### JEFFERSON LAND TRUST AND SUBSIDIARY

### **Consolidated Financial Statements**

For the Years Ended December 31, 2015 and 2014

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### **Independent Auditor's Report**

To the Board of Directors Jefferson Land Trust & Subsidiary Port Townsend, WA

### **Report on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying consolidated financial statements of Jefferson Land Trust and Subsidiary (collectively, JLT, a nonprofit organization), which comprise the consolidated statement of financial position as of December 31, 2015, and the related consolidated statements of activities and changes in net assets, functional expenses, and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the consolidated financial statements.

### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

#### **Auditor's Responsibility**

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements 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 entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

### **Opinion**

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the JLT as of December 31, 2015, and changes in net assets and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

### **Prior Period Financial Statements**

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The financial statements of JLT as of December 31, 2014, were audited by other auditors whose report dated June 11, 2015, expressed an unmodified opinion on those statements.

Aiken & Sanders, Inc., PS Certified Public Accountants & Management Consultants

June 9, 2016

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Consolidated Statement of Financial Position As of December 31, 2015 and December 31, 2014

Assets	2015			2014	
Current Assets:		2010		2011	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	477,335	\$	624,624	
Accounts receivable		49,645		35,174	
Current pledges receivable		97,724		132,953	
Note receivable-current portion		4,167		3,955	
Prepaid expenses		5,306		4,555	
Total Current Assets		634,177		801,261	
Land and Conservation Easements:					
Habitat land		2,490,598		1,451,717	
Working land		97,728		25,048	
Open space land		332,771	71 268,		
Conservation easements		54	4		
Total Land and Conservation Easements		2,921,151	2,921,151		
Fixed Assets:					
Furniture, equipment, and improvements		68,530		28,286	
Less: Accumulated depreciation		(28,314)	(21,154)		
Fixed assets, net		40,216		7,132	
Other Assets:					
Long term pledges receivable		213,374		318,170	
Long term note receivable		62,877		67,053	
Land hold fee-net		75,000		-	
Investments		553,243		378,051	
Total Other Assets		904,494		763,274	
Total Assets	\$	4,500,038	\$	3,316,998	

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Consolidated Statement of Financial Position As of December 31, 2015 and December 31, 2014

## **Liabilities & Net Assets**

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	2015		2015 2014				
<b>Current Liabilities:</b>							
Accounts payable	\$	17,589	\$	18,251			
Accrued liabilities and deferred revenue		42,198		35,074			
Total Current Liabilities		59,787		53,325			
Long-Term Liabilities:							
Total Long-Term Liabilities							
Net Assets:							
Unrestricted							
Undesignated		339,559		303,965			
Board designated		2,926,151		1,745,331			
		3,265,710		2,049,296			
Temporarily restricted		1,121,942		1,169,898			
Permanently restricted		52,599		44,479			
Total Net Assets		4,440,251		3,263,673			
Total Liabilities & Net Assets	\$	4,500,038	\$	3,316,998			

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### Consolidated Statement of Activities and Changes in Net Assets For the Year Ended December 31, 2015

Support and Revenues:	Unrestricted Temporarily Restricted		Permanently Restricted	Total 2015
Support and Revenues.				
Gifts and contributions	\$ 130,437	\$ 304,411	\$ 7,660	\$ 442,508
Grants and contracts	1,441,631	-	-	1,441,631
Special events income, net of				
expenses of \$34,818	123,726	-	-	123,726
Timber sales	-	9,385	-	9,385
Net investment return	7,575	-	460	8,035
Net assets released from restriction	361,752	(361,752)		<u>-</u> _
Total Support and Revenue	2,065,121	(47,956)	8,120	2,025,285
Expenses:				
Program services	557,064	-	_	557,064
Management and general	172,878	-	-	172,878
Fundraising	118,765	-	-	118,765
Total Expenses	848,707			848,707
Change in Net Assets	1,216,414	(47,956)	8,120	1,176,578
Net Assets, Beginning of Year	2,049,296	1,169,898	44,479	3,263,673
Net Assets, End of Year	\$ 3,265,710	\$ 1,121,942	\$ 52,599	\$ 4,440,251

