

GEOSCIENCE BC SOCIETY
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
MARCH 31, 2024

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FOR THE YEARS ENDED MARCH 31, 2024 AND 2023**

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GEOSCIENCE BC SOCIETY**MANAGEMENT'S RESPONSIBILITY FOR FINANCIAL REPORTING**

The financial statements are the responsibility of the management of Geoscience BC Society (the "Society").

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations. The significant accounting policies used are disclosed in Note 2 to the financial statements. The financial statements include, where appropriate, estimates based on the best judgment of management.

As part of its responsibilities, the Society maintains systems of internal accounting and administrative controls of high quality, consistent with reasonable cost. Such systems are designed to provide reasonable assurance that the financial information is relevant, reliable and accurate, and that the Society's assets are appropriately accounted for and adequately safeguarded.

The Society carries out its responsibilities with regard to the financial statements mainly through its Finance Committee (the "Committee"). The Committee reviews the annual financial statements and other information contained in the annual report and recommends them to the voting members of the Society for approval. The Committee meets periodically with management and the external auditor. Following these meetings, the Committee may meet privately with the auditor to ensure free and open discussion of any subject the Committee or the auditor wish to pursue. The Committee also recommends the engagement or re-appointment of the external auditor, reviews the scope of the audit and recommends the approval of the fees of the external auditor for audit and other services.

The financial statements, audited by De Visser Gray LLP Chartered Professional Accountants in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, have been approved by the Society, on the recommendation of its Finance Committee.

November 26, 2024



Gavin C. Dirom
President & CEO, Director



Lana Eagle
Chair of the Board, Director

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the members of the Geoscience BC Society,

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of the Geoscience BC Society (the "Society"), which comprise the statement of financial position as at March 31, 2024, and the statements of revenues and expenditures, changes in net assets and cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Society as at March 31, 2024, and the results of its revenues and expenditures and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of our report. We are independent of the Society in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our report of the audit of the financial statements in Canada, and we have fulfilled our ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Other Matter

The financial statements of the Society for the year ended March 31, 2023 were audited by another auditor who expressed an unqualified opinion on those statements in its report to the members dated September 21, 2023.

Materiality Uncertainty Related to Going Concern

We draw attention to Note 1 in the financial statements, which indicates that the Society has no source of significant operating revenue, and its future operations are therefore dependent upon the receipt of continued unrestricted and non-repayable funding. As stated in Note 1, these events or conditions, along with other matters as set forth in Note 1, indicate that a material uncertainty exists that may cast significant doubt on the Society's ability to continue as a going concern. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Society's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Society or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Society's financial reporting process.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (Cont'd)

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Society's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Society's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Society to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure, and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

We also provide those charged with governance with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, related safeguards.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (Cont'd)

Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements

As required by the Society Act (British Columbia), we report that, in our opinion, these accounting principles in *Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations* have been applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

De Visser Gray LLP

CHARTERED PROFESSIONAL ACCOUNTANTS

Vancouver, BC, Canada
November 26, 2024

**GEOSCIENCE BC SOCIETY
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT MARCH 31, 2024 AND 2023**

EXHIBIT A

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
ASSETS		
Current assets		
Cash and cash equivalents (Note 2)	\$ 480,638	\$ 814,504
Investments (Notes 2 & 3)	936,455	1,613,251
Accrued interest receivable	5,733	958
Government assistance receivable (Note 7)	-	495,000
Amounts receivable	452,111	139,251
Prepaid expenses and deposits	138,017	132,516
	2,012,954	3,195,480
Capital assets (Notes 2 & 5)	49,518	101,031
	\$ 2,062,472	\$ 3,296,511
LIABILITIES AND DEFERRED CONTRIBUTIONS		
Current liabilities		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities (Note 6)	\$ 394,103	\$ 208,499
Deferred revenue contributions (Note 7)	30,275	530,140
	424,378	738,639
NET ASSETS		
Restricted net assets for approved projects (Note 9)	758,753	924,924
Unrestricted net assets	879,341	1,632,948
	1,638,094	2,557,872
	\$ 2,062,472	\$ 3,296,511

Nature of operations and going concern (Note 1)

Contractual obligations (Note 8)

Subsequent events (Note 13)

Approved by the Board:



Gavin C. Dirom
President & CEO, Director



Lana Eagle
Chair of the Board, Director

See accompanying notes.

