(A Component Unit of the State of Illinois)

FINANCIAL AUDIT AND COMPLIANCE EXAMINATION

(In Accordance with the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133)

For The Year Ended June 30, 2010

Performed as Special Assistant Auditors for the Auditor General, State of Illinois

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FOUNDATION OFFICIALS

ILLINOIS CONSERVATION FOUNDATION

Board of Directors:

Miller, Marc – Appointment designated by statute - Chairman

Ducey, Barbara – Appointed by Senator Jones - Secretary

Russell, Robert Dr. – Appointed by Senator Philip - Treasurer

Cullerton, Bill Jr. – Appointed by Representative Madigan

Keck, Fred - Appointed by Senator Philip

Kidd, John Jr. - Appointed by Senator Jones

Newton, Larry - Appointed by Representative Cross

Lyons, Arthur - Appointed by Representative Daniels

Presbrey, Kim - Appointed by Governor Blagojevich

Rodeen, Gerald - Appointed by Governor Blagojevich

Wren, Richard T. Jr. - Appointed by Governor Blagojevich

Combs, Doug – Appointed by Representative Madigan

Kern, Mark – Appointed by Governor Blagojevich

Each director shall hold office until a successor has been appointed.

Committees were as follows:

Executive Committee

Miller, Marc – Chairman of the Board

Ducey, Barbara

Russell, Robert Dr.

Wren, Richard T. Jr.

Development Committee

Miller, Marc - Chairman of the Board

Combs, Doug

Kidd, John Jr.

Lyons, Arthur

Rodeen, Gerald

Planned Giving Sub-Committee

Finance & Endowment Committee

Russell, Robert Dr. – Chairman

Lyons, Arthur

Newton, Larry

Special Events Committee

Presbrey, Kim – Chairman

Combs, Doug

Keck, Fred

Kidd, John Jr.

Cullerton, Bill Jr.

Allen, Ron

Strategic Planning Committee

Miller, Marc – Chairman of the Board

Ducey, Barbara

Kidd, John Jr.

Lyons, Arthur

Newton, Larry

Presbrey, Kim

Rodeen, Gerald

Russell, Robert

Liaisons to Natural Resources Advisory Board

Wren, Richard T. Jr.

Website Committee

Rodeen, Gerald

Presbrey, Kim

Kidd, John Jr.

Committees Continued:

Conservation Scholarship Committee

Ducey, Barbara Cullerton, Bill Jr. Kidd, John Jr.

Newton, Larry

Address:

The Foundation operates in office space maintained by the Illinois Department of Natural Resources as follows:

Operating Office

Illinois Conservation Foundation 1 Natural Resources Way Springfield, IL 62702-1271

Foundation Executive Director:

Spangler, Mark (July 1, 2009 - Present)

Chief Financial Officer:

Bandy, John



MANAGEMENT ASSERTION LETTER

Kyle E. McGinnis, CPA 200 East Pine Springfield, Illinois 62704 January 5, 2011

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We are responsible for the identification of, and compliance with, all aspects of laws, regulations, contracts, or grant agreements that could have a material effect on the operations of the Foundation. We are responsible for and we have established and maintained an effective system of, internal controls over compliance requirements. We have performed an evaluation of the Agency's compliance with the following assertions during the one-year period ended June 30, 2010. Based on this evaluation, we assert that during the year ended June 30, 2010, the Foundation has materially complied with the assertions below.

- A. The Foundation has obligated, expended, received and used public funds of the State in accordance with the purpose for which such funds have been appropriated or otherwise authorized by law.
- B. The Foundation has obligated, expended, received and used public funds of the State in accordance with any limitations, restrictions, conditions or mandatory directions imposed by law upon such obligation, expenditure, receipt or use.
- C. The Foundation has complied, in all material respects, with applicable laws and regulations, including the State uniform accounting system, in its financial and fiscal operations.
- D. State revenues and receipts collected by the agency are in accordance with applicable laws and regulations and the accounting and recordkeeping of such revenues and receipts is fair, accurate and in accordance with law.
- E. Money or negotiable securities or similar assets handled by the agency on behalf of the State or held in trust by the agency have been properly and legally administered, and the accounting and recordkeeping relating thereto is proper, accurate and in accordance with law.

Yours truly,

ILLINOIS CONSERVATION FOUNDATION

John Bandy Chief Financial Officer

Mark Spangler, Executive Director

For a brief moment in time, the earth is ours – not to waste or own, but to share with creatures, great and small.

The role of the Illinois Conservation Foundation and its partners is to preserve and enhance our precious natural resources by supporting and fostering ecological, educational, and recreational programs for the benefit of all people now and for generations to come.

COMPLIANCE REPORT

SUMMARY

The compliance testing performed during this examination was conducted in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and in accordance with the Illinois State Auditing Act.

ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT

The Independent Accountants' Report on State Compliance, on Internal Control Over Compliance, and on Supplementary Information for State Compliance Purposes does not contain scope limitations, disclaimers, or other significant non-standard language.

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

Number of	This Report	Prior Rep	ort
Findings	5	5	
Repeated findings	5	2	
Prior recommendations implemented			
or not repeated	0	0	

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

Item No.	Page	Description	Finding Type
	FINDING	SS (GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS)	

No matters were reported.

FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS (FEDERAL COMPLIANCE)

No matters were reported.

		FINDINGS (STATE COMPLIANCE)	
10-1	17	Bank balances in excess of the FDIC insurance limit were not protected by collateral pledged by the bank	Significant Deficiency and Noncompliance
10-2	18	Noncompliance with Accountability for the Investment of Public Funds Act	Significant Deficiency and Noncompliance
10-3	20	Disbursement processing weakness	Significant Deficiency and Noncompliance

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS CONTINUED

Item No.	Page	Description	Finding Type
	FI	NDINGS (STATE COMPLIANCE) CONTINUED	
10-4	21	Personnel policies not followed	Significant Deficiency and Noncompliance
10-5	23	Segregation of duties	Significant Deficiency and Noncompliance

PRIOR FINDINGS NOT REPEATED (STATE COMPLIANCE)

None

EXIT CONFERENCE

In a letter dated December 14, 2010 the officials of the Illinois Conservation Foundation determined that a formal exit conference would not be necessary. Responses to the recommendations were provided by John Bandy, Chief Financial Officer, in a correspondence dated December 20, 2010.

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON STATE COMPLIANCE, ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE, AND ON SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION FOR STATE COMPLIANCE PURPOSES

Honorable William G. Holland Auditor General State of Illinois

Board of Directors Illinois Conservation Foundation Springfield, Illinois

Compliance

As Special Assistant Auditors for the Auditor General, we have examined the Illinois Conservation Foundation's (A Component Unit of the State of Illinois) (Foundation) compliance with the requirements listed below, as more fully described in the Audit Guide for Financial Audits and Compliance Attestation Engagements of Illinois State Agencies (Audit Guide) as adopted by the Auditor General, during the year ended June 30, 2010. The management of the Foundation is responsible for compliance with these requirements. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Foundation's compliance based on our examination.

- A. The Foundation has obligated, expended, received, and used funds in accordance with the purpose for which such funds have been appropriated or otherwise authorized by law.
- B. The Foundation has obligated, expended, received, and used funds in accordance with any limitations, restrictions, conditions or mandatory directions imposed by law upon such obligation, expenditure, receipt or use.
- C. The Foundation has complied, in all material respects, with applicable laws and regulations, including the State uniform accounting system, in its financial and fiscal operations.
- D. Revenues and receipts collected by the Foundation are in accordance with applicable laws and regulations and the accounting and recordkeeping of such revenues and receipts is fair, accurate and in accordance with law.
- E. Money or negotiable securities or similar assets handled by the Foundation or held in trust by the Foundation have been properly and legally administered and the accounting and recordkeeping relating thereto is proper, accurate, and in accordance with law.

We conducted our examination in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants; the standards applicable to attestation engagements contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; the Illinois State Auditing Act (Act); and the Audit Guide as adopted by the Auditor General pursuant to the Act; and accordingly, included examining, on a test basis, evidence about the Foundation's compliance with those requirements listed in the first paragraph of this report and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our examination provides a reasonable basis for our opinion. Our examination does not provide a legal determination on the Foundation's compliance with specified requirements.

