GASB Update: So much for 2020 vision, huh?

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Postponement of the Effective Dates of Certain Authoritative Guidance

Statement No. 95





Effective Dates after Statement 95

December 31: Fiscal Year 2020

- · Statement 83 asset retirement obligations
- Statement 84 fiduciary activities
- · Statement 88 debt disclosures
- · Statement 90 majority equity interests
- •IG 2018-1 Update
- ·IG 2019-2 fiduciary activities

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
- •IG 2019-3 leases
- •IG 2020-1 update

December 31: Fiscal Year 2023

· Statement 94 - public-private partnerships





Effective Dates after Statement 95

Sept 30: Fiscal Year 2020

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- Statement 96 SBITAs
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Two big Pronouncements In Play!!



Fiduciary Activities

Statement No. 84

| NO. 361 JANUARY 2017 | Governmental |
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| | Governmental Accounting |
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| | Fiduciary Activities |
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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 privatepurpose trust funds and agency funds is inconsistent; BTAs are uncertain about how to report fiduciary activities

When?

Effective for periods beginning after December 15, 2018, COVID Impact

Earlier application is encouraged



Four potential paths to reports assets in a fiduciary fund

1. Is there a component unit present that are postemployment benefit arrangements? (Pensions / OPEB)

2. Is there are component unit present that may be a fiduciary activity, **but not a postemployment benefit arrangement?**

3. Are there postemployment benefit arrangements that are not component units (currently agency funds)?

4. Are there other potential fiduciary activities? (Investment trust funds, private purpose trusts, agency funds)?



All Other Activities Are Fiduciary if.. 4





Other Fiduciary if...

They have one or more of the following characteristics:

Assets are:

- Administered through a trust in which government is
- *not* a beneficiary
- Dedicated to providing benefits, AND
- Legally protected from the creditors of government

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or

Assets are for the benefit of individuals
Assets are *not* derived from government's provision of goods or services to the individuals AND
Government does *not* have administrative involvement or direct financial involvement w/ the assets

or

Assets are for the benefit of organizations/ governments *not* part of the reporting entity AND

Assets are *not* derived from government's provision of goods or services to them

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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



Administrative Involvement

- Important consideration especially for those in education
- Considerations:
 - Monitoring secondary recipients for compliance with programspecific requirements
 - Determining eligible secondary recipients or projects, even if using grantor-est. criteria
 - Having the ability to exercise discretion in how the funds are allocated
 - Financing direct program costs or providing matching resources
 - Consider reference to "2020 UFARS Manual pg 39"



| Stat | ement of Fiduciary N | et Position | | |
|---|---|---------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------|
| | Fiduciary Funds | 5 | | |
| | June 30, 20X2 | | | |
| | (in thousands) | | | |
| | Pension (and Other Employee Benefit) Trust Funds | Investment Trust Funds | Private-Purpose Trust Funds | Custodial Funds |
| ASSETS | | | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ 184,351 | \$ 840,693 | \$ 104,747 | \$ 58,196 |
| Receivables: | | | | |
| Employee | 2,123 | _ | _ | _ |
| Employer | 83,004 | _ | _ | _ |
| Taxes for other governments | _ | _ | _ | 206,937 |
| Interest and dividends | 175,402 | 12,166 | _ | _ |
| Sale of investments | 30,879 | | | |
| Total receivables | 291,408 | 12,166 | _ | 206,937 |
| Investments at fair value: | | | | |
| Short-term investments | 2,268,960 | 241,645 | 61,591 | |
| Bonds, notes, mortgages, and preferred stock | 14,115,391 | 804,576 | 187,650 | _ |
| Common stock | 20,342,440 | _ | 520,196 | _ |
| Real estate | 3,408,145 | _ | _ | _ |
| International investments | 1,723,951 | _ | _ | |
| Mutual funds | 72,315 | 178,046 | _ | _ |
| Pooled investment funds | 23,128 | | _ | _ |
| Total investments | 41,954,330 | 1,224,267 | 769,437 | _ |
| Securities lending collateral | 1,746,544 | | | |
| Other assets | 13,519 | 181 | 81,157 | 361 |
| Total assets | 44,190,152 | 2,077,307 | 955,341 | 265,494 |
| LIABILITIES | | | | |
| Accounts payable and other liabilities | 130,846 | 1,381 | 61,447 | 1,451 |
| Due to local governments | | _ | | 164,201 |
| Obligations under securities lending | 1,346,544 | | | _ |
| Other long-term liabilities | 1,617 | _ | 7,870 | _ |
| Total liabilities | 1,479,007 | 1,361 | 69,317 | 165,652 |
| NET POSITION | | | | |
| Restricted for: | | | | |
| Pensions | 29,897,802 | _ | _ | _ |
| Postemployment benefits other than pensions | 12,813,343 | _ | _ | _ |
| Pool participants | | 2,075,946 | _ | |
| Individuals, organizations, and other governments | _ | | 886,024 | 99,842 |
| Total net position | \$ 42,711,145 | \$ 2,075,946 | \$ 885.024 | \$ 99,842 |
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Government ABC

