

FALL RIVER COUNTY

AUDIT REPORT

For the Two Years Ended December 31, 2025

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December 31, 2025

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**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**

Independent Auditor's Report

County Commission
Fall River County
Hot Springs, South Dakota

We have audited, 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, the modified cash basis of accounting financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Fall River County, South Dakota (County), as of December 31, 2025, and for each of the years in the biennial period then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated October 1, 2026.

An adverse opinion for the aggregate discretely presented component unit was issued due to the County's financial statements not including the financial information for the Fall River County Housing and Redevelopment Commission. An unmodified opinion was issued for the remaining opinion units.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the County's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the 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.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that have not been identified. However, as described in the accompanying Schedule of Current Audit Findings and Questioned Costs, we did identify certain deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses and significant deficiencies.

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 County's financial statements will not be prevented or detected and corrected on a

timely basis. We consider the deficiency described in the accompanying Schedule of Current Audit Findings and Questioned Costs as item No. 2025-001 to be a material weakness.

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. We consider the deficiencies described in the accompanying Schedule of Current Audit Findings and Questioned Costs as items No. 2025-002, No. 2025-003, and No. 2025-004 to be significant deficiencies.

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the County's 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 financial statements. 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 an instance of noncompliance or other matters that is required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards* and which is described in the accompanying Schedule of Current Audit Findings and Questioned Costs as item No. 2025-005.

County's Response to Findings

Government Auditing Standards requires the auditor to perform limited procedures on the County's responses to the findings identified in our audit. The County's responses to the findings identified in our audit are described in the accompanying Schedule of Current Audit Findings and Questioned Costs. The County's responses were not subjected to the other auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the responses.

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. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose. As required by South Dakota Codified Law 4-11-11, this report is a matter of public record, and its distribution is not limited.



Russell A. Olson
Auditor General

October 1, 2026



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**REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR FEDERAL PROGRAM AND REPORT ON
INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE**

Independent Auditor's Report

County Commission
Fall River County
Hot Springs, South Dakota

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We have audited Fall River County, South Dakota (County), compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the County's major federal programs for the biennial period ended December 31, 2025. The County's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying Schedule of Current Audit Findings and Questioned Costs.

In our opinion, Fall River County complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the biennial period ended December 31, 2025.

Basis for Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS); the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States (*Government Auditing Standards*); and the audit requirements of *Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Our responsibilities under those standards and the Uniform Guidance are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section of our report.

We are required to be independent of the County and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of the County's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements referred to above and for the design, implementation, documentation, and maintenance of effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, statutes, regulations, rules and provisions of contracts or grant agreements applicable to County's federal programs.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether material noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above occurred, whether due to fraud or error, and express an opinion on the County's compliance based on our audit. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance will always detect material noncompliance when it exists. The risk of not detecting material noncompliance resulting from fraud is higher than for that resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above is considered material, if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, it would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user of the report on compliance about the County's compliance with the requirements of each major federal program as a whole.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance, we

- exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- identify and assess the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the County's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.
- obtain an understanding of County's internal control over compliance relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the County's internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and any significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in internal control over compliance that we identified during the audit.

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

A deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. *A material weakness in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. *A significant deficiency in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section above and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance may exist that were not identified.

Our audit was not designed for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purposes. As required by South Dakota Codified Law 4-11-11, this report and our report on compliance for each major federal program are matters of public record and their distribution is not limited.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Russell A. Olson". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Russell A. Olson
Auditor General

October 1, 2026

FALL RIVER COUNTY
SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AND CURRENT AUDIT FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS

Prior Federal Audit Findings:

The prior audit report contained no written federal audit findings.

Prior Other Audit Finding:

Finding No. 2023-001:

The unassigned fund balance of the General Fund exceeded the maximum allowed by SDCL 7-21-18.1 by approximately \$1,487,700 as of December 31, 2023. This finding has been resolved.

SCHEDULE OF CURRENT AUDIT FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

Section I – Summary of the Auditor's Results

Financial Statements

- a. An adverse opinion was issued for the omission of the Fall River County Housing and Redevelopment Commission, a discretely presented component unit, financial statements. An unmodified opinion was issued on each opinion unit of the primary government's financial statements.
- b. A material weakness was disclosed by our audit of the financial statements for Internal Controls Over Cash and Investments as discussed in finding number 2025-001. Significant Deficiencies were disclosed by our audit of the financial statements for Internal Controls Over Financial Reporting and Accounting Systems, Internal Controls Over the Expenditure Process, and Internal Controls Over the Tax Levy Process as discussed in finding numbers 2025-002, 2025-003, and 2025-004.
- c. Our audit did disclose noncompliance which was material to the financial statements related to Purchases Made Without Competitive Bidding as discussed in finding number 2025-005.

Federal Awards

- d. An unmodified opinion was issued on compliance with the requirements applicable to major! programs.
- e. Our audit did not disclose any audit findings that are required to be reported in accordance with 2! CFR 200.516(a).
- f. The federal award tested as a major program was:

ALN # 15.226 Payments in Lieu of Taxes
- g. The dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B federal award programs was \$750,000 in 2024 and \$1,000,000 in 2025.
- h. Fall River County did not qualify as a low-risk auditee.

Section II – Financial Statement Findings

Internal Control-Related Findings - Material Weakness:

Internal Control Over Cash and Investments

Finding No. 2025-001:

Criteria:

The County's internal controls over cash and investments were inadequate resulting in diminished assurance that the County's financial transactions were properly recorded, and its assets were adequately safeguarded.

Condition:

Internal control serves as a defense in safeguarding assets and in preventing and detecting errors; fraud; noncompliance with provisions of laws, regulations, contracts or grant agreements; or abuse.

The County's internal controls over the cash and investments reconciliation and reporting process of the County Auditor and County Treasurer were inadequate resulting in diminished assurance that the County's financial transactions were properly recorded, and its assets were adequately safeguarded.

Context:

The County's Daily Balance Record and the County's General Ledger did not reconcile as of December 31, 2025, and at other times throughout the year. The variance between the Daily Balance Record and the General Ledger was \$3,133.41, with the Daily Balance Record balance being greater than the General Ledger.

Legislative Audit reconciled the General Ledger balance with the confirmed bank balances, which resulted in an unreconcilable variance of (\$6,102.97). Also, Legislative Audit reconciled the Daily Balance Record with the confirmed bank balances which resulted in an unreconcilable variance of \$2,969.56.

Effect:

The County is not in compliance with SDCL 7-10-3 and the County was exposed to an increased risk of accounting error or irregularities not being detected in a timely manner. The County was also exposed to greater risk that management decisions could be made using inaccurate cash and investment balances.

Cause:

The County implemented a new tax software system in 2023 and a new payroll system in 2025. The inexperience of the personnel accompanied with the changes in the software system processes caused difficulties with the reconciliation process.

Recommendations:

1. We recommend the County perform a reconciliation of the Daily Balance Record of cash and investment balances to the financial institution's balance on a monthly basis.
2. We recommend the County perform a reconciliation of the Daily Balance Record of cash and investment balances to the General Ledger cash balances on a monthly basis.

Views of responsible officials:

The Auditor and Treasurer, or their designees, will implement a daily reconciliation between cash and investments to the bank accounts and general ledger. Any unreconciled balances will be reviewed immediately for any needed corrections.

Internal Control-Related Findings - Significant Deficiencies:

Internal Control over Financial Reporting and Accounting Systems

Finding No. 2025-002:

Criteria:

The County's internal control structure should be designed to provide for the preparation of the annual financial reports, which includes having an adequate system for recording and processing entries material to the annual financial reports being audited in accordance with the modified cash basis of accounting.

Condition:

The County does not have an internal control system designed to provide for the preparation of the annual financial reports in accordance with the modified cash basis of accounting resulting in numerous significant reporting errors within the annual reports prepared by the County.

The County implemented a new payroll system in 2025. The inexperience of the personnel, accompanied with the changes in the software system processes, caused difficulties in properly processing payroll. This resulted in the County having to hire an outside Certified Public Accountant to recalculate payroll for 2025 and also resulted in the accounting system software company personnel correcting the accounting system for these changes made to the payroll system. These issues increased the possibility of financial reporting errors occurring and not being detected and corrected in a timely manner.

Context:

We identified misstatements on the 2024 and 2025 annual financial reports that were either individually material misstatements or required correction to properly present the annual financial reports. These corrections allowed for the issuance of an unmodified audit opinion on the financial statements.

The software company personnel made corrections to the accounting system to correct payroll calculation errors. There was no process in place for the County personnel to review the proposed changes and to approve these changes.

We also noted an instance in which an accounting record, the Revenue Budget Record, did not properly foot. The Revenue Budget Record, account total for the General Fund account number 341 did not properly foot as the total was \$115.56 less than the recalculated total for that account.

Effect:

Inaccurate and incomplete information has been presented to the users of the annual financial reports.

Cause:

The County does not have an internal control system designed to provide for the preparation of the annual financial reports in accordance with the modified cash basis of accounting.

Recommendations:

1. We recommend that the County strengthen internal controls over financial reporting.
2. We recommend that the County implement a system of review and approval for changes being made to the accounting system by outside personnel prior to the changes being made to the accounting system.
3. We recommend that the County investigate instances in which the accounting records generated by the accounting system do not foot.

Views of responsible officials:

The County will enhance the internal control system for processing entries that are implemented into the annual financial reports. Additionally, the County will implement a procedure to ensure that if any changes are made to the accounting system by outside personnel, those will be provided in writing with a signature from the Auditor or Deputy Auditor for approval. There will be an additional review to ensure that all figures foot to totals.

Internal Controls over Expenditure Process

Finding No. 2025-003:

Criteria:

The County's internal controls over the expenditure process were inadequate resulting in diminished assurance that the County's financial transactions were properly recorded, and its assets were adequately safeguarded.

Condition:

Internal controls serve as a defense in safeguarding assets and in preventing and detecting errors; fraud; violations of laws; regulations, and provisions of contracts and grants agreements; or abuse.

The County's internal controls over the expenditure process were inadequate resulting in diminished assurance that the County's financial transactions were properly recorded, and its assets were adequately safeguarded.

South Dakota Codified Law (SDCL) 7-22-1 states:

Before any account, claim, or demand against any county for any obligation, property, or services for which the county is liable may be allowed, the person who has the account, claim, or demand shall:

- (1) Submit in writing and verify that the account is just and true, the money charged was actually paid for the purposes stated; the property charged for was actually delivered or used for the purposes stated, and was of the value charged; and the services charged were actually rendered and of the value as charged. If the services were official, for which fees are prescribed by law, that the fees and amounts charged for the services are allowed by law and no part of the account, claim, or demand has been paid; or
- (2) Present an invoice or verification which shall be attached to a county voucher, the latter being signed or verified by the county official who purchased the property or had the services rendered to the effect that the account is just and true; the money charged was actually paid for the purposes stated; the property charged for was actually delivered or used for the purposes stated, and was of the value charged; and the services charged for were actually rendered and of the value as charged. If the services were official, for which fees are prescribed by law, that the fees

and amounts charged for the services are allowed by law and no part of the account, claim, or demand has been paid. ...

SDCL 7-8-15 states, in part,:

...The chair or, in the chair's absence, the vice chair shall preside at the meetings of the board and sign all orders and claims approved by the board.

The County's credit card policy states:

...16.2 Card Use:

The credit cards will only be used for the following purposes:

• Travel:

- Hotel room lodging and/or deposits to hold rooms for authorized, official travel on County business
- gas expense
- meal expenses (only on overnight travel) [excludes items such as soft drinks, candy, etc]

• Equipment and supply vendors:

- When the County does not have an account or is not expected to have an account;
- Instances where the use of the card would result in beneficial terms for the County.

16.3 Card Use Review:

The Board of Commissioners shall, on a monthly basis, review the credit card statement to ensure all transactions shown on the card comply with this policy. Transactions that do not appear to comply with the policy shall be reported to the full Board immediately.

16.4 Report of Card Use:

All receipts must be promptly remitted to the Auditor (within 5 business days of returning from said trip). Any charges that cannot be properly identified or which are not made in conformity with County policy shall be paid immediately by the user of the card. Charges to be reimbursed shall include any interest and all other related charges made by the credit card company...

Context:

We noted numerous receipts in the accounting system for overpayments made by the County to various vendors. Overpayments increase the risk of loss of assets of the County.

We noted that out of the 79 vouchers selected for testing 4 of the vouchers were either not prepared or could not be found. Since these vouchers were either not prepared or could not be found we could not verify that the required supporting documentation was maintained, the required verification signatures were present or the required governing board approval signatures were present.

We noted that out of the 79 vouchers selected, another 9 vouchers did not have the required verification signatures or the required governing board approval signatures, or both.

We noted that out of the 79 vouchers selected, one voucher was not properly published.

We noted instances in which supporting documentation for credit card purchases was not attached to the vouchers approved for payment. We also noted an instance in which the credit card was used for travel that was not approved by the Governing Board prior to the travel occurring. We also noted occasions in

which a department's would use the cards of other Departments when the credit limit on their card was reached.

Effect:

The County was exposed to an increased risk of accounting error or irregularities not being detected in a timely manner.

Cause:

The County did follow the internal control system set forth in statute or County policy in order to ensure that all expenditures of the County were approved in an appropriate manner.

Recommendations:

1. We recommend that the County strengthen internal controls over the expenditure process in order to avoid making overpayments to vendors.
2. We recommend that the County comply with SDCL 7-22-1 and SDCL 7-8-15.
3. We recommend that the County comply with its own policy with regards to credit card purchases.

Views of responsible officials:

The Auditor's office will establish a procedure to make sure that if an invoice is presented for processing it is not a duplicate invoice. Further, the County will continue to make sure that the submitted invoice for payment is attached to the voucher, and the department supervisor submitting the invoice has initialed the document. The Commissioners will continue with their review of invoices and pull any that they have questions on. The County will review the process of filing vouchers.

