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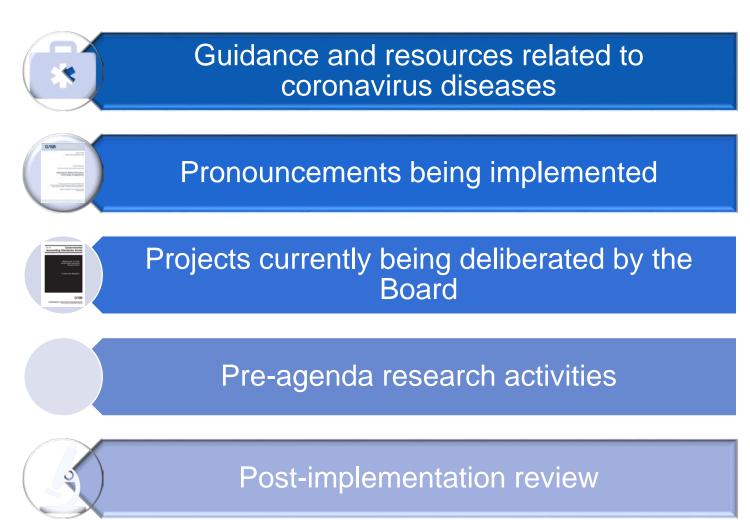
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Presentation Overview



GASB Project Manager Position Open

Minimum 10 years of experience, including at least 5 in government finance or auditing, public accounting, finance or accounting academia, or standards setting

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Guidance and Resources Related to the Coronavirus Diseases

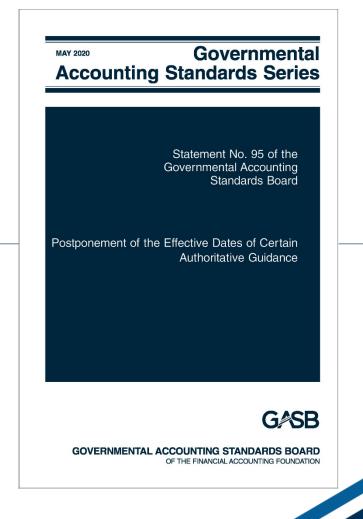
- Postponement of certain effective dates
- Guidance on CARES Act
- Emergency toolbox





Postponement of the Effective Dates of Certain Authoritative Guidance

Statement No. 95





Effective Date Postponement

What?

The Board has postponed the effective dates of certain Statement & Implementation Guide provisions Why?

The Board acted in response to numerous stakeholder requests prompted by the COVID-19 pandemic When?

Effective immediately

Provisions can be implemented early to the extent allowed by each pronouncement



Effective dates are postponed one year for these pronouncements in their entirety

- Statement No. 83, Certain Asset Retirement Obligations
- Statement No. 84, Fiduciary Activities
- Statement No. 88, Certain Disclosures Related to Debt, including Direct Borrowings and Direct Placements
- Statement No. 89, Accounting for Interest Cost Incurred before the End of a Construction Period
- Statement No. 90, Majority Equity Interests—an amendment of GASB Statements No. 14 and No. 61

- Statement No. 91, Conduit Debt Obligations
- Implementation Guide No. 2018-1, Implementation Guidance Update—2018
- Implementation Guide No. 2019-1, Implementation Guidance Update—2019
- Implementation Guide No. 2019-2, *Fiduciary Activities*



Effective dates are postponed one year for certain provisions of these pronouncements

- Statement No. 92, *Omnibus 2020,* paragraphs 6–10 and 12
- Statement No. 93, Replacement of Interbank Offered Rates, pars. 13 and 14
- Implementation Guide No. 2017-3, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions (and Certain Issues Related to OPEB Plan Reporting), Questions 4.85, 4.103, 4.108, 4.109, 4.225, 4.239, 4.244, 4.245, 4.484, 4.491 and 5.1–5.4

Effective dates are postponed 18 months for these pronouncements

- Statement No. 87, Leases
- Implementation Guide No. 2019-3, Leases



Effective Dates after Statement 95

December 31: Fiscal Year 2021

- Statement 89 construction-period interest
- Statement 93 interbank offered rates (except LIBOR removal and lease modifications)
- IG 2019-1 update

December 31: Fiscal Year 2022

- Statement 87 leases
- Statement 91 conduit debt
- Statement 92 omnibus (multiple effective dates)
- Statement 93 LIBOR removal and lease modifications
- Statement 97 certain component unit criteria and Section 457 plans
- Statement 98 the annual comprehensive financial report
- IG 2019-3 leases
- IG 2020-1 update
- IG 2021-1 update (4.22)

December 31: Fiscal Year 2023

- Statement 94 public-private partnerships
- Statement 96 SBITAs
- IG 2021-1 update (4.1-4.21, 4.23, 5.2, and 5.4)

December 31: Fiscal Year 2024

• IG 2021-1 – update (5.1)



Effective Dates after Statement 95

June 30: Fiscal Year 2021

- Statement 84 fiduciary activities
- Statement 90 majority equity interests
- Statement 93 interbank offered rates (except LIBOR removal and lease modifications)
- IG 2019-1 update
- IG 2019-2 fiduciary activities

June 30: Fiscal Year 2022

- Statement 87 leases
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Accounting and Financial Reporting **Issues Related to the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act** (CARES Act) and Coronavirus Diseases Governmental **JUNE 2020**

Technical Bulletin 2020-1

Accounting Standards Series

GASB Technical Bulletin No. 2020-1

Accounting and Financial Reporting Issues Related to the Title Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) and Coronavirus Diseases

References: GASB Statement No. 9, Reporting Cash Flows of Proprietary and Nonexpendable Trust Funds and Governmental Entities That Use Proprietary Fund Accounting GASB Statement No. 33. Accounting and Financial Reporting for Nonexchange Transactions GASB Statement No. 34, Basic Financial Statements-and Management's Discussion and Analysis-for State and Local Governments GASB Statement No. 56, Codification of Accounting and Financial Reporting Guidance Contained in the AICPA Statements on Auditing Standards GASB Statement No. 62, Codification of Accounting and Financial Reporting Guidance Contained in Pre-November 30, 1989 FASB

and AICPA Pronouncements GASB Statement No. 70, Accounting and Financial Reporting for

Nonexchange Financial Guarantees

GASB Implementation Guide No. 2015-1, Question 2.27.4





Technical Bulletin 2020-1

What?

The Board has cleared guidance that addresses issues arising from the CARES Act and coronavirus diseases

Why?

The Board acted in response to numerous stakeholder requests for guidance





Topics Addressed

- Whether resources received from the Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) are subject to eligibility requirements or to purpose restrictions and how they should be accounted for
- Whether CARES Act provisions that address a government's loss of revenue should be considered an eligibility requirement, for purposes of revenue recognition
- Whether amendments to the CARES Act after the statement of net position date but prior to the issuance of financial statements are the basis for recognition in financial statements for the period reported



Topics Addressed (continued)

- How to account for forgivable loans under the Paycheck Protection Program
- Whether resources provided through certain programs to a business-type activity or enterprise fund are nonoperating revenues
- Whether outflows incurred in response to the coronavirus are extraordinary items or special items for financial reporting purposes



COVID-19 Page & Emergency Toolbox

- Guidance and resources available at <u>www.gasb.org/COVID19</u>
- Emergency toolbox
 - Intended to help stakeholders quickly identify the GASB's authoritative guidance that could be relevant to the current circumstances, including topics such as contingencies, going concern, prior-period adjustments, revenue and receivable recognition, and subsequent events
 - Provides links to COVID-19 resources and nonauthoritative guidance of professional organizations



Pronouncements Being Implemented





Fiduciary Activities

Statement No. 84

NO. 361 | JANUARY 2017 Governmental Accounting Standards Series

Statement No. 84 of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board

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Fiduciary Activities

What?

The Board issued Statement 84 to clarify when a government has a fiduciary responsibility and is required to present fiduciary fund financial statements Why?

Existing standards require reporting of fiduciary responsibilities but do not define what they are; use of private-purpose trust funds and agency funds is inconsistent; BTAs are uncertain about how to report fiduciary activities

When?

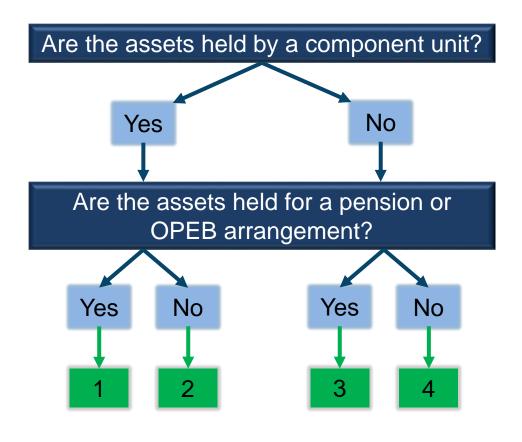
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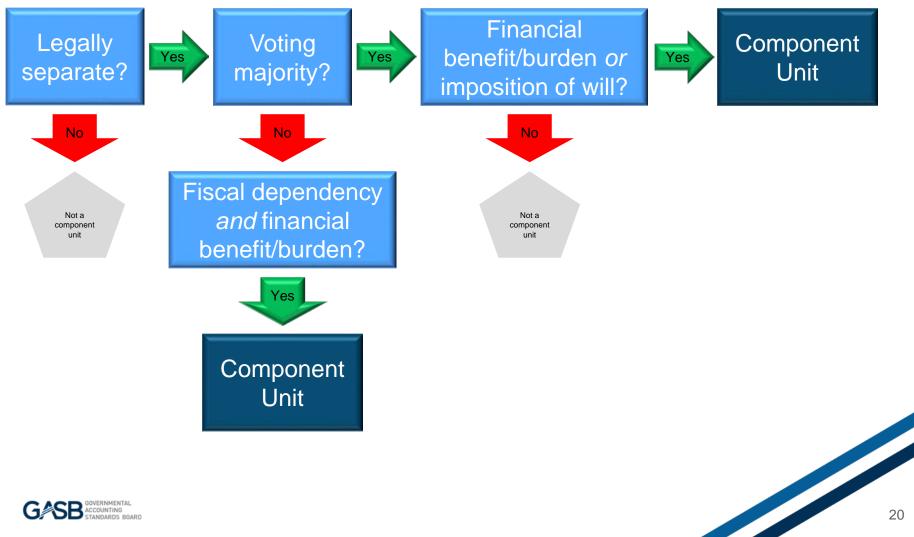
When Should a Government Report Assets in a Fiduciary Fund?

Four paths to making this determination:





When Is There a Component Unit?



Implications of Statement 97

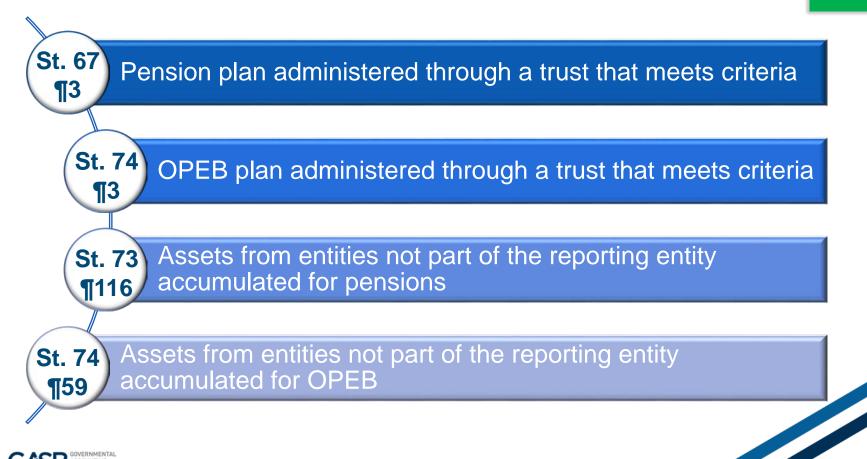
For purposes of determining whether a primary government is financially accountable, the absence of a governing board (when the government is perform the duties a governing board normally would perform) should be treated the same as the **appointment of a voting majority** of a governing board, *except for DC pension plans, DC OPEB plans, or other employee benefit plans*

The criterion that a legal obligation to contribute (or otherwise assuming the obligation) is considered to be a **financial burden** applies only to defined benefit plans



Component Units That Are Postemployment Benefit Arrangements Are Fiduciary if...

