AUDIT REPORT OF LINCOLN COUNTY, NEBRASKA

Year Ended June 30, 2007

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

County Board of Commissioners Lincoln County North Platte, Nebraska 69101

Board Members:

I have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Lincoln County, Nebraska as of and for the year ended June 30, 2007, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the County Board. My responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on my audit.

I conducted my audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that I plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. I believe that my audit provides a reasonable basis for my opinion.

As described in Note 1, these financial statements were prepared on the basis of cash receipts and disbursements, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In my opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective cash balances of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Lincoln County, Nebraska as of June 30, 2007, and the respective changes in cash balances thereof for the year then ended in conformity with basis of accounting described in Note 1.

The management's discussion and analysis and the budgetary comparison information are not a required part of the basic financial statements but are supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. I have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, I did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

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My audit was performed for the purpose of forming an opinion on the cash basis financial statements that collectively comprise Lincoln County's basic financial statements. The other supplementary information as listed in the financial section of the accompanying table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the cash basis financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the respective financial statements, and in my opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, I have also issued my report dated December 26, 2007 on my consideration of Lincoln County, Nebraska's internal control over financial reporting and my tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, grant agreements, and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of my testing of internal control over financial reporting and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit conducted in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, and should be considered in assessing the results of my audit.

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by U.S. Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations,* and is not a required part of the financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements taken as a whole.

Donald D. Wilson, CPA McCook, Nebraska

December 26, 2007

LINCOLN COUNTY, NEBRASKA MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

This section of Lincoln County's financial report presents a narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the County for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007. Please read it in conjunction with the County's financial statements, which follow this section.

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

This discussion and analysis are intended to serve as an introduction to Lincoln County's basic financial statements. The County's basic financial statements have three components: 1) government – wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements, and 3) notes to the financial statements. This report also contains information in addition to the basic financial statements.

Governement- Wide Financial Statements. The Statement of Net Assets – Cash Basis and the Statement of Activities – Cash Basis provide a broad overview of the County's overall financial status. Over time, increases or decreases in the County's net assets are one indicator of whether its financial health is improving or deteriorating. The County's financial statements are prepared on the cash basis of accounting and do not include capital assets, or accounts receivable and payable, which would need to be considered to assess the financial health of the County. Non-financial factors also need to be considered to assess the overall health of the County. Government-wide financial statements divide the County into two kinds of activities:

Governmental Activities – The County's basic service are included here. These activities are generally financed through taxes, charges for services, and State and Federal grants/contributions.

Component Units - No component units for the County were identified.

Fund Financial Statements. Fund financial statements focus on the individual parts of the County, reporting the County's operations in more detail than the government-wide statements by providing information about the County's most significant "major" funds. Funds are accounting devices used to keep track of specific sources of funding and spending for particular purposes.

The governmental funds statements tell how general governmental activities were financed in the short term as well as what remains for future spending.

Fiduciary funds statements provide information about financial relationships in which the County acts solely as a trustee or agent for the benefit of others. Fiduciary funds are not included on the government-wide statements.

Notes to the Financial Statements. The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of the government-wide and fund financial statements and provide essential information necessary for fair presentation of the financial statements.

Supplementary Information. This Management Discussion and Analysis and the Budgetary Comparison Schedules represent financial information which provides users of this report with additional data that supplements the government-wide statements, fund financial statements, and notes. This report also includes optional financial information such as combining statements for non-major funds (which are shown in the fund financial statements in a single column), budgetary comparison information for non-major funds, a schedule of office activities, and a schedule of taxes certified and collected for political subdivisions in the County. This information is provided to address specific needs of various users of the report.

BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The County's financial statements are presented on the cash basis of accounting, which is a basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles. Basis of accounting is a reference to when financial events are recorded, such as the timing of recognizing revenues, expenses, and related assets and liabilities. Under the cash basis of accounting, receipts and disbursements and related assets and liabilities are recorded when they result from cash transactions.

As a result of the use of the cash basis of accounting, certain assets and their related revenues (such as accounts receivable and revenue for billed or provided services not yet collected) and certain liabilities and their related expenses (such as accounts payable and expenses for good or services received but not yet paid, and accrued expenses and liabilities) are not recorded in these financial statements. Also, capital assets (land, buildings, furniture, equipment and infrastructure) and the related depreciation are not recorded. Therefore, when reviewing the financial information and discussion within this report, the reader should keep in mind the limitations resulting from the use of the cash basis of accounting.

GOVERNMENT – WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

Changes in Net Assets:

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007, net assets of the county increased 6%.

Restricted Unrestricted	2006 \$ 787,539 4,493,811	2007 \$ 716,421 4,886,657
Total Net Assets	5,281,350	5,603,078

Governmental Activities:

Receipts for the County's governmental activities increased 6%, and disbursements increased 4%.

4%.			Percent
	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>	Change
RECEIPTS:			2.7
Property Taxes	\$6,576,170	6,779,885	3%
Motor Vehicle Tax	1,131,941	1,151,575	2%
Federal Grants	809,242	652,301	-24%
Intergovernmental Receipts	2,824,699	3,351,354	16%
Inheritance Tax	441,095	709,340	38%
Interest	258,758	356,721	27%
Charges for Services	1,779,288	1,722,763	-3%
Miscellaneous	72,690	70,362	-3%
Total Cash Receipts:	13,893,883	14,794,301	6%
DISBURSEMENTS:			
General Government	\$4,450,895	4,584,792	3%
Public Safety	4,140,062	4,220,332	2%
Public Works	4,311,483	4,515,308	5%
Public Health	43,983	45,714	4%
Public Assistance	344,008	290,513	-18%
Culture & Recreation	306,038	374,833	18%
Capital Outlay	19,077	108,299	82%
Debt Service:	,		
Principal Retirement	295,000	310,000	5%
Interest	34,789	22,782	-53%
Total Disbursements	13,945,335	14,472,573	4%
Increase (Decrease) in			
Net Assets	(51,452)	321,728	116%
Net Assets Beginning of Year	5,332,802	5,281,350	-1%
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Net Assets End of Year	5,281,350	5,603,078	6%

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE COUNTY'S FUNDS

As noted earlier, the County uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. Certain funds experienced noteworthy changes from the prior year and are highlighted as follows:

** The 24% decrease in Federal Grants Receipts is due to the decrease in Homeland Security Funds that the county is receiving.

** The 18% decrease in public assistance was a pleasant surprise. The county contracts with the Nebraska Department of Health & Human Services. We can only guess that case workers are following the established guidelines more stringently or that they are finding other sources available for assistance for these clients.

** The 18% increase in Culture and Recreation is due to increased disbursements in the Visitors Promotion Improvement Fund.

**The 82% increase in Capital Outlay is due to expenditures out of the Building Fund for misc. repairs to the county facilities.

GENERAL FUND BUDGETARY HIGHLIGTS

Differences between the original budget and the final budget can be summarized as follows:

** There were no changes to the original budget in this fiscal year.

CAPITAL ASSET

As noted earlier, the financial statements are presented on the cash basis of accounting and therefore do not include capital assets.

LONG TERM COMMITMENTS:

Following is a description of long-term commitments activity during the year:

1. Road Bonds in the principal balance of \$325,000 which will be paid off in the next fiscal year. Graders, Tractors, Trailers with a balance of \$493,650 as of June 30, 2007.

ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGETS AND RATES

Describe any currently known facts or conditions expected to have a significant effect on net assets or receipts, disbursements, changes in net assets, budget and tax levies:

Insurance rates have increased considerably in the health insurance line item as well as the property, liability and workmen's compensation line items. This is an item over which the county has no control and would anticipate significant increases in the next budget year.

The increase in fuel prices has had a significant impact on the County Road and County Sheriff's Office.

Interest rate increases on investments had a positive effect on receipts.

STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS - CASH BASIS

JUNE 30, 2007

EXHIBIT A

	PRIMARY GOVERNMENT	
ASSETS	GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES	
Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents Designated Investments	4,354,850 1,248,228	
Total Assets	5,603,078	
NET ASSETS		
Restricted for: Road Bond Visitor's Promotion/Improvement Keno Lottery	384,915 133,573 197,933	
Unrestricted	4,886,657	
Total Net Assets	5,603,078	

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES - CASH BASIS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

Exhibit B

		Program Cash Receipts			Net (Disbursements) Receipt
		Fees, Fines, and	Operating	Capital	and Changes in Net Assets
	Cash	Charges for	Grants and	Grants and	Governmental
	Disbursements	Services	Contributions	Contributions	Activities
Governmental Activities:					
General Government	4,584,792	1,220,483	421,679	4 40 507	(2,942,630)
Public Safety	4,220,332	336,268	120,872	143,537	(3,619,655)
Public Works	4,515,308	130,003			(4,385,305)
Public Health	45,714	000			(45,714)
Public Assistance	290,513	900	00.005		(289,613)
Culture and Recreation	374,833		22,835		(351,998)
Capital Outlay	108,299				(108,299)
Debt Service	332,782				(332,782)
Total Governmental Activities	14,472,573	1,687,654	565,386	143,537	(12,075,996)
	Property taxes, I Property taxes, I Property taxes, I Property taxes, I Property taxes, I Motor Vehicle Tax Intergovernmenta Inheritance Tax Interest Miscellaneous	I	ance ecreation		6,292,607 130,225 74,157 10 36,699 246,187 1,151,575 3,329,841 709,340 356,721 70,362
	Total General Rece	eipts			12,397,724
	Changes in Net As	sets			321,728
	Net assets - Beginr	ning of Year			5,281,350
	Net assets - End of	Year			5,603,078

BALANCE SHEET - CASH BASIS GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

JUNE 30, 2007

ASSETS	General	Road	Inheritance Tax	Courthouse Building	Other Governmental Funds	Total
Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents Designated Investments	2,568,362	96,624	940,512	43 673,847	749,309 574,381	4,354,850 1,248,228
Total Assets	2,568,362	96,624	940,512	673,890	1,323,690	5,603,078
FUND BALANCES:						
Reserved for Debt Service Unreserved Unreserved, reported in nonmajor:	2,568,362	96,624	940,512	673,890	384,915	384,915 4,279,388
Special Revenue Funds					938,775	938,775
Total Fund Balances	2,568,362	96,624	940,512	673,890	1,323,690	5,603,078

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN CASH BASIS FUND BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

EXHIBIT D

		Special F	Revenue	Capital Project	NonMajor	Total
			Inheritance	Courthouse	Governmental	Governmental
	General	Road	Tax	Building	Funds	Funds
CASH RECEIPTS				¥		
Property Taxes	6,287,185			36,699	456,001	6,779,885
Motor Vehicle Tax	1,151,575					1,151,575
Federal Grants	618,343				33,958	652,301
Intergovernmental	700,231	2,320,767		358	365,107	3,386,463
Inheritance Tax			709,340			709,340
Charges for Services	1,454,470		,		233,184	1,687,654
Interest	337,688			7,199	11,834	356,721
Miscellaneous	33,247	595		,	36,520	70,362
Total Cash Receipts	10,582,739	2,321,362	709,340	44,256	1,136,604	14,794,301
CASH DISBURSEMENTS						
General Government	4,584,792					4,584,792
Public Safety	4,098,422				121,910	4,220,332
Public Works	101,945	3,903,264			510,099	4,515,308
Public Health	45,714					45,714
Public Assistance	186,041				104,472	290,513
Culture and Recreation	31,717				343,116	374,833
Capital Outlay				108,299		108,299
Debt Service						
Principal Retirement					310,000	310,000
Interest					22,782	22,782
Total Cash Disbursements	9,048,631	3,903,264	0	108,299	1,412,379	14,472,573
Excess of Cash Receipts Over						
(Under) Cash Disbursements	1,534,108	(1,581,902)	709,340	(64,043)	(275,775)	321,728
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)						
Transfers In		1,600,000			160,000	1,760,000
Transfers (Out)	(1,370,000)		(390,000)			(1,760,000)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(1,370,000)	1,600,000	(390,000)	0	160,000	0
Net Change in Fund Balances	164,108	18,098	319,340	(64,043)	(115,775)	321,728
Fund Balances, Beginning of Year	2,404,254	78,526	621,172	737,933	1,439,465	5,281,350
Fund Balances, End of Year	2,568,362	96,624	940,512	673,890	1,323,690	5,603,078

COMBINING STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY ASSETS AND LIABILITIES - CASH BASIS

AGENCY FUNDS

Year Ended June 30, 2007

EXHIBIT E

	Balance July 1, 2006	Receipts	Disbursements	Balance June 30, 2007
ASSETS				
Equity in Pooled Cash and				
Cash Equivalents	4,270,356	48,930,281	48,711,506	4,489,131
Total Assets	4,270,356	48,930,281	48,711,506	4,489,131
LIABILITIES				
State	562,234	6,121,067	6,137,692	545,609
Schools	2,938,346	30,924,951	30,868,075	2,995,222
Educational Service Units	5,908	355,597	356,109	5,396
Community College	34,228	2,039,043	2,042,610	30,661
Natural Resource Districts	26,039	706,755	702,003	30,791
Cemetery Districts	26,783	51,658	41,641	36,800
Fire Districts	52,972	487,503	402,755	137,720
Hospital Districts	59,487	73,172	53,293	79,366
Drainage Districts	3,718	19,165	19,280	3,603
Irrigation Districts	42,417	244,578	251,550	35,445
Municipalities	478,434	5,710,937	5,657,729	531,642
Agricultural Society	3,689	214,803	215,289	3,203
Airport Authority	14,434	790,095	787,327	17,202
Tax Increment Financing	13,261	1,173,036	1,157,269	29,028
Partial Payments	8,406	17,921	18,884	7,443
Total Liabilities	4,270,356	48,930,281	48,711,506	4,489,131
NET ASSETS	0	0	0	0

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the Year Ended June 30, 2007

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The following is a summary of the more significant accounting policies and procedures adopted by Lincoln County, Nebraska:

A. <u>Reporting Entity</u>:

A Reporting entity is composed of the primary government, component units, and other organizations that are included to ensure the financial statements of the county are not misleading. The County, for financial purposes, includes all of the funds relevant to the operation of Lincoln County. The financial statements presented herein do not include agencies which have been formed under applicable state laws or separate and distinct units of government apart from Lincoln County. The financial statements of the County include those of separately administered organizations that are controlled by, or dependent on, the County. Control or dependence is determined on the criteria of appointing a voting majority of an organization's governing body and (1) the ability of the county to impose its will on that organization or (2) the potential for the organization to provide specific benefits to or impose specific financial burdens on the county.