All users of County credit cards will be given a copy of the credit card policy, along with the timelines to submit the invoices from users. Also, a reminder will be given to get commission approval for overnight stays. A credit card will be possibly used in that situation.

Internal Control Over the Tax Levy Process

Finding No. 2025-004:

Criteria:

The County's internal controls over the tax levy process were inadequate resulting in diminished assurance that the tax levy process was free of errors and omissions.

Condition:

Internal control serves as a defense in safeguarding assets and in preventing and detecting errors; fraud; noncompliance with provisions of laws, regulations, contracts or grant agreements; or abuse.

Context:

The County's internal controls over the tax levy process were inadequate resulting in the Oelrichs School District Special Education levy, the Eagle Valley Road District, and the Hot Brook Road District levies not

being entered into the tax accounting software. This omission resulted in the County making payments from the County General Fund to the three taxing districts as follows:

Oelrichs School District	\$ 132,892.52
Eagle Valley Road District	7,105.00
Hot Brook Road District	<u>5,896.00</u>
Total Payments from County Funds	<u>\$ 145,893.52</u>

The following action was approved by the County Commission in the November 21, 2024 meeting of the Governing Board:

“Motion made by Greenough, seconded by Allen, to approve paying the entities with omitted mill levies for 2023, pay 2024 tax levies as follows: Oelrichs School, Special Education in the amount of \$132,892.52; Eagle Valley Road District in the amount of \$7,105.00; and Hot Brook Road District in the amount of \$5,896.00. With Cope abstaining, all others voting yes, motion carried.”

Effect:

The County was exposed to an increased risk of omissions of tax levies not being detected in a timely manner, resulting in the County being responsible for paying the taxing districts for the omitted levies.

Cause:

The County’s internal control over the tax levy process were not sufficient to detect the missing 2023 payable 2024 tax levies for 3 taxing districts in the tax accounting system prior to finalizing the levies.

Recommendation:

We recommend the County strengthen internal controls over the tax levy process.

Views of responsible officials:

The tax levy process will be reviewed by an outside employee in the County before final submission of taxes to be levied.

Compliance and Other Matters:

Purchases Made Without Competitive Bidding

Finding No. 2025-005:

Criteria:

South Dakota Codified Law 5-18A-14 (SDCL) states: If the purchasing agency intends to enter into a contract for any public improvement that involves the expenditure of one hundred thousand dollars or more, or a contract for the purchase of supplies or services, other than professional services, that involves the expenditure of fifty thousand dollars or more, the purchasing agency shall advertise for bids or proposals. The advertisement shall appear as a legal notice in the appointed legal newspaper. The advertisement shall be printed at least twice, with the first publication at least ten days before opening of bids or the deadline for the submission of proposals. The first publication shall be in each official newspaper of the purchasing agency, and the second publication may be in any legal newspaper of the state chosen by the purchasing agency. If the purchasing agency has no official newspaper, the first publication shall be made in a legal newspaper with general circulation in the jurisdiction of the purchasing agency to be selected by the purchasing agency. The advertisement shall state the time and place where the bids will be opened or the deadline for the submission of proposals. In each notice, the purchasing agency shall reserve the right to reject any or all bids or proposals.

Condition:

The County made purchases without following the competitive bid process outlined in SDCL 5-18A.

Context:

We noted that during 2024 that the County purchased a Caterpillar Motor Grader for approximately \$290,000 without following the competitive bid process outlined in SDCL 5-18A.

We researched the minutes of the Governing Board and noted no discussion of advertising for bids, no opening of bids, no discussion of purchasing off a Cooperative Purchasing Agency contract, or any other discussion on the purchase of this motor grader. The only reference to this purchase was in the listing of approved bills from the October 17, 2024, minutes.

We noted that during 2025 that the County purchased a Caterpillar Mini Hydraulic Excavator for approximately \$140,000 without following the competitive bid process outlined in SDCL 5-18A.

We researched the minutes of the Governing Board and noted no discussion of advertising for bids, no opening of bids, no discussion of purchasing off a Cooperative Purchase Agency contract. The only reference to this purchase was in the listing of approved bills from the February 6, 2025, minutes and the following approval from the January 2, 2025, minutes:

“Motion made by Allen, seconded by Russell, to approve the purchase of a 2025 Caterpillar 308-07A Trackhoe that includes a 7-year maintenance warranty in the amount of \$142,830.33 from Butler Machinery Company. With Cope voting no, all others voting yes, motion carried.”

This lack of competitive bidding resulted in a lack of assurance that the County paid the lowest responsible price for the equipment purchased.

Effect:

The County is not in compliance with the bidding requirements established in SDCL 5-18A.

Cause:

The Board of County Commissioners did not follow the bidding requirements established in SDCL 5-18A.

Recommendation:

We recommend that the County comply with the bidding requirements established in SDCL 5-18A.

Views of responsible officials:

A Department Supervisor should get approval from the Commission prior to putting out a notice for bids. The Department of Legislative Audit Bid Booklet will be provided to any department that requests purchases that need to be bid.

Section III – Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs

There are no written current federal compliance audit findings to report.



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RUSSELL A. OLSON
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Independent Auditor's Report

County Commission
Fall River County
Hot Springs, South Dakota

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Adverse and Unmodified Opinions

We have audited the accompanying modified cash basis of accounting financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Fall River County, South Dakota (County), as of December 31, 2025, and for each of the years in the biennial period then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Adverse Opinion on Aggregate Discretely Presented Component Unit

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter discussed in the "Basis for Adverse Opinion on the Aggregate Discretely Presented Component Unit" paragraph, the financial statements referred to above do not present fairly, the financial position of the aggregate discretely presented component unit of the County as of December 31, 2025, or the respective changes in financial position thereof for each of the years in the biennial period then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Unmodified Opinions on Governmental Activities, Each Major Fund and Aggregate Remaining Fund Information

In our opinion, the accompanying modified cash basis of accounting 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 Fall River County as of December 31, 2025, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for each of the years in the biennial period then ended in accordance with the modified cash basis of accounting described in Note 1.c. to the financial statements.

Basis for Adverse and Unmodified Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS) and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* (Government Auditing Standards), issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the

Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the County and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Matters Giving Rise to Adverse Opinion on the Aggregate Discretely Presented Component Units

The financial statements do not include financial data for the County's legally separate component unit. Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require the financial data for the component unit to be reported with the financial data of the County's primary government unless the County also issues financial statements for the financial reporting entity that include the financial data for its component unit. The County has not issued such reporting entity financial statements. Because of this departure from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the assets, net position, revenues, and expenses of the aggregate discretely presented component unit would have been presented and are not reasonably determined.

Emphasis of Matter

As discussed in Note 1.c. of the financial statements, which describes the basis of accounting, the financial statements are prepared on the modified cash basis of accounting, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

As discussed in Note 2 to the financial statements, in 2024, the County implemented Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 100, Accounting Changes and Error Corrections; however, this implementation did not result in a restatement of the fund balances/net position as of January 1, 2024. Our opinions are not modified with respect to this matter.

As discussed in Note 2 to the financial statements, in 2025, the County implemented Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 102, Certain Risk Disclosures; however, this implementation did not result in a restatement of the fund balances/net position or additional note disclosure as of January 1, 2025. Our opinions are not modified with respect to this matter.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with the modified cash basis of accounting described in Note 1.c.; this includes determining that the modified cash basis of accounting is an acceptable basis for the preparation of the financial statements in the circumstances. Management is responsible for 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.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the County's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the modified cash basis of accounting financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS and *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists.

The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS and *Government Auditing Standards*, we

- exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit 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, no such opinion is expressed.
- evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the County's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control–related matters that we identified during the audit.

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the modified cash basis of accounting financial statements that collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements. The Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards, which as required by *Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance), the Budgetary Comparison Schedules, and the Schedule of the County's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset) are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards, the Budgetary Comparison Schedules, and the Schedule of the County's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset) are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated October 1, 2026, on our consideration of the County's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, 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 County's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Russell A. Olson". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Russell A. Olson
Auditor General

October 1, 2026

FALL RIVER COUNTY
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION - MODIFIED CASH BASIS
December 31, 2025

	<u>Primary Government Governmental Activities</u>
ASSETS:	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 762,946.27
Investments	<u>8,450,267.90</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u><u>\$ 9,213,214.17</u></u>
NET POSITION:	
Restricted For: (See Note 7)	
Road and Bridge Purposes	\$ 1,141,434.25
Courthouse Building Purposes	1,321,711.28
Rural Access Infrastructure Purposes	184,478.12
Other Purposes	274,749.64
Unrestricted	<u>6,290,840.88</u>
TOTAL NET POSITION	<u><u>\$ 9,213,214.17</u></u>

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

FALL RIVER COUNTY
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES - MODIFIED CASH BASIS
For the Year Ended December 31, 2025

Functions/Programs	Expenses	Charges for Services	Program Revenues		Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position
			Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	Primary Government Governmental Activities
Primary Government:					
Governmental Activities:					
General Government	\$ 3,278,485.32	\$ 607,825.23	\$ 37,955.12	\$ 109,060.30	\$ (2,523,644.67)
Public Safety	3,279,397.72	310,205.52	132,642.05		(2,836,550.15)
Public Works	3,229,653.94	51,269.57	1,598,154.23		(1,580,230.14)
Health and Welfare	93,931.82	950.00			(92,981.82)
Culture and Recreation	46,605.47				(46,605.47)
Conservation of Natural Resources	352,651.62	34,114.48			(318,537.14)
Urban and Economic Development	13,615.00				(13,615.00)
Intergovernmental	49,407.14				(49,407.14)
Payments to Local Education Agencies	100,829.28				(100,829.28)
Total Primary Government	\$ 10,444,577.31	\$ 1,004,364.80	\$ 1,768,751.40	\$ 109,060.30	(7,562,400.81)
General Revenues:					
Taxes:					
Property Taxes					4,047,879.05
Wheel Tax					122,341.70
State Shared Revenues					208,851.46
Grants and Contributions not Restricted to Specific Programs					944,251.00
Unrestricted Investment Earnings					220,372.64
Miscellaneous Revenue					103,449.61
Total General Revenues					5,647,145.46
Change in Net Position					(1,915,255.35)
Net Position - beginning, as previously reported					11,128,469.52
NET POSITION - ENDING					\$ 9,213,214.17

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FALL RIVER COUNTY
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES - MODIFIED CASH BASIS
For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

Functions/Programs	Expenses	Program Revenues			Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position
		Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	Primary Government
					Governmental Activities
Primary Government:					
Governmental Activities:					
General Government	\$ 2,730,063.89	\$ 580,807.06	\$ 38,203.43	\$ 20,877.74	\$ (2,090,175.66)
Public Safety	2,648,999.15	327,774.17	171,417.10		(2,149,807.88)
Public Works	2,277,662.96	487.22	1,716,336.56		(560,839.18)
Health and Welfare	134,975.90	3,804.70			(131,171.20)
Culture and Recreation	46,100.00				(46,100.00)
Conservation of Natural Resources	210,195.28	23,410.15			(186,785.13)
Urban and Economic Development	13,495.00				(13,495.00)
Intergovernmental	44,512.12				(44,512.12)
Payments to Local Education Agencies	97,185.22				(97,185.22)
Total Primary Government	<u>\$ 8,203,189.52</u>	<u>\$ 936,283.30</u>	<u>\$ 1,925,957.09</u>	<u>\$ 20,877.74</u>	<u>(5,320,071.39)</u>
General Revenues:					
Taxes:					
Property Taxes					3,846,589.57
Wheel Tax					136,616.61
State Shared Revenues					153,885.42
Grants and Contributions not Restricted to Specific Programs					908,068.01
Unrestricted Investment Earnings					367,212.39
Miscellaneous Revenue					108,412.05
Total General Revenues					<u>5,520,784.05</u>
Change in Net Position					200,712.66
Net Position - beginning, as previously reported					<u>10,927,756.86</u>
NET POSITION - ENDING					<u>\$ 11,128,469.52</u>

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

**FALL RIVER COUNTY
BALANCE SHEET - MODIFIED CASH BASIS
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
December 31, 2025**

	General Fund	Road and Bridge Fund	Courthouse Building Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS:					
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 535,564.72	\$ 27,381.55	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 762,946.27
Investments	<u>5,400,028.98</u>	<u>1,114,052.70</u>	<u>1,617,159.16</u>	<u>319,027.06</u>	<u>8,450,267.90</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u><u>\$ 5,935,593.70</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 1,141,434.25</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 1,717,159.16</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 419,027.06</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 9,213,214.17</u></u>
FUND BALANCES: (See Note 1.j.)					
Restricted	\$ 40,200.70	\$ 1,141,434.25	\$ 1,321,711.28	\$ 419,027.06	\$ 2,922,373.29
Assigned	4,086,377.00		395,447.88		4,481,824.88
Unassigned	<u>1,809,016.00</u>				<u>1,809,016.00</u>
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	<u><u>\$ 5,935,593.70</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 1,141,434.25</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 1,717,159.16</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 419,027.06</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 9,213,214.17</u></u>

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FALL RIVER COUNTY
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - MODIFIED CASH BASIS
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
For the Year Ended December 31, 2025

