# SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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SUBMITTAL DATE: March 20, 2013

FROM: County Auditor-Controller

SUBJECT: Internal Auditor's Report 2012-602: Elsinore-Murrieta-Anza Resource Conservation District

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:** Receive and file Internal Auditor's Report 2012-602: Elsinore-Murrieta-Anza Resource Conservation District

BACKGROUND: The Internal Audit Division of the Auditor-Controller's Office was engaged to conduct an audit of the Elsinore-Murrieta-Anza Resource Conservation District (the District), as promulgated by Government Code §26909 (a) (1). However, we encountered significant scope limitations—that is, client imposed restriction(s) where the auditor did not receive all information and explanations necessary for the completion of the audit—which precluded the auditor's work in obtaining evidence and performing procedures to conduct the audit.

The District has not published nor submitted audited financial statements to the Auditor-Controller's Office since FY2000 as required by Government Code §26909 (a) (2).

The field auditor encountered significant scope limitations since the District did not provide adequate records to conduct the audit. Having conducted our due diligence and lacking the cooperation of the District, the Auditor-Controller believes it is imperative to advise the governing authorities of the breach and noncompliance of the Government Code by the District.

Paul Angulo, CPA, M.A. County Auditor-Controller Current F.Y. Total Cost: In Current Year Budget: \$ 0 N/A **FINANCIAL Current F.Y. Net County Cost: Budget Adjustment:** \$ 0 N/A DATA **Annual Net County Cost:** \$ 0 For Fiscal Year: N/A SOURCE OF FUNDS: N/A **Positions To Be Deleted Per A-30** Requires 4/5 Vote C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION: APPROVE Karen C. Johnson

Policy

Departmental Concurrence

Consent

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Dep't Recomm.:

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

District: Al-

On motion of Supervisor Stone, seconded by Supervisor Jeffries and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is received and filed as recommended and IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that the Elsinore-Murrieta-Anza Resource Conservation District provide an audited report to the Auditor Controller within 60 days and that the Auditor-Controller return to the Board with recommendations.

Ayes:

Jeffries, Tavaglione, Stone, Benoit and Ashley

Nays: Absent: None None

**County Executive Office Signature** 

Date:

April 30, 2013

XC:

Auditor, District

Agenda Number:

Deputy

Kecia Harper-Ihem

Clerk of the Board



### **MEMORANDUM**

#### RIVERSIDE COUNTY COUNSEL

DATE:

April 25, 2013

TO:

Kecia Harper-Ihem, Clerk of the Board

FROM:

Pamela J. Walls, County Counsel

RE:

Report Back on Options - Elsinore-Murrieta-Anza Resource Conservation District

During the April 2, 2013 Board of Supervisors' meeting, the Board directed County Counsel to report back on options concerning the removal and appointment of the Elsinore-Murrieta-Anza Resource Conservation District Directors and the dissolution of that District.

The District Directors are generally appointed by the Board of Supervisors to four-year terms in accordance with Public Resources Code section 9514(a) & (b) and Ordinance No. 662, sections 3 & 4. Once appointed, the District Directors may not be removed by the Board of Supervisors during their term without statutory authorization. The Registrar of Voters and Clerk of the Board have not reported that the terms of any District Board members have expired and are currently available for appointment by the Board of Supervisors.

The Board of Supervisors can submit a resolution of application to dissolve a special district to the Local Agency Formation Commission.

