 239,078	\$ 232,348	\$ 209,017	\$ 192,093	\$ 176,747
Contributions in Relation to the Contractually Required Contribution	308,593	300,091	272,742	255,757	247,590	239,078	232,348	209,017	192,093	176,747
Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	<u>\$ -</u>									
District's Covered Payroll	\$ 2,204,234	\$ 2,143,508	\$ 1,948,034	\$ 1,826,836	\$ 1,768,503	\$ 1,707,699	\$ 1,659,630	\$ 1,607,824	\$ 1,600,774	\$ 1,472,893
Contributions as Percentage of Covered Payroll	14.00%	14.00%	14.00%	14.00%	14.00%	14.00%	14.00%	14.00%	13.00%	12.00%

See Accompanying Notes to the Basic Financial Statements.

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**SCIOTO COUNTY REGIONAL WATER DISTRICT NO. 1**

**SCIOTO COUNTY**

**REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

Schedule of District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability (Asset)

Ohio Public Employees Retirement System

Last Eight Fiscal Years (1)

Health Care Trust

**For the Calendar Year Ended December 31 2024**

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>
District's Proportion of the Net OPEB Liability	0.012142%	0.011704%	0.011715%	0.011303%	0.011303%	0.011442%	0.011350%
District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability/(Asset)	(109,584)	73,796	\$ (366,932)	\$ (208,213)	\$1,561,238	\$ 1,491,767	\$1,232,526
District's Covered Payroll	\$2,143,508	\$1,948,034	\$1,826,836	\$1,768,503	\$1,707,699	\$ 1,659,630	\$1,607,824
District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability/Asset as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll	-5.11%	3.79%	-20.09%	-11.77%	91.42%	89.89%	76.66%
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total OPEB Liability	107.76%	94.79%	128.23%	115.57%	47.80%	46.33%	54.14%

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**SCIOTO COUNTY REGIONAL WATER DISTRICT NO. 1**  
**SCIOTO COUNTY**  
**REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**  
 Schedule of District's Contributions  
 Ohio Public Employees Retirement System - OPEB Plan  
 Last Ten Fiscal Years (1)  
 Health Care Trust  
**For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2024**

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Contractually Required Contribution	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 16,078	\$ 32,015	\$ 29,458
Contributions in Relation to the Contractually Required Contribution	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(16,078)	(32,015)	(29,458)
Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	<u>\$ -</u>									
District's Covered Payroll	\$ 2,204,234	\$ 2,143,508	\$ 1,948,034	\$ 1,826,836	\$ 1,768,503	\$ 1,707,699	\$ 1,659,630	\$ 1,607,824	\$ 1,600,774	\$ 1,472,893
Contributions as Percentage of Covered Payroll	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	1.00%	2.00%	2.00%

See Accompanying Notes to the Basic Financial Statements.

(1) Information is presented on a fiscal year basis, consistent with District's financial statements.

**SCIOTO COUNTY REGIONAL WATER DISTRICT NO. 1**  
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**Notes to the Required Supplemental Information**  
**For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2024**

**Note 1 - Changes in Assumptions – OPERS Pension**

Amounts reported for fiscal year 2017 (Measurement Period 2016) incorporate changes in assumptions used by OPERS in calculating the total pension liability in the latest actuarial valuation. These new assumptions compared with those used in fiscal year 2016 (Measurement Period 2015) and prior are presented below:

Changes in assumptions were made based upon an updated experience study that was completed for the five-year period ended December 31, 2015. Significant changes included a reduction of the discount rate from 8.0% to 7.5%, a reduction in the wage inflation rate from 3.75% to 3.25%, and transition from RP-2000 mortality tables to the RP-2014 mortality tables.

There are no changes in actuarial valuation for measurement period 2017 versus measurement period 2016.

Valuation Date	December 31, 2018	December 31, 2017
Experience Study	5 Year Period Ended December 31, 2015	5 Year Period Ended December 31, 2015
Actuarial Cost Method	Individual entry age	Individual entry age
Actuarial Assumptions:		
Investment Rate of Return	7.20%	7.50%
Wage Inflation	3.25%	3.25%
Projected Salary Increases	3.25% to 10.75% (Includes wage inflation of 3.25%)	3.25% to 8.25% (Includes wage inflation of 3.25%)
Cost-of-Living Adjustments	Pre - 1/7/2013 Retirees: 3.00% Simple; Post - 1/7/2013 Retirees: 3.00% Simple through 2018, then 2.15% Simple	Pre - 1/7/2013 Retirees: 3.00% Simple; Post - 1/7/2013 Retirees: 3.00% Simple through 2018, then 2.15% Simple

Changes for the period 2018 versus the measurement period 2017 included a reduction of the discount rate from 7.5% to 7.2%.

