

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

September 30, 2011

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June 22, 2012

The Honorable County Judge and Commissioners Comprising the Commissioner's Court of Eastland County, Texas

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Eastland County, Texas, as of and for the year ended September 30, 2011, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of Eastland County, Texas' management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general-purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the County's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall general-purpose financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Eastland County, Texas, as of September 30, 2011, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated June 22, 2012, on our consideration of Eastland County, Texas' 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 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 internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

Management's discussion and analysis on pages 3 through 9 and budgetary comparison information on pages 30 through 31 are not a required part of the basic financial statements but are supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquires of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Our audit was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Eastland County, Texas' basic financial statements. The combining fund financial statements, listed in the table of contents as supplementary information, are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are also not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Condley and Company, L.L.P.

Certified Public Accountants

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION -MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

September 30, 2011

Our discussion and analysis of the County's financial performance provides an overview of the County's financial activities for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2011. Please read it in conjunction with the County's financial statements that begin on page 10.

USING THIS ANNUAL REPORT

This annual report is presented in a format consistent with the presentation requirements of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 34.

Report Components

This annual report consists of five parts as follows:

Government-Wide Financial Statements: The statement of net assets and the statement of activities (on pages 10 through 11) provide information about the activities of the County government-wide (or "as a whole") and present a longer term view of the County's finances.

Fund Financial Statements: Fund financial statements, (starting on page 12) focus on the individual parts of the County government. Fund financial statements also report the County's operations in more detail than the government-wide statements by providing information about the County's most significant ("major") funds. For governmental activities, these statements tell how these services were financed in the short term as well as what remains for future spending.

Notes to the Financial Statements: The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of the government-wide and fund financial statements and provide expanded explanation and detail regarding the information reported in the statements.

Required Supplementary Information: Management's discussion and analysis, budgetary comparison schedules, and schedules of funding progress for pension plans (starting on page 31) represent financial information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America to be presented. Such information provides users of this report with additional data that supplements the government-wide statements, fund financial statements, and notes (referred to as "the basic financial statements").

Other Supplementary Information: This part of the annual report (starting on page 35) includes optional financial information such as combining statements for nonmajor funds (which are added together and shown in the fund financial statements in a single column). Also included in this section are fiduciary fund statements which provide information about the financial relationships in which the County acts solely as a trustee or agent for the benefit of others, to whom the resources in question belong. This other supplemental financial information is provided to address certain specific needs of various users of the County's annual report.

The County's Reporting Entity Presentation

This annual report includes all activities for which the County is fiscally responsible.

The Government-Wide Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities

Our financial analysis of the County as a whole begins on page 10. The government-wide financial statements are presented on pages 10 through 11. One of the most important questions asked about the County's finances is, "Is the County as a whole better off or worse off as a result of the year's activities?" The statement of net assets and the statement of activities report information about the County as a whole and about its activities in a way that helps answer this question.

These two statements report the County's net assets and changes in them. The statement of net assets presents information on all of Eastland County's assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two being reported as net assets. Over time, increases or decreases in the County's net assets are one indicator of whether its financial health is improving or deteriorating. You will need to consider other non-financial factors, however, such as changes in the County's sales tax base and the condition of the County's capital assets, to assess the overall health of the County. In the statement of activities we present information showing how the government's net assets changed during the fiscal year. All changes in net assets are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of the related cash flows.

Reporting the County's Most Significant Funds

The Fund Financial Statements

The fund financial statements begin on page 12 and provide detailed information about the most significant funds of the County as a whole, but do not portray the County as a whole. Some funds are required to be established by State law; however, the County establishes certain other funds to help it control and manage money for particular purposes or to show that it is meeting legal responsibilities for using certain taxes, grants, and other money. The County's two kinds of funds - governmental and fiduciary - use different accounting approaches.

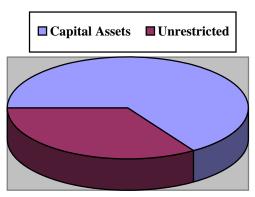
Governmental funds - Most of the County's basic services are reported in governmental funds, which focus on how money flows into and out of those funds and the balances left at year end that are available for spending. These funds report the acquisition of capital assets and payments for debt principal as expenditures and not as changes to asset and debt balances. The governmental fund statements provide a detailed short-term view of the County's general government operations and the basic services it provides. Governmental fund information helps you determine (through a review of changes to fund balance) whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the County's programs. We describe the relationship (or differences) between governmental activities (reported in the statement of net assets and the statement of activities) and governmental funds in reconciliations on pages 13 and 15. The County considers the general fund and the road and bridge fund to be its significant or major governmental funds. All other governmental funds are aggregated in a single column entitled other nonmajor governmental funds.

Fiduciary funds - The County is the trustee, or fiduciary, for certain funds. The County is responsible for ensuring that the assets reported in these funds are used for their intended purposes. All of the County's fiduciary activities are reported in a separate statement of fiduciary net assets on page 16. Fiduciary funds are not reflected in the government-wide financial statements because the County cannot use these assets to finance its operations.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE COUNTY AS A WHOLE

Net Assets

Eastland County's combined net assets were approximately \$7.62 million at September 30, 2011. The largest portion (approximately 66%) of the County's net assets reflects its investment in capital assets (e.g. land, buildings, machinery, equipment), less accumulated depreciation and any related outstanding debt. The remaining balance of unrestricted net assets may be used to meet the County's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.



2011 Net Assets

Eastland County's combined total assets amounted to \$8,771,811. This amount included current and other assets of \$3,599,960 and capital and non-current assets of \$5,171,851. Total liabilities of the County at September 30, 2011, were \$1,151,990. The portion of liabilities classified as current was \$1,040,040 and long-term liabilities were \$107,173. See **Table 1** for additional variances between September 30, 2011 and 2010.

Table 1	 Governmen	ntal A	ctivities
	 2011		2010
Assets:			
Current and other assets	\$ 3,599,960	\$	2,697,228
Capital assets	 5,171,851		5,349,256
Total Assets	\$ 8,771,811	\$	8,046,484
Liabilities:			
Current liabilities	\$ 1,044,817	\$	1,082,341
Long-term liabilities	 107,173		228,255
Total Liabilities	 1,151,990		1,310,596
Net assets:			
Invested in capital assets net of related debt	5,010,158		4,914,418
Unrestricted	 2,609,663		1,821,470
Total Net Assets	\$ 7,619,821	\$	6,735,888

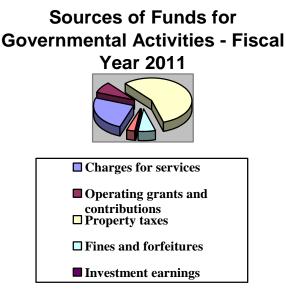
Total assets increased primarily because the County's cash and investment position improved. This improvement is attributable to the County completing the extensive road repairs caused by floods in 2007. These repairs were complete in fiscal year 2010 and even though grant funds were received to assist with the cost, the County still had to

expend a large amount of matching funds over the past two years to cover the entire costs which tightened the overall cash position for fiscal years 2008, 2009, and 2010. Cash and investments increased \$931,391 from September 30, 2010 to September 30, 2011.

Changes in Net Assets

Eastland County's net assets increased by \$883,933 during fiscal year 2011. The County improved their net asset position primarily due to an increase in property tax revenue of \$836,488 and a reduction in overall expenditures.

Total revenues for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2011, were \$9,872,724. Approximately 57% of the County's revenue comes from property taxes. Charges for services increased by \$293,577, and fines and forfeitures and other taxes increased by \$85,025. Operating grants and contributions decreased \$659,318, but was partially offset by a reduction in road maintenance and judicial and legal expenses.



