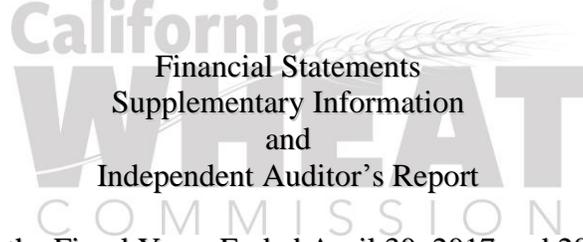


***CALIFORNIA WHEAT COMMISSION***



Financial Statements  
Supplementary Information  
and  
Independent Auditor's Report

For the Fiscal Years Ended April 30, 2017 and 2016

California Wheat Commission

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Commissioners  
of California Wheat Commission

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the California Wheat Commission which comprise the statements of net position as of April 30, 2017 and 2016, and the related statements of revenues, expenses and changes in net position, and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

### **Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements**

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

### **Auditor's Responsibility**

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

## **Opinion**

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the California Wheat Commission as of April 30, 2017 and 2016, and the results of its operations, and its cash flows for the fiscal years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

## **Other Matters**

### *Required Supplemental Information*

Management has omitted Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require to be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such missing information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. Our opinion on the basic financial statements is not affected by this missing information.

### *Other Supplemental Information*

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements as a whole. The statements of general and administrative expenses on page 20 are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the 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 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 financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements as a whole.



DAMORE, HAMRIC & SCHNEIDER, INC.  
Certified Public Accountants

August 25, 2017

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STATEMENTS OF NET POSITION

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ASSETS

<u>Current Assets:</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 306,639	\$ 371,628
Investments-Short-term	\$ 560,000	\$ 450,000
Receivables:		
Assessments	\$ 12,167	\$ 54,029
Other	9,750	7,681
	<u>\$ 21,917</u>	<u>\$ 61,710</u>
Prepays:		
Contracts	\$ 29,992	\$ 4,846
Expenses	16,238	8,703
	<u>\$ 46,230</u>	<u>\$ 13,549</u>
 Total Current Assets	 <u>\$ 934,786</u>	 <u>\$ 896,887</u>
 <u>Other Assets:</u>		
Property and Equipment, Net of Accumulated Depreciation	\$ 153,169	\$ 157,472
Total Non-Current Assets	<u>\$ 153,169</u>	<u>\$ 157,472</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$ 1,087,955</u>	<u>\$ 1,054,359</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

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STATEMENTS OF NET POSITION

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LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION

<u>Current Liabilities:</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Accounts Payable	\$ 9,948	\$ 11,018
Pension Payable	22,831	26,754
Accrued Vacation	<u>13,277</u>	<u>6,134</u>
Total Current and Total Liabilities	<u>\$ 46,056</u>	<u>\$ 43,906</u>
<u>Net Position:</u>		
Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt	\$ 153,169	\$ 157,472
Unrestricted	<u>888,730</u>	<u>852,981</u>
Total Net Position	<u>\$ 1,041,899</u>	<u>\$ 1,010,453</u>
Total Liabilities and Net Position	<u>\$ 1,087,955</u>	<u>\$ 1,054,359</u>

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STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION

For the Years Ended April 30, 2017 and 2016

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Assessments Revenue, Net of Refunds of \$0 in 2017 and \$2,167 in 2016	\$ 765,850	\$ 850,694
<u>Laboratory Revenue:</u>		
Crop Quality	\$ 6,635	\$ 9,418
Laboratory Analysis	<u>87,517</u>	<u>59,584</u>
	<u>\$ 94,152</u>	<u>\$ 69,002</u>
<u>Other Income:</u>		
Miscellaneous	\$ 7,606	\$ 6,166
Total Operating Revenue	<u>\$ 867,608</u>	<u>\$ 925,862</u>
<u>Expenses:</u>		
General and Administrative	\$ 274,323	\$ 287,151
Research Projects	284,275	344,586
Market Development	89,500	78,832
Laboratory	176,254	203,557
Depreciation	<u>15,873</u>	<u>16,764</u>
Total Operating Expenses	<u>\$ 840,225</u>	<u>\$ 930,890</u>
Operating Income (Loss)	<u>\$ 27,383</u>	<u>(\$ 5,028)</u>
<u>Other Income:</u>		
Interest Income	\$ 4,063	\$ 3,671
Total Other Income	<u>\$ 4,063</u>	<u>\$ 3,671</u>
Changes In Net Position	\$ 31,446	(\$ 1,357)
Net Position, Beginning of Year	<u>1,010,453</u>	<u>1,011,810</u>
Net Position, End of Year	<u>\$ 1,041,899</u>	<u>\$ 1,010,453</u>