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### Consolidated Statement of Activities and Changes in Net Assets For the Year Ended December 31, 2014

Support and Revenues:	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Permanently Restricted	Total 2014
Support and Revenues.				
Gifts and contributions	\$ 156,416	\$ 413,944	\$ 7,887	\$ 578,247
Fair value of easement acquisitions	1,297,250	-	-	1,297,250
Grants and contracts	240,149	-	-	240,149
Special events income, net of				
expenses of \$20,661	93,391	-	-	93,391
Timber sales	-	74,416	-	74,416
Net investment return	8,625	-	682	9,307
Net assets released from restriction	343,249	(343,249)	-	-
Total Support and Revenue	2,139,080	145,111	8,569	2,292,760
Expenses:				
Program services	1,862,944	-	-	1,862,944
Management and general	118,437	-	-	118,437
Fundraising	114,422	_	-	114,422
Total Expenses	2,095,803			2,095,803
Change in Net Assets	43,277	145,111	8,569	196,957
Net Assets, Beginning of Year	2,006,019	1,024,787	35,910	3,066,716
Net Assets, End of Year	\$ 2,049,296	\$ 1,169,898	\$ 44,479	\$ 3,263,673

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## Consolidated Statement of Functional Expenses For the Year Ended December 31, 2015

	Pr	ogram	gement General	Fund- Raising	 Total 2015
Salaries	\$	260,528	\$ 80,690	\$ 70,098	\$ 411,316
Payroll taxes		20,556	6,526	5,547	32,629
Employee benefits		26,967	8,561	7,277	42,805
Professional fees		137,450	45,282	16,127	198,859
Land and stewardship expenses		54,908	-	-	54,908
Rent		15,621	4,510	3,832	23,963
Public awareness		4,141	98	3,475	7,714
Dues and subscriptions		1,989	631	537	3,157
Insurance		9,124	1,518	1,290	11,932
Postage and printing		5,687	255	6,383	12,325
Other		1,442	17,133	39	18,614
Travel and seminars		4,747	3,113	504	8,364
Office supplies		5,072	1,242	1,055	7,369
Telephone		2,980	946	804	4,730
Depreciation		4,511	1,432	1,217	7,160
Utilities		1,040	330	280	1,650
Web design and maintenance		301	_	300	601
Bank fees		_	 611	<u>-</u>	 611
Total Expenses	\$	557,064	\$ 172,878	\$ 118,765	\$ 848,707

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## Consolidated Statement of Functional Expenses For the Year Ended December 31, 2014

	Program	Management and General	Fund- Raising	Total 2014
Salaries	\$ 239,488	\$ 68,179	\$ 45,118	\$ 352,785
Payroll taxes	21,816	6,096	4,171	32,083
Employee benefits	30,531	8,531	5,837	44,899
Value of conservation easements written down	1,297,249	-	-	1,297,249
Professional fees	128,151	14,382	41,379	183,912
Land and stewardship expenses	77,052	-	-	77,052
Rent	14,764	3,648	2,889	21,301
Public awareness	12,730	-	4,778	17,508
Dues and subscriptions	9,734	2,708	1,855	14,297
Insurance	9,598	1,461	999	12,058
Postage and printing	6,085	154	4,634	10,873
Other	1,579	5,870	12	7,461
Travel and seminars	2,866	3,989	140	6,995
Office supplies	4,500	1,040	934	6,474
Telephone	3,022	845	578	4,445
Depreciation	1,877	524	359	2,760
Utilities	1,439	402	275	2,116
Web design and maintenance	463	-	464	927
Bank fees	-	608	-	608
Total Expenses	\$ 1,862,944	\$ 118,437	\$ 114,422	\$ 2,095,803

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

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# Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows For the Years Ended December 31, 2015 and December 31, 2014