There were no significant changes for the measurement period 2019 versus the measurement period 2018.

There were no significant changes for the measurement period 2020 versus the measurement period 2019.

Amounts reported for fiscal year 2022 (Measurement Period 2021) incorporate changes in assumptions used by OPERS in calculating the total pension liability in the latest actuarial valuation. These new assumptions compared with those used in fiscal year 2021 (Measurement Period 2020) are presented below:

Actuarial Information	Traditional Pension Plan	Traditional Pension Plan
Valuation Date	December 31, 2021	December 31, 2020
Experience Study	5 Year Period Ended December 31, 2020	5 Year Period Ended December 31, 2015
Actuarial Cost Method	Individual entry age	Individual entry age
Actuarial Assumptions:		
Investment Rate of Return	6.90%	7.20%
Wage Inflation	2.75%	3.25%
Projected Salary Increases	2.75% to 10.75% (Includes wage inflation of 2.75%)	3.25% to 10.75% (Includes wage inflation of 3.25%)
Cost-of-Living Adjustments	Pre - 1/7/2013 Retirees: 3.00% Simple; Post - 1/7/2013 Retirees: 3.00% Simple through 2022, then 2.05% Simple	Pre - 1/7/2013 Retirees: 3.00% Simple; Post - 1/7/2013 Retirees: 0.50% Simple through 2021, then 2.15% Simple

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**Note 1 - Changes in Assumptions – OPERS Pension (Continued)**

Changes in assumptions were made based upon an updated experience study that was completed for the five-year period ended December 31, 2020. Significant changes included a reduction of the discount rate from 7.2% to 6.9%, a reduction in the wage inflation rate from 3.25% to 2.75%, and transition from RP-2014 mortality tables to the Pub-2010 mortality tables.

Amounts reported for fiscal year 2024 (Measurement Period 2023) reported no changes in assumptions.

**Note 2 - Changes in Assumptions – OPERS OPEB**

Amounts reported for fiscal year 2019 (Measurement Period 2018) incorporate changes in assumptions used by OPERS in calculating the total OPEB liability in the latest actuarial valuation. These new assumptions compared with those used in fiscal year 2018 (Measurement Period 2017) are presented below:

<b>Key Methods and Assumptions Used in Valuation of Total OPEB Liability</b>		
Actuarial Information	Traditional Pension Plan	Traditional Pension Plan
Valuation Date	December 31, 2017	December 31, 2016
Rolled-forward measurement date	December 31, 2018	December 31, 2017
Experience Study	5 Year Period Ended December 31, 2015	5 Year Period Ended December 31, 2015
Actuarial Cost Method	Individual entry age	Individual entry age
Actuarial Assumptions:		
Single Discount Rate	3.96%	3.85%
Investment Rate of Return	6.00%	6.50%
Municipal Bond Rate	3.71%	3.31%
Wage Inflation	3.25%	3.25%
Projected Salary Increases	3.25% to 10.75% (Includes wage inflation of 3.25%)	3.25% to 10.75% (Includes wage inflation of 3.25%)
Health Care Cost Trend Rate	10% initial, 3.25% ultimate in 2029	7.5% initial, 3.25% ultimate in 2028

Changes in assumptions were made based upon an updated experience study that was completed for the five-year period ended December 31, 2015. Significant changes included a increase of the discount rate from 3.85% to 3.96%, a reduction in the investment rate of return 6.50% to 6.00%, and an increase in bond rate from 3.31% to 3.71%.

Amounts reported for fiscal year 2020 (Measurement Period 2019) incorporate changes in assumptions used by OPERS in calculating the total OPEB liability in the latest actuarial valuation. These new assumptions compared with those used in fiscal year 2019 (Measurement Period 2018) are presented below:

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**Note 2 - Changes in Assumptions – OPERS OPEB (Continued)**

Actuarial Information	Traditional Pension Plan	Traditional Pension Plan
Valuation Date	December 31, 2018	December 31, 2017
Rolled-forward measurement date	December 31, 2019	December 31, 2018
Experience Study	5 Year Period Ended December 31, 2015	5 Year Period Ended December 31, 2015
Actuarial Cost Method	Individual entry age	Individual entry age
Actuarial Assumptions:		
Single Discount Rate	3.16%	3.96%
Investment Rate of Return	6.00%	6.00%
Municipal Bond Rate	2.75%	3.71%
Wage Inflation	3.25%	3.25%
Projected Salary Increases	3.25% to 10.75% (Includes wage inflation of 3.25%)	3.25% to 10.75% (Includes wage inflation of 3.25%)
Health Care Cost Trend Rate	10.5% initial, 3.50% ultimate in 2030	10% initial, 3.25% ultimate in 2029