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Road and Bridge Fund</u>	<u>Courthouse Building Fund</u>	<u>Other Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
Revenues:					
Taxes:					
General Property Taxes--Current	\$ 3,454,066.06	\$ 333,019.58	\$ 146,320.45	\$ 1,328.68	\$ 3,934,734.77
General Property Taxes--Delinquent	78,753.84	8,343.98	3,376.69		90,474.51
Penalties and Interest	19,224.94		824.78	0.45	20,050.17
Telephone Tax (Outside)	219.60				219.60
Wheel Tax		122,341.70			122,341.70
Tax Deed Revenue	2,400.00				2,400.00
Licenses and Permits	16,440.00			1,525.00	17,965.00
Intergovernmental Revenue:					
Federal Grants	10,786.41			365.00	11,151.41
Federal Shared Revenue		29,819.41			29,819.41
Federal Payments in Lieu of Taxes	942,751.00				942,751.00
State Grants	17,180.91	327,362.71		1,548.13	346,091.75
State Shared Revenue:					
Bank Franchise	7,938.32	753.85	335.77	2.97	9,030.91
Motor Vehicle Licenses		893,420.81			893,420.81
Court Appointed Attorney/Public Defender	7,156.23				7,156.23
Energy Minerals Severance Tax		18,163.87			18,163.87
Prorate License Fees		49,430.71			49,430.71
63 3/4% Mobile Home		40,511.76			40,511.76
Secondary Road Remittances		235,200.49			235,200.49
Telecommunications Gross Receipts Tax	13,780.59				13,780.59
Motor Vehicle 1/4%	2,831.57				2,831.57
Renewable Facility Tax	135,690.22				135,690.22
Motor Fuel Tax		4,244.47			4,244.47
911 Remittances				130,728.92	130,728.92
Liquor Tax Reversion (25%)	41,688.74				41,688.74
Other State Shared Revenue				3,000.00	3,000.00
Other Payments in Lieu of Taxes	5,430.89		230.11		5,661.00

Charges for Goods and Services:

General Government:

Treasurer's Fees	41,680.88				41,680.88
Register of Deeds' Fees	132,704.82			8,369.02	141,073.84
Legal Services	71,221.85			550.00	71,771.85
Clerk of Courts Fees	8,347.70				8,347.70
Other Fees	323,142.21				323,142.21

Public Safety:

Law Enforcement	144,464.52				144,464.52
Prisoner Care	22,586.13				22,586.13
Sobriety Testing				16,536.00	16,536.00
Other	1,367.23			102,500.00	103,867.23

Public Works:

Road Maintenance Contract Charges		51,269.57			51,269.57
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Health and Welfare:

Economic Assistance:

Poor Lien Recoveries	950.00				950.00
Veterans Service Officer	3,093.75				3,093.75
Conservation of Natural Resources	34,114.48				34,114.48

Fines and Forfeits:

Costs	18,426.64			75.00	18,501.64
Forfeits	3,500.00				3,500.00

Miscellaneous Revenue:

Investment Earnings	135,270.46	40,976.99	41,724.38	2,400.81	220,372.64
Rent	1,500.00				1,500.00
Contributions and Donations	1,500.00				1,500.00
Refund of Prior Year's Expenditures	16,806.56			314.23	17,120.79
Other	36,625.66	33,330.43		1,000.00	70,956.09

Total Revenues	<u>5,753,642.21</u>	<u>2,188,190.33</u>	<u>192,812.18</u>	<u>270,244.21</u>	<u>8,404,888.93</u>
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Expenditures:

General Government:

Legislative:

Board of County Commissioners	215,716.93				215,716.93
Elections	40,011.26				40,011.26
Judicial System	19,627.20				19,627.20

Financial Administration:

Auditor	351,159.69				351,159.69
Treasurer	293,044.88				293,044.88

Legal Services:

State's Attorney	276,084.85				276,084.85
Court Appointed Attorney	271,356.84				271,356.84

FALL RIVER COUNTY
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - MODIFIED CASH BASIS
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
For the Year Ended December 31, 2025
(Continued)

	General Fund	Road and Bridge Fund	Courthouse Building Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Abused and Neglected Child Defense	43,494.45				43,494.45
Other Legal Services	6,629.76				6,629.76
Other General Government:					
General Government Building	136,586.96		696,491.85		833,078.81
Director of Equalization	373,141.54				373,141.54
Register of Deeds	210,270.54			16,014.09	226,284.63
Veterans Service Officer	67,650.37				67,650.37
Predatory Animal	5,181.54				5,181.54
Geographic Information System	83,352.06				83,352.06
Information Technology	172,670.51				172,670.51
Public Safety:					
Law Enforcement:					
Sheriff	1,181,875.85			58,024.33	1,239,900.18
County Jail	1,040,445.71				1,040,445.71
Coroner	34,917.79				34,917.79
Juvenile Detention	43,160.00				43,160.00
Other Law Enforcement	5,981.90				5,981.90
Protective and Emergency Services:					
Fire Protection				47.76	47.76
Emergency and Disaster Services				145,808.67	145,808.67
Communication Center	6,147.15			762,559.99	768,707.14
Other Protective and Emergency	428.57				428.57
Public Works:					
Highways and Bridges:					
Highways, Roads and Bridges		3,229,653.94			3,229,653.94
Health and Welfare:					
Economic Assistance:					
Support of Poor	8,051.52				8,051.52
Health Assistance:					
County Nurse	7,672.68				7,672.68
Social Services:					
Care of Aged	19,930.00				19,930.00

Domestic Abuse	1,308.07			7,000.00	8,308.07
Other	14,000.00				14,000.00
Mental Health Services:					
Mentally Ill	6,314.87				6,314.87
Mental Health Centers	7,500.00				7,500.00
Mental Illness Board	22,154.68				22,154.68
Culture and Recreation:					
Culture:					
Public Library	29,000.00				29,000.00
Historical Museum	6,000.00				6,000.00
Recreation:					
County Fair	3,105.47				3,105.47
Senior Center	8,500.00				8,500.00
Conservation of Natural Resources:					
Soil Conservation:					
County Extension	106,154.89				106,154.89
Soil Conservation Districts	20,000.00				20,000.00
Weed Control	226,496.73				226,496.73
Urban and Economic Development:					
Economic Development:					
Tourism, Industrial or Recreational Development	13,615.00				13,615.00
Intergovernmental Expenditures	49,407.14				49,407.14
Payments to Local Education Agencies	94,275.10	6,554.18			100,829.28
Total Expenditures	<u>5,522,422.50</u>	<u>3,236,208.12</u>	<u>696,491.85</u>	<u>989,454.84</u>	<u>10,444,577.31</u>
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	<u>231,219.71</u>	<u>(1,048,017.79)</u>	<u>(503,679.67)</u>	<u>(719,210.63)</u>	<u>(2,039,688.38)</u>
Other Financing Sources (Uses):					
Transfers In		150,000.00		355,718.35	505,718.35
Transfers Out	(505,718.35)				(505,718.35)
Insurance Proceeds	83,460.30	25,600.00			109,060.30
Sale of County Property	6,096.00	9,276.73			15,372.73
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>(416,162.05)</u>	<u>184,876.73</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>355,718.35</u>	<u>124,433.03</u>
Net Change in Fund Balance	(184,942.34)	(863,141.06)	(503,679.67)	(363,492.28)	(1,915,255.35)
Fund Balance - beginning, as previously reported	<u>6,120,536.04</u>	<u>2,004,575.31</u>	<u>2,220,838.83</u>	<u>782,519.34</u>	<u>11,128,469.52</u>
FUND BALANCE - ENDING	<u>\$ 5,935,593.70</u>	<u>\$ 1,141,434.25</u>	<u>\$ 1,717,159.16</u>	<u>\$ 419,027.06</u>	<u>\$ 9,213,214.17</u>

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

FALL RIVER COUNTY
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - MODIFIED CASH BASIS
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Road and Bridge Fund</u>	<u>Courthouse Building Fund</u>	<u>Other Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
Revenues:					
Taxes:					
General Property Taxes--Current	\$ 3,313,327.17	\$ 318,314.57	\$ 140,404.70	\$ 1,255.69	\$ 3,773,302.13
General Property Taxes--Delinquent	51,251.52	4,234.75	2,198.01	3.48	57,687.76
Penalties and Interest	14,373.35	359.84	616.59	1.77	15,351.55
Telephone Tax (Outside)	248.13				248.13
Wheel Tax		136,616.61			136,616.61
Licenses and Permits	15,512.00			1,560.00	17,072.00
Intergovernmental Revenue:					
Federal Grants	24,247.19			40,153.00	64,400.19
Federal Shared Revenue		44,670.14			44,670.14
Federal Payments in Lieu of Taxes	908,004.00				908,004.00
State Grants	33,193.23	324,695.82		8,068.57	365,957.62
State Shared Revenue:					
Bank Franchise	8,516.19	803.20	370.77	3.28	9,693.44
Motor Vehicle Licenses		911,882.66			911,882.66
Energy Minerals Severance Tax		21,866.83			21,866.83
Prorate License Fees		48,959.30			48,959.30
Abused and Neglected Child Defense	1,800.48				1,800.48
63 3/4% Mobile Home		56,967.09			56,967.09
Secondary Road Remittances		255,063.51			255,063.51
Telecommunications Gross Receipts Tax	11,000.85				11,000.85
Motor Vehicle 1/4%	3,209.72				3,209.72
Renewable Facility Tax	47,869.51				47,869.51
Motor Fuel Tax		4,257.91			4,257.91
911 Remittances				98,948.34	98,948.34
Liquor Tax Reversion (25%)	42,691.50				42,691.50
Other State Shared Revenue	35,795.10			47,973.30	83,768.40
Other Payments in Lieu of Taxes	6,553.41		281.61		6,835.02
Charges for Goods and Services:					
General Government:					
Treasurer's Fees	45,730.27				45,730.27
Register of Deeds' Fees	141,416.10			8,933.49	150,349.59

Legal Services	53,350.98			700.00	54,050.98
Clerk of Courts Fees	9,274.24				9,274.24
Other Fees	299,872.22				299,872.22
Public Safety:					
Law Enforcement	160,642.49				160,642.49
Prisoner Care	34,664.74				34,664.74
Sobriety Testing				26,750.00	26,750.00
Other	304.51			82,500.00	82,804.51
Public Works:					
Road Maintenance Contract Charges		487.22			487.22
Health and Welfare:					
Economic Assistance:					
Poor Lien Recoveries	475.94				475.94
Veterans Service Officer	3,093.75				3,093.75
Health Assistance:					
Women, Infants and Children	2,842.56				2,842.56
Mental Health Services	486.20				486.20
Conservation of Natural Resources	23,410.15				23,410.15
Fines and Forfeits:					
Costs	22,662.43			50.00	22,712.43
Miscellaneous Revenue:					
Investment Earnings	200,317.95	72,685.32	68,668.99	15,116.65	356,788.91
Contributions and Donations	1,500.00	64.01			1,564.01
Refund of Prior Year's Expenditures	10,487.49				10,487.49
Other	107,003.15	1,001.93		253.97	108,259.05
Total Revenues	5,635,128.52	2,202,930.71	212,540.67	332,271.54	8,382,871.44

Expenditures:

General Government:

Legislative:

Board of County Commissioners	296,631.83				296,631.83
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Elections	71,500.28				71,500.28
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Judicial System	20,258.98				20,258.98
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Financial Administration:

Auditor	328,130.07				328,130.07
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Treasurer	290,530.07				290,530.07
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Legal Services:

State's Attorney	282,186.95				282,186.95
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Court Appointed Attorney	263,655.62				263,655.62
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Abused and Neglected Child Defense	10,211.97				10,211.97
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Other Legal Services	11,009.52				11,009.52
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FALL RIVER COUNTY
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - MODIFIED CASH BASIS
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
For the Year Ended December 31, 2024
(Continued)

	General Fund	Road and Bridge Fund	Courthouse Building Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Other General Government:					
General Government Building	281,139.06		37,829.66		318,968.72
Director of Equalization	297,784.20				297,784.20
Register of Deeds	196,982.29			16,672.00	213,654.29
Veterans Service Officer	65,941.16				65,941.16
Predatory Animal	4,181.86				4,181.86
Geographic Information System	80,703.99				80,703.99
Information Technology	174,714.38				174,714.38
Public Safety:					
Law Enforcement:					
Sheriff	1,098,963.90			41,917.70	1,140,881.60
County Jail	890,709.74				890,709.74
Coroner	24,470.88				24,470.88
Juvenile Detention	1,200.00				1,200.00
Other Law Enforcement	29,886.42				29,886.42
Protective and Emergency Services:					
Fire Protection				264.21	264.21
Emergency and Disaster Services				132,037.13	132,037.13
Communication Center	3,269.91			425,691.73	428,961.64
Other Protective and Emergency	587.53				587.53
Public Works:					
Highways and Bridges:					
Highways, Roads and Bridges		2,277,662.96			2,277,662.96
Health and Welfare:					
Economic Assistance:					
Support of Poor	4,800.00				4,800.00
Health Assistance:					
County Nurse	22,990.80				22,990.80
Social Services:					
Care of Aged	19,300.00				19,300.00
Domestic Abuse	1,694.49			7,000.00	8,694.49
Other	13,000.00				13,000.00

Mental Health Services:					
Mentally Ill	6,553.01				6,553.01
Drug Abuse	14,000.00				14,000.00
Mental Health Centers	7,500.00				7,500.00
Mental Illness Board	38,137.60				38,137.60
Culture and Recreation:					
Culture:					
Public Library	29,000.00				29,000.00
Historical Museum	6,000.00				6,000.00
Recreation:					
County Fair	3,000.00				3,000.00
Senior Center	8,100.00				8,100.00
Conservation of Natural Resources:					
Soil Conservation:					
County Extension	57,823.99				57,823.99
Soil Conservation Districts	20,000.00				20,000.00
Weed Control	132,371.29				132,371.29
Urban and Economic Development:					
Economic Development:					
Tourism, Industrial or Recreational Development	13,495.00				13,495.00
Intergovernmental Expenditures	44,512.12				44,512.12
Payments to Local Education Agencies	90,800.40	6,384.82			97,185.22
Total Expenditures	<u>5,257,729.31</u>	<u>2,284,047.78</u>	<u>37,829.66</u>	<u>623,582.77</u>	<u>8,203,189.52</u>
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	<u>377,399.21</u>	<u>(81,117.07)</u>	<u>174,711.01</u>	<u>(291,311.23)</u>	<u>179,681.92</u>
Other Financing Sources (Uses):					
Transfers In		150,000.00		95,289.00	245,289.00
Transfers Out	(245,289.00)				(245,289.00)
Insurance Proceeds	20,877.74				20,877.74
Sale of County Property		153.00			153.00
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>(224,411.26)</u>	<u>150,153.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>95,289.00</u>	<u>21,030.74</u>
Net Change in Fund Balance	152,987.95	69,035.93	174,711.01	(196,022.23)	200,712.66
Fund Balance - beginning, as previously reported	<u>5,967,548.09</u>	<u>1,935,539.38</u>	<u>2,046,127.82</u>	<u>978,541.57</u>	<u>10,927,756.86</u>
FUND BALANCE - ENDING	<u>\$ 6,120,536.04</u>	<u>\$ 2,004,575.31</u>	<u>\$ 2,220,838.83</u>	<u>\$ 782,519.34</u>	<u>\$ 11,128,469.52</u>

