

FINANCIAL AUDIT

Montana State University

For the Two Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2012

DECEMBER 2012

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REPORT SUMMARY

Montana State University (university) is a land grant university serving state, national, and international students and communities. The University's four campuses are located in Bozeman, Billings, Havre, and Great Falls. The Montana Agricultural Experiment Station, MSU Extension, and the Fire Services Training School are reported under the Bozeman campus. The campuses provide a diversity of undergraduate and graduate academic degrees and two-year vocational/technical programs.

Context

We perform annual financial audits of the university to provide timely information and accountability for operations to interested parties. During the 2011-2012 academic year, tuition and fee revenue increased approximately 2.5 percent due to increased enrollments. Total operating expenses in fiscal years 2012 and 2011 were \$476.3 million and \$458.6 million, respectively. Annualized full-time equivalent student counts reported by the Commissioner of Higher Education for fiscal year 2012 are as follows: Bozeman-12,352, Billings-4,478, Havre-1,125, and Great Falls-1,465.

In addition to financial activity of the University, the financial statements include financial activity related to Montana State University Foundation, Museum of the Rockies Incorporated, Montana State University Bobcat Club, Montana State University-Billings Foundation, and Montana State University-Northern Foundation.

The report also contains unaudited supplemental information with detailed information for each campus, the Agricultural

Experiment Station, MSU Extension, and the Fire Services Training School.

In addition to the annual financial audits, we conduct financial related audits every two years to determine compliance with contract provisions grant requirements, and selected state laws and regulations. We will conduct a financial-related audit for Montana State University covering fiscal years 2012 and 2013.

Results

Report readers can rely on financial information included in these audited statements for financial decisions. This report does not contain any recommendations to the university.

Recommendation Concurrence	
Concur	0
Partially Concur	0
Do Not Concur	0
Source: Agency audit response included in final report.	