

**THE NATOMAS BASIN CONSERVANCY
A COMPONENT UNIT
OF THE CITY OF SACRAMENTO**

Independent Auditor's Report, Required Supplementary Information,
Financial Statements and Additional Information

For the Year Ended December 31, 2002

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of the Natomas Basin Conservancy (Conservancy), a component unit of the City of Sacramento, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2002, which collectively comprise the Conservancy's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Conservancy's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the basic 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. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and each major fund of the Natomas Basin Conservancy as of December 31, 2002 and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The Management's Discussion and Analysis is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Authority's basic financial statements. The accompanying additional financial information is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. This additional financial information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Macias, Gini & Company LLP

Certified Public Accountants

Sacramento, California
February 28, 2003

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

As management of The Natomas Basin Conservancy (the Conservancy), a component unit of the City of Sacramento, we offer readers of the Conservancy's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Conservancy for the year ended December 31, 2002. We encourage readers to consider the information presented here in conjunction with the Conservancy's financial statements, which begin on page 6.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- The net assets of the Conservancy at the close of the most recent fiscal year were \$17,823,272. Of that amount, \$15,820,694 is invested in capital assets (net of related debt) and an additional \$1,758,695 is permanently restricted to provide income for the future operation of the Conservancy. Unrestricted net assets total \$243,883.
- The Conservancy's cash balance at December 31, 2002 was \$2,150,466, representing a decrease of \$2,660,317 from December 31, 2001.
- The Conservancy had general revenues of \$872,973 and program revenues of \$4,594,893. Program expenses were \$978,014 and capital outlays were \$9,242,410 for the year ended December 31, 2002.
- All financial assets of the Conservancy continue to be devoted to the acquisition, restoration and management of mitigation land for habitat conservation.

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the Conservancy's basic financial statements which have the following components, in addition to management's discussion and analysis: 1) Conservancy-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements, and 3) notes to the financial statements. The Conservancy-wide and fund financial statements are presented in a combined format on pages 6 and 7. Items in the adjustment column are discussed in notes 3 and 4.

The Conservancy adopted Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 34 for the year ended December 31, 2001. The intent of GASB Statement No. 34 is to reflect all assets and liabilities of the Conservancy. It also redefines the way various funds are classified into fund types and focuses attention on major funds. The Conservancy has only governmental-type funds and all are major.

CONSERVANCY-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Conservancy-wide financial statements are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the Conservancy's finances, in a manner similar to a private-sector business.

The *statement of net assets* presents information on all of the Conservancy's assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as net assets. Over time, increases or decreases in net assets may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the Conservancy is improving or deteriorating.

The *statement of activities* presents information showing how the Conservancy's net assets changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net assets are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods (e.g., earned but unused vacation leave).

FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The Conservancy uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. The Conservancy has four funds, all of which are governmental-type funds.

Governmental fund financial statements focus on *near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources*, as well as on *balances of spendable resources* available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating the Conservancy's near-term financing requirements.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the Conservancy-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for the governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities. Both the governmental funds balance sheet and the governmental funds statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances provide a column detailing the differences (adjustments) between the governmental funds and governmental activities. These adjustments are discussed in further detail in notes 3 and 4 to the basic financial statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the Conservancy-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to the financial statements can be found on pages 8 through 13 of this report.

CONSERVANCY-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

The Natomas Basin Conservancy
Summary of Net Assets
Governmental Activities
December 31, 2001 and 2002

	December 31, 2002	December 31, 2001	Increase/Decrease
Current and other assets	\$ 2,214,738	\$ 4,841,846	\$ (2,627,108)
Capital assets	17,932,653	8,766,437	9,166,216
Total assets	<u>20,147,391</u>	<u>13,608,283</u>	<u>6,539,108</u>
Long-term liabilities	2,121,665	6,124	2,115,541
Other liabilities	202,454	188,963	13,491
Total liabilities	<u>2,324,119</u>	<u>195,087</u>	<u>2,129,032</u>
Net assets:			
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	15,820,694	8,766,437	7,054,257
Restricted for endowment	1,758,695	923,185	835,510
Unrestricted	243,883	3,723,575	(3,479,692)
Total net assets	<u>\$ 17,823,272</u>	<u>\$ 13,413,197</u>	<u>\$ 4,410,075</u>