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

FALL RIVER COUNTY
STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION - MODIFIED CASH BASIS
FIDUCIARY FUNDS
December 31, 2025

	<u>Custodial Funds</u>
ASSETS:	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 303,908.09
TOTAL ASSETS	<u><u>\$ 303,908.09</u></u>
NET POSITION:	
Restricted For:	
Individuals, Organizations, and Other Governments	\$ 303,908.09
TOTAL NET POSITION	<u><u>\$ 303,908.09</u></u>

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FALL RIVER COUNTY
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION - MODIFIED CASH BASIS
FIDUCIARY FUNDS
For the Year Ended December 31, 2025

	Custodial Funds
ADDITIONS:	
Property Tax Collections for Other Governments	\$ 11,064,825.02
State Shared Revenue Collections for Other Governments	2,548,013.31
Other Additions	<u>272,688.82</u>
Total Additions	<u>13,885,527.15</u>
DEDUCTIONS:	
Payments of Property Tax to Other Governments	11,061,596.66
Payments of State Shared Revenue to Other Governments	2,520,637.46
Other Deductions	<u>266,776.26</u>
Total Deductions	<u>13,849,010.38</u>
Change in Net Position	36,516.77
Net Position - beginning, as previously reported	<u>267,391.32</u>
NET POSITION - ENDING	<u><u>\$ 303,908.09</u></u>

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FALL RIVER COUNTY
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION - MODIFIED CASH BASIS
FIDUCIARY FUNDS
For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

	Custodial Funds
ADDITIONS:	
Property Tax Collections for Other Governments	\$ 10,856,582.04
State Shared Revenue Collections for Other Governments	2,778,962.19
Other Additions	<u>399,469.31</u>
Total Additions	<u>14,035,013.54</u>
DEDUCTIONS:	
Payments of Property Tax to Other Governments	10,897,917.24
Payments of State Shared Revenue to Other Governments	2,848,277.44
Other Deductions	<u>399,084.41</u>
Total Deductions	<u>14,145,279.09</u>
Change in Net Position	(110,265.55)
Net Position - beginning, as previously reported	<u>377,656.87</u>
NET POSITION - ENDING	<u><u>\$ 267,391.32</u></u>

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

FALL RIVER COUNTY
NOTES TO THE MODIFIED CASH BASIS FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

As discussed further in Note 1.c., these financial statements are presented on a modified cash basis of accounting. The modified cash basis of accounting differs from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). Generally accepted accounting principles include all relevant Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) pronouncements.

a. Financial Reporting Entity:

The reporting entity of Fall River County (County), consists of the primary government (which includes all of the funds, organizations, institutions, agencies, departments, and offices that make up the legal entity, plus those funds for which the primary government has a fiduciary responsibility); those organizations for which the primary government is financially accountable; and other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the primary government are such that their exclusion would cause the financial reporting entity's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete.

Component units are legally separate organizations for which the elected officials of the primary government are financially accountable. The County is financially accountable if its County Commission appoints a voting majority of another organization's governing body and it has the ability to impose its will on that organization, or there is a potential for that organization to provide specific financial benefits to, or impose specific financial burdens on, the County (primary government). The County may also be financially accountable for another organization if that organization is fiscally dependent on the County.

The Housing and Redevelopment Commission of Fall River County, South Dakota (Commission) is a proprietary fund-type, discretely presented component unit. The five members of the Commission are appointed by the County Commission's Chairperson with the approval of the Board of County Commissioners for five-year, staggered terms. The Commission elects its own chairperson and recruits and employs its own management personnel and other workers. The County Commission, though, retains the statutory authority to approve or deny or otherwise modify the Commission's plans to construct a low-income housing unit, or to issue debt, which gives the County Commission the ability to impose its will on the Commission. Separately issued financial statements of the Housing and Redevelopment Commission may be obtained from: 201 South River Street, Hot Springs, SD 57747. The financial activity of the Commission, a component unit of the County, has not been included in the financial statements included in this report.

The County participates in a cooperative unit, the Western South Dakota Juvenile Service Center. See detailed note entitled "Joint Ventures" for specific disclosures. Joint ventures do not meet the criteria for inclusion in the financial reporting entity as a component unit but are discussed in these notes because of the nature of their relationship with the County.

b. Basis of Presentation:

Government-wide Financial Statements:

The Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities display information about the reporting entity 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 presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each function of the County's governmental activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a program or function and, therefore, are clearly identifiable to a particular function. Program revenues include (a) charges paid by recipients of goods and services offered by the programs and (b) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Revenues that are not classified as program revenues, including all taxes, are presented as general revenues.

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 constitute its assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues, and expenditures/expenses. Funds are organized into two major categories: governmental and fiduciary. An emphasis is placed on major funds within the governmental category. A fund is considered major if it is the primary operating fund of the County or it meets the following criteria:

1. 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
2. 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, or
3. Management has elected to classify one or more governmental or enterprise funds as major for consistency in reporting from year to year, or because of public interest in the fund's operations.

The funds of the County financial reporting entity are described below:

Governmental Funds:

General Fund – *The General Fund is the general operating fund of the County. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund. The General Fund is always considered to be a major fund.*

Special Revenue Funds – *Special revenue funds are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources (other than trusts for individuals, private organizations, or other governments or for major capital projects) that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes.*

Road and Bridge Fund – to account for funds credited to the road and bridge fund pursuant to SDCL 32-11-4.2 to be used by the board of county commissioners for grading, constructing, planing, dragging, and maintaining county highways and also for dragging, maintaining, and grading secondary roads. Proper equipment for dragging, grading, and maintaining highways, such as graders, tractors, drags, maintainers, and planers may be purchased from the road and bridge fund. (SDCL 32-11-2 and 32-11-4.2) This is a major fund.

Courthouse Building Fund – authorized by SDCL 7-25-1 to account for the accumulation of a special tax levy not to exceed ninety cents per thousand dollars of taxable valuation annually for the acquisition or construction of a courthouse, office, jail building, county extension buildings, grandstands and bleachers, highway maintenance buildings, or public library. This is a major fund.

The remaining special revenue funds are not considered major funds: 911 Service, Fire Protection, Emergency Management, Domestic Abuse, Title III National Forest, Local Emergency Planning Committee, 24/7 Sobriety, Modernization and Preservation Relief, and Rural Access Infrastructure. These funds are reported on the fund financial statements as "Other Governmental Funds."

Fiduciary Funds:

Fiduciary funds consist of the following sub-category and are never considered to be major funds:

Custodial Funds – Custodial funds are used to report fiduciary activities that are not required to be reported in pension (and other employee benefit) trust funds, investment trust funds, or private-purpose trust funds. Custodial funds are used to account for the accumulation and distribution of property tax revenues and various pass-through funds.

c. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting:

Measurement focus is a term used to describe "how" transactions are recorded within the various financial statements. Basis of accounting refers to "when" revenues and expenditures or expenses are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements, regardless of the measurement focus.

The County's basis of accounting is the modified cash basis, which is a basis of accounting other than USGAAP. Under USGAAP, transactions are recorded in the accounts when revenues are earned and liabilities are incurred. Under the modified cash basis, transactions are recorded when cash is received or disbursed.

Measurement Focus:

In the government-wide Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities, governmental activities are presented using the economic resources measurement focus, applied within the limitations of the modified cash basis of accounting as defined below.

In the fund financial statements, the "current financial resources" measurement focus or the "economic resources" measurement focus is used, applied within the limitations of the modified cash basis of accounting.

Basis of Accounting:

In the government-wide Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities and the fund financial statements, governmental activities are presented using a modified cash basis of accounting.

The modified cash basis of accounting involves the measurement of cash and cash equivalents and changes in cash and cash equivalents resulting from cash receipt and disbursement transactions. Under the modified cash basis of accounting, the statement of financial position reports only cash and cash equivalents (those investments with terms to maturity of 90 days (three months) or less at the date of acquisition). Under the modified cash basis of accounting, transactions are recorded in the accounts when cash and/or cash equivalents are received or disbursed and assets and liabilities are recognized to the extent that cash has been received or disbursed. The acceptable modification to the cash basis of accounting implemented by the County in these financial statements is:

Recording long-term investments in marketable securities (those with maturities more than 90-days (three months) from the date of acquisition) acquired with cash assets at market.

As a result of the use of this modified cash basis of accounting, certain assets, and their related revenues (such as accounts receivable and revenue for billed or provided services not yet collected) and certain liabilities and their related expenses (such as accounts payable and expenses for goods or services received but not yet paid, and accrued expenses and liabilities) are not recorded in these financial statements.

If the County applied USGAAP, the fund financial statements for governmental funds would use the modified accrual basis of accounting. All government-wide financial statements would be presented on the accrual basis of accounting.

d. Deposits and Investments:

For the purpose of financial reporting, “cash and cash equivalents” includes all demand and savings accounts and certificates of deposit or short-term investments with a term to maturity at date of acquisition of three months or less. Investments in open-end mutual fund shares, or similar investments in external investment pools, are also considered to be cash equivalents.

Investments classified in the financial statements consist primarily of U.S. Treasury Notes whose term to maturity at date of acquisition exceeds three months, and/or those types of investment authorized by South Dakota Codified Law (SDCL) 4-5-6. Under the modified cash basis of accounting, investments are carried at market.

e. Capital Assets:

Capital assets include land, buildings, improvements other than buildings, furnishings and equipment, construction/development in progress, infrastructure, intangible lease assets, and all other tangible or intangible assets that are used in operations and that have initial useful lives extending beyond a single reporting period. *Infrastructure assets* are long-lived capital assets that normally are stationary in nature and normally can be preserved for significantly greater number of years than most capital assets.

As discussed in Note 1.c. above, the government-wide Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities and the fund financial statements are presented using a modified cash basis of accounting. The County has not elected to modify their cash basis presentation by recording capital assets arising from cash transactions and depreciating those assets where appropriate, so any capital assets owned by the County and the related depreciation are not reported on the financial statements of the County.

f. Long-Term Liabilities:

Long-term liabilities may include, but are not limited to, General Obligation Bonds, Revenue Bonds, Certificates of Participation, Lease Liabilities, Subscription Liabilities, and Other Long-Term Liabilities.

As discussed in Note 1.c. above, the government-wide Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities and the fund financial statements are presented using a modified cash basis of accounting. The County has not elected to modify their cash basis presentation by recording long-term debt or long-term liabilities arising from cash transactions, so any outstanding long-term debt or long-term liabilities are not reported on the financial statements of the County. The County does report the principal and interest payments on long-term debt as Debt Service expenditures on the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances. On the Statement of Activities, the principal portion of these Debt Service

payments are reported within the appropriate expense function while the interest portion is reported as Interest on Long-Term Debt.

The County does not have any outstanding Long-Term Debt as of December 31, 2025.

g. Program Revenues:

Program revenues derive directly from the program itself or from parties other than the County's taxpayers or citizenry, as a whole. Program revenues are classified into three categories, as follows:

1. Charges for services – These arise from charges to customers, applicants, or others who purchase, use, or directly benefit from the goods, services, or privileges provided, or are otherwise directly affected by the services.
2. Program-specific operating grants and contributions – These arise from mandatory and voluntary non-exchange transactions with other governments, organizations, or individuals that are restricted for use in a particular program.
3. Program-specific capital grants and contributions – These arise from mandatory and voluntary non-exchange transactions with other governments, organizations, or individuals that are restricted for the acquisition of capital assets for use in a particular program.

h. Equity Classifications:

Government-wide Financial Statements:

Equity is classified as Net Position and is displayed in two components:

1. Restricted Net Position – Consists of net position with constraints placed on their use either by (a) external groups such as creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws and regulations of other governments; or (b) law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
2. Unrestricted Net Position – All other net position that do not meet the definition of Restricted Net Position.

Fund Financial Statements:

Governmental fund equity is classified as fund balance, and is distinguished between Nonspendable, Restricted, Committed, Assigned, or Unassigned components. Fiduciary fund equity is reported as restricted net position.

i. Application of Net Position:

It is the County's policy to first use restricted net position, prior to the use of unrestricted net position, when an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net positions are available.

j. Fund Balance Classification Policies and Procedures:

In accordance with Government Accounting Standards Board (GASB) No. 54, Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions, the County classifies governmental fund balances as follows:

- Nonspendable – includes fund balance amounts that cannot be spent either because it is not in spendable form or because of legal or contractual constraints.
- Restricted – includes fund balance amounts that are constrained for specific purposes which are externally imposed by providers, such as creditors or amounts constrained due to constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
- Committed – includes fund balance amounts that are constrained for specific purposes that are internally imposed by the government through formal action of the highest level of decision-making authority and does not lapse at year-end.
- Assigned – includes fund balance amounts that are intended to be used for specific purposes that are neither considered restricted nor committed. Fund Balance may be assigned by the County Commissioners.
- Unassigned – includes positive fund balance within the General Fund which has not been classified within the above-mentioned categories and negative fund balances in other governmental funds.

