

INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REVIEW REPORT and FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOVEMBER 30, 2017 AND 2016

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# INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REVIEW REPORT

Board of Directors Western States Seismic Policy Council

We have reviewed the accompanying financial statements of Western States Seismic Policy Council (a nonprofit organization), which comprise the statements of financial position as of November 30, 2017 and 2016, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses, and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements. A review includes primarily applying analytical procedures to management's financial data and making inquiries of management. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit, the objective of which is the expression of an opinion regarding the financial statements as a whole. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

#### 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.

#### Accountant's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to conduct the review engagement in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services promulgated by the Accounting and Review Services Committee of the AICPA. Those standards require us to perform procedures to obtain limited assurance as a basis for reporting whether we are aware of any material modifications that should be made to the financial statements for them to be in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We believe that the results of our procedures provide a reasonable basis for our conclusion.

#### Accountant's Conclusion

Based on our review, we are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to the accompanying financial statements in order for them to be in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Cook CPA Group

Roseville, California January 10, 2018

# WESTERN STATES SEISMIC POLICY COUNCIL STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION

NOVEMBER 30, 2017 AND 2016

	2017		2016	
Assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	170,101	\$	149,283
Grants receivables (Note 2)		20,623		30,785
Books and periodicals		500		500
Total Assets	\$	191,224	\$	180,568
Liabilities:				
Accrued expenses and accounts payable	\$	7,320	\$	3,636
Accrued vacation		7,509		8,946
Total Liabilities		14,829		12,582
Net Assets:				
Unrestricted		176,395		167,986
Total Net Assets		176,395		167,986
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$	191,224	\$	180,568

# WESTERN STATES SEISMIC POLICY COUNCIL STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEARS ENDED NOVEMBER 30, 2017 AND 2016

	Unrestricted				
		2017	2016		
Revenues and Support:					
FEMA cooperative agreements Membership dues and registration Interest income and other	\$	377,307 3,800 209	\$	294,189 4,075 507	
<b>Total Revenues and Support</b>		381,316		298,771	
Expenses:					
Program services		344,058		262,441	
Management and general		28,849		36,544	
Total Expenses		372,907		298,985	
Change in Net Assets		8,409		(214)	
Net Assets at Beginning of Year		167,986		168,200	
Net Assets at End of Year	\$	176,395	\$	167,986	

STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES YEAR ENDED NOVEMBER 30, 2017

	Program Services		Management and General		 Total
Salaries and fringe benefits	\$	134,746	\$	14,836	\$ 149,582
Payroll taxes		8,397		1,483	9,880
Professional fees - accounting		1,102		4,408	5,510
Professional fees - other		1,239		219	1,458
Rent		21,083		3,721	24,804
Insurance		879		293	1,172
Telephone		1,832		612	2,444
Office supplies and miscellaneous		2,808		937	3,745
Internet services		1,236		-	1,236
Staff expenses		27		-	27
Conference expenses		3,664		-	3,664
State assistance		162,492		-	162,492
Executive committee		3,918		436	4,354
Bank and payroll charges		635		1,904	2,539
Total Expenses	\$	344,058	\$	28,849	\$ 372,907

STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES YEAR ENDED NOVEMBER 30, 2016

Program Management and Services General Total \$ \$ \$ Salaries and fringe benefits 132,515 16,416 148,931 Payroll taxes 8,838 1,561 10,399 Professional fees - accounting 1,985 7,939 9,924 Professional fees - other 2,280 402 2,682 18,624 Rent 15,830 2,794 1,069 356 1,425 Insurance 695 2,777 2,082 Telephone Office supplies and miscellaneous 3,917 6,451 2,534 1,176 1,176 Internet services Staff expenses 6,108 6,108 11,482 Conference expenses 11,482 State assistance 66,530 66,530 7,969 8,856 Executive committee 887 Bank and payroll charges 1,981 2,641 660 Depreciation and amortization 979 979 \$ \$ 36,544 \$ 298,985 **Total Expenses** 262,441

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS NOVEMBER 30, 2017 AND 2016

	2017		2016
Cash flows from operating activities:			
Change in net assets:	\$	8,409	\$ (214)
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to			
net cash used in operating activities:			
Depreciation		-	979
(Increase) Decrease in:			
Grants receivable		10,162	28,652
Increase (Decrease) in:			
Accounts payable		3,684	(13,039)
Accrued vacation		(1,437)	 3,798
Cash provided by operating activities		20,818	 20,176
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		20,818	20,176
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of the year		149,283	 129,107
Cash and cash equivalents, end of the year	\$	170,101	\$ 149,283