Other individual County offices maintain accounting records and account for monies received and disbursed directly by these offices. Only that portion of these monies which is subsequently receipted by the County Treasurer is reflected in the County's financial statements. Accountabilities of the monies for the various other offices of the county is presented on Schedules 6 of this report.

B. Basis of Presentation:

Government-wide Financial Statements:

The Statement of net assets and the statement of activities display information about the County as a whole. These statements include the financial activities of the primary government.

The statement of net assets presents the county's non-fiduciary assets and liabilities, with the difference reported as net assets. Net assets are reported in two categories:

Restricted Net Assets – result when constraints placed on net asset use are either externally imposed or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. The amount of restricted net assets was \$716,421 as of June 30, 2007.

Unrestricted Net Assets- have constraints on resources that are imposed by management, but can be removed or modified.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function. Program revenues include 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function and 2) grants and contribution that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED For the Year Ended June 30, 2007

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

B. <u>Basis of Presentation (Continued)</u>: Government-wide Financial Statements (Concluded):

Property tax and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenues.

Fund Financial Statements:

During the year, the county segregates transactions related to certain county functions or activities in separate funds in order to aid financial management and to demonstrate legal compliance. Fund financial statements are designed to present financial information of the county at this more detailed level. The county uses two categories of funds, governmental and fiduciary. The focus of governmental fund financial statements is on the major funds. Each major fund is presented in a separate column. Non-major funds are aggregated and presented in a single column. Fiduciary funds are reported by type.

The following are Lincoln County's major governmental funds:

General Fund:

The General Fund is the general operating fund of the County. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund. The general fund balance is available to the county for any purpose provided it is expended or transferred according to the general laws of Nebraska.

Road Fund (Special Revenue):

The Road Fund is used to account for revenues and expenditures for necessary road and bridge construction and improvements in accordance with Nebraska State Statute.

Inheritance Tax (Special Revenue):

The Inheritance Tax Fund is used to account for inheritance tax collected in accordance with Nebraska State Statute. The fund balance is available to the county for any purpose.

Courthouse Building (Capital Project):

The Courthouse Building Fund is used to account for taxes levied for the purpose of acquiring or repairing courthouse facilities.

Fiduciary Funds:

Fiduciary fund reporting focuses on net assets and changes in net assets. The County's only fiduciary funds are agency funds. The agency funds account for assets held by the County for political subdivisions in which the county acts as a fiscal agent and for taxes, state-levied shared revenues, and fines and forfeitures collected and distributed to other political subdivisions.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED For the Year Ended June 30, 2007

NOTE 1: <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED):</u>

B. <u>Basis of Presentation (Concluded)</u>:

Reservation of Fund Balance:

Reservations of fund balances are reported for amounts that are not available for appropriations or are legally restricted by outside parties for use for a specific purpose.

C. Basis of Accounting:

The funds of the County and the financial statements have been prepared on the cash receipts and disbursements basis of accounting. Revenues are taken into account only when received by the county and expenditures are recorded when warrants are issued. This differs from generally accepted accounting principles, which require governmental fund accounting to follow the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when they become susceptible to accrual and obligations are generally recognized when they are incurred.

D. Capital Assets:

Capital assets, which include property, equipment and vehicles, and infrastructure assets (e.g., roads, bridges, culverts, and similar items which are immovable and of value only to the government), are not reported in the governmental activities column in the government-wide statement of net assets. The capital assets acquisitions are reflected as expenditures in governmental funds, and not capitalized.

E. <u>Revenue Recognition – Property Taxes</u>:

Property taxes are levied by October 15 based on valuations as of April 1. Real Estate taxes become due and attach as an enforceable lien on property as of December 31. Real Estate and Personal Property taxes are payable in two installments and become delinquent on May 1 and September 1, following the levy date. Motor Vehicle taxes are due when application is made for registration of a Motor Vehicle. Counties are permitted by the State Constitution to levy a tax of up to \$.50/\$100 of assessed valuation for general governmental services, except that \$.05 of \$100 of taxable valuation of property subject to the levy may only be levied to provide financing for the County's share of revenue required under an agreement executed pursuant to the Inter-local Cooperation act. The County may allocate up to fifteen cents of its authority to other political subdivisions including: Fire Districts, Cemetery Districts, and a Historical Society. The County may levy taxes in addition to the .50-cent limitation upon a vote of the people.

The levy set in October, 2006 for 2006 taxes which will be materially collected in May and September, 2007, was set at \$.27271/\$100 of assessed valuation. Assessed valuation for Lincoln County for the 2006 tax levy was \$2,444,472,211.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED For the Year Ended June 30, 2007

NOTE 1: <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONCLUDED):</u>

E. <u>Revenue Recognition – Property Taxes (Concluded):</u>

Additionally, there is currently a legislatively imposed lid limitation, which limits taxation to the prior year's level, with provisions for growth and the reduction of state aid. It may be increased by 2.5%, plus allowable growth, and an additional 1% by a three/fourths majority of the County Board, or to any level by a vote of the people in the county.

NOTE 2: <u>CASH AND POOLED INVESTMENTS:</u>

The County Treasurer has generally pooled the cash resources of the various funds for investment purposes. Cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand and demand deposits. Interest earned on pooled funds is credited to the County General Fund in accordance with Section 77-2315, R.R.S. 1943. Investments made specifically from and for a particular fund are summarized as "Designated Investments". Interest on these investments is credited to the fund from which the investment is made, also in accordance with the above-cited statute.

The types of investments the County is authorized to invest funds in are enumerated in State Statutes and generally include U.S. government obligations, certificates of deposit, time deposits and securities in which the state investment officer is authorized to invest. As defined by Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement #3, the County had no investments as of June 30, 2007.

Lincoln County is a participant in an external investment pool, the Nebraska Public Agency Investment Trust (NPAIT). NPAIT is a separate legal and administrative entity organized and existing pursuant to the Inter-Local Cooperation Act and other Nebraska law. NPAIT was established as of July 11, 1996, by the adoption of an Inter-Local Agreement and Declaration of Trust by the Initial Participants and Settlers. The County Treasurer had \$1,396,373 invested with NPAIT as of June 30, 2007. Securities held by NPAIT are not held in the County's name.

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the government's deposits may not be returned to it. The government policy requires pledged securities to be at least 120% of the amount of deposits over and above the amounts insured by the FDIC. State law restricts the type of collateral securities allowed. The deposits for Lincoln County as of June 30, 2007 were entirely covered by federal depository insurance or by collateral securities pledged to the County Treasurer and held by the safekeeping department of the depository's correspondent bank.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENT - CONTINUED For the Year Ended June 30, 2007

NOTE 3: INTERFUND TRANSFERS:

The detail of interfund transfers for the year ended June 30, 2007 is as follows:

Transfers To	Transfers From	Amount
Road	General	1,250,000
Road	Inheritance (Special Revenue)	350,000
Noxious Weed	General	120,000
Institutions	Inheritance	20,000
Juvenile Facility	Inheritance	20,000

Transfers generally move resources from the General Fund, statutorily required to collect the resources, to the fund statutorily required to expend the resources. Transfers from the Inheritance Tax move reserve funds over to other funds as needed. These transfers are not required to be paid back.