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STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

For the Years Ended April 30, 2017 and 2016

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
<u>Cash Flows from Operating Activities:</u>		
Receipts from Handlers	\$ 907,402	\$ 886,687
Payments to Employees	( 337,975)	( 371,710)
Payments to Suppliers	( 516,909)	( 513,763)
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	<u>\$ 52,518</u>	<u>\$ 1,214</u>
<u>Cash Flows from Capital and Related Financing Activities:</u>		
Acquisition of Capital Assets	(\$ 11,570)	(\$ 22,110)
Net Cash Used in Capital and Related Financing Activities	<u>(\$ 11,570)</u>	<u>(\$ 22,110)</u>
<u>Cash Flows from Investing Activities:</u>		
Interest Income	\$ 4,063	\$ 3,671
Purchase of Investments	( 110,000)	
Sale of Investments	<u>                    </u>	<u>248,000</u>
Net Cash (Used in) Provided by Investing Activities	<u>(\$ 105,937)</u>	<u>\$ 251,671</u>
Net (Decrease) Increase in Cash and Cash Equivalents	(\$ 64,989)	\$ 230,775
Cash and Cash Equivalents, Beginning of Year	<u>371,628</u>	<u>140,853</u>
Cash and Cash Equivalents, End of Year	<u>\$ 306,639</u>	<u>\$ 371,628</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

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STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

For the Years Ended April 30, 2017 and 2016

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
<u>Reconciliation of Operating Income (Loss) to Net Cash</u>		
<u>Provided by Operating Activities:</u>		
Operating Income (Loss)	\$ 27,383	(\$ 5,028)
Adjustments to Reconcile Operating Income (Loss) to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities:		
Depreciation	15,873	16,764
(Increase) Decrease in:		
Receivables	39,793	( 39,175)
Prepaid Expenses	( 32,681)	42,323
Increase (Decrease) in:		
Accounts Payable	( 1,070)	5,011
Pension Payable	( 3,923)	( 4,764)
Accrued Vacation	7,143	( 13,917)
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	<u>\$ 52,518</u>	<u>\$ 1,214</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

The accounting policies of the California Wheat Commission (Commission) conform to U.S. generally accepted accounting principles as applied to government units. The following is a summary of significant accounting policies.

- A. Organization and Description of the Commission - The California Wheat Commission is a nonprofit, nontaxable instrumentality of the State of California operating within the authority of Chapter 10, Division 22 of the Food and Agriculture Code. It was formed in 1982 for the purpose of managing a research and market development program for the California wheat industry. The Commission conducts research into the development of wheat varieties more suitable to the domestic and export trade, as well as varieties more productive under California growing conditions.
- B. Financial Statements Presentation - The Commission applies all Governmental Accounting Standards (GASB) as promulgated in the GASB Codification (“the Codification”).

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board establishes standards for external financial reporting for all state and local governmental entities which requires the classification of net assets into three components - invested in capital assets, net of related debt, restricted, and unrestricted. These classifications are defined as follows:

- *Invested in capital assets, net of related debt* - This component of net assets consists of capital assets, including restricted capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances of any bonds, mortgages, notes, or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets.

If there are significant unspent related debt proceeds at year end, the portion of the debt attributable to the unspent proceeds are not included in the calculation of invested in capital assets, net of related debt. Rather, that portion of the debt is included in the same net assets component as the unspent proceeds. The Commission had no related debt at April 30, 2017 or 2016.

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NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued):

B. Financial Statements Presentation (Continued):

- *Restricted* - This component of net assets consists of restrictions placed on net asset use through external constraints imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments or constraints imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. The Commission had no restricted assets at April 30, 2017 or 2016.
- *Unrestricted* - This component of net assets consists of net assets that do not meet the definition of "restricted" or "invested in capital assets, net of related debt."

C. Basis of Accounting/Measurement Focus - The financial statements have been prepared using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Under the accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized in the period in which they are earned while expenses are recognized in the period in which the liability is incurred. Operating revenues are those revenues that are generated from primary operations. All other revenues are reported as non-operating revenues. Operating expenses are those expenses that are essential to primary operations. All other expenses are reported as non-operating expenses.

D. Cash and Cash Equivalents - For purposes of the statement of cash flows, the Commission considers all highly liquid debt instruments purchased with an original maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

E. Investments - The Commission can invest in certificates of deposit and treasury bills. Short-term investments as of April 30, 2017 consisted of various certificates of deposit with maturity dates ranging from May 2017 through September 2017.