For the years ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, net assets of the primary government changed as follows:

Table 2		Governmental Activities			
	_	2011		2010	
Revenues:					
Program revenues:					
Charges for services	\$	2,474,428	\$	2,180,851	
Operating grants and contributions		797,992		1,457,310	
General revenues:					
Property taxes		5,580,244		4,743,756	
Fines and forfeitures and other taxes		682,529		597,504	
Investment earnings		21,125		23,339	
Miscellaneous	_	316,406		475,654	
Total revenues	_	9,872,724		9,478,414	

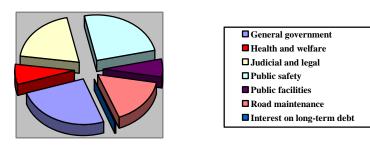
	2011	2010
Expenses		
General government	2,304,988	2,120,042
Health and welfare	638,759	663,909
Judicial and legal	1,755,853	1,734,021
Public safety	2,215,162	2,132,133
Public facilities	575,869	382,307
Road maintenance	1,485,280	2,009,164
Interest on long-term debt	12,880	28,648
Total expenses	8,988,791	9,070,224
Increase in net assets	883,933	408,190
Beginning net assets	6,735,888	6,327,698
Ending net assets	\$7,619,821	\$ 6,735,888

Governmental Activities

To aid in the understanding of the statement of activities, some additional explanation is given. Of particular interest is the format that is significantly different from a typical statement of revenues, expenses, and changes in fund balance. You will notice that expenses are listed in the first column, with revenues from that particular program reported to the right. The result is a net (expense)/revenue. This type of format highlights the relative financial burden of each of the functions on the County's taxpayers. It also identifies how much each function draws from the general revenues or if it is self-financing through fees and grants or contributions. All other governmental revenues are reported as general. It is important to note that all taxes are classified as general revenue, even if restricted for a specific purpose.

Expenditures decreased overall by \$81,433 from the prior year. Road maintenance repairs decreased \$523,884 due to the completion of flood repairs as discussed above while other areas had expenses increase along with revenue.

September 30, 2011, the County's governmental resources were used as follows:



Uses of Funds in Governmental Activities

Total expenses for governmental activities amounted to \$8,988,791 during the year ended September 30, 2011. Of these total expenses, taxpayers and other general revenues funded \$5,716,371. While those directly benefiting from the program funded \$797,992 from grants and other contributions; \$2,474,428 was provided from charges for services for the year ended September 30, 2011.

A FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE COUNTY'S FUNDS

Financial Highlights

- As of the end of the fiscal year, Eastland County's governmental funds reported a combined fund balance of \$2,611,560, an increase of \$704,871 or 37% in comparison with the prior year. The primary factor for this increase is the road repairs caused by flooding in 2007 that were completed by the County in fiscal year 2010. The fund balance of the road and bridge fund increased by \$1,650,976 due to transfers from the general fund and the decrease in expenses.
- The General Fund is the chief operating fund of the County. At the end of the fiscal year, \$1,349,488 of the general fund's fund balance total of \$1,429,370 is unassigned. As a measure of the fund's liquidity, it may be useful to compare unassigned fund balance to total fund expenditures. Unassigned fund balance represents 23% of total general fund expenditures.
- The County's total revenues exceeded total expenditures by \$704,871 for the year.

General Fund Budgetary Highlights

Over the course of the year, the County revised the general fund budget at various times. With these adjustments, actual expenditures were \$266,716 lower than final budgeted amounts. The most significant positive variance from budgeted expenses resulted from less public safety expenditures than anticipated. The actual revenues were \$399,551 higher than expected due in large part to more charges for services than anticipated.

Road and Bridge Fund Budgetary Highlights

Over the course of the year, the County revised the road and bridge fund budget at various times. With these adjustments, actual expenditures were \$1,524,084 lower than final budgeted amounts due to costs associated with road repair. Actual revenues were \$1,791,035 higher than expected due primarily to higher transfers in than anticipated.

CAPITAL ASSET AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Capital Assets

As of September 30, 2011, the County had invested \$30,205,777 in a broad range of capital assets, including land, buildings, roads, bridges and equipment. This amount represents a net increase (including additions, retirements and adjustments) of \$235,602 or 1% over last year. The main events affecting capital assets during the year were the purchases of additional equipment for the road and bridge precincts and investment in infrastructure. See Note 5 in the notes to the financial statements for additional detail.

Primary Government Capital Assets - (Net of accumulated depreciation)

	Governmental
	Activities
	2011
Land	\$ 158,678
Buildings and improvements	2,060,720
Furniture and equipment	1,890,351
Infrastructure	1,062,102
Total	\$ 5,171,851

Capital Leases

At year end, the County had outstanding capital leases totaling \$161,693 that were obtained in order to finance acquisition of various equipment. See Note 6 in the notes to the financial statements for additional details.

ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGET AND RATES

For the upcoming fiscal year ending September 30, 2012, the County's budget is fairly consistent with this year. Budgeted expenditures for next fiscal year are approximately the same as they were for the 2010-2011 year. The County's fund balance is projected to remain consistent.

CONTACTING THE COUNTY'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers, and creditors with a general overview of Eastland County's finances and to demonstrate the County's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact the County Auditor's office at: Eastland County, Texas, 100 W. Main Street, Suite 205, Eastland, Texas 76448.

GOVERNMENT – WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS

September 30, 2011

	(Governmental Activities		
ASSETS:				
Current Assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	1,742,533		
Investments		1,412,338		
Taxes receivable - net of allowance for uncollectible taxes of \$317,279		317,279		
Due from other governments		37,388		
Prepaid expenses and other assets		90,422		
Capital Assets:				
Land		158,678		
Buildings and improvements		3,860,215		
Infrastructure		21,040,905		
Furniture and equipment		5,145,979		
Less accumulated depreciation		(25,033,926)		
TOTAL ASSETS		8,771,811		
LIABILITIES:				
Current Liabilities:				
Accounts payable and accrued expenses		535,751		
Accrued wages		130,593		
Accrued interest payable		1,897		
Due to other governments		4,777		
Deferred revenue		317,279		
Leases payable - current		54,520		
Noncurrent Liabilities:				
Leases payable - long term		107,173		
TOTAL LIABILITIES		1,151,990		
NET ASSETS:				
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt		5,010,158		
Unrestricted		2,609,663		
TOTAL NET ASSETS	\$	7,619,821		

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

For the Year Ended September 30, 2011

				Program	n Re	venues		Net (Expense) Revenues and Changes in Net Assets
		Expenses		Charges for Services		Operating Grants and Contributions		Primary Government Governmental Activities
Function/Program Activities		•	_		-		•	
Primary Government:								
Governmental Activities:								
General government	\$	2,304,988	\$	774,553	\$	54,491	\$	(1,475,944)
Judicial and legal		1,755,853		607,682		459,965		(688,206)
Public safety		2,215,162		502,994		77,175		(1,634,993)
Public facilities		575,869		21,220		23,427		(531,222)
Road and bridge		1,485,280		230,656		182,934		(1,071,690)
Health and welfare		638,759		337,323				(301,436)
Interest on long-term debt		12,880	_		· -			(12,880)
Total governmental activities	_	8,988,791		2,474,428	· -	797,992	• •	(5,716,371)

General Revenues:

Taxes:	
Property taxes, levied for general purposes	5,580,244
Other taxes	21
Fines and forfeitures	682,508
Gain on sale of assets	42,094
Other revenue	274,312
Interest income	21,125
Total General Revenues and Transfers	6,600,304
Change in Net Assets	883,933
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Net assets - Beginning	6,735,888
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Net assets - Ending	\$ 7,619,821

FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

September 30, 2011

		General	Road and Bridge		Other Nonmajor Governmental Funds		Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS	_		 C			• •	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	385,417	\$ 7,596	\$	1,349,520	\$	1,742,533
Investments		1,262,338			150,000		1,412,338
Taxes receivable		634,558					634,558
Allowance for uncollectible taxes		(317,279)					(317,279)
Due from other funds		181,415			185		181,600
Due from other governments		35,131			2,257		37,388
Prepaid expenses and other assets		79,882	 10,540	• •		• •	90,422
Total Assets	\$	2,261,462	\$ 18,136	\$	1,501,962	\$	3,781,560
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES							
Liabilities:							
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$	423,562	\$ 40,919	\$	71,270	\$	535,751
Accrued wages		87,525	15,215		27,853		130,593
Due to other funds		185	68,516		112,899		181,600
Due to other governments		3,541	587		649		4,777
Deferred revenues	_	317,279				• -	317,279
Total Liabilities		832,092	 125,237		212,671		1,170,000
Fund Balances:							
Non-spendable		79,882					79,882
Restricted					1,133,311		1,133,311
Assigned					189,975		189,975
Unassigned	_	1,349,488	 (107,101)		(33,995)		1,208,392
Total Fund Balance		1,429,370	 (107,101)		1,289,291		2,611,560
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	\$	2,261,462	\$ 18,136	\$	1,501,962	\$	3,781,560

<u>RECONCILIATION OF THE BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS</u> <u>TO THE STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS</u>