For the General Fund, the Courthouse Building Fund, the Title III National Forest Fund, the Local Emergency Planning Committee Fund, the 24/7 Sobriety Fund, the Modernization and Preservation Relief Fund, and the Rural Access Infrastructure Fund, the County uses restricted amounts first when both restricted and unrestricted/assigned fund balances are available unless there are legal documents/contracts that prohibit doing this, such as a grant agreement requiring dollar for dollar spending. Additionally, the County would first use *committed, then assigned, and lastly unassigned amounts* of unrestricted fund balance when expenditures are made. For the County Road and Bridge Fund, the 911 Service Fund, the Fire Protection Fund, the Emergency Management Fund, and the Domestic Abuse Fund, the County uses assigned amounts first when both restricted and assigned fund balances are available.

The County *does not* have a formal minimum fund balance policy.

The purpose of each major special revenue fund and revenue source is listed below:

Major Special Revenue Fund

Road and Bridge Fund

Courthouse Building Fund

Revenue Source

Property Taxes, Wheel Taxes, State and Federal Grants, and Motor Vehicle Licenses
Property Taxes

A schedule of fund balances is provided as follows:

**FALL RIVER COUNTY
DISCLOSURE OF FUND BALANCES REPORTED ON BALANCE SHEET
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
DECEMBER 31, 2025**

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Road and Bridge Fund</u>	<u>Courthouse Building Fund</u>	<u>Other Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
Fund Balances:					
Restricted For:					
Opioid Settlement Purposes	\$ 40,200.70	\$	\$	\$	\$ 40,200.70
Secondary Road Purposes		981,712.16			981,712.16
Road and Bridge Purposes		159,722.09			159,722.09
Courthouse Building Purposes			1,321,711.28		1,321,711.28
911 Service Purposes				73,112.41	73,112.41
Fire Protection Purposes				14,374.66	14,374.66
Title III National Forest Purposes				47,359.56	47,359.56
Emergency Management Purposes				46,614.57	46,614.57
Domestic Abuse Purposes				1,035.00	1,035.00
Local Emergency Planning Committee Purposes				5,759.96	5,759.96
24/7 Sobriety Purposes				29,771.73	29,771.73
Modernization and Preservation Relief Purposes				16,521.05	16,521.05
Rural Access Infrastructure Purposes				184,478.12	184,478.12
Assigned To:					
Applied to Next Year's Budget	411,277.00				411,277.00
Capital Outlay Accumulations	3,675,100.00				3,675,100.00
Courthouse Building Purposes			395,447.88		395,447.88
Unassigned	1,809,016.00				1,809,016.00
Total Fund Balances	<u><u>\$ 5,935,593.70</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 1,141,434.25</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 1,717,159.16</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 419,027.06</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 9,213,214.17</u></u>

2. IMPLEMENTATION OF NEW ACCOUNTING STANDARD

In 2024, the County implemented the provisions of Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 100, Accounting Changes and Error Corrections. This statement defines accounting changes as changes in accounting principles, changes in accounting estimates, and changes to work within the financial reporting entity and describes the transactions or other events that constitute those changes. There was no effect on beginning fund balances or net position due to the implementation of this standard.

In 2025, the County implemented the provisions of Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 102, Certain Risk Disclosures. This statement enhances required risk disclosures by disclosing information about known concentrations and constraints. There was no effect on beginning fund balances, net position, or the notes to the financial statements due to the implementation of this standard.

3. VIOLATIONS OF FINANCE-RELATED LEGAL AND CONTRACTUAL PROVISIONS

The County is prohibited by statute from spending in excess of appropriations at the department level. The following represents the overdrafts of the expenditures in excess of appropriations:

	Year Ended 12/31/2024	Year Ended 12/31/2025
General Fund:		
<u>Activity</u>		
Board of County Commissioners	\$ 24,056.26	
Judicial System	\$ 2,092.05	
States Attorney		\$ 257.29
Information Technology	\$ 2,818.07	
Mental Illness Board	\$ 593.80	
Weed Control		\$ 609.97
Road and Bridge Fund:		
<u>Activity</u>		
Payments to Local Education Agencies	\$ 6,384.82	
Other Governmental Funds:		
<u>Activity</u>		
Emergency and Disaster Services		\$ 822.84

The Board of County Commissioners plans to take the following actions to address these violations:

The County Auditor will more closely monitor the department budgets and will have the Board of County Commissioners approve any necessary budget supplements or contingency transfers in order to avoid expenditures in excess of appropriations.

4. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS CREDIT RISK, CONCENTRATIONS OF CREDIT RISK AND INTEREST RATE RISK

The County follows the practice of aggregating the cash assets of various funds to maximize cash management efficiency and returns. Various restrictions on deposits and investments are imposed by statutes. These restrictions are summarized below:

Deposits – The County’s cash deposits are made in qualified public depositories as defined by SDCL 4-6A-1, 7-20-1, 7-20-1.1, and 7-20-1.2, and may be in the form of demand or time deposits. Qualified depositories are required by SDCL 4-6A-3 to maintain at all times, segregated from their other assets, eligible collateral having a value equal to at least 100 percent of the public deposit accounts which exceed deposit insurance such as the FDIC and NCUA. In lieu of pledging eligible securities, a qualified public depository may furnish irrevocable standby letters of credit issued by

federal home loan banks accompanied by written evidence of that bank's public debt rating which may not be less than "AA" or a qualified public depository may furnish a corporate surety bond of a corporation authorized to do business in South Dakota.

Investments – In general, SDCL 4-5-6 permits County funds to be invested only in (a) securities of the United States and securities guaranteed by the United States Government either directly or indirectly; or (b) repurchase agreements fully collateralized by securities described in (a) above; or in shares of an open-end, no-load fund administered by an investment company whose investments are in securities described in (a) above and repurchase agreements described in (b) above. Also, SDCL 4-5-9 requires investments to be in the physical custody of the political subdivision or may be deposited in a safekeeping account with any bank or trust company designated by the political subdivision as its fiscal agent.

Fair Value Measurement – The County categorizes its fair value measurements within the fair value hierarchy established by generally accepted accounting principles. The hierarchy is based on the valuation inputs used to measure the fair value of the asset. Level 1 inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical assets; Level 2 inputs are significant other observable inputs; Level 3 inputs are significant unobservable inputs.

The County has the following recurring fair value measurements as of December 31, 2025:

- United States Treasury Notes Level 1

Credit Risk – State law limits eligible investments for the County, as discussed above. The County has no investment policy that would further limit its investment choices.

As of December 31, 2025, the County had the following investments.

Investment	Credit Rating	Maturities	Fair Value
US Treasury Notes	N/A	January 2026 through July 2029	\$ 8,450,267.90

Custodial Credit Risk – Deposits – The risk that, in the event of a depository failure, the County's deposits may not be returned to it. The County does not have a deposit policy for custodial credit risk. As of December 31, 2025, the County's deposits in financial institutions were not exposed to custodial credit risk.

Custodial Credit Risk – Investments – The risk that, in the event of the counterparty to a transaction, the County will not be able to recover the value of investment or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party.

Concentration of Credit Risk – The County places no limit on the amount that may be invested in any one issuer.

Interest Rate Risk – The County's investment policy does not limit investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates.

Assignment of Investment Income – State law allows income from deposits and investments to be credited to either the General Fund or the fund making the investment. The County's policy is to credit all income from deposits and investments to the fund making the investment and then transfer the interest earnings from these funds to the General Fund, except for the 911 Service Fund, which retains its investment income. The County credited the interest income only to the General Fund, the Road and Bridge Fund, the Courthouse Building Fund, and the 911 Service Fund during 2024 and 2025. The County did not credit investment income to any other governmental funds in accordance with County policy. The County also neglected to transfer the investment income back to the General Fund during 2024 and 2025.

5. PROPERTY TAXES

Property taxes are levied on or before October 1, of the year preceding the start of the fiscal year. They attach as an enforceable lien on property and become due and payable as of the following January 1, the first day of the fiscal year. Taxes are payable in two installments on or before April 30 and October 31 of the fiscal year.

The County is permitted by several state statutes to levy varying amounts of taxes per \$1,000 of taxable valuation on taxable real property in the County.

6. CONDUIT DEBT

In the past, the County had issued revenue bonds to provide financial assistance to certain private-sector entities for the acquisition and/or construction of facilities deemed to be in the public interest. These bonds are secured by the property being financed and are payable solely from payments received on the underlying mortgage loans. Upon repayment of the bonds, ownership of the acquired facilities is retained by the private-sector entity served by the bond issuance. Neither the County, the State of South Dakota, nor any other political subdivision of the State is obligated in any manner for the repayment of these conduit debt issues. Accordingly, these bonds are not reported as liabilities in the accompanying financial statements. As of December 31, 2025, there was a \$10,000,000.00 series of conduit bonds outstanding, with an aggregate unpaid principal amount of \$10,000,000.00. The first payment on these conduit bonds will be in 2028.

7. RESTRICTED NET POSITION

Restricted Net Position for the year ended December 31, 2025, was as follows:

Major Purposes:

Road and Bridge Purposes	\$ 1,141,434.25
Courthouse Building Purposes	1,321,711.28
Rural Access Infrastructure Purposes	<u>184,478.12</u>

Other Purposes:

Opioid Settlement Purposes	40,200.70
911 Service Purposes	73,112.41
Fire Protection Purposes	14,374.66
Title III National Forest Purposes	47,359.56
Emergency Management Purposes	46,614.57
Domestic Abuse Purposes	1,035.00
Local Emergency Planning Committee Purposes	5,759.96
24/7 Sobriety Purposes	29,771.73
Modernization and Preservation Relief Purposes	<u>16,521.05</u>

Total Other Purposes	<u>274,749.64</u>
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Total Restricted Net Position

\$ 2,922,373.29

These balances are restricted due to federal grant, statutory, and court settlement requirements.

8. INTERFUND TRANSFERS

Interfund transfers for the year ended December 31, 2025, were as follows:

<u>Transfers From:</u>	<u>Transfers To:</u>		<u>Total</u>
	Road and Bridge Fund	Other Governmental Funds	
Major Funds:			
General Fund	\$ 150,000.00	\$ 355,718.35	\$ 505,718.35

Interfund transfers for the year ended December 31, 2024, were as follows:

<u>Transfers From:</u>	<u>Transfers To:</u>		<u>Total</u>
	Road and Bridge Fund	Other Governmental Funds	
Major Funds:			
General Fund	\$ 150,000.00	\$ 95,289.00	\$ 245,289.00

The County typically budget transfers to the Road and Bridge Fund and the 911 Service Fund, the Emergency Management Fund and the Domestic Abuse Fund (Other Governmental Funds) to conduct the indispensable functions of the County.

9. PENSION PLAN

Plan Information:

All employees, working more than 20 hours per week during the year, participate in the South Dakota Retirement System (SDRS). SDRS is a hybrid defined benefit plan designed with several defined contribution plan type provisions and administered by SDRS to provide retirement benefits for employees of the State of South Dakota and its political subdivisions. The SDRS provides retirement, disability, and survivor benefits. Authority for establishing, administering, and amending plan provisions are found in SDCL 3-12. The SDRS issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. That report may be obtained at <http://sdrs.sd.gov/publications.aspx> or by writing to the SDRS, P.O. Box 1098, Pierre, SD 57501-1098 or by calling (605) 773-3731.

Benefits Provided:

SDRS has four classes of members: Class A general members, Class B public safety and judicial members, Class C Cement Plant Retirement Fund members, and Class D Department of Labor and Regulation members.

Members that were hired before July 1, 2017, are Foundation members. Class A Foundation members and Class B Foundation members who retire after age 65 with three years of contributory service are entitled to an unreduced annual retirement benefit. An unreduced annual retirement benefit is also available after age 55 for Class A Foundation members where the sum of age and credited service is equal to or greater than 85 or after age 55 for Class B Foundation judicial members where the sum of age and credited service is equal to or greater than 80. Class B Foundation public safety members can retire with an unreduced annual retirement benefit after age 55 with three years of contributory service. An unreduced annual retirement benefit is also available after age 45 for Class B Foundation public safety members where the sum of age and credited service is equal to or greater than 75. All Foundation retirements that do not meet the above criteria may be payable at a reduced level. Class A and B eligible spouses of Foundation members will receive a 60 percent joint survivor benefit when the member dies.

Members that were hired on/after July 1, 2017, are Generational members. Class A Generational members and Class B Generational judicial members who retire after age 67 with three years of contributory service are entitled to an unreduced annual retirement benefit. Class B Generational public safety members can retire with an unreduced annual retirement benefit after age 57 with three years of contributory service. At retirement, married Generational members may elect a single-life benefit, a 60 percent joint and survivor benefit, or a 100 percent joint and survivor benefit. All Generational retirement benefits that do not meet the above criteria may be payable at a reduced level. Generational members will also have a variable retirement account (VRA) established, in which they will receive up to 1.5 percent of compensation funded by part of the employer contribution. VRAs will receive investment earnings based on investment returns.

Legislation enacted in 2017 established the current COLA process. At each valuation date:

- Baseline actuarial accrued liabilities will be calculated assuming the COLA is equal to long-term inflation assumption of 2.25%.
- If the fair value of assets is greater or equal to the baseline actuarial accrued liabilities, the COLA will be:
 - The increase in the 3rd quarter CPI-W, no less than 0.5% and no greater than 3.5%.
- If the fair value of assets is less than the baseline actuarial accrued liabilities, the COLA will be:
 - The increase in the 3rd quarter CPI-W, no less than 0.5% and no greater than a restricted maximum such that, that if the restricted maximum is assumed for future COLAs, the fair value of assets will be greater or equal to the accrued liabilities.

Legislation enacted in 2021 reduced the minimum COLA from 0.5 percent to 0.0 percent.

All benefits except those depending on the Member's Accumulated Contributions are annually increased by the Cost-of-Living Adjustment.