Could have TWO columns external investment pool – nontrust

Similar except for Custodial Funds

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Government ABC Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position

Fiduciary Funds

for the Year Ended June 30, 20X2

(in thousands)

| | Othe Ben | nsion (and r Employee efit) Trust Funds | investmer Fund | | -Purpose Funds | | stodial unds |
|---|-------------|--|-------------------|-----------|-------------------|----|-----------------|
| ADDITIONS | | | | | | | |
| Contributions: | | | | | | | |
| Members | \$ | 297,846 | s | _ | \$ _ | s | _ |
| Employers | | 1,259,384 | | _ | _ | | _ |
| Other plans | | 148,792 | | _ | _ | | _ |
| Gifts and bequests | | _ | | _ | 197,258 | | |
| Total contributions | | 1,706,022 | | - | 197,258 | | — |
| Investment earnings: | | | | | | | |
| Net increase in fair value of investments | | 1,852,408 | | 64,663 | 33,702 | | _ |
| Interest, dividends, and other | | 1,416,448 | | 58,465 | 30,378 | | _ |
| Securities lending income | | 76,075 | | _ | _ | | _ |
| Total investment earnings | | 3,344,931 | | 123,128 | 64,080 | | _ |
| Less investment costs: | | | | | | | |
| Investment activity costs | | 32,281 | | 50,236 | 63 | | _ |
| Securities lending costs | | 73,642 | | — | _ | | _ |
| Net investment earnings | | 3,239,008 | | 72,892 | 64,017 | | _ |
| Capital share and individual account transactions: | | | | | | | |
| Shares sold | | _ | 2 | 817,210 | _ | | _ |
| Reinvested distributions | | _ | | 72,892 | _ | | _ |
| Shares redeemed | | _ | (2 | ,776,843) | _ | | _ |
| Net capital share and individual account transactions | | _ | | 113,259 | _ | | _ |
| Sales tax collections for other governments | | _ | | _ | | 1 | 1,811,120 |
| Miscellaneous | | 1,130 | | _ | _ | | 1,468 |
| Total additions | | 4,946,160 | | 186,151 | 261,275 | 1 | 1,812,588 |
| DEDUCTIONS | | | | | | | |
| Benefits paid to participants or beneficiaries | | 1,963,047 | | _ | — | | |
| Medical, dental, and life insurance for retirees | | 536,027 | | | _ | | |
| Refunds and transfers to other systems | | 170,514 | | _ | _ | | _ |
| Administrative expense | | 19,920 | | _ | 43 | | 293 |
| Beneficiary payments to individuals | | _ | | | 211,179 | | |
| Payments of sales tax to other governments | | _ | | _ | _ | 1 | 1,811,120 |
| Distributions to shareholders | | | | 72,892 | _ | | _ |
| Total deductions | | 2,689,508 | | 72,892 | 211,222 | 1 | 1,811,413 |
| Net increase (decrease) in fiduciary net position | | 2,256,652 | | 113,259 | 50,053 | | 1,175 |
| Net position—beginning | | 40.454,493 | 1 | 962,687 | 835,971 | | 98,667 |
| Net position—ending | \$ | 40,454,493 | S 1 | 962,687 | \$ 835,971 | \$ | 99,842 |

