

COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE - AUDITOR-CONTROLLER DIVISION – INTERNAL AUDITS UNIT

INTERNAL AUDIT REPORT

NON-POOLED INVESTMENTS PERFORMANCE
AUDIT REPORT

TREASURY OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE



Audit Committee Submittal Date: 05/17/2019

SUMMARY

Background

As per Government Code Section 27131, the Sacramento County Treasury Oversight Committee (Committee) was established to oversee County of Sacramento (County) investments. As such, the Committee requests the Department of Finance to perform an audit on a quarterly basis to inspect County non-pooled investments to ensure compliance with the governing investment policy document, and applicable laws and regulations.

Audit Objective

To verify the County Non-Pooled Investment Fund 's compliance with the governing investment policy document for the quarter ended March 31, 2019.

Summary

We did not note any findings related to the audit.

COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO

Treasury Oversight Committee
Non-Pooled Investments
Performance Audit Report

For the Quarter Ended March 31, 2019

Audit Staff:

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**COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
TREASURY OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE
NON-POOLED INVESTMENTS
PERFORMANCE AUDIT REPORT
FOR THE QUARTER ENDED MARCH 31, 2019**

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Department of Finance

Ben Lamera
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County of Sacramento

April 12, 2019

The Honorable Board of Supervisors and the
Sacramento County Treasury Oversight Committee
County of Sacramento, California

We have audited the Sacramento County Non-Pooled Investment Fund's (Fund) for the quarter ended March 31, 2019.

We conducted this performance audit in accordance with Generally Accepted Government Auditing Standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain sufficient, appropriate evidence to provide a reasonable basis for our findings and conclusions based on our objectives. We believe that the evidence obtained provides a reasonable basis for our findings and conclusions based on our audit objective.

Our audit was conducted to verify the Sacramento County Non-Pooled Investment Fund (Fund)'s compliance with County of Sacramento, Non-Pooled Investment Policy (Policy) as described below for the quarter ended March 31, 2019, and to verify whether the Department of Finance, Treasury Division (Treasury) Division and Investment Division (Investment) have adequate internal control to ensure the Fund's compliance with the policy.

Non-Pooled Investments primarily consist of investments purchased with proceeds from Mello Roos Bonds (MR), Revenue Bonds (REV), General Obligation Bonds (GO), Assessment District Bonds (AD), Community Facilities District Bonds (CFD), Certificates of Participation Notes (COPs), and Tobacco Securitization Proceeds (TSP). The investment policy for the bonds is set forth in either the bond resolution, the bond indenture or by the bond insurer (governing investment policy document). The investment policy for the Tobacco Securitization Proceed is set forth in the Tobacco Securitization bond resolution and bond indenture.

The majority of the bond investments are limited to those authorized by California Government Code Section 53601 et seq. Any other authorized investments are indicated in the governing investment policy document.

Management is responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of effective internal control to ensure compliance with the Policy.

The scope of our audit includes all non-pooled investments for the quarter ended March 31, 2019.

The audit methodology utilized to conduct the performance audit included:

Interview:

- We interviewed various Treasury and Investment staff to gain an understanding of policies, procedures, and processes for ensuring the Fund's compliance with the Policy.

Document Review:

- We reviewed the organization chart and written documentation to understand the relevant policies, procedures, and processes and to identify any internal control weaknesses, conflicts of interest, and inadequate segregation of duties.

Process Walkthrough:

- We had Treasury and Investment staff walk us step-by-step through processes related to the daily activities of the Fund. We verified whether staff had followed the policies and procedures.

Testing:

- We verified that the SunGard Financial Services, Inc., Advanced Portfolio System II non-pooled investment balances agreed with the custodian statements.
- We randomly selected twelve non-pooled investments based upon outstanding issues at March 31, 2019, including three new issues since quarter ended December 31, 2018 to test for compliance with the Policy. See Schedule I, *Sample of Non-Pooled Investments for Quarter Ended March 31, 2019*. The twelve non-pooled investments totaled \$383,699,420 that represents approximately 55% of the total \$ 695,726,565 non-pooled investments.
- We inspected the portfolio monitoring report for twelve selected investments and tested for accuracy.
- We verified that investments were made in accordance with the Policy

In connection with the audit contained herein, there are certain disclosures that are necessary pursuant to Generally Accepted Government Auditing Standards.

As required by various statutes within the California Government Code, County Auditor-Controllers or Directors of Finance are mandated to perform certain accounting, auditing, and financial reporting functions. These activities, in themselves, necessarily impair Generally Accepted Government Auditing Standards' independence standards. Specifically, auditors should not audit their own work or provide non-audit services in situations where the amounts or services involved are significant/material to the subject matter of the audit.

Although the Director of Finance is statutorily obligated to maintain the non-pooled investment in the County Treasury, we believe that the following safeguard and division of responsibility exist. The staff that has the responsibility to perform audits within the Auditor-Controller Division has no other responsibility regarding to the internal control or compliance of the Fund, the accounts and records being audited including the approval or posting of financial transactions that would therefore enable the reader of this report to rely on the information contained herein.

Based on our audit, the Fund complied with the Policy for the quarter ended March 31, 2019. Also, Treasury and Investment have adequate internal control to ensure the Fund's compliance with the Policy.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Sacramento County Board of Supervisors, Sacramento County Treasury Oversight Committee, Sacramento County Audit Committee, and Treasury and Investment's management, and should not be used for any other purpose. It is not intended to be, and should not be, used by anyone other than these specified parties. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.

Sincerely,

BEN LAMERA
DIRECTOR OF FINANCE



By: Alan A. Matré, C.P.A.
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**COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
SAMPLE OF NON-POOLED INVESTMENTS
FOR QUARTER ENDED MARCH 31, 2019**

<u>Issue</u> ⁽¹⁾	<u>Book Value</u> <u>3/31/19</u>	<u>% of Portfolio</u>
<i>Elk Grove USD, Elec 16, Series 19 (GO)</i>	\$ <i>119,561,907</i>	<i>17 %</i>
<i>San Juan USD, Elec 12, Series 19 (GO)</i>	<i>116,796,023</i>	<i>17</i>
<i>San Juan USD, Elec 16, Series 19 (GO)</i>	<i>85,599,581</i>	<i>12</i>
San Juan USD, Elec 02, Series 17 (GO)	18,085,336	3
Airports System Ref 2018A-C (REV)	12,611,462	2
2010 Refunding COPs (COP)	11,879,097	2
Metro Air Park 2004 A (MR)	10,064,327	1
North Vineyard No. 1 2016 (MR)	8,033,901	1
Metro Air Park (MR)	1,060,611	<1
Airport System 2008 D-E (REV)	6,268	<1
SASD Series 2010 A&B (REV)	456	<1
Co. Sanitation Series 2001 (REV)	451	<1
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Total Non-Pooled Investments tested ⁽²⁾	\$ <u>383,699,420</u>	<u>Approx. 55%</u>

(1) The selected sample of non-pooled investments for the quarter ended March 31, 2019 was selected based upon outstanding issues at January 1, 2019, plus any untested new issues since quarter ended December 31, 2018.

(2) The total amount of non-pooled investments managed for the quarter ended March 31, 2019 was \$711,930,353 (\$695,726,565 internally and \$16,203,788 externally managed).

Fund Type

(COP) – Certificates of Participation Notes

(GO) – General Obligation Bonds

(MR) – Mello Roos Bonds

(REV) – Revenue Bonds

Indicates new issue