Contributions:

Per SDCL 3-12, contribution requirements of the active employees and the participating employers are established and may be amended by the SDRS Board. Covered employees are required by state statute to contribute the following percentages of their salary to the plan; Class A Members, 6.0% of salary; Class B Judicial Members, 9.0% of salary; and Class B Public Safety Members, 8.0% of salary. State statute also requires the employer to contribute an amount equal to the employee's contribution. The County's share of contributions to the SDRS for the calendar years ended December 31, 2025, 2024, and 2023, equal to the required contributions each year, were as follows:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2025	\$ 268,961.00
2024	\$ 231,232.59
2023	\$ 221,645.62

Pension Assets, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources to Pensions:

At June 30, 2025, SDRS is 100.10% funded and accordingly has a net pension asset. The proportionate share of the components of the net pension asset of South Dakota Retirement System, for the County as of this measurement period ending June 30, 2025, are as follows:

Proportionate share of total pension liability	\$ 22,995,865.03
Less proportionate share of net position restricted for pension benefits	<u>23,008,679.28</u>
Proportionate share of net pension asset	<u>\$ (12,814.25)</u>

The net pension asset was measured as of June 30, 2025, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension asset was based on a projection of the County's share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the contributions of all participating entities. At June 30, 2025, the County's proportion was 0.150664%, which is an increase of 0.015654% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2024.

Actuarial Assumptions:

The total pension asset in the June 30, 2025, actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation	2.50 percent
Salary Increases	Graded by years of service, from 7.66% at entry to 3.15% after 25 years of service
Discount Rate	6.50% net of plan investment expense. This is composed of an average inflation rate of 2.50% and real returns of 4.00%.
Future COLAs	1.56%

Mortality Rates:

All mortality rates based on Pub-2010 amount-weighted mortality tables, projected generationally with improvement scale MP-2020

Active and Terminated Vested Members:

Teachers, Certified Regents, and Judicial: PubT-2010

Other Class A Members: PubG-2010

Public Safety Members: PubS-2010

Retired Members:

Teachers, Certified Regents, and Judicial Retirees: PubT-2010, 108% of rates above age 65

Other Class A Retirees: PubG-2010, 93% of rates through age 74, increasing by 2% per year until 111% of rates at age 83 and above

Public Safety Retirees: PubS-2010, 102% of rates at all ages

Beneficiaries:

PubG-2010 contingent survivor mortality table

Disabled Members:

Public Safety: PubS-2010 disabled member mortality table

Others: PubG-2010 disabled member mortality table

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2025, valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period of July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2021.

Investment portfolio management is the statutory responsibility of the South Dakota Investment Council (SDIC), which may utilize the services of external money managers for management of a portion of the portfolio. SDIC is governed by the Prudent Man Rule (i.e., the council should use the same degree of care as a prudent man). Current SDIC investment policies dictate limits on the percentage of assets invested in various types of vehicles (equities, fixed income securities, real estate, cash, private equity, etc.). The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighing the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. Best estimates of real rates of return for each major asset class included in the pension plan's target asset allocation as of June 30, 2025 (see the discussion of the pension plan's investment policy) are summarized in the following table using geometric means:

Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
Public Equity	56.3%	3.8%
Investment Grade Debt	22.8%	2.3%
High Yield Debt	7.0%	2.9%
Real Estate	12.0%	4.0%
Cash	1.9%	0.8%
Total	100%	

Discount Rate:

The discount rate used to measure the total pension asset was 6.50%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that plan member contributions will be made at the current contribution rate and that matching employer contributions will be made at rates equal to the member rate. Based on these assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension asset.

Sensitivity of Liability (Asset) to Changes in the Discount Rate:

The following presents the County's proportionate share of net pension asset calculated using the discount rate of 6.50%, as well as what the County's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage point lower (5.50%) or 1-percentage point higher (7.50%) than the current rate:

	1% Decrease	Current Discount Rate	1% Increase
County's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset)	\$ 3,140,487.93	\$ (12,814.25)	\$ (2,596,122.20)

Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position:

Detailed information about the plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued SDRS financial report.

10. JOINT VENTURES

The County participates in a joint venture, known as the Western South Dakota Juvenile Services Center Joint Powers Agreement, formed for the purpose of providing juvenile detention services to member counties.

The members of the joint venture and their relative percentage of participation are as follows:

Pennington County	57%
Meade County	15%
Lawrence County	13%
Butte County	5%
Custer County	5%
Fall River County	4%
Harding County	1%

The joint venture's governing board is composed of one county commissioner from each county. The board is responsible for adopting the budget and setting service fees at a level adequate to fund the adopted budget.

The County retains no equity in the Net Position of the joint venture but does have a responsibility to fund deficits of the joint venture in proportion to the relative participation described above.

Separate financial statements for this joint venture are available from the Pennington County Auditor's Office.

11. SIGNIFICANT CONTINGENCIES – LITIGATION

At December 31, 2025, the County was not involved in any litigation.

12. RISK MANAGEMENT

The County is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. During the period ended December 31, 2025, the County managed its risks as follows:

Employee Health Insurance:

The County is a member of the Iowa Laborers District Council Health and Welfare Trust Fund. This is a public entity risk pool currently operating as a common risk management and insurance program for members of Laborers International Union of North America. The County pays a monthly premium to the pool to provide health insurance coverage for its employees. The pool purchases reinsurance coverage with the premiums it receives from the members.

Liability Insurance:

The County joined the South Dakota Public Assurance Alliance (SDPAA), a public entity risk pool currently operating as a common risk management and insurance program for South Dakota local government entities. The objective of the SDPAA is to administer and provide risk management services and risk sharing facilities to the members and to defend and protect the members against liability, to advise members on loss control guidelines and procedures, and provide them with risk management services, loss control and risk reduction information and to obtain lower costs for that coverage. The County's responsibility is to promptly report to and cooperate with the SDPAA to resolve any incident which could result in a claim being made by or against the County. The County pays a Members' Annual Operating Contribution, to provide liability coverage detailed below, under an occurrence-made policy and the premiums are accrued based on the ultimate cost of the experience to date of the SDPAA member, based on their exposure or type of coverage. The County pays an annual premium to the pool to provide coverage for general liability including public officials, law enforcement liability, automobile liability, cyber, automobile damage, property damage, mobile equipment, electronic data processing equipment, employee dishonesty, earth movement, flood and boiler damage.

The County carries a \$25,000 deductible for the Law Enforcement Liability, \$5,000 deductible for employment related claims, \$100,000 deductible for cyber coverage, \$250 deductible for vehicle comprehensive coverage, \$500 deductible for collision and property damage (real, personal, mobile equipment, and electronic data processing hardware), \$500, \$2,500, or \$25,000 deductible for boiler breakdown, and \$10,000 deductible for earth movement and flood.

The County does not carry additional insurance to cover claims in excess of the upper limit. Settled claims resulting from these risks have not exceeded the liability coverage during the past three years.

Worker's Compensation:

The County joined the South Dakota Municipal League Worker's Compensation Fund (Fund), a public entity risk pool currently operating as a common risk management and insurance program for

South Dakota local government entities. The objective of the Fund is to formulate, develop, and administer, on behalf of the member organizations, a program of worker's compensation coverage, to obtain lower costs for that coverage, and to develop a comprehensive loss control program. The County's responsibility is to initiate and maintain a safety program to give its employees safe and sanitary working conditions and to promptly report to and cooperate with the Fund to resolve any worker's compensation claims. The County pays an annual premium, to provide worker's compensation coverage for its employees, under a self-funded program and the premiums are accrued based on the ultimate cost of the experience to date of the Fund members. Coverage limits are set by state statute. The pool pays the first \$650,000 of any claim per individual. The pool has reinsurance which covers up to statutory limits in addition to a separate combined employer liability limit of \$2,000,000 per incident.

The County does not carry additional insurance to cover claims in excess of the upper limit. Settled claims resulting from these risks have not exceeded the liability coverage over the past three years.

Unemployment Benefits:

The County has elected to be self-insured and retain all risk for liabilities resulting from claims for unemployment benefits.

During the two years ended December 31, 2025, two claims were filed for unemployment benefits. These claims resulted in the payment of benefits in the amount of \$618.60. At December 31, 2025, one claim had been filed and was outstanding. This claim resulted in the payment of unemployment benefits in the amount of \$154.65. It is known that one additional claim for unemployment benefits was filed in the next year, but the claim was denied. It is not anticipated that any further claims will be filed in the next year.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
FALL RIVER COUNTY
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - MODIFIED CASH BASIS
GENERAL FUND
For the Year Ended December 31, 2025

	Budgeted Amounts			Variance with Final Budget
	Original	Final	Actual Amounts	Positive (Negative)
Revenues:				
Taxes:				
General Property Taxes--Current	\$ 3,561,018.00	\$ 3,561,018.00	\$ 3,454,066.06	\$ (106,951.94)
General Property Taxes--Delinquent	23,000.00	23,000.00	78,753.84	55,753.84
Penalties and Interest	9,950.00	9,950.00	19,224.94	9,274.94
Telephone Tax (Outside)	290.00	290.00	219.60	(70.40)
Tax Deed Revenue	0.00	0.00	2,400.00	2,400.00
Licenses and Permits	12,600.00	12,600.00	16,440.00	3,840.00
Intergovernmental Revenue:				
Federal Grants	0.00	10,786.41	10,786.41	0.00
Federal Payments in Lieu of Taxes	850,000.00	850,000.00	942,751.00	92,751.00
State Grants	0.00	0.00	17,180.91	17,180.91
State Shared Revenue:				
Bank Franchise	10,000.00	10,000.00	7,938.32	(2,061.68)
Court Appointed Attorney/Public Defender	2,000.00	2,000.00	7,156.23	5,156.23
Abused and Neglected Child Defense	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00	(2,000.00)
Telecommunications Gross Receipts Tax	10,000.00	10,000.00	13,780.59	3,780.59
Motor Vehicle 1/4%	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,831.57	331.57
Renewable Facility Tax	191,000.00	191,000.00	135,690.22	(55,309.78)
Liquor Tax Reversion (25%)	42,000.00	42,000.00	41,688.74	(311.26)
Other Payments in Lieu of Taxes	6,000.00	6,000.00	5,430.89	(569.11)
Charges for Goods and Services:				
General Government:				
Treasurer's Fees	40,350.00	40,350.00	41,680.88	1,330.88
Register of Deeds' Fees	124,500.00	124,500.00	132,704.82	8,204.82
Legal Services	25,450.00	25,450.00	71,221.85	45,771.85
Clerk of Courts Fees	7,500.00	7,500.00	8,347.70	847.70
Other Fees	283,360.00	283,360.00	323,142.21	39,782.21
Public Safety:				
Law Enforcement	158,150.00	158,150.00	144,464.52	(13,685.48)
Prisoner Care	12,250.00	12,250.00	22,586.13	10,336.13
Other	50.00	50.00	1,367.23	1,317.23
Health and Welfare:				
Economic Assistance:				
Poor Lien Recoveries	400.00	400.00	950.00	550.00
Veterans Service Officer	3,093.00	3,093.00	3,093.75	0.75
Women, Infants and Children	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00	(5,000.00)
Conservation of Natural Resources	19,500.00	19,500.00	34,114.48	14,614.48
Fines and Forfeits:				
Costs	14,000.00	14,000.00	18,426.64	4,426.64
Forfeits	0.00	0.00	3,500.00	3,500.00
Miscellaneous Revenue:				
Investment Earnings	250,000.00	250,000.00	135,270.46	(114,729.54)
Rent	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,500.00	300.00
Contributions and Donations	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00
Refund of Prior Year's Expenditures	2,000.00	10,733.56	16,806.56	6,073.00
Other	2,000.00	2,000.00	36,625.66	34,625.66
Total Revenues	5,672,661.00	5,692,180.97	5,753,642.21	61,461.24
Expenditures:				
General Government:				
Legislative:				
Board of County Commissioners	139,700.00	235,451.75	215,716.93	19,734.82
Contingency	150,000.00	150,000.00		
Amount Transferred		(150,000.00)		0.00
Elections	33,560.00	40,011.26	40,011.26	0.00
Judicial System	10,600.00	19,627.20	19,627.20	0.00
Financial Administration:				
Auditor	329,550.00	359,550.00	351,159.69	8,390.31
Treasurer	346,250.00	346,250.00	293,044.88	53,205.12
Legal Services:				
State's Attorney	274,595.00	275,827.56	276,084.85	(257.29)
Court Appointed Attorney	242,500.00	271,356.84	271,356.84	0.00
Abused and Neglected Child Defense	25,000.00	45,485.71	43,494.45	1,991.26
Other Legal Services	11,010.00	11,010.00	6,629.76	4,380.24

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
FALL RIVER COUNTY
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - MODIFIED CASH BASIS
GENERAL FUND
For the Year Ended December 31, 2025
(Continued)

