



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
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**Department Name:** Treasurer – Tax  
Collector  
**Department No.:** 065  
**For Agenda Of:** 02/25/2020  
**Placement:** Administrative  
**Estimated Tme:**  
**Continued Item:** No  
**If Yes, date from:**  
**Vote Required:** Majority

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors

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**SUBJECT:** External Auditor's Reports on the Treasurer's Financial Statements and the  
Treasurer's Compliance with the Treasury Oversight Committee Provisions  
Contained in Sections 27130-27137 of the California Government Code

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**County Counsel Concurrence**

As to form: N/A

**Other Concurrence:**

As to form: N/A

**Recommended Actions:**

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a. Receive and file the Santa Barbara County Treasurer's Investment Pool Financial Statements with Independent Auditor's Reports for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019; and
- b. Receive and file the Independent Accountant's Report on the Treasurer's Compliance with the Treasury Oversight provisions contained in Sections 27130-27137 of the California Government Code for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019; and
- c. Determine that the above action involves government funding mechanisms and/or fiscal activities and is not a project under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to section 15378(b)(4) of the CEQA Guidelines.

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**Auditor-Controller Concurrence**

As to form: N/A

**Summary Text:**

The Audit Reports are being submitted pursuant to California Government Code Sections 26920(b), 26922, and 27134 as well as the Santa Barbara County Code Section 2-23.2.

**Background:** Pursuant to Government Code Section 26920(b) and Section 26922, the financial statements of the Santa Barbara County Treasurer's Investment Pool (the "Pool") as of and for the year ended June 30, 2019 were audited by Brown Armstrong. Management of the Treasurer is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements. Brown Armstrong was engaged to express an opinion on the financial statements based on this audit.

The audit included procedures performed to obtain evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The Independent Auditor's Report indicates that the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the Pool, as of June 30, 2019, and the respective changes in its financial position for the fiscal year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. This represents an unmodified, "clean" opinion.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, Brown Armstrong has also issued a report on the consideration of the Treasurer's internal control over financial reporting and tests of compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and other matters. As stated in that report dated September 4, 2019, there were no deficiencies identified in the Treasurer's internal control over financial reporting that were considered to be a material weakness. Further, Brown Armstrong did not identify any instances of noncompliance, or other matters that are required to be reported.

Pursuant to Government Code Section 27134, Brown Armstrong also examined the Treasurer's compliance with the Treasury Oversight Committee provisions contained in Section 27130-27137 of the Government Code for the year ended June 30, 2019. Management of the Treasurer is responsible for the compliance with those requirements. The opinion issued by Brown Armstrong indicates that the Treasurer is in compliance, in all material respects, with the provisions contained in Section 27130-27137 of the Government Code for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019. This unmodified, "clean" opinion is stated in the Independent Accountant's Report on Compliance dated September 4, 2019.

**Fiscal Analysis:**

The annual cost of the audit is \$9,500 and is paid by investment earnings from the treasury pool.

**Attachments:**

Attachment 1: Santa Barbara County Treasurer's Investment Pool Financial Statements with Independent Auditor's Reports for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2019

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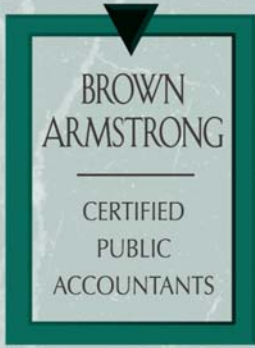
SANTA BARBARA COUNTY  
TREASURER'S INVESTMENT POOL

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS WITH  
INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORTS

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019

SANTA BARBARA COUNTY TREASURER'S INVESTMENT POOL  
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019

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# BROWN ARMSTRONG

*Certified Public Accountants*

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Santa Barbara Treasurer's  
Oversight Committee and  
The Board of Supervisors  
County of Santa Barbara, California

### Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Treasurer's Investment Pool of the County of Santa Barbara (the County) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2019, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Treasurer's Investment Pool's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions 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 financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the County's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design 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. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

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## Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the Treasurer's Investment Pool, as of June 30, 2019, and results of its investment activity thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

## Other Reporting Required by *Government Auditing Standards*

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated September 4, 2019, on our consideration of the County's internal control over financial reporting relating to the Treasurer's Investment Pool and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely 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 effectiveness of the County's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the County's internal control over financial reporting and compliance relating to the Treasurer's Investment Pool.

