

Office of the Washington State Auditor

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Exit Conference: Redmond CFD No. 2014-1

The Office of the Washington State Auditor's vision is increased trust in government. Our mission is to provide citizens with independent and transparent examinations of how state and local governments use public funds, and develop strategies that make government more efficient and effective.

The purpose of this meeting is to share the results of your audit and our draft reporting. We value and appreciate your participation.

Audit Reports

We will publish the following reports:

• Accountability audit for January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019 – see draft report.

Audit Highlights

- We would like to thank Malisa Files, Director of Finance/Treasurer, and Julie Elsom, Accounting Manager/liaison, for their cooperation and timely responses to our requests during the audit.
- We thank the District for its ongoing commitment to building a positive relationship.

Finalizing Your Audit

Report Publication

Audit reports are published on our website and distributed via e-mail in an electronic .pdf file. We also offer a subscription service that allows you to be notified by email when audit reports are released or posted to our website. You can sign up for this convenient service at: <u>https://portal.sao.wa.gov/SAOPortal/</u>.

Management Representation Letter

We have included a copy of representations requested of management.

Audit Cost

At the entrance conference, we estimated the cost of the audit to be \$5,100 and actual audit costs will approximately be \$2,900 due to audit efficiency gained and cost savings from travel-related costs.

Your Next Scheduled Audit

Your next audit is scheduled to be conducted in Summer 2021 and will cover the following general areas:

• Accountability for Public Resources

The estimated cost for the next audit based on current rates is \$5,100 plus travel expenses. This preliminary estimate is provided as a budgeting tool and not a guarantee of final cost.

If expenditures of federal awards are \$750,000 or more in any fiscal year, notify our Office so we can schedule your audit to meet federal single audit requirements. Federal awards can include grants, loans, and non-cash assistance such as equipment and supplies.

Working Together to Improve Government

Audit Survey

When your report is released you will receive an audit survey from us. We value your opinions on our audit services and hope you provide feedback.

Local Government Support Team

This team provides support services to local governments through technical assistance, comparative statistics, training, and tools to help prevent and detect a loss of public funds. Our website and client portal offers many resources, including a client Help Desk that answers auditing and accounting questions. Additionally this team assists with the online filing of your financial statements.

The Center for Government Innovation

The Center for Government Innovation of the Office of the Washington State Auditor is designed to offer services specifically to help you help the residents you serve at no additional cost to your government. What does this mean? We provide expert advice in areas like Lean, peer-to-peer networking and culture-building to help local governments find ways to be more efficient, effective and transparent. The Center can help you by providing assistance in financial management, cybersecurity and more. Check out our best practices and other resources that help local governments act on accounting standard changes, comply with regulations, and respond to recommendations in your audit. The Center understands that time is your most precious commodity as a public servant, and we are here to help you do more with the limited hours you have. If you are interested in learning how we can help you maximize your effect in government, call us at (564) 999-0818 or email us at <u>Center@sao.wa.gov</u>.

Questions?

Please contact us with any questions about information in this document or related audit reports.

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