NOTE 4: <u>RETIREMENT PROGRAM:</u>

The Retirement Program for Nebraska Counties is a multiple-employer cash balance benefit plan or a defined contribution plan administered by the Nebraska Public Employees Retirement Board (NPERB) in accordance with the provisions of the County Employees Retirement Act beginning at State Statute Section 23-2301.

Each member who is employed and participating in the retirement system prior to January 1, 2003, may either elect to continue participation in the defined contribution benefit plan or elect to participate in the cash balance benefit plan. All new members as of January 1, 2003 will participate in the cash balance benefit plan. In a cash balance benefit plan, benefits depend on amounts contributed to the plan plus interest credits. In a defined contribution plan, benefits depend on amounts contributed to the plan plus investment earnings. All elected officials and full-time employees who have attained the age of twenty will begin immediate plan participation upon hire. Permanently employed part-time employees may exercise the option to begin immediate participation. Employees contribute 4.5% of their salary and the county match is 6.75% of the salary. Commissioned law enforcement personnel employed by the county contribute 5.5% of their salary and the county match is 7.75% of the salary. The employee and employer's contributions are kept in separate accounts. The employer's account is fully vested. The employee's account is vested 100% after three years participation in the plan. Prior service benefits are paid directly by the County to the retired employee. The county's contributions to NPERB for the years ended June 30, 2007, 2006, and 2005 were \$378,029, \$345,202, and \$329,654, respectively. Prior service benefit paid was \$4,244, \$4,294, and \$4,347, for the three fiscal years.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENT - CONTINUED For the Year Ended June 30, 2007

NOTE 5: CHANGES IN LONG-TERM COMMITMENTS:

A summary of changes in long-term commitments for the year ended June 30, 2007 is as follows:

	Balance			Balance
	July 1, 2006	Additions	Retirements	June 30, 2007
Road Improvement Bonds	\$ 635,000		310,000	325,000
Road Equipment Lease	648,795		155,145	493,650
Total	1,283,795	0	465,145	818,650

ROAD IMPROVEMENT BONDS:

The County entered into an agreement with Union Bank & Trust to issue Road Improvement Bonds on January 16, 2001. The Bond amount was \$2,000,000 with payments scheduled July 15, 2001 through January 15, 2008. The Bond and Coupon payments due at June 30, 2007 are as follows:

Year Ended	Road Bonds				
	Principal	Interest	Total		
June 30, 2008	<u>325,000</u>	<u>14,950</u>	<u>339,950</u>		

ROAD EQUIPMENT LEASE:

The County entered into a lease purchase agreement with First National Bank of North Platte for the purchase of motor graders, trailers, and tractors. Payments are due in semiannual payments of \$88,042, with interest at 3.0%. Final payment is due July 10, 2010. The annual payments due at June 30, 2007 are as follows:

Year Ended	Road Bonds				
	Principal	Interest	Total		
June 30, 2008	165,364	10,720	176,084		
June 30, 2009	162,866	13,218	176,084		
June 30, 2010	165,420	10,664	176,084		
Total	493,650	34,602	528,252		

NOTE 6: FEDERALLY ASSISTED PROGRAMS:

The County receives substantial grants from the federal and state governments, all of which are subject to audit by the respective governments. Subsequent audits may disallow expenditures financed by governmental grant programs, although past audits have resulted in no violations of grant regulations and no requests for reimbursement. It is the opinion of management that requests for reimbursement, if any, by either the federal or state governments based on subsequent audits will not be material in relation to the County's financial statements as of June 30, 2007.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENT - CONCLUDED For the Year Ended June 30, 2007

NOTE 7: <u>RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS:</u>

There were no related party transactions having a material effect on the financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2007.

NOTE 8: ACCUMULATED COMPENSATED ABSENCES:

It is the County's Policy to permit employees to accumulate a limited amount of earned but unused vacation and sick leave. Upon separation from the County's service, the accumulated vacation would be paid but the sick leave would be forfeited. The cost of vacation and sick leave are recognized when payments are made to the individual.

NOTE 9: JOINT VENTURE:

Lincoln County has entered into an agreement with the other counties in Region II in conjunction with the Nebraska Department of Public Institutions to provide services to carry out the provisions of the alcoholism and drug abuse services and the Developmental Disabilities Services Act (Acts). Region II consists of the following counties: Grant, Hooker, Thomas, Arthur, McPherson, Logan, Keith, Lincoln, Perkins, Chase, Hayes, Frontier, Dawson, Gosper, Dundy, Hitchcock and Red Willow. The governing boards for Region II services are established by Statute and the agreements and include representatives from the participating county boards. Funding is provided by a combination of federal, state, local, and private funding. Lincoln County contributed \$132,244 toward the operation of Region II during fiscal year 2007. The Nebraska Department of Public Institutions requires the Region to be audited annually in accordance with State Statute. Financial information for the Region is available in that audit report.

NOTE 10: COUNTY INSURANCE:

The County is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The County has purchased commercial insurance to offset these certain risks. Settled claims have not exceeded this commercial coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

SCHEDULE OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN CASH BASIS FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL GENERAL FUND

For the Year Ended June 30, 2007

EXHIBIT F

	Budgeted	Amounts		Variance With Final Budget
	Original	Final	Actual	Over (Under)
CASH RECEIPTS:	0		·	
Taxes	7,037,400	7,037,400	7,438,760	401,360
Federal	912,000	912,000	618,343	(293,657)
State	335,150	335,150	677,236	342,086
Local	1,966,184	1,966,184	1,848,400	(117,784)
Total Cash Receipts	10,250,734	10,250,734	10,582,739	332,005
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:				
General Government:				
Board of Commissioners	99,865	99,865	96,363	3,502
Clerk	231,850	231,850	227,419	4,431
Treasurer	394,205	394,205	379,952	14,253
Register of Deeds	131,185	131,185	129,393	1,792
Assessor	458,510	458,510	442,962	15,548
Planning Commission	26,620	26,620	24,700	1,920
Data Processing	74,150	74,150	52,213	21,937
Adv., Insurance and Bonds	1,170,200	1,170,200	1,123,364	46,836
Federal Payroll	330,000	330,000	320,529	9,471
Clerk of the District Court	261,830	261,830	235,719	26,111
County Court System	38,020	38,020	37,819	201
District Court	48,275	48,275	45,983	2,292
Public Defender	381,180	381,180	380,732	448
Building and Grounds	295,465	295,465	295,293	172
Extension Office	137,195	137,195	137,189	6
Photostat Department	47,700	47,700	36,454	11,246
Retirement	308,500	308,500	291,654	16,846
Unemployment	8,000	11,100	11,068	32
Miscellaneous	549,570	546,470	315,986	230,484
Total General Government	4,992,320	4,992,320	4,584,792	407,528
Public Safety:				
Sheriff	1,635,438	1,635,438	1,583,575	51,863
Attorney	497,690	497,690	482,649	15,041
Communication Center	123,450	123,450	110,568	12,882
Merit Commission	1,700	1,700	282	1,418
Child Support	226,840	226,840	192,263	34,577
Jail	1,106,000	1,106,000	1,105,649	351
Probation Office	77,500	77,500	77,493	7
Mutual Fire Organization	300,000	300,000	298,181	1,819
Emergency Management	659,005	659,005	202,720	456,285
Dive & Rescue Team	18,000	18,000	17,956	44
Miscellaneous	40,200	40,200	27,086	13,114
Total Public Safety	4,685,823	4,685,823	4,098,422	587,401
Public Works:				
Surveyor	89,200	89,200	81,149	8,051
Miscellaneous	20,800	20,800	20,796	4
Total Public Works	110,000	110,000	101,945	8,055

