

Ventura County Transportation Commission

Ventura, California

Single Audit and Independent Auditors' Reports

For the Year Ended June 30, 2015



**Ventura County Transportation Commission
Single Audit Report
For the Year Ended June 30, 2015**

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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 Auditors' Report

To the Board of Commissioners
of the Ventura County Transportation Commission
Ventura, California

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of the Ventura County Transportation Commission (the "Commission"), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2015, and the related notes to the financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated November 9, 2015.

Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Commission's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Commission's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Commission's internal control over financial reporting.

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

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

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Commission's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

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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 entity'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.

The Pric Group, LLP

Santa Ana, California
November 9, 2015



**REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS FOR EACH MAJOR PROGRAM, ON
INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE, AND ON THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF
FEDERAL AWARDS REQUIRED BY OMB CIRCULAR A-133**

Independent Auditors' Report

To the Board of Commissioners
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Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

We have audited the Ventura County Transportation Commission's (the "Commission") compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *OMB Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the Commission's major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2015. The Commission's major federal programs are identified in the summary of the auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to its federal programs.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for each of the Commission's major federal programs based on our audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above. We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*. Those standards and OMB Circular A-133 require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the Commission's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of the Commission's compliance.

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

In our opinion, the Commission complied, in all material respects, with the compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2015.

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Report on Internal Control over Compliance

Management of the Commission is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered the Commission's internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each major federal program to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion on compliance for each major federal program and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with OMB Circular A-133, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Commission's 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 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 first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of the Commission as of and for the year ended June 30, 2015, and have issued our report thereon dated November 9, 2015 which contained an unmodified opinion on those financial statements. Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming our opinion on the Commission's financial statements. The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards, as required by the Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the 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 financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain other procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the 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 is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

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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 OMB Circular A-133. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

The Pric Group, LLP

Santa Ana, California
November 9, 2015

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Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards
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Federal Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor Program Title	Federal CFDA Number	Agency or Pass-Through Number	Federal Expenditures	Amount Provided to Subrecipients
U.S. Department of Defense				
<i>Direct Programs:</i>				
Community Economic Adjustment Assistance for Compatible Use and Joint Land Use Studies	12.610	EN1202-12-01	\$ 43,987	\$ -
			Subtotal 12.610	43,987
			Total U.S. Department of Defense	43,987
U.S. Department of Transportation				
Federal Transit Cluster:				
<i>Direct Programs:</i>				
Federal Transit Formula Grant	20.507	CA-90-Y253	5,739	5,739
Federal Transit Formula Grant	20.507	CA-90-Y399	258,979	258,979
Federal Transit Formula Grant	20.507	CA-90-Y803	42,501	42,501
Federal Transit Formula Grant	20.507	CA-90-Y858	190,972	112,725
Federal Transit Formula Grant	20.507	CA-90-Y991	752,590	449,040
Federal Transit Formula Grant	20.507	CA-90-Z012	7,325	-
Federal Transit Formula Grant	20.507	CA-90-Z055	1,022,763	727,941
Federal Transit Formula Grant	20.507	CA-90-Z074	338,067	45,937
Federal Transit Formula Grant	20.507	CA-90-Z151	2,873,720	477,345
Federal Transit Formula Grant	20.507	CA-90-Z152	190,690	190,690
Federal Transit Formula Grant	20.507	CA-90-Z266	683,454	683,454
Federal Transit Formula Grant	20.507	CA-95-X007	5,000	5,000
Federal Transit Formula Grant	20.507	CA-95-X044	109,567	-
Federal Transit Formula Grant	20.507	CA-95-X158	180,347	180,347
Federal Transit Formula Grant	20.507	CA-95-X196	1,170,476	859,057
Federal Transit Formula Grant	20.507	CA-95-X266	184,758	-
			Subtotal 20.507	8,016,948
				4,038,755
<i>Direct Programs:</i>				
State of Good Repair Grants Program	20.526	CA-34-0008	660,197	-
State of Good Repair Grants Program	20.526	CA-34-0020	893,488	-
			Subtotal 20.525	1,553,685
			Federal Transit Cluster Total	9,570,633
				4,038,755
<i>Passed Through California Department of Transportation:</i>				
Highway Planning and Construction	20.205	CMLG-6155(083)	367,886	-
Highway Planning and Construction	20.205	CMLG-6155(086)	3,077	-
			Subtotal 20.205	370,963

