

Federal Awards Reports in Accordance with the Uniform Guidance June 30, 2024

Ventura County Transportation Commission



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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 Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with Government Auditing Standards

To the Board of Commissioners Ventura County Transportation Commission Camarillo, California

We have audited, in accordance with 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 (*Government Auditing Standards*), the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Ventura County Transportation Commission (the Commission), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Commission's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated November 12, 2024.

Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Commission'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 the Commission's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Commission'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 Commission'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 the Commission'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 the Commission'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 Commission's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Rancho Cucamonga, California

Gede Sailly LLP

November 12, 2024



Independent Auditor's Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program; Report on Internal Control Over Compliance; and Report on the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards Required by the Uniform Guidance

To the Board of Commissioners Ventura County Transportation Commission Camarillo, California

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We have audited the Ventura County Transportation Commission's (the Commission) compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the OMB *Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the Commission's major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2024. The Commission'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, the Commission 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 programs for the 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 (GAAS); the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States (*Government Auditing Standards*); 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 the Commission 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 the Commission'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 the Commission's federal programs.

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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 the Commission'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*, 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 the Commission's compliance with the requirements of each major federal program as a whole.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, *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 the Commission compliance with the compliance
 requirements referred to above and performing such other procedures as we considered
 necessary in the circumstances.
- Obtain an understanding of the Commission'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 the Commission'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 the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Commission as of and for the year ended June, 30, 2024 and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Commissions basic financial statements. We issued our report thereon dated November 12, 2024, 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 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 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 is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Rancho Cucamonga, California

Esde Saelly LLP

November 12, 2024

Federal Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor/Program or Cluster Title	Federal Financial Assistance Listing	Pass-through Entity Identifying Number	Expenditures	Amounts Passed- Through to Subrecipients
Department of Transportation				
Direct Programs:				
Formula Grants - Urbanized Area Formula Program	20.507	CA-90-Z055	\$ 203,670	\$ -
Formula Grants - Urbanized Area Formula Program	20.507	CA-95-X196	15,861	15,861
Formula Grants - Urbanized Area Formula Program Formula Grants - Urbanized Area Formula Program	20.507 20.507	CA-2016-028 CA-2017-037	27,699 16,652	27,699
Formula Grants - Orbanized Area Formula Program	20.507	CA-2017-037 CA-2018-003	134,920	134,920
Formula Grants - Orbanized Area Formula Program	20.507	CA-2018-005	356,725	356,725
Formula Grants - Urbanized Area Formula Program	20.507	CA-2018-088	86,635	-
Formula Grants - Urbanized Area Formula Program	20.507	CA-2019-099	630,640	158,501
Formula Grants - Urbanized Area Formula Program	20.507	CA-2020-012	364,891	-
Formula Grants - Urbanized Area Formula Program	20.507	CA-2020-076	1,548,842	490,594
Formula Grants - Urbanized Area Formula Program	20.507	CA-2021-186	1,231,539	961,929
Formula Grants - Urbanized Area Formula Program	20.507	CA-2022-195	1,995,833	807,177
Formula Grants - Urbanized Area Formula Program	20.507	CA-2023-194	2,915,626	593,185
Formula Grants - Urbanized Area Formula Program	20.507	CA-2024-068	257,965	-
COVID-19 - Formula Grants - Urbanized Area Formula Program	20.507	CA-2021-106	533,671	133,201
COVID-19 - Formula Grants - Urbanized Area Formula Program	20.507	CA-2021-222	21,807	21,807
Total 20.507			10,342,976	3,701,599
Direct Programs:				
Buses and Bus Facilities Formula Program	20.526	CA-2016-082	43,247	_
Buses and Bus Facilities Formula Program	20.526	CA-2019-095	115	-
Buses and Bus Facilities Formula Program	20.526	CA-2023-135	291,514	5,770
Total 20.526			334,876	5,770
Total Federal Transit Cluster			10,677,852	3,707,369
Total rederal transit cluster			10,077,832	3,707,309
Passed Through the State of California - Department of Transportation				
Highway Planning and Construction	20.205	CMLG-6155(095)	42,876	-
Highway Planning and Construction	20.205	CMLG-6155(103)	112,397	-
Highway Planning and Construction	20.205	CMLG-6155(117)	160,528	-
Highway Planning and Construction	20.205	STPL-6155(090)	656,743	
Total 20.205 - Highway Planning and Construction			972,544	
Formula Grants - Rural Areas and Tribal Transit Program	20.509	CA-2023-038	390,779	
Total 20.509			390,779	
Direct Programs:				
Capital Assistance Elderly and Disabled	20.513	CA-16-X071	6,155	6,155
Capital Assistance Elderly and Disabled	20.513	CA-16-X071	1,635	1,635
Capital Assistance Elderly and Disabled	20.513	CA-16-X071	53,970	49,066
Capital Assistance Elderly and Disabled	20.513	CA-16-X071	87,557	87,557
Capital Assistance Elderly and Disabled	20.513	CA-2018-042	52,806	51,595
Capital Assistance Elderly and Disabled	20.513	CA-2019-118	51,594	51,594
Capital Assistance Elderly and Disabled	20.513	CA-2020-030	215,731	180,196
Total 20.513 - Transit Service Programs Cluster			469,448	427,798
Total Department of Transportation			12,510,623	4,135,167
Department of Homeland Security				
Passed through Federal Emergency Management Agency				
Disaster Grants - Public Assistance (Presidentially Declared Disasters)	97.036	FEMA-4683-DR-CA	257,065	
Total Department of Homeland Security			257,065	<u> </u>
Total Federal Financial Assistance			\$ 12,767,688	\$ 4,135,167

Note 1 - Basis of Presentation

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards (the schedule) includes the federal award activity of the Ventura County Transportation Commission (Commission) under programs of the federal government for the year ended June 30, 2024. The information 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 the Commission, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net position or fund balance, or cash flows of the Commission.

Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Expenditures reported in the schedule are reported on the modified accrual basis of accounting, except for subrecipient expenditures, which are recorded on a cash basis. When applicable, 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.

Note 3 - Indirect Cost Rate

The Organization has not elected to use the 10% de minimis cost rate.

Section I – Summary of Auditor's Results

No

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Type of auditor's report issued Unmodified

Internal control over financial reporting:

Material weaknesses identified

Significant deficiencies identified not considered

to be material weaknesses None reported

Noncompliance material to financial statements noted?

FEDERAL AWARDS

Internal control over major program:

Material weaknesses identified No

Significant deficiencies identified not considered

to be material weaknesses 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 Uniform Guidance 2 CFR 200.516: No

Identification of major programs:

Name of Federal Program Federal Financial Assistance Listing

Federal Transit Cluster 20.507, 20.526

Highway Planning and Construction 20.205

Dollar threshold used to distinguish between type A

and type B programs: \$ 750,000

Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?

Ventura County Transportation Commission Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs Year Ended June 30, 2024

Section II – Financial Statement Findings

None reported.

Ventura County Transportation Commission Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs Year Ended June 30, 2024

Section III – Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs

None reported.

Ventura County Transportation Commission Summary Schedule of Prior Audit Findings Year Ended June 30, 2024

Financial Statement Find	dings
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None identified.

Federal Award Findings

None identified.