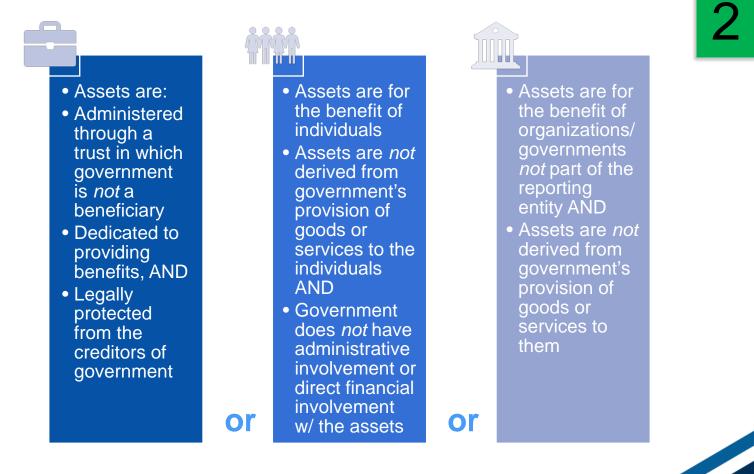
They are one of the following arrangements:





Other Component Units Are Fiduciary if...

They have one or more of the following characteristics:





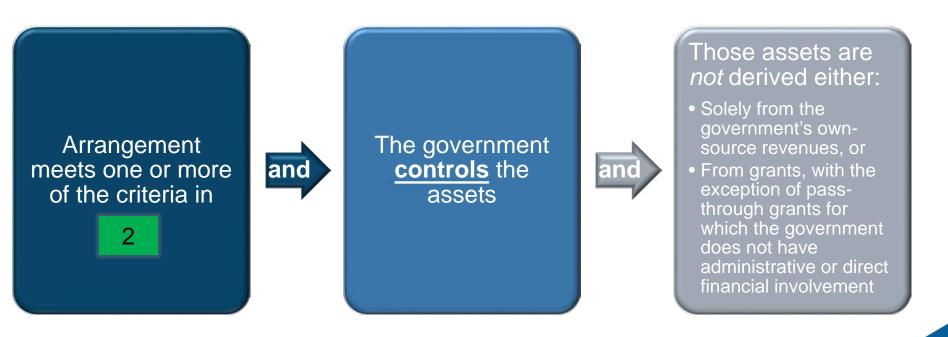
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Postemployment Benefit Arrangements That Are Not Component Units Are Fiduciary if...

- Arrangement is one of those in AND
- The government <u>controls</u> the assets of the arrangement
 - (control will be explained in two slides)



All Other Activities Are Fiduciary if...





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Control of Assets

Control means one or both of the following is true:

• Government holds the assets

Government has ability to *direct* the use, exchange, or employment of the assets in a manner that provides benefits to the specified or intended beneficiaries



Fiduciary Fund Classes

Pension and other employee benefit trust fund

Investment trust fund

Privatepurpose trust fund

Custodial fund

Trust agreement or equivalent arrangement should be present



Stand-Alone Business-Type Activities

A stand alone BTA's fiduciary activities should be reported in separate fiduciary fund financial statements.

Exception: Resources expected to be held 3 months or less can be reported instead in the statement of net position, with inflows and outflows reported as operating cash flows in the statement of cash flows



Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position

All fiduciary funds should be included in the statement of changes in fiduciary net position

Additions should be disaggregated* by source and, if applicable, separately display investment earnings, investment costs, and net investment earnings

Deductions should be disaggregated* by type and, if applicable, separately display administrative costs *Disaggregation requirement applies to all fiduciary funds *except* custodial funds held for three months or less

 For those custodial funds, governments may report total additions and total deductions in the aggregate, as long as the descriptions of the totals are sufficient to indicate the nature of the resource flows



Implementation Guide 2019-2

52 questions and answers, including:

- Classifying fiduciary activities
- Applying the criteria for control and own-source revenues
- Applying the clarified definitions of fund classes, including determining eligibility for the custodial fund exception for BTAs
- Fiduciary fund financial statements, including the determining eligibility for the exception to disaggregating certain additions and deductions
- Reporting fiduciary component units

Revisions to 3 existing questions and answers



Leases

Statement No. 87

NO. 366 | JUNE 2017 Governmental Accounting Standards Series

Statement No. 87 of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board

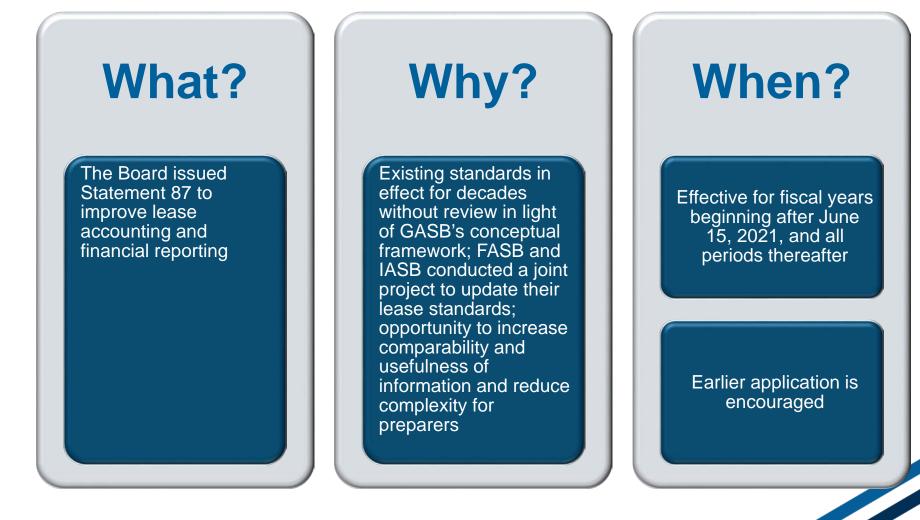
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Issues to Focus on as Soon as Possible

Debt limits and bond covenants	 All leases lasting more than a year will be reported by lessees as long-term liabilities Review state and local laws and agreements to determine whether that could impact compliance with debt limitations and bond covenants
Lease policies and procedures	 May need to consider changing policies and procedures for tracking and reporting leases, both as lessee and lessor May need better communication between departments that enter into leases and central accounting staff Need procedures that identify when lease agreements have been initiated and when existing leases are modified (such as changes in lease term or estimated payment amounts) Should review capital asset policies, such as the capitalization thresholds, especially in light of the need to report intangible right-to-use assets

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Issues to Focus on as Soon as Possible (continued)

Transition provisions

- Statement 87 requires that leases be recognized and measured using the facts and circumstances as of the beginning of the period of implementation
- For example:
 - As of January 1, 2022 for FYE December 31, 2022
 - As of July 1, 2021 for FYE June 30, 2022



Statement 87 Implementation Guide

Implementation Guide 2019-3:	Scope and applicability issues
77 questions and answers, including:	Determining the term of the lease
	Eligibility for exception for short-term leases
	Recognition, measurement, and disclosure for lessees and lessors
	Lease incentives
	Contracts with multiple components and contract combinations
	Terminations and modifications
	Sale-leasebacks, lease-leasebacks, and intra-entity leases



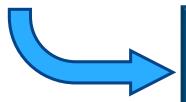
Statement 87 Scope and Approach

Statement 87 applies to any contract that meets the

definition of a lease:

"A lease is a contract that conveys control of the right to use another entity's nonfinancial asset (the underlying asset) for a period of time in an exchange or exchange-like transaction."

Leases are financings of the right to use an underlying asset

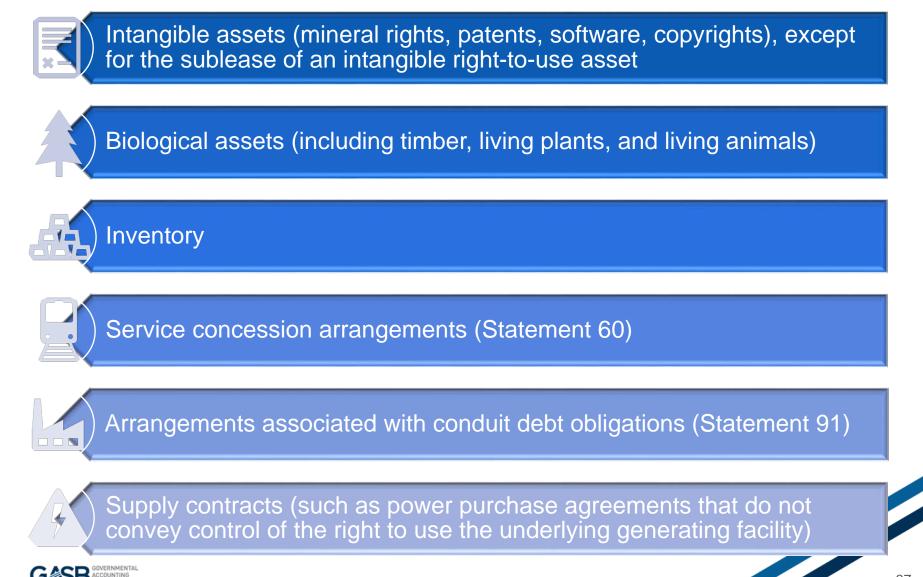


Single approach applied to accounting for leases with some exceptions, such as short-term leases

Capital/operating distinction is eliminated



Scope Exclusions





Lease Term

- For financial reporting purposes, when does the lease start and end?
 - Start with the noncancelable period



- Plus periods covered by options to:
 - Extend lease, if reasonably certain of being exercised
 - Terminate lease, if reasonably certain of not being exercised
- Excludes cancelable periods
 - Periods for which lessee and lessor both have option to extend or terminate (such as rolling month-to-month leases)
- Fiscal funding and cancellation clauses are ignored unless reasonably certain of being exercised



Initial Reporting

	Assets	Liability	Deferred Inflow
Lessee	Intangible lease asset (right to use underlying asset)—value of lease liability plus prepayments and initial direct costs that are ancillary to place asset in use	Present value of future lease payments (incl. fixed payments, variable payments based on index or rate, reasonably certain residual guarantees, etc.)	NA
Lessor	 Lease receivable (generally includes same items as lessee's liability) Continue to report the leased asset 	NA	Equal to lease receivable plus any cash received up front that relates to a future period



Subsequent Reporting

	Assets	Liability	Deferred Inflow
Lessee	Amortize the intangible lease asset over shorter of useful life or lease term	Reduce by lease payments (less amount for interest expense)	NA
Lessor	 Depreciate leased asset (unless indefinite life or required to be returned in its original or enhanced condition) Reduce receivable by lease payments (less amount needed to cover accrued interest) 	NA	Recognize revenue over the lease term in a systematic and rational manner



Short-Term Leases

Definition	At beginning of lease, <i>maximum possible term</i> under the contract is 12 months or less
Lessee accounting	 Recognize expenses/expenditures based on the terms of the contract Do not recognize assets or liabilities associated with the right to use the underlying asset
Lessor accounting	 Recognize lease payments as revenue based on the payment provisions of the contract Do not recognize receivables or deferred inflows



Contracts with Multiple Components

Statement 87

- Generally, account for lease and non-lease components as separate contracts and multiple underlying assets as separate lease components in certain circumstances (paragraphs 64 and 65)
- Allocate contract price to different components (paragraph 66)

Implementation Guide 2019-3

- One component meets scope exclusions and one does not?
 - Separate and account for them individually (Q4.59)
- Separate utilities and janitorial costs of building lease?
 - Yes, if practicable to do so (Q4.60)



Other Topics Covered by Statement 87





Accounting for Interest Cost Incurred before the End of a Construction Period

Statement No. 89

NO. 370 JUNE 2018 Governmental Accounting Standards Series

Statement No. 89 of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board

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Interest Cost



The Board issued Statement 89 to enhance the relevance of capital asset information and simplify financial reporting Accounting guidance has been based on FASB Statements 34 and 62, which were incorporated into the GASB literature by GASB Statement 62 but were not reconsidered in light of GASB's Concepts Statements

Why?