In our opinion, the Foundation complied, in all material respects, with the compliance requirements listed in the first paragraph of this report during the year ended June 30, 2010. However, the results of our procedures disclosed instances of noncompliance with those requirements, which are required to be reported in accordance with criteria established by the Audit Guide, issued by the Illinois Office of the Auditor General and which are described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as findings 10-1 through 10-5.

Internal Control

The management of the Foundation is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the requirements listed in the first paragraph of this report. In planning and performing our examination, we considered the Foundation's internal control over compliance with the requirements listed in the first paragraph of this report as a basis for designing our examination procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on compliance and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Audit Guide issued by the Illinois Office of the Auditor General, 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 Foundation's internal control over compliance.

A deficiency in an entity's 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 the requirements listed in the first paragraph of this report on a timely basis. A material weakness 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 requirement listed in the first paragraph of this report will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis.

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 deficiencies, significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses as defined above. However, we identified certain deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we considered to be significant deficiencies as described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as items 10-1 through 10-5. A significant deficiency over compliance is a deficiency, or 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.

As required by the Audit Guide, immaterial findings excluded from this report have been reported in a separate letter to your office.

The Foundation's responses to the findings identified in our examination are described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. We did not examine the Foundation's responses and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the responses.

Supplementary Information for State Compliance Purposes

As Special Assistant Auditors for the Auditor General, we have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Foundation as of and for the year ended June 30, 2010, which collectively comprise the Foundation's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated January 5, 2011. The accompanying supplementary information, as listed in the table of contents as Supplementary Information for State Compliance Purposes, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements of the Foundation. The 2010 Supplementary Information for State Compliance Purposes, except for that portion marked "unaudited" on which we express no opinion, 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 for the year ended June 30, 2010, taken as a whole.

We have also previously audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States, the Foundation's basic financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2009. In our report dated December 15, 2009 on basic financial statements, we expressed unqualified opinions on the respective financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information. In our opinion, the 2009 supplementary information for State Compliance Purposes, except for the portion marked "unaudited" is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2009 taken as a whole.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Auditor General, the General Assembly, the Legislative Audit Commission, the Governor, Foundation management, the Foundation's Board of Directors and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Kyle E. McGinnis, CPA Springfield, Illinois

Kyle E. M. Linnes

January 5, 2011

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' 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

Honorable William G. Holland Auditor General State of Illinois

Board of Directors Illinois Conservation Foundation Springfield, Illinois

As Special Assistant Auditors for the Auditor General, we have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Illinois Conservation Foundation (A Component Unit of the State of Illinois) (Foundation) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2010, which collectively comprise the Foundation's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated January 5, 2011. We conducted our audit in accordance with 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.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Foundation's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our auditing procedures 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 Foundations internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Foundation's internal control over financial reporting.

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.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in the internal control over financial reporting that might be deficiencies, significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Foundation's financial statements are free of 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 no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

We also noted certain matters that we have reported to management of the Foundation in a separate letter dated January 5, 2011.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Auditor General, the General Assembly, the Legislative Audit Commission, the Governor, Foundation Management, the Foundation's Board of Directors and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Kyle E. McGinnis, CPA

Springfield, Illinois January 5, 2011

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS THAT COULD HAVE A DIRECT AND MATERIAL EFFECT ON EACH MAJOR PROGRAM, ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE, AND ON THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS IN ACCORDANCE WITH OMB CIRCULAR A-133

Honorable William G. Holland Auditor General State of Illinois

Board of Directors Illinois Conservation Foundation Springfield, Illinois

Compliance

We have audited the Illinois Conservation Foundation's (A Component Unit of the State of Illinois) (Foundation) compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the Foundations major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2010. The Foundation's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditors' results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. Compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to each of its major federal programs is the responsibility of the Foundation's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Foundation's compliance based on our audit.

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 OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*. Those standards and OMB Circular A-133 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 Foundation'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. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of the Foundation's compliance with those requirements.

In our opinion, the Foundation complied, in all material respects, with the requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2010.

Internal Control Over Compliance

The management of the Foundation is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to federal programs. In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Foundation's internal control over compliance with requirements that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on compliance and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with OMB Circular A-133, 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 Foundation'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.

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 deficiencies, significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Foundation as of and for the year ended June 30, 2010, and have issued our report thereon dated January 5, 2011. Our audit was performed for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Foundation's basic financial statements. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by OMB Circular A-133 and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such 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.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Auditor General, the General Assembly, the Legislative Audit Commission, the Governor, Foundation Management, the Foundation's Board of Directors and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other then these specified parties.

Kyle E. McGinnis, CPA Springfield, Illinois

January 5, 2011

ILLINOIS CONSERVATION FOUNDATION (A Component Unit of the State of Illinois)

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010

SUMMARY OF AUDITORS' RESULTS

Financial Statements		
Type of auditors' report issued: unqualified		
Internal control over financial reporting:		
Material weaknesses identified?	yes	<u>X</u> no
 Significant deficiencies identified that are not considered to be material weaknesses? 	yes	Xnone reported
 Noncompliance material to financial statements noted? 	yes	<u>X</u> no
Federal Awards		
Internal control over major programs:		
• Material weaknesses identified?	yes	<u>X</u> no
 Significant deficiencies identified that are not considered to be material weaknesses? 	yes	X none reported
Type of auditors' report issued on compliance for programs: unqualified	major	
Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with section 510(a) of Circular A-133?	yes	<u>X</u> no
Identification of major programs:		
CFDA Number	Name of Fe	ederal Program or Cluster
15.608	Fish and	Wildlife Enhancement
Dollar threshold used to distinguish between type A and type B programs:	\$300,000	
Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?	X_yes	no

10-1. Finding Bank balances in excess of The FDIC insurance limit were not protected by collateral pledged by the bank

The Illinois Conservation Foundation (Foundation) did not take timely action during fiscal year 2010 to collateralize (protect) bank balances in excess of the FDIC insurance limit. During our testing of the bank accounts, we noted one account exceeded the insurance limit on 11 different days for as much as \$31,555.

Bank balances in excess of FDIC insurance limit should be protected by either requesting the bank pledge securities as collateral in a sufficient amount so as to cover the amounts in excess of the FDIC insurance limit or the amount in excess of the FDIC insurance limit should be transferred to another institution or insured account.

The State Officers and Employees Money Disposition Act (30 ILCS 230/2c) requires State agencies to obtain appropriate collateral whenever funds deposited exceed the federal deposit insurance limit. The Foundation is considered a component unit of the State of Illinois and should be following the State Officers and Employees Money Disposition Act. In addition, good business practices and internal controls dictate assets be protected from possible losses.

Foundation personnel indicated the situation arose due to a lack of sufficient supervision of the bank account balances.

Failure to ensure bank balances are properly protected subjects Foundation funds to a risk of loss in the event of failure of the bank in which the Foundation funds are deposited. (Finding Code No. 10-1, 09-1, 08-1, 07-2).

Recommendation

We recommend the Foundation request the bank pledge securities as collateral in a sufficient amount so as to cover the amounts in excess of the FDIC insurance limit.

Foundation Response

The Foundation does not believe the frequency of occurrence and the small dollar amounts represent a significant risk. If the amounts or frequency increase, the Foundation will seek collateral pledges by the bank.

10-2. Finding Noncompliance with Accountability for the Investment of Public Funds Act (Act)

The Illinois Conservation Foundation (Foundation) did not present information on the Internet concerning their investment of public funds as required by the Act. The Foundation had the following investment balances that would be classified as public funds by the Act at June 30, 2010:

Debt Securities	\$ 903,958
Equity Securities	1,085,869
Commodities	23,623
Mutual Funds	<u>516,150</u>
TOTAL	\$2,529,600

The Accountability for the Investment of Public Funds Act (30 ILCS 237) states that each State agency shall make available on the Internet, and update at least monthly by the 15th of the month, sufficient information concerning the investment of any public funds held by that State agency to identify the following:

- a. The amount of funds held by that agency on the last day of the proceeding month or the average daily balance for the preceding month;
- b. The total monthly investment income and the yield for all funds invested by the agency;
- c. The asset allocation of the investments made by the agency; and
- d. A complete listing of all approved depository institutions, commercial paper issuers, and broker-dealers approved to do business with the agency.

