



**Justin P. Wilson, Comptroller**

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## **Lincoln County Receives Clean Audit**

Tennessee Comptroller Justin P. Wilson is pleased to announce that Lincoln County government has achieved a distinctive honor.

Lincoln County has received a clean audit report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016. This means the county's audit report was completed without any findings. Few counties can claim to have an audit report without a finding indicating weaknesses or deficiencies in government operations.

The audit of Lincoln County revealed a strong system that allows for accurate financial reporting and clear checks and balances that help protect taxpayer money. Lincoln County residents should be encouraged that county leaders and elected officials are taking their responsibilities seriously.

Lincoln County had only one audit finding in fiscal year 2015 and that issue has now been resolved.

"A clean audit report is a strong indicator of good government," said Comptroller Justin P. Wilson. "Lincoln County can now claim to have one of the strongest county governments in Tennessee. I'd like to congratulate county leaders and employees for this accomplishment."

Lincoln County joins Bedford County, Blount County, Greene County, Hawkins County, Lawrence County, Overton County, Tipton County, Unicoi County, Warren County and Williamson County in receiving a clean audit report for fiscal year 2016. The Comptroller will continue to release fiscal year 2016 audits through March of 2017.

View the full Lincoln County Audit Report at <http://www.comptroller.tn.gov/la/>

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