Audit Division Update

Finance and Audit Committee March 13, 2025

Data Classification: Unrestricted



Today's Agenda

- Review of 4Q 2024 audits
 - Compliance Audits
 - Capital Project Certification Audits
- 2024 Audit Division Annual Report
- Request committee approval of the 2025 Performance Audit topic

2024 Audit Plan Progress (Completion rate)

As of 03/04

(15) Completed	100%	Overall audit plan completion % Based on 15 total audits (15 completed)			
	4000/	Compliance Audit Group			
(7) Complete	100%	Based on 7 audits (7 completed)			
(6) Complete	100%	Capital Project Certification Audits Based on 6 audits (6 completed)			
(2) Complete	100%	Performance Audits Based on 2 audits (2 completed)			



2024 Audit Plan (Compliance)

		Audit Activity		
Audit Project by Topic	Planned	In Progress	Complete	Comments
Environmental & Sustainability Management Systems (ESMS) Internal Audit				No findings
Link Light Rail Annual Internal Safety Audit				No findings
Tacoma Link Annual Internal Safety Audit			\checkmark	No findings
Sounder Commuter Rail Internal Safety Audit			\checkmark	1 finding
FRA Railroad Accidents / Incidents Safety Audit			\checkmark	No findings
Internal Public Safety & Emergency Management Internal Audit				No findings
ST Express Annual Internal Safety Audit				No findings



2024 Audit Plan (Capital Project Certification)

		Audit Activity		
Audit Project by Topic	Planned	In Progress	Complete	Comments
East Link "Starter Line" Pre-Integrated Testing Safety & Security Certification Audit				No findings
East Link "Starter Line" Operational Readiness Safety & Security Certification Audit				No findings
Lynnwood Link Design & Construction Conformance Safety & Security Certification Audit				2 findings
Lynnwood Link Pre-Operational and Integrated Testing Safety & Security Certification Audit				1 finding
Lynnwood Link Operational Readiness Safety & Security Certification Audit				3 findings
Federal Way Link Extension Design Conformance Safety & Security Certification Audit				1 finding



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2024 Performance Dashboard

Audits Completed	15
Performance audits	2
Performance audits Compliance audits - Internal Compliance	
- Internal Compliance	7
- Capital Project Certification	6

Issues found	44	Prior audits closed	4
Findings Observations	16 28		

Special Audit & Loss Reports	1		
Submitted to SAO	1		
 Special Audits** 			
- Loss Reports			
Cybersecurity Incidents	1		
Fraud, Waste, Abuse	0		

**At the expressed direction of the CEO, the Audit Division may perform a *special request audit* in response to unique or nonroutine circumstance within the agency.

These audits differ from regularly scheduled or planned audits work and are conducted under specific conditions or requests that necessitate immediate or targeted evaluation.





Plan Year	Compliance	Effectiveness & Efficiency	Financial	Internal Control	IT/Technology	Operational	Risk Management	Safety & Security	Strategic
2017			1	5					
2018	3	1	1	3				3	
2019	1	6	1	3	1	2		13	
2020	2	2		1	1	1		4	
2021	4	3		9	7	6	2	21	
2022	4	1		4		2		5	1
2023	1		1			1	1	13	1
2024	3	3	1	2				7	
Total	18	16	5	27	9	12	3	66	2



Audit Experience & Improvement Survey

- Part of the Audit Division's Quality Assurance & Improvement Program requires customer satisfaction as part of improving quality of the Internal Audit function and process.
- Starting in October 2024, we began formally surveying our audit responsible parties and requesting feedback.
- We received responses from 6 of 10 survey respondents (60%).



2025 Performance audit topic

Recommended Topic: Disaster Preparedness







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