# **GREAT PENINSULA CONSERVANCY** A Washington Not For Profit Organization

# **Financial Statements**

For the Years Ended December 31, 2020 and 2019

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# **Independent Auditor's Report**

To the Board of Directors Great Peninsula Conservancy Bremerton, WA

#### **Report on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Great Peninsula Conservancy (the Organization), which comprise the statement of financial position as of December 31, 2020 and 2019, and the related statements of activities and changes in net assets, functional expenses, 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 audits 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 Organization, as of December 31, 2020 and 2019, and changes in net assets and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Other Matters**

# **Other Information**

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements as a whole. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards, as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is 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.

# Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated June 22, 2021, on our consideration of the Organization's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards in considering the Organization's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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Aiken & Sanders, Inc., PS Certified Public Accountants & Consultants

June 22, 2021

Montesano, Washington

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# Statement of Financial Position As of December 31, 2020 and December 31, 2019

|                                       | Assets |                  |            |            |
|---------------------------------------|--------|------------------|------------|------------|
|                                       |        | <br>2020         |            | 2019       |
| Current Assets:                       |        |                  |            |            |
| Cash and cash equivalents             |        | \$<br>1,327,533  | \$         | 456,096    |
| Accounts and pledges receivable       |        | 80,266           |            | 100        |
| Prepaid expenses                      |        | <br>3,099        |            | 10,711     |
| Total Current Assets                  |        | <br>1,410,898    |            | 466,907    |
| Fixed Assets:                         |        |                  |            |            |
| 1 IACU 1 KSSCIS.                      |        |                  |            |            |
| Equipment and improvements            |        | 32,324           |            | 31,272     |
| Land                                  |        | <br>13,556,508   |            | 12,081,518 |
|                                       |        | 13,588,832       |            | 12,112,790 |
| Less: Accumulated depreciation        |        | <br>(21,598)     |            | (17,701)   |
| Fixed assets, net                     |        | <br>13,567,234   |            | 12,095,089 |
| Other Assets:                         |        |                  |            |            |
| Investments                           |        | 1,167,455        |            | 1,226,299  |
| Cash restricted for long term purpose | S      | <br>267,353      |            | 175,233    |
| Total Other Assets                    |        | <br>1,434,808    | . <u> </u> | 1,401,532  |
| Total Assets                          |        | \$<br>16,412,940 | <u>\$</u>  | 13,963,528 |

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# Statement of Financial Position As of December 31, 2020 and December 31, 2019

| Liabilities & Net                          | t Asset | <b>S</b>   |                  |
|--|---------|------------|------------------|
|  |         | 2020       | <br>2019         |
| Current Liabilities:                       |         |            |                  |
| Accrued expenses                           | \$      | 19,176     | \$<br>16,733     |
| Capital lease liabilities, current portion |         | _          | <br>1,603        |
| Total Current Liabilities                  |         | 19,176     | <br>18,336       |
| Long-Term Liabilities:                     |         |            |                  |
| Note payable                               |         | -          | 427,343          |
| PPP loan payable                           |         | 92,080     | <br>-            |
| Total Long-Term Liabilities                |         | 92,080     | <br>427,343      |
| Net Assets:                                |         |            |                  |
| Without donor restrictions                 |         | 1,451,318  | 814,182          |
| With donor restrictions                    |         | 14,850,366 | <br>12,703,667   |
| Total Net Assets                           |         | 16,301,684 | <br>13,517,849   |
| Total Liabilities & Net Assets             | \$      | 16,412,940 | \$<br>13,963,528 |

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# Statement of Activities and Changes in Net Assets For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

|                                      | Without Donor<br>Restrictions |           |    |            | Total<br>2020 |            |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------|----|------------|---------------|------------|
| Support and Revenues:                |                               |           |    |            |               |            |
| Contributions                        | \$                            | 1,156,632 | \$ | 245,238    | \$            | 1,401,870  |
| Grant income                         |                               | 1,352,859 |    | 1,738,000  |               | 3,090,859  |
| Donated land, goods and services     |                               | -         |    | 148,990    |               | 148,990    |
| Merchandise sales and special events |                               | 111,017   |    | -          |               | 111,017    |
| Interest income                      |                               | 1,460     |    | -          |               | 1,460      |
| Investment income (loss)             |                               | 10,511    |    | 122,606    |               | 133,117    |
| Other income                         |                               | 45,704    |    | -          |               | 45,704     |
| Net assets released from restriction |                               | 108,135   |    | (108,135)  |               | -          |
| Total Support and Revenue            | <u> </u>                      | 2,786,318 |    | 2,146,699  |               | 4,933,017  |
| Expenses:                            |                               |           |    |            |               |            |
| Program services                     |                               | 1,982,606 |    | -          |               | 1,982,606  |
| Management and general               |                               | 104,678   |    | -          |               | 104,678    |
| Fundraising                          |                               | 61,898    |    | -          |               | 61,898     |
| Total Expenses                       |                               | 2,149,182 |    | -          |               | 2,149,182  |
| Change in Net Assets                 |                               | 637,136   |    | 2,146,699  |               | 2,783,835  |
| Net Assets, Beginning of Year        |                               | 814,182   |    | 12,703,667 |               | 13,517,849 |
| Net Assets, End of Year              | \$                            | 1,451,318 | \$ | 14,850,366 | \$            | 16,301,684 |