BROWN ARMSTRONG  
ACCOUNTANCY CORPORATION

*Brown Armstrong*  
*Accountancy Corporation*

Bakersfield, California  
September 4, 2019

SANTA BARBARA COUNTY TREASURER'S INVESTMENT POOL  
 STATEMENT OF NET POSITION  
 JUNE 30, 2019

**ASSETS**

Cash		\$ 74,333,162
Investments:		
California Asset Management Program (CAMP)		100,000,000
Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF)		65,000,000
Federally Insured Cash Account (FICA)		90,000,000
U.S. Treasuries		328,184,900
Government Agency Bonds		187,197,682
Government Agency Discount Notes		321,144,860
Government Agency Bonds - Callable		523,232,599
Total Investments		<u>1,614,760,041</u>
Interest Receivable		5,084,904
Proceeds Receivable		<u>5,000,000</u>
		10,084,904
Total Assets		<u><u>1,699,178,107</u></u>

**NET POSITION HELD IN TRUST**

\$ 1,699,178,107

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET POSITION  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019

**Additions**

Contributions by Pool Participants	\$ 2,909,790,324
Investment Income:	
Investment Earnings	26,717,107
Net Increase in Fair Value of Investments	16,200,182
Administrative Expenses	<u>(2,163,245)</u>
Net Investment Income	40,754,044
 Total Additions	 <u><u>2,950,544,368</u></u>

**Deductions**

Distributions to Pool Participants	<u>2,729,123,848</u>
 Total Deductions	 <u><u>2,729,123,848</u></u>
 Net Increase in Net Position	 221,420,520
 Net Position Held in Trust, Beginning of Year	 1,477,768,887
 Prior Period Adjustment	 (11,300)
 Net Position Held in Trust, End of Year	 <u><u>\$ 1,699,178,107</u></u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.



SANTA BARBARA COUNTY TREASURER'S INVESTMENT POOL  
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Reporting Entity

The Santa Barbara County Treasurer's Investment Pool (the "Pool") is a part of the County of Santa Barbara (the "County") and is responsible for approximately \$1.689 billion in assets as of June 30, 2019. The County Board of Supervisors delegates the investment authority to the County Treasurer's Office in accordance with Section 53607 of the California Government Code. The County Treasurer is an elective office, which is responsible for tax collection, banking, investment and accountability of public funds.

The Pool is managed by the County Treasurer on behalf of the Pool participants, which include the County, local school districts and community colleges, and other districts and agencies within the County. Involuntary participants in the Pool, including the County, comprise 89.60% of the Pool's assets at June 30, 2019. The objectives of the Pool are to primarily safeguard investment principal by mitigating exposure to risk factors, secondarily maintain sufficient liquidity to meet cash flow needs, and lastly to attain a return on the funds. The Pool is not registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") as an investment company nor is it a SEC Rule 2a7-like pool. The Pool does not have any legally binding guarantees of share values. The Pool is not rated.

Pursuant to Sections 27130-27137 of the California Government Code, the County Board of Supervisors has established the Treasurer's Oversight Committee (the "TOC"), which monitors and reviews the Investment Policy. The TOC consists of representatives appointed from pool participant agencies as well as members of the public who have expertise in, or an academic background in, public finance. The TOC requires a financial audit to be conducted annually on a fiscal year basis, which includes tests of compliance with laws and regulations.

Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation

The accompanying financial statements are prepared using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Earnings on investments are recognized as revenue in the period in which they are earned and administrative costs are recognized as expense when incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Pool participants' cash balances and withdrawals are based on cost while investments are reported at fair value.

Trades Payable

Trades payable represents purchase of investments by the Treasurer where payment has not been made as of the fiscal year end. The Pool had no trades payable at June 30, 2019.

Trades Receivable

Trades receivable represents pending sale of investments by the Treasurer that have not settled at fiscal year end. The Pool had no trades receivable at June 30, 2019.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of certain assets and liabilities, disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenditures during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

## 2. DEPOSITS

At June 30, 2019, the carrying amount of the Pool's deposits was \$74,333,162 and the corresponding bank balance was \$58,438,653. The difference of \$15,893,958 was principally due to deposits in transit.

### Custodial Credit Risk

The custodial credit risk for deposits is the risk that, in the event of the failure of a depository financial institution, the Pool will not be able to recover deposits or will not be able to recover collateral securities that are in possession of an outside party. This risk is mitigated in that, of the County's total bank balance, \$250,000 is insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. The remaining \$58,188,653 on deposit is collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's agent. Per Government Code Section 53652, the depository is required to maintain a market value of at least 110% of the pledged collateral.

## 3. INVESTMENTS

Pursuant to Section 53646 of the Government Code, the County Treasurer prepares an Investment Policy Statement annually, presents it to the TOC for review and to the Board of Supervisors for approval. After approval, the policy is forwarded to the California Debt and Investment Advisory Commission.