PJW:ay

cc:

Board of Supervisors

Jay Orr, County Executive Officer Kari Verjil, Registrar of Voters

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# County of Riverside

# INTERNAL AUDITOR'S REPORT 2012-602

Elsinore-Murrieta-Anza Resource Conservation District

March 20, 2013

Office of **Paul Angulo, CPA, M.A.** County Auditor-Controller

4080 Lemon Street P.O. Box 1326 Riverside, CA 92502-1326



#### COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER

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Paul Angulo, CPA, M.A. AUDITOR-CONTROLLER

County Administrative Center 4080 Lemon Street, 11<sup>th</sup> Floor P.O. Box 1326 Riverside, CA 92502-1326 (951) 955-3800 Fax (951) 955-3802

March 20, 2013

Board of Directors Elsinore-Murrieta-Anza Resource Conservation District 21535 Palomar Road, Suite A Wildomar, CA 92595-0066

Subject: Internal Auditor's Report 2012-602: Elsinore-Murrieta-Anza Resource Conservation District

The Internal Audit Division of the Auditor-Controller's Office was engaged to conduct an audit of the Elsinore-Murrieta-Anza Resource Conservation District (the District), as promulgated by Government Code §26909 (a) (1), "The county auditor shall either make or contract with a certified public accountant or public accountant to make an annual audit of the accounts and records of every special district within the county for which an audit by a certified public accountant or public accountant is not otherwise provided." However, we encountered significant scope limitations—that is, client imposed restriction(s) where the auditor did not receive all information and explanations necessary for the completion of the audit—which precluded the auditor's work in obtaining evidence and performing procedures to conduct the audit.

The District has not published nor submitted audited financial statements to the Auditor-Controller's Office since FY2000 as required by Government Code §26909 (a) (2). The Government Code directs an audited financial report be filed annually with the state controller and with the county auditor of the county in which the special district is located. The report shall be filed within 12 months of the end of the fiscal year or years under examination.

For the past 11 years, the Auditor-Controller's Office has continuously requested audited financial statements via letter, phone calls, and personal visits to the District without success. The present Auditor-Controller believes it is imperative to fulfill our oversight responsibility and it is the District's responsibility to abide by the laws and regulations governing special districts in California.

In April 2012, the Auditor-Controller Internal Audit Division notified the District we were exercising our authority under Government Code §26909 (a) (1) and attempted to conduct fieldwork on multiple occasions. The field auditor encountered significant scope limitations since the District did not provide adequate records to conduct the audit. Having conducted our due diligence and lacking the cooperation of the District, the Auditor-Controller believes it is imperative to advise the governing authorities of the breach and noncompliance of the Government Code by the District.

Sincerely,

Paul Angulo, CPA, M.A. County Auditor-Controller

Cc:

Grand Jury
District Attorney
California State Controller

# MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA



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On motion of Supervisor Stone, seconded by Supervisor Jeffries and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the recommendation from Auditor-Controller regarding Receive and File Internal Auditor's Report 2012-602: Elsinore-Murrieta-Anza Resource Conservation District is continued to Tuesday, April 30, 2013 at 9:00 a.m.

hereby certify the entered on	at the foregoing is a full true, and correct copy of an order made  April 2, 2013 of Supervisors Minutes.
	WITNESS my hand and the seal of the Board of Supervisors Dated: April 2, 2013
(seal)	Kecia Harper-Ihem, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, in and for the County of Riverside, State of California.
	By: Adultation Deputy
	AGENDA NO.

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xc: Auditor, COB

#### History of EMARCD audit

- In 2000 the Riverside County Board of Supervisors voted to perform audits for Elsinore Murrieta Anza Resource Conservation District (EMARCD)
- Since then no audits have been performed by the County
- The EMARCD receives no tax payers dollars the district operates at no cost to the County or State
- The EMARCD Board of Directors raises money by donating work hours and money from personal finances.
- The District has had a few hundred dollars in the bank up until 2007
- In 2007 the District started to work with Developers on their Mitigation required by Federal Fish & Wildlife, Army Corp. and Calif. Fish & Wildlife (Lennar, Shea Homes and DR Horton)
- The EMARCD holds easements with specials requirements and without the help from the District the Developers would have a difficult, in some cases impossible time trying to mitigate with the agencies.
- In 2010 the Auditor Controllers office and EMARCD manager had correspondence and some financial information was given
- In 2012 Mr. Russell Dominski from Auditor's office visited the EMARCD office to look through the files and reviewed minutes and financial documents. Mr. Dominski took copies of everything he wanted that day.
- In 2012 Mr. Jerry Grau visited TRS and took copies of all of EMARCD Financial records.
- In November of 2012 EMARCD received an engagement letter from Rachel Roman for an audit to be performed by the auditor for 11,435.00
- EMARCD general fund was 6,543.41
- EMARCD has selected a qualified CPA firm to due an audit