Net assets represent the difference between the Conservancy's resources and its obligations. At December 31, 2002, approximately 89% of the Conservancy's net assets are invested in land and land improvements. These lands are acquired and enhanced to provide habitat for protected plant and animal species.

The Conservancy accelerated its land acquisition plans to take advantage of purchase opportunities in significant areas of the Natomas Basin. This significantly increased capital assets and long-term debt while decreasing current assets.

The Natomas Basin Conservancy
Changes in Net Assets
Governmental Activities
For the Year Ended December 31, 2001 and 2002

	December 31, 2002	December 31, 2001	Increase/Decrease
Revenues			
Program revenues:			
Mitigation fees	\$ 4,286,730	\$ 3,750,548	\$ 536,182
Rent revenue	232,305	174,438	57,867
Investment income	75,858	35,825	40,033
General revenues:			
Investment income	24,702	191,554	(166,852)
Other	16,889	301,670	(284,781)
Mitigation fees contributed to endowment fund	831,382	246,041	585,341
Total revenues	5,467,866	4,700,076	767,790
Expenses			
Land management	1,057,791	755,114	302,677
Increase in net assets	\$ 4,410,075	\$ 3,944,962	\$ 465,113

The Conservancy received \$5,118,112 in mitigation fees during 2002. Of that amount \$831,382 was contributed to the endowment fund. During 2002, mitigation fees were collected for 772 acres, although land donations were accepted in lieu of fees for some of the acreage. In comparison, full mitigation fees were collected for 242 acres in 2001.

Investment income declined from 2002 due to lower interest rates and to the use of cash to purchase land. Other revenues declined because the Conservancy withdrew some of its land from farming, thus making it ineligible for farm income and agricultural subsidies that it received in 2001. In addition, the Conservancy did not participate in water sales in 2002, as it had in 2001.

Land management expenses increase as the acreage under Conservancy management increases. Acreage under Conservancy management increased approximately 57% in 2002, from 1,771 acres to 2,782.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE CONSERVANCY'S FUNDS

The focus of the Conservancy's funds, all of which are governmental-type funds, is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of spendable resources. Such information is useful in assessing the Conservancy's financing requirements. In particular, fund balance may serve as a useful measure of the Conservancy's net resources available for spending for program purposes at the end of the fiscal year.

As of the end of the current fiscal year, the Conservancy's funds reported a deficit fund balance of \$101,275. The Conservancy's major source of revenues is mitigation fees established by City of Sacramento ordinance. The Conservancy's major expenditures are capital outlay for the acquisition and restoration of habitat land. The deficit fund balance represents spending for the acquisition of mitigation acreage and the restoration of Conservancy property. These capital assets are not shown on the fund statements since they are not available for near-term financing of the Conservancy's operations.

CAPITAL ASSET AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

CAPITAL ASSETS

As of December 31, 2002 the Conservancy's investment in capital assets was \$17,932,653 (net of accumulated depreciation). This investment in capital assets includes land and land improvements.

Major capital asset purchases during the current fiscal year include the following:

- Capital expenditures of \$8,844,889 were made to purchase Conservancy land
- Capital expenditures of \$397,521 were made for land improvements to the Conservancy's land

Additional information on the Conservancy's capital assets can be found in note 5 on page 12 of this report.

LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

The Conservancy has entered into a \$4,000,000 line of credit agreement with the City of Sacramento. As of December 31, 2002, the balance due to the City was \$2,111,959. The agreement calls for draws on the line of credit to be repaid out of future mitigation fee revenue received by the Conservancy.