	2015	
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Cash received from grantors, donors and customers	\$ 2,019,107	\$ 1,001,650
Cash paid to suppliers and employees	(845,159)	(793,496)
Cash received from interest	10,575	10,589
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	1,184,523	218,743
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Cash paid for equipment and improvements	(40,244)	(1,369)
Cash paid for investments	(450,832)	(4,909)
Cash received from investments	273,100	39,251
Proceeds from notes receivable	3,964	3,838
Cash paid for land	(1,017,800)	(129,983)
Cash paid for land hold fee	(100,000)	-
Cash received from sale of land		2,277
Net cash provided (used) by investing activities	(1,331,812)	(90,895)
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Net cash provided (used) by financing activities		
Net increase (decrease) in cash & cash equivalents	(147,289)	127,848
Cash & cash equivalents at beginning of year	624,624	496,776
Cash & cash equivalents at end of year	\$ 477,335	\$ 624,624

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# Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows For the Years Ended December 31, 2015 and December 31, 2014

	 2015	 2014
Reconciliation of increase (decrease) in net assets to net cash provided (used) by operating activities:		
Increase (decrease) in net assets:	\$ 1,176,578	\$ 196,957
Adjustments:		
Depreciation	7,160	2,760
Land hold fee amortization	25,000	-
Realized and unrealized losses (gains) on investments	2,540	1,282
Donated land and easements	(158,020)	(8,000)
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
(Increase) decrease in accounts receivable	(14,471)	22,986
(Increase) decrease in pledges receivable	140,025	(19,544)
(Increase) decrease in prepaid expense	(751)	(1,866)
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable	(662)	16,375
Increase (decrease) in accrued expenses and deferred revenue	7,124	 7,793
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	\$ 1,184,523	\$ 218,743

#### **Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements**

### December 31, 2015 and 2014

### A. ORGANIZATION AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

### Organization--

Jefferson Land Trust (The Land Trust) is a Washington not-for-profit corporation formed on April 7, 1989. The Land Trust's purpose is to acquire, preserve and manage open space lands and easements for land conservation purposes benefitting the public. The Land Trust also provides information and materials to the public on land conservation issues. The Land Trust serves Jefferson County on the Olympic Peninsula in Washington State. The Land Trust has been accredited by the national Land Trust Alliance since August 5, 2009.

On September 5, 2007, JLT Resources, LLC was formed with the Land Trust as its only member. JLT Resources, LLC was formed for the purpose of purchasing and holding land for conservation purposes.

### **Principles of Consolidation--**

These financial statements consolidate the statements of Jefferson Land Trust and JLT Resources, LLC (collectively, "JLT"). Inter-organization balances and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

### **Basis of accounting--**

The consolidated financial statements of JLT have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting.

#### **Basis of presentation**—

Net assets, revenues, gains and losses are classified based on the existence or absence of donor-imposed restrictions. Accordingly, the net assets of JLT and changes therein are classified and reported as follows:

<u>Unrestricted Net Assets-</u> Include all net assets on which there are no donor-imposed restrictions for use, or for which donor-imposed restrictions were temporary and have expired or been fulfilled.

<u>Temporarily Restricted Net Assets-</u> Include all net assets subject to donor imposed restrictions that will be met by actions of JLT and/or passage of time.

<u>Permanently Restricted Net Assets-</u> Include all net assets received by donations wherein the donors impose a permanent restriction on the use of the gift. The donors require the gift to be invested and only the income from such investments may be used to support the intended cause.

All donor-restricted support is reported as increases in temporarily or permanently restricted net assets, depending on the nature of the restriction. When restrictions expire (that is, when a stipulated time restriction ends and/or purpose restriction is accomplished), temporarily restricted net assets are reclassified to unrestricted net assets and reported in the consolidated statement of activities as net assets released from restriction. Gifts of equipment are reported as unrestricted support unless explicit restrictions that specify how the assets are to be used and gifts of cash and other assets that must be used to acquire long-lived assets are reported as restricted support. Absent explicit donor stipulations about how long those long-lived assets must be maintained, expirations of donor restrictions are reported when the donated or acquired long-lived assets are placed in service.