The Investment Policy Statement provides the basis for the management of a prudent, conservative investment program. Public funds are invested to provide the maximum security of principal with secondary emphasis on achieving the highest return, while meeting daily cash flow needs. All investments are made in accordance with the Government Code and, in general, the Treasurer's Investment Policy is more restrictive than state law. Types of securities in which the Treasurer may invest include U.S. Treasury and U.S. Government agency securities; state and/or local agency bonds, notes, warrants or certificates of indebtedness; bankers' acceptances; commercial paper; corporate notes; negotiable certificates of deposit; repurchase agreements; reverse repurchase agreements; securities lending; bank deposits; money market mutual funds; the State of California Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF); and the investment pools managed by a Joint Powers Authority. As of June 30, 2019, all investments are in compliance with State law and with the Treasurer's Investment Policy.

Investments are stated at fair value. Fair value is established quarterly based on quoted market prices received from the securities custodian. Fair value of investments held fluctuates with interest rates. The fair value of participants' position in the Pool is the same as the value of the Pool shares. The value of participants' equity withdrawn is based on the book value of the participants' percentage participation at the date of such withdrawal.

The Pool participates in LAIF and the California Asset Management Program (CAMP). Investments in LAIF and CAMP are governed by state statutes and overseen by a five member Local Investment Advisory Board and a seven member Board of Trustees, respectively. The Pool participates in the Federally Insured Cash Account program (FICA) which is governed by state and federal statutes and overseen by a seven member Board of Directors.

The California State Treasurer's Office operates the LAIF. LAIF is available for investment of funds administered by California local governments and special districts and is not registered with the SEC as an investment company. The enabling legislation for LAIF is Section 16429.1 et seq. of the California Government Code. The Local Investment Advisory Board (LIAB) provides oversight for LAIF.

CAMP is a California Joint Powers Authority established in 1989 to provide California public agencies with professional investment services. The CAMP Pool is a permitted investment for all local agencies under California Government Code Section 53601(p).

FICA is managed by StoneCastle Cash Management, LLC (StoneCastle) and is registered with the SEC as a Registered Investment Advisor. This program places the County's cash in deposit accounts at banks and savings institutions (Insured Depositories) in a manner that maintains full insurance of the funds by the FDIC. FICA is

open to participants that are (a) both “accredited investors” under the Securities Act of 1933 and “qualified purchasers” under the Investment Company Act of 1940 as amended and/or (b) U.S. governmental units.

LAIF, CAMP, and FICA operate and report to participants on an amortized cost basis. For both LAIF and CAMP, the income, gains, and losses, net of administration fees, are allocated based upon the participant’s average daily balance. CAMP and LAIF participants share proportionally in any realized gains or losses on investments. For FICA, interest is accrued daily on each Insured Depository and paid monthly. Deposits in LAIF and CAMP are not insured or otherwise guaranteed by the State of California, while the FICA deposit accounts are insured by the FDIC and are fully guaranteed by the U.S. Government. The fair value of the LAIF and CAMP investment pools are approximately equal to the value of the pool shares. The fair value of FICA is approximately equal to the value of all cash on deposit with the Insured Depositories.

Credit Risk and Concentration of Credit Risk

Credit risk is the risk that an issuer or other counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligations. Concentration of credit risk is the risk of loss attributed to the magnitude of an investment in a single issuer. The Treasurer mitigates these risks by holding a diversified portfolio of high quality investments.

The Treasurer’s Investment Policy sets specific parameters by type of investment to be met at the time of purchase. Commercial paper obligations and negotiable certificates of deposit shall be rated by at least two of the three major rating services at a minimum of F1 by Fitch, P-1 by Moody’s and A-1 by Standard & Poor’s (S&P). Corporate notes, with a maturity greater than three years, shall be rated at a minimum of AA by at least two of the three major rating services. Corporate notes, with a maturity of three years or less, shall be rated at a minimum of AA- by at least two of the three major ratings services. Corporate Temporary Liquidity Guarantee Program (TLGP) notes shall be rated AAA by one of three major ratings services.

