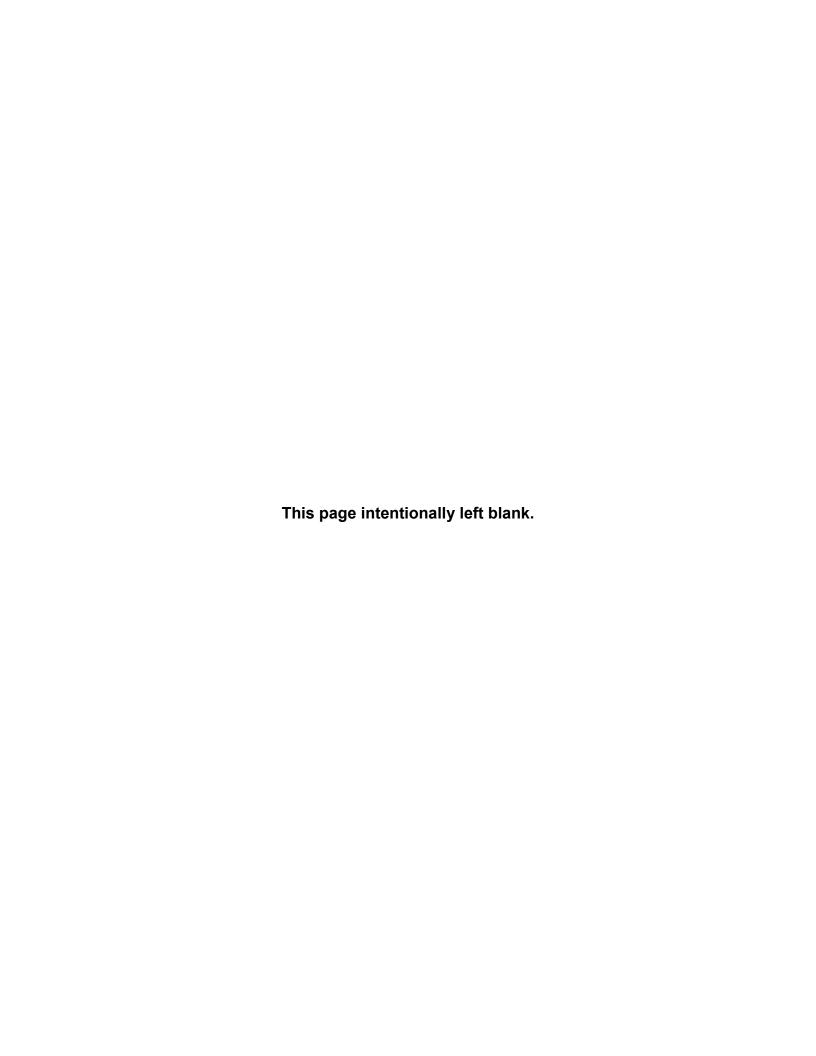




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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Miami Conservancy District Montgomery County 38 East Monument Avenue Dayton, Ohio 45402

To the Board of Directors:

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the cash balances, receipts and disbursements for each governmental fund type as of and for the year ended December 31, 2020, and related notes of the Miami Conservancy District, Montgomery County, Ohio (the District).

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for preparing and fairly presenting these financial statements in accordance with the financial reporting provisions Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D) permit; this responsibility includes designing, implementing and maintaining internal control relevant to preparing and fairly presenting financial statements free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to opine on these financial statements based on our audit. We audited in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the financial audit standards in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*. Those standards require us to plan and perform the audit to reasonably assure the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit requires obtaining evidence about financial statement amounts and disclosures. The procedures selected depend on our judgment, including assessing the risks of material financial statement misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. In assessing those risks, we consider internal control relevant to the District's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not to the extent needed to opine on the effectiveness of the District's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of management's accounting policies and the reasonableness of their significant accounting estimates, as well as our evaluation of the overall financial statement presentation.

We believe the audit evidence we obtained is sufficient and appropriate to support our audit opinions.

Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

As described in Note 1 of the financial statements, the District prepared these financial statements using the accounting basis permitted by the financial reporting provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D), which is an accounting basis other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP), to satisfy these requirements.