SCHEDULE OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN CASH BASIS FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL GENERAL FUND

For the Year Ended June 30, 2007

EXHIBIT F CONCLUDED

	Budgeted <i>i</i>	Amounts		Variance With Final Budget	
	Original	Final	Actual	Over (Under)	
CASH DISBURSEMENTS, CONCLUDED: Public Health:					
Miscellaneous	45,715	45,715	45,714	1	
Total Public Health	45,715	45,715	45,714	1	
Public Assistance:					
Relief	211,300	211,300	113,658	97,642	
Veteran's Service Officer	59,410	59,410	58,683	727	
Miscellaneous	13,700	13,700	13,700	0_	
Total Public Assistance	284,410	284,410	186,041	98,369	
Culture and Recreation:					
Miscellaneous	31,720	31,720	31,717	3	
Total Culture and Recreation	31,720	31,720	31,717	3	
Total Cash Disbursements	10,149,988	10,149,988	9,048,631	1,101,357	
Excess of Cash Receipts Over (Under) Cash Disbursements	100,746	100,746	1,534,108	1,433,362	
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES): Operating Transfers In					
Operating Transfers (Out)	(1,390,000)	(1,390,000)	(1,370,000)	20,000	
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(1,390,000)	(1,390,000)	(1,370,000)	20,000	
Net Change in Fund Balance	(1,289,254)	(1,289,254)	164,108	1,453,362	
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year	2,404,254	2,404,254	2,404,254	0	
Fund Balance, End of Year	1,115,000	1,115,000	2,568,362	1,453,362	

See Accompanying Notes to Budgetary Reporting

SCHEDULE OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN CASH BASIS FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL ROAD FUND

For the Year Ended June 30, 2007

EXHIBIT G

	Budgeted			Variance With Final Budget
	Original	Final	Actual	Over (Under)
CASH RECEIPTS: State Local	2,166,010 170,778	2,166,010 170,778	2,320,660 702	154,650 (170,076)
Total Cash Receipts	2,336,788	2,336,788	2,321,362	(15,426)
CASH DISBURSEMENTS: Public Works:				
Road Department	3,916,029	3,916,029	3,903,264	12,765
Total Cash Disbursements	3,916,029	3,916,029	3,903,264	12,765
Excess of Cash Receipts Over (Under) Cash Disbursements	(1,579,241)	(1,579,241)	(1,581,902)	(2,661)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES) Operating Transfers In Operating Transfers (Out)	1,750,000	1,750,000	1,600,000	(150,000)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	1,750,000	1,750,000	1,600,000	(150,000)
Net Change in Fund Balance	170,759	170,759	18,098	(152,661)
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year	78,526	78,526	78,526	
Fund Balance, End of Year	249,285	249,285	96,624	(152,661)

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SCHEDULE OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN CASH BASIS FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL INHERITANCE TAX

For the Year Ended June 30, 2007

EXHIBIT H

	Budgeted . Original	Amounts Final	Actual	Variance With Final Budget Over (Under)
CASH RECEIPTS: Local			709,340	709,340
Total Cash Receipts	0	0	709,340	709,340
CASH DISBURSEMENTS: General Government Public Safety	10,000	10,000		10,000 0
Total Cash Disbursements	10,000	10,000	0	10,000
Excess of Cash Receipts Over (Under) Cash Disbursements OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	(10,000)	(10,000)	709,340	719,340
Operating Transfers In Operating Transfers (Out)	(540,000)	(540,000)	(390,000)	150,000
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(540,000)	(540,000)	(390,000)	150,000
Net Change in Fund Balance	(550,000)	(550,000)	319,340	869,340
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year	621,172	621,172	621,172	0
Fund Balance, End of Year	71,172	71,172	940,512	869,340

See Accompanying Notes to Budgetary Reporting

NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION BUDGETARY REPORTING

For the Year Ended June 30, 2007

NOTE 1: GAAP REQUIREMENTS:

Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) requires budgetary comparison schedules for the General Fund, and for each major special revenue funds that have a legally adopted annual budget. GAAP further requires the budgetary comparison schedules to include the original budget and final budget amounts. The original budget is the first complete appropriated budget adjusted by reserves, transfers, allocations, supplemental appropriations, and other legally authorized legislative and executive changes before the beginning of the fiscal year. The final budget is the original budget adjusted by all reserves, transfers, allocations, supplemental appropriations, and other legally authorized legislative and executive changes applicable to the fiscal year as approved by the County Board.

NOTE 2: <u>BUDGET POLICY</u>:

The County follows these procedures in establish the budgetary data reflected in the schedules in accordance with the statutory requirements of the Nebraska Budget Act.

On or before August 1 the finance committee or other designated budget-making authority prepares and transmits a budget for each County fund showing the requirements, the outstanding warrants, the operating reserve to be maintained, the cash on hand at the close of the preceding fiscal year, the revenue from sources other than taxation, and the amount to be raised by taxation. The budget, like the County financial statements, is prepared on the cash receipts and disbursements basis of accounting. The budget contains only those revenues, which have actually been received by the County Treasurer.

The County Board must hold at least one public hearing. Prior to September 20, after the action of the State Board of Equalization and Assessment has been certified to the County Clerk, the budget, as revised, is adopted and the amounts provided therein are appropriated.

The County Board is authorized to transfer budgeted amounts between departments within any fund through resolution; however, revisions that alter the total expenditures of any fund require that an additional public hearing be held. Appropriations lapse at year-end.

COMBINING BALANCE SHEET NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

June 30, 2007

SCHEDULE 1

ASSETS	Special Revenue Funds (Schedule 3)	Debt Service Fund Road Bond	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds (Exhibit C)
Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents Designated Investments	746,156 192,619	3,153 381,762	749,309 574,381
Total Assets	938,775	384,915	1,323,690
FUND BALANCES: Reserved Unreserved	938,775	384,915	384,915 938,775
Total Fund Balances	938,775	384,915	1,323,690

COMBINING SCHEDULE OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN CASH BASIS FUND BALANCES NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