CONTACTING THE CONSERVANCY'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

The financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the Conservancy's finances for all those with an interest. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to the Executive Director, The Natomas Basin Conservancy, 1750 Creekside Oaks Dr., Suite 290, Sacramento, CA, 95833 or call (916) 649-3331.

THE NATOMAS BASIN CONSERVANCY
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STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS AND GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET
DECEMBER 31, 2002

	Administration Fund	Restoration and Enhancement Fund	Land Acquisition Fund	Endowment Fund	Total	Adjustments (Note 3)	Statement of Net Assets
ASSETS							
Cash and investments held by City	\$ 204,268	\$ 40,233	\$ -	\$ 1,864,981	\$ 2,109,482	-	\$ 2,109,482
Cash held by fiscal agent	40,984	-	-	-	40,984	-	40,984
Interest receivable	2,560	2,651	214	49,453	54,878	-	54,878
Prepaid items	7,833	-	1,561	-	9,394	-	9,394
Due from other funds	3,908,020	153,500	-	-	4,061,520	(4,061,520)	-
Land	-	-	-	-	-	16,690,338	16,690,338
Land improvements, net	-	-	-	-	-	1,242,315	1,242,315
Total assets	<u>\$ 4,163,665</u>	<u>\$ 196,384</u>	<u>\$ 1,775</u>	<u>\$ 1,914,434</u>	<u>\$ 6,276,258</u>	<u>13,871,133</u>	<u>20,147,391</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES/NET ASSETS							
Liabilities:							
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 147,326	\$ 55,128	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 202,454	-	202,454
Conditional deposit	1,600	-	-	-	1,600	-	1,600
Due to City of Sacramento	2,111,959	-	-	-	2,111,959	-	2,111,959
Due to other funds	-	-	4,061,520	-	4,061,520	(4,061,520)	-
Compensated absences	-	-	-	-	-	8,106	8,106
Total liabilities	<u>2,260,885</u>	<u>55,128</u>	<u>4,061,520</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,377,533</u>	<u>(4,053,414)</u>	<u>2,324,119</u>
Fund balances:							
Reserved for endowment	-	-	-	1,758,695	1,758,695	(1,758,695)	-
Unreserved	1,902,780	141,256	(4,059,745)	155,739	(1,859,970)	1,859,970	-
Total fund balances	<u>1,902,780</u>	<u>141,256</u>	<u>(4,059,745)</u>	<u>1,914,434</u>	<u>(101,275)</u>	<u>101,275</u>	<u>-</u>
Total liabilities and fund balances	<u>\$ 4,163,665</u>	<u>\$ 196,384</u>	<u>\$ 1,775</u>	<u>\$ 1,914,434</u>	<u>\$ 6,276,258</u>		
Net assets							
Investment in capital assets, net of related debt						15,820,694	15,820,694
Restricted for endowment						1,758,695	1,758,695
Unrestricted						243,883	243,883
Total net assets						<u>\$ 17,823,272</u>	<u>\$ 17,823,272</u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements

THE NATOMAS BASIN CONSERVANCY
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STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES AND GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS REVENUES,
EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2002