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#### Property and Fixed Assets--

Improvements, furniture and equipment are capitalized at cost if purchased, or, if donated, at the approximate fair value at the date of donation. When retired or otherwise disposed of, the related carrying value and accumulated depreciation are removed from the respective accounts and the net difference, less any amount realized from disposition, is reflected in earnings. Maintenance and repairs are charged to expense as incurred. Costs of significant improvements are capitalized. JLT provides for depreciation using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets of five to ten years.

JLT records acquisitions of land at cost if purchased. Land acquired through donation is recorded at fair value, with fair values generally based on independent professional appraisals. These assets fall into two primary categories:

<u>Conservation Lands</u>- Real property with significant ecological value for habitat, open space, or working lands. Stewardship programs of JLT manage these properties to protect the natural biological diversity of the property. JLT manages its working timberland as a Forest Stewardship Council-Certified, managed forest.

Conservation Easements-Voluntary legal agreements between a landowner and a land trust or government agency to permanently protect the identified natural features and conservation values of the property. These easements may be sold or transferred to others so long as the assignee agrees to carry out, in perpetuity, the conservation purposes intended by the original grantor. Conservation easements owned by JLT protect habitat, open space and working lands, such as family farms, through its stewardship programs. Easements acquired represent numerous restrictions over the use and development of land not owned by JLT. Since the benefits of such easements accrue to the public upon acquisition, the fair market value of easements acquired is shown in the year of acquisition as an addition to net assets to record the donation of the easement, and unless conveyed to a public agency for consideration, shown as a reduction in net assets to record the value of the public's benefit and to recognize that these easements have no marketable value once severed from the land and held by JLT. Easements held by JLT are carried on the consolidated statement of financial position at \$1 each for tracking and accounting purposes. Two easements valued at \$1,297,250 in total were donated to JLT during the year ending December 31, 2014. Accordingly, \$1,297,250 of contribution revenue and \$1,297,249 of related write down expense have been reported on the consolidated statement of activities for the year end December 31, 2014.

### **Estimates--**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (U.S. GAAP) requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

### **Expense Allocation--**

The costs of providing various programs and other activities have been summarized on a functional basis in the consolidated statement of functional expense. Accordingly, certain costs have been allocated among the programs and supporting services in line with benefits received.

### Cash and Cash Equivalents--

For reporting purposes, JLT considers all unrestricted highly liquid investments with a purchased maturity of three months or less to be cash and cash equivalents.

#### **Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements**

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#### **Concentrations--**

JLT maintains its cash in bank deposit accounts with three financial institutions. JLT's cash balances may, at times, exceed federally insured limits.

At December 31, 2015, two donor's pledges represented approximately 55% of pledges receivable, and the total of all pledges from board members represented approximately 58% of pledges receivable.

At December 31, 2014, one donor's pledge represented approximately 26% of pledges receivable, and the total of all pledges from board members represented approximately 52% of pledges receivable.

### **Investments--**

Investments in marketable securities with readily determinable fair values are valued at their fair values in the consolidated statement of financial position. Certificates of deposit are carried at cost plus accrued interest in the consolidated statement of financial position. Unrealized gains and losses are included in the change in net assts.

### **Grants and Contracts--**

JLT receives grants and contracts from federal, state, and local agencies, as well as from private organizations, to be used for specific programs or land purchases. The excess of grants receivable over reimbursable expenditures to-date is recorded as deferred revenue.

### Federal Income Taxes--

The Internal Revenue Service has determined Jefferson Land Trust and JLT Resources, LLC (a disregarded entity) to be exempt from federal income taxes under Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3). Contributions to JLT are deductible as allowed under IRC Section 170(b)(I)(A)(vi).

During the year ended December 31, 2012, the Land Trust elected the provisions of Section 501(h), relating to expenditures to influence legislation.

#### **Subsequent Events--**

JLT has evaluated subsequent events through June 9, 2016, the date on which the consolidated financial statements were available to be issued.

