FEDERAL AND STATE AWARDS REPORT

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR FEDERAL AND STATE PROGRAM AND REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE, AND REPORT ON THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS AND THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF STATE AWARDS REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE AND THE STATE SINGLE AUDIT GUIDELINES

County Board Lincoln County, Wisconsin

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal and State Program *Opinion on Each Major Federal and State Program*

We have audited Lincoln County, Wisconsin's (the County) compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the OMB *Compliance Supplement* and *State Single Audit Guidelines* issued by the Wisconsin Department of Administration that could have a direct and material effect on each of Lincoln County, Wisconsin's major federal and state programs for the year ended December 31, 2022. Lincoln County, Wisconsin's major federal and state programs are identified in the summary of auditors' results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

In our opinion, Lincoln County, Wisconsin 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 and state programs for the year ended December 31, 2022.

Basis for Opinion on Each Major Federal and State 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; 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), and the *State Single Audit Guidelines* issued by the Wisconsin Department of Administration. Our responsibilities under those standards, the Uniform Guidance and the *State Single Audit Guidelines* are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section of our report.

We are required to be independent of Lincoln County, Wisconsin 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 and state program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of Lincoln County, Wisconsin's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

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Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements referred to above and for the design, implementation, 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 Lincoln County, Wisconsin's federal and state programs.

Auditors' 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 Lincoln County, Wisconsin'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*, the Uniform Guidance, and the *State Single Audit Guidelines* 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 Lincoln County, Wisconsin's compliance with the requirements of each major federal and state program as a whole.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, *Government Auditing Standards*, the Uniform Guidance, and the *State Single Audit Guidelines*, 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 Lincoln County, Wisconsin'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 Lincoln County, Wisconsin'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 and *State Single Audit Guidelines*, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Lincoln County, Wisconsin'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 or state 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 or state 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 state 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 state 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 or state 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 Auditors' 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 in internal control over compliance. 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 that weaknesses or significant control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses.

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.

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 and the *State Single Audit Guidelines*. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

Report on Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards and Schedule of Expenditures of State Awards Required by the Uniform Guidance and the *State Single Audit Guidelines*

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Lincoln County, Wisconsin as of and for the year ended December 31, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements. We issued our report thereon dated July 21, 2023, which contained unmodified opinions on those financial statements. Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the basic financial statements. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards and schedule of expenditures of state awards are presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by the Uniform Guidance and the State Single Audit Guidelines 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 and schedule of expenditures of state awards are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

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Wausau, Wisconsin September 13, 2023

SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

Grantor Agency/Federal Program Title	Assistance Listing Number	Pass-Through Agency	Pass-Through Entity Identifying Number	Total Federal Expenditures	Subrecipient Payment
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE					
SNAP Cluster State Administrative Matching Grants for Food Stamp Program State Administrative Matching Grants for Food Stamp Program Total SNAP Cluster	10.561 10.561	Wood County Wood County	250 284	\$ 24,253 <u>134,803</u> 159,056	\$ -
Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education	10.215	University of Wisconsin	2017-38640-26916	(1,500)	
Total U.S. Department of Agriculture				157,556	-
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE Bulletproof Vest Program	16.607	Direct Program	N/A	6,462	
Total U.S. Department of Justice				6,462	-
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION Highway Planning and Construction Cluster National Recreational Trails Program Total Highway Planning and Construction Cluster	20.219	WI DNR	RTP-969-19D	<u>(16,281)</u> (16,281)	
Highway Safety Cluster State and Community Highway Safety State and Community Highway Safety Total Highway Safety Cluster	20.600 20.600	WI DOT WI DOT	2021-20-05-OP 2022-20-05-OP	44,737 2,938 47,675	-
Total U.S. Department of Transportation				31,394	-
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY COVID 19 - Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds Local Assistance and Tribal Consistency Fund	21.027 21.032	WI DHS Direct Program	155811 N/A	12,546 50,000	
Total U.S Department of Treasury				62,546	-
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES Public Health Emergency Preparedness Environmental Public Health and Emergency Response Guardianship Assistance	93.069 93.070 93.090	WI DHS WI DHS WI DCF	155015 155078 3456	39,274 8,803 23,482	- - -
Immunization Cooperative Agreements COVID 19 - Immunization Cooperative Agreements Total Immunization Cooperative Agreements	93.268 93.268	WI DHS WI DHS	155020 155809	9,349 21,677 31,026	
COVID 19 - Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity for Infectious Diseases (ELC) Public Health Emergency Response: Cooperative Agreement for Emergency Response	93.323 93.354	WI DHS WI DHS	155806 155129	130,609 31,508	:
Promoting Safe and Stable Families COVID 19 - Promoting Safe and Stable Families Total Promoting Safe and Stable Families	93.556 93.556	WI DCF WI DCF	3306C 3306	42,827 12,978 55,805	

SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

Grantor Agency/Federal Program Title	Assistance Listing Number	Pass-Through Agency	Pass-Through Entity Identifying Number	Total Federal Expenditures	Subrecipient Payment
TANF Cluster					
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Total TANF Cluster	93.558 93.558	WI DCF WI DCF	3645D 3632	\$ 11,500 37,838 49,338	\$ -
Child Support Enforcement (Title IV-D)	93.563	WI DCF	7332F	(5,123)	
Child Support Enforcement (Title IV-D)	93.563	WIDCF	7332F 7332R	(3,123)	-
Child Support Enforcement (Title IV-D)	93.563	WIDCF	7477	356,528	-
Child Support Enforcement (Title IV-D)	93.563	WIDCF	7482	(4,316)	-
Child Support Enforcement (Title IV-D)	93.563	WIDCF	7506	2,097	-
Child Support Enforcement (Title IV-D)	93.563	WIDCF	7620	60,594	-
Child Support Enforcement (Title IV-D)	93.563	WIDCF	7620F	(39,992)	-
Total Child Support Enforcement (Title IV-D)				377,551	-
Child Care and Development Block Grant	93.575	WI DCF	831	10.927	-
Child Care and Development Block Grant	93.575	WIDCF	875	160	-
Child Care and Development Block Grant	93.575	Vilas County, WI	875	182,517	-
Total Child Care and Development Block Grant				193,604	-
Stephanie Tubbs Jones Child Welfare Services Program	93.645	WI DCF	3413	3,595	-
Stephanie Tubbs Jones Child Welfare Services Program	93.645	WI DCF	3561	15,964	-
Stephanie Tubbs Jones Child Welfare Services Program Total Stephanie Tubbs Jones Child Welfare Services Program	93.645	WI DCF	3681	<u>1,281</u> 20,840	
Foster Care (Title IV-E)	93.658	WI DCF	3396	348	-
Foster Care (Title IV-E)	93.658	WI DCF	3413	6,446	-
Foster Care (Title IV-E)	93.658	WIDCF	3554	3,577	-
Foster Care (Title IV-E)	93.658	WIDCF	3561	262,123	-
Foster Care (Title IV-E)	93.658	WIDCF	3604	2,621	-
Foster Care (Title IV-E)	93.658	WIDCF	3645	26,345	-
Foster Care (Title IV-E) Total Foster Care (Title IV-E)	93.658	WIDCF	3681	<u>21,036</u> 322,496	
Adoption Assistance	93.659	WI DCF	3574	1,465	-
Children's Health Insurance Program	93.767	Wood County, WI	284	22,314	-
Medicaid Cluster					
Medical Assistance Program	93.778	Wood County, WI	284	278,225	-
Total Medicaid Cluster				278,225	-
Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant	93.991	WI DHS	159220	6,165	-
Maternal and Child Health Services Block Grant to the States	93.994	WI DHS	159320	12,612	
Total U.S. Department of Health and Human Services				1,605,117	-
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY				<i>,, ,</i>	
Emergency Management Performance Grants	97.042	WI DMA	2021-EMPG-01-12049	(4,494)	-
Emergency Management Performance Grants	97.042	WI DMA	2022-EMPG-S-12553	32,701	
Total Emergency Management Performance Grants				28,207	
Total U.S. Department of Homeland Security				28,207	
TOTAL FEDERAL AWARDS				\$ 1,891,282	\$-

The notes to the schedule of expenditures of federal awards are an integral part of this schedule.

SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF STATE AWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

Grantor Agency/State Program Title	State I.D. Number	Pass-Through Agency	Pass-Through/ State Entity Identifying Number	Total State Expenditures	Subrecipient Payment
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, TRADE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION					
County Staff and Support LWRM Plan Implementation Projects	115.15 115.40	Direct Program Direct Program	n/a n/a	\$ 84,312 15,622	\$
Total Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection				99,934	
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES					
/enison Processing Grant	370.549	Direct Program	n/a	1,580	
Boating Enforcement	370.550	Direct Program	n/a	15,022	
ATV Enforcement	370.551	Direct Program	n/a	32,707	
Snowmobile Enforcement	370.552	Direct Program	n/a	17,866	
Vildlife Damage Abatement and Claims	370.553	Direct Program	n/a	27,486	
County Conservation Aids	370.563	Direct Program	CC23-35WM	2,648	
County Fish, Wildlife & Forestry	370.564	Direct Program	2021 LINCOLN CO FWHIG	4,992	
County Forest Administration	370.572	Direct Program	2022CFADMINGRANT	85,430	
Recreational Aids - Snowmobile Trail and Area Aid	370.574 & 370.575	Direct Program	S-5570	7,551	
Recreational Aids - Snowmobile Trail and Area Aid	370.574 & 370.575	Direct Program	S-5628	146,350	
Total Recreational Aids - Snowmobile Trail and Area Aid				153,901	
All-Terrain Vehicle (ATV) Program	370.576	Direct Program	ATV-4387	27,870	
All-Terrain Vehicle (ATV) Program	370.576	Direct Program	ATV-4491	28,484	
All-Terrain Vehicle (ATV) Program	370.576	Direct Program	ATV-4566	(4,725)	
Total All-Terrain Vehicle (ATV) Program		5		51,629	
Aquatic Invasive Species	370.678	Direct Program	AEPP-419-14	15,177	
Total Department of Natural Resources				408,438	
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION					
Elderly and Handicapped Transportation Aids	395.101	Direct Program	n/a	89,251	
Total Department of Transportation				89,251	
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES					
MAA State Share	435.000283	Wood County, WI	283	175,514	
MAA Federal Share	435.000284	Wood County, WI	284	2,188	
Comm Disease Ctrl & Prev	435.155800	WIDHS	155800	3,800	
Cons Contracts CHHD LD	435.157720	WI DHS	157720	3,655	
Total Department of Health Services				185,157	

SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF STATE AWARDS

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	State I.D.	Pass-Through	State Entity Identifying Number	Total State Expenditures	Subrecipient
Grantor Agency/State Program Title	Number	Agency	Number	Expenditures	Payment
DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES					
Food Stamp Agency Incentives	437.0965	Direct Program	965	4,630	-
Medicaid Agency Incentives	437.0980	Direct Program	980	3,331	-
Kinship Care Program - Benefits	437.3377A	Direct Program	3377A	53,100	-
Kinship Care Program - Benefits	437.3377B	Direct Program	3377B	103,198	-
Kinship Care Program - Assessment	437.3380A	Direct Program	3380A	2,833	-
Kinship Care Program - Assessment	437.3380B	Direct Program	3380B	7,780	-
Community Intervention Program	437.3410	Direct Program	3410	38,115	-
Youth Aids AODA	437.3411	Direct Program	3411	250	-
Youth Aids	437.3413	Direct Program	3413	403,141	-
Subsidized Guardianship	437.3456	Direct Program	3456	43,609	-
Basic County Allocation	437.3561	Direct Program	3561	308,843	-
State County Match	437.3681	Direct Program	3681	24,785	_
Out-of-Home Care Placements for Sex Trafficked Youth	437.3720	Direct Program	3720	35	_
Child Support Activities	437.7502	Direct Program	7502	53,738	_
Child Support Medical Support	437.7606	Direct Program	7606	2,124	-
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Total Department of Children and Families				1,049,512	-
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE					
Victim Witness Cluster (1)	455.532	Direct Program	N/A	39,749	
Total Department of Justice				39,749	-
DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS					
Emergency Training Grant Program	465.337	Direct Program	2021-EPCRA-LEPC-01-12050	(1.986)	_
Emergency Training Grant Program	465.337	Direct Program	2022-EPCRA-LEPC-01-12554	7,982	-
Hazard Mitigation Grant	465.305	Direct Program	HMGP DR-4343.11-F	7.935	-
Computer & Hazmat Response Equipment	465.308	Direct Program	2022-EPCRA-01-12844	6,525	_
Hazmat Training	465.310	Direct Program	HMEP-FED-01-012180-MA-01	4,389	
Total Department of Military Affairs				24,845	-
DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION					
Land Information Grant	505.166	Direct Program	AD169028	52,282	
Land Information Grant Land Information Program Strategic Initiative Grant	505.166	Direct Program Direct Program	AD 169028 AD 219035	52,282 95,000	-
Total Land Information Grant	001.606	Direct Program	AD2 19030	95,000	
Total Land Information Grant				147,282	-
Public Benefits - Low Income Energy Assistance Program	505.371	Direct Program	WHEAP22.35	39,916	-
Public Benefits - Low Income Energy Assistance Program	505.371	Direct Program	WHEAP23.35	23,452	
Total Public Benefits - Low Income Energy Assistance Program				63,368	
Total Department of Administration				210,650	
TOTAL STATE PROGRAMS				\$ 2,107,536	\$