September 30, 2011

Fund Balances - Total Governmental funds			\$ 2,611,560
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net assets are different because:			
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the governmental funds.			
Governmental capital assets Less accumulated depreciation	\$	30,205,777 (25,033,926)	5,171,851
Long-Term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the governmental funds.			
Interest payable		(1,897)	
Governmental leases payable	_	(161,693)	 (163,590)
Net assets of governmental activities			\$ 7,619,821

<u>STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN</u> <u>FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS</u>

For the Year Ended September 30, 2011

		General Fund		Road and Bridge	Other Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES:						
Taxes	\$	5,580,261	\$	4	\$	\$ 5,580,265
Grants and contributions		95,168		182,934	519,890	797,992
Charges for services		1,046,262		460,385	967,781	2,474,428
Fines and forfeitures		626,941			55,567	682,508
Interest		14,313			6,812	21,125
Other		246,084		65,175	17,165	328,424
Total Revenues		7,609,029	. <u> </u>	708,498	1,567,215	9,884,742
EXPENDITURES:						
Current:		0 1 55 50 4			105.054	0.044.050
General government		2,157,796			107,076	2,264,872
Judicial and legal		944,330			833,689	1,778,019
Public safety Public facilities		1,834,898			466,403	2,301,301
Road and bridge		398,265		1,723,377	75,278	473,543 1,723,377
Health and welfare		605,809		1,723,377	32,950	638,759
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Total Expenditures	_	5,941,098	·	1,723,377	1,515,396	9,179,871
Excess (Deficit) Revenues Over (Under)						
Expenditures	_	1,667,931		(1,014,879)	51,819	704,871
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES AND (USES):						
Transfers in (out)		(2,765,272)		2,665,855	99,417	0
Total Sources (Uses):		(2,765,272)	. <u> </u>	2,665,855	99,417	0
Excess (Deficit) Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over (Under)						
Expenditures and Financing Uses		(1,097,341)	-	1,650,976	151,236	704,871
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year		2,526,711	·	(1,758,077)	1,138,055	1,906,689
Fund Balance, End of Year	\$	1,429,370	\$	(107,101)	\$ 1,289,291	\$ 2,611,560

<u>RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES,</u> <u>AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS</u> <u>TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES</u>

For the Year Ended September 30, 2011

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds	\$ 704,871
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:	
Current year capital outlays and long-term debt principal	
payments are expenditures in the fund financial statements, but	
they should be shown as increases in capital assets and	
reductions in long-term debt in the government-wide financial	
statements. The net effect of removing the capital outlays	
and debt principal payments is to increase net assets.	749,787
Depreciation is not recognized as an expense in governmental funds	
since it does not require the use of current financial resources. The	
net effect of the current year's depreciation is to decrease net assets.	(636,380)
Various other reclassifications and eliminations are necessary to	
convert from the modified accrual basis of accounting to accrual	
basis of accounting. These include recognizing gains and losses on	
the sale of fixed assets based on book value and the adjustment of	
other accrual accounts. The net effect of these reclassifications and	
recognitions is to increase net assets.	 65,655
Change in net assets of governmental activities	\$ 883,933

STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET ASSETS

September 30, 2011

	E	Imployee	
	R	etirement	Agency
		Funds	 Funds
ASSETS:			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$		\$ 2,255,209
Certificates of deposit and savings			212,790
Due from others			17,008
Investments at fair value		343,378	
Total Assets		343,378	2,485,007
			 <u> </u>
LIABILITIES:			
Accrued liabilities			151,389
Due to others			2,330,248
Bonds held in trust			 3,370
Total Liabilities		0	 2,485,007
NET ASSETS:	¢		
Held in trust for pension benefits and other purposes	\$	343,378	\$ 0

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET ASSETS

For the Year Ended September 30, 2011

		Employee Retirement Funds
ADDITIONS:		
Contributions:		
Employee	\$	8,874
Investment Earnings: Investment income		14,395
Less Investment Expenses:		
Asset fees		408
Net Investment Income		13,987
Total Revenues		22,861
DEDUCTIONS: Benefits paid	_	84,252
Net decrease		(61,391)
Net Assets - Beginning of Year		404,769
Net Assets - End of Year	\$	343,378

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

September 30, 2011

NOTE 1: REPORTING ENTITY

The authority of county governments and their specific functions and responsibilities are created by and dependent upon laws and legal regulations of the Texas State Constitution. Eastland County (the "County") operates under a county judge/commissioners court type of government as provided by state statute. The financial and reporting policies of the County conform to generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP") applicable to state and local governments. Generally accepted accounting principles for local governments include those principles prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB"), which includes all statements and interpretations of the National Council on Governmental Accounting unless modified by the GASB, and those principles prescribed by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants Audit and Accounting Guide entitled "State and Local Governments."

In accordance with the Codification of Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards, the basic financial statements include all funds, organizations, agencies, boards, commissions, and authorities for which the County is financially accountable. The County has also considered all other potential organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationships with the County are such that exclusion would cause the County's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. GASB has set forth criteria to be considered in determining financial accountability. These criteria include appointing a majority of an organization's governing body, and 1) the ability of the County to impose its will on that organization, or 2) the potential for that organization to provide specific benefits to or impose specific financial burdens on the County. Based on these criteria, there are no other organizations or agencies which should be included in these basic financial statements.

NOTE 2: GOVERNMENT-WIDE AND FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Government-Wide Statements:

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net assets and the statement of activities) report information on all of the non-fiduciary activities of the County. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. Governmental activities normally are supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues. The statement of net assets and the statement of activities display information about the reporting government as a whole. They include all funds of the reporting entity except for fiduciary funds. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, intergovernmental revenues, and other non-exchange revenues.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function. Program revenues include 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function; and 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function. Taxes and other items not included among program revenues are reported as general revenues.

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds and fiduciary funds, even though the latter are excluded from the government-wide financial statements. Major individual governmental funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

Interfund activities between governmental funds appear as due to/due from on the Governmental Fund Balance Sheet and as other resources and other uses on the Governmental Fund Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance. All interfund transactions between governmental funds are eliminated on the government-wide statements. Interfund activities between governmental funds and fiduciary funds remain as due to/due from on the government-wide Statement of Activities.

Fund Financial Statements:

Fund financial statements of the reporting entity are organized into funds, each of which is considered to be a separate accounting entity. Each fund is accounted for by providing a separate set of self-balancing accounts that constitutes its assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues, and expenditures/expenses. Funds are organized into three major categories: governmental, proprietary, and fiduciary funds. An emphasis is placed on major funds within the governmental and proprietary categories. A fund is considered major if it is the primary operating fund of the County or meets the following criteria:

Total assets, liabilities, revenues, or expenditures/expenses of the individual governmental or enterprise fund are at least 10 percent of the corresponding total for all funds of that category or type, and

Total assets, liabilities, revenues, or expenditures/expenses of the individual governmental or enterprise fund are at least 5 percent of the corresponding total for all governmental and enterprise funds combined.

The funds of the financial reporting entity are described below:

Governmental Funds

General Fund

The general fund is the primary operating fund of the County and is always classified as a major fund. It is used to account for all activities except those legally or administratively required to be accounted for in other funds.

Special Revenue Funds

Special revenue funds are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are either legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes or designated to finance particular functions or activities of the County. The following special revenue fund is reported as a major fund:

Road and Bridge Fund – The road and bridge fund is established to account for the resources devoted to maintaining the County's roads and bridges.

GASB 54 requires the fund balance amounts to be properly reported within one of the fund balance categories listed below:

Non-spendable, such as fund balance associated with inventories, prepaid expenditures, long-term loans and notes receivable, and property held for resale (unless the proceeds are restricted, committed or assigned).

Restricted fund balance category includes amounts that can be spent for only the specific purposes stipulated by constitution, external resources providers, or through enabling legislation.

Committed fund balance classification includes amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes determined by a formal action of the Commissioners' Court (the County's highest level of decision-making authority).

Assigned fund balance classification includes amounts intended to be used by the County for specific purposes but does not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed.

Unassigned fund balance is the residual classification for the County's general fund and includes all spendable amounts not contained in the other classifications.

Non-spendable Fund Balance

The County's non-spendable fund balance as of September 30, 2011 totaling \$79,882 relates to prepaid insurance.

