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Accountability Audit Report

**Snohomish County Public Facility
District**

Audit Period
July 1, 2001 through December 31, 2003

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Audit Summary

Snohomish County Public Facility District July 1, 2001 through December 31, 2003

ABOUT THE AUDIT

This report contains the results of our independent accountability audit of Snohomish County Public Facility District for the period July 1, 2001, through December 31, 2003.

We performed audit procedures to determine whether the District complied with state laws and regulations and its own policies and procedures. Our work focused on specific areas that have potential for abuse and misuse of public resources.

RESULTS

In the areas we examined, the District complied with state laws and regulations and its own policies and procedures. We did not identify conditions significant enough to report as findings.

RELATED REPORTS

Our opinion on the District's financial statements is provided in a separate report.

CLOSING REMARKS

We appreciate the District's commitment to ensuring compliance with conditions reported this audit. We thank District officials and personnel for their assistance and cooperation during the audit.

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ABOUT THE DISTRICT

Snohomish County Council created a Public Facilities District in June 2001. The District is authorized to acquire, construct, own, remodel, maintain, equip, re-equip, repair and finance and operate four projects: the City of Everett Public Facilities District's Arena and Parking garage, the South Snohomish County Public Facilities District's Regional Center in Lynnwood, the City of Edmonds Public Facilities District's remodel of the Puget Sound Christian College for use as a regional performing arts and convention center and the Snohomish County Paine Field Airport project in conjunction with the National Flight Interpretative Museum. Proponents of the inter-local will construct a museum at Paine Field. The Boeing tour operation will be co-located on this site. The District is governed by a five-member Board of Directors that is appointed by Snohomish County Council. It contracts with Snohomish County for financial services. Its operating budget was \$172,209, \$1,290,000 and \$1,331,332 for 2001, 2002 and 2003, respectively.

AUDIT HISTORY

This was the first audit of the District.

APPOINTED OFFICIALS

Board of Directors:

Steve Juntwait
Liz Loomis
Boyd McPherson
Eric Nelson
Travis Snider

ADDRESS

District

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Audit Areas Examined

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In keeping with general auditing practices, we do not examine every portion of Snohomish County Public Facility District's financial activities during each audit. The areas examined were those representing the highest risk of noncompliance, misappropriation or misuse. Other areas are audited on a rotating basis over the course of several years. The following areas of the District were examined during this audit period:

ACCOUNTABILITY FOR PUBLIC RESOURCES

We evaluated the District's accountability in the following areas:

- Financial statement preparation and journal entries
- Purchase of goods and services

LEGAL COMPLIANCE

We audited the following areas for compliance with certain applicable state and local laws and regulations:

- Deposit and investment of public funds
- Use of restricted funds
- Ethics/conflict of interest laws
- Open Public Meetings Act
- Compensation of board members
- Revenue matching requirements
- Allowable expenditures
- Interlocal agreements

FINANCIAL AREAS

Our opinion on the District's financial statements is provided in a separate report. That report includes the District's financial statements and other required financial information. We examined the financial activity and balances of the District including:

- Cash and investments
- Revenues
- Expenditures
- Overall presentation of the financial statements