# **Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements**

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# **B.** <u>UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS:</u>

Unrestricted net assets consisted of the following at December 31, 2015 and 2014:

		2015		2014
Designated:		<u> </u>	_	_
Quimper Wildlife Corridor	\$	417,869	\$	317,138
Chimacum Creek		284,409		297,119
Duckabush Riparian Forest		492,800		220,000
Donovan Creek		205,000		205,000
Duckabush Wetlands & Oxbow		530,000		180,000
Bulis Forest Preserve		125,240		125,240
Upper Snow Creek Forest		340,000		-
Snow Creek Uncas Preserve		100,000		100,000
Chimacum Commons		90,850		90,850
Snow Creek Estuary		86,000		86,000
Silver Reach		125,000		-
Gateway		85,000		85,000
Kilham Corner		38,930		38,930
Stewardship Fund		4,999		-
Conservation easements		54		54
Total Designated		2,926,151	_	1,745,331
Undesignated	_	339,559	_	303,965
Total Unrestricted Net Assets	\$	3,265,710	\$	2,049,296

#### **Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements**

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### C. TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED NET ASSETS:

JLT's temporarily restricted net assets consisted of the following at December 31, 2015 and 2014:

	 2015	_	2014
Purpose Restriction:	 _	_	_
For stewardship of Bullis Forest Preserve	\$ 91,410	\$	94,191
Satterberg Foundation Grant	97,026		-
Working Farm Fund	-		68
Consulting fees	4,410		6,000
Anonymous Agricultural Foundation Grant	49,153		-
Stewardship funding	538,730		534,117
Working Land & Habitat Fund	-		51,390
Education Outreach Fund	19,915		22,436
Other program restrictions	10,201	_	10,573
	 810,845	_	718,775
Time Restriction:			
Outstanding pledges	 311,097	-	451,123
Total Temporarily Restricted Net Assets	\$ 1,121,942	\$	1,169,898

Net assets of \$221,727 and \$167,729, respectively, were released from donor restrictions by incurring expenses satisfying the purpose restriction specified by the donor, and net assets of \$140,025 and \$175,520, respectively, were released due to the expiration of time restrictions for the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014.

### D. PERMANENTLY RESTRICTED NET ASSETS:

At December 31, 2015 and 2014, respectively, JLT had \$52,599 and \$44,479 of permanently restricted net assets in a general endowment fund, the income of which is available to support general operations.

### **E. ENDOWMENTS:**

The JLT endowment consists of one fund established to support general operations. As required by U.S. GAAP, net asset associated with endowment funds are classified and reported based on the existence or absence of donorimposed restrictions.

Nature of Endowments and Interpretation of Relevant Laws- JLT's Board of Directors has reviewed the Washington State Prudent Management of Institutional Funds Act (PMIFA) and, having considered its rights and obligations thereunder, has determined that it is desirable to preserve, on a long-term basis, the fair value of the original gift as of the gift date of the donor-restricted endowment funds absent explicit donor stipulations to the contrary. As a result of this determination, JLT classifies as permanently restricted nets assets (a) the original value of gifts donated to the permanent endowment, and (b) the original value of subsequent gifts to the permanent endowment made in accordance with the direction of the applicable donor gift instrument at the time the accumulation is added to the fund.

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The remaining portion of the donor-restricted endowment fund that is not classified in permanently restricted net assets is classified as temporarily restricted net assets until those amounts are appropriated for expenditure by JLT in a manner consistent with the standard of prudence prescribed by PMIFA. However, JLT has informed donors of its spending policy which states that no distributions will be made during the first five years of the fund's existence or until it reaches a threshold balance of \$400,000. Since these milestones have not yet been reached, JLT adds all amounts earned to the permanently restricted balance.

In accordance with PMIFA, JLT considers the following factors in making a determination to appropriate or accumulate donor-restricted endowment funds, (1) the duration and preservation of the various funds, (2) the purposes of the donor-restricted endowment funds, (3) general economic conditions, (4) the possible effect of inflation and deflation, (5) the expected total return from income and the appreciation of investments, (6) other resources of JLT, and (7) JLT's investment policies.

