

ANTELOPE VALLEY TRANSIT AUTHORITY

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**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER
FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED
ON AN AUDIT OF THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN
ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS**

Board of Directors
Antelope Valley Transit Authority
Lancaster, 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 basic financial statements of the Antelope Valley Transit Authority (AVTA), as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the basic financial statements, which collectively comprise AVTA's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated November 15, 2024.

Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered AVTA'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 AVTA's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of AVTA'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 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 or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified.

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether AVTA'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*.

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 AVTA's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering AVTA's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

BROWN ARMSTRONG
ACCOUNTANCY CORPORATION

Brown Armstrong
Accountancy Corporation

Bakersfield, California
November 15, 2024

**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR’S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR
EACH MAJOR FEDERAL PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL
OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE**

Board of Directors
Antelope Valley Transit Authority
Lancaster, California

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We have audited the Antelope Valley Transit Authority’s (AVTA) compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) *Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of AVTA’s major federal programs for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024. AVTA’s major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor’s results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

In our opinion, AVTA complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024.

Basis for Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

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 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). Our responsibilities under those standards and the Uniform Guidance are further described in the Auditor’s Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section of our report.

We are required to be independent of AVTA 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 program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of AVTA’s compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

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 AVTA’s federal programs.

Auditor's 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 AVTA'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 auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance 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 AVTA's compliance with the requirements of each major federal program as a whole.

In performing an audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance, 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 AVTA'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 AVTA'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, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of AVTA'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 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 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 Auditor's 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 may exist that were not identified.

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. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

Report on Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards Required by the Uniform Guidance

We have audited the financial statements of AVTA, as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise AVTA's basic financial statements. We issued our report thereon dated November 15, 2024, which contained unmodified opinions on those financial statements. Our audit was performed 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 is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by the Uniform Guidance and is 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 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 is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

BROWN ARMSTRONG
ACCOUNTANCY CORPORATION

Brown Armstrong
Accountancy Corporation

Bakersfield, California
November 15, 2024

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**ANTELOPE VALLEY TRANSIT AUTHORITY
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

Federal Grantor / Pass-Through Grantor / Program or Cluster Title	Assistance Listing Number	Grant Number	Passed Through to Subrecipients	Federal Financial Assistance Expenditures	Total Eligible Expenditures
U.S. Department of Transportation					
Direct Assistance					
Federal Transit Cluster					
Federal Transit – Formula Grants	20.507	CA-2024-093-00	\$ -	\$ 2,887,000	\$ 2,887,000
CRRSAA Federal Transit – Formula Grants	20.507	CA-2023-013 (CRRSAA)	-	3,871,415	3,871,415
ARPA Federal Transit – Formula Grants	20.507	CA-2022-131 (ARPA)	-	7,887,502	7,887,502
Federal Transit – Formula Grants	20.507	CA-2021-208-01-00	-	615,003	615,003
Federal Transit – Formula Grants	20.507	CA-2022-150-00	-	1,611,183	1,611,183
Federal Transit – Formula Grants	20.507	CA-2024-015-00	-	6,115,951	6,210,891
Federal Transit – Formula Grants	20.507	CA-2023-093-00	-	1,567,045	1,567,045
Buses and Bus Facilities Formula, Competitive, and Low or No Emissions Programs	20.526	CA-2022-101-00 (Low-No)	-	2,563,508	2,563,508
Buses and Bus Facilities Formula, Competitive, and Low or No Emissions Programs	20.526	CA-2023-121-00	-	115,401	115,401
Buses and Bus Facilities Formula, Competitive, and Low or No Emissions Programs	20.526	CA-2023-141-00	-	246,000	246,000
Buses and Bus Facilities Formula, Competitive, and Low or No Emissions Programs	20.526	CA-2024-013-00	-	224,000	224,000
Buses and Bus Facilities Formula, Competitive, and Low or No Emissions Programs	20.526	CA-2024-095-00	-	252,503	252,503
State of Good Repair Grants Program	20.525	CA-2023-094-00	-	97,742	97,742
State of Good Repair Grants Program	20.525	CA-2024-076-00	-	442,947	442,947
Total Federal Transit Cluster			<u>-</u>	<u>28,497,200</u>	<u>28,592,140</u>
Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities	20.513	FTA: 5310 NEMT Sub-Recipient	-	13,796	13,796
National Infrastructure Investments	20.933	CA-2021-181-00 (BUILD)	-	8,424,340	8,434,311
Total Expenditures of Federal Awards			<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 36,935,336</u>	<u>\$ 37,040,247</u>

See Accompanying Note to the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards.

**ANTELOPE VALLEY TRANSIT AUTHORITY
NOTE TO THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES APPLICABLE TO THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS

A. Scope of Presentation

The accompanying schedule presents only the expenditures incurred by the Antelope Valley Transit Authority (AVTA) that are reimbursable under programs of federal agencies providing financial awards. For the purposes of this schedule, financial awards include federal awards received directly from a federal agency, as well as federal funds received indirectly by AVTA from a non-federal agency or other organizations. The portions of program expenditures reimbursable with such federal funds are reported in the accompanying schedule. Program expenditures in excess of the maximum reimbursement authorized or the portion of the program expenditures that were funded with other state, local, or other non-federal funds are included in the accompanying schedule under total expenditures. The information in this schedule is 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). Because the schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of AVTA, it is not intended to, and does not, present the financial position, changes in net position, or cash flows of AVTA.

B. Basis of Accounting

The expenditures included in the accompanying schedule were reported on the accrual basis of accounting. Under the accrual basis of accounting, expenditures are recognized when incurred. Expenditures reported include any property or equipment acquisitions incurred under the federal program. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in the Uniform Guidance, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement.

AVTA has elected not to use the 10 percent de minimis indirect cost rate as allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

C. Subrecipients

AVTA did not disburse any funds to subrecipients during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024.

FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS SECTION

**ANTELOPE VALLEY TRANSIT AUTHORITY
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

I. Summary of Auditor's Results

Financial Statements

Type of auditor's report issued: Unmodified

Internal control over financial reporting:

Material weakness identified? ___ Yes X No

Significant deficiencies identified that are not considered to be material weaknesses? ___ Yes X None reported

Noncompliance material to financial statements noted? ___ Yes X No

Federal Awards

Internal control over major federal programs:

Material weakness identified? ___ Yes X No

Significant deficiencies identified that are not considered to be material weaknesses? ___ Yes X None reported

Type of auditor's report issued on compliance for major programs: Unmodified

Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, under 2 CFR §200.516(a)? ___ Yes X No

Identification of major programs:

<u>Assistance Listing Number(s)</u>	<u>Name of Federal Program or Clusters</u>
20.933	National Infrastructure Investment

Dollar threshold used to distinguish Type A and B programs: \$1,108,060

Auditee qualified as low risk auditee? X Yes ___ No

II. Findings Relating to Financial Statements Required Under Generally Accepted Government Auditing Standards (GAGAS)

None.

III. Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs

None.

IV. State Award Findings and Questioned Costs

None.

V. Summary of Prior Audit (June 30, 2023) Findings and Current Year Status

None.