The Act defines State agency to mean those entities included in the definition of "State agencies" in the Illinois State Auditing Act. Per the Illinois State Auditing Act the definition of a State Agency includes, "corporate outgrowths of the State government which are created by or pursuant to statute." Per our interpretation of the Illinois State Auditing Act and how the Foundation was created, it is our determination the Foundation meets the definition of a State Agency as noted in the Illinois State Auditing Act. The Act goes on to define "public funds" as current operating funds, special funds, interest and sinking funds, and funds of any kind or character belonging to or in the custody of any State agency, which covers the Foundation's investments.

Foundation personnel stated they did not believe the Act applied to the Foundation.

Failure to post the required information concerning the investment of public funds results in the Foundation's noncompliance with a statutory requirement. In addition, failure to present the required information prevents the public from having access to how the Foundation has invested its funds. (Finding Code No. 10-2, 09-2, 08-2)

10-2. Finding Noncompliance with Accountability for the Investment of Public Funds Act (Act) - Continued

Recommendation

We recommend the Foundation comply with the requirements of the Act and ensure the information concerning the investment of public funds is updated monthly by the 15th of each month.

Foundation Response

The Foundation respectfully disagrees. The Foundation is already exempt from the Investment of Public Funds Act and will seek legislation to clarify exemption from the subject Act.

Auditor Comment

The Foundation does not feel they are subject to the Investment of Public Funds Act, although they have been unsuccessful in their attempt to obtain legislation exempting them from this act. The Foundation should comply with the act in full until such exemption has been obtained.

10-3. Finding Disbursement processing weakness

The Illinois Conservation Foundation (Foundation) did not follow its procedures and policies regarding disbursement processing. During our testing of cash disbursements, we discovered the Foundation was not properly obtaining two signatures on all checks written for more than \$5,000.

In fiscal year 2010 the Foundation processed 34 disbursements each equal to or more than \$5,000. During our examination of these cancelled checks we found two checks (6%), totaling \$11,692, contained only one signature.

Foundation procedures adopted in October 1995 and updated March 11, 2005 require two signatures for checks of \$5,000 and over unless such payment is made from funds received from a specific grant agreement and the disbursement furthers the specific purpose of the grant.

Foundation personnel stated the exceptions were due to time constraints and the inability to get two signatures in a timely fashion.

Failure to obtain the two required signatures increases the risk that errors or irregularities could occur and not be detected by the Foundation's internal control process. (Finding Code No. 10-3, 09-3)

Recommendation

We recommend the Foundation strengthen controls over disbursement processing by following its policies and procedures to ensure checks over \$5,000 are properly signed by two authorized signers.

Foundation Response

The Foundation agrees.

10-4. FINDING Personnel policies not followed

The Illinois Conservation Foundation (Foundation) has one payroll employee (Executive Director) and two contractual employees. We noted the following pertaining to the Executive Director. The Foundation did not comply with its personnel policy which required the Executive Director to submit time sheets documenting the time spent each day on official state business to the nearest quarter hour. In addition, the Executive Director did not file an economic interest statement during fiscal year 2010. We also noted the Executive Director was in non-compliance with his employment contract which requires him to supervise any and all staff hired or contracted for the Foundations operations.

- The State Officials and Employees Ethics Act (Act) (5 ILCS 430/5-5(c)) requires the Foundation to adopt policies requiring State employees to periodically submit time sheets documenting the time spent each day on official State business to the nearest quarter hour. On October 19, 2006 the Foundation adopted a personnel policy to require the Executive Director to submit additional time sheets documenting time spent each day on official Foundation business to the nearest quarter hour. Foundation personnel indicated they were not enforcing the policy requiring the Executive Director to prepare timesheets on a weekly basis. Failure of the Executive Director to prepare timesheets is noncompliance with the Act and Foundation personnel policies.
- The Illinois Governmental Ethics Act (5 ILCS 420/4A-101) requires any person who is employed by any branch, agency, authority or board of the government of this State and functions as the head of a department, commission, board, division, bureau, authority or other administrative unit or has direct supervisory authority over, or direct responsibility for the formulation, negotiations, issuance or execution of contracts entered into by the State in the amount of \$5,000 or more to file a verified written statement of economic interest.
- The Executive Director's employment contract dated June 1, 2010 states that he shall be responsible for the day to day operations and management of the Foundation following the policies and procedures and by-laws established by the Foundation board. It further states that he will supervise any and all staff hired or contracted for the Foundation operations. The Foundation has two contractual employees. The new contract does not contain a clause allowing the Executive Director to work from home, which he does approximately 80% of each month. Effectively fulfilling the conditions of his contract would require the Executive Director to spend an adequate amount of time at the Foundation. Foundation personnel indicated that they felt he could successfully perform his job from his home. (Finding Code No. 10-4, 09-4)

Recommendation

We recommend the Foundation ensure its employees prepare timesheets and file statements of economic interest in compliance with the Act and Foundation personnel policies and fulfill the requirements of each employment contract.

10-4. FINDING Personnel policies not followed - Continued

Foundation Response

The Foundation Executive Director is not a state employee and therefore should not be required to maintain such detailed time reporting. Additionally, the requirements of the job are not conducive to such reporting and to require such would be time consuming, burdensome and unproductive.

The Executive Director did not start until March 10, 2010 and will file a statement of economic interest next year.

The Executive Director is effectively performing his job from his assigned work location including supervision of contractual employees.

Auditor Comment

The Foundation states that the Executive Director is "not a state employee and therefore should not be required to maintain such detailed time reporting." The auditors disagree. The timekeeping requirement is set forth in the State Officials and Employees Ethics Act. Section 1-5 of that Act defines a "State employee" as "any employee of a State agency." The term "State agency" is defined to include all "bodies politic and corporate of the State" and "administrative units or corporate outgrowths of the State government which are created by or pursuant to statute..." [5 ILCS 403/1-5] We believe the Foundation is a State agency under the Act and its employees are therefore, State employees who are subject to the timekeeping requirement. Furthermore, the Foundation's own personnel policies require such timekeeping reports to be submitted by the Executive Director.

With regard to the Executive Director's failure to file a Statement of Economic Interest, the Foundation states that the Executive Director did not file a Statement of Economic Interest because he did not start employment until March 10, 2010. However, the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act states "by May 1 of each year a statement must be filed by each person whose position at that time subjects him to the filing requirements..." [5 ILCS 420/4A-105] The auditors continue to stand by their finding and recommendation.

Pertaining to the Executive Director working from home approximately 80% of the month, the auditors continue to believe that the conditions and limitations of any telecommuting arrangement should be authorized and delineated in Board policy, standards to ensure appropriate supervision of employees should be adopted, and detailed records of such arrangements should be maintained.

10-5. FINDING Segregation of duties

The Illinois Conservation Foundation (Foundation) has an Executive Director on payroll and two Contractual employees, the Chief Financial Officer and the Contract Federal Grant Director. Because of the small size of the Foundation staff all of the accounting functions are performed by one employee which creates a segregation of duties issue.

Good internal control would dictate financial responsibilities be divided among the accounting and administrative staff to provide a system of checks and balances. In addition, the Fiscal Control and Internal Auditing Act requires agencies to establish and maintain a system, or systems, of internal fiscal and administrative controls, to provide assurance funds, property, and other assets and resources are safeguarded against waste, loss, unauthorized use, and misappropriation.

Foundation personnel stated the small size of the staff makes proper segregation of duties difficult.

Failure to provide proper segregation of duties in an organization jeopardizes the internal control and puts the Foundation at risk. (Finding Code No. 10-5, 09-5)

Recommendation

We recommend the Board of Directors remain involved in the financial affairs of the Foundation to provide oversight and independent review functions.

Foundation Response

The Foundation respectfully disagrees. The Foundation believes compensating controls have been put in place to manage risk. Adding staff and costs is not warranted.