Endowment net assets, all permanently restricted, totaled \$52,599 and \$44,479, respectively, at December 31, 2015 and 2014.

Changes in endowment net assets for the year ended December 31, 2015 are as follows:

	Temporarily	Permanently	
	Restricted	Restricted	Total
Endowment Net Assets 1/1/2015	-	\$ 44,479 \$	44,479
Contributions	-	7,660	7,660
Investment Income	-	957	957
Net Appreciation (Depreciation)		(497)	(497)
Endowment Net Assets 12/31/15	-	\$ 52,599 \$	52,599

Changes in endowment net assets for the year ended December 31, 2014 are as follows:

	Temporarily Restricted			Permanently Restricted	Total	
Endowment Net Assets 1/1/2014	\$	-	\$	35,910 \$	35,910	
Contributions		-		7,887	7,887	
Investment Income		-		831	831	
Net Appreciation (Depreciation)	_	-		(149)	(149)	
Endowment Net Assets 12/31/14	\$ _	-	\$	44,479 \$	44,479	

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**Funds with Deficiencies**- From time to time, the fair value of assets associated with individual donor-restricted endowment funds may fall below the level that the donor or PMIFA requires JLT to retain as a fund of perpetual duration. In accordance with U.S. GAAP, deficiencies of this nature are reported in unrestricted net assets. There were no such deficiencies as of December 31, 2015 or 2014.

Return Objectives and Risk Parameters- JLT has adopted investment and spending policies for endowment assets that attempt to provide a predictable stream of funding to programs supported by its endowment while seeking to maintain the purchasing power of the endowment assets. Endowment assets include those assets of donor-restricted funds that JLT must hold in perpetuity or for donor-specified periods as well as board-designated funds. Under this policy, as approved by the Board of Directors, the endowment assets are invested in a manner that is intended to produce results that exceed the price and yield results of a custom Policy Index made up of various indices. The composition of the custom Policy Index is based upon the strategic asset allocation of the investment portfolio and assumes a moderate level of investment risk. The investment objectives of the Operations Endowment Fund include maintenance of principal, timely liquidity, and preservation of purchasing power over time.

**Strategies Employed for Achieving Objectives**- To satisfy its long-term rate-of-return objective, JLT notes that for funds earmarked for capital appreciation, appropriate investments include intermediate term bond funds/ETF's, equity mutual funds, equity ETF's, and unconstrained bond funds.

**Spending Policy and How the Investment Objectives Relate to the Spending Policy**- JLT's spending policy intends that no distributions shall be made from the Operations Endowment Fund for the first five years of its existence or until it reaches a threshold balance of \$400,000, whichever shall first occur. After a five-year period which ended in December of 2014, or after achieving the \$400,000 threshold, distributions shall be made on an annual basis as determined by the Board. Regular disbursements should be limited to a maximum of 5% of the value of the portfolio at the beginning of each fiscal year, or one-half of the income generated by the fund for the most recent fiscal year, whichever is less. At no time will the distribution of the spendable amount result in the invasion of the original amounts donated.

### F. ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE:

Accounts receivable are stated at the amount management expects to collect from outstanding balances. Management provides for probable uncollectible amounts through a charge to earnings and a credit to a valuation allowance based on its assessment of the current status of individual accounts. Balances still outstanding after management has used reasonable collection efforts are written off through a charge to the valuation allowance and a credit to trade accounts receivable.

Historically, bad debts have been immaterial. During 2015 and 2014, there were bad debts of \$0 and \$0, respectively. As of December 31, 2015, management estimated that all accounts receivable were collectible.

JLT had no material amounts past due at December 31, 2015.

