



THE METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT
OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Board Report

Office of the General Auditor

• General Auditor's Report for December 2024

Summary

This report highlights significant activities of the Office of the General Auditor for the month ended December 31, 2024.

Purpose

Informational

Attachments

None

Detailed Report

Audit & Advisory Projects

Twenty-eight projects are in progress:

- Ten audit projects are in the report preparation phase.
 - Two draft reports were issued this month: (1) Employee Tuition Reimbursement and (2) Cybersecurity: Inventory & Control of IT Assets; management responses for both are due 1/24/2025
 - Management feedback on two preliminary draft reports has not been received: (1) Sensis, Inc. (originally shared 9/30/2024) and (2) Fallowed Land (originally shared 10/31/2024)
- Eighteen projects are in the execution phase, including nine audits and nine advisories.

Work priority is being given to the nine carryforward audits.

Follow-Up Reviews

Nine audits are in the follow-up phase:

- Seven follow-up reviews are in progress.
- Two follow-up reviews are in planning.

No follow-up review forms are greater than 30 days overdue.

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Other General Auditor Activities

1. Global Internal Audit Standards

Evaluation and adoption of the updated standards issued by the Institute of Internal Auditors, effective January 9, 2025, is in progress.

2. Internal Quality Assessment

Preparation for the annual internal quality assessment required by professional internal auditing standards is in progress; surveys have been received from department staff, the Board, and management; results will be presented to the Audit Subcommittee of the Executive Committee.

3. Senior Audit Manager Recruitment

Collaboration with Human Resources to fill this position is in progress.

4. Training

Audit staff attended "Effective Auditing of Construction Activity" and IT audit staff attended "The Basics of Auditing Artificial Intelligence for Government Auditors."

5. Retirements

Principal Auditors Leoncio Roldan and Arturo Castro retired after serving the district for 28 years and 17 years respectively.