The following is a summary of the credit quality distribution by investment type as a percentage of fair value at June 30, 2019:

	<b>Moody's</b>	<b>S&amp;P</b>	<b>Fitch</b>	<b>% of Portfolio</b>
<b>Treasurer's Pooled Investments:</b>				
CAMP	Not Rated	AAAm	Not Rated	6.19%
LAIF	Not Rated	Not Rated	Not Rated	4.03%
FICA	Not Rated	Not Rated	Not Rated	5.57%
Government Agency Bonds and Notes	Aaa	AA+	Not Rated	37.38%
Government Agency Bonds and Notes	Aaa	AA+	AAA	26.51%
US Treasury Bills and Notes	Aaa	AA+	AAA	20.32%
<b>Total Treasurer's Pooled Investments</b>				<b>100.00%</b>

Instruments in any one issuer that represent 5% or more of the County’s investments as of June 30, 2019 are as follows (excluding external investment pools and debt explicitly guaranteed by the U.S. government):

<u>Issuer</u>	<u>Issuer Type</u>	<u>Fair Value Holdings</u>	<u>Percentage Holdings</u>
<b>Treasurer's Pooled Investments:</b>			
Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation	Government Sponsored	\$ 320,354,617	18.97%
Federal Home Loan Bank	Government Sponsored	428,017,521	25.34%
Federal Farm Credit Bank	Government Sponsored	176,620,296	10.46%
Federal National Mortgage Association	Government Sponsored	106,582,707	6.31%
		<u>\$ 1,031,575,141</u>	<u>61.08%</u>

Custodial Credit Risk

Custodial credit risk for investments is the risk that the Pool will not be able to recover the value of investment securities that are in the possession of an outside party. All securities owned by the Pool are deposited in trust for

safekeeping with a custodial bank different from the County's primary bank. Securities are not held in broker accounts.

#### Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. The Pool mitigates this risk by making longer-term investments only with funds that are not needed for current cash flow purposes and holding these securities to maturity. The maturity of investments purchased is governed by a demand for funds analysis of prior periods' revenues and expenditures, and is also determined by current cash flow demands assessed on an ongoing basis. The Treasurer's Investment Policy also dictates that the final maturity date of any individual security shall not exceed five years and that long-term investments (greater than one year), in the aggregate, shall not exceed 75% of the portfolio. At June 30, 2019, the weighted average days to maturity for the Pool was 289 days.

A summary of interest rate, maturity ranges, and weighted average days to maturity for the Treasurer's investments is as follows:

<b>Treasurer's Pooled Investments:</b>	<b>Principal</b>	<b>Fair Value</b>	<b>Interest Rate Range</b>	<b>Maturity Range</b>	<b>Weighted Average Days to Maturity</b>
CAMP	\$ 100,000,000	\$ 100,000,000	2.50%	7/19 - 7/20	54
LAIF	65,000,000	65,000,000	2.40%	7/19 - 7/23	173
FICA	90,000,000	90,000,000	2.35%	1 Day	1 Day
US Treasury Bills*	162,393,209	163,994,350	Discount	7/19 - 2/20	108
US Treasury Notes	162,775,195	164,190,550	0.75%-2.00%	7/19 - 10/21	327
Government Agency Bonds	186,615,876	187,197,682	1.00% - 2.70%	8/19 - 4/22	357
Government Agency Discount Notes*	318,843,621	321,144,860	2.35% - 2.68%	7/19 - 3/20	61
Government Agency Bonds - Callable	523,030,368	523,232,599	1.02% - 2.70%	7/19 - 3/24	630
	<u>\$1,608,658,269</u>	<u>\$1,614,760,041</u>			

\* US T-Bills and Government Agency Discount Notes are purchased at a discount. The difference between maturity value and principal is apportioned to the investment pool as earnings.

The weighted average days to maturity of the underlying securities held in the LAIF and CAMP pools presented above are 173 and 54, respectively. For purposes of the weighted average maturity calculation, the County assumes that all of its investments will be held to maturity.

The fair value of investments generally changes with the fluctuations of interest rates. In a rising interest rate market, the fair value of investments could decline below original cost. Conversely, when interest rates decline, the fair value of investments increases. The Treasurer believes liquidity in the portfolio is sufficient to meet cash flow needs for the next six months and will preclude the Treasurer from having to sell investments below amortized cost.

At June 30, 2019, \$40,011,500 or 2.94% of the Treasurer's Pooled Investments was held in U.S. agency step-up notes. These securities grant the issuer the option to call the note on a certain specified date(s). On a certain date, or dates, the coupon rate of the note increases (steps up) by an amount specified at the inception of the note.

#### 4. INTEREST APPORTIONMENT

Earnings realized on investments based on amortized cost are distributed to Pool participants and are calculated using the accrual basis of accounting. Section 27013 of the California Government Code authorizes the Treasurer's Office to deduct administrative fees related to deposits and investments. The net realized earnings on investments are apportioned to Pool participants quarterly based upon each participant's average daily cash balance. Unrealized gains and losses are also apportioned quarterly to participants based upon the participant's ending cash balance.