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### G. PLEDGES RECEIVABLE:

JLT received promises to give from a number of donors in years prior to 2015. JLT has provided an allowance for uncollectible amounts based on its assessment of the current status of individual pledges and has discounted pledges to current value using a rate of .6%. Pledges receivable at December 31, 2015 are to be received as follows:

Less than one year	\$	98,900
Two to five years		211,304
Thereafter	_	14,300
		324,504
Less discount to present value		(3,268)
Less allowance for uncollectible	_	(10,138)
	\$	311,098

JLT has implemented a new development strategy that will result in a significant reduction of pledge receivables over the next 5 years. This planned reduction is in response to several changes in JLT's constituency – an increase in foundation grants, an increase in an operating reserve that will provide emergency working cash equivalent to 6 months of operational expenses, and a desire by our donors to not request commitments that are relatively inflexible.

### H. NOTE RECEIVABLE:

On February 15, 2008, JLT granted a loan to an individual in relation to one of the pieces of conservation land owned by JLT. A promissory noted was received in exchange. The promissory note is for the amount of \$93,750 and is to be paid in monthly installments of approximately \$600. The note matures on January 15, 2028 with an annual interest rate of 5%.

Future expected amounts to be received at December 31, 2015 are as follows:

2016	\$ 4,167
2017	4,380
2018	4,604
2019	4,840
2020	5,087
Thereafter	43,966
	\$ 67,044

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### I. FURNITURE, EQUIPMENT, AND IMPROVEMENTS:

Furniture, Equipment, and Improvements consist of the following at December 31, 2015 and 2014:

		2015	2014
Furniture & Equipment	\$	38,678	\$ 28,286
Accumulated Depreciation	_	(25,329)	 (21,154)
	•	13,349	7,132
Leasehold Improvements		29,852	_
Accumulated Depreciation		(2,985)	-
		26,867	
Fixed Assets-Net	\$	40,216	\$ 7,132

Accumulated Depreciation was \$28,314 and \$21,154 at December 31, 2015 and 2014, respectively.

## J. LAND AND CONSERVATION EASEMENTS:

Land and conservation easements at December 31 are summarized as follows:

	2015	2014
Quimper Wildlife Corridor	\$ 417,869	\$ 329,847
Chimacum Creek	284,410	284,410
Duckabush Riparian Forest	492,800	220,000
Donovan Creek	205,000	205,000
Duckabush Wetlands & Oxbow	530,000	180,000
Bulis Forest Preserve	125,240	125,240
Upper Snow Creek Forest	340,000	-
Snow Creek Uncas Preserve	100,000	100,000
Chimacum Commons	90,850	90,850
Snow Creek Estuary	86,000	86,000
Silver Reach	125,000	-
Gateway	85,000	85,000
Kilham Corner	38,930	38,930
Conservation easements	 54	 54
Total Unrestricted Net Assets	\$ 2,921,151	\$ 1,745,331

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### K. ECONOMIC DEPENDENCY:

For 2015 and 2014, grant funding was primarily provided by the State of Washington Recreation and Conservation Office and Jefferson County. A reduction in this level of support, if it were to occur, could have a significant impact on JLT's operations.

#### L. CONTINGENCIES:

Amounts received or receivable from federal and state government agencies are subject to audit and potential adjustment by the contracting agencies. Any disallowed claims, including amounts already collected, would become a liability of JLT if so determined in the future. It is management's belief that no material amounts received or receivable will be required to be returned in the future.

### M. RETIREMENT PLAN:

JLT maintains a Simplified Employee Pension – Individual Retirement Accounts Contribution Benefit Plan ("the Plan"). Eligible employees may join the Plan after one year of service. There were no employer contributions for 2015 or 2014.

### N. LEASE AGREEMENTS:

On June 21, 2012, JLT entered into an operating lease as lessee for its administrative office in Port Townsend, Washington. The lease expired in June of 2014 and is now on a month to month basis. The agreement calls for monthly payments of \$1,563 plus utilities. JLT also rents a storage unit on a month to month basis. Rent expense totaled \$20,730 and \$19,200 for the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014, respectively.

### O. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS:

No events have occurred through June 9, 2016, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued based on JLT facts and circumstances, for events requiring recording or disclosure in the financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2015.

