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BASIC AUDIT REPORT

Noble County Soil and Water Conservation District Noble County 46049 Marietta Rd. Suite 5 Caldwell, Ohio 43724

We have completed certain procedures in accordance with Ohio Rev. Code § 117.01(G) to the accounting records and related documents of the Noble County Soil and Water Conservation District, Noble County, (the District) for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022.

Our procedures were designed solely to satisfy the audit requirements of Ohio Rev. Code § 117.11(A). Because our procedures were not designed to opine on the District's financial statements, we did not follow *generally accepted auditing standards*. We do not provide any assurance on the District's financial statements, transactions or balances for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022.

The District's management is responsible for preparing and maintaining its accounting records and related documents. Our responsibility under Ohio Rev. Code § 117.11(A) is to examine, analyze and inspect these records and documents.

Based on the results of our procedures, we found the following significant compliance or accounting issue to report.

Current Year Observation

We noted the District did not have a formal records retention schedule. Ohio Rev. Code §149.43(B)(2) states, in part, a public office shall have available a copy of its current records retention schedule at a location readily available to the public. Further Ohio Rev. Code § 149.381 states, in part, when a records commission shall send that schedule of records retention to the Ohio History Connection for its review. Upon completion of its review, the Ohio History Connection shall forward the schedule of records retention to the auditor of state for the auditor of state's approval or disapproval. The District should adopt a formal records retention schedule and send it to the Ohio History Connection for review. Our prior basic audit also reported this deficiency.

Keith Faber Auditor of State Columbus, Ohio

August 12, 2024



NOBLE COUNTY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT NOBLE COUNTY

AUDITOR OF STATE OF OHIO CERTIFICATION

This is a true and correct copy of the report, which is required to be filed pursuant to Section 117.26, Revised Code, and which is filed in the Office of the Ohio Auditor of State in Columbus, Ohio.



Certified for Release 8/22/2024

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