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NEWS RELEASE

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Auditor of State Rob Sand today released an examination engagement report on Compliance for the U.S. Department of Treasury Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds Program (CSLFRF) Requirements for an Alternative CSLFRF Compliance Examination Engagement on Ida County, Iowa, for the year ended June 30, 2023.

AUDIT FINDINGS:

The report disclosed no findings pertaining to the CSLFRF program for the year ended June 30, 2023.

A copy of the report is available for review on the Auditor of State's website at [Audit Reports – Auditor of State](#).

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IDA COUNTY

**AUDITOR OF STATE'S INDEPENDENT REPORT
ON COMPLIANCE FOR THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY CORONAVIRUS STATE AND
LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDS PROGRAM (CSLFRF) REQUIREMENTS FOR AN ALTERNATIVE
CSLFRF COMPLIANCE EXAMINATION ENGAGEMENT**

JUNE 30, 2023

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March 26, 2024

Officials of Ida County
Ida Grove, Iowa

Dear Board Members:

I am pleased to submit to you this examination engagement for Ida County, Iowa, for the year ended June 30, 2023. The examination engagement was performed pursuant to Chapter 11.6 of the Code of Iowa and in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, the standards for attestation engagements contained in Government Auditing Standards and the Requirements for an Alternative CSLFRF Compliance Examination Engagement as described in the 2022 OMB *Compliance Supplement*.

I appreciate the cooperation and courtesy extended by the officials and employees of Ida County throughout the examination engagement. If I or this office can be of any further assistance, please contact me or my staff at 515-281-5834.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rob Sand". The signature is stylized and written in a cursive-like font.

Rob Sand
Auditor of State

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Ida County

Officials

(Before January 2023)

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Title</u> | <u>Term Expires</u> |
|--------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| Rhett Leonard | Board of Supervisors | Jan 2023 |
| Raymond Drey | Board of Supervisors | Jan 2025 |
| Creston Schubert | Board of Supervisors | Jan 2025 |
| Lorna Steenbock | County Auditor | Jan 2025 |
| Traci Riessen | County Treasurer | Jan 2023 |
| Julie Phillips | County Recorder | Jan 2023 |
| Wade Harriman | County Sheriff | Jan 2025 |
| Meghann Cosgrove-Whitmer | County Attorney | Jan 2023 |
| Claudia Comstock | County Assessor | Jan 2028 |

(After January 2023)

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| Raymond Drey | Board of Supervisors | Jan 2025 |
| Creston Schubert | Board of Supervisors | Jan 2025 |
| Devlun Whiteing | Board of Supervisors | Jan 2027 |
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Recovery Funds Program (CSLFRF) Requirements for an Alternative CSLFRF
Compliance Examination Engagement

To the Officials of Ida County:

We have examined Ida County's compliance with the compliance requirements "activities allowed or unallowed" and "allowable cost/cost principles" (the specified requirements) as described in Part IV "Requirements for an Alternative Compliance Examination Engagement for Recipients that Would Otherwise Be Required to Undergo a Single Audit or Program-Specific Audit as a Result of Receiving Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds" of the CSLFRF section of the 2022 OMB *Compliance Supplement* (referred to herein as "Requirements for an Alternative CSLFRF Compliance Examination Engagement") during the year ended June 30, 2023. Management of Ida County is responsible for Ida County's compliance with the specified requirements. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on Ida County's compliance with the specified requirements based on our examination.

Our examination was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, the standards applicable to attestation engagements contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States and in the "Requirements for an Alternative CSLFRF Compliance Examination Engagement". Those standards and requirements require that we plan and perform the examination to obtain reasonable assurance about whether Ida County complied, in all material respects, with the specified requirements referenced above. An examination involves performing procedures to obtain evidence about whether Ida County complied with the specified requirements. The nature, timing, and extent of the procedures selected depend on our judgement, including an assessment of the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error. We believe that the evidence we obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

We are required to be independent and meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to the engagement.

Our examination does not provide a legal determination on Ida County's compliance with specified requirements.

In our opinion, Ida County complied, in all material respects, with the specified requirements referenced above during the year ended June 30, 2023.

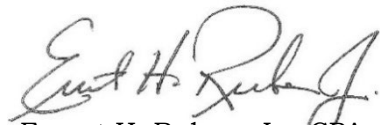
Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we are required to report all deficiencies which are considered to be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses in internal control, fraud, and noncompliance with provisions of laws, regulations, contracts or grant agreements that have a material effect on Ida County's compliance with the specified requirements and any other instances that warrant the attention of those charged with governance. We are also required to obtain and report the views of responsible officials concerning the findings, conclusions, and recommendations, as well as any planned corrective actions. We performed our examination to express an opinion on Ida County's compliance with the specified requirements and not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the internal control over the specified requirements or on compliance and other matters; accordingly, we express no such opinions. The results of our tests disclosed no matters that are required to be reported under Government Auditing Standards.

Intended Purpose

The purpose of this examination report is solely to express an opinion on whether Ida County complied, in all material respects with the specified requirements referenced above during the year ended June 30, 2023. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

We would like to acknowledge the many courtesies and assistance extended to us by personnel of Ida County during the course of our examination engagement. Should you have any questions concerning any of the above matters, we shall be pleased to discuss them with you at your convenience.


Ernest H. Ruben, Jr., CPA
Chief Deputy Auditor of State

March 26, 2024

Ida County

Staff

This engagement was performed by:

Ernest H. Ruben, Jr., CPA, Chief Deputy
Suzanne R. Dahlstrom, CPA, Manager
April R. Davenport, Senior Auditor
Brandon L. Weddell, Staff Auditor