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# Statement of Activities and Changes in Net Assets For the Year Ended December 31, 2019

| Support and Revenues:  | Without Donor<br>Restrictions |                                       | With Donor<br>Restrictions |   |   |  | <br>Total<br>2019 |
|--|-------------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|---|---|--|-------------------|
| Contributions<br>Donated goods and services<br>Merchandise sales and special events<br>Interest income<br>Investment income (loss) | \$                            | 409,302<br>114,631<br>6,090<br>25,205 | \$                         | 741,913<br>16,320<br>-<br>21,581<br>148,408 | \$<br>1,151,215<br>16,320<br>114,631<br>27,671<br>173,613 |  |                   |
| Other revenue<br>Net assets released from restriction<br>Total Support and Revenue   |                               | 27<br>367,843<br>923,098              |                            | (367,843)<br>560,379                        | <br>27<br>  |  |                   |
| Expenses:<br>Program services<br>Management and general<br>Fundraising   |                               | 677,118<br>111,450<br>88,142          |                            | -<br>-<br>-                                 | 677,118<br>111,450<br>88,142                              |  |                   |
| Total Expenses<br>Change in Net Assets   |                               | 876,710<br>46,388                     |                            | 560,379                                     | <br>876,710<br>606,767                                    |  |                   |
| Net Assets, Beginning of Year<br>Net Assets, End of Year   | \$                            | 767,794<br>814,182                    |                            | 12,143,288<br>12,703,667                    | \$<br>12,911,082<br>13,517,849                            |  |                   |

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# Statement of Functional Expenses For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

|                                | Program |           | anagement<br>d General | <br>Fund-<br>Raising | <br>2020<br>Total |
|--------------------------------|---------|-----------|------------------------|----------------------|-------------------|
| Salaries and wages             | \$      | 304,402   | \$<br>65,816           | \$<br>41,136         | \$<br>411,354     |
| Payroll taxes                  |         | 23,506    | 5,082                  | 3,177                | 31,765            |
| Employee benefits              |         | 23,406    | 5,061                  | 3,163                | 31,630            |
| Bank fees                      |         | 2,439     | 527                    | 330                  | 3,296             |
| Depreciation                   |         | -         | 3,897                  | -                    | 3,897             |
| Dues, fees, and licenses       |         | 7,220     | 870                    | -                    | 8,090             |
| Easement acquisition           |         | 1,365,295 | -                      | -                    | 1,365,295         |
| Events                         |         | -         | -                      | 4,401                | 4,401             |
| Insurance                      |         | 7,978     | 1,725                  | 1,078                | 10,781            |
| Interest                       |         | 12,509    | -                      | -                    | 12,509            |
| Meetings and training          |         | 3,645     | 1,281                  | -                    | 4,926             |
| Miscellaneous                  |         | 1,187     | 404                    | 240                  | 1,831             |
| Office expense                 |         | 10,647    | 3,219                  | 1,392                | 15,258            |
| Postage                        |         | 2,402     | 519                    | 325                  | 3,246             |
| Printing                       |         | 7,355     | 1,590                  | 994                  | 9,939             |
| Professional fees              |         | 13,123    | 8,567                  | 1,704                | 23,394            |
| Property costs and maintenance |         | 165,662   | -                      | -                    | 165,662           |
| Rents                          |         | 21,880    | 4,731                  | 2,957                | 29,568            |
| Travel                         |         | 4,026     | 108                    | 200                  | 4,334             |
| Utilities                      |         | 5,924     | <br>1,281              | <br>801              | <br>8,006         |
| Total Expenses                 | \$      | 1,982,606 | \$<br>104,678          | \$<br>61,898         | \$<br>2,149,182   |

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# Statement of Functional Expenses For the Year Ended December 31, 2019

|                                | <br>Program   | nagement<br>d General | <br>Fund-<br>Raising | <br>2019<br>Total |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------------------|----------------------|-------------------|
| Salaries and wages             | \$<br>320,371 | \$<br>67,446          | \$<br>42,565         | \$<br>430,382     |
| Payroll taxes                  | 29,337        | 3,673                 | 2,959                | 35,969            |
| Employee benefits              | 12,600        | 18,530                | 1,088                | 32,218            |
| Bank fees                      | 3,383         | 478                   | 385                  | 4,246             |
| Contract labor                 | -             | 218                   | -                    | 218               |
| Depreciation                   | -             | 3,687                 | -                    | 3,687             |
| Dues, fees, and licenses       | 14,151        | 162                   | 141                  | 14,454            |
| Equipment rental               | 2,689         | 389                   | 314                  | 3,392             |
| Events                         | 26,656        | 234                   | 31,915               | 58,805            |
| Insurance                      | 10,272        | 700                   | 564                  | 11,536            |
| Interest                       | 15,561        | 32                    | 25                   | 15,618            |
| Meetings                       | 3,654         | 1,170                 | -                    | 4,824             |
| Miscellaneous                  | 2,175         | 2,009                 | -                    | 4,184             |
| Office expense                 | 15,969        | 3,461                 | 1,350                | 20,780            |
| Postage                        | 3,035         | 540                   | 252                  | 3,827             |
| Printing                       | 9,243         | 87                    | 183                  | 9,513             |
| Professional fees              | 19,150        | 2,788                 | 2,246                | 24,184            |
| Property costs and maintenance | 142,637       | 68                    | -                    | 142,705           |
| Rents                          | 27,352        | 4,019                 | 3,238                | 34,609            |
| Travel                         | 5,485         | 614                   | 226                  | 6,325             |
| Utilities                      | <br>13,398    | <br>1,145             | <br>691              | <br>15,234        |
| Total Expenses                 | \$<br>677,118 | \$<br>111,450         | \$<br>88,142         | \$<br>876,710     |

