

Carey Casciola

From: Carey Casciola
Sent: Friday, March 13, 2026 11:15 AM
To: 'Fausto Hinojosa'
Subject: RE: Oceano CSD RFP for Audit Services

Hi Fausto,

Thank you for reaching out. See the responses in green:

1. Are there any significant operational changes from the prior year?
 - a. The District divested fire service to the County of SLO in January 2026.
2. Did the District create any new funds during the current fiscal year?
 - a. No new funds.
3. Did the District issue any new debt during the current fiscal year?
 - a. No new debt.
4. Did the District receive any significant new federal grants during the current fiscal year?
 - a. No federal grants. The District was issued 1m from USDA but is still working on the environmental requirements.
5. When are the books closed and ready for audit?
 - a. The District receives the final County statement in November of each year. Books are closed on November 30th.
6. How many audit adjustments were proposed by the auditors for the 2025 fiscal year?
 - a. In general, what were these audit adjustments related to?
 - i. We had one AJE for GASB 68. Our RFP asks the auditors to prepare this AJE for the District.
7. How many adjustments, if any, did the District provide to the auditors after the start of fieldwork?
 - a. In general, what were these District proposed adjustments related to?
 - i. In 2025, we provided 20 AJE's and workpapers before fieldwork began. We provided one AJE related to Fixed Assets after the fieldwork.
8. Are you open to having a portion of the audit performed remotely?
 - a. Staff is open to remote work. The Board would decide at the May 13, 2026 meeting when they review proposals.
9. Did you have any disagreements about accounting or auditing matters with the prior auditors?
 - a. No disagreements.
10. Why are you going out to RFP?
 - a. Our last RFP was from 2023-2025. 2025 was our last year under contract.
11. Is your prior auditor included in the RFP process?
 - a. Yes, we sent the RFP to MLH.
12. Do you calculate the district's pension liability and related deferrals and provide the required journal entries to the auditor for preparation of the government-wide statements?
 - a. In section 2.1(2) Project Objectives and Anticipated Scope, we ask the auditor's to prepare the annual GASB 68
13. If you don't calculate the pension liability and related deferrals, do you want the proposal to include a fee for this work?

- a. Yes, please.

Let us know if you have any other questions.

Thanks,
Carey

From: Fausto Hinojosa <Fausto@PPCPAS.com>
Sent: Friday, March 13, 2026 9:59 AM
To: Carey Casciola <carey@oceanocsd.org>
Subject: RE: Oceano CSD RFP for Audit Services

Hi Carey, thanks for including our firm in your RFP process. I have the following questions that will help us properly assess scope and arrive at a reasonable fee estimate.

1. Are there any significant operational changes from the prior year?
2. Did the District create any new funds during the current fiscal year?
3. Did the District issue any new debt during the current fiscal year?
4. Did the District receive any significant new federal grants during the current fiscal year?
5. When are the books closed and ready for audit?
6. How many audit adjustments were proposed by the auditors for the 2025 fiscal year?
 - a. In general, what were these audit adjustments related to?
7. How many adjustments, if any, did the District provide to the auditors after the start of fieldwork?
 - a. In general, what were these District proposed adjustments related to?
8. Are you open to having a portion of the audit performed remotely?
9. Did you have any disagreements about accounting or auditing matters with the prior auditors?
10. Why are you going out to RFP?
11. Is your prior auditor included in the RFP process?
12. Do you calculate the district's pension liability and related deferrals and provide the required journal entries to the auditor for preparation of the government-wide statements?
13. If you don't calculate the pension liability and related deferrals, do you want the proposal to include a fee for this work?

Thanks,

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From: Carey Casciola <carey@oceanocsd.org>
Sent: Friday, March 13, 2026 8:14 AM
Subject: Oceano CSD RFP for Audit Services

Hello,

Please see the Oceano Community Services District's RFP for independent audit services:

<https://www.oceanocsd.org/independent-audit-services-open>

Please contact us with any questions.

Thanks,
Carey

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