Auditor Comment

The auditors did not suggest that the Foundation add staff. Instead, we recommended the Foundation's board provide additional oversight and review of Foundation operations in order to eliminate risks inherent in a lack of segregations of duties.

None

FINANCIAL STATEMENT REPORT

SUMMARY

The audit of the accompanying basic financial statements of the Illinois Conservation Foundation (A Component Unit of the State of Illinois) (Foundation) was performed by Kyle E. McGinnis, CPA.

Based on their audit, the auditors expressed an unqualified opinion on the Foundation's basic financial statements.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Honorable William G. Holland Auditor General State of Illinois

Board of Directors Illinois Conservation Foundation Springfield, Illinois

As Special Assistant Auditors for the Auditor General, we have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Illinois Conservation Foundation (A Component Unit of the State of Illinois) (Foundation) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2010, which collectively comprise the Foundation's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Foundation'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 and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. 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 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, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Foundation as of June 30, 2010, 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.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated January 5, 2011 on our consideration of the Foundation'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 the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report

is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

The Management's Discussion and Analysis on pages 27 through 28 is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

The Foundation has not presented budgetary comparison information that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America has determined is necessary to supplement, although not required to be part of, the basic financial statements.

Kyle E. McGinnis, CPA Springfield, Illinois

January 5, 2011

Illinois Conservation Foundation (A Component Unit of the State of Illinois) Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A)

Introduction

The following Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) provides an introduction and overview of the Illinois Conservation Foundation's (Foundation) financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2010. The Foundation is a not-for-profit corporation created to provide additional funding for the Illinois Department of Natural Resources' (IDNR) conservation programs that either are not receiving adequate funding or else cannot be implemented because State funding is not available. The specific purposes of the corporation are to solicit and generate private funding and donations that assist in enhancing and preserving Illinois' natural habitats, historic sites, river and stream corridors, state parks, forests and fish and wildlife areas. The Foundation also accepts grants for acquisition, construction and development of IDNR properties, and supports recreational programs of the IDNR.

The Foundation has agreed to become the federal assistance cooperator in an ongoing urban and community forestry program in the Chicago metropolitan region. The project, known as the "Chicago Wilderness Project Coalition", is designed to educate the public to preserve, restore and care for the biodiversity of this unique region. Implementation of this project is being accomplished through the use of project partners who are first approved by the Chicago Wilderness Steering Committee. Partners are area organizations, such as the Nature Conservancy and the Field Museum, who are best equipped to carry out this project. Grants and contracts are awarded by the Foundation to approved partners to accomplish specific parts of the project's overall goals.

Financial Highlights

The net assets of the Foundation totaled \$2,959,539 at fiscal year ended June 30, 2010, compared to \$2,745,523 at fiscal year ended June 30, 2009. The Foundation had total revenue of \$2,179,035 and expenditures of \$1,964,994 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010 for an increase in net assets of \$214,041. The Foundation's Natural Resources Endowment Trust Fund was reported at \$1,356,350 as of June 30, 2010.

Overview of the Financial Statements

The Foundation's financial statements are prepared on an accrual basis of accounting in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America promulgated by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board and are comprised of the Statement of Net Assets, the Statement of Activities and notes to the financial statements.

The Statement of Net Assets presents information on the Foundation's assets and liabilities and the resulting net assets. This statement also reflects the Foundation's investments, at fair value, along with the restricted and unrestricted net assets.

Overview of the Financial Statements Continued

Condensed Comparative Summary of Net Assets as of June 30

	2010	2009	2010/2009 Change		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 426,471	\$ 385,930	\$ 40,541		
Accounts Receivable	21,227	62,907	(41,680)		
Accrued Investment Income	12,474	13,385	(911)		
Prepaid Expenses	6,980	7,005	(25)		
Investments	2,529,600	2,426,010	103,590		
Total Assets	\$2,996,752	\$2,895,237	\$ 101,515		
Liabilities	37,213	<u>149,714</u>	(112,501)		
Total Net Assets	<u>\$2,959,539</u>	<u>\$2,745,523</u>	<u>\$ 214,016</u>		

The Statement of Activities presents information regarding changes during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2010. The statement reflects additions which include the sources of revenue. Also reflected in the statement are deductions which include program and operating expenses of the Foundation.

Condensed Comparative Statement of Activities for the Year Ending June 30

Additions:	2010	2009	2010/2009 Change		
Governmental Activities General Total	\$ 1,910,674 <u>268,361</u> \$ 2,179,035	\$ 2,218,756 <u>(455,917)</u> <u>\$ 1,762,839</u>	\$ (308,082)		
Deduction: Governmental Activities Total	\$ 1,965,019 \$ 1,965,019	\$ 2,900,149 \$ 2,900,149	\$ (935,130) \$ (935,130)		
Change in net assets	<u>\$ 214,016</u>	\$(1,137,310)	<u>\$ 1,351,326</u>		

Overall, there is an increase in net assets as reflected on the Statement of Activities of \$214,016 at June 30, 2010, compared to a decrease of \$1,137,310 at June 30, 2009.

ILLINOIS CONSERVATION FOUNDATION (A Component Unit of the State of Illinois) STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS JUNE 30, 2010

GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES	
\$	426,471
	21,227
	12,474
	6,980
_\$	467,152
\$	2,529,600
\$	2,996,752
\$	31,651
	5,562
\$	37,213
\$	1,239,246
•	49,701
	1,670,592
\$	2,959,539
\$ 426,477 21,227 12,474 6,980 \$ 467,152 \$ 2,529,600 \$ 2,996,752 \$ 31,651 5,562 \$ 37,213	

(A Component Unit of the State of Illinois)

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010

			PROGRAM REVENUE						
		CI	LADORG		PERATING		APITAL	(NET
FUNCTIONS/PROGRAMS	EXPENSES		IARGES R GOODS		ANTS AND FRIBUTIONS		NTS AND RIBUTIONS	•	XPENSE) EVENUE
Environment and Business			100000		110101101		THE CTIONS		BYEITEE
Regulation:									
General Administrative	\$ 254,642	\$	-	\$	307,983	\$	-	\$	53,341
Natural Resources and Recreation	1,710,377		48,243		1,542,929		11,519		(107,686)
Total Governmental Activities	\$ 1,965,019	\$	48,243	\$	1,850,912	\$	11,519	-\$	(54,345)
General Revenue:									
Unrestricted Realized Gain									63,491
Unrestricted Investment -Unrealized	Loss								122,265
Unrestricted investment earnings									82,605
Change in Net Assets								\$	214,016
Net assets-Beginning									2,745,523
Net assets-Ending								\$	2,959,539

ILLINOIS CONSERVATION FOUNDATION (A Component Unit of the State of Illinois) BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010

	SPECIAL EVENUE FUND		MANENT FUND	TOTAL		
			10112			
ASSETS:						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 425,869	\$	602	\$	426,471	
Accounts receivable	21,227		· -		21,227	
Accrued investment income	12,474		-		12,474	
Investments	2,479,899		49,701		2,529,600	
Total Assets	\$ 2,939,469	\$	50,303	\$	2,989,772	
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES:						
Liabilities:						
Accounts payable	\$ 31,651	\$		\$	31,651	
Accrued expenses	5,562		_		5,562	
Total Liabilities	\$ 37,213	\$			37,213	
Fund Balances:						
Reserved for:						
Natural Resources and Recreation	\$ 1,238,644	\$	-	\$	1,238,644	
Endowment-Nonexpendable	-		49,701		49,701	
Education	-		602		602	
Unreserved	1,663,612		-		1,663,612	
Total Fund Balances	\$ 2,902,256	\$	50,303	\$	2,952,559	
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$ 2,939,469	\$	50,303	\$	2,989,772	

(A Component Unit of the State of Illinois)

RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET TO THE STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010

Total fund balances - governmental funds

\$ 2,952,559

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net assets are different because:

Prepaid assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.

