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RE: Impact of CAFR Audit on LFD Financial Reporting

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Amy Carlson".

Members of the Legislative Finance Committee and other legislators have asked the LFD if the observations found in the June 2015 legislative financial-compliance audit report on the State of Montana's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) changed the financial data reported to the legislature by the Legislative Fiscal Division's (LFD). This memo addresses the implications of the CAFR Audit on LFD reporting only.

While the errors found in the CAFR Audit were substantial for the state's financial compliance reporting, the material errors found in the CAFR were not captured in the information contained in the LFD reporting to the legislature. The LFD will not be issuing changes to our reporting as a result of the June 2015 legislative financial-compliance audit.

If legislators have questions regarding the audit, they should direct those inquiries to Cindy Jorgenson, Deputy Legislative Auditor at cjorgenson@mt.gov.