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Although the effects on the financial statements of the variances between the regulatory accounting basis and GAAP are not reasonably determinable, we presume they are material.

Though the District does not intend these statements to conform to GAAP, auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America require us to include an adverse opinion on GAAP. However, the adverse opinion does not imply the amounts reported are materially misstated under the accounting basis Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D) permit. Our opinion on this accounting basis is in the *Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting* paragraph below.

Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter discussed in the *Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles* paragraph, the financial statements referred to above do not present fairly, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the District, as of December 31, 2020, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended.

Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the cash balances, receipts and disbursements for each governmental fund type as of and for the year ended December 31, 2020, and related notes of the District, in accordance with the financial reporting provisions Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D) permit, described in Note 1.

Emphasis of Matter

As discussed in Note 11 to the financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2020, the financial impact of COVID-19 and the continuing emergency measures will impact subsequent periods of the District. We did not modify our opinion regarding this matter.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated September 24, 2021, on our consideration of the District's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. That report describes the scope of our internal control testing over financial reporting and compliance, and the results of that testing, and does not opine on 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 District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Keith Faber Auditor of State Columbus, Ohio

September 24, 2021

COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020

	GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES TOTAL				
	General	Special Revenue	Debt Service	Capital Projects	(Memorandum Only)
Cash Receipts:					
Assessments	\$4,945,048	\$1,194,747		\$1,606,334	\$7,746,129
Investment Income	58,081	39,778		30,037	127,896
Fees & Charges	122,465	51,070			173,535
Intergovernmental	45,632	239,901			285,533
Reimbursements/Miscellaneous	80,672	123,098			203,770
Total Cash Receipts	5,251,898	1,648,594		1,636,371	8,536,863
Cash Disbursements:					
Operating	5,097,588	1,382,747		230,628	6,710,963
Equipment & Machinery	75,642	36,828			112,470
Land Acquisition	58	·			58
Dam Safety				2,416,644	2,416,644
Debt Service:			\$347,268		347,268
Principal Interest			φ347,200 45,711		45,711
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Total Cash Disbursements:	5,173,288	1,419,575	392,979	2,647,272	9,633,114
Total Receipts Over/(Under) Disbursements	78,610	229,019	(392,979)	(1,010,901)	(1,096,251)
Other Financing Receipts/(Disbursements):					
Sale of Equipment	34,104				34,104
Insurance Proceeds	1,631,589				1,631,589
Advances In		190,350		849.713	1,040,063
Advances (Out)	(230,813)	,		(809,250)	(1,040,063)
Transfers In	23,444	18,750	387,453	, , ,	429,647
Transfers (Out)	•	(42,194)	•	(387,453)	(429,647)
OWDA Loan Interest Subsidy			5,526		5,526
Total Other Financing Receipts/(Disbursements)	1,458,324	166,906	392,979	(346,990)	1,671,219
Excess of Cash Receipts and Other Financing Receipts Over/(Under) Cash Disbursements					
and Other Financing Disbursements	1,536,934	395,925	-	(1,357,891)	574,968
Cash Balance - January 1, 2020	9,891,645	7,213,926		5,921,478	23,027,049
Cash Balance - December 31, 2020	\$11,428,579	\$7,609,851	\$0	\$4,563,587	\$23,602,017

The notes to the financial statement are an integral part of this statement.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. Description of the Entity

The constitution and laws of the State of Ohio establish the rights and privileges of the Miami Conservancy District, Montgomery County, (the District) as a body corporate and politic. The District is directed by a three member Board of Directors appointed by a Court comprised of a judge of the Court of Common Pleas from each of the counties included in the District. The District provides flood protection and conservation of valuable water resources along the Great Miami River watershed, impacting all or portions of Butler, Clark, Greene, Hamilton, Miami, Montgomery, Preble, Shelby, and Warren Counties.

The District's management believes this financial statement presents all activities for which the District is financially accountable.

B. Accounting Basis

The financial statement follows the accounting basis permitted by the financial reporting provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D). This basis is similar to the cash receipts and disbursements accounting basis. The District recognizes receipts when received in cash rather than when earned, and recognizes disbursements when paid rather than when a liability is incurred. Budgetary presentations report budgetary expenditures when a commitment is made (i.e., when an encumbrance is approved).