6,980

Net assets of governmental activities

\$ 2,959,539

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STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010

	9	SPECIAL				
	REVENUE		PERMANENT			
	FUND		FUND		TOTAL	
Revenues						
Donations-Restricted	\$	746,165	\$	5,574	\$	751,739
Grants and Receipts from Governments		893,248		-		893,248
Investment Income-Restricted		-		2,477		2,477
Investment Income-Unrestricted		82,605		-		82,605
Investment Income-Unrestricted Unrealized Gain		122,265		-		122,265
Investment Income-Unrestricted Realized Gain		63,491		-		63,491
Investment Income-Restricted Unrealized Gain		-		3,468		3,468
Donations-Unrestricted		120,825		-		120,825
Merchandise Sales-Restricted		47,663		-		47,663
Publication Sales-Restricted		580				580
On-behalf payments		90,674		-		90,674
Total Revenues	\$	2,167,516	\$	11,519	\$ 2	2,179,035
Expenditures						
Administrative	\$	163,943	\$	-	\$	163,943
Natural Resources and Recreation		1,702,377		8,000		1,710,377
On-behalf payments		90,674				90,674
Total Expenditures		1,956,994		8,000	\$	1,964,994
Net Change in Fund Balances	\$	210,522	\$	3,519	\$	214,041
Fund Balance-Beginning		2,691,734		46,784		2,738,518
Fund Balance-Ending		2,902,256	\$	50,303	\$ 2	2,952,559

(A Component Unit of the State of Illinois)

RECONCILIATION OF THE CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds	\$ 214,041
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:	
Changes in Prepaid expense:	
Prepaid expense uses current financial resources	
and is recorded as an expense in the governmental funds.	 (25)
Change in net assets of governmental activities	\$ 214,016

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2010

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. Organization

The Illinois Conservation Foundation (Foundation) was authorized to be created by Public Act 88-591 for the purpose of promoting, supporting, assisting, sustaining, and encouraging the charitable, educational, scientific, and recreational programs, projects, and policies of the Illinois Department of Natural Resources. The Foundation's activities are managed by a board of directors, whose members are appointed by the Governor of the State of Illinois and by the leadership of the Illinois General Assembly.

B. Financial Reporting Entity

The financial statements of the Foundation have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP), as prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB).

As defined by GAAP, the financial reporting entity consists of a primary government, as well as its component units, which are legally separate organizations for which the elected officials of the primary government are financially accountable. Financial accountability is defined as:

- 1) Appointment of a voting majority of the component unit's board and either (a) the primary government's ability to impose its will, or (b) the possibility that the component unit will provide a financial benefit to or impose a financial burden on the primary government; or
- 2) Fiscal dependency on the primary government.

Based upon the required criteria, the Foundation has no component units. However, the Foundation is a component unit of the State of Illinois. Therefore, the financial statements of the Foundation are included in the financial statements of the State of Illinois. The State of Illinois' Comprehensive Annual Financial Report may be obtained by writing to the State Comptroller's Office, Division of Financial Reporting, 325 West Adams Street, Springfield, Illinois 62704-1871.

C. Basis of Presentation

The financial activities of the Foundation, which consist only of governmental activities, are reported as a component unit in the State of Illinois' Comprehensive Annual Report. For its reporting purposes, the Foundation has separate fund and government-wide financial statements and reconciles individual line items of fund financial data to government-wide data. A brief description of the Foundation's government-wide and fund financial statements is as follows:

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES – continued **Government-wide Statements:** The government-wide statement of net assets and statement of activities report the overall financial activity of the Foundation. The financial activities of the Foundation consist only of governmental activities, which are primarily supported by donations and grants.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function (i.e. general government) are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function. Program revenues include grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Revenues that are not classified as program revenues are presented as general revenues.

Fund Financial Statements: The fund financial statements provide information about the Foundation's funds. Separate statements for each fund category are presented. The emphasis on fund financial statements is on a major governmental fund, each displayed in a separate column.

The Foundation administers the following major governmental funds:

Special Revenue — This is the Foundation's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the Foundation, except those required to be accounted for in another fund. The services which are administered by the Foundation and accounted for in the special revenue fund include, among others, promoting, supporting, assisting, sustaining and encouraging the charitable, educational, scientific and recreational programs, projects and policies of the Illinois Department of Natural Resources. Certain resources obtained from federal grants and used to support Foundation activities are accounted for in the Special Revenue Fund consistent with applicable legal requirements.

Permanent – This fund accounts for resources held to provide funds for schools and other youth organizations to engage in conservation projects that are both useful to the environment and educational to those involved.

D. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

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 at the time liabilities are incurred, regardless of when the related cash flow takes place. Nonexchange transactions, in which the Foundation gives (or receives) value without directly receiving (or giving) equal value in exchange, include grants and donations. On an accrual basis, revenue from grants, entitlements, and similar items are recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES – continued

Governmental funds 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 Foundation considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal year. Expenditures generally are recorded when the liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting.

Significant revenue sources which are susceptible to accrual include merchandise sales and investment income. All other revenue sources including grants and donations are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received.

Private-sector standards of accounting and financial reporting issued prior to December 1, 1989, generally are followed in the government-wide financial statements to the extent that those standards do not conflict with or contradict guidance of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board.

E. Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents are defined as short-term highly liquid investment (including restricted assets) readily convertible to cash with an original maturity of three months or less. Cash and cash equivalents includes cash in banks and money market accounts held outside the State Treasury.

F. Inventories

Inventories, consisting of general fund raising merchandise items, are stated at cost and are recorded as expenditures when consumed rather than when purchased.

G. Investments

Investments are stated at fair value. The Foundation holds investments in marketable equity securities and debt securities.

H. Capital Assets

Purchased capital assets are not capitalized within the fund. Instead, capital asset purchases are reflected as program expenditures. All capital assets purchased are considered to be property of the State of Illinois, Department of Natural Resources.

I. Fund Balances

In the fund financial statements, governmental funds report reservations of fund balance for amounts that are legally restricted by outside parties for use for specific purpose.

J. Net Assets

In the government-wide financial statements, equity is displayed in two components as follows:

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES – continued

Restricted – This consists of net assets that are legally restricted by outside parties or by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, generally it is the Foundation's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources when they are needed.

Unrestricted – This consists of net assets that do not meet the definition of "restricted."

K. Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

NOTE 2: DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

A. Deposits

Cash and Cash Equivalents consist of checking and money market accounts at June 30, 2010.

The Foundation cash and cash equivalents had a bank balance of \$418,991 and a carrying balance of \$426,471 at June 30, 2010. The cash and cash equivalents are either deposited in financial institutions in which the balance is covered by Federal Depository Insurance Coverage, or are invested in a federal obligation money market mutual fund, that is allowed to invest only in U.S. Government Securities.

B. Investments

The Foundation's Investment Policy notes their objective is to preserve capital, invest only in high quality securities and earn reasonable returns. Approximately 25% of donor funds are required to be invested in order to be available on demand. No single issue shall constitute more than 5% of the total portfolio, with the exception of government obligations. The portfolios are to be constructed across different U.S. asset classes (stocks, bonds and cash).

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Investment Summary Schedule

As of June 30, 2010 the Foundation had the following investments and maturities.

Investment Type	F	air Value	Le	ess than 1	1 - 5	6	- 10	Moı	e than 10
U.S. Agency Obligations	\$	10,212	\$	-	\$ 10,212	\$	-	\$	_
Corporate Debt Securities		893,746		151,996	484,328	2	31,930		25,492
Total Debt Securities	\$	903,958	\$	151,996	\$ 494,540	\$ 2	31,930	\$	25,492
Certificate of Deposit		163,602							
Corporate Equity Securities		553,972							
International Equity Securities		368,295							
Mutual Funds		516,150							
Money Market Funds		339,366							
Commodities		23,623							
Total Investments	\$	2,868,966							

Interest Rate Risk

The Foundation does not have a formal investment policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing the exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates. Interest rate risk can be managed using weighted average maturity (WAM). Weighted average maturity is calculated taking into consideration call dates, prepayment assumptions and other features that affect the actual maturity dates of the securities in the consolidated portfolios. On June 30, 2010 the Foundation's WAM was as follows:

	Weighted Average
Fair Value	Maturity (Years)
\$ 10,212	4.79
893,746	3.87
163,602	5.44
553,972	0.00
368,295	0.00
516,150	0.00
339,366	0.00
23,623	0.00
<u>\$2,868,966</u>	4.12
	\$ 10,212 893,746 163,602 553,972 368,295 516,150 339,366 23,623

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 2: DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS - continued

Concentration of Credit Risk and Credit Risk for Investments

The Foundation does not have a formal investment policy that limits investment choices. The Foundation investment policy sets forth no single issue shall constitute more than 5% of the total portfolio, with the exception of government obligations. The following table presents the quality ratings of debt securities held by the Foundation as of June 30, 2010.