Submitted by VICKI My (date)

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Item 2-10

### SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA אלאנו

FROM: Auditor-Controller

SUBMITTAL DATE: August 1, 2000

SUBJECT:

Professional Audit Services For Elsinore-Murrieta-Anza Resource Conservation District

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors: (1) receive and file notice of the purchase of audit services, in the amount of \$10,500 and authorize the Purchasing Agent on behalf of the County to issue a purchase order to the CPA firm of Thomas, Bigbie and Smith and (2) decision to change the District's audit frequency from a biennial to a five-year audit cycle be deferred until the completion of the above three two-year audits.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

- Since our June 13, 2000 submission of the Elsinore-Murrieta-Anza-Resource Conservation District Form 11, we have solicited price proposals from six Certified Public Accounting (CPA) Firms to perform either a five-year (for the period ended June 30, 1999) or three two-year (for the two years ended June 30, 1996, 1998 and 2000) audits.
- 2. Two price quotations were received from the CPA Firms with \$3,500 and \$9,000 being quoted as the lowest bids for a two and five-year audit, respectively. (Three two-year audits will be required for a total cost of \$10,500).
- 3. We believe the three two-year audits will be more economical for the county since the additional \$1,500 cost will provide six rather than five years of audit coverage. In addition, current audited financial data will be available through June 30, 2000.

Auditor-Controller

FINANCIAL DATA:

CURRENT YEAR COST: \$ 10,500 **NET COUNTY COST:** 

\$ 10,500

**ANNUAL COST:** 

IN CURRENT BUDGET: YESI X NOI

BUDGET ADJUSTMENT: YES\ NO\X FOR FY: 99/00

SOURCE OF FUNDS: Auditor-Controller's General Fund Budget \$10,500 (1001-130-210-2-2504)

**C.E.O. RECOMMENDATIONS:** 

**APPROVE** 

**County Executive Officer Signature:** 

honda King

#### MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

On motion of Supervisor Wilson, seconded by Supervisor Buster and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended.

Ayes:

Buster, Tavaglione, Venable, Wilson and Mullen

Noes:

None

Absent:

None

Date:

August 1, 2000

XC:

Auditor, District, Purchasing

Gerald A. Maloney Clerk of the Board

Deputy

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FORM 11 (Rev 8/96)

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Per Executive Office:

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April 16, 2013

Vicki Long
Elsinore-Murrieta-Anza Resource Conservation District (District)
21535 Palomar Road
Wildomar, CA 92595

Dear Vicki,

As requested, this letter summarizes the information and documents I provided to Riverside County personnel (Jerry Grau) while at my former CPA firm, Teaman, Ramirez & Smith, Inc. (TRS). I was the Partner in charge of providing accounting services to the District while at TRS and assisted the County in obtaining accounting records in order to perform audits.

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It should be noted the information in this letter is based on my recollection of events that occurred a few months ago, while still at TRS. As you are aware, in March of 2013, I resigned from my position at TRS and have started a new CPA firm.

I received a call from Jerry Grau while I was still at TRS, informing me that they needed to conduct audits of the District, for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2009, 2010, and 2011. Jerry had been informed that TRS was in possession of the District's accounting records. I told him that TRS had the accounting records on Quickbooks and that I would provide him with as much information as possible. Jerry scheduled a visit to my office to obtain copies of applicable records. I believe it was either December 2012 or January 2013 that he visited my office at TRS.