The statement includes adequate disclosure of material matters, as the financial reporting provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D) permit.

C. Fund Accounting

The District uses fund accounting to segregate cash and investments that are restricted as to use. The District classifies its funds into the following types:

1. General Fund

Flood Protection Fund – This fund is the general operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

2. Special Revenue Funds

These funds account for proceeds from specific sources (other than from capital projects) that are restricted to expenditure for specific purposes. The District had the following significant Special Revenue Funds:

River Corridor Improvement - This fund accounts for resources used to enhance public use and enjoyment of river corridors utilizing improvements, amenities, and activities within and along the river corridors.

Aquifer Preservation - This fund accounts for resources used to develop and maintain an ongoing, watershed-wide program in support of comprehensive protection, management, and understanding of the region's water resources.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020 (Continued)

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Water Conservation - This fund accounts for resources to establish and administer an innovative water quality trading program, to collect baseline water quality and best management practice performance data, and to support community-based watershed organizations.

FEMA Assistance – This fund accounts for Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) grant-related receipts and expenditures, except for such grants that are related to the purpose of the Capital Projects Funds.

3. Debt Service Fund

Dam Safety Debt Service Fund - This fund accounts for resources reserved for the payment of note and/or loan indebtedness.

4. Capital Project Funds

These funds account for receipts that are restricted for the acquisition or construction of major capital projects. The District had the following significant Capital Project Funds:

Dam Safety Initiative – This fund collects receipts that are restricted for the dam safety and repair.

Capital Improvement - This fund collects receipts that are restricted for acquisition or construction of major capital projects.

FEMA Capital Projects – This fund accounts for Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) grant-related receipts and expenditures related to the purpose of the other Capital Projects Funds..

D. Deposits and Investments

The District's accounting basis includes investments as assets. This basis does not record disbursements for investment purchases or receipts for investment sales. This basis records gains or losses at the time of sale as receipts or disbursements, respectively.

Money Market Mutual Funds are recorded at share values reported by the mutual fund. Investment in STAR Ohio is measured at the net asset value (NAV) per share provided by STAR Ohio. The NAV per share is calculated on an amortized cost basis that provides an NAV per share that approximates fair value.

E. Budgetary Process

The Ohio Revised Code requires that each fund be budgeted annually.

1. Appropriations

Budgetary expenditures (that is, disbursements and encumbrances) may not exceed appropriations at the fund level of control, and appropriations may not exceed estimated resources. Appropriation authority includes current year appropriations plus encumbrances carried over from the prior year (if any). The Board must annually approve appropriation measures and subsequent amendments. Unencumbered appropriations lapse at year end.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020 (Continued)

1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

2. Estimated Resources

Estimated resources include estimates of cash to be received (budgeted receipts) plus unencumbered cash as of January 1.

3. Encumbrances

The Ohio Revised Code requires the District to reserve (encumber) appropriations when commitments are made. Encumbrances outstanding at year end are carried over, and need not be re-appropriated.

A summary of 2020 budgetary activity appears in Note 3.

F. Fund Balance Classifications

Fund balance is divided into five classifications based primarily on the extent to which the District must observe constraints imposed upon the use of its governmental-fund resources. The classifications are as follows:

Fund balance is classified as non-spendable when legally or contractually required to maintain the amounts intact.

Fund balance is classified as restricted when constraints placed on the use of resources are either: (a) externally imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or (b) imposed by law through constitutional provisions.

Fund balance is classified as committed when the Board of Directors enacts legislation requiring specific revenues to be used for a specific purpose. The Board of Directors can modify or rescind that legislation at any time through additional legislation. Committed fund balance also incorporates contractual obligations to the extent that existing resources in the fund have been specifically committed to satisfy contractual requirements.

Fund balance is classified as assigned when a revenue source is intended for specific purposes, but does not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed. For regulatory purposes, assigned fund balance in the general fund is limited to encumbrances outstanding at year-end.