GEOSCIENCE BC SOCIETY
STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES
FOR THE YEARS ENDED MARCH 31, 2024 AND 2023

EXHIBIT B

	<u>Year ended</u> <u>March 31, 2024</u>	<u>Year ended</u> <u>March 31, 2023</u>
Revenues		
British Columbia government grant funding (Note 7)	\$ 895,000	\$ -
Project partner funding (Note 7)	333,756	299,035
Funding recoveries (Note 9)	155,216	18,629
Investment and other (Note 3)	153,200	121,773
Non-voting membership fees (Note 7)	74,838	60,077
Sponsorships and advertising (Note 7)	13,000	-
Total Revenues	1,625,010	499,514
Expenditures		
Expenditures - projects		
Minerals	132,481	199,929
Energy	574,861	724,477
Water	274,058	87,197
Total Minerals, Energy and Water projects	981,400	1,011,603
Geoscience scholarships	50,000	50,000
Project management and technical support (Note 10)	538,400	633,444
Total Expenditures – projects	1,569,800	1,695,047
Expenditures - administrative		
Governance, management and finance (Note 10)	637,679	661,582
Public access and data management (Note 10)	29,597	27,552
External relations and communications (Note 10)	307,712	403,714
Total Expenditures – administrative	974,988	1,092,848
Total Expenditures	2,544,788	2,787,895
Deficiency Of Revenues Over Expenditures	\$ (919,778)	\$ (2,288,381)

See accompanying notes.

GEOSCIENCE BC SOCIETY
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS
FOR THE YEARS ENDED MARCH 31, 2024 AND 2023

EXHIBIT C

	Restricted For Approved Projects	Unrestricted	Total
Balance, March 31, 2022	\$ 3,315,540	\$ 1,530,713	\$ 4,846,253
Internally-imposed restrictions	(1,329,013)	1,329,013	-
Deficiency of revenues over expenditures	(1,061,603)	(1,226,778)	(2,288,381)
Balance, March 31, 2023	924,924	1,632,948	2,557,872
Internally-imposed restrictions	865,228	(865,228)	-
Deficiency of revenues over expenditures	(1,031,399)	111,621	(919,778)
Balance, March 31, 2024	\$ 758,753	\$ 879,341	\$ 1,638,094

See accompanying notes.

**GEOSCIENCE BC SOCIETY
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEARS ENDED MARCH 31, 2024 AND 2023**

EXHIBIT D**Cash provided by (used for):**

	<u>Year ended March 31, 2024</u>	<u>Year ended March 31, 2023</u>
Operating Activities		
Grants and project partner funding	\$ 1,051,773	\$ 245,842
Non-voting membership fees	73,395	54,404
Investment and other income	75,221	146,226
Funding recoveries	-	18,629
Sponsorships and advertising	25,500	-
Payments for project expenditures	(1,310,442)	(1,771,124)
Payments for administrative expenditures	(960,216)	(1,066,883)
Payments of refundable portion of GST/HST	(25,984)	(36,494)
Receipt of refundable portion of GST/HST	30,199	24,910
Cash used for operating activities	(1,040,554)	(2,384,490)
Investing Activities		
Purchase of investments (Note 3)	-	(1,000,000)
Redemption of investments (Note 3)	750,000	4,100,000
Purchase of capital assets	(43,312)	(84,255)
Cash provided by investing activities	706,688	3,015,745
Net Change In Cash And Cash Equivalents	(333,866)	631,255
Cash And Cash Equivalents, Beginning Of Year	814,504	183,249
Cash And Cash Equivalents, End Of Year	\$ 480,638	\$ 814,504

See accompanying notes.

**GEOSCIENCE BC SOCIETY
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
MARCH 31, 2024 AND 2023**

EXHIBIT E

1. Nature Of Operations And Going Concern

Geoscience BC Society (“Geoscience BC” or “the Society”) was incorporated under the Society Act (British Columbia) on April 26, 2005 as a not-for-profit organization. The Society transitioned under the Societies Act (British Columbia), effective June 19, 2018. The Society is exempt from taxation under subsection 149(1) of the *Income Tax Act* (Canada). The purpose of the Society is to undertake and support the independent collection and public dissemination of earth science research in British Columbia. The Society had its genesis in a \$25 million funding commitment announced by the government of British Columbia in January 2005, which unrestricted funding was subsequently received and the Society incorporated. The Society has had certain members and directors in common with, and its creation was promoted by, both the Association for Mineral Exploration British Columbia and the Mining Association of British Columbia. However, the Society operates independently of both organizations and is controlled by a separate board of up to 13 directors, which also comprised the Society’s initial membership and current voting membership. Although it functions to complement the efforts of pre-existing provincial and federal agencies, Geoscience BC operates on an arms-length basis from the governments of both British Columbia and Canada.

