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Reviews of Four Water Conservancy Districts

*Findings Concern Bond Sales and the Selection of Underwriters, including
Violations of Utah Procurement Code*

Salt Lake City, UTAH –

The Office of the State Auditor (Office) today released its reviews of four water conservancy districts: Central Utah Water Conservancy District, Jordan Valley Water Conservancy District, Washington County Water Conservancy District, and Weber Basin Water Conservancy District.

The finding or findings in each review concerned the best practices for bond sales and the selection of underwriters and related procurement processes.

State Auditor John Dougall expressed particular concern with the Central Utah Water Conservancy District. He said, “Special service districts are required to comply with Utah procurement code in all of their procurement activities. Central Utah Water Conservancy District failed to adhere to key requirements of that code, which are designed to increase competition, protect taxpayers, and safeguard the integrity of the procurement process.”

The reports may be found on the Office’s website at auditor.utah.gov and specifically at:

Central Utah Water Conservancy District -

<https://reporting.auditor.utah.gov/servlet/servlet.FileDownload?file=0154100000398ITAAY>

Jordan Valley Water Conservancy District -

<https://reporting.auditor.utah.gov/servlet/servlet.FileDownload?file=0154100000398JCAAY>

Washington County Water Conservancy District -

<https://reporting.auditor.utah.gov/servlet/servlet.FileDownload?file=0154100000398J2AAI>

Weber Basin Water Conservancy District -

<https://reporting.auditor.utah.gov/servlet/servlet.FileDownload?file=0154100000398IdAAI>

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Specific activities of the Office include performing financial audits, conducting Federal funds compliance audits, providing local government oversight, conducting agency and program performance audits, performing fraud and compliance audits, and operating the State Auditor Hotline for citizens to report suspected financial issues or improprieties. These capabilities strengthen Utah State Government and help taxpayers have confidence in the integrity of Utah's government agencies.

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