Restricted Fund Balance

The County's restricted fund balance as of September 30, 2011, which relates to use of external resources and resources created by enabling legislation for the purpose of the legislation, is comprised of the following:

Restriction	-	Amount
Texas Department of Criminal Justice		
grants and contracts	\$	359,738
District attorney forfeitures		249,414
Record and statistic preservation		142,471
Courthouse security		87,327
Law library		77,398
Court technology		71,744
Record archival		50,503
Sheriff seizure		25,701
Election service		24,869
Jury fund		19,044
Law enforcement officers standards and		
education		14,590
Sheriff commissary	-	10,512
Total Restricted Fund Balance	\$ _	1,133,311

Assigned Fund Balance

The County's management has the authority to assign funds in accordance with various internal programs. The County's assigned fund balance as of September 30, 2011 is comprised of the following:

Assignment	 Amount		
County farm Cooperative dispatch Historical commission	\$ 154,937 31,821 3,217		
Total Assigned Fund Balance	\$ 189,975		

Order of Fund Balance Spending Policy

In circumstances where an expenditure is to be made for a purpose for which amounts are available in multiple fund balance classifications, the order in which resources will be expended is as follows: 1) Committed; 2) Assigned; 3) Unassigned.

Fiduciary Funds

The County reports the following fiduciary fund types:

Agency Funds – Accounts for assets the County holds on behalf of others as their agent. They are custodial in nature (assets equal liabilities), and do not involve measurement or results of operations.

Employee Retirement Fund – Accounts for resources that are required to be held in trust for the members and beneficiaries of the deferred compensation plan.

Measurement Focus/Basis of Accounting

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the *economic resources measurement focus* and the *accrual basis of accounting*, as is the fiduciary fund financial statements. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the *current financial resources measurement focus* and the *modified accrual basis of accounting*. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be *available* when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the County considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recorded only when payment is due.

In applying the susceptible to accrual concept to intergovernmental revenues, the legal and contractual requirements of the numerous individual programs are used as guidance. There are, however, essentially two types of these revenues. In one, monies must be expended on the specific purpose or project before any amounts will be paid to the County; therefore, revenues are recognized based upon the expenditures recorded and the availability criteria. In the other, monies are virtually unrestricted as to purpose of expenditure, and are usually revocable only for failure to comply with prescribed requirements. These resources are reflected as revenues at the time of receipt, or earlier if the susceptible to accrual criteria are met.

Licenses and permits, fines and forfeitures, charges for sales and services (other than utility), and miscellaneous revenues are generally recorded as revenue when received in cash, because they are generally not measurable until actually received. In the category of use of money and property, property rentals are recorded as revenue when received in cash, but investment earnings are recorded as earned, since they are measurable and available.

Budget

The County's annual budget is a management tool that assists its users in analyzing financial activity for its fiscal year ending September 30.

The County Auditor submits an annual budget to the County Commission in accordance with state law. In September, the County Commission adopts annual fiscal year budgets for specified County funds. Budgets for the general fund are adopted on a basis consistent with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. The budget is properly amended throughout the year and is filed with the County Clerk.

Budgeted amounts are as originally adopted, or as amended during the fiscal year by the Commissioners' Court.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents reflected in the financial statements includes petty cash and cash in banks. Petty cash amounts are maintained in various County offices for purposes of collections of payments made to the County.

For purposes of reporting cash flows, all highly liquid investments with an original maturity of three months or less are considered to be cash equivalents.

Property Tax Calendar

Property taxes are levied by October 1 on the assessed value listed as of the prior January 1 for all real and business personal property located in the County in conformity with Subtitle E, Texas Property Tax Code. Taxes are due on receipt of the tax bill and are delinquent if not paid before February 1 of the year following the year in which imposed. On January 31 of each year, a tax lien attaches to property to secure the payment of all taxes, penalties, and interest ultimately imposed.

Capital Assets

In the government-wide financial statements, capital assets arising from cash transactions are accounted for as assets in the statement of net assets. All capital assets are valued at historical cost or estimated historical cost if actual is unavailable. Estimated historical cost was used to value the assets. Donated fixed assets are recorded at their estimated fair value at the date of donation. The County's infrastructure network is valued at historical cost.

Depreciation of all exhaustible capital assets arising from cash transactions is recorded as an allocated expense in the statement of activities, with accumulated depreciation reflected in the statement of activities. Depreciation is provided over the assets' estimated useful lives using the straight line method of depreciation. A capitalization threshold of \$5,000 is used to report capital assets.

The range of estimated useful lives by type of asset is as follows:

Asset Class	Estimated Useful Lives
Buildings Building improvements	40 15
Vehicles	5 5-10
Equipment Office equipment Infrastructure	5-7 20-40

Fund Financial Statements

In the fund financial statements, capital assets arising from cash transactions acquired for use in governmental fund operations are accounted for as capital outlay expenditures of the governmental fund upon acquisition.

Long-Term Debt

All long-term debt arising from cash basis transactions to be repaid from governmental and businesstype resources is reported as a liability in the government-wide statements.

Long-term debt arising from cash basis transactions of governmental funds is not reported as a liability in the fund financial statements. The debt proceeds are reported as other financing sources and payment of principal and interest reported as expenditures.

Equity Classification

Government-Wide Statements

Equity is classified as net assets and displayed in two components:

Invested in capital assets, net of related debt – Consists of capital assets including restricted capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balance of any bonds, mortgages, notes, or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvements of those assets.

Unrestricted net assets – All other net assets that do not meet the definition of the "restricted" or "invested in capital assets, net of related debt".

Fund Financial Statements

Governmental fund equity is classified as fund balance.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements by the County requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures (such as estimated useful lives in determining depreciation expense); accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

NOTE 3: LEGAL COMPLIANCE - BUDGETS

The County's budgetary process requires that expending agencies of the County submit appropriation requests by mid May of each year. After review by the budget officer and department heads, the requests are combined and submitted to the Commissioners' Court. In August, the proposed budget is filed with the County Clerk for public inspection at least fifteen days prior to hearings, which are open to the public. A final budget must be adopted prior to October 1. At the fund level, actual expenditures cannot exceed budgeted appropriations.

NOTE 4: CASH AND INVESTMENTS

In addition to the \$250,000 insurance on accounts provided by Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC") regulations, securities in the amount of \$6,606,507 were pledged by the depository bank to secure all bank deposits and investments. The largest cash balance amounted to \$6,266,511 and occurred on November 8, 2010. The pledged securities plus FDIC coverage were sufficient to cover the largest cash balance for the County. Cash deposits at September 30, 2011, totaling \$4,293,409 (all funds), were in checking or money market accounts during the year which are allowable types of deposits.

For an indication of the level of risk assumed by the District, all cash deposits are categorized as Category 1, insured by FDIC or collateralized with securities held by the County (or public trust) or by its agent in its name.

Statutes authorize the County to invest in the State's investment pool. The County's investments held at September 30, 2011, are not subject to classifications where securities related to the government cannot be identified. Investments at September 30, 2011 included certificates of deposit totaling \$1,350,000 and Tex-Pool investments totaling \$62,338.

Investments

The Public Funds Investment Act ("Act") requires an annual audit of investment practices. Audit procedures in this area, conducted as a part of the audit of the general purpose financial statements, disclosed that in the areas of investment practices, management reports and establishment of appropriate

policies, the County adhered to the requirements of the Act. Additionally, investment practices of the County were in accordance with local policies. Investment Policy

The County has adopted the provisions of GASB Statement No. 31, "Accounting and Financial Reporting for Certain Investments and for External Pools" ("Statement"). Those provisions require that certain investments be reported at fair value, rather than at cost or amortized cost, and that the changes in the fair value of investments be recognized as investment revenue. The Statement further provides that the County has the option of continuing to report certain investments at cost or amortized cost, but must disclose its policy in that regard.

In accordance with the Statement, the County's general policy is to report money market investments and short-term participating interest-earning investment contracts at amortized cost and to report non-participating interest-earning investment contracts using the cost-based measure. However, if the fair value of an investment is significantly affected by the impairment of the credit standing of the issuer or by other factors, it is reported at fair value. All other investments are reported at fair value unless a legal contract exists which guarantees a higher value. The term "short-term" refers to investments that have a remaining term of one year or less at time of purchase. The term "nonparticipating" means that the investment's value does not vary with market interest rate changes. Nonnegotiable certificates of deposits are examples of nonparticipating interest-earning investment contracts. The cost basis was equivalent to the fair value of the investments at year end.