When?

Effective for periods beginning after December 15, 2020

Earlier application is encouraged



Recognizing Interest Cost

Financial statements prepared using the economic resources measurement focus:

• Interest cost incurred before the end of a construction period should be recognized as an expense in the period incurred.

Financial statements prepared using the current financial resources measurement focus:

 Interest cost incurred before the end of a construction period should be recognized as an expenditure consistent with governmental fund accounting principles.

Prospective application at transition



Majority Equity Interests

Statement No. 90

NO. 371 | AUGUST 2018 Governmental Accounting Standards Series

Statement No. 90 of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board

Majority Equity Interests

an amendment of GASB Statements No. 14 and No. 61



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Majority Equity Interests

What?

The Board issued Statement 90 to clarify whether a majority equity interest should be reported as an investment or as a component unit and to provide consistent measurement of elements of acquired organizations and 100% equity interests in component units Why?

Stakeholders requested that the GASB examine diversity in practice and potential conflicts in the existing guidance When?

Effective for periods beginning after December 15, 2019

Earlier application is encouraged



Does the Majority Equity Interest I the Definition of an Investment

YES	NO		
Report as an investment	Report as a component unit		
 Measure the investment by applying the equity method prescribed in Statement 62, paragraphs 205–209 <i>Exception:</i> the following should apply fair value in accordance with Statement 72, paragraph 64: Special-purpose governments engaged only in fiduciary activities Fiduciary funds Endowments (including permanent and term endowments) and permanent funds 	Recognize an asset for the majority equity interest and measure by applying the equity method prescribed in Statement 62, paragraphs 205–209		
Applied prospectively only			



100% Equity Interest That Does Not Meet the Definition of an Investment

If a government acquires a 100% equity interest in a legally-separate entity that *does not* meet the definition of an investment Component unit should remeasure assets, liabilities, and deferrals by applying acquisition value as described in Statement 69

Government holding the 100% equity interest would recognize an asset and measure by using acquisition value

These provisions would be applied prospectively only



Conduit Debt Obligations

Statement No. 91

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Statement No. 91 of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board

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Conduit Debt

What?

The Board improved the existing standards related to conduit debt obligations by providing a single reporting method for government issuers Why?

Interpretation 2 had been in effect for 20 years before its effectiveness was evaluated; based on GASB research, improvements were needed to eliminate diversity in practice

When?

Effective for periods beginning after December 15, 2021

Earlier application is encouraged



Definition of Conduit Debt

- 1. There are at least three parties involved: the government-issuer, the third-party obligor (borrower), and the debt holder or trustee.
- 2. The issuer and the third-party obligor are *not* within the same financial reporting entity.
- 3. The debt obligation is not a parity bond of the issuer, nor is it cross-collateralized with other debt of the issuer.
- 4. The third-party obligor or its agent, not the issuer, ultimately receives the proceeds from the debt issuance.
- 5. The third-party obligor, not the issuer, is primarily obligated for the payment of all amounts associated with the debt obligation.



Limited, Additional & Voluntary Commitments Extended by Issuers

Generally, issuers' commitments are **limited** to the resources provided by the third-party obligor.

Occasionally, an issuer may extend an additional commitment to support debt service in the event of the third-party obligor's default.

- For example:
- Extending a moral obligation pledge
- Extending an appropriation pledge
- Extending a financial guarantee
- Pledging its own property, revenue, or other assets as security

Under a voluntary commitment, issuer voluntarily decides to make a debt service payment or request an appropriation for a payment in the event that the third-party is, or will be, unable to pay.



Recognition by the Issuer

Do not recognize a conduit debt obligation as a liability

May have a related liability arising out of an additional or voluntary commitment

Additional commitment: report a liability when qualitative factors indicate it is *more likely than not* that the issuer will support debt service payments for a conduit debt obligation

Voluntary commitment: if a certain event or circumstance has occurred, evaluate likelihood, then report a liability if it is *more likely than not* that the issuer will support debt service payments

Voluntary commitments for which a liability is recognized and all additional commitments: At least annually reevaluate whether recognition criteria are met while conduit debt is outstanding



Arrangements and Capital Assets

Some conduit debt obligations include arrangements* that involve capital assets to be used by the third-party obligor but owned by the issuer.

- Capital asset is built or acquired with proceeds of the conduit debt obligation.
- Issuer retains title to the capital asset from the beginning of the arrangement.
- Payments from the third-party obligor are to cover debt service payments.
- Payment schedule of the arrangement coincides with the debt service repayment schedule.

*Often characterized as "leases"



Arrangements and Capital Assets (continued)

Accounting by the issuer:

Do not report those arrangements as leases

Do *not* recognize a liability for the related conduit debt obligations

Do *not* recognize a receivable for the payments related to those arrangements

If the arrangement meets the definition of a service concession arrangement, follow Statement 60



Arrangements and Capital Assets (continued)

Does title pass to third-party obligor at end of arrangement?	Does the issuer recognize a capital asset?	Does the issuer recognize a deferred inflow of resources?
Yes	No	No
No, and third party has exclusive use of <i>entire</i> capital asset	Yes, when the arrangement ends	No
No, and third party has exclusive use of only <i>portions</i> of the capital asset	Yes, at the inception of the arrangement	Yes, at the inception of the arrangement; deferred inflow recognized as revenue over the term of the arrangement



Disclosures by Type of Commitment

A general description of the issuer's conduit debt obligations

- Description of limited commitments
- Description of additional commitments (legal authority and limits; length; arrangements for recovering payments from third-party obligors, if any)
- Aggregate outstanding principal amount

If the issuer recognizes a related liability

- Description of timing of recognition and measurement of the liability
- Beginning balances, increases, decreases, ending balances
- Cumulative payments that have been made
- Amounts expected to be recovered, if any, for those payments



Omnibus 2020

Statement No. 92

JANUARY 2020 Governmental Accounting Standards Series

Statement No. 92 of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board

Omnibus 2020

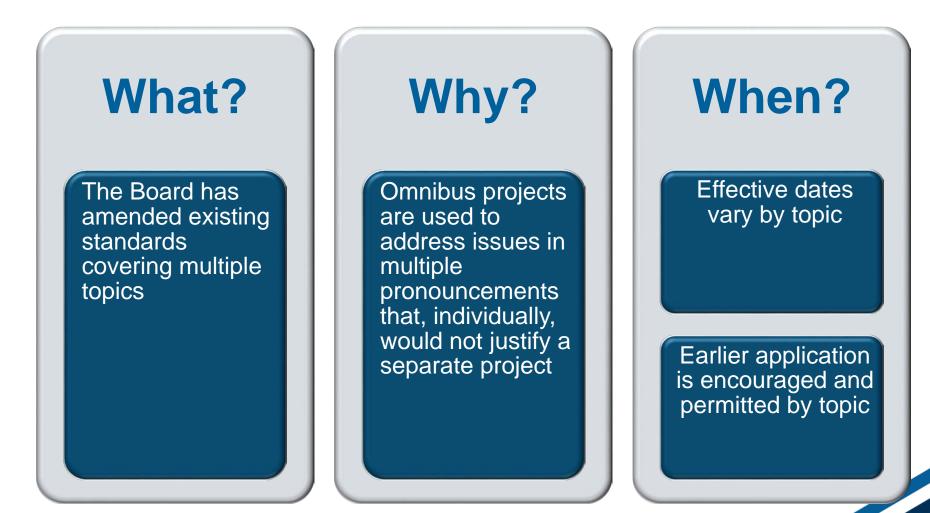
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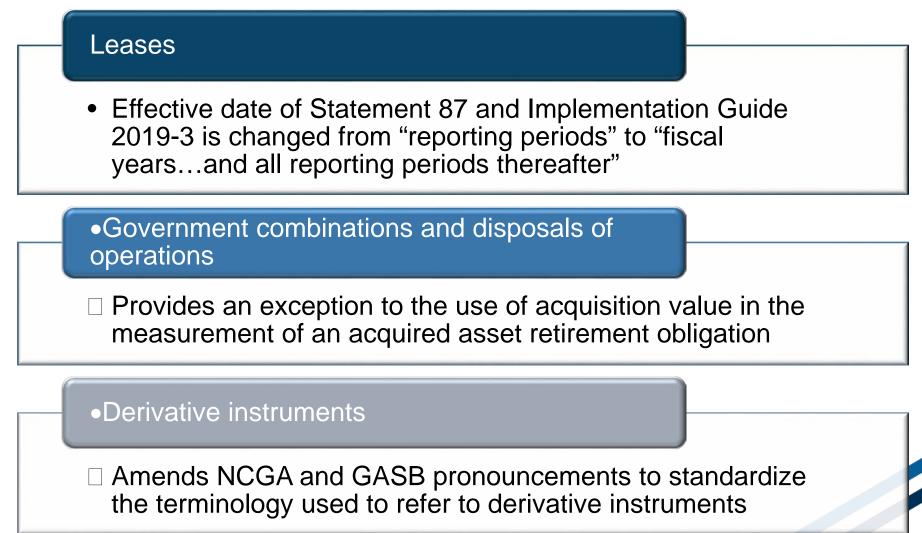


Omnibus 2020











Provisions of Statement 92 (continued)

Application of Statement 84 to Postemployment Benefit Arrangements

- Limit the requirements of paragraphs 22 and 25 to defined benefit pension and OPEB plans
- Supersedes guidance in Statements 73 and 74 regarding recognition of a liability to employers and NECEs for the excess of assets over liabilities for benefits payments and administrative expenses in custodial funds in circumstances in which assets are accumulated for the pensions and OPEB of other employers and NECEs

Applicability of Statements 73 and 74

 Amend Statements 73 and 74 to replace references to control of assets in those same circumstances, to avoid limiting the application of the associated requirements of those Statements

Fair value measurements

• Amends paragraph 81 of Statement 72 to adjust the example of nonrecurring fair value measurements



Provisions of Statement 92 (continued)

•Intra-entity transfers of assets

Amends paragraph 15 of Statement 48 to clarify that amounts associated with the transfer of capital or financial assets from an employer or NECE to a defined benefit pension or OPEB plan within the same financial reporting entity should be reported as contributions to the plan, in accordance with Statements 68 and 75
 Clarifies that the provisions of paragraph 15 apply to <u>all</u> transfers of assets within a financial reporting entity

Reinsurance recoveries

Amends paragraph 37 of Statement 10 to clarify that amounts that are recoverable from reinsurers or excess insurers and that relate to paid claims and claim adjustment expenses may be reported as reductions of expenses but are not required to be.