# WESTERN STATES SEISMIC POLICY COUNCIL NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS NOVEMBER 30, 2017 AND 2016

## NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

## Description of Organization

The Western States Seismic Policy Council (the Council) was founded in 1979 and incorporated in 1996 as a 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization. The Council provides a forum to develop seismic policies and share information to promote programs to reduce earthquake losses throughout the western region of the United States, three U.S. territories, a Canadian territory, and a Canadian province. It is funded primarily by the Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

## Basis of Accounting

The Council prepares its financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, which involves the application of accrual accounting; consequently, revenue and support are recognized when earned, and expenses are recognized when incurred.

## Financial Statement Presentation

Financial statement presents information regarding its financial position and activities according to three classes of net assets: unrestricted net assets, temporarily restricted net assets, and permanently restricted net assets. The Council has no temporarily and permanently restricted net assets during 2017 and 2016.

## Allowance for Uncollectible Accounts

No allowance for uncollectible accounts has been provided since management considers all accounts to be collectible as the grants receivable have historically been received in full.

#### Estimates

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

## Cash and Cash Equivalents

For the purposes of reporting cash flows, the Council considers all unrestricted highly liquid investments with an initial maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

## NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

## Functional Allocation of Expenses

The costs of providing the Council's programs and supporting services have been summarized on a functional basis. Accordingly, certain costs have been allocated among the programs and supporting services.

## Grants and Cooperative Agreements

The grants and cooperative agreements are cost reimbursement type agreements; therefore, the Council records income when expenditures are made in compliance with the terms of the agreements.

## Income Taxes

The Council under preliminary determination is a not-for-profit organization that is exempt from income taxed under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and Section 23701(d) of the California Revenue and Taxation Code.

## Property and Equipment

Property and equipment are recorded at cost when acquisition costs are greater than \$5,000. Depreciation is provided on the straight-line basis over five years.

#### Subsequent Event

The Council has evaluated subsequent events for potential recognition and/or disclosure through January 10, 2018, the date the financial statements were issued.

## Note 2-GRANTS and Cooperative Agreement Receivables

The Council has a receivable from FEMA in the following amounts as of November 30:

	2017		2016	
FEMA	\$ 20,623	\$	30,785	
Total	\$ 20,623	\$	30,785	

# NOTE 3 – OFFICE EQUIPMENT

Property and equipment consist of the following as of November 30:

	2017	2016		
Computer equipment	\$ 3,136	\$	3,136	
Office equipment	 4,067		4,067	
Total	7,203		7,203	
Less accumulated depreciation	 (7,203)		(7,203)	
Capital assets, net	\$ -	\$	-	

Depreciation expense for the year ending November 30, 2016 was \$979. There was no depreciation expense in 2017.

# NOTE 4 – FEMA REVENUE

FEMA revenue consists of the following for the year ended November 30:

		2016			
2015 FEMA	\$	49,515		\$	211,110
2016 FEMA		259,921			83,079
2017 FEMA		67,871			-
Total	\$	377,307		\$	294,189

# NOTE 5 – DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PLAN

The Council sponsors a defined contribution plan (a SIMPLE IRA plan) covering regular employees who meet certain eligibility requirements. The Council matches an employee's contribution dollar for dollar up to 3% of compensation per year. Employees who qualify under Internal Revenue Service rules may make catch up contributions to this plan. The contributions made during the years ended November 30, 2017 and 2016 were \$2,637 and \$2,587, respectively.

# NOTE 6 – LEASE AGREEMENT

The Council leases office space for its office location in Sacramento, California. On February 1, 2017, the Council signed a new sublease agreement that began February 1, 2017 and will expire December 31, 2020. The lease terms call for rent payments to be made monthly, in advance. Rent expenses totaled \$24,804 and \$18,624 for the years ended November 30, 2017 and 2016, respectively.

Future minimum lease payments as of November 30, are as follows:

2018	\$ 24,150
2019	24,885
2020	25,305
2021	19,215
Total	\$ 93,555

# NOTE 7 – COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

The Council received a cooperative agreement grant from FEMA for an amount of \$279,833 for the time period from August 1, 2017 to July 31, 2018: \$225,000 for basic operations and \$54,833 for supporting state projects designated by FEMA. As of November 30, 2017, there was a total of \$259,921 remaining to be used by the Council for performance of various services in accordance with the terms of the grant.

During the fiscal year ending November 30, 2017, the previous grant monies available from 2015 and 2016, by extensions, were utilized in their entirety.