THE METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Board Report

Office of the General Auditor

- **General Auditor's Summary of Activities for September 2026**

Summary

This report summarizes the Office of the General Auditor's operational and administrative activities for the month ended September 30, 2026.

Purpose

Informational

Attachments

1. General Auditor's Monthly Activity Report for September 2026

Details

The General Auditor's monthly activity report is presented as an infographic. Items are organized by our service portfolio and include:

Audit & Advisory Services

1. **Reports Issued.** We follow a three-step reporting process. First, we provide a collaboration report to management for informal review and comment. Next, we issue a draft report that requires a formal management response within 30 days. Any responses more than 30 days overdue are noted in this report. The last step is to issue the final report.
2. **Recommendations Issued.** We use a priority rating system to indicate the urgency of addressing identified conditions and related risks. Priority 1 recommendations should receive immediate management attention, while Priority 2 and Priority 3 recommendations should be addressed within three and six months, respectively. Additional details on the rating system are provided in the appendix of each audit report.
3. **Project Status & Comments.** This section reports on the number of audit and advisory engagements in progress along with any related comments.

Follow-up Reviews

4. **Reports Issued.** We perform follow-up reviews to assess the implementation status of recommendations from our original audits.
5. **Implementation Status**. To support our follow-up reviews, we use a classification system to assess management's progress in implementing our recommendations. Each action is rated as Implemented, In Process, Not Implemented, or Closed. Additional details about this classification system are provided in the appendix of each follow-up review report.
6. **Project Status & Comments.** This section reports the number of follow-up reviews currently in progress, along with any related comments.

Date of Report: October 13, 2026

To support the follow-up process, we issue a follow-up review form with each final audit report. Management must complete and return the form within six months of the report's issuance. Any forms more than 30 days past due are included in the monthly activity report.

Administration & Other Activities

These activities contribute to the effective operation of the internal audit function and support the department's business plan.

General Auditor's Monthly Activity Report

September 2026

AUDIT & ADVISORY SERVICES

FINAL REPORTS ISSUED **1**

DRAFT REPORTS ISSUED **1**

COLLABORATION REPORTS ISSUED **1**

RECOMMENDATIONS ISSUED

PRIORITY 1	PRIORITY 2	PRIORITY 3
0	0	0

0 MANAGEMENT RESPONSES > 30 DAYS OVERDUE

PROJECT STATUS	12 IN PROGRESS	4 AUDIT
		8 ADVISORY

COMMENTS

- A collaboration report on the one remaining carryforward project is expected in October.
- The final report issued is CRA Discharge Line Isolation Couplings Rehabilitation Project Assessment.

FOLLOW-UP REVIEWS

FOLLOW-UP REPORTS ISSUED **0**

IMPLEMENTATION STATUS

IMPLEMENTED	IN PROCESS	NOT IMPLEMENTED	CLOSED
0	0	0	0

PROJECT STATUS

6 FOLLOW-UP REVIEWS IN PROGRESS

0 FOLLOW-UP FORMS > 30 DAYS OVERDUE

COMMENTS

One final close-out follow-up report is expected in October.

ADMINISTRATION & OTHER ACTIVITIES

- The external audit RFP was posted to PlanetBids; bids are due October 5.
- Assistance to the external auditor, Macias Gini & O'Connell LLP, continues.
- Management and staff attended the IIA's Enterprise Risk Management Conference.
- Management attended an IIA public sector internal auditor training.
- Preparation for the internal quality assessment process continues.
- Audit Manager job announcement posted.