	<u>Administration Fund</u>	<u>Restoration and Enhancement Fund</u>	<u>Land Acquisition Fund</u>	<u>Endowment Fund</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Adjustments (Note 4)</u>	<u>Statement of Activities</u>
Revenues							
Program revenues:							
Charges for services:							
Mitigation fees	\$ 1,375,463	\$ 353,639	\$ 2,557,628	\$ -	\$ 4,286,730	\$ -	\$ 4,286,730
Rent revenue	232,305	-	-	-	232,305	-	232,305
Operating grants and contributions:							
Investment income	-	-	-	75,858	75,858	-	75,858
Total program revenues	<u>1,607,768</u>	<u>353,639</u>	<u>2,557,628</u>	<u>75,858</u>	<u>4,594,893</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,594,893</u>
General revenues:							
Investment income	9,058	4,193	11,451	-	24,702	-	24,702
Other	7,576	5,185	-	4,128	16,889	-	16,889
Mitigation fees contributed to permanent fund	-	-	-	831,382	831,382	-	831,382
Total general revenues	<u>16,634</u>	<u>9,378</u>	<u>11,451</u>	<u>835,510</u>	<u>872,973</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>872,973</u>
Total revenues	<u>1,624,402</u>	<u>363,017</u>	<u>2,569,079</u>	<u>911,368</u>	<u>5,467,866</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,467,866</u>
Expenditures:							
Land mitigation:							
Current:							
Personnel services	192,006	-	-	-	192,006	3,583	195,589
Materials and services	684,275	92,520	9,213	-	786,008	-	786,008
Depreciation	-	-	-	-	-	76,194	76,194
Capital outlay	-	397,521	8,844,889	-	9,242,410	(9,242,410)	-
Total expenditures	<u>876,281</u>	<u>490,041</u>	<u>8,854,102</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>10,220,424</u>	<u>(9,162,633)</u>	<u>1,057,791</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	748,121	(127,024)	(6,285,023)	911,368	(4,752,558)	9,162,633	4,410,075
Fund balances/net assets, beginning of period	1,154,659	268,280	2,225,278	1,003,066	4,651,283	8,761,914	13,413,197
Fund balances/net assets, end of period	<u>\$ 1,902,780</u>	<u>\$ 141,256</u>	<u>\$ (4,059,745)</u>	<u>\$ 1,914,434</u>	<u>\$ (101,275)</u>	<u>\$ 17,924,547</u>	<u>\$ 17,823,272</u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements

**THE NATOMAS BASIN CONSERVANCY
A COMPONENT UNIT OF THE CITY OF SACRAMENTO
NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2002**

NOTE 1 - ORGANIZATION

The Natomas Basin Conservancy (the Conservancy) is a California non-profit public benefit corporation formed in 1994. The Conservancy is responsible for collecting and managing mitigation fees required by the Natomas Basin Habitat Conservation Plan (the NBHCP), for using the fees to establish mitigation lands, and for managing the mitigation lands for the benefit of the protected plant and animal species in the Natomas Basin.

The NBHCP applies to the 53,341-acre interior of the Natomas Basin, located in the northern portion of Sacramento County and the southern portion of Sutter County. The Natomas Basin contains incorporated and unincorporated areas within the jurisdictions of the City of Sacramento, Sacramento County and Sutter County. The NBHCP is designed to promote biological conservation while allowing urban development to proceed according to local land use plans. The United States Fish and Wildlife Service and the California Department of Fish and Game provide oversight and insure compliance with the terms of the NBHCP.

The Conservancy's Board of Directors will be comprised of representatives of each of the three land use agencies ultimately expected to obtain development permits under the NBHCP: the City of Sacramento, Sacramento County and Sutter County. During the period covered by these financial statements, the City of Sacramento is the only agency implementing the NBHCP and has appointed all members of the Conservancy's Board of Directors. In accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 14, *The Financial Reporting Entity*, the City of Sacramento has financial accountability for the Conservancy and the Conservancy therefore is a component unit of the City of Sacramento for financial reporting purposes.

Funding

The Conservancy is primarily funded from mitigation fees established by City of Sacramento ordinance. The mitigation fees include components for land acquisition, management, endowment and administration. The fees are to be adjusted as is necessary to maintain the requirements of the NBHCP. As the Conservancy acquires land, other funding sources may include rice cultivation, agricultural leasing, grants and other sources of revenue.

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements of the Conservancy have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as applied to governmental agencies. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The more significant accounting policies of the Conservancy are described below.

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NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Government-wide and fund financial statements

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net assets and the statement of activities) report information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the Conservancy.