At that time, I provided him with copies of the District's general ledger, trial balances, and available bank reconciliations for the above periods subject to audit. He also requested copies of the State Controllers Reports TRS had prepared for the District. I do not recall exactly which State Controller's Reports I ultimately provided, but I gave Jerry copies of all reports available at TRS. I also mentioned to him that supporting documentation for transactions recorded in the general ledger would be located at the District's offices.

I also recall receiving subsequent phone calls and/or emails from Jerry to which I promptly responded. From what I remember, he was satisfied with everything I had provided.

Subsequent to those events, I was notified by the District that they were going to go out to bid for audit services, rather than pay the County to perform the required audits.

Sincerely,

Greg Fankhanel, CPA

Van Lant & Fankhanel, LLP 25901 Kellogg Street Loma Linda, CA 92354 From: GFankhanel@trscpas.com

To: vickiglong@aol.com

Sent: 1/25/2013 2:25:08 P.M. Pacific Standard Time

Subj: FW: EMA RCD AUDIT

See the County's email below - they are not taking a stand, but instead, referring to the State requirements.

I have attached the State's Audit requirements for Special Districts - see <u>page 9</u> of the document. There are some exceptions to an annual audit, but I'm not sure if you've satisfied any of them. So you may need annual audits for the three years the County was looking at, and for future years, including 6-30-12.

If you send out an RFP, you may want to request a 5-year bid from the proposers.

Greg Fankhanel, CPA, CFE

Teaman, Ramirez & Smith, Inc.

4201 Brockton Avenue, Suite 100

Riverside, California 92501

(951) 274-9500

fax: (951) 274-7828

From: Grau, Jerry [mailto:jgrau@co.riverside.ca.us]

Sent: Thursday, January 24, 2013 5:00 PM

To: Greg Fankhanel

Subject: EMA RCD AUDIT

Greg, I'm e-mailing you because I had a cold for the last 3 days and my voice is terrible. I spoke with Russell, and to us it does not matter how you present the audit. I guess you should consider how the State would want it. Since the report will be sent to the State and they have a few minimum requirements.

I will call you on Monday to make sure you got this email.

Thank you for help and time

Jerry Grau

Senior Internal Auditor

**Audits & Specialized Accounting Division** 

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From: GFankhanel@trscpas.com

To: vickiglong@aol.com

Sent: 1/24/2013 3:21:51 P.M. Pacific Standard Time

Subj: County requirements

I called the County - they are not 100% sure about the 3 year audit requirements and will get back to me.

Based on our conversation, I'm guessing the audit will cover only one set of financial statements for the 3-year period ended June 30, 2011, rather than auditing 3 sets of financial statements (one for each year).

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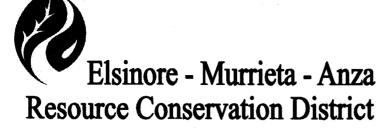
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Riverside Auditor Controller's Office Rachelle Roman

Re; EMA RCD Audit for 2009-2011

Dear Rachelle,

The EMARCD will be doing an independent for the years 2009-2011. The EMARCD cannot afford the cost of an audit with your office. I have spoken with Mr. Jerry Grau to make him aware of the Districts intentions. We should have the audit completed by March 2013 and will be sending a copy to your office.

Please contact me with questions or for additional information.

Sincerely,

Vicki Long EMARCD President vickiglong@Aol.com 951-698-9366



#### COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER

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Paul Angulo, CPA, MA-Mgmt AUDITOR-CONTROLLER

November 27, 2012

Vicki Long Elsinore-Murrieta-Anza RCD 21335 Palomar St # A Wildomar, Ca 92595

**RE: Engagement Letter** 

Dear Ms. Vicki Long:

The purpose of this engagement letter is to confirm our understanding of the arrangements for the mandated audits of the Elsinore-Murrieta-Anza RCD for each fiscal year ended starting from June 30, 2009 through June 30, 2011. These annual financial statement audits are required by California Government Code sections 26909 and 6505, respectively.