Similar except for Custodial Funds



Liability Recognition

- Recognize a liability to the beneficiaries in a fiduciary fund when an event has occurred that compels the government to disburse fiduciary resources
 - Events that compel a government to disburse resources occur when a demand for the resources has been made or when no further action, approval, or condition is required to be taken or met by the beneficiary to release the asset.

Liabilities other than those to beneficiaries should be recognized in accordance with existing accounting standards using the economic resources measurement focus



Identifying Fiduciary Activities

| Activity | Fiduciary | NOT Fiduciary |
|--|----------------|----------------------------|
| Payroll Clearing Accounts | | X -IG 2019-2 Q4.15 |
| Performance Deposits | | X – IG 2019–2 Q4.12 |
| Single Employer DB Pension Plans | X – (commonly) | |
| Retainages | | X IG 2019-2 4.13 |
| Property Tax Collected for Other Local Govt | Х | |
| Property Tax Collection/Admin Fee | | X IG 2019–2 4.38 |
| Seized Property/Sheriff | X – Maybe | X – Maybe (IG 2020–1 Q 4.4 |

Leases

Statement No. 87

NO. 366 | JUNE 2017 Governmental Accounting Standards Series

> Statement No. 87 of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board

> > Leases

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Leases

What?

The Board issued Statement 87 to improve lease accounting and financial reporting Existing standards in effect for decades without review in light of GASB's conceptual framework; FASB and IASB conducted a joint project to update their lease standards; opportunity to increase comparability and usefulness of information and reduce complexity for preparers

Why?

When?

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Definition of a Lease

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

- •Contract: In writing or verbal, if legally binding
- •Control: Specific two-part definition *(see next slide)*
- •Non-financial asset: Anything but a financial asset as defined in GASB 72 (cash, financial instruments, etc.)
- Non-exchange transactions are automatically excluded. Without the exchange, there is nothing to value the lease components



Relationship between Leases and P3



Relationship between Leases and SBITAs

- All SBITAs meet definition of lease
- Depends on what the underlying asset is:
 - Tangible capital assets alone Statement 87
 - IT software alone Statement 96
 - IT software in combination with tangible capital assets:
 - Software component is insignificant compared to cost of underlying tangible capital asset – Statement 87
 - Otherwise Statement 96



Leases Overview – Initial Reporting

| | Assets | Liability | Deferred Inflow |
|--------|--|---|---|
| LESSEE | Intangible 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.) | N/A |
| LESSOR | Lease receivable (generally including same items as lessee liability) Continue to report leased asset | N/A | Equal to lease receivable plus any cash received up front that relates to a future period |



Leases Overview - Subsequent Reporting

| | Assets | Liability | Deferred Inflow |
|--------|--|---|---|
| LESSEE | Amortize the intangible 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 payment needed to cover accrued interest) | NA | Recognize revenue over the lease term in a systematic and rational manner |



GASB 87—Don't Wait to Start!

Start reviewing existing leases as soon as possible Implement IC to identify leases & lease modifications Update accounting systems for new information needs

Consider impact on capitalization policy Consider impact of reporting lease liabilities

Consider transition issues

Don't forget guidance in IG 2019-3 and 2020-1

GAQC archived web event on leases



What else is on the table?

- The Big 3 is coming!
 - The new financial reporting model project
 - A new concepts statement on note disclosures
 - Revenue and expense recognition
 - If you are planning on retiring in the next 5 years, then you can ignore all of these changes coming ⁽²⁾



Questions?