Public Funds Investments Pools

Public funds investment pools in Texas ("Pools") are established under the authority of the Inter-local Cooperation Act, Chapter 79 of the Texas Government Code, and are subject to the provisions of the Public Funds Investment Act (the "Act"), Chapter 2256 of the Texas Government Code. In addition to other provisions of the Act designed to promote liquidity and safety of principal, the Act requires Pools to: (1) have an advisory board composed of participants in the Pool and other persons who do not have a business relationship with the Pool and are qualified to advise the Pool; (2) maintain a continuous rating of no lower than AAA or AAA-m or an equivalent rating by at least one nationally recognized rating service; and (3) maintain the market value of its underlying investment portfolio within one half of one percent of the value of its share.

The County's investments in Pools are reported at an amount determined by the fair value per share of the Pool's underlying portfolio, unless the Pool is 2a7-like, in which case they are reported at share value. A 2a7-like pool is one, which is not registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") as an investment company, but nevertheless has a policy that it will, and does, operate in a manner consistent with the SEC's Rule 2a7 of the Investment Company Act of 1940.

Investment Risks

GASB Statement No. 40 requires a determination as to whether the County was exposed to the following specific investments risks at year end and if so, the reporting of certain related disclosures.

Credit risk is the risk that an issuer or other counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligations. The ratings of securities by nationally recognized rating agencies are designed to give an indication of credit risk. At September 30, 2011, the County was not exposed to credit risk.

Custodial credit risk relates to deposits that are exposed to the risk that they are not covered by depository insurance and the deposits are uncollateralized, collateralized with securities, held by the pledging financial institution, or collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent but not in the County's name. At September 30, 2011, the County was not exposed to custodial credit risk.

Concentration of credit risk is the risk of loss attributed to the magnitude of a government's investment in a single issuer. At September 30, 2011, the County was not exposed to concentration of credit risk.

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in the interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. At September 30, 2011, the County was not exposed to interest rate risk.

Foreign currency risk is the risk that exchange rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. At September 30, 2011, the County was not exposed to foreign currency risk.

NOTE 5: CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset activity for the year ended September 30, 2011, follows:

Governmental activities:	_	Beginning Balances		Increases	_	Decreases	Ending Balances
Non-depreciable assets: Land and improvements	\$	158,678	\$		\$		§ <u>158,678</u>
Depreciable assets: Buildings and improvements		3,860,215					3,860,215
Furniture and equipment Infrastructure – roads and bridges		5,032,907 20,888,375		319,295 152,530		(206,223)	5,145,979 21,040,905
Total at historical cost	-	29,781,497		471,825	-	(206,223)	30,047,099
Less accumulated depreciation for: Buildings and improvements Furniture and equipment Infrastructure – roads and bridges Total accumulated depreciation		(1,696,651) (2,990,117) (19,904,151) (24,590,919)	· _	(102,844) (458,884) (74,652) (636,380)	-	193,373 193,373	(1,799,495) (3,255,628) (19,978,803) (25,033,926)
Governmental activity capital assets, net	\$	5,349,256	\$	(164,555)	\$	(12,850)	\$ 5,171,851
Depreciation expense was charged to fun	cti	ons as follows:	:				
General government Judicial and legal Public safety Public facilities	\$	137,789 3,334 69,839 102,326					

\$ 636,380

NOTE 6: LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS

Road and bridge

As of September 30, 2011, the long-term debt, arising from cash transactions, payable from governmental fund resources consisted of the following:

323,092

Capital leases:

A capital lease obtained for the purchase of equipment, payable in annual installments of \$35,347 including interest at 3.45%, secured by equipment, final payment due November 2012	\$ 45,353
A capital lease obtained for the purchase of equipment, payable in semi- annual installments of \$9,578 including interest at 5.72%, secured by equipment, final payment due September 2016	116,340
Total Capital Leases	\$ 161,693

Changes in long-term obligations for the year ended September 30, 2011, are as follows:

	-	October 1, 2010	 Increases	 Decreases	September 30, 2011	 Amount Due Within One Year
Capital leases	\$	434,838	\$	\$ (273,145)	\$ 161,693	\$ 54,520

Interest paid on long-term obligations during the year ended September 30, 2011, totaled \$18,529.

The County is obligated under leases accounted for as capital leases. Capital assets with an original cost basis of \$338,687 were acquired under the capital leases. The following is a schedule of future minimum lease payments under capital leases, together with the net present value of the minimum lease payments as of September 30, 2011.

Year Ending September 30,	
2012	\$ 54,520
2013	48,217
2014	26,380
2015	26,380
2016+	26,150
Minimum lease payments for capital lease	181,647
Less: Amount representing interest	(19,954)
Present value of minimum lease payments	\$ 161,693

NOTE 7: FEDERAL/STATE SOURCE REVENUES

The majority of the federal grant funds received are for strengthening homeland security, bio terrorism, and voting facilities. State grant funds received and recorded in the general fund are primarily for tobacco grants, salary supplements, and additional law enforcement personnel. These grant funds have been awarded and accounted for by the County.

NOTE 8: EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLANS

Pension Plan Description

The County provides pension, disability and death benefits for all of its full-time employees through a nontraditional defined benefit pension plan in the statewide Texas County and District Retirement System (TCDRS). The Board of Trustees of TCDRS is responsible for the administration of the statewide agent multiple-employer public employee retirement system consisting of 575 nontraditional defined benefit pension plans. TCDRS in the aggregate issues a comprehensive annual financial report (CAFR) on a calendar year basis. The CAFR is available upon written request from the TCDRS Board of Trustees at P.O. Box 2034, Austin, Texas 78768-2034.

The plan provisions are adopted by the governing body of the County, within the options available in the Texas state statutes governing TCDRS (TCDRS Act). Members can retire at ages 60 and above with 8 or more years of service or with 20 years regardless of age, or when the sum of their age and years of service equals 75 or more. Members are vested after 8 years of service but must leave their accumulated contributions in the plan to receive any employer-financed benefit. Members who withdraw their personal contributions in a lump sum are not entitled to any amounts contributed by their employer.

Benefit amounts are determined by the sum of the employee's contributions to the plan, with interest, and employer-financed monetary credits. The level of these monetary credits is adopted by the governing body of the employer with the actuarial constraints imposed by the TCDRS Act so that the resulting benefits can be expected to be adequately financed by the employer's commitment to

contribute. At retirement, death or disability the benefit is calculated by converting the sum of the employee's accumulated contributions and the employer-financed monetary credits to a monthly annuity using annuity purchase rates prescribed by the TCDRS Act.

Funding Policy

The employer has elected the annually determined contribution rate (ADCR) plan provisions of the TCDRS Act. The plan is funded by monthly contributions from both employee members and the employer, based on the covered payroll of employee members. Under the TCDRS Act, the contribution rate of the employer is actuarially determined annually. The County contributed using the actuarially determined rate of 11% for fiscal year 2011. The contribution rate payable by the employee members is the rate of 7% as adopted by the governing body of the County. The employee contribution rate and the employer contribution rate may be changed by the governing body of the employer within the options available in the TCDRS Act.

Annual Pension Cost

For the employer's accounting year ending September 30, 2011, the annual pension cost for the TCDRS plan for its employees was \$342,718 and the actual contributions were \$342,718.

The required contribution was determined as part of the December 31, 2010 actuarial valuation using the entry age actuarial cost method. The actuarial assumptions at December 31, 2010 included (a) 8.0 percent investment rate of return (net of administrative expenses), and (b) projected salary increases of 5.4 percent. Both (a) and (b) included an inflation component of 3.5 percent. The actuarial value of assets was determined using techniques that spread the effects of short-term volatility in the market value of investments over a ten-year period. The unfunded actuarial accrued liability is being amortized as a level percentage of projected payroll on a closed basis. The remaining amortization period at December 31, 2010 was 20 years.

Funded Status and Funding Progress

As of December 31, 2010, the most recent actuarial valuation date, the plan was 79.64 percent funded. The actuarial accrued liability for benefits was \$8,000,557, and the actuarial value of assets was \$6,371,401, resulting in unfunded actuarial accrued liability (UAAL) of \$1,629,156. The covered payroll (annual payroll of active employees covered by the plan) was \$3,053,238, and the ratio of the UAAL to the covered payroll was 53.36 percent.