The Internal Audits Section of the Auditor-Controller's Office will audit the District's financial transactions for the year ending June 30, 2009 through those ending in June 30, 2011 using the California State Controller minimum audit requirements. For the purpose of expressing an opinion on the fairness with which they present, in all material respects, results of operations and cash flows. The audit reports will be prepared in accordance with the California State Controller minimum reporting guidelines.

We will conduct our audit in accordance with minimum audit requirements as outlined by the California State Controller which require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial information as reported to the California State Controller's Office are free of material misstatement, whether caused by error or fraud. Accordingly, a material misstatement may remain undetected. Also, an audit is not designed to detect error or fraud that is immaterial to the financial information. Our audit will include obtaining an understanding of the entity and its environment, including internal control, sufficient to assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial information. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence that supports the amounts included in the financial information reported to the California State Controller. Our audit is not designed to provide assurance on internal control or to identify significant deficiencies. However, the auditor is responsible for ensuring that those charged with governance are aware of any significant deficiencies that come to his or her attention.

Management is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal controls, including monitoring ongoing activities; for the selection and application of accounting principles; and for the fair presentation of the financial information that they provide. Management is also responsible for making all financial records and related information available to us and for the accuracy and completeness of that information.

Management responsibilities include correcting material misstatements and confirming to us in \_ the representation letter that the effects of any uncorrected misstatements aggregated by us during the current engagement and pertaining to the latest period presented are immaterial, both individually and in the aggregate, to the financial information taken as a whole. Management is responsible for the design and implementation of programs and controls to prevent and detect fraud, and for informing us about all known or suspected fraud or illegal acts. In addition, management is responsible for identifying and ensuring that the entity complies with applicable laws and regulations. At the conclusion of our audit, we will require a letter from management that confirms certain representations made about the financial information and related matters during the audit.

We estimate that fieldwork will begin during the month of December 2012, and our report will be delivered by January 31, 2013. If during the course of our examination, it becomes apparent that we will not meet this deadline, you will be promptly notified. If you intend to hire your own CPA to conduct this audit, we ask you to please notify us, otherwise we will proceed.

We estimate a minimum of 150 hours to complete this audit at an hourly of \$76.23. See attachment A for an estimate of the total billable amount. We will notify you if actual hours exceed estimates due to changes in the Districts' operations.

We also requested in our initial meeting a confirmation letter from your financial institution of the bank accounts that you currently have open. Please have them addressed to Rachelle Roman and sent to the address below:

Riverside County Auditor Controller's Office P.O. Box 1326 4080 Lemon Street Riverside Ca. 92501

Please indicate your agreement with the arrangements discussed in this letter by signing and returning one copy to me.

Respectfully

Rachelle Román, MPA

**Chief Internal Auditor** 

Vicki Long President

# Riverside County Elsinore-Murrieta-Anza Resource Conservation District Internal Audit Section 2012

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FUND DEPT.	HOURS	RATE	TOTAL \$
EMARCD Schedule	150	76.28	11,435
TOTAL	150		\$ 11,435

### **Basic Business Checking® Public Funds**

Account number: November 1, 2012 - November 30, 2012 Page 1 of 3



EMA/RCD 21535 PALOMAR ST STE A WILDOMAR CA 92595-7763

#### Questions?

Available by phone 24 hours a day, 7 days a week: **1-800-CALL-WELLS** (1-800-225-5935)

TTY: 1-800-877-4833 En español: 1-877-337-7454

Online: wellsfargo.com/biz

Write: Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. (114)

