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# **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

December 31, 2013

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### COUNTY OF TIOGA

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY OF 2013 AUDIT REPORT AND FINDINGS

#### Basic Financial Statements

### **Description of Report and Findings**

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Independent Auditor's Report on Basic Financial Statements

Independent Auditor's Report on Supplemental Financial Information

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*  **Unmodified opinion** on the County of Tioga's (the County's) financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2013.

**Unmodified report** on supplemental financial information in relation to primary audit report.

Reports on the County's internal control over financial reporting based on the auditor's understanding of the internal control structure and assessment of control risk obtained as part of the audit of the basic financial statements. This report identified **one significant deficiency and no material weaknesses in internal control.** 

Report on the County's compliance with laws and regulations that may have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. This report identified **no material instances of noncompliance**.

Management Comment Letter Letter of comments dated September 8, 2014 discusses three items.

#### Single Audit (OMB A-133) Report

Independent Auditor's Report on Compliance for Each Major Program and on Internal Control Over Compliance required by OMB Circular A-133

Report on Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards

Communication with Those Charged with Goverance at the Conclusion of the Audit Report on 1) the County's internal control structure policies and procedures used in administering federal award programs; 2) compliance with general requirements of the County's federal awards; and 3) compliance with specific requirements applicable to its major federal award programs. This report identified **no instances of noncompliance and no material weaknesses.** 

**Unmodified report** on the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards supplemental information in relation to the primary audit report. Federal expenditures amounted to \$12,759,816.

A letter that specifically addresses certain required communications to the Legislature in accordance with professional standards - there were **no comments of concern** to be reported regarding the following:

- Qualitative Aspects of Accounting Practices
- Difficulties Encountered in Performing the Audit
- Corrected and Uncorrected Misstatements
- Disagreements with Management
- Management Representations
- Management Consultations with Other Independent Accountants
- Other Audit Findings or Issues
- Other Matters

# COUNTY OF TIOGA

# **5 YEAR FINANCIAL STATEMENT ANALYSIS**

| GENERAL FUND   | _        | 12/31/13   |     | 12/31/12   | <br>12/31/11     | _   | 12/31/10   | <br>12/31/09     |
|--|----------|------------|-----|------------|------------------|-----|------------|------------------|
| ASSETS   |          |            |     |            |                  |     |            |                  |
| Cash and investments                                 | \$       | 11,675,314 | \$  | 10,972,716 | \$<br>13,173,961 | \$  | 11,153,897 | \$<br>7,495,821  |
| Taxes receivable                                     |          | 6,254,643  |     | 7,124,699  | 5,900,648        |     | 5,382,910  | 5,450,979        |
| Due from state and federal                           |          | 5,452,958  |     | 7,683,603  | 5,407,426        |     | 6,625,293  | 5,135,001        |
| Other receivables                                    |          | 792,221    |     | 872,561    | 675,863          |     | 187,813    | 389,992          |
| Prepaid expenses                                     |          | 1,379,495  |     | 781,314    | 677,957          |     | 499,385    | 303,257          |
| Due from other governments                           |          | -0-        |     | 25,640     | -0-              |     | 27,490     | 317,629          |
| Due from other funds                                 | _        | 346,556    |     | 529,964    | <br>369,452      | _   | 2,150,239  | <br>3,183,228    |
| Total Assets   | \$_      | 25,901,187 | \$  | 27,990,497 | \$<br>26,205,307 | \$_ | 26,027,027 | \$<br>22,275,907 |
| LIABILITIES AND DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCE         | <u>s</u> |            |     |            |                  |     |            |                  |
| Accounts payable and accruals                        | \$       | 2,431,351  | \$  | 2,184,705  | \$<br>2,136,631  | \$  | 2,336,103  | \$<br>2,614,134  |
| Due to other governments                             |          | 4,405,529  |     | 6,294,390  | 5,136,504        |     | 5,064,472  | 5,672,512        |
| Due to other funds                                   |          | 1,808,234  |     | 3,190,052  | 3,436,484        |     | 304,023    | 1,386,457        |
| Deferred revenue                                     |          | 956,016    |     | 840,740    | 980,582          |     | 555,379    | 114,894          |
| Deferred inflows of resources                        | _        | 2,031,514  |     | 1,957,440  | <br>1,745,533    | _   | 1,726,978  | <br>1,865,384    |
| Total Liabilities and Deferred Inflows of Resources  | _        | 11,632,644 |     | 14,467,327 | <br>13,435,734   | _   | 9,986,955  | <br>11,653,381   |
| FUND BALANCES  |          |            |     |            |                  |     |            |                  |
| Nonspendable   |          | 1,379,495  |     | 781,314    | 677,957          |     | 499,385    | 303,257          |
| Restricted   |          | 486,834    |     | 475,097    | 441,851          |     | 375,965    | 669,955          |
| Assigned   |          | 1,887,753  |     | 3,753,013  | 6,464,067        |     | 5,463,742  | 4,344,900        |
| Unassigned   | _        | 10,514,461 |     | 8,513,746  | <br>5,185,698    | _   | 9,700,980  | <br>5,304,414    |
| Total Fund Balances                                  | _        | 14,268,543 |     | 13,523,170 | <br>12,769,573   | _   | 16,040,072 | <br>10,622,526   |
| Total Liabilities and Deferred Inflows of Resources, |          |            |     |            |                  |     |            |                  |
| and Fund Balances                                    | \$_      | 25,901,187 | \$_ | 27,990,497 | \$<br>26,205,307 | \$_ | 26,027,027 | \$<br>22,275,907 |