The Society has no source of significant operating revenue, and its future operations are therefore dependent upon the receipt of continued unrestricted and non-repayable funding, anticipated to be from government, industry, membership, trusts and other partner sources. In the event such funding is not received, the Society would in due course deplete its cash reserves and be required to cease operations. These events or conditions indicate that a material uncertainty exists that may cast significant doubt on the Society’s ability to continue as a going concern. At March 31, 2024 the Society expects to maintain operations for a period sufficient to complete all existing commitments to fund projects from liquid asset balances currently on hand. Refer to Note 3.

2. Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of presentation

The Society’s financial statements have been prepared by management in accordance with the CPA Canada Handbook’s accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations.

Use of estimates

The preparation of financial statements requires management to make estimates and assumptions which affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, as well as the reported amounts of revenues earned and expenditures incurred during the year.

Actual results could differ from those estimates. The financial statements of the Society have, in management’s opinion, been properly prepared within reasonable limits of materiality, and within the framework of the significant accounting policies disclosed below.

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**EXHIBIT E
(CONT'D)**

2. Significant Accounting Policies (Cont'd)

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents consist of cash on deposit with banks and other financial institutions, and highly liquid short-term interest-bearing securities that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash.

Investments

Investments are initially recognized and subsequently measured at fair value, determined using market information. Transaction costs and net gains and losses arising from changes in fair value are immediately recognized in the Society's statement of revenues and expenditures.

Capital assets

Capital asset purchases made by the Society are capitalized and are recorded at cost less accumulated amortization. Amortization is recorded as disclosed in Note 5 on a straight-line basis, commencing in the quarter of acquisition, as follows:

Computer equipment	3 years
Project equipment	0.75 and 2.25 (2023 – 0.75 and 2.25 years)
Furniture and office equipment	5 years
Leasehold improvements	2.25 years (2023 – 2.25 years)

Revenue recognition

The Society follows the deferral method of accounting for contributions. Restricted contributions are recognized as revenue in the year in which the related expenditures are incurred. Unrestricted contributions are recognized as revenue when received or receivable if the amount to be received can be reasonably estimated and collection is reasonably assured. Restricted investment income is recognized as revenue in the year in which the related expenditures are incurred. Unrestricted investment income is recognized as revenue when earned. Non-voting membership fees, sponsorship and advertising contributions are recognized as revenue in the fiscal year to which they relate.

Donated materials and services

Donated materials and services are recorded only when a fair value can be reasonably estimated and when they would be paid for by the Society if they had not been donated.

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**EXHIBIT E
(CONT'D)**

2. Significant Accounting Policies (Cont'd)

Contributed services

Significant volunteer labour is contributed to assist the Society in carrying out its activities, but is not recorded in its financial statements due to the difficulty of determining the fair value of those services.

Allocation of expenditures

The Society generates independent, relevant, public earth science research and data about British Columbia's minerals, energy and water resources. The costs of managing each of the Society's projects include the costs of personnel, and other expenditures that are directly related to project provision. The Society also incurs a number of general support expenditures that are common to the administration of the Society and each of its projects.

The Society allocates certain expenditures by identifying the appropriate basis of allocating each component expenditure, and applies that basis consistently for each year disclosed. General support expenditures are allocated to the following functions based on personnel time and directly related expenditures: Project management and technical support; Governance, management and finance; Public access and data management; and External relations and communications. The amounts and the functions to which they have been allocated are disclosed in Note 10.

3. Investments

During the year ended March 31, 2024, \$nil (2023 - \$1 million) was invested in non-redeemable guaranteed investment certificates (GIC's) and equivalent instruments issued by a major Canadian financial institution. See Note 4.

During the year ended March 31, 2024, the Society withdrew \$0.75 million (2023 - \$4.1 million) from the amounts invested in its guaranteed investment certificates and equivalent instruments.

	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
	Market Value	Market Value
	\$	\$
Investments:		
High interest savings account	936,455	1,613,251
	936,455	1,613,251

Investment and other revenue is comprised of the following:

	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
	\$	\$
Interest earned on GIC's and equivalent instruments	102,650	81,807
Rent earned on premises lease to subtenant	50,550	39,966
Revenue disclosed in the Statement of Revenues and Expenditures	153,200	121,773

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**EXHIBIT E
(CONT'D)**

4. Financial Instruments

The Society's financial instruments measured at amortized cost consist of cash and cash equivalents, amounts receivable, and accounts payable and accrued liabilities. The Society's investments are recorded at fair value. As at March 31, 2024 and 2023, the Society has not recorded any allowance for impairment of its amounts receivable.

Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that the fair value of future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates. The Society is not exposed to material interest rate risk on its treasury deposit fund and high interest savings account balances. As at April 1, 2023, the Society held guaranteed investment certificates bearing interest at rates between 1.40% and 1.60% per annum, which matured between June 1, 2022 and February 6, 2023.

Currency risk

The Society is not exposed to foreign exchange risk from financial instruments as it has incurred few foreign currency transactions during the years ended March 31, 2024 and 2023.

Liquidity risk

The Society is exposed to liquidity risk due to the timing of revenues received to meet commitments associated with financial instruments. The Society manages liquidity risk by maintaining adequate treasury deposit funds and near cash balances.

Credit and market risk

The Society's financial instruments include guaranteed investment certificates, a high interest savings account and funds on treasury deposit which have a low level of risk as these investments are placed with major Canadian financial institutions.

5. Capital Assets

March 31, 2024	Cost	Accumulated Amortization	Net Book Value
Computer equipment	\$ 67,530	\$ 27,290	\$ 40,240
Furniture and office equipment	10,385	3,117	7,268
Leasehold improvements	23,613	21,603	2,010
	<u>\$ 101,528</u>	<u>\$ 52,010</u>	<u>\$ 49,518</u>
March 31, 2023	Cost	Accumulated Amortization	Net Book Value
Computer equipment	\$ 68,188	\$ 9,393	\$ 58,795
Project equipment	56,891	25,051	31,840
Furniture and office equipment	1,387	1,040	347
Leasehold improvements	23,613	13,564	10,049
	<u>\$ 150,079</u>	<u>\$ 49,048</u>	<u>\$ 101,031</u>

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**EXHIBIT E
(CONT'D)**

5. Capital Assets (Cont'd)

In accordance with the Society's accounting policy relating to capital assets disclosed in Note 2, during the year ended March 31, 2024, the Society has recognized \$32,061 (2023 - \$16,433) in amortization on its computer, furniture and office equipment and leasehold improvements, and \$31,841 (2023 - \$20,485) in amortization on its project equipment.

6. Accounts Payable And Accrued Liabilities

	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
Trade payables	\$ 372,267	\$ 177,778
Government remittances	1,836	3,721
Accrued liabilities	20,000	27,000
	\$ 394,103	\$ 208,499

7. Deferred Revenue Contributions

	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 530,140	\$ 150,515
Add amounts recognized as receivable in the year:		
British Columbia government grant funding	-	495,000
Project partner funding	-	185,391
Non-voting membership fees	13,833	54,404
Sponsorships and advertising	12,500	-
Subtenant last month rent	-	3,942
	26,333	738,737
Deduct recognition of revenue realized	(526,198)	(359,112)
Balance, end of year	\$ 30,275	\$ 530,140

8. Contractual Obligations

As at March 31, 2024, the Society has a base rental commitment relating to the lease of its office premises, inclusive of monthly charges in respect to operating and common area costs and property taxes, totalling approximately \$75,000 (2023 - \$272,000) to July 31, 2024.

Pursuant to a contract of employment with its President and Chief Executive Officer, if the Society terminates its employment with this individual without cause, it would be committed to pay four weeks salary in termination benefits during the first year of employment, and after three years of continuous employment the Society would be committed to pay six weeks salary in termination benefits plus one additional week salary for each additional year of employment up to a maximum 16 weeks. In addition, the President and Chief Executive Officer may terminate employment with the Society at any time by providing three months written notice, with the Society having the option to consent to additional or lesser notice.

The Society maintains a defined contribution plan for all of its eligible employees. Each eligible employee of the plan receives employer contributions of 8% of annual earnings up to their maximum deduction as allowed by Canada Revenue Agency. This pension expenditure is allocated to and included in Project management and technical support, Governance management and finance, Public access and data management, and External relations and communications in the Society's statement of revenues and expenditures for the years ended March 31, 2024 and 2023. Refer to Note 10.

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**EXHIBIT E
(CONT'D)**

9. Restricted Net Assets For Approved Projects

At March 31, 2024, the Society's net assets are subject to future obligations aggregating \$758,753 (2023 - \$924,924), representative of undisbursed but approved project funding commitments, payment of which is contingent upon the Society receiving acceptable deliverables from these projects in accordance with executed agreements. At March 31, 2024, an additional amount of \$1.25 million (2023 - \$nil) is approved in principle for project funding commitments, whose final approval is contingent on various future events. Accordingly, the amount approved in principle remains unrecorded in these financial statements. Refer to Note 13.