Effective Dates for Statement 92

Requirements related to:	Effective Date
 Leases Reinsurance recoveries Derivative instruments 	Upon issuance
 Intra-entity transfers of assets Applicability of Statements 73 and 74 	Fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2021
6. Application of Statement 84 to postemployment benefit arrangements7. Fair value measurements	Reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2021
8. Government combinations and disposals of operations	For government acquisitions occurring in reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2021



Replacement of Interbank Offered Rates

Statement No. 93

MARCH 2020 Governmental Accounting Standards Series

Statement No. 93 of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board

Replacement of Interbank Offered Rates

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Replacement of Interbank Offered Rates





Exception to Termination of Hedge Accounting

•Continue to apply hedge accounting to an effective hedging derivative instrument with a variable payment based on an IBOR, if <u>all</u> criteria are met:

Hedging derivative instrument is amended or replaced to change the reference rate of its variable payment or add/change reference rate-related fallback provisions

The new reference rate essentially equates the old rate by :

Adjusting the new rate by a coefficient or constant, limited to what is necessary to essentially equate the rates, and/or

An up-front payment, limited to what is necessary to essentially equate the rates The original hedging derivative instrument is ended and the replacement hedging derivative instrument is entered into on the same date Critical terms are identical, except for term changes that are necessary for reference rate replacement (see next slide)



Other Term Changes

Term changes that may be necessary for the replacement of the reference rate are limited to:

- The frequency with which the rate of the variable payment resets
- The dates on which the rate resets
- The methodology for resetting the rate
- The dates on which periodic payments are made



Two-Step Transition to a SOFR

A hedging derivative instrument may be amended or replaced in two steps: a transition from an IBOR to another rate (such as the effective federal funds rate) prior to transitioning to a secured overnight financing rate (SOFR)

Hedge accounting continues when all of the following criteria are met:

- The first step replaces an IBOR with another rate
- That interim rate is replaced by a SOFR in the second step
- All four of the criteria for a one-step transition are met



Other Provisions

Effective Federal Funds Rate and SOFR are appropriate benchmark interest rates for taxable debt when applying the consistent critical terms method

LIBOR is no longer an appropriate benchmark interest rate for taxable debt when applying the consistent critical terms method

Replacing an IBOR as the reference rate of a hedged item does not terminate hedge accounting

Uncertainty related to the continued availability of IBORs does not, by itself, affect the assessment of whether the occurrence of a hedged expected transaction is probable

The lease modifications guidance in Statement 87 should not be applied to when a lease contract is amended solely to replace an IBOR



Effective Dates and Transition

The provision removing LIBOR as an appropriate benchmark rate is effective for reporting periods *ending* after December 31, 2021

All other provisions are effective for reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2020

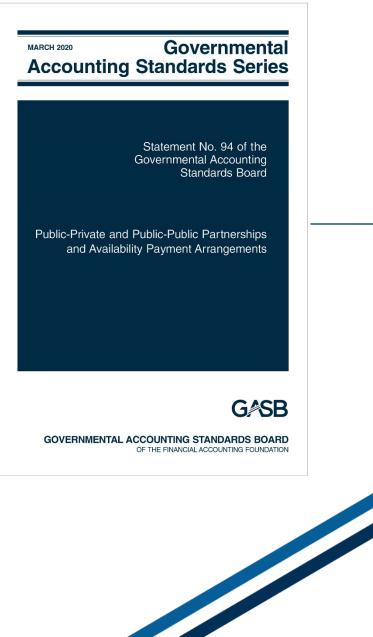
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Should be applied retroactively, if practicable (hedge accounting should be reestablished for terminations prior to the effective date of this Statement)



Public-Private and Public-Public Partnerships and Availability Payment Arrangements

Statement No. 94





P3s, APAs, and SCAs

What?

The Board issued guidance for publicprivate and publicpublic partnerships (P3s) that are not subject to Statements 60 or 87, and improvements to Statement 60 Why?

GASB research found that some P3 transactions are outside the scope of Statement 60 and identified opportunities to improve Statement 60's guidance for service concession arrangements (SCAs)

When?

Effective for reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2022



Definitions: PPPs and APAs

Public-private partnerships and **public-public partnerships** (P3s) are arrangements "in which a government (the transferor) contracts with an operator [governmental or nongovernmental] to provide public services by conveying control of the right to operate a nonfinancial assets, such as infrastructure or other capital asset (the underlying PPP asset), for a period of time in an exchange or exchange-like transaction."

Availability payment arrangements (APA):

- Government contracts with another entity to operate or maintain the government's nonfinancial asset
- Entity receives payments from the government based on the asset's availability for use
- Asset's availability may be based on the physical condition of the asset or the achievement of certain performance measures
- May include design, finance, construction, or service components



Other Provisions

A P3 that meets the definition of a lease in Statement 87 – but not the definition of a service concession arrangement (SCA) – would be reported under Statement 87 unless (a) the underlying PPP assets are not existing assets of the transferor or (b) improvements are required to be made to those existing underlying P3 assets by the operator.

An APA that is related to the design, finance, or construction of an infrastructure or other nonfinancial asset in which ownership of the asset transfers by the end of the contract would be reported as a financed purchase of the asset.

An APA that is related to operations would be accounted for as flows of resources (for example, expense) in the period to which the payments relate.



Transferor Reporting

For all P3s, recognize:

- Receivable for installment payments to be received, if any
- Deferred inflow of resources for the assets recognized, including payments received from the operator at or before start of the P3 term

If underlying P3 asset is a new asset or an existing asset that has been improved...

- ...and the P3 is an SCA: also recognize the capital asset at acquisition value when placed into operation
- ...and the P3 is not an SCA: also recognize a receivable for the capital asset, measured at operator's estimated carrying value as of the future date of the transfer in ownership



Operator Reporting

For all P3s, recognize:

 Liability for installment payments to be made, if any If underlying P3 asset is (a) existing asset or improvement or (b) new asset and the P3 is an SCA...

 ...also recognize an intangible right-to-use asset If underlying P3 asset is a new asset and the P3 is not an SCA...

- Also recognize the underlying P3 asset until ownership is transferred
- And a liability for the underlying P3 asset, measured at the estimated carrying value as of the future date of the transfer



Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements

Statement No. 96





Statement 96 on SBITAs

What?

The Board issued standards related to reporting subscriptionbased information technology arrangements (SBITAs), such as cloud computing contracts Why?

Stakeholders were concerned that those transactions were not covered by the guidance in Statements 51 or 87; diversity existed in practice

When?

Effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2022, and all reporting periods thereafter

Earlier application is encouraged



Scope and Applicability

A subscription-based information technology arrangement (SBITA) "is a contract that conveys control of the right to use another party's (a SBITA vendor's) IT software, alone or in combination with tangible capital assets (the underlying IT assets) as specified in the contract for a period of time in an exchange or exchange-like transaction."

To determine whether a contract conveys control of the right to use the underlying IT assets, a government should assess whether it has both:

- The right to obtain the present service capacity from use of the underlying IT assets as specified in the contract
- The right to determine the nature and manner of use of the underlying IT assets as specified in the contract.



Scope and Applicability (continued)

Statement 96 does not apply to:

- Contracts that convey control of the right to use another party's combination of IT software and tangible capital assets that meets the definition of a lease in Statement 87, in which the software component is insignificant compared to the cost of the underlying tangible capital asset
- Governments that provide the right to use their IT software and associated tangible capital assets to other entities through SBITAs
- Contracts that meet the definition of a P3 in Statement 94
- Licensing arrangements that provide a perpetual license to governments to use a vendor's computer software, which are subject to Statement 51



Recognition and Measurement

An SBITA should be reported under provisions effectively the same as those for a lessee under Statement 87—recognize a subscription asset and a subscription liability (except for short-term SBITAs)

Measurement of the subscription asset should include certain capitalizable implementation costs based on stages similar to those for internally developed software in Statement 51:

- Preliminary project stage
- Initial implementation stage
- Operation and additional implementation stage



Accounting for Activities Associated with a SBITA

Preliminary project stage

 Outlays should be expensed as incurred

Initial implementation stage

- In general, outlays should be capitalized
- However, if no subscription asset is recognized (such as for a short-term SBITA), outlays should be expensed as incurred

Operation & additional implementation stage

 Outlays in this stage should be expensed as incurred unless they meet specific capitalization criteria



Certain Component Unit Criteria, and Accounting and Financial Reporting for Internal Revenue Code Section 457 Deferred Compensation Plans

Statement No. 97

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Fiduciary Component Units and Deferred Compensation Plans

What?

The GASB has changed the criteria for including certain employee benefit plans as component units and improvements to Statement 32 on IRC Section 457 plans Why?

Some 457 plan characteristics have changed due, in part, to changes in the IRC; questions have been raised about whether certain employee benefit plans should be included as component units When?

Effective dates vary by topic

Earlier application is encouraged and permitted for certain topics



Relevant Guidance on Fiduciary Component Units

Paragraph 7 of Statement 84 amended Statement 14 to indicate that a primary government is considered to have a financial burden if it is legally obligated or has otherwise assumed the obligation to make contributions to a pension plan or OPEB plan

Implementation Guide 2019-2 provided guidance that in the absence of a governing board, a government performing the duties of a governing board for a defined contribution (DC) plan that is administered through a trust that meets the criteria in Statement 67 is effectively the same as appointment of a voting majority



Relevant Guidance on Fiduciary Component Units (continued)

The implication of that existing and considered guidance is that many governments would be required to report DC plans and other employee benefit plans as component units in their fiduciary fund financial statements

The Board directed the staff to conduct additional outreach on the structure of those types of arrangements and user needs for information about them

Based on the outreach, the Board decided to expand the project and issue guidance on component units



Component Unit Criteria

For purposes of determining whether a primary government is financially accountable, the absence of a governing board (when the government is perform the duties a governing board normally would perform) should be treated the same as the appointment of a voting majority of a governing board, except for DC pension plans, DC OPEB plans, or other employee benefit plans

The criterion that a legal obligation to contribute (or otherwise assuming the obligation) is considered to be a financial burden applies only to defined benefit plans





All requirements relevant to pension plan reporting should be applied to Section 457 plans that meet the definition of a pension plan

All requirements relevant to pensions should be applied by employers to benefits provided through Section 457 plans that meet the definition of a pension plan

Investments should be valued as of the end of the reporting period (allowance to use the most recent report of the plan administrator is eliminated)



The Annual Comprehensive Financial Report

Statement No. 98

OCTOBER 2021 Governmental Accounting Standards Series

> Statement No. 98 of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board

The Annual Comprehensive Financial Report

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Renaming the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report

What?

The Board has renamed the comprehensive annual financial report in response to stakeholders who pointed out that its acronym, as it commonly is pronounced, sounds like a highly offensive racial slur Why?

The GASB's commitment to diversity and inclusion dictate that its standards should be free of potentially offensive terminology When?

Effective for fiscal years ending after December 15, 2021.

Earlier application is encouraged.