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Federal Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor Program Title	Federal CFDA Number	Agency or Pass-Through Number	Federal Expenditures	Amount Provided to Subrecipients
Transit Services Cluster:				
<i>Direct Programs:</i>				
Capital Assistance Elderly and	20.513	CA-16-X062	182,593	182,593
		Subtotal 20.513	182,593	182,593
<i>Direct Programs:</i>				
Job Access - Reverse Commute	20.516	CA-37-X122	4,207	4,207
Job Access - Reverse Commute	20.516	CA-37-X153	15,830	-
Job Access - Reverse Commute	20.516	CA-37-X179	26,906	21,138
<i>Passed Through California Department of Transportation:</i>				
Job Access - Reverse Commute	20.516	644911	437,624	-
Job Access - Reverse Commute	20.516	643631	9,624	-
Job Access - Reverse Commute	20.516	643613	29,533	-
		Subtotal 20.516	523,724	25,345
<i>Direct Programs:</i>				
New Freedom Program	20.521	CA-57-X016	7,444	7,444
New Freedom Program	20.521	CA-57-X028	3,706	3,706
New Freedom Program	20.521	CA-57-X066	13,632	-
New Freedom Program	20.521	CA-57-X092	62,747	62,747
		Subtotal 20.521	87,529	73,897
		Transit Services Cluster Total	793,846	281,835
		Total U.S. Department of Transportation	10,735,442	4,320,590
		TOTAL EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS	\$ 10,779,429	\$ 4,320,590

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Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

A. *Reporting Entity*

The Ventura County Transportation Commission (the “Commission”) was created in January 1989 under Senate Bill No. 1880 as the successor agency to the Ventura County Association of Governments assuming all the assets and liabilities of that Association. The Commission was reorganized in 2004 under Assembly Bill 2784. The Commission is a transit planning agency governed by a seventeen-member Board of Commissioners (Board) consisting of one representative from each city in the County, all five County Supervisors, two citizens, and one nonvoting state representative.

The Commission is responsible for establishing transportation policies, setting priorities and coordinating activities between the various transportation operators, agencies, cities, and the County of Ventura (County). The Commission’s mission is to improve mobility within the County and to increase funding to meet the County’s transportation needs. The Commission controls and reviews the County’s funding allocations from federal, state and local resources for highway, transit, rail, aviation, bicycle and other transportation projects.

Effective January 13, 1989, the Commission was designated to act as the Airport Land Use Commission (ALUC) by the Ventura County Board of Supervisors and the City Selection Committee.

B. *Basis of Accounting*

The expenditures included in the accompanying schedule were reported on the modified accrual basis of accounting, which is further described in Note 1 to the Commission’s basic financial statements. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, expenditures are recognized when the Commission becomes obligated for payment as a result of the receipt of the related goods and services. Expenditures reported included any property or equipment acquisitions incurred under the federal program.

C. *Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards*

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (Schedule) presents the activity of all federal financial assistance programs of the Commission. Federal financial assistance received directly from federal agencies, as well as federal financial assistance passed through the California Department of Transportation, is included in the Schedule. The Schedule was prepared from only the accounts of various grant programs and, therefore, does not present the financial position or results of operations of the Commission.

D. *Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards*

During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015, the Commission provided \$4,320,590 in federal awards to subrecipients.

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Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs
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Section I – Summary of Auditors’ Results

Financial Statements

Types of auditors' report issued: Unmodified

Internal control over financial reporting:

- Material weakness(es) identified? No
 - Significant deficiency(ies) identified? None Reported

Noncompliance material to financial statements noted? No

Federal Awards

Internal control over major programs:

- Material weakness (es) identified? No
 - Significant deficiency (ies) identified? None Reported

Type of auditors' report issued on compliance for major programs Unmodified

Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with section 510(a) of OMB Circular A-133 No

Identification of major programs:

Name of Federal Program or Cluster	CFDA Number(s)	Expenditures
Federal Transit Cluster	20.507/20.526	\$ 9,570,633
Transit Services Cluster	20.513/20.516/20.521	793,846
Total Expenditures of All Major Federal Programs		\$ 10,364,479
Total Expenditures of Federal Awards		\$ 10,779,429
Percentage of Total Expenditures of Federal Awards		96.15%

Dollar threshold used to distinguish between type A and type B programs \$323,383

Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee under Section 530 of OMB Circular A-133? Yes

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Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs (Continued)
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Section II – Financial Statement Findings

No financial statements findings were noted.

Section III – Federal Awards Findings and Questioned Costs

A. Current Year Findings and Questioned Costs – Major Federal Award Program Audit

No findings or questioned costs were noted on the Commission's major programs for the year ended June 30, 2015.

B. Prior Year Findings and Questioned Costs – Major Federal Award Program Audit

No findings or questioned costs were noted on the Commission's major programs for the year ended June 30, 2014.