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**Office of the State Auditor Releases a Report on
the Beaver County Waste Management Service District No. 5**

Salt Lake City, UTAH –

The Office of the State Auditor (Office) today announced the release of a Report on the Beaver County Waste Management Service District No. 5 (District). The Office identified three findings.

1. Up to \$38,000 in district funds were misappropriated by a former secretary.
2. Financial duties were not properly separated.
3. Financial reviews of debit card use, reimbursements, and payroll were inadequate and ineffective.

State Auditor John Dougall said of his concerns, “All local government entities of the State of Utah should provide appropriate oversight and separation of financial duties to reduce the risk of fraud, waste or abuse. The management of the Beaver Waste Management Service District No. 5 did not implement adequate and required financial controls.”

The report may be found on the Office’s website at auditor.utah.gov.

The report can be found specifically at:

<https://reporting.auditor.utah.gov/servlet/servlet.FileDownload?file=0151K000003dedRQAQ>

About the Office of the State Auditor

The Office of the State Auditor provides Utah taxpayers and government officials with an independent assessment of financial operation, statutory compliance, and performance management for state and local government.

Specific activities of the Office include performing financial audits, conducting Federal funds compliance audits, providing local government oversight, conducting agency and program performance audits, performing fraud and compliance audits, and operating the State Auditor Hotline for citizens to report suspected financial issues or improprieties. These capabilities strengthen Utah State Government and help taxpayers have confidence in the integrity of Utah’s government agencies.

The State Auditor is a Constitutional Officer of the State of Utah, elected directly by the state's citizens every four years. The role of the State Auditor is authorized in Article VII, Section 15 of the Utah Constitution. For more information, see auditor.utah.gov.

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