	Moody's Quality		Fair
Investment Type	Rating		Value
Corporate Obligations	A1	\$	130,654
	A2		325,301
	A3		171,150
	Aa2		133,170
	Aa3		75,999
	B1		24,060
	B2		23,537
	NR		9,875
Total Corporate Obligations		\$_	893,746
Agency Obligations	AAA	\$	10,212
Total Agency Obligations		<u>\$</u>	10,212
Total Debt Securities		<u>\$</u>	903,958

NOTE 3: RESERVED FUND BALANCE

Gifts and donations made to the Foundation that are subject to expenditure for a particular named project are considered to be restricted donations. That portion of the fund balance that is the result of restricted donations is reserved for Natural Resources and Recreation purposes.

On October 28, 1996, a private donation of 3,500 (5,504 shares adjusted for a 3 for 2 stock split in December, 2002 and reinvesting a special capital gain in fiscal year 2003) shares of Adams Express Stock was made to the Foundation for the purpose of establishing a permanent endowment. The value of the stock as of the date of donation was \$70,219. Earnings, in the form of dividends, from these securities are to be used to provide funds for schools and other youth organizations to engage in conservation projects which are both useful in the environment and educational to those involved. That portion of the fund balance that is the result of the endowment donation is reserved for Endowment-Nonexpendable. That portion of the fund balance that is the result of unspent earnings from endowment investments is reserved for Education.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 4: INCOME TAXES

The Foundation is a non-profit corporation exempt from income taxes under Section 501(c)(3) of the United States Revenue Code. As such, donations made to the Foundation are deductible by the donor.

NOTE 5: RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The Assistant to the Executive Director was paid by the Illinois Department of Natural Resources (Department). The Department also provides office space, equipment and some administrative expenses for the Foundation, which are immaterial and are not reported in the financial statements.

The amount of financial assistance from the Department being included in the Foundation's financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2010 is as follows:

Salaries	\$ 62,642
Benefits	28,032
Total	\$ 90,674

The total of \$90,674 is included in the Statement of Activities as a General Administrative revenue and expense; it is included on the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances-Governmental Funds as on-behalf revenues and expense.

NOTE 6: COMMITMENTS

The Foundation has agreed to become the federal assistance cooperator in an ongoing urban and community forestry program in the Chicago metropolitan region. The project, known as the "Chicago Wilderness Project Coalition", is designed to educate the public to preserve, restore and care for the biodiversity of this unique region. Implementation of this project is being accomplished through the use of project partners who are first approved by the Chicago Wilderness Steering Committee. Partners are area organizations, such as the Nature Conservancy and the Field Museum, who are best equipped to carry out this project. Grants and contracts are awarded by the Foundation to approved partners to accomplish specific parts of the project's overall goals.

Over the past nine years the Foundation has been awarded eight grants from the Forest Service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture and nine grants from the Fish and Wildlife Service of the U.S. Department of the Interior to partially fund this project. The amounts awarded on these grants total \$6,904,500. In fiscal year 2010 the Foundation paid a total of \$682,062 to Chicago Wilderness Members. Over the past nine years the Foundation has received \$6,627,811 for the Chicago Wilderness partners. The Foundation has negotiated a 5% - 10% indirect cost rate agreement with the federal funding agencies to cover administrative and other costs of the project. Six of the grants from the U.S. Department of Agriculture and four of the grants from the Department of Interior have been closed.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 6: COMMITMENTS - continued

The most recent Department of Agriculture award extends through September 30, 2011 and the latest award from the Department of Interior extends through September 30, 2012.

NOTE 7: NATURAL RESOURCE AND RECREATION EXPENDITURE DETAIL

T	he Natural Resource and Recreation expenditures are detailed as follows:	
	Educational Services: Becoming an Outdoor Woman	\$ 20,736
	Special Events: Celebrity Quail Hunt	37,589
	Chronic Wasting Disease	5,432
	DNR Diversity Employee Committee	135
	Disabled Outdoor Opportunities Program	4,695
	Dynegy Midwest Generation Settlement	169,782
	ENTICE	69,399
	Federal Grant Expenses	827,826
	Education Series: Field Interpretation	887
	Chicago Fishing Rodeo	577
	Governor's Cup Sporting Clays Event	200
	Friends of World Recreational Shooting Complex	4,801
	Hall of Fame Dinner	57,115
	Creating habitat and Home for Wildlife-Book Sale	10
	ICF Grants	18,384
	Clinton Lake State Recreation Area	455
	Clinton Lake Handicapped Shotgun Deer Hunt	1,976
	Legislative Caucus	16,683
	Law Enforcement	4,135
	Clinton Lake Youth Pheasant Hunt	348
	Conservation Congress	3,088
	Memorial – Todd Fink	500
	NASP Youth	14,950
	State Parks	2,890
	Springfield Golf Outing	500
	Rock Cut State Park	1,813
	Safety Education Program	1,786
	Sportsmen Against Hunger	10,039
	Macy's Promotion	38,592
	FOIDPhotographs	733
	Special Events: Muskie Tournament	1,554
	Schoolyard Habitat Grant	8,000
	Forestry: Tree Planting	150,034
	Weatherby Foundation Events	48
	Whitetails book	3
	Wingsshooting Clinic	20,891
	Special Events: Youth Programs	29,020

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 7: NATURAL RESOURCE AND RECREATION EXPENDITURE DETAIL - continued

Sportsman Raffle	14,413
Earth Day in the Parks	1,218
Environmental Restoration	5,004
Kankakee River State Park	72
Scholastic Clay Target Program	12,948
Youth Fishing	719
WSRC Skeet House Sponsorship	12,806
Fish and Wildlife Conference	110,050
Hamilton County	2,541
Mobile Science Unit – Education	25,000
	\$ 1,710,377

NOTE 8: DEFERRED REVENUE

At June 30, 2010, the Foundation had deferred revenue of \$0.

NOTE 9: ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

At June 30, 2010, the Foundation had accounts receivable of \$21,227. This amount consists of \$19,387 in federal grants and \$1,840 in miscellaneous receipts. The Foundation considers all the accounts receivable to be fully collectible.

NOTE 10: RISK MANAGEMENT

The Foundation had workers compensation, liability, automobile, and umbrella insurance coverage for the fiscal year, and there were no claims for the past three years.

NOTE 11: SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

In July 2010 the Foundation received a property donation of approximately 750 acres. The property has a main house, guest house, several various out-buildings and 77 acres of tillable farmland. The remainder of the land is wooded. The Foundation plans to use the property as a training facility for hunters. They are currently furnishing and updating the property. The value of the land and buildings considering all the restrictions currently placed on the property is \$1,558,500. The market value of the land and the buildings is \$3,117,000.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION FOR STATE COMPLIANCE PURPOSES

SUMMARY

Supplementary information for state compliance purposes presented in this section of the report includes the following:

Fiscal Schedules and Analysis:

Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards
Notes to Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards
Comparative Schedule of Receipts, Disbursements and Fund Balance (Cash Basis)
Analysis of Significant Variations in Expenditures
Analysis of Significant Variations in Revenues
Analysis of Significant Balance Sheet Accounts
Analysis of Accounts Receivable and Accrued Investment Income
Schedule of Indirect Cost Reimbursements

Analysis of Operations:

Agency Functions and Planning Program
Average Number of Employees and Foundation Members
Comparative Schedule of Administrative Expenditures
Service Efforts and Accomplishments (Unaudited)
Schedule of Federal and Nonfederal Expenditures