The Annual Comprehensive Financial Report

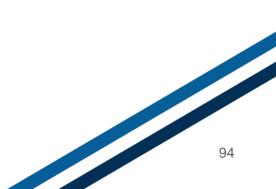
The comprehensive annual financial report would be renamed annual comprehensive financial report (ACFR)



Implementation Guidance Updates

2019-1, 2020-1, and 2021-1





Implementation Guidance Updates

What? Why? When? The GASB New guidance is 2019-1 is effective for periods beginning after June 15, 2020 annually updates added as new its Q&A 2020-1: periods beginning after pronouncements either June 15, 2021 or December implementation are issued and 15, 2021, depending on the Q&A guidance new issues arise 2021-2: Questions 4.1-4.3, 4.23, and 5.2–5.4, for reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2022: Questions 4.4–4.21, for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2022; Question 4.22, for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2021; Question 5.1, for reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2023



Implementation Guide 2019-1

Adds new questions on standards regarding

- · Cash flows reporting
- Derivative instruments
- Fund balance
- Insurance recoveries
- Irrevocable split-interest agreements
- Intra-entity transfers of assets
- Nonexchange transactions
- Pensions and OPEB
- Tax abatement disclosures

Updates existing Q&A guidance related to

- Derivative instruments
- Financial reporting entity
- Pension and OPEB plan reporting



Implementation Guide 2020-1

Adds new questions on standards regarding

- Certain asset retirement obligations
- Conduit debt obligations
- External investment pools
- Fiduciary activities
- Financial reporting entity
- Leases

Updates existing Q&A guidance related to

- External investment pools
- OPEB
- Pensions
- Deferral of certain Implementation Guide questions and answers



Implementation Guide 2021-1

Adds new questions on standards regarding

- Derivative instruments
- Fiduciary activities
- Leases, including
 - Definition of a lease
 - Lease term: options to extend or terminate; reassessment
 - Short-term leases
 - Lessee recognition and measurement
 - Lessor recognition and measurement
 - Lease incentives
 - Modifications and terminations
- Nonexchange transactions

Updates existing Q&A guidance related to

- Financial reporting model
- Sales and pledges and intra-entity transfers (Statement 48)



Current Technical Agenda Projects



Accounting Changes and Error Corrections





Exposure Draft, Accounting Changes and Error Corrections

What?

The Board has proposed improvements and clarifications to the existing standards for accounting changes and error corrections Why?

The relevant guidance is based on several sources of accounting standards, some of which have been superseded, and much of which has been in effect without review by the GASB for decades When?

Comment deadline was August 31, 2021



Proposal: Classification



Change in accounting principle

Change in accounting estimate

Change to or within the financial reporting entity Correction of an error in previously issued financial statements First-time adoption of the US GAAP established by the GASB financial reporting framework



Proposal: Change in Accounting Principle

A change in accounting principle results from either:

A **change** from one generally accepted accounting principle to another that is justified on the basis that *the newly adopted accounting principle is preferable*, based on the qualitative characteristics of financial reporting

Implementation of new pronouncements



Proposal: Change in Accounting Estimate

A change in accounting estimate results from changes to the inputs to the estimate, such as data, assumptions, and measurement methodologies

Changes in inputs result from a change in circumstance, new information, or more experience A change in measurement methodology should be justified on the basis that *it is preferable* to the prior methodology, based on the qualitative characteristics of financial reporting



Proposal: Change to or within the financial reporting entity

A change to or within the financial reporting entity results from:

Addition/removal of a fund that results from movement of resources within the primary government, including its blended component units A change in the fund presentation as major or nonmajor Addition/removal of a component unit (except for acquisitions, mergers, and transfers of operations, and Statement 90 component units) Change in presentation (blended or discrete) of a component unit



Proposal: Correction of an error

An error results from mathematical mistakes, mistakes in the application of accounting principles, or oversight or misuse of facts that existed at the time the financial statements were issued about conditions that existed as of the financial statement date

Facts that existed at the time the financial statements were issued are those that could reasonably be expected to have been obtained and taken into account at that time about conditions that existed as of the financial statement date A change from (a) applying an accounting principle that is <u>not</u> generally accepted to transactions or other events to (b) applying a generally accepted accounting principle is an error correction



Proposal: Accounting for accounting changes and error corrections

Change in accounting principle	 Reported retroactively by restating prior periods presented, if practicable If not practicable, restate beginning balances of current period
Change in accounting estimate	 Reported prospectively Recognized in current-period flows
Change to/within the reporting entity	 Reported by adjusting current period beginning balances
Error correction	 Reported retroactively by restating prior periods presented



Proposed disclosures: Changes in accounting principle

Disclosures vary depending on the type of item, but common disclosures include:

The nature of the change or error and its correction

Reason for the change

The effects on beginning net position, fund balance, or fund net position, as applicable



Project Timeline

Pre-Agenda Research Started	August 2018
Added to Current Technical Agenda	December 2019
Deliberations Began	February 2020
Exposure Draft Issued	May 2021
Comment Period Ended	August 31, 2021
Final Statement Expected	May 2022



Compensated Absences





Exposure Draft, Compensated Absences

What?

The Board proposed updated guidance for accounting and financial reporting for compensated absences Why?

A review of Statement 16 indicated opportunities for improvement and additional guidance for certain types of leave

When?

Comment deadline: June 4, 2021



Proposal: Scope and Applicability

A compensated absence is

- Leave that employees use for time off with pay
- Leave for which employees receive payment upon termination of employment, or
- Leave for which employees receive settlement through other means, such as conversion to postemployment benefits

Examples:

- Vacation and sick leave
- Paid time off (PTO)
- Holidays
- Certain types of sabbatical leave



Proposal: Recognition Criteria

Absence accumulates

• Can be carried forward from reporting period when earned to a future reporting period when it will be paid or settled

Absence is attributable to services rendered

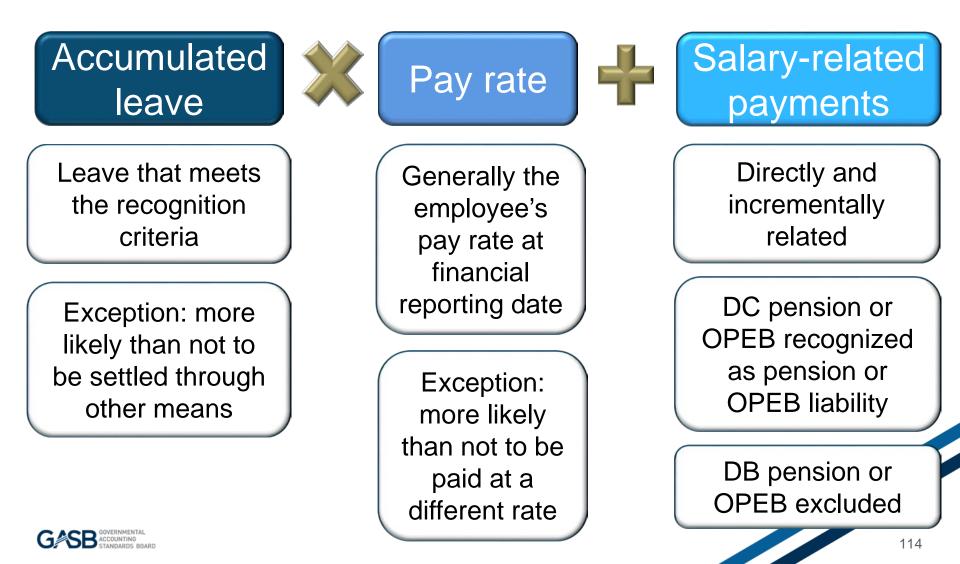
 Employee already has performed the services required to earn the absence

Absence is more likely than not to be either paid or settled

• Likelihood of more than 50 percent

Exception: more likely than not to be converted to defined benefit pension/OPEB

Proposal: Measurement



Proposal: Note Disclosures and Effective Date

Note disclosures

- No new note disclosures
- Exceptions to existing long-term liability disclosures for compensated absences:
 - Option to present net increase or decrease with indication that it is a net amount
 - Not required to disclose governmental fund used to liquidate

Effective date

- Reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2022



Project Timeline

Pre-Agenda Research Started	August 2018
Added to Current Technical Agenda	December 2019
Deliberations Began	February 2020
Exposure Draft Approved	February 2021
Comment Period Ended	June 4, 2021
Final Statement Expected	December 2021



Conceptual Framework— Communication Methods in General Purpose External Financial Reports That Contain Basic Financial Statements: Notes to Financial Statements





Revised Exposure Draft

What?

The Board requested additional input from stakeholders on concepts regarding what information should be disclosed in notes Why?

The GASB reexamined existing note disclosure requirements and concluded that it was necessary to elaborate on the concept of "essential" as it relates to notes

When?

Comment deadline was October 15, 2021



Concepts Related to Disclosures

Concepts Statements guide the Board's decisions when setting accounting and financial reporting standards

Concepts Statement 3 establishes criteria for what communication method should be used to report information – financial statements, notes to financial statements, required supplementary information, and supplementary information



Proposed Concepts

The purpose of note disclosures is to provide information that explains, describes, or supplements the financial statements and is **essential** to users in making economic, social, and political decisions and assessing accountability

Principal revisions to the previous Exposure Draft relate to the criteria that determine essentiality



Information that is essential possesses the following characteristics:

Users utilize the information in their analyses for making decisions or assessing accountability or would modify those analyses to incorporate the information if it were made available

The information has or would have a meaningful effect on users' analyses for making decisions or assessing accountability

A breadth or depth of users utilize or would utilize the information in their analyses for making decisions or assessing accountability



Project Timeline

Pre-Agenda Research Started	April 2016
Added to Current Technical Agenda	August 2018
Exposure Draft Issued	February 2020
Redeliberations Began	September 2020
Revised Exposure Draft Issued	June 2021
Comment Period Ended	October 15, 2021
Final Concepts Statement Expected	June 2022



Conceptual Framework: Recognition



Exposure Draft: Recognition of Elements of *Financial Statements*

What?

The Board issued an Exposure Draft of a Concepts Statement on recognition of financial statement elements Why?

Recognition concepts are one of the components needed to complete the conceptual framework When?

Comment deadline was February 26, 2021

Public hearings and user forums in March and April 2021



Recognition Concepts

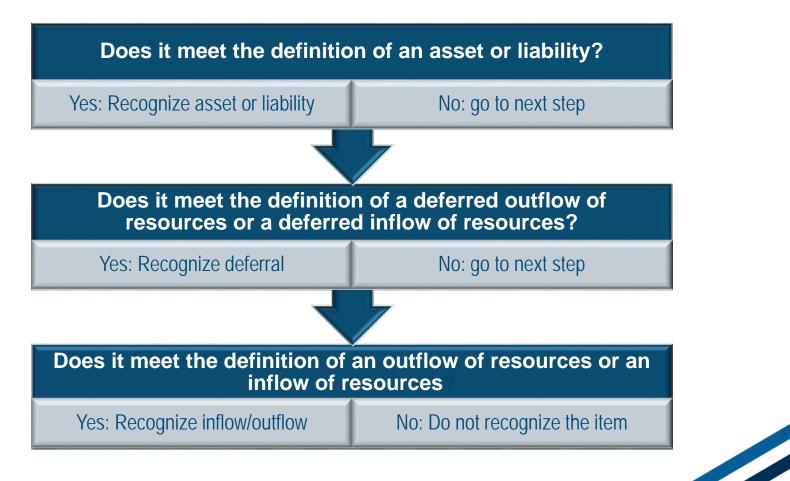
The measurement focus of a specific financial statement determines *what* items should be reported as elements of that financial statement.

The related **basis of accounting** determines *when* those items should be reported.



Proposal: Recognition Hierarchy

Follow a specific order when evaluating an item for recognition:





Proposal: Recognition Framework

Two Measurement Focuses

Economic Resources

(applied in governmentwide, proprietary fund, and fiduciary fund financial statements) Short-Term Financial Resources

(would replace current financial resources in the governmental funds)



Proposal: Recognition Framework (continued)





Project Timeline

Preliminary Views Issued	September 2018
Redeliberations Began	June 2019
Exposure Draft Approved	June 2020
Comment Period Ended	February 26, 2021
Final Concepts Statement Expected	April 2023



Financial Reporting Model Reexamination



Financial Reporting Model Improvements

What?