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# COUNTY OF TIOGA (CONTINUED) <u>5 YEAR FINANCIAL STATEMENT ANALYSIS</u>

|                                       |    | 12/31/13    |            | 12/31/12    |    | 12/31/11    |     | 12/31/10    |    | 12/31/09    |
|---------------------------------------|----|-------------|------------|-------------|----|-------------|-----|-------------|----|-------------|
| REVENUES                              | _  |             |            |             | -  |             | _   |             | _  |             |
| Real property taxes and tax items     | \$ | 23,947,541  | \$         | 22,831,313  | \$ | 22,569,265  | \$  | 22,479,665  | \$ | 20,620,771  |
| Nonproperty tax items                 |    | 18,823,090  |            | 19,778,733  |    | 18,573,837  |     | 16,858,161  |    | 16,865,711  |
| Departmental income                   |    | 7,195,471   |            | 7,243,322   |    | 6,583,679   |     | 8,221,866   |    | 8,306,344   |
| Intergovernmental charges             |    | 516,905     |            | 725,519     |    | 479,682     |     | 704,385     |    | 579,018     |
| Use of money and property             |    | 61,913      |            | 83,659      |    | 223,481     |     | 102,965     |    | 87,658      |
| Fines and forfeitures                 |    | 99,364      |            | 121,401     |    | 116,642     |     | 117,600     |    | 141,813     |
| Other                                 |    | 331,431     |            | 372,429     |    | 579,616     |     | 452,311     |    | 328,578     |
| State sources                         |    | 8,810,869   |            | 10,025,619  |    | 9,194,566   |     | 9,137,655   |    | 9,700,304   |
| Federal sources                       |    | 8,028,295   |            | 7,786,462   | -  | 6,801,319   | _   | 9,043,633   | _  | 8,410,117   |
| Total Revenues                        |    | 67,814,879  | · <u> </u> | 68,968,457  | _  | 65,122,087  | _   | 67,118,241  |    | 65,040,314  |
| <b>EXPENDITURES</b>                   |    |             |            |             |    |             |     |             |    |             |
| General governmental support          |    | 10,331,288  |            | 10,461,164  |    | 10,062,138  |     | 9,471,874   |    | 9,888,484   |
| Education                             |    | 4,269,886   |            | 4,164,315   |    | 4,405,340   |     | 4,494,316   |    | 5,191,138   |
| Public safety                         |    | 7,268,216   |            | 7,132,224   |    | 6,740,298   |     | 6,868,533   |    | 6,401,237   |
| Public health                         |    | 6,008,829   |            | 6,700,779   |    | 7,094,388   |     | 7,092,383   |    | 7,324,576   |
| Transportation                        |    | 987,387     |            | 813,822     |    | 869,717     |     | 1,072,579   |    | 630,986     |
| Economic assistance and opportunity   |    | 20,746,825  |            | 21,058,883  |    | 20,270,319  |     | 19,879,247  |    | 20,342,519  |
| Culture and recreation                |    | 285,172     |            | 322,207     |    | 223,387     |     | 229,476     |    | 232,827     |
| Home and community service            |    | 702,591     |            | 632,540     |    | 608,096     |     | 605,536     |    | 657,064     |
| Employee benefits                     |    | 12,176,498  |            | 11,787,400  |    | 11,125,587  |     | 10,089,514  |    | 8,678,869   |
| Debt service (principal and interest) |    | 1,654,580   |            | 1,694,739   | -  | 1,341,163   | _   | 874,600     | _  | 862,138     |
| Total Expenditures                    |    | 64,431,272  | · <u> </u> | 64,768,073  | _  | 62,740,433  | _   | 60,678,058  |    | 60,209,838  |
| Excess of Revenues                    |    | 3,383,607   | . <u> </u> | 4,200,384   | _  | 2,381,654   | _   | 6,440,183   |    | 4,830,476   |
| Transfers (out)                       |    | (2,638,234) |            | (3,446,787) | -  | (5,652,153) | _   | (1,022,637) | _  | (5,099,572) |
| Net Change in Fund Balance            | \$ | 745,373     | \$         | 753,597     | \$ | (3,270,499) | \$_ | 5,417,546   | \$ | (269,096)   |
| Restatement                           | \$ | -0-         | \$         | -0-         | \$ | -0-         | \$  | -0-         | \$ | (404,963)   |