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#### **Activity summary**

 Beginning balance on 11/1
 \$8,839.41

 Deposits/Credits
 0.00

 Withdrawals/Debits
 - 2,296.00

 Ending balance on 11/30
 \$6,543.41

Average ledger balance this period \$7,226.99

Account number: ¶

#### EMA/RCD

California account terms and conditions apply

For Direct Deposit and Automatic Payments use

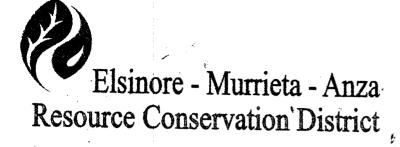
Routing Number (RTN): 121042882

For Wire Transfers use

Routing Number (RTN): 121000248

#### **Transaction history**

Date	Check Number	Description		Deposits/ Credits	Withdrawals/ Debits	Ending daily balance
11/1	1241	Check		 	30.54	8,808.87
11/2	1240	Check			123.44	8,685.43



# GENERAL FUND 2011-2012 APPROVED BUDGET

### **REVENUE**

Donations	\$10,800 4,035
Total Income	<u>\$ 14,835</u>
EXPENDITURES	
Office Rent Utilities Accounting Membership Dues Office Supplies Insurance	\$ 7,300 1,800 3,500 600 25 1,610
Total Expenditures	<u>\$ 14.835</u>

APPROVED BY BOARD OF DIRECTORS July 9,2011

# Elsinore - Murrieta - Anza Resource Conservation District

# GENERAL FUND 2010 2011 APPROVED BUDGET

#### REVENUE

Housing allowance from SAWA Donations	\$10,800 4,035
Total Income	<u>\$ 14,835</u>
EXPENDITURES	
Office Rent	\$ 7,300
Utilities	1,800
Accounting	3,500
Membership Dues	600
Office Supplies	25
Insurance	1,610
Total Expenditures	<u>\$ 14,835</u>

APPROVED BY BOARD OF DIRECTORS July 9,2010

## Elsinore Murrieta Anza Resource Conservation District Budget 2012-2013

#### Income

Contributions Interest	2000.00
General Income	2000.00 8500.00
SAWA	18,000.00
Total Income	30 500 00

### Expenses

**Total Expenses** 

General & Administration	15000.00
Membership Dues	600.00
Bank Fees	250.00
Insurance	1500.00
Rent	8500.00
Utilities	2200.00
Lafco Fees	170.00
Consulting Fees	1780.00

30500.00

From:

John B. Rogers, P.E. [emarcd@verizon.net]

Sent:

Friday, April 30, 2010 5:54 PM

To:

'Laurie K. Marscher'

Cc:

Vicki G. Long (vickiglong@aol.com)

Subject:

FW: Request for financial data

Attachments:

2008 Financial Balance Net Assets.jpg; 2008 Financial cover letter.jpg; 2008

Financial Rev Exp.jpg

Hi Laurie,

Mr. Dominski called yesterday; I told him that we did not have an independent audit, but that our monthly accounting had been done by Nigro, Nigro and White until June 2008, and by TRS since then. His response was this e-mail.

I have a Compiled Financial Statement from NN&W dated June 30, 2008 (copy enclosed), and I have, of course, your monthly reports since then. Will these, plus your June 2009 reports suffice, or is he looking for the entire two years?

I sent requests for audit proposals to McLean, Rotherham & Co. in Temecula, and to Terry Shea at Rogers, Anderson, Malody and Scott. I have one ready for Leaf and Cole in San Diego, but want to talk with their principal, Mike Zizzi, first. They have audited De Luz CSD for many years. I told both firms that we have no money, and have less than the \$100,000 threshold quoted in the Government Code, so we'll see what they recommend.