The Board proposed improvements to the financial reporting model— Statements 34, 35, 37, 41, and 46, and Interpretation 6 Why?

A review of those standards found that they generally were effective, but that there were aspects that could be significantly improved

When?

Comment deadline was February 26, 2021

Public hearings and user forums in March and April 2021



Overview of the Proposals

Measurement focus and basis of accounting for the governmental funds

Format of governmental funds financial statements

Clarification of operating and nonoperating in proprietary funds

Presentation of proprietary funds statement of revenues, expenses, and changes in net position

Management's discussion and analysis

Budgetary comparisons

Major component unit presentations

Unusual or infrequent items



Proposal: Recognition in Governmental Funds

Short-term financial resources measurement focus and accrual basis of accounting

Elements from *shortterm* transactions or other events recognized *as the underlying transaction or other event occurs* Elements from *long-term* transactions and other events recognized *when payments are due*

Financial assets: cash, assets that are available to be converted to cash, and assets that are consumable in lieu of cash



Recognition in Governmental Funds (cont.)

Short-Term Transactions

 Period from inception to conclusion is one year or less

Long-Term Transactions

• Period from inception to conclusion is more than one year

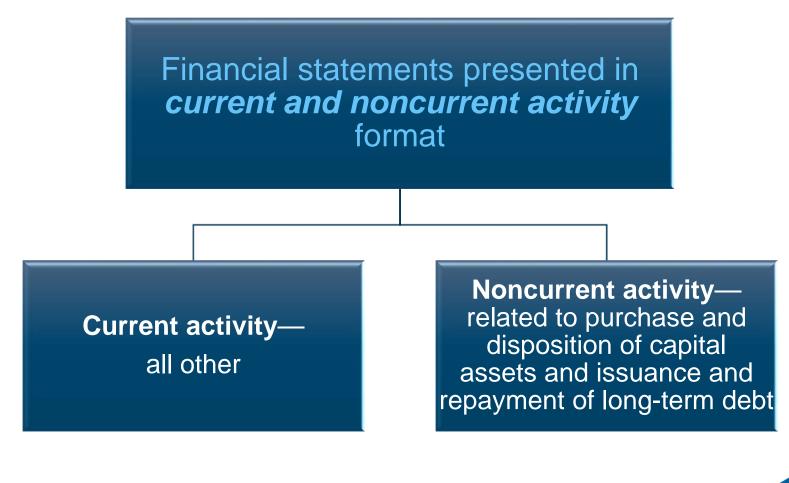
Inception generally is when a party to the transaction takes an action that results in the initial recognition of an asset or liability

Conclusion

generally is when the final payment of cash or other financial assets is due according to the terms of the binding arrangement (or estimated payments)



Proposal: Presentation of Governmental Funds



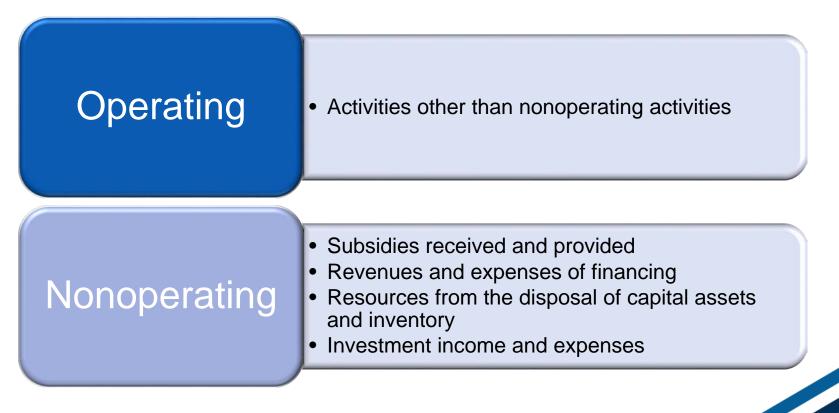


Proposed Statement of Short-Term Financial Resource Flows

		General Fund	Special Tax Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds	
INFLOWS OF SHORT-TERM	FINANCIAL	General runs	Fund	Fulloo	Fulling	
RESOURCES FOR CURRENT						
Taxes:						
Property tax		\$ 20,322,167	\$ 5,311,156	\$ 2,015,047	\$ 27,648,370	
Sales tax		45,034,789	-	4,430,774	49,465,563	
Use tax		3,586,753	-	-	3,586,753	
Motor fuel tax	Current and	-	-	2,889,647	2,889,647	
Other taxes	Cullent and	3,975,895	-	2,698,909	6,674,804	
Payments in lieu of taxes	A La company and	2,721,420	-	-	2,721,420	
Special assessments	Noncurrent	-	-	41,500	41,500	
Licenses and permits		1,303,889	-	-	1,303,889	
Fees for services	Activity Format	7,052,692	-	202,273	7,254,965	
Franchise fees	Autity i office	1,968,522	-	-	1,968,522	
Fines and citations		1,476,364	-	-	1,476,364	
Intergovernmental		14,595,019	-	6,192,493	20,787,512	
Investment earnings		5,829	11,384	119,043	136,256	
Transfers in		500,000	-	155,204	655,204	
Miscellaneous		4,216,940	654,482	771,287	5,642,709	
Total inflows of short-term fir						
resources for current activitie	.es	106,760,279	5,977,022	19,516,177	132,253,478	
OUTFLOWS OF SHORT-TER	M FINANCIAL					
RESOURCES FOR CURRENT	(ACTIVITIES					
General government		14,053,444	6,961,201	2,213,691	23,228,336	
Public health and safety		70,880,913	-	590,383	71,471,296	
Highway and streets		12,137,714	-	4,715,808	16,853,522	
Culture and recreation		3,581,583	335,659	1,808,065	5,725,307	
Economic development		496,141	-	3,374,045	3,870,186	
Transfers out		155,204		500,000	655,204	
Total outflows of short-term	financial					
resources for current activitie		101,304,999	7,296,860	13,201,992	121,803,851	
Net flows of short-term finan	acial					
resources for current activitie		5,455,280	(1,319,838)	6,314,185	10,449,627	
NET FLOWS OF SHORT-TER RESOURCES FOR NONCURF	RM FINANCIAL					
Transfers in		-		10.651.605	10.651.605	
Debt service		(2,434,544)	(366,412)	(9,198,505)	(11,999,461)	
Capital outlay		(111,987)	(1,515)	(1,346,497)	(1,459,999)	
Transfers out		(7,680,875)	(6,445)	(2,420,900)	(10,108,220)	
Net flows of short-term finan	امتما	1.1	1-1	(m)	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
resources for noncurrent act		(10,227,406)	(374,372)	(2,314,297)	(12,916,075)	
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Short-term financial resources for	and balances at end of year	\$ 4,547,495	\$ 8,082,264	\$ 31,892,480	\$ 44,522,239	

Proposals: Proprietary Funds

Separate presentation of operating and nonoperating revenues and expenses





Proposals: Proprietary Funds (cont.)

Subsidies

- Resources received from another party or fund to keep rates lower than otherwise would be necessary to support the level of goods and services to be provided
- Resources provided to another party or fund that results in higher rates than otherwise would be established for the level of goods and services to be provided

Add a new subtotal for operating income (loss) and noncapital subsidies



		 2016	 2015
	Operating revenues:		
	Tuition and fees (net of discounts)	\$ 574,168	\$ 525,791
	Grants and contracts	292,962	278,481
	Sales and services	271,345	272,244
	Other operating revenues	 7,868	 14,861
	Total operating revenues	 1,146,343	 1,091,377
	Operating expenses:		
	[Natural or functional expenses]		
	Total operating expenses	 1,681,544	 1,596,059
	Income (loss) generated by operations	 (535,201)	 (504,682)
	Noncapital subsidies:		
	Appropriations	407,702	394,767
	Taxes	8,026	7,660
	Grants	42,978	37,567
	Gifts	 99,395	 90,063
	Total noncapital subsidies	 558,101	 530,057
	Operating income (loss) and noncapital subsidies	 22,900	 25,375
	Financing and investing activities:		
	Investment income	235,820	138,649
	Interest expense	(12,412)	(12,853)
	Loss from the disposition of capital assets	 (2,385)	 518
	Total financing and investing activities	 221,023	126,314
	Income before other items	 243,923	 151,689
	Other items: Capital contributions	 23,231	 74,830
	Increase (decrease) in net position Net position—beginning	 267,154 3,061,111	 226,519 2,834,592
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Proposals: Management's discussion and analysis

Users of MD&A "have different levels of knowledge and sophistication about governmental accounting and finance," "may not have a detailed knowledge of accounting principles" (as in Concepts Statement 1, paragraph 63)

Add clarification and structure to the requirement for brief discussion of the basic financial statements, including their relationships and significant differences

Emphasize the level of thoroughness required for the analysis of year-to-year changes and the need to avoid unnecessary duplication

Amend the requirements for currently known facts, decisions, or conditions with examples, such as economic trends; subsequent year's budget; actions government has taken on postemployment benefits, capital improvement plans, and long-term debt; actions other parties have taken that affect the government

Move budgetary analysis and discussion of infrastructure assets (if applicable) to the relevant parts of RSI



Other Proposals

Budgetary comparisons

- Would be presented as required supplementary information (no option for basic statements)
- Required variances would be final-budget-to-actual and original-budget-to-final-budget

Major component unit presentations

 If it is not feasible to present major component unit financial statements in separate columns in the reporting entity's financial statements, the financial statements of the major component units would be presented in the reporting entity's basic financial statements as combining financial statements



Other Proposals (continued)

Unusual or Infrequent Items

- Separately present inflows and outflows of resources that are unusual in nature and/or infrequent in occurrence (replacing extraordinary and special items)
- Disclose additional information about those inflows and outflows, including the programs, functions, or identifiable activities to which they are related and whether they are within the control of management



Proposed Effective Dates

Based on total annual revenues in fiscal year beginning after June 15, 2022

\$75 million or more

 Apply in fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2024

Less than \$75 million

 Apply in fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2025



Project Timeline

Pre-Agenda Research Started	April 2013
Added to Current Technical Agenda	September 2015
Invitation to Comment Issued	December 2016
Preliminary Views Issued	September 2018
Exposure Draft Approved	June 2020
Comment Period Ended	February 26, 2021
Final Statement Expected	April 2023



Classification of Nonfinancial Assets



Classification of Nonfinancial Assets

What?

The Board is reviewing the existing classification of nonfinancial assets and other related subclassifications (for example, capital assets or intangible assets) Why?

A review of existing standards found that they generally were effective, but that there were aspects that could be significantly improved

When?

Exposure Draft expected to be issued in May 2023



Topics Being Considered

How should the existing definitions of nonfinancial assets and capital assets be modified, if at all? Should new classifications be added?

•Should right-to-use intangible assets resulting from Statements 87, 94, and 96, continue to be classified as capital assets?

•Should other intangible assets addressed in Statement 51 continue to be classified as capital assets?

•Should other types of assets, such as capital assets held for resale, continue to be classified as capital assets?

•If classifications are added, how should those classifications be defined?

If classifications are added and defined or existing definitions or classifications are modified, what should be the effect, if any, on presentation within the statement of net position or disclosure in notes to financial statements?



