# TORONTO FIELD NATURALISTS FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**JUNE 30, 2023** 

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#### INDEPENDENT PRACTITIONERS' REVIEW ENGAGEMENT REPORT

To the Members, Toronto Field Naturalists TORONTO, Ontario.

I have reviewed the accompanying financial statements of Toronto Field Naturalists, which comprise the statement of financial position as at June 30, 2023 and the statements of general fund operations, nature reserve and project fund, mailed newsletter fund and cash flows for the year then ended, as well as a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these 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.

Practitioners' Responsibility

My responsibility is to express a conclusion on the accompanying financial statements based on my review. I conducted my review in accordance with Canadian generally accepted standards for review engagements, which require me to comply with relevant ethical requirements.

A review of financial statements in accordance with Canadian generally accepted standards for review engagements is a limited assurance engagement. The practitioner performs procedures, primarily consisting of making inquires of management and others within the entity, as appropriate, and applying analytical procedures, and evaluates the evidence obtained.

The procedures performed in a review are substantially less in extent than, and vary in nature from, those performed in an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Accordingly, I do not express an audit opinion on these financial statements.

Conclusion

Based on my review, nothing has come to my attention causing me to believe that the financial statements do not present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Toronto Field Naturalists as at June 30, 2023, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations.

PETER W. HOGG, CPA, PROFESSIONAL CORPORATION

Authorized to practise public accounting by the Chartered Professional Accountants of Ontario

TORONTO, Canada, October 9, 2023

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# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

As at June 30,	2023		2022
ASSETS			
Current  Cash - Operating fund Guaranteed investment certificates GST/HST receivable Publication inventory (Note 2(e)) Photo library (Note 6) Prepaid expenses	\$ 20,008 180,736 4,958 100 10 2,481 208,293	\$	13,140 206,247 1,348 100 10 2,339 223,184
Capital (Note 2(b)) Leaseholds (net of amortization of \$2,837) Office equipment (net of amortization of \$2,680) Nature reserve properties	746 	<u> </u>	454 1,292 281,702 283,448 506,632
LIABILITIES		•	
Current Accounts payable and accruals Mailed newsletter accruals (Note 2(c)) Prepaid membership fees (Note 2(c))	\$ 7,243 120 11,360 18,723	\$	5,097 1,900 10,530 17,527
FUND BALANCES  Nature reserve and projects fund (Note 2(a))  Mailed newsletter fund (Note 2(a))  General fund (Note 2(a))	\$ 472,018 	\$	489,105
	472,018		489,105
	<u>\$ 490,741</u>	\$	506,632

Approved by the Board:

Fatima Abrar Director Zunaid Khan Director

# STATEMENT OF GENERAL FUND OPERATIONS

For the year ended June 30,	2023	2022
REVENUE Membership fees Donations	\$ 15,921 9,457	\$ 17,980 20,836
Canada Emergency Rent Subsidy City of Toronto Grants	3,000	1,441
EXPENSES  Administration and member services	<u>28,378</u> 8,010	<u>40,257</u> 5,317
Legal fees Financial review fee Telephone and internet	7,196 2,275 2,166	2,208 1,215
Amortization Lecture series Office rent and occupancy (Note 5)	1,896 2,499 17,184	959 720 16,744
	41,226	27,163
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUE OVER EXPENSES	(12,848)	13,094
Transfer (to) Nature Reserve and Projects Fund	12,848	(13,094)
FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING OF YEAR	<del>_</del>	
FUND BALANCE - END OF YEAR		

# STATEMENT OF NATURE RESERVE AND PROJECTS FUND OPERATIONS

For the year ended June 30,	2023	2022
REVENUE Investment income	\$ 5,713	\$ 3,144
Donations	50	135
Bequests Rental income	798	8,600 791
	6,561	12,670
EXPENSES Photo digitization		6,602
Stewardship plan Property taxes and maintenance	<b>5,486</b> 843	- 777
Grants - Ontario Nature Youth Programs	857	250
	7,186	7,629
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUE OVER EXPENSES	(625)	5,041
Transfer from Operating Fund	(12,848)	13,094
Transfer (to) Mailed Newsletter Fund	(3,614)	(1,109)
FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING OF YEAR	489,105	472,079
FUND BALANCE - END OF YEAR	472,018	489,105

## STATEMENT OF MAILED NEWSLETTER FUND OPERATIONS

For the year ended June 30,	2023	2022
DEVENUE		
REVENUE		
Donations used	\$ 225	2,368
Newsletter surcharge	3,350	3,700
	3,575	6,068
EXPENSES		
Mailing	2,823	1,139
Printing	4,366	6,038
		7,177
DEFICIENCY OF REVENUE OVER EXPENSES	(3,614)	(1,109)
Transfer from Nature Reserve and Projects Fund	3,614	1,109
FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING OF YEAR		
FUND BALANCE - END OF YEAR		

# STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

For the year ended June 30,	2023	2022
CASH PROVIDED BY (USED FOR):		
OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses:		
General fund operations		\$ 13,094
Nature reserve and projects fund operations	(1,026)	5,041
Mailed newsletter fund operations	$\frac{(3,614)}{(17,087)}$	(1,109) 17,026
Items not involving cash:	(17,007)	17,020
Amortization	1,896	959
Amortization	(15,191)	17,985
Changes in non-cash working capital balances		1 212
Accounts receivable	(2.610)	1,212 165
GST/HST receivable	(3,610)	105
Inventory Prepaid expenses	(142)	568
Accounts payable and accruals	2,146	45
Mailed newsletters accruals	(1,780)	(2,472)
Prepaid membership fees	830	1,560
	(17,747)	19,063
INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Purchase of capital assets	(896)	(284)
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH	(18,643)	18,779
CASH - BEGINNING OF YEAR	219,387	200,608
CASH - END OF YEAR	<u>\$ 200,744</u>	\$ 219,387
Comprised of:	20.000	12.140
Cash	20,008	13,140 206,247
Guaranteed Investment Certificates	$\frac{180,736}{\$}$	\$ 219,387
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### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

June 30, 2023

#### 1. PURPOSE OF THE ORGANIZATION

The Toronto Field Naturalists (the organization) is a registered charity. The purpose of the organization is to stimulate public interest in natural history and to encourage the preservation of our natural heritage. For income tax purposes the organization qualifies as a not-for-profit organization which is exempt from income taxes under the Income Tax Act.

#### 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements have been prepared by management in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations, the more significant of which are outlined below.

#### (a) Fund Accounting

The organization follows the restricted fund method of accounting. Separate funds are maintained to account for and to report on the separate activities or objectives as determined by donors or by resolution of the Board. The organization currently operates a General Fund, a Nature Reserve and Projects Fund and a Mailed Newsletter Fund. The General Fund is for the unrestricted funds received and expended for the day-to-day operating transactions of the organization. This fund is set to zero at the beginning of each fiscal year with any excess or deficiency of income over expenses being transferred to or from the Nature Reserve and Projects Fund. The Nature Reserve and Projects Fund reflects the income and expenses relating to the nature reserves, special events or purchases outside normal operations, and grants to other organizations for purposes consistent with the organization's objectives. This is a restricted fund. The Mailed Newsletter Fund is for income and expenses specific to the paper newsletter, including donations to the fund. The Board reviews the balance in this fund annually before setting the newsletter surcharge for the next year. This is a restricted fund.

#### (b) Capital Assets

Nature reserve properties are stated at cost. No annual amortization has been taken on these properties. Leasehold improvements to the organization's former Yonge Street office were amortized over the term of the office lease and office equipment was amortized over 5 years on a straight-line basis.

#### (c) Revenue Recognition

Membership fees, mailed newsletter surcharges and donations to the Mailed Newsletter Fund are recorded in revenue of the fiscal year to which they apply. Membership fees and mailed newsletter surcharges received in advance are included as deferred revenue. All other income is recorded when received.

Bequests are allocated to the Nature Reserve and Projects Fund. Donations not designated to another fund are allocated to the Operating Fund.

#### (d) Use of Estimates

The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. These estimates are based on management's best knowledge of the current events and actions that the organization may undertake in the future. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

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#### (e) Inventories

Inventories are valued at the lower of cost and net realizable value.

#### (f) Contributed Services

The organization depends heavily on the use of volunteers to provide services. Contributed services are not recognized in the financial statements due to the difficulty in determining their fair value.

#### 3. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The organization's financial instruments consist of cash, accounts receivable, investments, accounts payable and accrued liabilities. The organization has designated its cash as held for trading, which is measured at fair value. Accounts receivable is classified as loans and receivables and accounts payable and accrued liabilities are classified as other financial liabilities, both of which are measured at amortized cost. Unless otherwise noted, the organization is not exposed to significant credit or currency risk arising from these or other financial instruments.

#### Fair Values

The carrying values of cash, accounts receivable and accounts payable and accrued liabilities approximate their fair value due to the relatively short periods to maturity of the instruments.

#### Credit Risk

Credit risk arises from the potential that one party to a financial instrument will fail to discharge an obligation and cause the other party to incur a financial loss. The maximum credit exposure to the organization is represented by the fair value of the amounts receivable as presented in the statement of financial position.

#### 4. CAPITAL MANAGEMENT

The organization's capital consists of cash and unrestricted net assets. The organization's capital structure is intended to meet or exceed internally set capital targets while addressing the need to meet a demand for cash or fund its obligations as they come due. It monitors its capital by preparing annual budgets and monitoring actual results at regularly held Board meetings and is not subject to any externally imposed capital requirements.

#### 5. COMMITMENTS

The organization entered into a lease agreement for office space on November 1, 2017. Annual base rent for the office space was approximately \$16,215. The lease expired in 2023 and was not renewed.

#### 6. PHOTO LIBRARY

The Photo Library consists of an estimated thirteen thousand 35-mm colour slides, focusing on Toronto valleys, watercourses, shorelines, plants and animals and on the organization's properties and activities. The collection began in the early 1970s.