Short-term investments as of April 30, 2016 consisted various certificates of deposit with maturity dates ranging from May 2016 through August 2016.

The certificates of deposits are recorded at carrying value.

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NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued):

- F. Assessments Receivable - The Commission's receivables consist of assessments to wheat growers located throughout California. The Commission considers assessments receivable to be fully collectible; accordingly, no allowance for doubtful accounts is required. If amounts become uncollectible, they will be charged to operations when that determination is made.
- G. Assessments Revenue - Commission operations are financed principally by assessments to wheat growers based on pounds of wheat handled. The assessment rates were 7.5 cents per hundred weight of wheat handled in the fiscal years ended April 30, 2017 and 2016.
- H. Property and Equipment - The Commission generally capitalizes all property and equipment expenditures with original cost of \$500 or more. Property and equipment are stated at cost. Depreciation and amortization are provided for in amounts sufficient to relate the cost of depreciable assets to operations over their estimated service lives, principally on a straight-line basis. Leasehold improvements are amortized over the lives of the respective leases, including renewal options, or the service lives of the improvements, whichever is shorter. The estimated lives used in determining depreciation and amortization are:
- |                               |            |
|-------------------------------|------------|
| Leasehold Improvements        | 23 years   |
| Machinery and Other Equipment | 3-10 years |
| Condominium Suite             | 40 years   |
- I. Use of Estimates - In preparing financial statements in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, management makes estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, as well as the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.
- J. Post-Retirement Benefits - The Commission provides no post-retirement benefits other than pensions (see Note 5) for its employees.

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NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued):

- K. Compensated Absences - The Commission accrues a liability for unpaid vacation in accordance with GASB 16. Vacation pay is accumulated at various rates depending on length of service.
- L. Use of Restricted/Unrestricted Net Assets - When an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net assets are available, the Commission's policy is to apply restricted net assets first.
- M. Operating/Non-Operating Revenue and Expenses - Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with the Commission's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues of the Commission are assessments to wheat growers. Operating expenses of the Commission include the cost of services, administrative expenses, and depreciation on capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating revenues and expenses.
- N. Comparative Data and Reclassifications - Comparative data for the prior year have been presented in the accompanying financial statements in order to provide an understanding of changes in the Commission's financial position and operations. Accordingly, certain amounts presented in the prior year data have been reclassified in order to be consistent with current year's presentation.
- O. Accounting Pronouncement That Has Been Implemented In The Current Financial Statements:

In February 2015, the GASB issued Statement No. 72 - *Fair Value Measurement and Application*. The objective of this Statement is to provide guidance for applying fair value to certain investments and disclosures related to all fair value measurements. Management has determined that there was no material impact on the Commission's financial statements as a result of implementation of this Statement.

NOTE 2 DEPOSITS WITH FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS:

The Commission maintains cash balances in financial institutions which are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) up to \$250,000 for interest-bearing and \$250,000 for noninterest-bearing accounts. During the years

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NOTE 2 DEPOSITS WITH FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS (Continued):

ended April 30, 2017 and 2016, the Commission was investing in Certificates of Deposit with Edward Jones with a balance of \$560,000 and \$450,000, respectively, all of which were fully insured.

The total carrying values of amounts on deposit with financial institutions as of April 30, 2017 and 2016 were as follows: cash and cash equivalents - \$306,639 and \$371,628, respectively; investments - \$560,000 and \$450,000, respectively.

*Custodial Credit Risk* - Custodial credit risk for deposits is the risk that, in the event of the failure of a depository financial institution, a depositor will not be able to recover collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The custodial credit risk for investments is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty (e.g., broker-dealer) to a transaction, a depositor will not be able to recover the value of its investment or collateral securities that are in the possession of another party. The Commission maintains its cash balances within insurance limits as a means of limiting its exposure to custodial credit risk.

*Interest Risk* - The Commission diversifies its investments by security type and institution, and limits holdings in any one type of investment with any one issuer as a means of limiting its exposure to interest rate risk. The Commission also varies investment maturity dates to ensure the Commission is able to change investment vehicles in response to changes in interest rates.

NOTE 3 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS:

The California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) provides marketing and supervision to the Commission. The Commission paid CDFA \$17,803 and \$13,356 for these services for the fiscal years ended April 30, 2017 and 2016, respectively. As of the end of the 2017 and 2016 fiscal years, amounts owed to CDFA for these services were \$2,184 and \$1,252, respectively.