Project Timeline

Pre-Agenda Research Started	August 2020
Added to Current Technical Agenda	December 2021
Deliberations Begin	July 2022
Exposure Draft Expected	May 2023



Omnibus 20XX

Exposure Draft





Exposure Draft, Omnibus 20XX

What?

The Board has proposed guidance to address exchange and nonexchange financial guarantees and various practice issues Why?

Omnibus projects are used to address issues in multiple pronouncements that, individually, would not justify a separate project

When?

Comment deadline was September 17, 2021



Topic Overview

Exchange and Exchange-like Financial Guarantees

Derivative Instruments

Leases, PPPs, and SBITAs

Replacement of Interbank Offered Rates

Technical Updates



Exchange and Exchange-like Financial Guarantees

Recognition and Measurement

- Governments that extend exchange financial guarantees would recognize a liability when it is *more likely than not* that indemnification payments will be required
- The liability to recognize would be the discounted present value of the best estimate of the future outflows expected

Disclosures

- Description of the financial guarantee
- Total amount of all outstanding guarantees extended
- Description of the timing of recognition and measurement of liabilities
- Cumulative amount of indemnification payments
- Amounts expected to be recovered



Derivative Instruments

Derivative Instruments That Are neither Investments nor Hedging Derivative Instruments

- Change in fair value would be reported on flow statement separately from investment revenues
- Disclosures would be distinguished from hedging derivative instruments and investment derivative instruments
- Disclose fair value of derivative instruments that were reclassified from hedging derivative instruments

Termination of Hedge Accounting

 If hedging derivative instruments cease to be effective, the balance of the deferrals would be reported on the flows statement separately from investment revenues.



Leases, PPPs, and SBITAs

Remeasurement of certain assets and liabilities

• Would not be remeasured solely for a change in an index or rate used to determine variable payments

Option to Terminate

- Unconditional right that exists within the contract the right to terminate due to the action or inaction of the other party is not an option to terminate
- For leases only the option to purchase the underlying asset would be considered an option to terminate for purposes of measuring the lease term

Short-term Leases and SBITAs

 Modified short-term leases or SBITAs would be remeasured from the inception of the lease or SBITA



Leases, PPPs, and SBITAs (cont.)

Variable Lease Payments

 Variable lease payments, other than those that depend on an index or rate or those that are fixed in substance, would not be included in the measurement of the lease liability.

Lease Incentives

• Includes the assumption of or *an agreement to pay* a lessee's preexisting lease obligation to a third party

PPP Remeasurement

- The receivable for the underlying PPP asset would be remeasured if there is a change in the PPP term
- Deferred outflow of resources would be adjusted by the same amount as any remeasurement change to the liability for the underlying PPP asset



Replacement of Interbank Offered Rates and Technical Updates

London Interbank Offered Rate (LIBOR)

• Date at which it is not an appropriate benchmark interest rate would change to when it is no longer determined by the ICE Benchmark Administration using the methodology in place as of December 31, 2021.

Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)

• Apply the provisions of Statement 33

Disclosure of Nonmonetary Transactions

• Disclose measurement attributes rather than basis of accounting



Project Timeline

Added to Current Technical Agenda	August 2020
Deliberations Began	September 2020
Exposure Draft Approved	July 2021
Comment Period Ended	September 17, 2021
Final Statement Expected	April 2022



Revenue and Expense Recognition





Revenue and Expense Recognition

What?

The Board proposed a comprehensive model for recognition of revenues and expenses Why?

Guidance for exchange transactions is limited; guidance for nonexchange transactions could be improved and clarified When?

Comment deadline was February 26, 2021

Public hearings and user forums in March and April 2021



Broad Project Objective

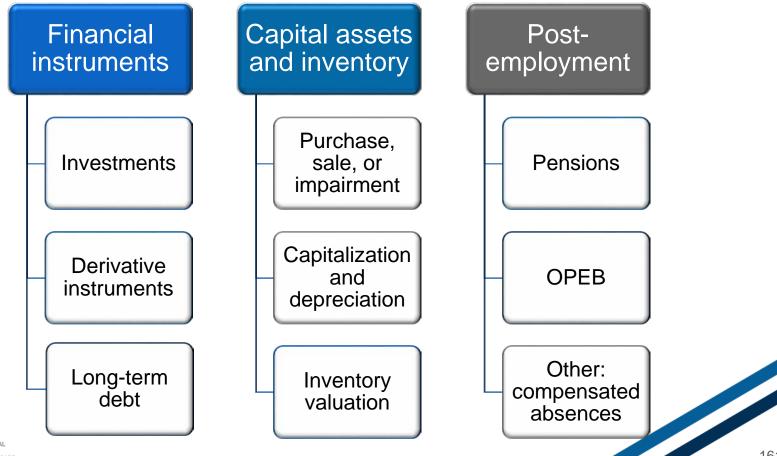
Develop a comprehensive, principles-based model that establishes guidance applicable to a wide range of revenue and expense transactions to:

- Expand on areas where there is no guidance—expenses
- Expand on areas where there is limited guidance—certain revenues
- Consider practice issues and challenges identified in current guidance—Statement 33
- Consider the conceptual framework—issued after Statement 33
- Consider performance obligation recognition



Scope of the Project

The scope is defined broadly to include revenues and expenses except for those explicitly excluded:



Proposed Recognition Model Components

Categorization Identify the *type* of transaction

Recognition

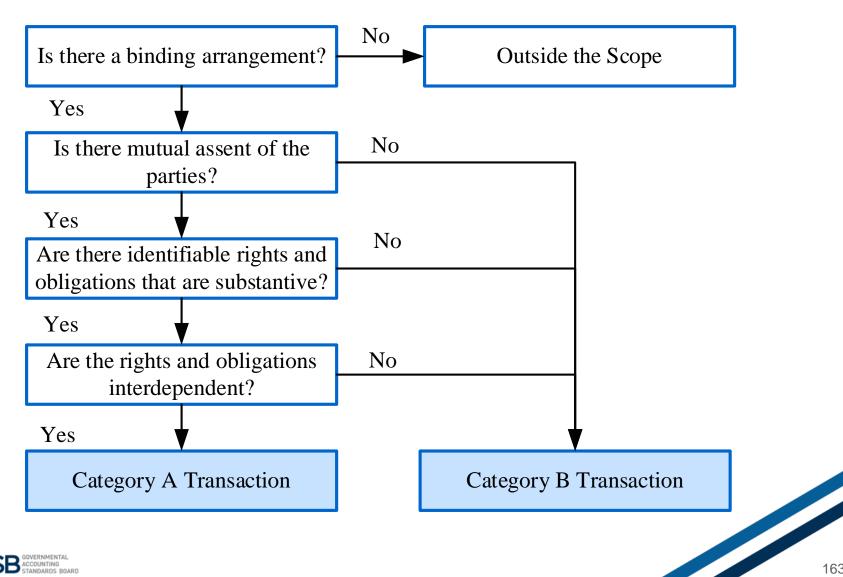
Determine *what* element should be reported and *when*

Measurement

Determine the *amount* to report



Proposed Categorization Methodology





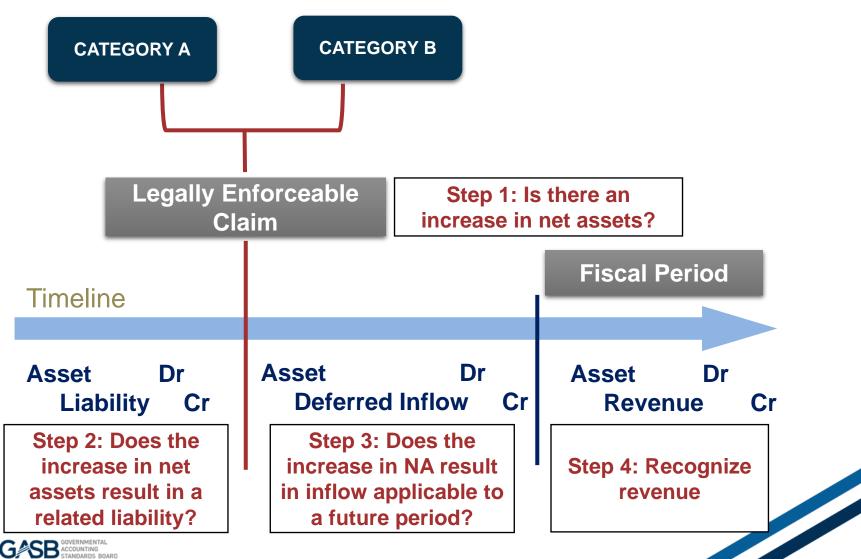
Outcomes of the Proposed Model *

Category A	Category B
Fees for service (water, electric, garbage)	Taxes (property tax, income tax, sales tax)
Eligibility-based grants	Punitive fees
Research grants and revolving loans	Special assessments
Medicaid fees for services	Donations
Tuition fees	Regulatory fees (drivers licenses, building permits, marriage licenses, professional licenses)
Most expenses	Purpose-restricted grants
	Capital fees (developer fees, PFCs)
	Medicaid supplementary payments

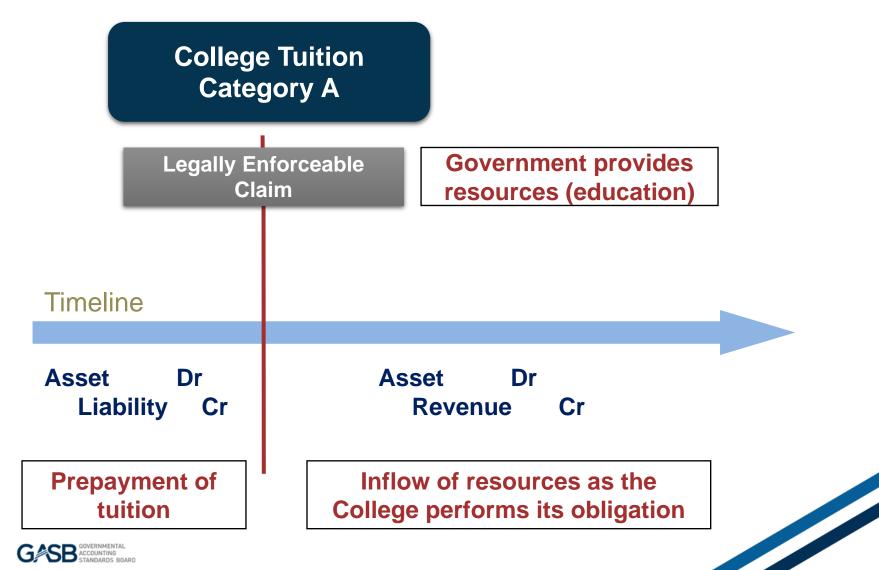
* Transactions highlighted in blue would have different outcomes than under current literature