SCHEDULE 2

	Special Revenue Funds (Schedule 4)	Debt Service Fund Road Bond	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds (Exhibit D)
CASH RECEIPTS Property Taxes	209,814	246,187	456,001
Federal Grants Intergovernmental	33,958 361,692	3,415	33,958 365,107
Charges for Services	233,184		233,184
Interest Miscellaneous	1,960 36,520	9,874	11,834 36,520
wiscellaneous	30,520		30,520
Total Cash Receipts	877,128	259,476	1,136,604
CASH DISBURSEMENTS			
Public Safety	121,910		121,910
Public Works	510,099		510,099
Public Assistance Culture and Recreation	104,472 343,116		104,472 343,116
Debt Service:	545,110		545,110
Principal Retirement		310,000	310,000
Interest		22,782	22,782
Total Cash Disbursements	1,079,597	332,782	1,412,379
Excess of Cash Receipts Over			
(Under) Cash Disbursements	(202,469)	(73,306)	(275,775)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES) Transfers In Transfers Out	160,000		160,000
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	160,000	0	160,000
Net Change in Fund Balances	(42,469)	(73,306)	(115,775)
Fund Balances, Beginning of Year	981,244	458,221	1,439,465
Fund Balances, End of Year	938,775	384,915	1,323,690

LINCOLN COUNTY

COMBINING BALANCE SHEET NONMAJOR SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

June 30, 2007

	Special Road	Visitor's Promotion	Visitor's Improvement	Institutions	Drug Law Enforcement	Federal Forfeitures
ASSETS Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents Designated Investments	381,174	79,119	54,454	34,720	7,673	5,681
Total Assets	381,174	79,119	54,454	34,720	7,673	5,681
FUND BALANCES: Unreserved	381,174	79,119	54,454	34,720	7,673	5,681
Total Fund Balances	381,174	79,119	54,454	34,720	7,673	5,681

	Victims Assistance	Keno Lottery	Handicapped Accessibility	Noxious Weed	Historical Society	Total Nonmajor Special Revenue Funds (Schedule 1)
ASSETS						
Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	43,784	5,314	80,191	54,043	3	746,156
Designated Investments	·	192,619				192,619
Total Assets	43,784	197,933	80,191	54,043	3	938,775
FUND BALANCES:						
Unreserved	43,784	197,933	80,191	54,043	3	938,775
Total Fund Balances	43,784	197,933	80,191	54,043	3	938,775

COMBINING SCHEDULE OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN CASH BASIS FUND BALANCES NONMAJOR SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

For The Year Ended June 30, 2007

SCHEDULE 4

	Special Road	Visitor's Promotion	Visitor's Improvement	Institutions	Drug Law Enforcement
CASH RECEIPTS Property Taxes	130,225			74,157	
Federal Grants Intergovernmental Charges for Services Interest	1,528 1,758	249,665	75,610	1,023	
Miscellaneous		2,454			7,673
Total Cash Receipts	133,511	252,119	75,610	75,180	7,673
CASH DISBURSEMENTS Public Safety Public Works	176,255				7,765
Public Works Public Assistance Culture and Recreation	176,235	287,845	55,128	104,472	
Total Cash Disbursements	176,255	287,845	55,128	104,472	7,765
Excess of Cash Receipts Over (Under) Cash Disbursements	(42,744)	(35,726)	20,482	(29,292)	(92)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES) Transfers In Transfers (Out)				20,000	
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	0	0	0	20,000	0
Net Change in Fund Balances	(42,744)	(35,726)	20,482	(9,292)	(92)
Fund Balances, Beginning of Year	423,918	114,845	33,972	44,012	7,765
Fund Balances, End of Year	381,174	79,119	54,454	34,720	7,673

COMBINING SCHEDULE OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN CASH BASIS FUND BALANCES NONMAJOR SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

For The Year Ended June 30, 2007

SCHEDULE 4
CONTINUED

	Federal Forfeitures	Victims Assistance	Keno Lottery	Juvenile Facility	Handicapped Accessibility
CASH RECEIPTS Property Taxes Federal Grants		33,958	,		5,422
Intergovernmental Charges for Services Interest Miscellaneous	26,356		103,181 1,960	33,787	79
Miscellaneous	20,330				
Total Cash Receipts	26,356	33,958	105,141	33,787	5,501
CASH DISBURSEMENTS Public Safety Public Works Public Assistance Culture and Recreation	24,327	31,968	75,209	53,787	4,063
Total Cash Disbursements	24,327	31,968	75,209	53,787	4,063
Excess of Cash Receipts Over (Under) Cash Disbursements	2,029	1,990	29,932	(20,000)	1,438
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES) Transfers In Transfers (Out)				20,000	
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	0	0	0	20,000	0
Net Change in Fund Balances	2,029	1,990	29,932	0	1,438
Fund Balances, Beginning of Year	3,652	41,794	168,001	0	78,753
Fund Balances, End of Year	5,681	43,784	197,933	0	80,191

COMBINING SCHEDULE OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN CASH BASIS FUND BALANCES NONMAJOR SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

For The Year Ended June 30, 2007

SCHEDULE 4 CONCLUDED

	Noxious Weed	Historical Society	Total Nonmajor Special Revenue Funds (Schedule 2)
CASH RECEIPTS Property Taxes Federal Grants Intergovernmental		10	209,814 33,958 361,692
Charges for Services Interest Miscellaneous	128,245 37		233,184 1,960 36,520
Total Cash Receipts	128,282	10	877,128
CASH DISBURSEMENTS Public Safety Public Works Public Assistance Culture and Recreation	258,635	143_	121,910 510,099 104,472 343,116
Total Cash Disbursements	258,635	143	1,079,597
Excess of Cash Receipts Over (Under) Cash Disbursements	(130,353)	(133)	(202,469)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES) Transfers In Transfers (Out)	120,000		160,000
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	120,000	0	160,000
Net Change in Fund Balances	(10,353)	(133)	(42,469)
Fund Balances, Beginning of Year	64,396	136	981,244
Fund Balances, End of Year	54,043	3	938,775

SCHEDULE OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN CASH BASIS FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL NONMAJOR FUNDS

For the Year Ended June 30, 2007

SCHEDULE 5

	Budgeted A	Amounts		Variance With Final Budget
	Original	Final	Actual	Over (Under)
SPECIAL ROAD CASH RECEIPTS	51,082	51,082	133,511	82,429
CASH DISBURSEMENTS	475,000	475,000	176,255	298,745
Net Change in Fund Balance Fund Balance, Beginning of Year	(423,918) 423,918	(423,918) 423,918	(42,744) 423,918	381,174
Fund Balance, End of Year	0	0	381,174	381,174
VISITOR'S PROMOTION CASH RECEIPTS	275,421	275,421	252,119	(23,302)
CASH DISBURSEMENTS	366,950	366,950	287,845	79,105
Net Change in Fund Balance Fund Balance, Beginning of Year	(91,529) 114,845	(91,529) 114,845	(35,726) 114,845	55,803
Fund Balance, End of Year	23,316	23,316	79,119	55,803
VISITOR'S IMPROVEMENT				
CASH RECEIPTS	65,000	65,000	75,610	10,610
CASH DISBURSEMENTS	82,900	82,900	55,128	27,772
Net Change in Fund Balance Fund Balance, Beginning of Year	(17,900) 33,972	(17,900) 33,972	20,482 33,972	38,382
Fund Balance, End of Year	16,072	16,072	54,454	38,382
INSTITUTIONS				
CASH RECEIPTS	58,988	58,988	75,180	16,192
CASH DISBURSEMENTS	113,000	113,000	104,472	8,528
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES Operating Transfers In	20,000	20,000	20,000	0
Net Change in Fund Balance Fund Balance, Beginning of Year	(34,012) 44,012	(34,012) 44,012	(9,292) 44,012	24,720
Fund Balance, End of Year	10,000	10,000	34,720	24,720
DRUG LAW ENFORCEMENT CASH RECEIPTS	150,000	150,000	7,673	(142,327)
CASH DISBURSEMENTS	150,000	150,000	7,765	142,235
Net Change in Fund Balance Fund Balance, Beginning of Year	0 7,765	0 7,765	(92) 7,765	(92)
Fund Balance, End of Year	7,765	7,765	7,673	(92)