The accounts of the Conservancy are organized on the basis of funds. A fund is a separate accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. Each fund was established for the purpose of accounting for specific activities in accordance with applicable regulations, restrictions or limitations. Major individual funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

Measurement focus, basis of accounting, and financial statement presentation

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the Conservancy considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting.

Interest associated with the current fiscal period is considered to be susceptible to accrual and so has been recognized as revenue of the current fiscal period. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the Conservancy.

The Conservancy reports the following major governmental funds:

General fund - this fund is established to account for resources devoted to administration of the activities of the Conservancy and excludes those resources required to be accounted for in another fund. The Conservancy presents this fund as the Administration Fund.

Special Revenue Fund - this fund is established to account for resources devoted to the restoration, enhancement and monitoring of mitigation land owned by the Conservancy. The Conservancy presents this fund as the Restoration and Enhancement Fund.

Capital Projects Fund - this fund is established to account for major capital expenditures of the Conservancy, primarily the acquisition of mitigation land. The Conservancy presents this fund as the Land Acquisition Fund.

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NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

The Permanent Fund accounts for resources that are legally restricted, to the extent that only earnings and not principal, may be used for purposes that support the Conservancy's programs. The Conservancy presents this fund as the Endowment Fund.

Amounts reported as program revenues include 1) charges to customers or applicants for goods, services, or privileges provided (e.g. mitigation fees), 2) operating grants and contributions, and 3) capital grants and contributions, including special assessments. Internally dedicated resources are reported as general revenues rather than as program revenue.

Cash

The Conservancy participates in the City of Sacramento investment pool over which the City Treasurer has regulatory oversight. The City Treasurer pools cash with other City funds and invests to maximize income consistent with safe and prudent investment practices within the guidelines of the City's investment pool and reviews its investment policy on a quarterly basis. The estimated fair value of investments in the pool is based on quoted market price. The fair value of the Conservancy's position in the pool is the same as the value of the pool shares.

Cash held by fiscal agent represents the payroll cash account deposited with a bank, which is fully insured.

Capital Assets

The Conservancy capitalizes all land, land improvements and equipment, furniture and fixtures expenditures in excess of \$5,000.

Capital asset acquisitions are recorded at cost. Contributions are recorded at the estimated fair value on the date of contribution.

Capital assets are depreciated using the straight-line method, half-year convention, over the following estimated useful lives:

Land improvements	15 years
Furniture and equipment	5 years

Permanent Fund

In accordance with the City of Sacramento Implementation Agreement for the Natomas Basin Habitat Conservation Plan, the Conservancy is required to segregate all endowment fees. The Endowment Fund is accounted for in a permanent fund. Interest earnings will be used to meet long-term miscellaneous management and maintenance needs relating to Conservancy lands.

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NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Fund Equity

In the fund financial statements, governmental funds report reservations of fund balance for amounts that are not available for appropriation or are legally restricted by outside parties for use for a specific purpose.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

NOTE 3 - EXPLANATION OF DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE BALANCE SHEET AND THE STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS

Fund balances		\$ (101,275)
Capital assets used in Conservancy activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the governmental funds.		
Capital assets	\$ 18,040,605	
Less: accumulated depreciation	<u>(107,952)</u>	
		17,932,653
Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds.		
Accrued compensated absences		<u>(8,106)</u>
Net assets		<u><u>\$17,823,272</u></u>

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**NOTE 4 – EXPLANATION OF DIFFERENCES BETWEEN STATEMENT OF REVENUES,
EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES AND THE STATEMENT
OF ACTIVITIES**

Net change in fund balances \$ (4,752,558)

Governmental funds report capital outlay as expenditures. In the statement of activities however, the cost of capital assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense

Capital outlay	\$ 9,242,410	
Depreciation expense	<u>(76,194)</u>	
		9,166,216

Some expenses reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources and therefore are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds.