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# Statement of Cash Flows For the Years Ended December 31, 2020 and December 31, 2019

|   |           | 2020        |          | 2019        |
|---|-----------|-------------|----------|-------------|
| Reconciliation of increase (decrease) in net assets to net cash           |           |             |          |             |
| provided (used) by operating activities:                                  | ¢         | 0 700 005   | Φ        |             |
| Increase (decrease) in net assets:  | \$        | 2,783,835   | \$       | 606,767     |
| Adjustments:  |           |             |          |             |
| Depreciation expense  |           | 3,897       |          | 3,687       |
| Inkind contributions of property  |           | (148,990)   |          | -           |
| Unrealized (gain)/loss on investments                                     |           | (148,392)   |          | (149,726)   |
| Realized (gain)/loss on investments                                       |           | 32,970      |          | (41,731)    |
| Changes in assets and liabilities.  |           |             |          |             |
| Changes in assets and liabilities:  |           | (90.166)    |          | 156 200     |
| (Increase) decrease in pledges and accounts receivable                    |           | (80,166)    |          | 156,288     |
| (Increase) decrease in prepaid expense                                    |           | 7,612       |          | (1,078)     |
| (Increase) decrease in cash for restricted purposes                       |           | (92,120)    |          | 122,761     |
| Increase (decrease) in accrued expenses                                   | -         | 17,786      | <u> </u> | 14,339      |
| Net cash provided (used) by operating activities                          | <u>\$</u> | 2,376,432   | \$       | 711,307     |
| Cash flows from investing activities:                                     |           |             |          |             |
| Payments for purchase of property and equipment                           |           | (1,327,052) |          | (1,145,000) |
| Proceeds from interest and dividend income                                |           | (26,284)    |          | (26,167)    |
| Payment of investment expenses  |           | 8,589       |          | 17,240      |
| Cash received from investments  |           | 1,007,340   |          | 59,400      |
| Cash paid for investments   |           | (830,722)   |          | (213)       |
| Net cash provided (used) by investing activities                          |           | (1,168,129) |          | (1,094,740) |
|   |           |             |          |             |
| Cash flows from financing activities:<br>Cash received from note issuance |           | 92,080      |          | 412,000     |
| Cash paid on notes  |           | (427,343)   |          | -           |
| Principal payments on capital lease                                       |           | (1,603)     |          | (2,626)     |
| Net cash provided (used) by financing activities                          |           | (336,866)   |          | 409,374     |
| The cash provided (asea) by infancing activities                          |           | (550,000)   |          | 109,971     |
| Net increase (decrease) in cash & cash equivalents                        |           | 871,437     |          | 25,941      |
| Cash & cash equivalents at beginning of year                              |           | 456,096     |          | 430,155     |
| Cash & cash equivalents at end of year                                    | \$        | 1,327,533   | \$       | 456,096     |
| <b>Supplemental Information:</b><br>Cash paid for interest                | \$        | 17,347      | \$       | 498         |

# **NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

# The Organization

Great Peninsula Conservancy (the Conservancy) is a not-for-profit corporation governed by a volunteer Board of Directors. The Conservancy was organized under the laws of the State of Washington with Articles of Incorporation dated January 1980 as Indianola Land Trust. Articles of Merger dated May 12, 2000 merged Hood Canal Land Trust, Indianola Land Trust, Kitsap Land Trust, and Peninsula Heritage Land Trust under the new name of Great Peninsula Conservancy.

# Nature of Activities

Great Peninsula Conservancy is dedicated to preserving in perpetuity natural habitats, rural landscapes, open space and land with scenic or educational value in Kitsap County (except for Bainbridge Island), Mason County, and Pierce County west of the Tacoma Narrows. The Conservancy purchases or accepts transfers of title to property whereby the Conservancy becomes the owner and steward of the land. Preservation activities also include the development of conservation easements on selected properties where the owner continues to use the land subject to permanent restrictions agreed to with the Conservancy.

# Basis of Accounting

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting.

#### **Financial Statement Presentation**

Great Peninsula Conservancy follows the recommendations of the Financial Accounting Standards Board in its Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) 958 Not-for Profit Entities. Under ASC 958, the Conservancy is required to report information regarding its financial position and activities according to two classes of net assets: with donor restrictions, and without donor restrictions.

**With Donor Restrictions:** Net assets that result from contributions whose use by the Conservancy is restricted by donor imposed stipulations that may expire with the passage of time or can be fulfilled or otherwise removed by actions of the Conservancy.

Without Donor Restrictions: Net assets that are not restricted by donor stipulation.

Gifts of goods and equipment are reported as without donor restriction unless explicit donor stipulations specify how the donated assets must be used. Gifs of land are reported as donor restricted if the Conservancy intends to protect the land in perpetuity. Gifts of land, which the donor stipulates may be sold, are reported as without donor restriction.

# **Functional Allocation of Expenses**

The Conservancy records its expenses by function. Expenses are allocated amongst the functions based on that function's incurrence of actual expenses. Expenses that are shared between functions are allocated on a pro-rata basis.

# Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with the accrual basis of accounting requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenue, expenses and disclosures during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

# Cash and Cash Equivalents

For purposes of the statement of cash flows, the Conservancy considers all unrestricted highly liquid investments with an initial maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents. Restricted cash and cash equivalents are limited in use to special funds and projects as designated by their donor and are considered restricted until used for their designated purpose.

# Credit Risk

The Conservancy maintains its cash in deposit accounts at financial institutions that are insured up to \$250,000 each by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. The Conservancy had cash deposits in excess of insured amounts of \$385,182 and \$162,036 as of December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively.