SCHEDULE OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN CASH BASIS FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL NONMAJOR FUNDS

For the Year Ended June 30, 2007

SCHEDULE 5 CONTINUED

	Budgeted A	mounts		Variance With Final Budget
	Original	Final	Actual	Over (Under)
FEDERAL FORFEITURES CASH RECEIPTS	200,000	200,000	26,356	(173,644)
CASH DISBURSEMENTS	200,000	200,000	24,327	175,673
Net Change in Fund Balance Fund Balance, Beginning of Year	0 3,652	0 3,652	2,029 3,652	2,029
Fund Balance, End of Year	3,652	3,652	5,681	2,029
VICTIMS ASSISTANCE CASH RECEIPTS	42,000	42,000	33,958	(8,042)
CASH DISBURSEMENTS	72,951	72,951	31,968	40,983
Net Change in Fund Balance Fund Balance, Beginning of Year	(30,951) 41,794	(30,951) 41,794	1,990 41,794	32,941
Fund Balance, End of Year	10,843	10,843	43,784	32,941
KENO LOTTERY				
CASH RECEIPTS	57,099	57,099	105,141	48,042
CASH DISBURSEMENTS	225,100	225,100	75,209	149,891
Net Change in Fund Balance Fund Balance, Beginning of Year	(168,001) 168,001	(168,001) 168,001	29,932 168,001	197,933
Fund Balance, End of Year	0	0	197,933	197,933
JUVENILE FACILITY CASH RECEIPTS	40,000	40,000	33,787	(6,213)
CASH DISBURSEMENTS	60,000	60,000	53,787	6,213
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES Operating Transfers In	20,000	20,000	20,000	0
Net Change in Fund Balance Fund Balance, Beginning of Year	0	0	0	0
Fund Balance, End of Year	0	0	0	0
HANDICAPPED ACCESSIBILITY CASH RECEIPTS	5,247	5,247	5,501	254
CASH DISBURSEMENTS	84,000	84,000	4,063	79,937
Net Change in Fund Balance Fund Balance, Beginning of Year	(78,753) 78,753	(78,753) 78,753	1,438 78,753	80,191
Fund Balance, End of Year	0	0	80,191	80,191

SCHEDULE OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN CASH BASIS FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL NONMAJOR FUNDS

For the Year Ended June 30, 2007

SCHEDULE 5 CONCLUDED

	Budgeted			Variance With Final Budget
	Original	Final	Actual	Over (Under)
NOXIOUS WEED CASH RECEIPTS	107,434	107,434	128,282	20,848
CASH DISBURSEMENTS	309,830	309,830	258,635	51,195
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES Operating Transfers In	140,000	140,000	120,000	(20,000)
Net Change in Fund Balance Fund Balance, Beginning of Year	(62,396) 64,396	(62,396) 64,396	(10,353) 64,396	52,043
Fund Balance, End of Year	2,000	2,000	54,043	52,043
HISTORICAL SOCIETY CASH RECEIPTS	164	164	10	(154)
CASH DISBURSEMENTS	300	300	143	157
Net Change in Fund Balance Fund Balance, Beginning of Year	(136) 136	(136) 136	(133) 136	3
Fund Balance, End of Year	0	0	3	3
ROAD BOND				
CASH RECEIPTS	203,657	203,657	259,476	55,819
CASH DISBURSEMENTS	661,878	661,878	332,782	329,096
Net Change in Fund Balance Fund Balance, Beginning of Year	(458,221) 458,221	(458,221) 458,221	(73,306) 458,221	384,915
Fund Balance, End of Year	0	0	384,915	384,915

SCHEDULE OF OFFICE ACTIVITIES

For The Year Ended June 30, 2007

SCHEDULE 6

	County Clerk	Register of Deeds	Clerk of the District Court	County Sheriff	County Attorney
Balance July 1, 2006	1,905	40,783	133,109	15,718	8,446
Receipts Licenses and Permits Charges for Services Miscellaneous State Fees	4,185 2,889	516,951	84,438 647 51,477	146,750 95,198	41,385
Other Liabilities	2,535		1,911,733	177,009	57,856
Total Receipts	9,609	516,951	2,048,295	418,957	99,241
Disbursements Payments to County Treasurer Payments to State Treasurer Other Liabilities	6,472 2,535	243,141 264,505	90,063 53,208 1,676,895	219,641 183,338	43,507 58,834
Total Disbursements	9,007	507,646	1,820,166	402,979	102,341
Balance June 30, 2007	2,507	50,088	361,238	31,696	5,346
BALANCE CONSISTS OF: Due to County Treasurer Due to State Treasurer Petty Cash Due to Others	1,507 1,000	23,743 26,345	3,194 4,111 353,933	22,209 2,000 7,487	3,732 1,351 263
Balance June 30, 2007	2,507	50,088	361,238	31,696	5,346

SCHEDULE OF OFFICE ACTIVITIES

For The Year Ended June 30, 2007

SCHEDULE 6 CONCLUDED

	Noxious Weed	Veteran's Service Officer	County Drug Fund	Photostat Department	Total
Balance July 1, 2006	26,662	32,819	32,805	446	292,693
Receipts Licenses and Permits Charges for Services Miscellaneous State Fees Other Liabilities	116,095	5,080	7,955	3,268	4,185 911,776 95,845 51,477 2,162,168
Total Receipts	116,095	5,080	7,955	3,268	3,225,451
Disbursements Payments to County Treasurer Payments to State Treasurer Other Liabilities	128,170	1,755	1,250	3,505	734,499 317,713 1,924,607
Total Disbursements	128,170	1,755	1,250	3,505	2,976,819
Balance June 30, 2007	14,587	36,144	39,510	209	541,325
BALANCE CONSISTS OF: Due to County Treasurer Due to State Treasurer Petty Cash Due to Others	14,587	36,144	39,510	209	69,181 30,456 4,351 437,337
Balance June 30, 2007	14,587	36,144	39,510	209	541,325

SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

Federal Grantor/ Pass Through Grantor/ Program Title/	Federal CFDA Number	Pass-Through Entity Identifying Number	Federal Expenditures
U.S. Department of Homeland Security: Passed Through Nebraska Emergency Management Agency:			
State Homeland Security Program State Homeland Security Program State Homeland Security Program Subtotal CFDA Number	97.073 97.073 97.073	2004-GE-T4-0048 2005-GE-T5-0020 2006-GE-T6-0016	18,070 23,055 <u>68,679</u> 109,804
Citizen Corps Emergency Management Performance Grant Buffer Zone Protection	97.053 97.042 97.078	2005-GE-T5-0020 2005-GR-T5-0023	2,784 27,296 43,449
Total Department of Homeland Security			183,333
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services: Passed Through Nebraska Health and Human Services:			
Child Support Enforcement	93.563	None	290,157
Total U.S. Department of Health and Human Services			290,157
Department of Transportation - National Highway Traffic Safety Administration: Passed Through State Department of Motor Vehicles - Office of Highway Safety:			
State and Community Highway Safety	20.600	None	16,275
Total Department of Transportation			16,275
U.S. Department of Justice Passed Through Nebraska Crime Commission:	10 575		00.005
Crime Victim Assistance	16.575	06-VA-202	36,665
Total U.S. Department of Justice			36,665
Total Expenditures of Federal Awards			526,430

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this schedule

NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

NOTE 1: BASIS OF PRESENTATION:

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards includes the federal grant activity of Lincoln County and is presented on the cash basis of accounting. The information in this schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of the OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations.* Therefore, some amounts presented in this schedule may differ from amounts presented in, or used in the preparation of, the financial statements

NOTE 2: <u>SUBRECIPIENTS</u>:

Of the federal expenditures presented in the schedule, Lincoln County did not provide any of the federal awards to subrecipients.