Changes in assumptions were made based upon an updated experience study that was completed for the five-year period ended December 31, 2015. Significant changes included a decrease of the discount rate from 3.96% to 3.16% and an decrease in bond rate from 3.71% to 3.25%. There is also a change Health Care Cost Trend Rates.

Amounts reported for fiscal year 2021 (Measurement Period 2020) incorporate changes in assumptions used by OPERS in calculating the total OPEB liability in the latest actuarial valuation. These new assumptions compared with those used in fiscal year 2020 (Measurement Period 2019) are presented below:

Actuarial Information	Traditional Pension Plan	Traditional Pension Plan
Valuation Date	December 31, 2019	December 31, 2018
Rolled-forward measurement date	December 31, 2020	December 31, 2019
Experience Study	5 Year Period Ended December 31, 2015	5 Year Period Ended December 31, 2015
Actuarial Cost Method	Individual entry age	Individual entry age
Actuarial Assumptions:		
Single Discount Rate	6.00%	3.16%
Investment Rate of Return	6.00%	6.00%
Municipal Bond Rate	2.00%	2.75%
Wage Inflation	3.25%	3.25%
Projected Salary Increases	3.25% to 10.75% (Includes wage inflation of 3.25%)	3.25% to 10.75% (Includes wage inflation of 3.25%)
Health Care Cost Trend Rate	8.50% initial, 3.50% ultimate in 2035	10.5% initial, 3.50% ultimate in 2030

Changes in assumptions were made based upon an updated experience study that was completed for the five-year period ended December 31, 2015. Significant changes included a decrease of the discount rate from 3.16% to 6.00% and a decrease in bond rate from 3.25% to 2.00%. There is also a change Health Care Cost Trend Rates.

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**Note 2 - Changes in Assumptions – OPERS OPEB (Continued)**

Amounts reported for fiscal year 2022 (Measurement Period 2021) incorporate changes in assumptions used by OPERS in calculating the total OPEB liability in the latest actuarial valuation. These new assumptions compared with those used in fiscal year 2021 (Measurement Period 2020) are presented below:

Actuarial Information	Traditional Pension Plan	Traditional Pension Plan
Valuation Date	December 31, 2020	December 31, 2019
Rolled-forward measurement date	December 31, 2021	December 31, 2020
Experience Study	5 Year Period Ended December 31, 2020	5 Year Period Ended December 31, 2015
Actuarial Cost Method	Individual entry age	Individual entry age normal
Actuarial Assumptions:		
Single Discount Rate	6.00%	6.00%
Investment Rate of Return	6.00%	6.00%
Municipal Bond Rate	1.84%	2.00%
Wage Inflation	2.75%	3.25%
Projected Salary Increases	2.75% to 10.75% (Includes wage inflation of 2.75%)	3.25% to 10.75% (Includes wage inflation of 3.25%)
Health Care Cost Trend Rate	5.50% initial, 3.50% ultimate in 2034	8.50% initial, 3.50% ultimate in 2035

Changes in assumptions were made based upon an updated experience study that was completed for the five-year period ended December 31, 2020. Significant changes included a decrease of the municipal bond rate from 2.00% to 1.84%, a decrease in the minimum projected salary increases from 3.25% to 2.75%. There is also a change Health Care Cost Trend Rates.

Amounts reported for fiscal year 2023 (Measurement Period 2022) incorporate changes in assumptions used by OPERS in calculating the total OPEB liability in the latest actuarial valuation. These new assumptions compared with those used in fiscal year 2022 (Measurement Period 2021) are presented below:

Actuarial Information	Traditional Pension Plan	Traditional Pension Plan
Valuation Date	December 31, 2021	December 31, 2020
Rolled-forward measurement date	December 31, 2022	December 31, 2021
Experience Study	5 Year Period Ended December 31, 2020	5 Year Period Ended December 31, 2020
Actuarial Cost Method	Individual entry age	Individual entry age
Actuarial Assumptions:		
Single Discount Rate	5.22%	6.00%
Investment Rate of Return	6.00%	6.00%
Municipal Bond Rate	4.05%	1.84%
Wage Inflation	2.75%	2.75%
Projected Salary Increases	2.75% to 10.75% (Includes wage inflation of 2.75%)	2.75% to 10.75% (Includes wage inflation of 2.75%)
Health Care Cost Trend Rate	5.5% initial, 3.50% ultimate in 2036	5.5% initial, 3.50% ultimate in 2034

Changes in assumptions were made based upon an updated experience study that was completed for the five-year period ended December 31, 2020. The significant change includes a decrease in the Single Discount Rate from 6.00% to 5.22%.