#### Investments

Investments consist of marketable debt and equity securities, which are carried at market value determined at the date of the statement of financial position.

#### Property and Equipment

Property and equipment are carried at cost or market value at the time of donation, except for conservation easements. Conservation easements are carried at zero value as they do not represent an economic asset and may require organizational resources for future monitoring, enforcement and defense. Depreciation is provided using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives ranging from five to forty years.

#### Primary Sources of Support

The primary sources of support for Great Peninsula Conservancy are contributions, grants and memberships.

# **Revenue Recognition**

All contributions are considered available for the Conservancy's general programs unless specifically restricted by the donor. Amounts received that are designated for future periods or restricted by the donor are reported as having donor restrictions and increase net assets with donor restrictions. Contributions received with restrictions that are met in the same reporting period are reported as unrestricted support and increase net assets without donor restrictions. Investment income that is limited to specific uses by donor restrictions is reported as increases in net assets without donor restrictions if the restrictions are met in the same reporting period as the income is recognized.

# Donated Services

Donated services are accounted for using the criteria set forth in ASC 958 Not-for-Profit Entities.

# Advertising

Advertising costs are expensed when accrued. Advertising costs for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019 were \$0 and \$0, respectively.

# Federal Income Tax

Great Peninsula Conservancy is exempt from federal income tax on increases in net assets derived from activities related to the Conservancy's tax-exempt purpose under Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3). The Conservancy is subject to taxation on unrelated business income.

The Conservancy has adopted the recognition requirement for uncertain income tax positions as required by generally accepted accounting principles, with no cumulative effect adjustment required. Income tax benefits are recognized for income tax positions taken or expected to be taken in a tax return, only when it is determined that the income tax position will more-likely-than-not be sustained upon examination by taxing authorities. The Conservancy believes that income tax filing positions will be sustained upon examination and do not anticipate any adjustment that would result in a material adverse effect on the Conservancy's financial condition, results of operation or cash flows. Accordingly, no reserve or related accruals for interest and penalties for uncertain income tax positions has been recorded at December 31, 2020 and 2019.

The Conservancy is subject to routine income tax audits by taxing jurisdictions: however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress. The Conservancy believes that it is no longer subject to income tax examination for years prior to 2017. The Conservancy operates exclusively within Washington State which has no state income tax.

#### Subsequent Events

Management has evaluated subsequent events through June 22, 2021, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

Notes to the Financial Statements December 31, 2020 and 2019

On March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization officially declared COVID-19, the disease caused by the novel coronavirus, a pandemic. COVID-19 has required the Conservancy to make adjustments to operating practice and delivery of services. The Conservancy has continued its work. Management is closely monitoring the evolution of this pandemic, including how it may affect the economy and the general population.

# NOTE 2 - CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Cash and cash equivalents, net of restricted cash, at December 31, 2020 and 2019 are composed of the following:

|                                      | <br>2020        | _   | 2019      |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------|-----|-----------|
| Checking accounts                    | \$<br>885,182   | \$  | 225,696   |
| Money market accounts                | 709,654         |     | 405,583   |
| Petty cash                           | 50              |     | 50        |
|                                      | <br>1,594,886   |     | 631,329   |
| Restricted cash and cash equivalents | <br>(267,353)   | _   | (175,233) |
| Cash and cash equivalents, net       | \$<br>1,327,533 | \$_ | 456,096   |

# **NOTE 3 - PLEDGES RECEIVABLE**

The pledges receivable consist of operating and capital project fund-raising campaigns. At December 31, 2020 and 2019, all pledges receivable are expected to be collected during the subsequent year. Management has determined that the pledges receivable are fully collectible; therefore, no allowance for uncollectable accounts is considered necessary at December 31, 2020 and 2019.

# **NOTE 4 - INVESTMENTS**

Investments at December 31, 2020 and 2019 are stated at market value and are composed of the following:

|   | <br>2020        |    | 2019      |
|---|-----------------|----|-----------|
| Mutual funds                              | \$<br>779,259   | \$ | -         |
| Investments held by community foundations | <br>388,196     | _  | 1,226,299 |
| Investments Total:                        | \$<br>1,167,455 | \$ | 1,226,299 |

Funds that are donor restricted to stewardship, legal defense, and monitoring of all Conservancy properties are invested in mutual and money market funds with Vanguard Investments.

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The general and stewardship endowments are held in pooled investment accounts at the Greater Tacoma Community Foundation, a not for profit organization, from which Great Peninsula Conservancy receives an annual return of the rolling average investment. The distribution from the foundation is scheduled to be 4.3% in 2021.

Funds for maintenance of the Clear Creek Trail are held by the Kitsap Community Foundation. A grant can be requested from the foundation for the return of investment principal and income.

Investment expenses were \$8,589 and \$17,240, for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively.

# **NOTE 5 - PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT**

There was depreciation expense of \$3,897 and \$3,687 for the years ending December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively. The Conservancy had property and equipment as of December 31, 2020 and 2019 that consisted of:

|                                 | <br>2020         |    | 2019       |
|---------------------------------|------------------|----|------------|
| Conservation land               | \$<br>13,415,558 | \$ | 11,528,568 |
| Conservation land-debt financed | -                |    | 412,000    |
| Non-conservation land           | 140,950          |    | 140,950    |
| Equipment and improvements      | <br>32,324       | _  | 31,272     |
|                                 | <br>13,588,832   | -  | 12,112,790 |
| Accumulated depreciation        | <br>(21,598)     | -  | (17,701)   |
| Property and equipment, net     | \$<br>13,567,234 | \$ | 12,095,089 |

# NOTE 6 - LEASES

# Operating Leases

The Conservancy signed a new lease for office space in January of 2014 for a lease that expired on March 31, 2019, but was subsequently extended to March 31, 2024. The office space rent payments amounted to \$29,117 and \$31,446 for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively.