The Treasurer may purchase securities at a discount from face value to earn higher than nominal rates of return. Under Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 31, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Certain Investments and for External Investment Pools*, such discount, when realized, is considered gain rather than interest.

5. INTEREST RECEIVABLE

Receivables consist of accrued interest, amortized premiums and discounts, and purchased interest.

6. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

The Pool categorizes its fair value measurements within the fair value hierarchy established by generally accepted accounting principles. These principles recognize a three-tiered fair value hierarchy, as follows:

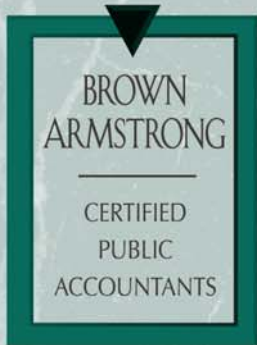
- Level 1: Investments reflect prices quoted in active markets;
- Level 2: Investments reflect prices that are based on a similar observable asset either directly or indirectly, which may include inputs in markets that are not considered to be active; and,
- Level 3: Investments reflect prices based upon unobservable sources.

The Pool has the following recurring fair value measurements as of June 30, 2019:

		<u>Fair Value Measurements Using</u>		
		Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Events (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)
<b>Investments By Fair Value Level</b>	June 30, 2019			
US Treasuries	\$ 328,184,900	\$ 328,184,900	\$ -	\$ -
Government Agency Bonds	187,197,682	-	187,197,682	-
Government Agency Discount Notes	321,144,860	-	321,144,860	-
Government Agency Bonds - Callable	523,232,599	-	523,232,599	-
Total Investments Measured At Fair Value	<u>1,359,760,041</u>	<u>\$ 328,184,900</u>	<u>\$ 1,031,575,141</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Investments Measured at Amortized Cost				
	CAMP 100,000,000			
	LAIF 65,000,000			
	FICA 90,000,000			
Total Pooled and Directed Investments	<u>\$ 1,614,760,041</u>			

7. PRIOR-PERIOD ADJUSTMENT

The accompanying financial statements have been restated to correct an error made in the previous year. The error relates to an overstatement of cash and an overstatement of Contributions by Pool Participants by \$11,300. The effect of the restatement was to decrease cash at 6/30/2018 by \$11,300. Net Position Held in Trust at 7/1/2018 has been adjusted for the effect of the restatement in the prior year.



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## **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**

To the Santa Barbara Treasurer's  
Oversight Committee and  
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We have audited, in accordance with the 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, the financial statements of the Treasurer's Investment Pool of the County of Santa Barbara (the County), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2019, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Treasurer's Investment Pool's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated September 4, 2019.

### **Internal Control over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the basic financial statements, we considered the County's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) relating to the Treasurer's Investment Pool to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the basic financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the County's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the County's internal control relating to the Treasurer's Investment Pool.

*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. *A significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

## Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Treasurer's Investment Pool's basic financial statements are free from 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 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*.

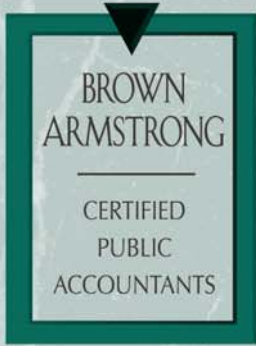
## Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the County's internal control or on compliance relating to the Treasurer's Investment Pool. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the County's internal control and compliance relating to the Treasurer's Investment Pool. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

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September 4, 2019



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**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON STATE COMPLIANCE**

To the Santa Barbara Treasurer's  
Oversight Committee and  
The Board of Supervisors  
County of Santa Barbara, California

**Report on Compliance for California Government Code**

We have audited the County of Santa Barbara's (the County) compliance with the Treasury Oversight Committee (the Committee) provisions contained in Sections 27130-27137 of the California Government Code (Government Code) that could have a direct and material effect on the County for the year ended June 30, 2019. Compliance with the requirements referred to above is the responsibility of the County's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the County's compliance based on our audit.

**Management's Responsibility**

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants.

**Auditor's Responsibility**

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance with the Committee provisions contained in Sections 27130-27137 of the Government Code. We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and the Government Code. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on the County has occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the County's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion on compliance with the Committee provisions contained in Sections 27130-27137 of the Government Code. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of the County's compliance with those requirements.

**Opinion**

In our opinion, the County complied, in all material respects, with the Committee's provisions contained in Sections 27130-27137 of the Government Code referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on the County for the year ended June 30, 2019.

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