

**NATOMAS UNIFIED SCHOOL
DISTRICT PROPOSITION 39
AND MEASURE J GENERAL
OBLIGATION BONDS**

SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA

PERFORMANCE AUDIT

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

**Board of Trustees and Independent Citizens' Bond
Oversight Committee for Measure J
Natomas Unified School District
Sacramento, California**

We have conducted a performance audit of the Natomas Unified School District's (the District) Measure J General Obligation Bonds for the year ended June 30, 2017.

We conducted our performance audit in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain sufficient, appropriate evidence to provide a reasonable basis for our conclusion based on our audit objectives. We believe that the evidence obtained provides a reasonable basis for the findings and conclusions based on our audit objectives.

Our audit was limited to the objectives listed on page 2 of this report which includes determining compliance with the performance requirements for the Proposition 39 and Measure J General Obligation Bonds under the applicable provisions of Section 1(b)(3)(C) of Article XIII A of the California Constitution and Proposition 39 as they apply to the bonds and the net proceeds thereof. Management is responsible for the District's compliance with those requirements.

Solely to assist us in planning and performing our performance audit, we obtained an understanding of the internal controls of the District to determine if internal controls were adequate to help ensure the District's compliance with the requirements of Proposition 39, as specified by Section 1(b)(3)(C) of Article XIII A of the California Constitution. Accordingly, we do not express any assurance on the internal controls.

The results of our tests indicated that, in all significant respects, the Natomas Unified School District expended Measure J General Obligation Bond funds for the year ended June 30, 2017 only for the specific projects developed by the District's Board of Education and approved by the voters, in accordance with the requirements of Proposition 39, as specified by Section 1(b)(3)(C) of Article XIII A of the California Constitution.

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OBJECTIVES

The objectives of our performance audit was to document that the Natomas Unified School District (the District) expended Measure J General Obligation Bond (the Bonds) funds for the year ended June 30, 2017 only for purposes approved by voters and only for specific projects developed by the District's Board of Trustees, in accordance with the requirements of Proposition 39, as specified by Section 1(b)(3)C of Article XIII A of the California Constitution; note any incongruities or system weaknesses; and provide recommendations for improvement.

SCOPE OF THE AUDIT

The scope of our performance audit covered the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017. Expenditures incurred after the issuance of the Bonds and prior to July 1, 2016, were not covered by this examination. The expenditures included all account and project codes associated with the Bond projects. Expenditures incurred subsequent to June 30, 2017 were not reviewed or included within the scope of our audit.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Natomas Unified School District Election of 2014 General Obligation Bonds, Measure J were authorized at an election of registered voters of the District held on November 4, 2014 at which greater than fifty-five percent of the persons voting on the proposition voted to authorize the issuance and sale of \$129,000,000 principal amount of general obligation bonds of the District.

On July 30, 2015, the District issued General Obligation Bonds (Series 2015 Bonds) in the amount of \$69,500,000 to build, acquire, construct and furnish school facilities. The bonds mature during succeeding years through August 2040. The bonds were issued at interest rates ranging from 2.00% to 5.00%.

The financial activity related to the Measure J General Obligation Bonds is recorded Fund 21 (Building Fund) in the District's audited financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2017.

PROCEDURES PERFORMED

We obtained the Measure J Building Fund detailed general ledger for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017. We obtained the actual invoices and other supporting documentation for a sample of expenditures to ensure compliance with Proposition 39 and Measure J General Obligation Bond funding. We performed the following procedures:

- We verified the mathematical accuracy of the expenditures included in the Measure J Building Fund detailed general ledger for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017.
- Solely to assist us in planning and performing our performance audit, we obtained an understanding of the internal controls of the District to determine if internal controls are adequate to help ensure the District's compliance with the requirements of Proposition 39.

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- We determined that the Independent Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee is fulfilling its duties as required by Education Code 15278 and as outlined in their Committee Bylaws.
- We selected a sample of expenditures in the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017. The sample was selected to provide a representation across construction projects, vendors and expenditure amounts. For each selection, we performed the following procedures:
 1. Reviewed supporting documentation to ensure that funds were properly expended on the specific projects outlined on the publicized list and met the requirements for bidding, if applicable.
 2. Verified the expenditure was for construction, rehabilitation, or replacement of school facilities, including furnishing and equipping of District facilities, deferred maintenance upgrades or the acquisition or lease of real property facilities and verified that funding was not used for salaries of school administrators or other operating expenditures of the District.

CONCLUSION

Based upon the procedures performed, we found that, for the items tested, the Natomas Unified School District has properly accounted for the expenditures of the Measure J General Obligation Bonds. Further, it was noted that the funds were not used for salaries of school administrators or other operating expenditures. Our audit does not provide a legal determination on the District's compliance with specific requirements.

MANAGEMENT COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

None.