The accountants' report that covers the Supplementary Information for State Compliance Purposes presented in the Compliance Report Section states that it has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in the accountants' opinion, except for that portion marked "unaudited," on which they express no opinion, it is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

(A Component Unit of the State of Illinois) Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards

For the Year Ended June 30, 2010

Federal Grantor/	Federal CFDA	Other Identification	Award	Award		Federal	Su	b-Grantee
Program	Number	Number	Period	Amount	Ex	penditures		Awards
Major Programs:								
Direct Programs:	15.608	30181-4-G046	05/24/04-09/30/09	\$ 600,000	\$	44,919	\$	40,725
U.S Department of the Interior:	15.608	30181-5-G040	07/11/05-09/30/10	400,000		10,436		9,939
Fish and Wildlife Enhancement	15.608	30181-6-G050	06/26/06-09/30/11	420,000		4,368		4,063
	15.608	30181-7-G058	08/01/07-09/30/12	390,000		45,367		43,206
	15.608	30181-7-G058 Mod 1	08/01/08-09/30/12	270,000		249,703		229,129
	15.608	30181-7-G058 Mod 2	07/01/09-09/30/12	240,000		112,265		105,910
					\$	467,058	\$	432,972
Non-Major Programs:								
U.S. Department of Agriculture	10.675	05-DG-11244225-361	07/15/05-09/30/09	335,000	\$	4,297	\$	4,139
Cooperative Forestry Assistance	10.675	06-DG-11244225-093	04/01/06-09/30/09	50,000		3,387		3,226
	10.675	07-DG-11420004-247	07/01/07-09/30/11	374,500		172,691		159,682
	10.675	07-DG-11420004-247	07/01/07-09/30/11	125,000		86,966		82,043
					\$	267,341	\$	249,090
Direct Programs:								
Forest Land Enhancement Program	10.677	05-DG-11244225-217	07/21/05-09/30/09	167,305	\$	2,501	\$	2,274
	10.677	06-DG-11244225-157	05/17/06-09/30/10	74,065		55,059		50,054
					\$	57,560	\$	52,328
Fire Crew	10.xxx	06-PA-11091500-004	08/25/06-12/31/10	155,000	\$	40,000	\$	37,420
	10.664	09-DG-11420004-272	07/01/09-09/30/10	40,000		40,000		36,364
	10.664	09-DG-11420004-364	08/01/09-09/30/12	50,000				
					\$	80,000	\$	73,784
Forest Stewardship Program	10.678	07-DG-11420004-226	07/11/07-04/30/10	100,000	\$	17,902	\$	16,265
Wood Education and Resource Center (WERC)	10.681	10-DG-11420004-107	06/01/10-05/31/11	65,000	\$		_\$	
Fish & Wildlife Service Rain Garden Grant	15.631	30181-9-J205	09/30/09-12/31/11	18,000	_\$_	3,387	_\$_	3,387
Total Federal Awards and Expenditu	ıres			\$ 3,873,870	\$	893,248		827,826

See accompanying notes to the schedule of expenditures of federal awards.

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Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards
For the Year Ended June 30, 2010

NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS

Note 1 - Basis of Presentation:

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards includes the federal grant activity of the Illinois Conservation Foundation and is presented on the accrual basis of accounting. The information on this schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of OMB Circular A-133, "Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations." Therefore, some amounts presented in this schedule may differ from amounts presented in, or used in presentation of, the basic financial statements.

Note 2 - Amounts Provided to Subrecipients:

The Foundation provided \$682,062 to various members of the Chicago Wilderness Coalition during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2010.

Note 3 - Determination of Type A Programs:

Program 15.608 has been determined to be a Type A program.

Note 4 - Administrative Costs:

Federal expenditures include \$65,422 of administrative costs.

Note 5 - Non-Cash Assistance:

The Foundation did not receive any non-cash assistance during the year ended June 30, 2010.

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Comparative Schedule of Receipts, Disbursements and Fund Balance (Cash Basis) For the Years Ended June 30, 2010 and 2009

	2010	2009
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning	\$ 385,930	\$ 1,007,977
Receipts:		
Donations	909,998	1,457,979
Grants and Receipts from Other Governments	897,444	861,745
Merchandise Sales	47,663	36,553
Publication Sales	630	335
Investment Income	85,993	103,993
Miscellaneous Receipts	-	145
Sale of Investments	1,744,896	1,558,813
Disbursements:		
General Administrative	(160,845)	(230,381)
Programs	(1,825,976)	(2,764,536)
Purchase of investments	(1,659,262)	(1,646,693)
Cash and cash equivalents, ending	\$ 426,471	\$ 385,930

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Analysis of Significant Variations in Expenditures For the Years Ended June 30, 2010 and 2009

				Increase	
	Program	2010	2009	(Decrease)	%
(1)	Land Acquisition	-	906,556	(906,556)	-100.0%
(2)	Dynegy Midwest Settlement	169,782	100,736	69,046	68.5%
(3)	Midwest Fish & Wildlife Conference	110,050	4,406	105,644	2397.7%
(4)	Law Enforcement	4,135	91,328	(87,193)	-95.5%
(5)	John Husar Memorial	-	150,300	(150,300)	-100.0%
(6)	Hamilton County	2,541	55,055	(52,514)	-95.4%
(7)	Kickapoo State Park	-	77,884	(77,884)	-100.0%
(8)	General Administrative Expenses	163,943	229,563	(65,620)	-28.6%
(9)	Macy's Promotion	38,592	-	38,592	100.0%
(10)	Federal Funds	827,826	602,740	225,086	37.3%

- (1) Land acquisition decreased \$906,556 or 100% in fiscal year 2010. The Foundation contributed toward two major land acquisitions in fiscal year 2009 and there weren't any land purchases in fiscal year 2010.
- (2) Dynegy Midwest Expenditures increased \$69,046 or 68.5% during fiscal year 2010. Delays in construction caused more work to be done in fiscal year 2010 than the prior fiscal year.
- (3) Midwest Fish and Wildlife conference expenditures increased \$105,664 or 2,397.7%. This conference was held in Illinois in fiscal year 2010 causing additional expenses to be incurred.
- (4) Law Enforcement expenditures decreased \$87,193 or 95.5% in fiscal year 2010. Several major one-time purchases were made in fiscal year 2009.
- (5) John Husar Memorial expenditures decreased \$150,300 or 100%. This project was completed in fiscal year 2009.
- (6) Hamilton County expenditures decreased \$52,514 or 95.4%. This was a one-time grant with the bulk of the project paid out in fiscal year 2009.
- (7) Kickapoo State Park expenditures decreased \$77,884 or 100%. This one-time grant was paid out in fiscal year 2009.
- (8) General Administrative Expenses decreased \$65,620 or 28.6%. The Executive Director position was vacant most of fiscal year 2010, which makes up a portion of this line item.
- (9) Macy's Promotion expenditures increased \$38,592 or 100% in fiscal year 2010. This was a one time promotion and all the proceeds were paid out in fiscal year 2010.
- (10) Federal Funds expenditures increased \$225,086 or 37.3%. Increased activity of the Chicago Wilderness project during fiscal year 2010 caused this increase.

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Analysis of Significant Variations in Revenues For the Years Ended June 30, 2010 and 2009

			Increase	
Program	2010	2009	(Decrease)	%
(1) Donations - Restricted	\$ 751,739	\$ 1,354,776	\$ (603,037)	-44.5%
(2) Grants and Receipts from Government	893,248	647,207	246,041	38.0%
(3) Investments Income - Restricted Unrealized Gain (Loss)	3,468	(18,989)	22,457	118.3%
(4) Investment Income - Unrestricted Unrealized Gain (Loss)	122,265	(217,205)	339,470	156.3%
(5) Investment Income - Unrestricted Realized Gain (Loss)	63,491	(337,790)	401,281	118.8%
(6) Merchandise Sales - Restricted	47,663	36,553	11,110	30.4%

- (1) Donations Restricted decreased \$603,037 or 44.5% in fiscal year 2010. The decrease in receipts for land acquisition purposes of \$781,526 offset by the receipts of \$133,774 for the Midwest Fish and Wildlife conference and \$127,000 for the Illinois and Michigan Canal Trail projects.
- (2) Grants and Receipts from Governments increased \$246,041 or 38.0% due to increased activity of the Chicago Wilderness Project.
- (3) Investment Income Restricted Unrealized Gain (Loss) increased \$22,457 in fiscal year 2010 or 118.3% due to a decline experienced overall in the financial market in 2009.
- (4) Investment Income Unrestricted Unrealized Gain (Loss) increased \$339,470 or 156.3% in fiscal year 2010 due to a decline experienced overall in the financial market in 2009.
- (5) Investment Income Unrestricted Realized Gain (Loss) increased \$401,281 or 118.8% in fiscal year 2010 due to a decline experienced overall in the financial market in 2009.
- (6) Merchandise Sales-Restricted increased \$11,110 or 30.4% from an increase in sales of deer and turkey pins.