(1) Victim Witness is a cluster program funded by the following State ID Numbers: 455.503, 455.532, 455.536, 455.537 and 455.539

The notes to the schedule of expenditures of state awards are an integral part of this schedule.

NOTES TO THE SCHEDULES OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AND STATE AWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

NOTE 1: BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The accompanying Schedules of Expenditures of Federal and State Awards for the County are 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) and the *State Single Audit Guidelines* issued by the Wisconsin Department of Administration.

The Schedules of Expenditures of Federal and State Awards include all federal and state awards of the County. Because the schedules present 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: SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Expenditures in the schedules are presented in accordance with the modified accrual basis of accounting and are generally in agreement with revenues and expenditures reported in the County's 2022 fund financial statements. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in the Uniform Guidance and the *State Single Audit Guidelines*, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement. Negative amounts shown on the Schedules represent adjustments or credits made in the normal course of business to amounts reported as expenditures in prior years.

The County has not elected to charge a de minimis rate of 10% of modified total costs.

NOTE 3: OVERSIGHT AGENCIES

The federal and state oversight agencies for the County are as follows:

Federal - U.S. Department of Health and Human Services State - Wisconsin Department of Children and Families

NOTE 4: TITLE 19 MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS

The Schedules of Expenditures of Federal and State Awards do not include recorded revenues received by the County for Title 19 Medical Assistance programs. The payments are considered a contract for services between the State and the County and therefore are not reported as federal or state awards.

NOTES TO THE SCHEDULES OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AND STATE AWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

NOTE 5: PASS THROUGH ENTITIES

Federal awards have been passed through the following entities:

WI DCF - Wisconsin Department of Children and Families

WI DHS - Wisconsin Department of Health Services

WI DMA - Wisconsin Department of Military Affairs

WI DNR - Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources

WI DOT - Wisconsin Department of Transportation

NOTE 6: STATE DIRECT PAYMENTS

Payments made directly to recipients and vendors by the State of Wisconsin under the FoodShare Wisconsin program on behalf of the County are not included in the Schedules of Expenditures of Federal and State Awards.

NOTE 7: STATE OF WISCONSIN COMMUNITY AIDS REPORTING SYSTEM

The Wisconsin Departments of Health Services (DHS) and Children and Families (DCF) utilize the Community Aids Reporting System (CARS) and the System for Payments and Reports of Contracts (SPARC) for reimbursing the County for various federal and state program expenditures. The expenditures reported on the Schedules of Expenditures of Federal and State Awards for various DHS & DCF programs agree with the expenditures reported on the May 2023 CARS for the Human Services and Public Health Departments, and the December 2022 SPARC for Child Support and Child Care programs.

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

SECTION I – SUMMARY OF AUDITORS' RESULTS

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1.	Type of auditors' report issued:		Unmodified			
2.	Internal control over financial reporting	j :				
	• Material weakness(es) identified?			yes	X	_ no
	Significant deficiency(ies) identified	d?	X	yes	r	none reported
3.	Noncompliance material to financial statements noted?			yes	X	no
FEDE	RAL AWARDS					
1.	Internal control over major federal prog	grams:				
	• Material weakness(es) identified?			yes	X	no
	Significant deficiency(ies) identified	d?		yes	X	none reported
2.	Type of auditors' report issued on compliance for major federal programs	6:	Unmodified			
3.	Any audit findings disclosed that are re to be reported in accordance with 2 CFR 200.516(a)?	equired		yes	X	no
Identi	fication of Major Federal Programs					
	Assistance Listing Number(s)	Name	of Federal P	rogram	or Cluster	
	10.561	SNAP	Cluster			
	93.563	Child S	Support Enfor	cement (Title IV-D)	
	93.778	Medica	aid Cluster			
	threshold used to distinguish between A and Type B programs:		<u>\$750,000</u>			
Audite	e qualified as low-risk auditee?			yes	X	no