John B. Rogers, P.E. General Manager Elsinore-Murrieta-Anza Resource Conservation District 21535 Palomar Road, Suite A Wildomar, CA 92595 (951) 609-0066

From: Dominski, Russell [mailto:rdominski@co.riverside.ca.us]

Sent: Thursday, April 29, 2010 4:01 PM

To: emarcd@verizon.net

Subject: Request for financial data

John,

After our telephone conversation, of April 29, 2010, I discussed the issue of EMARCD's noncompliance with California Government Code Section 26909 with the Deputy Auditor-Controller. As a result of the meeting, please forward a copy of your financials for Fiscal Years ending June 30, 2008 and 2009 at your earliest convenience. Please send the requested information to:

Riverside County Auditor-Controller Audits and Specialized Accounting Division P.O. Box 1326 4080 Lemon Street, 11<sup>th</sup> Floor Riverside, CA 92502-1326

If you or Terry have any questions please feel free to call me.

Sincerely,

Russ

Russell S. Dominski
Principal Accountant, Specialized Accounting
Audit and Specialized Accounting Division
Riverside County Auditor-Controller
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PLEASE NOTE: The Auditor-Controller's Office is closed every Friday beginning August 14, 2009, and ending June 30, 2010, per order of the Board of Supervisors on July 21, 2009. Our regular office hours are now Monday through Thursday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

#### **Financial Audit Notes**

April 9, 2010 At Board meeting, discussed lack of audit with Board. Directed to obtain quotes for audit for consideration at next Board meeting. Audit to take place after end of fiscal year.

Laurie Marscher recommends Rogers, Anderson, Malody and Scott in San Bernardino.

4/29/10 Called RAMS: referred to terry Shea. Send letter and financial statement, he will prepare proposal. May qualify for review letter because less than \$100K budget.

Called Leaf and Cole in San Diego, left msg. Called Betty Jo Benner and McLean, Rotherham, Murrieta.

Betty Jo Benner: send financial info & budget, she will prepare budget.

Call from Russell Dominski at County Auditor's office asking for audit. Told him situation, no audit's for ten years, soliciting proposals now. May qualify for waiver. Phone 955-8136. <a href="mailto:rdominski@co.riverside.ca.us">rdominski@co.riverside.ca.us</a>.

# Elsinore - Murrieta - Anza Resource Conservation' District

April 29, 2010

Mr. Terry P. Shea

Rogers, Anderson, Malody & Scott, LLP
290 North "D" Street, Suite 300
San Bernardino, CA 92401-1709

Re:

Audit Requirements for

Elsinore-Murrieta-Anza Resource Conservation District

Dear Mr. Shea,

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Sincerely yours,

John B. Rogers, P.E.
Manager
Elsinore-Murrieta-Anza
Resource Conservation District

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CC:

Laurie K. Marscher, CPA EMARCD Board of Directors

From:

Terry Shea [tshea@Ramscpa.net]

Sent:

Friday, June 18, 2010 12:48 PM

To:

John B. Rogers, P.E.

Subject:

Re: EMARCD Audit Proposal

Thanks for the opportunity and the update. Good luck. Terry

Sent from my iPhone

On Jun 18, 2010, at 12:49 PM, "John B. Rogers, P.E." < emarcd@verizon.net > wrote:

Dear Mr. Shea,

I received your May 12 proposal for a 2010 audit; it was discussed at the June 11 meeting of our Board of Directors.

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Based upon our very limited finances, the Board decided to have our current accountants Teaman, Ramirez and Smith prepare a compiled statement for the year, instead of having a formal audit prepared. We believe that the County Auditor will accept this approach.

We do appreciate the effort you put into preparing the proposal for us, and look forward to the possibility that future years may find us with enough resources to justify an audit.

John B. Rogers, P.E. General Manager Elsinore-Murrieta-Anza Resource Conservation District 21535 Palomar Road, Suite A Wildomar, CA 92595 (951) 609-0066

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April 29, 2010

Ms. Bette Jo Benner, CPA McLean, Rotherham & Co. 38760 Sky Canyon Drive, Suite C Murrieta, California 92563-2562

Re:

Audit Requirements for

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Mr. Michael J. Zizzi, CPA **Leaf & Cole, LLP** 2810 Camino Del Rio South, Suite 200

San Diego, California 92108

Re:

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cc: Laurie K. Marscher, CPA

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