Trend Information for Eastland County, Texas

Fiscal		Annual	Percentage	•	Net
Year		Pension	of APC		Pension
Ended		Cost (APC)	Contributed	b	Obligation
09/30/0	9 \$	342,786	1009	% \$	0
09/30/1	0	330,683	1009	%	0
09/30/1	1	342,718	1009	%	0

Actuarial Valuation Information

Actuarial valuation date	12/31/08	12/31/09	12/31/10
Actuarial cost method Amortization method	entry age level percentage of payroll, closed	entry age level percentage of payroll, closed	entry age level percentage of payroll, closed
Amortization period Asset valuation method	18.9 SAF: 10-yr smoothed value ESF: Fund value	17 SAF: 10-yr smoothed value ESF: Fund value	20 SAF: 10-yr smoothed value ESF: Fund value
Assumptions: Investment return Projected salary increases Inflation Cost-of-living adjustments	8.00% 5.30% 3.50% 0%	8.00% 5.40% 3.50% 0%	8.00% 5.40% 3.50% 0%

Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB)

The County provides medical benefits to eligible retirees. The retiree pays 100% of the contribution for the medical and dental coverage tier elected. All active employees who retire directly from the County and meet the eligibility criteria may participate. Eligibility requirements are the same as those of the pension plan above. The Texas Association of Counties Health and Employee Benefits Pool administers the plan and benefits include but are not limited to supplements for inpatient hospital services, skilled nursing facility care, lab work, hospice, home health, durable medical equipment, and other medical services. The Commissioners' Court has authority to continue, cancel, or otherwise amend the availability of these post-employment benefits.

Funding Policy

The retiree pays the full contribution rate for medical coverage. However, there is an implicit employer subsidy since the active employee rates are used rather than a separately determined retiree rate.

Annual OPEB Cost

For the employer's accounting year ending September 30, 2011, the annual OPEB cost for the medical plan for its retirees was \$11,219 and the actual contributions were \$11,219.

The required contribution was determined as part of the October 1, 2010 actuarial valuation using the projected unit cost method. The actuarial assumptions at October 1, 2010 included (a) 4.5 percent discount rate (including inflation), and (b) projected health care cost trend of 5.0 percent. Both (a) and (b) included an inflation component of 3.0 percent. The period used to determine amortization costs for the initial unfunded actuarial accrued liability is a level period for 30 years.

Funded Status and Funding Progress

As of October 1, 2010, the most recent actuarial valuation date, the plan was 0.00 percent funded. The actuarial accrued liability for benefits was \$74,175, and the actuarial value of assets was \$0, resulting in unfunded actuarial accrued liability (UAAL) of \$74,175. The covered payroll (annual payroll of active employees covered by the plan) was \$2,718,459, and the ratio of the UAAL to the covered payroll was 2.73 percent.

Fiscal	Annual	Percentage	Net
Year	Pension	of APC	Pension
Ended	Cost (APC)	Contributed	Obligation
09/30/09	\$ -	-	\$ -
09/30/10	-	-	-
09/30/11	11,219	100%	0

Trend Information for Eastland County, Texas

Actuarial Valuation Information

Actuarial valuation date	10/1/08	<u>10/1/09</u>	<u>10/1/10</u>
Actuarial cost method	-	-	projected unit cost
Amortization method	-	-	level percentage of payroll, closed
Amortization period (initial)	-	-	30
Assumptions:			
Real rate of return	-	-	1.50%
Inflation	-	-	3.00%
Healthcare cost trend	-	-	5.00%

Deferred Compensation Plan

The County established a 457 deferred compensation plan administered by Nationwide Retirement Solutions to provide additional employee benefits for general employees of the County. Contributions to the plan are optional and the County does not provide any employer funding. Plan provisions and contribution requirements are established and may be amended by the County Commissioners. The plan is included as a fiduciary fund and prepared using the accrual basis of accounting. Contributions to the plan are recognized in the period that the contributions are received. Employee contributions for the year ended September 30, 2011, totaled \$8,874. Plan investments are reported at fair value based on quoted market prices if traded on a national exchange or at estimated fair value.

NOTE 9: DEFERRED REVENUE

Deferred revenue at September 30, 2011, in the amount of \$317,279 consists of unearned property taxes.

NOTE 10: RISK MANAGEMENT

The County's risks of significant losses from auto and property damage and general, law enforcement, and public official liability are covered by participation in the Texas Association of counties (TAC) Risk Management Pool. Coverage with TAC is handled like commercial insurance by both parties. There have been no significant reductions in insurance coverage for the current year.

NOTE 11: INTERFUND TRANSACTIONS

The composition of interfund balances as of September 30, 2011, are as follows:

Due from/to other funds:

Receivable Fund	Payable Fund	<u>Amount</u>
General fund	Road and bridge fund Other governmental funds	\$ 68,516 112,899
Other governmental funds	General fund	185
		\$ 181,600

The above balances reflect temporary cash advances.

Transfers:

Transfers are indicative of funding for capital projects, lease payments or debt service, subsidies of various County operations and re-allocations of special revenues. The following schedule briefly summarizes the County's transfer activity:

Transfer From	<u>Transfer To</u>	Amount
General fund	Road and bridge fund Courthouse security fund Jury fund Adult probation fund	\$ 2,665,855 27,500 16,945 54,972
		\$ 2,765,272

NOTE 12: DEFICIT FUND EQUITY

The following had a fund balance deficit as of the fiscal year end:

Fund	<u>Deficit</u>
Road and bridge fund Grants fund	\$ 107,101 33,995
	\$ 141,096

The road and bridge fund deficit fund equity was caused by several years of significant excess expenditures over revenues. In fiscal year 2010 management began supplementing the road and bridge fund with transfers from the general fund and plans to defease the deficit in the near future.

The grants fund deficit fund equity was caused by timing of funds spent and receipt of grant reimbursements. Management expects the deficit fund equity to reverse in the next fiscal year.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION – BUDGET AND ACTUAL

<u>SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE</u> <u>BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL FUND</u>

For the Year Ended September 30, 2011

		Budget	ed A		Actual Amount	Variance with Final Budget Positive or
		Original		Final	(Budgetary Basis)	(Negative)
Budgetary fund balances, October 1	\$	2,135,661	\$	2,323,388	\$ 2,526,711	\$ 203,323
RESOURCES (INFLOWS):						
Taxes		5,522,719		5,522,719	5,580,261	57,542
Grants and contributions		55,174		344,359	95,168	(249,191)
Charges for services		635,707		649,105	1,046,262	397,157
Fines and forfeitures		547,600		549,469	626,941	77,472
Interest		12,050		12,050	14,313	2,263
Other	_	106,475	-	131,776	246,084	114,308
Amounts available for appropriation	_	6,879,725	-	7,209,478	7,609,029	399,551
CHARGES TO APPROPRIATIONS (OUTFLOWS): Current:						
General government		2,221,423		2,155,791	2,157,796	(2,005)
Judicial and legal		1,015,433		1,026,367	944,330	82,037
Public safety		2,037,146		2,079,172	1,834,898	244,274
Public facilities		246,964		424,309	398,265	26,044
Health and welfare		285,585		552,990	605,809	(52,819)
Transfers out	_	2,734,457	-	2,734,457	2,765,272	(30,815)
Total charges to appropriations	_	8,541,008	-	8,973,086	8,706,370	266,716
Budgetary fund balances, September 30	\$	474,378	\$	559,780	\$ 1,429,370	\$ 869,590

Notes to Budgetary Comparison Schedule -Modified Cash Basis - General Fund

Note 1: Basis of Accounting

The budget is prepared on the same modified cash basis of accounting as applied to the governmental fund in the basic financial statements. Revenues and expenditures are reported when they result from cash transactions.

<u>SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE</u> <u>BUDGET AND ACTUAL - ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND</u>

For the Year Ended September 30, 2011

	Budgeted A Original	mounts Final	Actual Amount (Budgetary Basis)	Variance with Final Budget Positive/ (Negative)
Budgetary fund balances, October 1 \$	6 (1,273,608) \$	(2,024,913) \$	(1,758,077) \$	266,836
RESOURCES (INFLOWS):				
Taxes	150	150	4	(146)
Grants and contributions	27,800	30,450	182,934	152,484
Charges for services	458,000	458,000	460,385	2,385
Interest	1,300	1,300	0	(1,300)
Other	3,025	67,549	65,175	(2,374)
Transfers in	1,025,869	1,025,869	2,665,855	1,639,986
' Amounts available for appropriation	1,516,144	1,583,318	3,374,353	1,791,035
CHARGES TO APPROPRIATIONS (OUTFLOWS) Current:	:			
Road and bridge	3,180,287	3,247,461	1,723,377	1,524,084
Total charges to appropriations	3,180,287	3,247,461	1,723,377	1,524,084
Budgetary fund balances, September 30	\$ (2,937,751) \$	(3,689,056) \$	(107,101) \$	3,581,955

Notes to Budgetary Comparison Schedule -Modified Cash Basis - Road and Bridge Fund

Note 1: Basis of Accounting

The budget is prepared on the same modified cash basis of accounting as applied to the governmental fund in the basic financial statements. Revenues and expenditures are reported when they result from cash transactions.