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# COUNTY OF TIOGA (CONTINUED) <u>5 YEAR FINANCIAL STATEMENT ANALYSIS</u>

|                            | 12/31/13        |     | 12/31/12  | 12/31/11 |            | 12/31/10 |           | 12/31/09        |
|----------------------------|-----------------|-----|-----------|----------|------------|----------|-----------|-----------------|
| EXPENDITURES AND TRANSFERS |                 | _   |           | •        |            |          |           |                 |
| IN OTHER FUNDS             |                 |     |           |          |            |          |           |                 |
| Refuse and Garbage Fund    | \$<br>1,203,723 | \$_ | 1,219,529 | \$       | 1,187,363  | \$_      | 1,229,018 | \$<br>1,240,149 |
| County Road Fund           | \$<br>1,961,094 | \$  | 1,960,461 | \$       | 1,984,096  | \$       | 1,846,969 | \$<br>1,801,061 |
| Road Machinery Fund        | \$<br>689,875   | \$  | 634,345   | \$       | 637,672    | \$       | 616,333   | \$<br>632,046   |
| Special Grant Fund         | \$<br>467,590   | \$  | 1,375,583 | \$       | 288,918    | \$       | 688,571   | \$<br>719,869   |
| Capital Projects Funds     | \$<br>5,244,341 | \$  | 5,659,829 | \$       | 10,487,725 | \$       | 6,007,097 | \$<br>4,226,178 |

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## COUNTY OF TIOGA

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY OF 2013 AUDIT

### AUDIT FOCUS/REPORTING OBJECTIVES:

- 1) Financial Statements
  - \* Management's Discussion and Analysis
  - \* Government-wide Financial Statements
  - \* Governmental Fund Financial Statements
  - \* Notes to Financial Statements
  - \* Budgetary Comparison Schedules
  - \* Supplementary Information
- 2) Single Audit
  - \* Study and Evaluation of Internal Controls
  - \* Testing of Compliance with Laws and Regulations

### AUDIT APPROACH:

- \* Preliminary Planning
- \* Consideration of Internal Control Structure
- \* Tests of Controls
- \* Tests of Compliance with Laws and Regulations
- \* Substantive Testing of Financial Information

### AUDIT REPORTS:

- \* Report on Financial Statements and Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards
- \* Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters
- \* Report on Compliance with Requirements Applicable to Major Programs and Internal Control over Compliance with Circular A-133

### **UNDERSTANDING THE COUNTY'S OPERATIONS:**

- \* Services Provided
- \* Assessment of Accounting and Reporting System
- \* Nature of Activities
- \* Special Reporting Requirements
- \* Nature of Compliance Requirements
- \* Assessment of Management

### FACTORS AFFECTING THE SCOPE OF TESTING:

- \* Effectiveness of Overall Financial Controls
- \* Qualifications of Key Personnel
- \* Appropriate Segregation of Duties
- \* Budget Administration
- \* Ability to Issue Timely and Accurate Financial Reports

### **CONSIDERATION OF INTERNAL CONTROL STRUCTURE:**

- \* Ability to Demonstrate Compliance with Laws and Regulations
- \* Effectiveness of Budget Process
- \* Accuracy and Comprehensiveness of Internal Reporting
- \* Existence of Adequate Policies and Procedures