The Conservancy has a five year operating lease for computer equipment, including technical support, at a monthly cost of \$1,000 per month, beginning on January 1, 2018 and expiring on December 31, 2022. The lease payments amounted to \$13,333 and \$14,002 for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively.

# Capital Leases

The Conservancy entered into a capital lease agreement for a copy machine in April of 2015. The agreement required a minimum monthly payment of \$478 for a 63 month period. Total

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depreciation expense incurred for equipment under capital lease was \$1,714 and \$1,714 for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively. The copier was capitalized at the fair market value of the equipment in the amount of \$12,000 and total accumulated depreciation related to equipment under capital lease for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019 was \$9,427 and \$7,713, respectively. The lease was paid in full during 2020.

Minimum lease payments under both the operating and capital lease agreement are as follows:

|      | 2020          |
|------|---------------|
| 2021 | \$<br>42,912  |
| 2022 | 42,912        |
| 2023 | 30,912        |
| 2024 | <br>7,728     |
|      | \$<br>124,464 |

# **NOTE 7 – NOTE PAYABLE**

The Conservancy signed a secured promissory note on February 15, 2019, with The Conservation Fund in the amount of \$412,000, which was used to purchase land. This note payable had a single balloon payment of principal and interest due on February 15, 2022. The note was secured by a deed of trust on the purchased land. The note was paid in full during 2020.

# NOTE 8 - IN-KIND CONTRIBUTIONS AND CONTRIBUTED SERVICES

A number of volunteers have donated significant amounts of their time to the Conservancy; however, these donated services are not reflected in the financial statements since these services do not meet the criteria for recognition as contributed services. The Conservancy did receive donated professional service that met the criteria for recognition as contributed services, therefore are reflected in the financial statements at their fair market value, as determined by the donor. The following in-kind contributions and contributed services were received in 2020 and 2019, and have been recorded in the financial records:

|                       | 2020          | _  | 2019   |
|-----------------------|---------------|----|--------|
| Land                  | \$<br>148,990 | \$ | -      |
| Professional services | -             |    | 14,520 |
| Supplies              | -             |    | 1,800  |
|                       | \$<br>148,990 | \$ | 16,320 |

# **NOTE 9 - FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENT**

In accordance with Accounting Standards Codification (ACS) 820, a three-tiered hierarchy of input levels is used for fair value measurements of financial assets and financial liabilities, and for value measurements of non-financial items that are recognized and disclosed at fair value in the

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financial statements on a recurring basis. ACS 820 defines fair value as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. Valuation techniques utilized to determine fair value are consistently applied. The three tiers of inputs used for fair value measurement are as follows:

Level 1: Fair values are based on quoted prices in active markets for identical assets and liabilities. Great Peninsula Conservancy's level 1 assets and liabilities include equity and fixed income securities.

Level 2: Fair values are based on observable inputs that include: quoted market prices of similar assets or liabilities; quoted market prices that are not in an active market; of other inputs that are observable in the market and can be corroborated by observable market data for substantially the full term of the assets. At December 31, 2020 and 2019, Great Peninsula Conservancy has no level 2 assets or liabilities.

Level 3: Fair values are calculated by the use of pricing models and or discounted cash flow methodologies; and may require significant management judgment or estimation. Those methodologies may result in a significant portion of the fair value being derived from unobservable data. At December 31, 2020 and 2019, Great Peninsula Conservancy had no level 3 assets or liabilities.

# **NOTE 10 - RETIREMENT PLAN**

The Conservancy has a Simple-IRA retirement plan covering all employees who meet the eligibility requirements. The Conservancy's contributions to the plan have been determined by the Board of Directors. Contributions to the plan were \$8,994 and \$11,017 for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively.

# NOTE 11 – ENDOWMENTS AND RESERVE FUNDS

Great Peninsula Conservancy's endowments and reserve funds are invested with Kitsap Community Foundation and Greater Tacoma Community Foundation. Investments held by the foundations are held in pooled investment accounts. The foundations' investment priorities are to preserve capital and maximize return, within the bounds of safety and prudence.

Greater Tacoma Community Foundation's investment objectives are to distribute 4.3% of the 16quarter rolling market value annually (except for the Stewardship Endowment where the market value of the fund, on the date the distribution was determined, was less than the fund's historic dollar value, then the objective is to distribute 3% of the 16-quarter rolling average market value), and to earn a total return in an amount to fund the distributions and to compensate for inflation as measured by the CPI over an average market cycle. Kitsap Community Foundation's investment objectives are to distribute 3.5% of rolling market value annually (or 3% of the rolling average market value for any fund that is below its historic dollar value). A reconciliation between endowment/reserve fund net assets and endowment/reserve fund investments accounts follows:

|                                       |    | General   |    | Stewardship |    | Clear Creek |    | Stewardship |
|---------------------------------------|----|-----------|----|-------------|----|-------------|----|-------------|
| 2020                                  |    | Endowment |    | Endowment   |    | Endowment   | _  | Reserve     |
| Beginning of year:                    |    |           |    |             |    |             |    |             |
| Net assets with donor restrictions    | \$ | _         | \$ | 35,766      | \$ | 112,326     | \$ | 868,108     |
| Net assets without donor restrictions | Ψ  | 210,190   | Ψ  |             | Ψ  | -           | Ψ  |             |
| Reclassification of restrictions      |    |           |    | _           |    | -           |    | _           |
| Endowment investment accounts         |    | 210,190   |    | 35,766      |    | 112,326     | -  | 868,108     |
| ~                                     |    |           |    |             |    |             |    |             |
| Change in investment accounts:        |    |           |    |             |    |             |    |             |
| Investment return                     |    | 25,450    |    | 4,401       |    | 13,011      |    | 94,816      |
| Contributions                         |    | -         |    | -           |    | 1,100       |    | 25,000      |
| Distributions                         |    | (8,300)   |    | (1,000)     |    | -           |    | (50,000)    |
| Investment expenses                   |    | (2,491)   |    | (460)       |    | (1,797)     |    | (930)       |
| Total changes in investment accounts  |    | 14,659    |    | 2,941       |    | 12,314      | =  | 68,886      |
| End of year:                          |    |           |    |             |    |             |    |             |
| Net assets with donor restrictions    |    | -         |    | 38,707      |    | 124,640     |    | 936,994     |
| Net assets without donor restrictions |    | 224,849   |    | -           |    | -           |    | -           |
| Reclassification of restrictions      |    | -         |    | -           |    | -           |    | -           |
| Endowment investment accounts         | \$ | 224,849   | \$ | 38,707      | \$ | 124,640     | \$ | 936,994     |

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| 2019                                  | General<br>Endowment | Stewardship<br>Endowment | Clear Creek<br>Endowment | Stewardship<br>Reserve |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|
| Beginning of year:                    |                      |                          |                          |                        |
| Net assets with donor restrictions    | \$<br>-              | \$<br>34,962             | \$<br>93,523             | \$<br>771,763          |
| Net assets without donor restrictions | 188,194              | -                        | -                        | -                      |
| Reclassification of restrictions      |                      | (3,340)                  | -                        |                        |
| Endowment investment accounts         | 188,194              | 31,622                   | 93,523                   | 771,763                |
| Change in investement accounts:       |                      |                          |                          |                        |
| Investment return                     | 32,887               | 5,598                    | 20,015                   | 159,125                |
| Contributions                         | -                    | -                        | 213                      | -                      |
| Distributions                         | (8,400)              | (1,000)                  | -                        | (50,000)               |
| Investment expenses                   | (2,491)              | (453)                    | (1,515)                  | (12,780)               |
| Total changes in investment accounts  | 21,996               | 4,145                    | 18,712                   | 96,345                 |
| End of year:                          |                      |                          |                          |                        |
| Net assets with donor restrictions    | -                    | 35,766                   | 112,236                  | 868,108                |
| Net assets without donor restrictions | 210,190              | -                        | -                        | -                      |
| Reclassification of restrictions      |                      |                          | -                        |                        |
| Endowment investment accounts         | \$<br>210,190        | \$<br>35,766             | \$<br>112,236            | \$<br>868,108          |

# NOTE 12 - SALE OF PROPERTY, NET

Great Peninsula Conservancy occasionally sells unrestricted conservation land and donated property. The Conservancy recognizes the income from these sales of property net of each property's historic cost, which can be related to the property's acquisition value or fair market value, for properties received as in-kind contributions. There were no sales of property during years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019.

# **NOTE 13 - RESTRICTIONS ON NET ASSETS**

Restrictions on net assets at December 31, 2020 and 2019, consist of the following:

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|                                      | 2020             |    | 2019       |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|----|------------|
| Without donor restrictions:          |                  | _  |            |
| Undesignated                         | \$<br>1,226,469  | \$ | 603,992    |
| Board designated endowment fund      | 224,849          |    | 210,190    |
|                                      | \$<br>1,451,318  | \$ | 814,182    |
| With donor restrictions:             |                  |    |            |
| Restricted by donor for conservation | \$<br>373,174    | \$ | 158,990    |
| Restricted by donor for stewardship, |                  |    |            |
| defense, and monitoring              | 1,061,634        |    | 980,344    |
| Restricted by donor for conservation |                  |    |            |
| and stewardship of land              | <br>13,415,558   |    | 11,564,333 |
|                                      | \$<br>14,850,366 | \$ | 12,703,667 |

Donor restrictions are recorded as released from restriction when expenditures are incurred that advance the restricted purpose.

# NOTE 14-LIQUIDITY AND AVAILABILITY OF FINANCIAL ASSETS

The Conservancy, although it expects to receive current support to fund operations for 2021 and later years, has \$1,182,950 and \$507,204 of financial assets available within one year of the statement of financial position dates on December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively, to meet cash needs for general operating expenditures. The Conservancy also has \$224,849 and \$210,190, of board designated assets as of December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively, that can be reallocated for general expenditures if needed. Financial assets available within one year consist of the following:

|   | 2020               | 2019        |
|---|--------------------|-------------|
| Financial assets at year end                                  | \$<br>2,842,607 \$ | 1,857,728   |
| Donor restricted to purpose                                   | (1,434,808)        | (1,140,334) |
| Board designations  | (224,849)          | (210,190)   |
| Financial assets available to meet cash needs within one year | \$<br>1,182,950 \$ | 507,204     |

# **NOTE 15-CONTINGENCIES**

The Conservancy was notified, following the 2019 year end, of an employment related lawsuit filed by a former employee. The Conservancy carries liability insurance to mitigate risk of loss and intends to defend the matter if necessary. The insurance carrier has appointed counsel to represent the Conservancy. Conservancy management and counsel believe the amount of potential loss, if any, is adequately insured.