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**Note 2 - Changes in Assumptions – OPERS OPEB (Continued)**

Amounts reported for fiscal year 2024 (Measurement Period 2023) incorporate changes in assumptions used by OPERS in calculating the total OPEB liability in the latest actuarial valuation. These new assumptions compared with those used in fiscal year 2023 (Measurement Period 2022) are presented below:

Actuarial Information	Traditional Pension Plan	Traditional Pension Plan
Valuation Date	December 31, 2022	December 31, 2021
Rolled-forward measurement date	December 31, 2023	December 31, 2022
Experience Study	5 Year Period Ended December 31, 2020	5 Year Period Ended December 31, 2020
Actuarial Cost Method	Individual entry age	Individual entry age
Actuarial Assumptions:		
Single Discount Rate	5.70%	5.22%
Investment Rate of Return	6.00%	6.00%
Municipal Bond Rate	3.77%	4.05%
Wage Inflation	2.75%	2.75%
Projected Salary Increases	2.75%-10.75% (Includes wage inflation at 2.75%)	2.75% to 10.75% (Includes wage inflation of 2.75%)
Health Care Cost Trend Rate	5.50% initial, 3.50% ultimate in 2038	5.5% initial, 3.50% ultimate in 2036

Changes in assumptions were made based upon an updated experience study that was completed for the five-year period ended December 31, 2020. The significant change includes an increase in the Single Discount Rate from 5.22% to 5.70%, and a decrease in the municipal bond rate from 4.05% to 3.77%.

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**SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024**

<b>Federal Grantor/ Pass-Through Grantor/ Program or Cluster Title</b>	<b>Federal AL Number</b>	<b>Federal Expenditures</b>
United States Department of Agriculture		
Direct		
Water and Waste Disposal Systems for Rural Communities	10.760	\$ 1,190,233
Total U.S. Department of Agriculture		<u>1,190,233</u>
U.S. Department of Treasury		
Passed through Board of Scioto County Commissioners		
American Rescue Plan Act	21.027	<u>322,618</u>
Total U.S. Department of Treasury		<u>322,618</u>
Total Federal Awards Expenditures		<u>\$ 1,512,851</u>

See accompanying notes to the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards

## SCIOTO COUNTY REGIONAL WATER DISTRICT #1

### NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS 2 CFR 200.510(b)(6) FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

#### NOTE A – BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (the Schedule) includes the federal award activity of Scioto County Regional Water District #1 (the District) under programs of the federal government for the year ended December 31, 2024. The information on this Schedule is prepared in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Because the Schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of the District, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net position, or cash flows of the District.

#### NOTE B – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Expenditures reported on the Schedule are reported on the cash basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in Uniform Guidance wherein certain types of expenditures may or may not be allowable or may be limited as to reimbursement

#### NOTE C – INDIRECT COST RATE

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

#### NOTE D – LOAN PROGRAMS WITH CONTINUING COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS

The federal loan programs listed below are administered directly by the District, and balances and transactions relating to these programs are included in the District's basic financial statements. Loans outstanding at the beginning of the year and loans made during the year are included in the federal expenditures presented in the Schedule. The balances of loans outstanding at December 31, 2024 consist of:

AL Number	Program/Cluster Name	Outstanding Balance at December 31, 2024
10.760	Water and Waste Disposal Systems for Rural Communities	\$4,223,423



**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER  
FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS  
REQUIRED BY GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS**

Scioto County Regional Water District #1  
Scioto County  
PO Box 310  
Lucasville, OH 45648

To the Board of Directors:

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, the financial statements of the Scioto County Regional Water District #1, Scioto County, (the District) as of and for the year then ended December 31, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated September 19, 2025.

***Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting***

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the District's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing 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 District's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the District'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 District'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 or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified.

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***Report on Compliance and Other Matters***

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the District's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. 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 District'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 District's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Perry & Associates CPA, A.C." The signature is fluid and cursive, with "Perry & Associates" on the top line and "CPA, A.C." on the bottom line.