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual Amounts	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
Other General Government:				
General Government Building	311,825.00	324,531.33	136,586.96	187,944.37
Director of Equalization	325,700.00	376,372.83	373,141.54	3,231.29
Register of Deeds	216,925.00	216,925.00	210,270.54	6,654.46
Veterans Service Officer	69,970.00	70,970.00	67,650.37	3,319.63
Predatory Animal	5,182.00	5,182.00	5,181.54	0.46
Geographic Information System	84,655.00	84,655.00	83,352.06	1,302.94
Information Technology	171,706.00	172,670.51	172,670.51	0.00
Public Safety:				
Law Enforcement:				
Sheriff	1,117,195.00	1,188,195.00	1,181,875.85	6,319.15
County Jail	943,700.00	1,098,950.00	1,040,445.71	58,504.29
Coroner	26,965.00	39,946.11	34,917.79	5,028.32
Juvenile Detention	30,000.00	43,160.00	43,160.00	0.00
Other Law Enforcement	5,500.00	5,981.90	5,981.90	0.00
Protective and Emergency Services:				
Communication Center	6,600.00	6,600.00	6,147.15	452.85
Other Protective and Emergency	1,300.00	1,300.00	428.57	871.43
Health and Welfare:				
Economic Assistance:				
Support of Poor	5,000.00	8,089.77	8,051.52	38.25
Health Assistance:				
County Nurse	7,205.00	7,672.68	7,672.68	0.00
Social Services:				
Care of Aged	19,550.00	19,930.00	19,930.00	0.00
Domestic Abuse	0.00	1,308.07	1,308.07	0.00
Other	14,000.00	14,000.00	14,000.00	0.00
Mental Health Services:				
Mentally Ill	12,500.00	12,500.00	6,314.87	6,185.13
Drug Abuse	14,000.00	14,000.00	0.00	14,000.00
Mental Health Centers	7,500.00	7,500.00	7,500.00	0.00
Mental Illness Board	40,000.00	40,000.00	22,154.68	17,845.32
Culture and Recreation:				
Culture:				
Public Library	29,000.00	29,000.00	29,000.00	0.00
Historical Museum	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	0.00
Recreation:				
County Fair	3,300.00	3,300.00	3,105.47	194.53
Senior Center	8,500.00	8,500.00	8,500.00	0.00
Conservation of Natural Resources:				
Soil Conservation:				
County Extension	64,265.00	110,657.95	106,154.89	4,503.06
Soil Conservation Districts	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	0.00
Weed Control	156,660.00	225,886.76	226,496.73	(609.97)
Urban and Economic Development:				
Economic Development:				
Tourism, Industrial or Recreational Development	13,615.00	13,615.00	13,615.00	0.00
Intergovernmental Expenditures	49,407.14	49,407.14	49,407.14	0.00
Payments to Local Education Agencies	94,275.10	94,275.10	94,275.10	0.00
Total Expenditures	<u>5,444,765.24</u>	<u>5,925,652.47</u>	<u>5,522,422.50</u>	<u>403,229.97</u>
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	<u>227,895.76</u>	<u>(233,471.50)</u>	<u>231,219.71</u>	<u>464,691.21</u>
Other Financing Sources (Uses):				
Transfers Out	(262,428.35)	(505,718.35)	(505,718.35)	0.00
Insurance Proceeds	0.00	264,058.90	83,460.30	(180,598.60)
Sale of County Property	0.00	5,250.00	6,096.00	846.00
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>(262,428.35)</u>	<u>(236,409.45)</u>	<u>(416,162.05)</u>	<u>(179,752.60)</u>
Net Change in Fund Balance	(34,532.59)	(469,880.95)	(184,942.34)	284,938.61
Fund Balance - beginning, as previously reported	<u>6,120,536.04</u>	<u>6,120,536.04</u>	<u>6,120,536.04</u>	<u>0.00</u>
FUND BALANCE - ENDING	<u>\$ 6,086,003.45</u>	<u>\$ 5,650,655.09</u>	<u>\$ 5,935,593.70</u>	<u>\$ 284,938.61</u>

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
FALL RIVER COUNTY
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - MODIFIED CASH BASIS
ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND
For the Year Ended December 31, 2025

	Budgeted Amounts			Variance with Final Budget
	Original	Final	Actual Amounts	Positive (Negative)
Revenues:				
Taxes:				
General Property Taxes--Current	\$ 341,503.00	\$ 341,503.00	\$ 333,019.58	\$ (8,483.42)
General Property Taxes--Delinquent	2,450.00	2,450.00	8,343.98	5,893.98
Penalties and Interest	50.00	50.00	0.00	(50.00)
Wheel Tax	120,000.00	120,000.00	122,341.70	2,341.70
Intergovernmental Revenue:				
Federal Shared Revenue	44,500.00	44,500.00	29,819.41	(14,680.59)
State Grants	324,000.00	324,000.00	327,362.71	3,362.71
State Shared Revenue:				
Bank Franchise	1,000.00	1,000.00	753.85	(246.15)
Motor Vehicle Licenses	825,000.00	825,000.00	893,420.81	68,420.81
State Highway Fund (former 10% game)	12,488.00	12,488.00	0.00	(12,488.00)
Energy Minerals Severance Tax	25,000.00	25,000.00	18,163.87	(6,836.13)
Prorate License Fees	45,000.00	45,000.00	49,430.71	4,430.71
63 3/4% Mobile Home	30,000.00	30,000.00	40,511.76	10,511.76
Secondary Road Remittances	200,000.00	200,000.00	235,200.49	35,200.49
Motor Fuel Tax	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,244.47	244.47
Charges for Goods and Services:				
Public Works:				
Road Maintenance Contract Charges	21,000.00	21,000.00	51,269.57	30,269.57
Miscellaneous Revenue:				
Investment Earnings	0.00	0.00	40,976.99	40,976.99
Other	0.00	0.00	33,330.43	33,330.43
Total Revenues	1,995,991.00	1,995,991.00	2,188,190.33	192,199.33
Expenditures:				
Public Works:				
Highways and Bridges:				
Highways, Roads and Bridges	2,507,290.00	3,237,452.47	3,229,653.94	7,798.53
Payments to Local Education Agencies	0.00	6,554.18	6,554.18	0.00
Total Expenditures	2,507,290.00	3,244,006.65	3,236,208.12	7,798.53
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	(511,299.00)	(1,248,015.65)	(1,048,017.79)	199,997.86
Other Financing Sources (Uses):				
Transfers In	150,000.00	150,000.00	150,000.00	0.00
Insurance Proceeds	0.00	0.00	25,600.00	25,600.00
Sale of County Property	8,003.73	8,003.73	9,276.73	1,273.00
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	158,003.73	158,003.73	184,876.73	26,873.00
Net Change in Fund Balance	(353,295.27)	(1,090,011.92)	(863,141.06)	226,870.86
Fund Balance - beginning, as previously reported	2,004,575.31	2,004,575.31	2,004,575.31	0.00
FUND BALANCE - ENDING	\$ 1,651,280.04	\$ 914,563.39	\$ 1,141,434.25	\$ 226,870.86

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
FALL RIVER COUNTY
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - MODIFIED CASH BASIS
COURTHOUSE BUILDING FUND
For the Year Ended December 31, 2025

	Budgeted Amounts			Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final	Actual Amounts	
Revenues:				
Taxes:				
General Property Taxes--Current	\$ 150,668.00	\$ 150,668.00	\$ 146,320.45	\$ (4,347.55)
General Property Taxes--Delinquent	800.00	800.00	3,376.69	2,576.69
Penalties and Interest	0.00	0.00	824.78	824.78
Intergovernmental Revenue:				
State Shared Revenue:				
Bank Franchise	400.00	400.00	335.77	(64.23)
Other Payments in Lieu of Taxes	225.00	225.00	230.11	5.11
Miscellaneous Revenue:				
Investment Earnings	0.00	0.00	41,724.38	41,724.38
Total Revenues	152,093.00	152,093.00	192,812.18	40,719.18
Expenditures:				
General Government:				
Other General Government:				
General Government Building	75,000.00	699,768.89	696,491.85	3,277.04
Net Change in Fund Balance	77,093.00	(547,675.89)	(503,679.67)	43,996.22
Fund Balance - beginning, as previously reported	2,220,838.83	2,220,838.83	2,220,838.83	0.00
FUND BALANCE - ENDING	\$ 2,297,931.83	\$ 1,673,162.94	\$ 1,717,159.16	\$ 43,996.22

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
FALL RIVER COUNTY
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - MODIFIED CASH BASIS
GENERAL FUND
For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

	Budgeted Amounts			Variance with Final Budget
	Original	Final	Actual Amounts	Positive (Negative)
Revenues:				
Taxes:				
General Property Taxes--Current	\$ 3,403,362.00	\$ 3,403,362.00	\$ 3,313,327.17	\$ (90,034.83)
General Property Taxes--Delinquent	16,300.00	16,300.00	51,251.52	34,951.52
Penalties and Interest	4,500.00	4,500.00	14,373.35	9,873.35
Telephone Tax (Outside)	250.00	250.00	248.13	(1.87)
Mobile Home Tax	400.00	400.00	0.00	(400.00)
Tax Deed Revenue	7,000.00	7,000.00	0.00	(7,000.00)
Licenses and Permits	12,100.00	12,100.00	15,512.00	3,412.00
Intergovernmental Revenue:				
Federal Grants	9,000.00	9,000.00	24,247.19	15,247.19
Federal Payments in Lieu of Taxes	850,000.00	908,004.00	908,004.00	0.00
State Grants	0.00	13,938.30	33,193.23	19,254.93
State Shared Revenue:				
Bank Franchise	13,000.00	13,000.00	8,516.19	(4,483.81)
Court Appointed Attorney/Public Defender	7,000.00	7,000.00	0.00	(7,000.00)
Abused and Neglected Child Defense	2,000.00	2,000.00	1,800.48	(199.52)
Telecommunications Gross Receipts Tax	9,900.00	9,900.00	11,000.85	1,100.85
Motor Vehicle 1/4%	2,850.00	2,850.00	3,209.72	359.72
Renewable Facility Tax	0.00	0.00	47,869.51	47,869.51
Liquor Tax Reversion (25%)	43,000.00	43,000.00	42,691.50	(308.50)
Other State Shared Revenue	0.00	35,795.10	35,795.10	0.00
Other Payments in Lieu of Taxes	5,200.00	5,200.00	6,553.41	1,353.41
Charges for Goods and Services:				
General Government:				
Treasurer's Fees	39,350.00	39,350.00	45,730.27	6,380.27
Register of Deeds' Fees	124,200.00	124,200.00	141,416.10	17,216.10
Legal Services	52,450.00	52,450.00	53,350.98	900.98
Clerk of Courts Fees	7,500.00	7,500.00	9,274.24	1,774.24
Other Fees	277,275.00	277,275.00	299,872.22	22,597.22
Public Safety:				
Law Enforcement	153,250.00	153,250.00	160,642.49	7,392.49
Prisoner Care	12,700.00	27,923.42	34,664.74	6,741.32
Other	0.00	0.00	304.51	304.51
Health and Welfare:				
Economic Assistance:				
Poor Lien Recoveries	600.00	600.00	475.94	(124.06)
Veterans Service Officer	2,812.00	2,812.00	3,093.75	281.75
Health Assistance:				
Women, Infants and Children	7,000.00	7,000.00	2,842.56	(4,157.44)
Mental Health Services	0.00	0.00	486.20	486.20
Conservation of Natural Resources	12,500.00	12,500.00	23,410.15	10,910.15
Fines and Forfeits:				
Costs	9,000.00	9,000.00	22,662.43	13,662.43
Miscellaneous Revenue:				
Investment Earnings	275,000.00	275,000.00	200,317.95	(74,682.05)
Special Assessments	1,350.00	1,350.00	0.00	(1,350.00)
Contributions and Donations	0.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00
Refund of Prior Year's Expenditures	3,000.00	11,294.49	10,487.49	(807.00)
Other	0.00	104,146.07	107,003.15	2,857.08
Total Revenues	5,363,849.00	5,600,750.38	5,635,128.52	34,378.14
Expenditures:				
General Government:				
Legislative:				
Board of County Commissioners	159,912.00	272,575.57	296,631.83	(24,056.26)
Contingency	150,000.00	150,000.00		
Amount Transferred		(150,000.00)		0.00
Elections	72,316.00	72,316.00	71,500.28	815.72
Judicial System	10,200.00	18,166.93	20,258.98	(2,092.05)
Financial Administration:				
Auditor	296,421.00	351,687.93	328,130.07	23,557.86
Treasurer	367,717.00	367,717.00	290,530.07	77,186.93
Legal Services:				
State's Attorney	267,050.00	288,660.00	282,186.95	6,473.05
Court Appointed Attorney	232,500.00	263,655.62	263,655.62	0.00

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
FALL RIVER COUNTY
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - MODIFIED CASH BASIS
GENERAL FUND
For the Year Ended December 31, 2024
(Continued)

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual Amounts	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
Abused and Neglected Child Defense	22,000.00	22,000.00	10,211.97	11,788.03
Other Legal Services	6,750.00	11,009.52	11,009.52	0.00
Other General Government:				
General Government Building	316,330.00	316,330.00	281,139.06	35,190.94
Director of Equalization	370,195.00	370,195.00	297,784.20	72,410.80
Register of Deeds	203,570.00	203,570.00	196,982.29	6,587.71
Veterans Service Officer	67,705.00	67,705.00	65,941.16	1,763.84
Predatory Animal	4,182.00	4,182.00	4,181.86	0.14
Geographic Information System	80,443.00	81,943.00	80,703.99	1,239.01
Information Technology	169,600.00	171,896.31	174,714.38	(2,818.07)
Public Safety:				
Law Enforcement:				
Sheriff	1,055,519.00	1,105,169.00	1,098,963.90	6,205.10
County Jail	956,176.00	956,176.00	890,709.74	65,466.26
Coroner	26,965.00	26,965.00	24,470.88	2,494.12
Juvenile Detention	30,000.00	30,000.00	1,200.00	28,800.00
Other Law Enforcement	5,500.00	30,438.36	29,886.42	551.94
Protective and Emergency Services:				
Communication Center	7,600.00	7,600.00	3,269.91	4,330.09
Other Protective and Emergency	1,300.00	1,300.00	587.53	712.47
Health and Welfare:				
Economic Assistance:				
Support of Poor	7,000.00	7,000.00	4,800.00	2,200.00
Health Assistance:				
County Nurse	52,015.00	52,015.00	22,990.80	29,024.20
Social Services:				
Care of Aged	19,300.00	19,300.00	19,300.00	0.00
Domestic Abuse	0.00	1,694.49	1,694.49	0.00
Other	13,000.00	13,000.00	13,000.00	0.00
Mental Health Services:				
Mentally Ill	20,000.00	20,000.00	6,553.01	13,446.99
Drug Abuse	14,000.00	14,000.00	14,000.00	0.00
Mental Health Centers	7,500.00	7,500.00	7,500.00	0.00
Mental Illness Board	30,000.00	37,543.80	38,137.60	(593.80)
Culture and Recreation:				
Culture:				
Public Library	29,000.00	29,000.00	29,000.00	0.00
Historical Museum	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	0.00
Recreation:				
County Fair	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
Senior Center	8,100.00	8,100.00	8,100.00	0.00
Conservation of Natural Resources:				
Soil Conservation:				
County Extension	68,685.00	68,685.00	57,823.99	10,861.01
Soil Conservation Districts	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	0.00
Weed Control	152,328.00	152,328.00	132,371.29	19,956.71
Urban and Economic Development:				
Economic Development:				
Tourism, Industrial or Recreational Development	13,495.00	13,495.00	13,495.00	0.00
Intergovernmental Expenditures	0.00	44,512.12	44,512.12	0.00
Payments to Local Education Agencies	0.00	90,800.40	90,800.40	0.00
Total Expenditures	<u>5,343,374.00</u>	<u>5,649,232.05</u>	<u>5,257,729.31</u>	<u>391,502.74</u>
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	<u>20,475.00</u>	<u>(48,481.67)</u>	<u>377,399.21</u>	<u>425,880.88</u>
Other Financing Sources (Uses):				
Transfers Out	(245,289.00)	(245,289.00)	(245,289.00)	0.00
Insurance Proceeds	0.00	0.00	20,877.74	20,877.74
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>(245,289.00)</u>	<u>(245,289.00)</u>	<u>(224,411.26)</u>	<u>20,877.74</u>
Net Change in Fund Balance	(224,814.00)	(293,770.67)	152,987.95	446,758.62
Fund Balance - beginning, as previously reported	<u>5,967,548.09</u>	<u>5,967,548.09</u>	<u>5,967,548.09</u>	<u>0.00</u>
FUND BALANCE - ENDING	<u>\$ 5,742,734.09</u>	<u>\$ 5,673,777.42</u>	<u>\$ 6,120,536.04</u>	<u>\$ 446,758.62</u>