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# NOTE 16-PAYCHECK PROTECTION LOAN

On April 27, 2020, the Conservancy received a loan of \$92,080 from Kitsap Bank. The loan was part of the Paycheck Protection Program, which is a United States Government program intended to mitigate the economic impact of the Covid-19 Pandemic. The loan was guaranteed by the United States Small Business Administration and carried a stated interest rate of 1%. The loan term was two years from inception, with interest payments starting on the 7th month following origination. However, the loan was eligible for forgiveness if the loan proceeds were used to subsidize payroll and certain occupancy costs of the Conservancy. The Conservancy used the loan proceeds for eligible expenses during 2020. The loan is recorded as payable pending forgiveness. The loan was formally forgiven in 2021.

#### Great Peninsula Conservancy A Washington Not For Profit Organization Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards

|  |                | Year Ended December 31, 2020 |                        |                  |                               |                                   |
|--|----------------|------------------------------|------------------------|------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Federal Grantor/   | Federal        | Pass-through                 |                        | Ех               | spenditures                   |                                   |
| Pass-through Grantor/<br>Program Title   | CFDA<br>Number | Grantor's<br>Number          | Pass-Through<br>Awards | Direct<br>Awards | Total Federal<br>Expenditures | Amounts Paid To<br>Sub-Recipients |
| United States Department of The Interior   |                |                              |                        |                  |                               |                                   |
| Passed Through Washington State Department of Ecology:<br>Coastal Wetlands Planning, Protection, and Restoration | 15.614         | SEANCWCP-2020-GPC-00033      | 980,000                |                  | 980,000                       |                                   |
| Total United States Department of the Interior   |                |                              | 980,000                |                  | 980,000                       |                                   |
| United States Department of Commerce<br>Passed Through State of Washington Recreation and Conservation Office:   |                |                              |                        |                  |                               |                                   |
| Pasific Coast Salmon Recovery  | 11.438         | 20-1007                      | 266,339                | _                | 266,339                       | _                                 |
| Pacific Coast Salmon Recovery  | 11.438         | 19-1293                      | 446,332                | -                | 446,332                       | -                                 |
|  | 111100         | 19 1200                      | 712,671                | -                | 712,671                       |                                   |
| Total United States Department of Commerce   |                |                              | 712,671                |                  | 712,671                       |                                   |
| Total Expenditures of Federal Awards   |                |                              | \$ 1,692,671           | § \$             | \$1,692,671                   | \$                                |

# Great Peninsula Conservancy A Washington Not For Profit Organization Notes to the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards

# Year Ended December 31, 2020

# Note 1 – Purpose of Schedule

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards (the Schedule) is a supplementary schedule to the Great Peninsula Conservancy's (the Conservancy's) financial statements and is presented for purposes of additional analysis. Because the Schedule presents only a selected portion of the activities of the Conservancy, it does not present the financial position, changes in financial position, or the revenues and expenditures of the Conservancy.

# Note 2 – Reporting Entity

The reporting entity is described in Note 1 to the Conservancy's financial statements. The Schedule includes all federal programs administered by the Conservancy for the year ended December 31, 2020.

# Note 3 – Basis of Accounting

This schedule is prepared on the same basis of accounting as the Conservancy's financial statements. The Conservancy uses the accrual basis of accounting for financial reporting purposes.

# Note 4 – De-Minimis Cost Rate

The Conservancy did not use the 10% de-minimis cost rate.

# Note 5 – Basis of Presentation

The information in the Schedule is presented in accordance with Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards 2 CFR 200 (Uniform Guidance).

# Note 6 – CFDA Numbers

Every attempt has been made to determine the correct Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) numbers for the federal award programs reported in this schedule. When the federal agency making the award has not provided the CFDA number and when the appropriate number has not been determined, the number presented in the CFDA number column represents the two-digit federal agency number as the prefix of the CFDA number and the suffix has been listed as three dashes.





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

To the Board of Directors Great Peninsula Conservancy Bremerton, Washington

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the Great Peninsula Conservancy (the Conservancy), which comprise the statement of financial position as of December 31, 2020, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated June 22, 2021.

# **Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Conservancy's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Conservancy's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Conservancy's internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. We did identify a deficiency in internal control, described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as item 2020-001, that we consider to be a material weakness.

#### **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Conservancy's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under Government Auditing Standards and which are described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as items 2020-002 and 2020-003.

# **Purpose of this Report**

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Conservancy's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards in considering the Conservancy's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

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# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE

To the Board of Directors Great Peninsula Conservancy Bremerton, Washington

#### **Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program**

We have audited the Great Peninsula Conservancy's (the Conservancy's) compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the OMB Compliance Supplement that could have a direct and material effect on each of the Conservancy's major federal programs for the year ended December 31, 2020. The Conservancy's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

#### Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to its federal programs.

#### **Auditor's Responsibility**

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for each of the Conservancy's major federal programs based on our audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above. We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Costs Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance). Those standards and the Uniform Guidance require that we 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 the Conservancy's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of the Conservancy's compliance.

# **Opinion on Each Major Federal Program**

In our opinion, the Conservancy complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended December 31, 2020.

#### **Other Matters**

The results of our auditing procedures disclosed instances of noncompliance and other matters, which are required to be reported in accordance with the Uniform Guidance and which are described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as items 2020-002 and 2020-003. Our opinion on each major federal program is not modified with respect to these matters.

# **Report on Internal Control Over Compliance**

Management of the Conservancy is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered the Conservancy's internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each major federal program to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion on compliance for each major federal program and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Conservancy's internal control over compliance.

A deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. A material weakness in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A significant deficiency in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A significant deficiency in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. We identified a deficiency in internal control over compliance, as described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as item 2020-001, that we consider to be a material weakness.