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NOTE 4 PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT:

Property and equipment at April 30, 2017 consisted of:

<u>Capital Assets being Depreciated:</u>	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>
Leasehold Improvements	\$ 164,408	\$	\$	\$ 164,408
Office & Laboratory Equipment	543,058	11,570		554,628
Condominium Suite	<u>200,000</u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>200,000</u>
Total Capital Assets Being Depreciated	\$ 907,466	\$ 11,570	\$	\$ 919,036
Less Accumulated Depreciation	( 749,994)	( 15,873)	<u>          </u>	( 765,867)
Net Capital Assets	<u>\$ 157,472</u>	<u>(\$ 4,303)</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 153,169</u>

Property and equipment at April 30, 2016 consisted of:

<u>Capital Assets being Depreciated:</u>	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>
Leasehold Improvements	\$ 164,408	\$	\$	\$ 164,408
Office & Laboratory Equipment	521,997	22,110	1,049	543,058
Condominium Suite	<u>200,000</u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>200,000</u>
Total Capital Assets Being Depreciated	\$ 886,405	\$ 22,110	\$ 1,049	\$ 907,466
Less Accumulated Depreciation	( 734,279)	( 16,764)	( 1,049)	( 749,994)
Net Capital Assets	<u>\$ 152,126</u>	<u>\$ 5,346</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 157,472</u>

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NOTE 5 PENSION PLAN:

The Commission sponsors a defined contribution profit sharing 401(k) plan that was administered by Employee Fiduciary. Employees who are at least 20 years of age and have completed 1,000 hours of service are eligible to participate in the Plan. Participants vest in the Plan as follows:

<u>Years of Service</u>	<u>Percent Vested</u>
1	33.33%
2	66.67%
3	100.00%

The Plan provides that the Commission make annual contributions at 10% of total annual compensation paid to all participants. Total pension expense was \$22,831 and \$26,754 for the years ended April 30, 2017 and 2016, respectively. Employees may also elect to make additional individual contributions.

NOTE 6 BUDGETARY CONTROL:

The Commission adopts an operating budget at the beginning of each year. The following is a summary of the budgets and results for 2017 and 2016:

	<u>2017</u>			
	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Positive (Negative)</u>
Revenues	\$ 677,100	\$ 677,100	\$ 871,671	\$ 194,571
Expenses	894,360	894,360	840,225 *	54,135

\* Includes depreciation expense (unbudgeted item) of \$15,873.

	<u>2016</u>			
	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Positive (Negative)</u>
Revenues	\$ 877,100	\$ 877,100	\$ 929,533	\$ 52,433
Expenses	979,942	979,942	930,890 *	49,052

\* Includes depreciation expense (unbudgeted item) of \$16,764.

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NOTE 7 COMMITMENTS:

The Commission has entered into an operating lease commitment for office equipment totaling \$2,535 for the fiscal year ended April 30, 2017. There were no commitments as of April 30, 2016.

The future minimum operating lease commitments are as follows:

<u>Year Ending April 30,</u>		
2018	\$	574
2019		574
2020		574
2021		574
2022		239
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	\$	<u>2,535</u>

Total lease expense for the year ended April 30, 2017 was \$288.

NOTE 8 RISK MANAGEMENT:

The Commission self-insures various risks of losses related to theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets. It carries commercial general liability insurance coverage for operations in the amount of \$2,000,000 in the aggregate and \$1,000,000 single limit for personal and advertising injury and product damage, \$1,000,000 fire damage limit, combined single limit of \$1,000,000 for business auto, and \$20,000 coverage for medical expense and a workers compensation policy in the amount of \$1,000,000. As of April 30, 2017, no claims for damages had been asserted against the Board.

NOTE 9 CONTINGENCY:

The California Wheat Commission is subject to a re-approval hearing in the fifth year following the effective date of the marketing order and every five years thereafter. At that time, it is determined if the program is meeting the declared objectives and if it will be renewed for the following five years. The Commission was reconfirmed at a voting referendum in February 2013 to operate through April 2018.

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NOTE 10 SUBSEQUENT EVENTS:

Management has evaluated subsequent events through August 25, 2017, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

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STATEMENTS OF GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

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	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Salaries	\$ 154,669	\$ 151,831
Payroll Taxes and Employee Benefits	37,629	33,034
Staff Expenses	2,772	1,942
Commissioners' Meetings	4,847	4,107
Office Expenses	8,104	6,176
Office Services and Occupancy	8,691	9,471
Insurance	12,315	15,555
Condominium Fees	4,047	3,373
Professional Services	18,012	47,292
California Department of Food and Agriculture	17,803	13,356
Other Expenses	<u>5,434</u>	<u>1,014</u>
	<u>\$ 274,323</u>	<u>\$ 287,151</u>