Internally-restricted amounts are not available for other purposes without the approval of the Society's Board of Directors.

Recipients of funding from Geoscience BC are required to account for the expenditure of all monies received, and Geoscience BC reserves the right to request documentation to support the reported expenditure breakdowns. Unspent funds, including GST and HST input tax credits subsequently recovered by recipients, but based on the expenditure of Geoscience BC grants, are to be returned to the Society. During the fiscal year ended March 31, 2024, the Society received \$155,216 (2023 - \$18,629) of such recoveries, which are included within the Society's statement of revenues and expenditures. No predictions of future recoveries can be accurately made at this time and therefore funding recoveries are recorded at the earlier of the date of receipt and the date that a recovered amount becomes determinable.

10. Allocation Of Unrestricted Expenditures

Year ended March 31, 2024	Project Management and Technical Support	Governance, Management and Finance	Public Access and Data Management	External Relations and Communications	Totals
Salaries and benefits (Note 12)	\$ 282,906	\$ 171,985	\$ 1,805	\$ 137,889	\$ 594,585
Consultants	192,872	142,057	2,895	38,675	376,499
Professional fees, dues and memberships	-	33,416	-	14,297	47,713
Office rent, property tax and operating costs	-	217,124	-	-	217,124
Information Technology	-	-	23,057	-	23,057
Geographic Information Systems (GIS) server maintenance	16,472	-	-	-	16,472
Project reporting and technical summaries	34,004	-	-	-	34,004
Communications tools	-	-	-	17,755	17,755
Conferences, meetings, travel and events	4,566	14,155	-	85,298	104,019
Office supplies, couriers, telephone, other	7,580	26,881	1,840	3,588	39,889
Amortization (Note 5)	-	32,061	-	-	32,061
Website maintenance	-	-	-	10,210	10,210
	\$ 538,400	\$ 637,679	\$ 29,597	\$ 307,712	\$ 1,513,388

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**EXHIBIT E
(CONT'D)**

10. Allocation Of Unrestricted Expenditures (Cont'd)

Year ended March 31, 2023	Project Management and Technical Support	Governance, Management and Finance	Public Access and Data Management	External Relations and Communications	Totals
Salaries and benefits (Note 12)	\$ 348,681	\$ 190,854	\$ 3,320	\$ 136,543	\$ 679,398
Consultants	207,883	161,278	497	118,447	488,105
Professional fees, dues and memberships	144	42,386	-	14,011	56,541
Office rent, property tax and operating costs	-	204,015	-	-	204,015
Information Technology	-	-	22,733	-	22,733
Geographic Information Systems (GIS) server maintenance	15,519	-	-	-	15,519
Project reporting and technical summaries	39,909	-	-	-	39,909
Sponsorships	-	-	-	4,400	4,400
Communications tools	-	-	-	31,080	31,080
Conferences, meetings, travel and events	13,286	7,932	-	93,287	114,505
Office supplies, couriers, telephone, other	8,022	38,684	1,002	1,396	49,104
Amortization (Note 5)	-	16,433	-	-	16,433
Website maintenance	-	-	-	4,550	4,550
	<u>\$ 633,444</u>	<u>\$ 661,582</u>	<u>\$ 27,552</u>	<u>\$ 403,714</u>	<u>\$ 1,726,292</u>

11. Related Party Transactions

During the year ended March 31, 2024, the Society paid or accrued an aggregate of \$139,142 (2023 - \$159,678) for project management, administrative and professional services to both an Officer of the Society and a law firm which has a partner who is a Director of the Society.

These related party transactions were in the normal course of operations and are measured at the exchange amount, as determined by management of the Society.

12. Remuneration Of Directors, Employees And Consultants

Total salaries and benefits incurred by the Society during the year ended March 31, 2024 were \$594,586 (2023 - \$679,398) of which \$311,680 (2023 - \$330,717) is included in Administrative expenditures and \$282,906 (2023 - \$348,681) is included in Project expenditures.

During the year ended March 31, 2024, the Society paid or accrued an aggregate of \$960,570 to five employees and three consultants of the Society (2023 - \$978,226 to five employees and two consultants) who each earned more than \$75,000 during the year. Of this amount, \$190,518 (2023 - \$186,847) was paid or accrued to the Society's President and CEO who is also a Director of the Society.

13. Subsequent Events

During the period subsequent to March 31, 2024:

- Up to \$5.0 million was approved in principle for a project funding commitment, replacing the previous \$1.25 million, the restriction of which is subject to confirmation of a minimum of \$5.5 million in funding from potential project partners.
- The Society approved and disbursed 10 scholarships of \$5,000 each.