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

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Aiken & Sanders, Inc., PS Certified Public Accountants & Consultants

June 22, 2021

Montesano, WA

# **GREAT PENINSULA CONSERVANCY** A Washington Not For Profit Organization Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs

#### Year Ended December 31, 2020

#### Section I - Summary of Auditor's Results:

#### **Financial Statements**

Type of auditor's report issued: Unmodified

# Internal control over financial reporting:

Material weaknesses identified: Yes

Significant Deficiencies identified not considered to be material weaknesses: None reported

Noncompliance material to financial statements noted: No

#### **Federal Awards**

#### Internal control over major programs:

Material weaknesses identified: Yes

Significant Deficiencies identified not considered to be material weaknesses: None reported

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

Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with Uniform Guidance, Section 200.516(a): Yes

#### **Identification of major programs:**

15.614 Coastal Wetlands Planning, Protection, and Restoration

#### **Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B programs:** \$750,000

Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee: No

Section II – Financial Statement Findings:

**MATERIAL WEAKNESS** 

#### 2020-001 REVENUE RECOGNITION

Criteria: Generally accepted accounting principles require recording revenue when earned and contributions when received or when an unconditional promise to give has been made.

# **GREAT PENINSULA CONSERVANCY** A Washington Not For Profit Organization Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs

## Year Ended December 31, 2020

Condition: While conducting the audit, we noted that the Conservancy recorded \$3,024,990 in grant and contribution revenue received in 2020 to net assets, omitting from revenue accounts. The grant and contribution revenue involved in these transactions were received to fund property acquisitions and were sent by the provider of resources directly to the title company during property closings.

Effect: Grant revenue and contribution revenue were understated, and net assets were overstated for the year ended December 31, 2020.

Cause: Conservancy accounting personnel did not understand the proper accounting and reporting of revenue when the resources are provided to a third party, on the Conservancy's behalf, during property acquisitions.

Recommendation: We recommend that the Conservancy provide training for personnel and implement a process for management and finance personnel to conduct regular reviews of all activities, relating activities, where relevant, to recognition and recording in the financial records.

#### Section III – Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs:

#### 2020-002 REVENUE RECOGNITION-MATERIAL WEAKNESS

| CFDA Number and Title: | 15.614 Coastal Wetlands Planning, Protection, and Restoration |
|------------------------|---|
| Federal Grantor Name:  | United States Department of the Interior                      |
| Pass Through Entity:   | Washington State Department of Ecology                        |

See finding 2020-001. The Conservancy recorded grant and contribution income received in 2020 directly to net assets, omitting from revenue accounts. This resulted in material misstatement of revenue and of federal award activity in the financial records.

Questioned Costs for Finding 2020-002: No questioned costs were noted for this finding.

#### 2020-003 PREPARATION OF THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS

| CFDA Number and Title: | 15.614 Coastal Wetlands Planning, Protection, and Restoration |
|------------------------|---|
| Federal Grantor Name:  | United States Department of the Interior                      |
| Pass Through Entity:   | Washington State Department of Ecology                        |

Criteria: The Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards 2 CFR 200 (Uniform Guidance), requires auditees to prepare a Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (SEFA) for the period covered by the auditee's financial statements.

Condition: The Conservancy did not prepare, prior to the commencement of the annual audit, a Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (SEFA) for the year ending December 31, 2020.

Effect: The Conservancy did not realize a single audit was necessary and introduced the risk of noncompliance with Uniform Guidance.

# **GREAT PENINSULA CONSERVANCY** A Washington Not For Profit Organization Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs

# Year Ended December 31, 2020

Cause: The Conservancy does not have a process in place to analyze federal source awards and management and accounting personnel did not have adequate training and prior experience to recognize the need to prepare a SEFA and to arrange for the conduct of a single audit when federal expenditures reach the threshold requiring one.

Recommendation: We recommend that the Conservancy provide specific training to accounting personnel in the preparation and reporting requirements for the SEFA. The Conservancy should also implement a process to identify all federal sources of funds, when awarded, and track, report, and include these awards in the year-end SEFA.

Questioned Costs for Finding 2020-003: No questioned costs were noted for this finding.



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# Management's Response to 2020 Audited Financial Statements Findings and Corrective Action Plan:

Great Peninsula Conservancy (GPC) agrees with the findings reported and has made corrective actions to rectify the findings.

# 2020-001 Revenue Recognition

GPC is in the process of developing and implementing an updated procedure to record property transactions that will ensure uniformity in recording and property accounting. This will include:

- Regular meetings between finance and program staff to review financial reports; they will specifically review each property acquisition and identify specific acquisitions that need to be recognized and recorded and ensure proper revenue recognition.
- On-going training for program and finance staff relating to revenue recognition will be evaluated and implemented.

#### 2020-002 Revenue Recognition

Please see response for **2020-001 Revenue Recognition**. The corrective actions outlined in that section will ensure that GPC's finance department will perform regular review of all property acquisitions and ensure proper posting to revenue accounts for all grants and contributions received as part of these transactions.

#### 2020-003 Preparation of the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards

The Executive Director and Finance and Operations Manager understand the function and necessity of preparing a complete and accurate SEFA. Training specific to the preparation and reporting requirements have been added to the training plan.

A process has been developed for the Finance and Operations Manager to identify and report information on all new grants, including the source of funding, and to review the information on existing grants when they come up for renewal. This report will be updated by the finance and operations manager monthly to ensure the process is followed and reviewed by the Executive Director quarterly for accountability.

#### **Responsible Persons:**

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