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

- 1. Internal control over state projects:
- Material weakness(es) identified? • _____yes • Significant deficiency(ies) identified that are not considered to be material weakness(es)? <u>x</u> none reported yes 2. Type of auditors' report issued on compliance for state projects: Unmodified 3. Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with state requirements? ____ yes

Identification of Major State Projects

State	ID	Number(s)	
01010			

370.574 & 370.575	Snowmobile Trail Aids
370.576	All-Terrain Vehicle Trails
395.101	Elderly and Handicapped Transportation Aids
435.000283	IMAA State Share
435.000284	IMAA Federal Share
437.3561	Basic County Allocation
437.3681	State County Match
437.7502	Child Support Activities
437.7606	Child Support Medical Support

Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B state projects:

\$ 250,000

Name of State Project

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

SECTION II - FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS

2022 – 001 Preparation of Annual Financial Report

Type of Finding: Significant Deficiency in Internal Control over Financial Reporting

Condition: Current County staff maintains accounting records which reflect the County's financial transactions; however, preparing the County's annual financial report, including note disclosures, involves the selection and application of accounting principles which would require additional experience and knowledge. The County contracts with us and our knowledge of applicable accounting principles, financial statement format, and note disclosures to assist in the preparation of the annual financial report in an efficient manner. However, as independent auditors, CLA cannot be considered part of the County's internal control system. As part of its internal control over preparation of its financial statements, including disclosures, the County had implemented a comprehensive review procedure to ensure that the financial statements, including note disclosures, are complete and accurate.

Criteria or Specific Requirement: The preparation and review of the annual financial report by staff with expertise in financial reporting is an internal control intended to prevent, detect, and correct a potential omission or misstatement in the financial statements or notes or other required state financial reports.

Effect: Without our involvement, the County may not be able to completely prepare an annual financial report in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Cause: County management has determined that the additional costs associated with training staff to become experienced in applicable accounting principles and note disclosures outweigh the derived benefits.

Repeat Finding: No

Recommendation: We recommend the County continue reviewing the annual financial report. Such review procedures should be performed by an individual possessing a thorough understanding of accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and knowledge of the County's activities and operations. While it may not be cost beneficial to train additional staff to completely prepare the report, a thorough review of this information by the finance director is necessary to ensure the basic financial statements and all accompanying information is accurate and complete.

Views of Responsible Officials and Planned Corrective Actions: There is no disagreement with the audit finding. Refer to the management response per the corrective action plan.

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

SECTION III - FEDERAL AND STATE AWARD FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

Our audit did not disclose any matters required to be reported in accordance with 2 CFR 200.516(a) or *State Single Audit Guidelines*.

SECTION IV - OTHER ISSUES

 Does the auditor have substantial doubt as to the auditee's ability to continue as a going concern? No
 Does the audit report show audit issues (i.e., material noncompliance, nonmaterial noncompliance, questioned cost, material weakness, significant deficiencies, management letter comment, excess revenue or excess reserve) related to grant/contracts with funding

agencies that require audits to be in accordance with the State Single Audit Guidelines:

Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection No Department of Safety and Professional Services No **Department of Natural Resources** No Department of Transportation No Department of Health Services No Department of Children and Families No **Department of Justice** No **Department of Military Affairs** No Department of Administration No

- 3. Was a Management Letter or other document conveying audit comments issued as a result of this audit?
 No
- 4. Name and signature of partner

Jon [[rawlmm] Jon Trautman, CPA

5. Date of report

September 13, 2023



INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' 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*

County Board Lincoln County, Wisconsin Lincoln County, Wisconsin

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, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Lincoln County (the County) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon July 21, 2023.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered Lincoln County, Wisconsin'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 Lincoln County, Wisconsin's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Lincoln County, Wisconsin's internal control.

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 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 and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. We identified a certain deficiency in internal control, described in the schedules of findings and responses as item 2022-001 that we consider to be a significant deficiency.

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the County'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 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 no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Lincoln County, Wisconsin's Response to Findings

Government Auditing Standards requires the auditor to perform limited procedures on the Lincoln County, Wisconsin's response to the findings identified in our audit and described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses. Lincoln County, Wisconsin's response was not subjected to the other auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the response.

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.

Clifton Larson Allen LLP

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Wausau, Wisconsin July 21, 2023



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