<u>SCHEDULE OF FUNDING PROGRESS FOR THE PENSION PLAN</u> FOR THE EMPLOYEES OF EASTLAND COUNTY, TEXAS

Actuarial valuation date	_	12/31/2008	_	12/31/2009	12/31/2010			
Actuarial value of assets	\$	5,353,501	\$	6,105,402	\$	6,371,401		
Actuarial accrued liability (AAL)	\$	6,938,547	\$	7,564,606	\$	8,000,557		
Unfunded AAL (UAAL) Funded ratio	\$	1,585,046 77.16%	\$	1,459,204 80.71%	\$	1,629,156 79.64%		
Annual covered payroll (actuarial)	\$	2,929,962	\$	2,980,682	\$	3,053,238		
UAAL as a percentage of covered payroll		54.10%		48.86%		53.36%		

SCHEDULE OF FUNDING PROGRESS FOR OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OF EASTLAND COUNTY, TEXAS

Actuarial valuation date		12/31/2008	 12/31/2009	12/31/2010			
Actuarial value of assets	\$	-	\$ -	\$	0		
Actuarial accrued liability (AAL)	\$	-	\$ -	\$	74,175		
Unfunded AAL (UAAL) Funded ratio	\$	-	\$ -	\$	74,175 0.00%		
Annual covered payroll (actuarial)	\$	-	\$ -	\$	2,718,459		
UAAL as a percentage of covered payroll		-	-		2.73%		

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION - COMBINING FINANCIAL STATEMENTS NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

<u>COMBINING BALANCE SHEET -</u> <u>NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS</u>

ASSETS	 Grants	_	Adult Probation	. –	Cooperative Dispatch	_	Constable LEOSE		County Clerk Record Archival
Cash and cash equivalents Investments Due from other funds Due from other governments	\$ 81,157	\$	350,249	\$	63,012	\$	7,021	\$	47,782 50
Total Assets	\$ 81,157	\$_	350,249	\$	63,012	\$	7,021	\$_	47,832
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES Liabilities: Accounts payable Accrued wages Due to other funds Due to other governments	\$ 57,576 57,576	\$	2,573 8,499 8,254 649	\$	4,534 10,888 15,769	\$		\$	
Total Liabilities	 115,152	_	19,975	· -	31,191	_	0	_	0
Fund Balances: Restricted Assigned Unassigned	 (33,995)		330,274		31,821	_	7,021		47,832
Total Fund Balance	 (33,995)		330,274	_	31,821	_	7,021	_	47,832
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	\$ 81,157	\$_	350,249	\$	63,012	\$	7,021	\$	47,832

N	County Clerk Records <u>Janagement</u>	_	County Farm	-	Courthouse Security	_	D.A. E.C.C.C.	-	D.A. Forfeiture	_	D.A. LEOSE	-	D.A. State Allocation
\$	48,477 88	\$	5,960 150,000	\$	89,279 20 754	\$	24,181	\$	218,132 11,688	\$	971	\$	8,391
\$	48,565	\$	155,960	\$	90,053	\$	24,181	\$	229,820	\$	971	\$	8,391
\$	141 139	\$	1,023	\$	609 2,117	\$	851 11,688	\$		\$		\$	439
	280	_	1,023	_	2,726	_	12,539	_	0	_	0	_	439
_	48,285	_	154,937	_	87,327	_	11,642	_	229,820	_	971	_	7,952
	48,285		154,937	_	87,327	-	11,642	_	229,820	-	971	_	7,952
\$	48,565	\$	155,960	\$	90,053	\$	24,181	\$	229,820	\$	971	\$	8,391

<u>COMBINING BALANCE SHEET -</u> <u>NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS (CONTINUED)</u>

ASSETS] Ma	ist. Clerk Records magement reservation	_	Election Service	<u></u>	Justice Court Technology	-	Juvenile Probation	_	Law Library
Cash and cash equivalents Investments	\$	9,349	\$	24,869	\$	70,403	\$	67,461	\$	77,398
Due from other funds Due from other governments			_		_	760	-	743	_	
Total Assets	\$	9,349	\$	24,869	\$	71,163	\$	68,204	\$_	77,398
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITIES Liabilities										
Accounts payable Accrued wages Due to other funds	\$		\$		\$	672	\$	1,669 5,771 31,300	\$	
Due to other governments			_		_		-		_	
Total Liabilities		0	-	0	_	672	-	38,740	-	0
Fund Balances: Restricted Assigned Unassigned		9,349		24,869	_	70,491		29,464		77,398
Total Fund Balance		9,349		24,869		70,491	-	29,464	-	77,398
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	\$	9,349	\$	24,869	\$	71,163	\$	68,204	\$	77,398

_	Records Management and Preservation	_	Sheriff's LEOSE	_	Sheriff's Commissary		Historical Commission		Vital Statistics Preservation	_	Jury Fund
\$	16,194	\$	6,598	\$	10,512	\$	3,217	\$	64,880	\$	19,569
	23										
\$	16,217	\$	6,598	\$	10,512	\$	3,217	\$	64,880	\$	19,569
\$	820	\$		\$		\$		\$		\$	525
-	820	_	0	_	0		0		0	_	525
	15,397		6,598		10,512		0.015		64,880		19,044
-		_		_		•	3,217	•		_	
-	15,397	_	6,598	_	10,512		3,217		64,880	_	19,044
\$	16,217	\$	6,598	\$	10,512	\$	3,217	\$	64,880	\$	19,569

<u>COMBINING BALANCE SHEET -</u> <u>NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS (CONTINUED)</u>

ASSETS	Dist. Court Records reservation	-	Court Technology	_	District Clerk Record Archival	_	Sheriff's Seizure Fund		Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds
Cash and cash equivalents Investments Due from other funds Due from other governments	\$ 4,560	\$	1,249 4	\$	2,671	\$	25,978	\$	1,349,520 150,000 11,873 2,257
Total Assets	\$ 4,560	\$	1,253	\$_	2,671	\$	25,978	\$_	1,513,650
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITIES Liabilities Accounts payable Accrued wages Due to other funds Due to other governments	\$	\$		\$		\$	277	\$	71,270 27,853 124,587 649
Total Liabilities	 0	-	0	_	0	_	277		224,359
Fund Balances: Restricted Assigned Unassigned	 4,560	_	1,253	_	2,671		25,701	_	1,133,311 189,975 (33,995)
Total Fund Balance	 4,560	-	1,253	_	2,671	_	25,701	_	1,289,291
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	\$ 4,560	\$	1,253	\$_	2,671	\$	25,978	\$	1,513,650

<u>COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES -</u> <u>NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS</u>

		Grants	_	Adult Probation	-	Cooperative Dispatch	_	Constable LEOSE	_	County Clerk Record Archival
REVENUES:	<u>_</u>		<i>•</i>		<i>•</i>		÷		•	
Grants and contributions	\$	23,581	\$	163,498	\$	75,028	\$	1,325	\$	40.000
Charges for services				426,302		338,667				19,929
Fines and forfeitures Interest				2 021		140		1.5		224
				2,031		148		15		334
Other			-	1,661	-		-		-	
Total Revenues		23,581	_	593,492	-	413,843	_	1,340	_	20,263
EXPENDITURES: Current: General government		57,576								49,500
Judicial and legal		57,576		502,581						49,500
Public safety				502,581		428,490		449		
Public facilities						428,490		449		
Health and welfare										
ricann and wenale			-		-		-		-	
Total Expenditures		57,576		502,581		428,490		449		49,500
			_	,	-		-		-	
Excess (Deficit) Revenues Over Expenditures		(33,995)		90,911		(14,647)		891		(29,237)
			_		-		-		-	
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES:										
Transfers in			_	54,972	-		_		_	
Excess (Deficit) Revenues and Other Financing		(22.005)		145 002		(14 (47)		001		(20, 227)
Sources Over Expenditures and Financing Uses		(33,995)	-	145,883	-	(14,647)	-	891	-	(29,237)
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year		0		184,391		46,468		6,130		77,069
i and Salance, Beginning of Feat		0	-	101,001	-	10,100	-	0,150	-	11,007
Fund Balance, End of Year	\$	(33,995)	\$	330,274	\$	31,821	\$	7,021	\$	47,832
		-	=		-		=		=	