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
FALL RIVER COUNTY
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - MODIFIED CASH BASIS
ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND
For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

	Budgeted Amounts			Variance with Final Budget
	Original	Final	Actual Amounts	Positive (Negative)
Revenues:				
Taxes:				
General Property Taxes--Current	\$ 324,339.00	\$ 324,339.00	\$ 318,314.57	\$ (6,024.43)
General Property Taxes--Delinquent	2,275.00	2,275.00	4,234.75	1,959.75
Penalties and Interest	50.00	50.00	359.84	309.84
Wheel Tax	120,000.00	120,000.00	136,616.61	16,616.61
Intergovernmental Revenue:				
Federal Shared Revenue	40,000.00	40,000.00	44,670.14	4,670.14
State Grants	317,000.00	317,000.00	324,695.82	7,695.82
State Shared Revenue:				
Bank Franchise	1,200.00	1,200.00	803.20	(396.80)
Motor Vehicle Licenses	810,000.00	870,229.93	911,882.66	41,652.73
State Highway Fund (former 10% game)	12,488.00	12,488.00	0.00	(12,488.00)
Energy Minerals Severance Tax	25,000.00	25,000.00	21,866.83	(3,133.17)
Prorate License Fees	40,000.00	40,000.00	48,959.30	8,959.30
63 3/4% Mobile Home	25,000.00	50,207.38	56,967.09	6,759.71
Secondary Road Remittances	200,000.00	222,440.66	255,063.51	32,622.85
Motor Fuel Tax	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,257.91	257.91
Charges for Goods and Services:				
Public Works:				
Road Maintenance Contract Charges	39,500.00	39,500.00	487.22	(39,012.78)
Miscellaneous Revenue:				
Investment Earnings	0.00	0.00	72,685.32	72,685.32
Contributions and Donations	0.00	0.00	64.01	64.01
Other	0.00	0.00	1,001.93	1,001.93
Total Revenues	1,960,852.00	2,068,729.97	2,202,930.71	134,200.74
Expenditures:				
Public Works:				
Highways and Bridges:				
Highways, Roads and Bridges	2,616,129.00	2,626,129.00	2,277,662.96	348,466.04
Payments to Local Education Agencies	0.00	0.00	6,384.82	(6,384.82)
Total Expenditures	2,616,129.00	2,626,129.00	2,284,047.78	342,081.22
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	(655,277.00)	(557,399.03)	(81,117.07)	476,281.96
Other Financing Sources (Uses):				
Transfers In	150,000.00	150,000.00	150,000.00	0.00
Sale of County Property	130,000.00	130,000.00	153.00	(129,847.00)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	280,000.00	280,000.00	150,153.00	(129,847.00)
Net Change in Fund Balance	(375,277.00)	(277,399.03)	69,035.93	346,434.96
Fund Balance - beginning, as previously reported	1,935,539.38	1,935,539.38	1,935,539.38	0.00
FUND BALANCE - ENDING	\$ 1,560,262.38	\$ 1,658,140.35	\$ 2,004,575.31	\$ 346,434.96

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
FALL RIVER COUNTY
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - MODIFIED CASH BASIS
COURTHOUSE BUILDING FUND
For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

	Budgeted Amounts			Variance with Final Budget
	Original	Final	Actual Amounts	Positive (Negative)
Revenues:				
Taxes:				
General Property Taxes--Current	\$ 143,951.00	\$ 143,951.00	\$ 140,404.70	\$ (3,546.30)
General Property Taxes--Delinquent	875.00	875.00	2,198.01	1,323.01
Penalties and Interest	100.00	100.00	616.59	516.59
Intergovernmental Revenue:				
State Shared Revenue:				
Bank Franchise	700.00	700.00	370.77	(329.23)
Other Payments in Lieu of Taxes	215.00	215.00	281.61	66.61
Miscellaneous Revenue:				
Investment Earnings	0.00	0.00	68,668.99	68,668.99
Total Revenues	145,841.00	145,841.00	212,540.67	66,699.67
Expenditures:				
General Government:				
Other General Government:				
General Government Building	75,000.00	75,000.00	37,829.66	37,170.34
Net Change in Fund Balance	70,841.00	70,841.00	174,711.01	103,870.01
Fund Balance - beginning, as previously reported	2,046,127.82	2,046,127.82	2,046,127.82	0.00
FUND BALANCE - ENDING	\$ 2,116,968.82	\$ 2,116,968.82	\$ 2,220,838.83	\$ 103,870.01

FALL RIVER COUNTY
NOTES TO THE SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
Schedules of Budgetary Comparisons for the General Fund
and for each major Special Revenue Fund with a legally required budget

Note 1. Budgets and Budgetary Accounting:

The County follows these procedures in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements:

1. Between the fifteenth and thirtieth days of July in each year the Board of County Commissioners prepares and files with the County Auditor a provisional budget for the following year, containing a detailed estimate of cash balances, revenues, and expenditures.
2. Prior to the first Tuesday in September in each year a notice of budget hearing is published once each week for two successive weeks, and the text of the provisional budget is published with the first publication.
3. The Board of County Commissioners holds a meeting for the purpose of considering the provisional budget on or prior to the first Tuesday in September in each year. Such hearings must be concluded by October first. Changes made to the provisional budget are entered at length in the minutes of the Board of County Commissioners.
4. Before October first of each year the Board of County Commissioners adopts an annual budget for the ensuing year. The adopted budget is filed in the office of the County Auditor.
5. After adoption by the Board of County Commissioners, the operating budget is legally binding and actual expenditures for each purpose cannot exceed the amounts budgeted, except as indicated in number 7.
6. A line item for contingencies may be included in the annual budget. Such a line item may not exceed 5 percent of the total county budget.
7. If it is determined during the year that sufficient amounts have not been budgeted, state statute allows the adoption of supplemental budgets.
8. Unexpended appropriations lapse at year end unless encumbered by resolution of the Board of County Commissioners.
9. Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the year for the General Fund and special revenue funds.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
FALL RIVER COUNTY
SCHEDULE OF THE COUNTY'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY (ASSET)
South Dakota Retirement System

*Last 10 Years

Calendar Year	County's Proportion of the Net Pension Liability/Asset	County's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability/Asset	County's Covered Payroll	County's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset) as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll	Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability (Asset)
**2025	0.150664%	\$ (12,814)	\$ 3,942,082	0.33%	100.00%
**2024	0.135010%	\$ (5,465)	\$ 3,689,607	0.15%	100.00%
**2023	0.138412%	\$ (13,510)	\$ 3,431,463	0.39%	100.10%
**2022	0.145615%	\$ (13,762)	\$ 3,372,393	0.41%	100.10%
**2021	0.126516%	\$ (968,896)	\$ 2,798,329	34.62%	105.52%
**2020	0.120031%	\$ (5,259)	\$ 2,567,933	0.20%	100.04%
**2019	0.120232%	\$ (12,720)	\$ 2,476,056	0.51%	100.09%
**2018	0.118692%	\$ (2,804)	\$ 2,418,569	0.12%	100.02%
**2017	0.117460%	\$ (10,771)	\$ 2,349,811	0.46%	100.10%
**2016	0.116514%	\$ 396,767	\$ 2,175,142	18.24%	96.89%

* The amounts presented for each year were determined as of the measurement date of the collective net pension liability (asset) which is 6/30.

** The amounts presented are for Fall River County and Oglala Lakota County combined as South Dakota Retirement does not accumulate the percentages for each County separately.

FALL RIVER COUNTY
NOTES TO THE SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
Schedule of the Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset)

Changes from Prior Valuation

The June 30, 2025, Actuarial Valuation reflects no changes to the plan provisions or actuarial methods and one change to the actuarial assumptions from the June 30, 2024, Actuarial Valuation.

The details of the changes since the last valuation are as follows.

Benefit Provision Changes

During the 2025 Legislative Session no significant SDRS benefit changes were made.

Actuarial Method Changes

No changes in actuarial methods were made since the prior valuation.

Actuarial Assumption Changes

The SDRS COLA equals the percentage increase in the most recent third calendar quarter CPI-W over the prior year, no less than 0% and no greater than 3.5%. However, if the FVFR assuming the long-term COLA is equal to the baseline COLA assumption (currently 2.25%) is less than 100%, the maximum COLA payable will be limited to the increase that if assumed on a long-term basis, results in a FVFR equal to or exceeding 100%.

As of June 30, 2024, the FVFR, assuming the long-term COLA is equal to the baseline COLA assumption (2.25%), was less than 100% and the July 2025 SDRS COLA was limited to a restricted maximum of 1.71%. For the June 30, 2024, Actuarial Valuation, future COLAs were assumed to equal the restricted maximum COLA assumption of 1.71%.

As of June 30, 2025, the FVFR, assuming future COLAs equal to the baseline COLA assumption of 2.25% is again less than 100% and the July 2026 SDRS COLA is limited to a restricted maximum of 1.56%. The July 2026 SDRS COLA will equal inflation, no less than 0% and no greater than 1.56%. For this June 30, 2025, Actuarial Valuation, future COLAs were assumed to equal the restricted maximum COLA of 1.56%.

Actuarial assumptions are reviewed for reasonability annually and reviewed in depth periodically, with the next experience analysis anticipated before the June 30, 2027, Actuarial Valuation and any recommended changes approved by the Board of Trustees are anticipated to be first implemented in the June 30, 2027, Actuarial Valuation.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
FALL RIVER COUNTY
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
For the Two Years Ended December 31, 2025**

Federal Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor Program or Cluster Title	Federal Assistance Listing Number	Pass-Through Entity Identifying Number	Passed-Through to Subrecipients	Total Federal Expenditures 2024	Total Federal Expenditures 2025
Forest Service Schools and Roads Cluster:					
US Department of Agriculture - Direct Programs:					
Schools and Roads - Grants to Counties (Note 3)	10.666		\$	\$ 9,121.18	\$ 9,363.11
US Department of Agriculture - Pass-Through Programs:					
SD State Auditor,					
Schools and Roads - Grants to States (Note 3)	10.665		44,512.12	71,097.93	40,912.59
Total for Schools and Roads Cluster			44,512.12	80,219.11	50,275.70
Other Programs:					
US Department of Agriculture - Pass-Through Programs:					
SD Department of Agriculture,					
		2024-WPC-01, 2024-WPC-02, 2025-WPC-001, 2025-WPC-002, 2025-BILIP-02, 2025-BILIP-03			
Cooperative Forestry Assistance	10.664				10,000.00
Total US Department of Agriculture			44,512.12	80,219.11	60,275.70
US Department of Interior - Direct Programs:					
Bureau of Land Management,					
Payments in Lieu of Taxes (Note 3) (Note 4)	15.226			908,004.00	942,751.00
Total US Department of the Interior			0.00	908,004.00	942,751.00
US Elections Assistance Commission - Pass-Through Programs:					
SD Secretary of State,					
Help America Vote Act Requirements Payments	90.401				10,786.41
Total US Elections Assistance Commission			0.00	0.00	10,786.41
US Department of Homeland Security - Pass-Through Programs:					
SD Department of Public Safety - Office of Emergency Management,					
Disaster Grants-Public Assistance (Presidentially Declared Disasters)	97.036			6,012.19	
Emergency Management Performance Grants	97.042			40,153.00	3,000.00
Homeland Security Grant Program	97.067	HLS-2024-Fall River Co EM-00232		18,235.00	
Total US Department of Homeland Security			0.00	64,400.19	3,000.00
GRAND TOTAL			\$ 44,512.12	\$ 1,052,623.30	\$ 1,016,813.11

Note 1: Basis of Presentation

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (the "Schedule") includes the federal award activity of the County under programs of the federal government for the year ended December 31, 2023. The information in this Schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance). Because the Schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of the County, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net position, or cash flows of the County.

Note 2: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Expenditures reported on the Schedule are reported on the modified cash basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in the Uniform Guidance, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement. Negative amounts shown on the Schedule represent adjustments or credits made in the normal course of business to amounts reported as expenditures in prior years. The County has elected to not use the 10-percent de minimis indirect cost rate as allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

Note 3: Federal Reimbursement

Federal reimbursements are not based upon specific expenditures. Therefore, the amounts reported here represent cash received rather than federal expenditures.

Note 4: Major Federal Financial Assistance Program

This represents a Major Federal Financial Assistance Program.