Compensated absences		<u>(3,583)</u>
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Change in net assets \$ 4,410,075

NOTE 5 – CAPITAL ASSETS

A summary of changes in capital assets for the year ended December 31, 2002, is as follows:

	<u>December 31, 2001</u>	<u>Additions (Deletions)</u>	<u>December 31, 2002</u>
Capital assets not being depreciated:			
Land	\$ 7,845,449	\$ 8,844,889	\$ 16,690,338
Land improvements in progress	-	17,186	17,186
Capital assets being depreciated:			
Land improvements	952,746	380,335	1,333,081
Accum. depreciation, land improvements	<u>(31,758)</u>	<u>(76,194)</u>	<u>(107,952)</u>
Total	<u>\$ 8,766,437</u>	<u>\$ 9,166,216</u>	<u>\$ 17,932,653</u>

NOTE 6 – INTERFUND LOANS

The mitigation fee program of the NBHCP is structured to allow transfers of funds between the Land Acquisition, Restoration and Enhancement and Administration funds based on any surpluses or deficits that might exist in those funds. The Land Acquisition fund purchased land aggressively during 2002 to take advantage of existing opportunities. The land purchases were financed in part by loans from the Administration and Restoration and Enhancement funds and in part by drawing on a line of credit the Conservancy has with the City of Sacramento. (See Note 8, below, for additional information on the line of credit from the City of Sacramento.) It is anticipated that the interfund loans will be paid back through future mitigation fee revenue.

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NOTE 7 – CONTINGENCIES

The Conservancy's mitigation fee revenue is dependent on incidental take permits issued by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the California Department of Fish and Game. The City, state and federal wildlife agencies, Sutter County and certain consultants have begun a revision of the habitat conservation plan and are conducting NEPA and CEQA reviews in the form of a combined EIS/EIR. It is anticipated that incidental take permits will be issued by mid-June 2003.

NOTE 8 – RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

During the year ended December 31, 2002, the Conservancy paid \$12,789 to the City of Sacramento for fiscal services.

The Conservancy also drew \$2,990,000 on a line of credit from the City of Sacramento. Repayments were made from mitigation fee revenue received during the year. Repayments amounted to \$878,041, leaving a balance due to the City of Sacramento at December 31, 2002 of \$2,111,959.

NOTE 9 – DEFICIT FUND BALANCE

The capital project fund for land acquisition had a deficit fund balance at December 31, 2002 of \$4,059,745. The deficit arose from an aggressive land acquisition program that required the fund to borrow money to purchase mitigation acreage during 2002. It is expected the deficit will be recovered upon receipt of future mitigation fee revenue.

ADDITIONAL FINANCIAL INFORMATION

THE NATOMAS BASIN CONSERVANCY
A Component Unit of the City of Sacramento
SCHEDULE OF LAND ACQUISITION EXPENDITURES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2002

	<u>Total</u>
Purchase price	\$ 8,776,755
Title insurance	2,320
Escrow fees	2,305
Document, recording and other fees	189
Consulting	54,171
Accounting and legal	7,954
Miscellaneous	<u>1,195</u>
Total	<u>\$ 8,844,889</u>

THE NATOMAS BASIN CONSERVANCY
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SCHEDULE OF MITIGATION FEES COLLECTED
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2002

<u>Type of Mitigation Fee</u>	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Special Revenue</u>	<u>Capital Project</u>	<u>Permanent</u>	<u>Total</u>
	<u>Administration</u>	<u>Restoration & Enhancement</u>	<u>Land Acquisition</u>	<u>Endowment</u>	
Habitat Acquisition Fee	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,557,628	\$ -	\$ 2,557,628
Endowment Fee	-	-	-	831,382	831,382
Habitat Management Fee	1,236,003	353,639	-	-	1,589,642
Administrative Fee	139,460	-	-	-	139,460
Total Fees Collected	\$ 1,375,463	\$ 353,639	\$ 2,557,628	\$ 831,382	\$ 5,118,112