Fund balance is classified as unassigned to reflect the residual classification for the general fund and includes amounts not included in the other classifications. In other governmental funds, the unassigned classification is used only to report a deficit balance.

The District applies restricted resources first when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which either restricted or unrestricted (committed, assigned, and unassigned) amounts are available. Similarly, within unrestricted fund balance, committed amounts are reduced first followed by assigned, and then unassigned amounts when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which amounts in any of the unrestricted fund balance classifications could be used.

For regulatory purposes, limited disclosure related to fund balance is included in Note 8.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020 (Continued)

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

G. Capital Assets

The district records disbursements for acquisitions of property, plant, and equipment when paid. The accompanying financial statement does not report these items as assets.

H. Accumulated Leave

In certain circumstances, such as upon leaving employment, employees are entitled to cash payments for unused leave. Unpaid leave is not reflected as a liability under the District's basis of accounting.

2. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

The District maintains a deposit and investments pool all funds use. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes allowable deposits and investments. The carrying amount of deposits and investments at December 31 was as follows:

	2020
Demand deposits	\$3,370,118
STAR Plus	4,860,262
Total deposits	8,230,380
STAR Ohio	12,643,423
Money Market Mutual Fund	2,728,214
Total investments	15,371,637
Total deposits and investments	\$23,602,017

A. Deposits

Deposits are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; or collateralized through the Ohio Pooled Collateral System (OPCS), a collateral pool of eligible securities deposited with a qualified trustee and pledged to the Treasurer of State to secure the repayment of all public monies deposited in the financial institution.

B. Investments

Investments in STAR Ohio and money market mutual funds are not evidenced by securities that exist in physical or book-entry form.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020 (Continued)

3. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY

Budgetary activity for the year ending December 31, 2020 follows:

2020 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts

Fund Type	Budgeted Receipts	Actual Receipts	Variance
General	\$6,691,076	\$6,941,035	\$249,959
Special Revenue	1,798,751	1,857,694	58,943
Debt Service	392,979	392,979	0
Capital Projects	2,478,713	2,486,084	7,371
Total	\$11,361,519	\$11,677,792	\$316,273

2020 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures

Fund Type	Appropriation Authority	Budgetary Expenditures	Variance
General	\$7,656,521	\$7,329,938	\$326,583
Special Revenue	1,785,490	1,652,324	133,166
Debt Service	392,979	392,979	0
Capital Projects	5,149,272	4,878,044	271,228
Total	\$14,984,262	\$14,253,285	\$730,977

4. DEBT

Debt outstanding at December 31, 2020:

	Principal	Interest Rate
Ohio Water Development Authority Loan - 2002	\$743,212	4.55%

During 2002, the District obtained a loan from OWDA in the amount of \$5,124,704 (includes capitalized interest and fees) to pay off the 2000 note from Bank One for a lower interest rate. The notes are uncollateralized.

In 2016, OWDA implemented an interest rate buy-down program to assist local governments with outstanding OWDA loans. Loans with interest rates higher than 4.00% are receiving a subsidy discount on the outstanding balance through the remainder of the maturity date. The buy-down subsidy commenced retroactively beginning with payments due January 1, 2016. Although the stated interest rate on the loan remains at 4.55%, the buy-down subsidy reduces the effective interest rate to 4.00%. The total subsidy over the life of the loan is expected to be \$50,467. The remaining debt payments listed below represent amounts due each year based on OWDA's revised amortization schedule after the subsidy is applied.

Amortization of the above debt, including interest, is scheduled as follows:

Year ending December 31:	OWDA Loan 2002	
2021	\$389,385	
2022	391,406	
Total	\$780,791	

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020 (Continued)

5. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS

Ohio Public Employees Retirement System

The District's employees belong to the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS). OPERS is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer plan. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes the Plan's retirement benefits, including postretirement healthcare and survivor and disability benefits to participants.

The Ohio Revised Code also prescribes contribution rates. OPERS members contributed 10 percent of their gross salaries, and the District contributed an amount equaling 14 percent of participants' gross salaries. The District has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2020.

6. POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

OPERS offers a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit postemployment plans, which includes multiple health care plans including medical coverage, prescription drug coverage, and deposits to a Health Reimbursement Arrangement, to qualifying benefit recipients. The portion of employer contributions allocated to health care for members in the traditional pension plan and combined plan was 0 percent during the calendar year 2020. The portion of employer contributions allocated to the health care for members in the member-directed plan was 4 percent during calendar year 2020.

7. RISK MANAGEMENT

The District has obtained commercial insurance for the following risks:

- Comprehensive property and general liability;
- Vehicles; and
- Errors and omissions.

Settled claims have not exceeded insurance coverage for the past three fiscal years.

8. FUND BALANCE

Included in fund balance are amounts the District has encumbered. Encumbrances are commitments related to unperformed contracts for goods or services. Encumbrance accounting is utilized to the extent necessary to assure effective budgetary control and accountability and to facilitate effective cash planning and control. At year end the balances of these amounts were as follows:

		Special	Debt	Capital	
Fund Balances	General	Revenue	Service	Projects	Total
Outstanding Encumbrances	\$1,925,837	\$190,555	\$0	\$1,034,069	\$3,150,461

The fund balance of special revenue funds is either restricted or committed. The fund balance of debt service funds and capital projects funds are restricted, committed, or assigned. The restricted, committed, and assigned amounts in the special revenue, debt service, and capital projects funds include the outstanding encumbrances. In the general fund, outstanding encumbrances are considered assigned.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020 (Continued)

9. CONSTRUCTION AND CONTRACTUAL COMMITMENTS

The District entered into a contract with Bilbrey Construction, Inc. in 2020 for the renovation and construction of the Dayton Service Facility. The amount of the outstanding encumbrance as of December 31, 2020, is \$1,519,042.

10. CHANGE IN ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLE

For 2020, the District has made changes to their cash basis reporting model. These changes include removing the fund balance classifications from the Combined Statement of Cash Receipts, Cash Disbursements, and Changes in Fund Cash Balances.

11. COVID-19

The United States and the State of Ohio declared a state of emergency in March of 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The financial impact of COVID-19 and the continuing emergency measures will impact subsequent periods of the District. The District's investment portfolio fluctuates with market conditions and due to market volatility, the amount of gains or losses that will be realized in subsequent periods, if any, cannot be determined. In addition, the impact on the District's future operating costs, revenues, and any recovery from emergency funding, either federal or state, cannot be estimated.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS REQUIRED BY GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Miami Conservancy District Montgomery County 38 East Monument Avenue Dayton, Ohio 45402

To the Board of Directors:

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States and the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*, the financial statements of the cash balances, receipts, and disbursements for each governmental fund type as of and for the year ended December 31, 2020 and related notes of the Miami Conservancy District, Montgomery County, (the District) and have issued our report thereon dated September 24, 2021, wherein we noted the District followed financial reporting provisions Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D) permit and the financial impact of COVID-19 and the continuing emergency measures which will impact subsequent periods of the District.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

As part of our financial statement audit, we considered the District's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures appropriate in the circumstances to the extent necessary to support our opinions on the financial statements, but not to the extent necessary to opine on the effectiveness of the District's internal control. Accordingly, we have not opined on it.

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, when performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and timely correct misstatements. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or combination of internal control deficiencies resulting in a reasonable possibility that internal control will not prevent or detect and timely correct a material misstatement of the District's financial statements. 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 internal control deficiencies that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider material weaknesses. However, unidentified material weaknesses may exist.

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Compliance and Other Matters

As part of reasonably assuring whether the District's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we tested its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could directly and materially affect the financial statements. However, opining on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and accordingly, we do not express an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters we must report under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Purpose of this Report

This report only describes the scope of our internal control and compliance testing and our testing results, and does not opine on the effectiveness of the District's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed under *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the District's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

Keith Faber Auditor of State Columbus, Ohio

September 24, 2021



MIAMI CONSERVANCY DISTRICT

MONTGOMERY COUNTY

AUDITOR OF STATE OF OHIO CERTIFICATION

This is a true and correct copy of the report, which is required to be filed pursuant to Section 117.26, Revised Code, and which is filed in the Office of the Ohio Auditor of State in Columbus, Ohio.



Certified for Release 10/19/2021

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