#### P. INCOME TAX & UNCERTAIN TAX POSITIONS:

Jefferson Land Trust and JLT Resources, LLC (a disregarded entity) are tax exempt non-profit organizations under the Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3) and are not classified as a private foundation. Accordingly, the financial statements do not include any provision for income taxes.

JLT files income tax returns in the U.S. federal jurisdiction. The Trust is no longer subject to U.S. federal income tax examinations by tax authorities for years before 2012. Currently, there is no examination or pending examination with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) or any other state or federal taxing authorities.

JLT adopted the provisions of FASB ASC 740-10, Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes, on January 1, 2009. As of December 31, 2015, there are no tax positions for which the deductibility is certain but for which there is uncertainty regarding the timing of such deductibility.

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### Q. INVESTMENTS AND FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS:

JLT follows U.S. GAAP which establishes a framework for measuring fair value. That framework provides a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1 Measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3 Measurements). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy under ASC 958 are described as follows:

Level 1: Inputs to the valuation methodology are unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in active markets that the Trust has the ability to access.

Level 2: Inputs to valuation methodology include: Quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets. Quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in inactive markets. Inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability. Inputs that are principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means.

Level 3: Inputs to the valuation methodology are unobservable and significant to the fair value measurement.

The asset or liability's fair value measurement level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Valuation techniques used need to maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs.

Following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for assets measured at fair value. There have been no changes in the methodologies used at December 31, 2015.

Stocks: Valued at quoted market prices in active markets for identical assets.

Mutual Funds: Valued at quoted market prices in active markets, which represent the net asset value (NAV) of shares held by the JLT at year end.

Certificates of Deposit: Valued at original investment plus received and accrued interest.

The preceding methods described may produce a fair value calculation that may not be indicative of net realizable value or reflective of future fair values. Furthermore, although the Trust believes its valuation methods are appropriate and consistent with other market participants, the use of different methodologies or assumptions to determine the fair value of certain financial instruments could result in a different fair value measurement at the reporting date.

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The following table sets forth by level, within the fair value hierarchy, JLT's assets at fair value as of December 31, 2015:

Assets at Fair Value as of December 31, 2015

	_	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Stocks	\$	- \$	- \$	- \$	=
Mutual funds	_	376,376		<u> </u>	376,376
Total Assets at Fair Value:	\$ =	376,376 \$	\$_	\$	376,376
Certificates of deposit, held at cost plus accrued interest					176,867
<b>Total Investments</b>				\$	553,243

The following table sets forth by level, within the fair value hierarchy, JLT's assets at fair value as of December 31, 2014:

Assets at Fair Value as of December 31, 2014

	_	Level 1	_	Level 2	Level 3	_	Total
Stocks	\$	98,642	\$	-	\$ -	\$	98,642
Mutual funds	_	44,197	_	-		_	44,197
Total Assets at Fair Value:	\$ _	142,839	\$	-	\$	\$	142,839
Certificates of deposit, held							
at cost plus accrued interest							235,212
<b>Total Investments</b>						\$	378,051

Investment return for the years ended December 31 consisted of the following:

		<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	
Interest income Realized/unrealized (loss) gain		10,613 \$ (2,540)	10,589 (1,282)	
Total	\$	8,073 \$	9,307	

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### R. LAND PURCHASE AND HOLD FEE:

JLT signed a purchase and sale agreement with a third party during 2015 for the purchase of approximately 850 acres of forest land in Jefferson County. The terms of the agreement, dated March 17, 2015, require JLT to purchase the property for an amount not to exceed the appraised fair market value of the property.

The terms of the agreement required the payment of a \$100,000 non-refundable hold fee to the third party to allow time for the purchase process to be completed and for JLT to raise the necessary funding to complete the purchase. The hold fee agreement expires on March 17, 2019. If the purchase is not completed by that date, an additional \$75,000 non-refundable hold fee will be due.

JLT is amortizing the hold fee over the four year life of the agreement and recognized \$25,000 in amortization during 2015.