County Clerk Record Managem	s		County Farm	-	Courthouse Security	-	D.A. E.C.C.C.	-	D.A. Forfeiture	-	D.A. LEOSE	_	D.A. State Allocation
\$		\$		\$	23,000	\$		\$		\$		\$	
20,6	553				21,220		15,258		22,153		1,037		31,272
2	240		643		546		104		1,071				42
			10,969	-		-	47	-		-		_	
20,8	393		11,612	_	44,766	-	15,409	-	23,224	_	1,037	-	31,314
13,2	214	_	32,950	-	75,278	-	6,403	-	2,678	-	2,042	_	38,169
13,2	214		32,950	_	75,278	-	6,403	_	2,678	_	2,042	_	38,169
7,6	579_		(21,338)	-	(30,512)	-	9,006	-	20,546	-	(1,005)	_	(6,855)
				-	27,500	-		-		-		_	
7,6 40,6	579 506		(21,338) 176,275	-	(3,012) 90,339	-	9,006 2,636	-	20,546 209,274	-	(1,005)	-	(6,855) 14,807
\$ 48,2	285	\$	154,937	\$_	87,327	\$	11,642	\$_	229,820	\$_	971	\$_	7,952

<u>COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES -</u> <u>NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS (CONTINUED)</u>

	-	Dist. Clerk Records Management & Preservation	_	Election Service		Justice Court Technology		Juvenile Probation	_	Law Library
REVENUES:	•		•		<i>•</i>		•	222.021	¢	
Grants and contributions	\$	2 202	\$	15 722	\$		\$	233,031	\$	0.005
Charges for services Fines and forfeitures		2,202		15,732		13,726		1 266		9,205
Interest		45		3		360		1,266 363		417
Other		45		5		500		505		417
Ould	-		-						_	
Total Revenues	-	2,247	_	15,735		14,086		234,660	_	9,622
EXPENDITURES: Current: General government Judicial and legal Public safety						8,626		224,743		5,453
Public facilities Health and welfare	-		_						_	
Total Expenditures	-	0	_	0		8,626		224,743	_	5,453
Excess (Deficit) Revenues Over Expenditures	-	2,247		15,735		5,460		9,917		4,169
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES: Transfers in	-		_						_	
Excess (Deficit) Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over Expenditures and Financing Uses	-	2,247		15,735		5,460		9,917	_	4,169
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year	-	7,102	_	9,134		65,031		19,547	_	73,229
Fund Balance, End of Year	\$	9,349	\$	24,869	\$	70,491	\$	29,464	\$	77,398

_	Records Management and Preservation		Sheriff's LEOSE	-	Sheriff's Commissary	Historical Commission	Vital Statistics Preservation	Jury Fund
\$	11,481	\$	2,934	\$	23,963	\$ 427	\$ 8,737	\$
_		-		-	5		332	4,488
-	11,481	-	2,934	-	23,968	427	9,069	4,488
	10,271		4,500		30,922			9,745
-	10,271	-	4,500	-	30,922	0	0	9,745
-	1,210	-	(1,566)	-	(6,954)	427	9,069	(5,257)
_		-		-				16,945
_	1,210	-	(1,566)	-	(6,954)	427	9,069	11,688
-	14,187		8,164	-	17,466	2,790	55,811	7,356
\$	15,397	\$	6,598	\$	10,512	\$ 3,217	\$ 64,880	\$ 19,044

<u>COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES -</u> <u>NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS (CONTINUED)</u>

REVENUES:		Dist. Court Records Preservation	-	Court Technology		District Clerk Record Archival	_	Sheriff's Seizure Fund		Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds
Grants and contributions	\$		\$		\$		\$		\$	519,890
Charges for services	φ	2,728	φ	1,105	φ	1,630	φ		φ	967,781
Fines and forfeitures		2,728		1,105		1,050		32,148		55,567
Interest		2				1		110		6,812
Other		2				1		110		17,165
ouici			-		•		-			17,105
Total Revenues		2,730	-	1,105		1,631	_	32,258		1,567,215
EXPENDITURES: Current: General government										107,076
Judicial and legal								11,806		833,689
Public safety								,		466,403
Public facilities										75,278
Health and welfare										32,950
			-				_			
Total Expenditures		0	-	0		0	_	11,806		1,515,396
Excess (Deficit) Revenues Over		2 720		1 105		1 (21		20,452		51.010
Expenditures		2,730	-	1,105		1,631	-	20,452		51,819
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES: Transfers in			-				_			99,417
Excess (Deficit) Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over Expenditures and										
Financing Uses		2,730	-	1,105		1,631	_	20,452		151,236
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year		1,830	-	148		1,040	_	5,249		1,138,055
Fund Balance, End of Year	\$	4,560	\$	1,253	\$	2,671	\$_	25,701	\$	1,289,291

COMBINING STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET ASSETS -AGENCY FUNDS

		County Clerk		District Clerk		Unclaimed Property Fund		Fees Clearing Account
ASSETS:								
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	43,527	\$	49,950	\$	5,852	\$	135,697
Certificates of deposit and savings Due from others	_		_		_		_	15,692
Total Assets	_	43,527	_	49,950	-	5,852	_	151,389
LIABILITIES:								
Accrued liabilities		12 507		40.050		5 953		151,389
Due to others Bonds held in trust	_	43,527		49,950	_	5,852	_	
Total Liabilities	_	43,527	_	49,950	_	5,852	_	151,389
NET ASSETS:								
Unrestricted	\$	0	\$	0	\$	0	\$_	0

District Clerk Court Fund		Sheriff's Fund		District Registry Fund	-	District Clerk Trustee Funds	District Attorney Hot Check Fund		District Attorney Trustee Seizure Fund
\$ 24,750	\$	15,351	\$	1,474,412	\$	178,515	\$ 4,241	\$	382 34,275
24,750	_	15,351		1,474,412	-	178,515	4,241	•	34,657
24,750	_	15,351		1,474,412	_	178,515	4,241		34,657
24,750	_	15,351	· -	1,474,412	-	178,515	4,241		34,657
\$ 0	\$	0	\$	0	\$	0	\$ 0	\$	0

<u>COMBINING STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET ASSETS -</u> <u>AGENCY FUNDS (CONTINUED)</u>

	_	Sheriff's Inmate Fund		Tax Collector VIT Account		Tax Collector Ad Valorem Fund		Tax Collector Auto Fund
ASSETS:	¢	12 797	¢	76 444	¢	06 495	¢	251 512
Cash and cash equivalents Certificates of deposit and savings Due from others	\$	13,787	\$	76,444	\$	26,485	\$	351,513
Total Assets	_	13,787		76,444		26,485	-	351,513
LIABILITIES:								
Accrued liabilities Due to others Bonds held in trust		13,787		76,444		26,485		351,513
Total Liabilities	-	13,787		76,444	•	26,485	-	351,513
NET ASSETS:								
Unrestricted	\$	0	\$	0	\$	0	\$	0

							Adult	
	Justice of		Justice of		Justice of		Supervision	Total
	the Peace		the Peace		the Peace		and Correction	Agency
_	#1	_	#2	_	#4		Fund	Funds
				-		-		
\$	15,408	\$	8,495	\$	8,727	\$	188	\$ 2,255,209
								212,790
_	1,316	_		_				17,008
				_				
	16,724	_	8,495	_	8,727		188	2,485,007
								151,389
	15,946		8,031		6,599		188	2,330,248
	778	_	464	_	2,128			3,370
_	16,724	_	8,495	-	8,727		188	2,485,007
\$	0	\$	0	\$	0	\$	0	\$ 0

INTERNAL CONTROLS



June 22, 2012

The Honorable County Judge and Commissioners Comprising the Commissioners' Court of Eastland County, Texas

Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*

We have audited the financial statements of Eastland County, Texas as of and for the year ended September 30, 2011, and have issued our report thereon dated June 22, 2012. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, and the standards applicable for financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

Management of Eastland County, Texas is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting. In planning and performing our audit, we considered Eastland County, Texas' internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Eastland County, Texas' internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Eastland County, Texas' internal county, Texas' internal control over financial reporting.

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 entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be deficiencies, significant deficiencies, or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Eastland County, Texas' financial statements are free of 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 determination of the financial statement amounts. 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*.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of Eastland County, Texas' Commissioners' Court, management, federal awarding agencies, State of Texas awarding agencies, and other granting agencies and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Condley and Company, L.L.P.

Certified Public Accountants