**Perry and Associates**  
Certified Public Accountants, A.C.  
*Marietta, Ohio*

September 19, 2025

**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS  
APPLICABLE TO THE MAJOR FEDERAL PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER  
COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE**

Scioto County Regional Water District #1  
Scioto County  
PO Box 310  
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To the Board of Directors:

**Report on Compliance for the Major Federal Program**

***Opinion on the Major Federal Program***

We have audited Scioto County Regional Water District #1 (the District) compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) *Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on the Scioto County Regional Water District #1's major federal program for the year ended December 31, 2024. Scioto County Regional Water District #1's major federal program is identified in the *Summary of Auditor's Results* section of the accompanying schedule of findings.

In our opinion, Scioto County Regional Water District complied, in all material respects, with the compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on its major federal program for the year ended December 31, 2024.

***Basis for Opinion on the Major Federal Program***

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS); the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States (*Government Auditing Standards*); 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). Our responsibilities under those standards and the Uniform Guidance are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance* section of our report.

We are required to be independent of the District and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with 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 opinion on compliance for the major federal program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of the District's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

***Responsibilities of Management for Compliance***

The District's Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements referred to above and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, statutes, regulations, rules, and provisions of contracts or grant agreements applicable to the District's federal programs.

### ***Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance***

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether material noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above occurred, whether due to fraud or error, and express an opinion on the District's compliance based on our audit. 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 GAAS, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance will always detect material noncompliance when it exists. The risk of not detecting material noncompliance resulting from fraud is higher than for that resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above is considered material, if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, it would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user of the report on compliance about the District's compliance with the requirements of the major federal program as a whole.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance, we:

- exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- identify and assess the risks of material noncompliance, 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 District's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.
- obtain an understanding of the District's internal control over compliance relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances 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 the District's internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and any significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in internal control over compliance that we identified during the audit.

### **Report on 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.

Scioto County Regional Water District #1  
Scioto County  
Independent Auditor's Report on Compliance with Requirements  
Applicable to the Major Federal Program and on Internal Control  
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**Report on Internal Control Over Compliance (Continued)**

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance* section above and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance may exist that were not identified.

Our audit was not designed for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

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 this testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.



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September 19, 2025

**SCIOTO COUNTY REGIONAL WATER DISTRICT #1**  
**SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS**  
**2 CFR § 200.515**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024**

**1. SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS**

<b>(d)(1)(i)</b>	<b>Type of Financial Statement Opinion</b>	Unmodified
<b>(d)(1)(ii)</b>	<b>Were there any material weaknesses in internal control reported at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?</b>	No
<b>(d)(1)(ii)</b>	<b>Were there any significant deficiencies in internal control reported at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?</b>	No
<b>(d)(1)(iii)</b>	<b>Was there any reported material noncompliance at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?</b>	No
<b>(d)(1)(iv)</b>	<b>Were there any material weaknesses in internal control reported for major federal programs?</b>	No
<b>(d)(1)(iv)</b>	<b>Were there any significant deficiencies in internal control reported for major federal programs?</b>	No
<b>(d)(1)(v)</b>	<b>Type of Major Program's Compliance Opinion</b>	Unmodified
<b>(d)(1)(vi)</b>	<b>Are there any reportable findings under 2 CFR § 200.516(a)?</b>	No
<b>(d)(1)(vii)</b>	<b>Major Programs (list):</b>	AL # 10.760 Water and Waste Water Disposal Systems for Rural Communities
<b>(d)(1)(viii)</b>	<b>Dollar Threshold: Type A/B Programs</b>	Type A: > \$ 750,000 Type B: all others
<b>(d)(1)(ix)</b>	<b>Low Risk Auditee under 2 CFR § 200.520?</b>	No

**2. FINDINGS RELATED TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
REQUIRED TO BE REPORTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GAGAS**

None

**3. FINDINGS FOR FEDERAL AWARDS**

None



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### SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

Finding Number	Finding Summary	Status	Additional Information
2023-001	Financial Reporting	Corrected	N/A

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# OHIO AUDITOR OF STATE KEITH FABER



SCIOTO COUNTY REGIONAL WATER DISTRICT #1

SCIOTO COUNTY

## AUDITOR OF STATE OF OHIO CERTIFICATION

This is a true and correct copy of the report, which is required to be filed pursuant to Section 117.26, Revised Code, and which is filed in the Office of the Ohio Auditor of State in Columbus, Ohio.



Certified for Release 2/3/2026

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