NOTE 3: MAJOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS:

The Citizen Corps (CFDA number 97.053), State Homeland Security Program (CFDA number 97.073), and Child Support Enforcement (CFDA number 93.563) are considered major federal programs as defined by OMB Circular A-133.

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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

County Board of Commissioners Lincoln County North Platte, Nebraska 69101

Board Members:

I have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Lincoln County, Nebraska, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2007, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements and have issued my report thereon dated December 26, 2007. The report notes the financial statements were prepared on the basis of cash receipts and disbursements. I conducted my audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to the financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing my audit, I considered Lincoln County's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing my auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing my opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Lincoln County's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, I do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Lincoln County's internal control over financial control over financial reporting.

My consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. However, as discussed below, I identified certain deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that I consider to be a significant deficiencies.

A control deficiency 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 misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or a combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects Lincoln County's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles such there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of Lincoln County's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by Lincoln County's internal control.

Independent Auditors 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*

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I consider the following deficiencies to be significant deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting:

- 1. Due to limited number of personnel, there is a lack of segregation of duties in the offices of the Clerk, Register of Deeds, Clerk of the District Court, Sheriff, Attorney, Noxious Weed Superintendent, Veteran's Service Officer, and the Photostat Department. To insure internal control over cash receipts, disbursements, and recording of transactions, I recommend that the county review the lack of segregation of duties with the intent of determining the cost benefit of strengthening the internal controls where possible within the budgetary limitations.
- 2. County Sheriff Internal Control Weaknesses. This significant deficiency was identified as finding 2007-1 in the schedule of findings and questioned costs.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by Lincoln County's internal control.

My consideration of the internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in the internal control that might be significant deficiencies and accordingly would not necessarily disclose all significant deficiencies that are also considered to be material weaknesses. However, I consider the lack of segregation of duties described above to be a material weakness.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Lincoln County's financial statements are free of material misstatement, I performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, grant agreements, and other matters, non-compliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of my audit and, accordingly, I do not express such an opinion. The results of my tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

This report is intended solely for the information and use by County Board, management, the Nebraska State Auditor's Office and other state and federal regulatory authorities, is not intended to be, and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Donald D. Wilson, CPA McCook, Nebraska

December 26, 2007

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH OMB CIRCULAR A-133

County Board of Commissioners Lincoln County North Platte, Nebraska 69101

Compliance

I have audited the compliance of Lincoln County with the types of compliance requirements described in the *U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement* that are applicable to each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2007. Lincoln County's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's result section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. Compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to each of its major federal programs is the responsibility of Lincoln County's management. My responsibility is to express an opinion on Lincoln County's compliance based on our audit.

I conducted my 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 OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*. Those standards and OMB Circular A-133 require that I plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about Lincoln County's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures, as I considered necessary in the circumstances. I believe that my audit provides a reasonable basis for my opinion. My audit does not provide a legal determination of Lincoln County's compliance with those requirements.

In my opinion, Lincoln County complied, in all material respects, with the requirements referred to above that are applicable to each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2007.

Internal Control Over Compliance

The management of Lincoln County is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to federal programs.

Independent Auditors Report on Compliance With Requirements Applicable to Each Major Program and on Internal Control Over Compliance In Accordance with OMB Circular A-133

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In planning and performing my audit, I considered Lincoln County's internal control over compliance with requirements that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program in order to determine my auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing my opinion on compliance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, I do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Lincoln County's internal control over compliance.

A control deficiency 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 noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or a combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects Lincoln County's ability to administer a federal program such that there is more than a remote likelihood that noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by Lincoln County's internal control.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented or detected by Lincoln County's internal control.

My consideration of the internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in the internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. I did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that I consider material weaknesses, as defined above.

This report is intended for the information of the County Board, management, the Nebraska State Auditor's Office and other state and federal awarding agencies, is not intended to be, and should not be used by anyone other than those specified parties.

Donald D. Wilson, CPA McCook, Nebraska

December 26, 2007

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

Financial Statements:

The auditors report issued an unqualified opinion on the financial statements.

Internal control over financial reporting:

-	Material Weakness identified	X	yes	no
•	Significant Deficiency identified that is not Considered a material weakness	<u> </u>	_yes	none reported
•	Significant Deficiency identified that is Considered a material weakness	<u> </u>	yes	none reported
•	Noncompliance material to financial statements noted		_ yes <u>X</u>	no

Federal Awards:

The auditors report issued an unqualified report on compliance for major programs. No audit findings were disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with Circular A-133.

Internal control over major programs:

Material weakness identified _____yes X___no
Significant Deficiency identified that are not Considered a material weakness _____yes X___none reported

Identification of Major Program:

State Homeland Security Program (CFDA Number 97.073)

Citizen Corp (CFDA number 97.053)

Child Support Enforcement (CFDA number 93.563)

The dollar threshold for distinguishing Type A and B programs was \$300,000 Lincoln County was not determined to be a low-risk auditee.

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS (CONCLUDED)

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

SECTION II - FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDING

2007-1 County Sheriff Internal Control Weaknesses:

Good Internal Control requires at the close of each day the office assets (cash on hand, reconciled bank balances, and accounts receivable) must be in agreement with office liabilities (fees on hand). In addition, Good internal control requires that checks be restrictively endorsed for deposit only upon receipt of the check, and employee checks not be cashed.

During my audit, I noted that the County Sheriff's office was not reconciling the civil process fee account. The office assets in the civil process fee account exceeded liabilities by \$1,461 on October 31, 2007. A part of the liabilities as of October 31, 2007 included September 2006 Fees earned in the amount of \$5,394.17 that had not been remitted to the County Treasurer. Failure to balance the fee account result in these errors going undetected. Also, as of my cash count there were 8 checks on hand totaling \$326 that were not restrictively endorsed for deposit only, and two employee checks totaling \$45 that were written for cash. These practices increase the risk of loss, theft, or misuse of county funds.

I recommend the County Sheriff balance the civil process fee assets to liabilities. In addition, I recommend that all checks be restrictively endorsed for deposit only upon receipt, and checks not be cashed.

Officials Response: None Received

SECTION III - FEDERAL AWARD FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

NONE

COMMENTS ON RESOLUTION OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

The prior audit for Lincoln County disclosed no reportable matters for federal award findings and questioned costs.