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Analysis of Significant Balance Sheet Accounts For the Years Ended June 30, 2010 and 2009

	2010	 2009	Increase Decrease)	
(1) Accounts Receivable	\$ 21,227	\$ 62,907	\$ (41,680)	-66.3%
(2) Accounts Payable	31,651	136,071	(104,420)	-76.7%
(3) Accrued Expenses	5,562	1,143	4,419	386.6%
(4) Deferred Revenue	-	12,500	(12,500)	-100.0%

- (1) Accounts receivable decreased \$41,680 or 66.3% in fiscal year 2010, due to a decrease in federal subgrantee expenditures incurred late in the fiscal year and not being reimbursed by June 30, 2009.
- (2) Accounts payable decreased \$104,420 or 76.7% in fiscal year 2010 due to a decrease in federal subgrant billings received late in fiscal year 2009.
- (3) Accrued expenses increased \$4,419 or 386.6% in fiscal year 2010. This increase was caused by an increase in payroll liabilities as a result of the addition of the newly hired executive director.
- (4) Deferred revenue decreased \$12,500 or 100.0% in fiscal year 2010. This decrease was caused by a reduction in the amount of prepaid revenue.

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Analysis of Accounts Receivable and Accrued Investment Income For the Years Ended June 30, 2010 and 2009

		2010			2009	I	Decrease		
(1)	Accounts Receivable	\$	21,227	\$	62,907	\$	(41,680)		
(2)	Accrued Investment Income		12,474		13,385		(911)		

(1) Accounts Receivable consists of a)amounts due from the sale of deer and turkey pins prior to June 30, 2010 and funds not remitted until after July 1, 2010 and b) amounts due from the Grantor Agency for federal expenditures incurred in fiscal year 2010 but not reimbursed until July, 2010 and c) amount due from ENTICE Program and d) amount due from Earth Share of Illinois.

\$ 510
19,387
651
679
\$ 21,227
\$

(2) Accrued investment income consists of interest earned on cash equivalents for the year ending June 30, 2010 but not remitted until July, 2010.

Schedule of Indirect Cost Reimbursements For the Years Ended June 30, 2010 and 2009

The indirect cost reimbursements are based on rates negotiated with the U.S. Department of Interior and the U.S. Department of Agriculture. These indirect cost reimbursements provide funding for allowable program costs that are incurred for a common purpose and are not assignable to specific cost objectives. Indirect cost reimbursements are deposited into the Foundations checking account. Following are reimbursements deposited during fiscal year 2010 and 2009:

Federal Programs/Grants	2010		2009		
U.S. Department of Interior					
Fish and Wildlife Enhancement	\$	34,086	\$	20,214	
U.S. Department of Agriculture					
Cooperative Forestry Assistance		18,251		10,563	
Forest Land Enhancement Program		5,232		2,296	
Fire Crew		6,216		7,307	
EAB Forest Stewardship (WERC)		1,637		4,086	
Total Indirect Cost Reimbursements	\$	65,422	\$	44,466	

Agency Functions and Planning Program June 30, 2010

Agency Function

The Illinois Conservation Foundation (Foundation) was authorized to be created by the Illinois Department of Conservation (a predecessor agency of the Illinois Department of Natural Resources) by Public Act 88-591 on August 20, 1994. The role of the Foundation is to provide additional funding for the Illinois Department of Natural Resources' conservation programs that are either not receiving adequate State funding or cannot be implemented because State funding is not available (20 ILCS 880/10).

The Foundation's Board of Directors are appointed as follows:

- 1 appointment designated by Statute
- 2 by the President of the Illinois Senate
- 2 by the Minority Leader of the Illinois Senate
- 2 by the Speaker of the Illinois House of Representatives
- 2 by the Minority Leader of the Illinois House of Representatives
- 4 by the Governor

The Director of the Illinois Department of Natural Resources serves as the Chairman of the Board of Directors.

Planning Program

The Foundation has adopted a Mission Statement. Guidelines have been established as stated in the Illinois Conservation Foundation Act and the Foundation's Operating Procedures Manual.

MISSION STATEMENT

For a brief moment in time, the earth is ours—not to waste or own—but to share with creatures, great and small.

The role of the Illinois Conservation Foundation and its partners is to preserve and enhance our natural resources by supporting and fostering ecological, educational, and recreational programs for the benefit of all people now and for generations to come.

Agency Functions and Planning Program
June 30, 2010

GUIDELINES

The Foundation is a not-for-profit corporation incorporated on March 7, 1995 under the laws of the State of Illinois. Its purposes are charitable and educational.

The Foundation is organized exclusively for charitable and educational purposes within the meaning of Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954. As delineated by the Illinois Conservation Foundation Act (20 ILCS 880), the specific purposes of the Foundation are:

- a) to promote, support, assist, sustain and encourage the charitable, educational, scientific, and recreational programs, projects, and policies of the Illinois Department of Natural Resources;
- b) to solicit and accept aid or contributions consistent with the stated intent of the donor and the goals of the Foundation;
- c) to accept grants for the acquisition, construction, improvement, and development of potential Foundation projects; and
- d) to solicit and generate private funding and donations that assist in enhancing and preserving Illinois' natural habitats, historic sites, river and stream corridors, state parks, forests and fish and wildlife areas.

AVERAGE NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES AND FOUNDATION MEMBERS

The following table, prepared from Foundation records, presents the average number of Foundation employees and the average number of Foundation Members, for the fiscal year ended June 30,

Fiscal Year	Employees	Foundation Members
2008	1	13
2009	1	13
2010	1	13

Comparative Schedule of Administrative Expenditures For the Years Ended June 30, 2010 and 2009

	 2010	 2009	ncrease Decrease)
Accounting	\$ 21,775	\$ 21,888	\$ (113)
Director's Salary	32,869	113,852	(80,983)
General Administrative	 109,299	93,823	15,476
Total Administrative Expenditures	 163,943	\$ 229,563	 (65,620)
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 1,964,994	\$ 2,899,428	
% of Administrative Expenditures to Total Expenditures	 8.34%	 7.92%	

Analysis of Operations
Service Efforts and Accomplishments
(Unaudited Disclosures by Agency Management)

- The Foundation administers the Chicago Wilderness Cooperative Forestry Assistance program and works with many natural resources organizations in the northeastern Illinois six county area. The program has been funded over the past 8 years by \$6,904,500 in grants from the U.S. Forest Service and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.
- The Foundation administered distribution of \$169,782 for various Illinois Department of natural Resources projects from Court ordered environmental decrees or settlements.
- The Foundation coordinated the fundraising for the various youth programs, scholarships, and special events.
- The Foundation provided \$150,034 to the Illinois Department of Natural Resources for tree nursery production.
- The Foundation funded 9 grants totaling \$32,350 of non-federal money to various entities for educational and environmental programs.
- The Foundation issued 68 Illinois Biodiversity Field Trip grants totaling \$69,400.

Schedule of Federal and Nonfederal Expenditures For the Years Ended June 30, 2010 and 2009

	2010	
	Amount	Percent
Federal Nonfederal	\$ 893,248 1,071,771	45.46% 54.54%
Total	\$ 1,965,019	100.00%
	2009	
	Amount	Percent
Federal Nonfederal	\$ 647,207 2,252,942	22.32% 77.68%
Total	\$ 2,900,149	100.00%