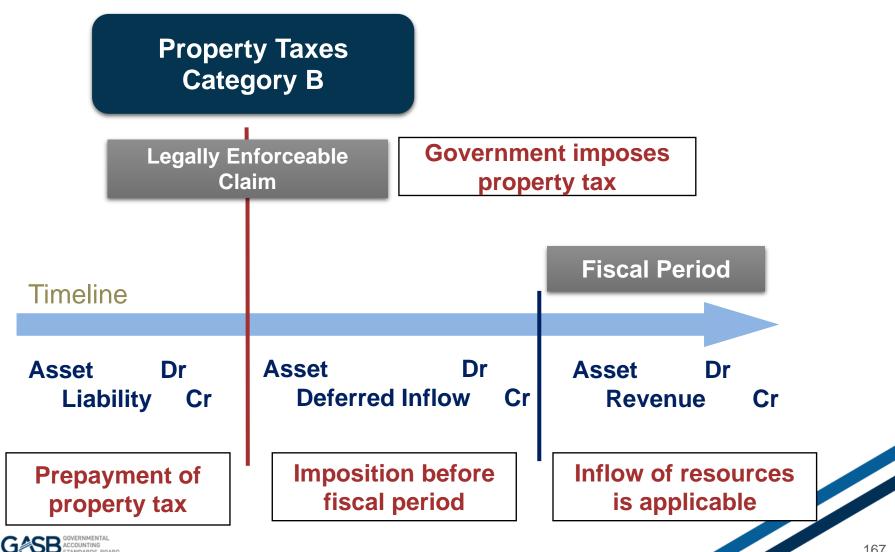
Proposed Revenue Recognition Principles



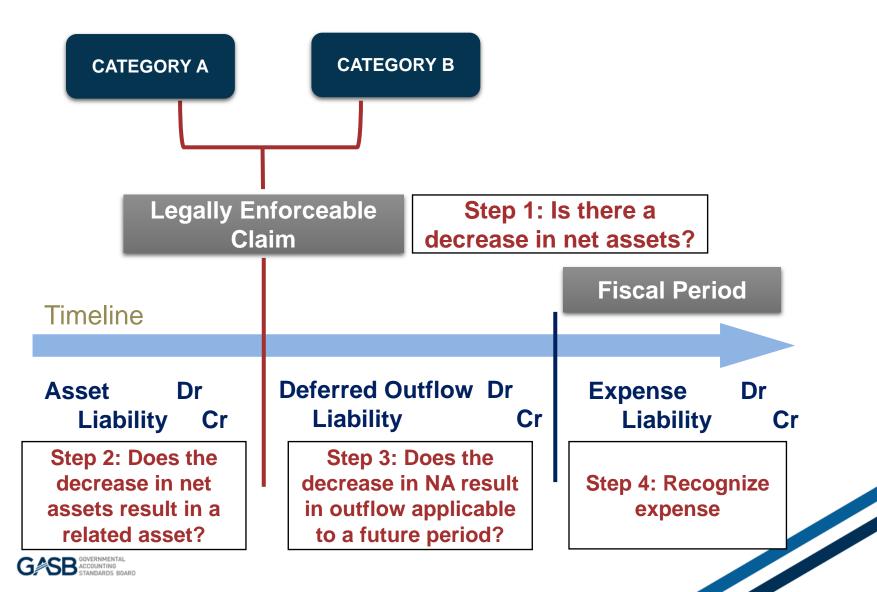
Category A Revenue Recognition Example



Category B Revenue Recognition Example

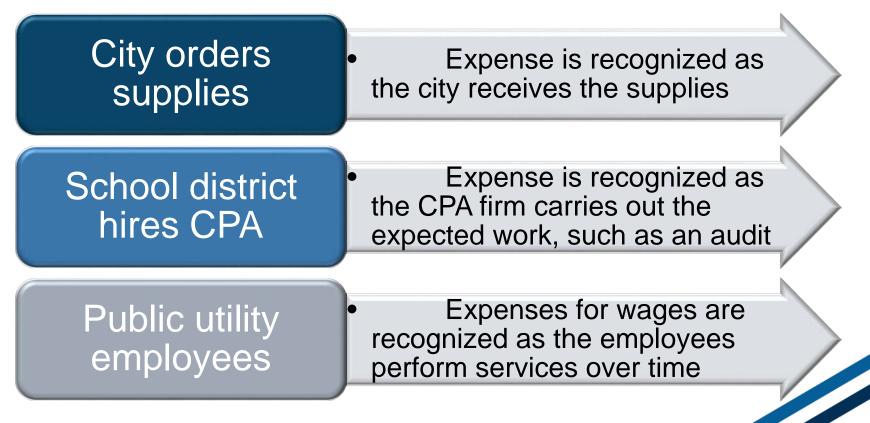


Proposed Expense Recognition Principles

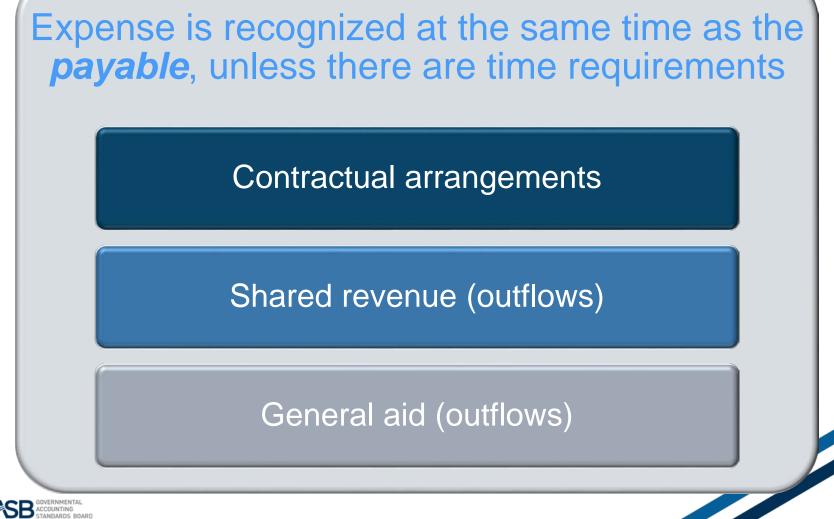


Category A Expense Recognition Examples

A performance obligation is satisfied when there is a transfer of control of resources



Category B Expense Recognition Examples



Proposed Measurement Principles

Direct measurement of the most liquid item



Allocated Amount for Category A Transactions





Project Timeline

Pre-Agenda Research Started	September 2015
Added to Current Technical Agenda	April 2016
Invitation to Comment Cleared	January 23, 2018
Preliminary Views Approved	June 2020
Comment Period Ended	February 26, 2021
Exposure Draft Expected	June 2023



Risks and Uncertainties Disclosures





Risks and Uncertainties Disclosures

What?

The Board added a practice issue project to identify potential risks and uncertainties in the government environment and consider developing related disclosure requirements Why?

Ongoing financial and economic issues related to coronavirus diseases prompted stakeholders to ask the GASB to consider what governments should report about the risks and uncertainties they face

When? Deliberations began in September 2020



Topics Considered

What information do users need regarding disclosures of risks and uncertainties that State and Local Governments face?

•How can information about risks and uncertainties be disclosed with essential specificity rather than boiler plate discussions?

•What is the basis for determining whether a government should disclose a risk or uncertainty?

•How can guidance be developed to emphasize that disclosures of risks and uncertainties should not include predictions of the future or projections?

•How do risks and uncertainties relate to severe financial stress or going concern considerations?



Project Developments

Scope of the project is defined by the identification of specific categories of risks and uncertainties disclosures

Each category is subject to certain limitations further narrowing the scope: Degree of Likelihood, Degree of Impact, Time Frame

Current Vulnerabilities Due to Certain Concentrations: A risk to the government based on a current condition creates a lack of (1) diversity related to an aspect of a significant revenue or (2) flexibility in managing a significant expense

Government Environment: A risk to the government based on a current condition common in the government environment (though not necessarily limited to governments) that creates a limitation on acquiring resources or controlling spending

The disclosure objective is to provide essential information to users of government financial reports about risks faced by those governments that may impact the government's ability to continue to provide services and meet its obligations as they come due.



Project Timeline

Added to Current Technical Agenda	July 2020
Deliberations Began	September 2020
Additional Outreach Conducted	February–April 2021
Exposure Draft Expected	February 2022



Pre-Agenda Research Activities





Capital Assets





Capital Assets

What?

The GASB is evaluating existing guidance related to capital assets and the usefulness of information reported by governments Why?

Stakeholders have asked the GASB to review various aspects of capital asset reporting; the most relevant standards have been in effect 15-20 years

When?

The Board added the preagenda research in August 2019



Topics to Be Considered

What choices do governments make with respect to their capital asset-related accounting policies? Why do they select those policies?

How do governments determine when outflows enhance the service capacity or extend the useful life of an asset?

How do governments report exchanges of capital assets?

How do depreciation and estimated useful lives compare with the actual diminution of service capacity?

What has been the experience with the modified approach to reporting infrastructure? How has it affected comparability of statement information?

Should changes in the condition of capital assets be reflected as flows of resources in the financial statements? How would it be measured?

What information do governments collect and report about deferred maintenance? How is it estimated?



Going Concern Disclosures: Reexamination of Statement 56



Going Concern Disclosures

What?

The GASB is reviewing existing standards related to going concern considerations, which were incorporated into GASB literature mostly as-is from the AICPA literature in Statement 56 Why?

As it is currently defined, going concern may not be meaningful for governments, which hardly ever go out of business; AICPA and others have asked the GASB to examine the issue When?

The Board added the pre-agenda research in April 2015



Topics to Be Considered

Are the current going concern indicators presented in note disclosures appropriate for state and local governments, in light of the fact that, even under severe financial stress, few governments cease to operate even when encountering such indicators?

What other criteria might better achieve the objective of disclosing severe financial stress uncertainties with respect to governments?

What information do financial statement users need with respect to the disclosure of severe financial stress uncertainties?



Interim Financial Reporting



Interim Financial Reporting

What?

The GASB is assessing the need for guidance on how to report on a GAAP basis for periods of less than a year Why?

There is no guidance in the GASB literature for preparing interim financial statements When?

The Board added the preagenda research in August 2019



Topics to Be Considered

What is current practice with respect to interim financial reporting?

Do interim GAAP financial reports of general purpose or business-type governments provide users with valuable information?

Should specific recognition and measurement standards be developed for interim GAAP reporting?

Should separate reporting entity standards be developed for interim GAAP reporting?



Post-Implementation Review (PIR)





What is PIR?

The GASB monitors and supports implementation of all of its pronouncements

For Statements resulting from comprehensive projects and major projects that address a fundamental aspect of the standards, the GASB also:

Examines a random some of financial reports for the year prior to, year of, and year after implementation Collects information from their preparers regarding staff hours and nonstaff costs for those three years

Examine financial reports for the same random sample in the fifth year of implementation Conduct stakeholder roundtables and surveys regarding their experience with the standards

Reports the findings publicly



Why does the GASB conduct PIRs?

To provide general support to stakeholders when implementing significant new pronouncements

To identify and address practice issues that arise

To answer technical inquiries from stakeholders and develop and publish Q&A implementation guidance

To collect timely information that the Board can use to evaluate costbenefit considerations as it develops other pronouncements and when it reexamines the standards in the future



How does the GASB involve stakeholders in PIR?

Stakeholders bring potential implementation issues to the GASB's attention



Governments are recruited to keep track of their staff hours and nonstaff costs related to the pronouncement and provide that information for the year prior to implementation and the first and second years of implementation



Stakeholders of all types are invited to participate in roundtable discussions and to respond to surveys regarding their experience with the standards in practice



Which Statements are under review?

Statement 67—Pension plan reporting

Statement 68—Employer reporting for pensions

Statement 72—Fair Value measurement & reporting

Statement 75—Employer reporting for other postemployment benefits (OPEB)

Statement 84—Fiduciary activities

Statement 87—Leases



What is the status of the PIRs?

Pensions	Comparison of the data between the 1 st and 4 th year implementation continues; completed 11 planned stakeholder roundtabless
Fair value	Beginning collection and analysis of fifth-year reports
OPEB	Analysis of prior year and implementation year reports completed, second year analysis nearly completed; collection of implementation effort and cost information completed and being analyzed
Fiduciary activities	Recruitment of governments completed; collection of implementation effort and cost information has begun
Leases	Recruitment of governments continues; collection of implementation effort and cost information has begun



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