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Auditor General

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Dear Governor Whitmer, Senators, and Representatives:

This letter provides information regarding the status of our audit projects that either began or transitioned into new audit phases during February 2021. Please refer to our website's Work in Progress for a complete listing of ongoing projects. We would be pleased to discuss with you any interests or areas of concern you have with any of our ongoing projects.

Planning Phase - These are new projects. Typical activities include conducting: the audit entrance meeting; a preliminary survey to identify the audited entity's core activities; assessments of risks and corresponding controls to identify potential program or process improvements or deficiencies; interviews with management and staff, development of detailed audit objectives, and many other tasks.

Audit Title and Type

(Performance - per / Financial - fin / Follow-up - fol /

Contracted - con / Single - sa / Review - rev / Investigative - inv)

Department

Project Number

None

Audits Terminated - For these projects, after completing the planning phase, we concluded that significant risk did not exist to warrant additional use of audit resources or that extenuating circumstances supported the termination of the project. When appropriate, we issued a Preliminary Survey Summary to reflect this conclusion, distributed copies to management and select legislative members, and posted the summaries on our website.

Department

Audit Title and Type

Project Number

None

Audit Fieldwork - Typical activities include: additional management and staff interviews; detailed testing of financial transactions, case files, information systems, and other documentation which support the entity's operations; status updates with management and staff; and other tasks.

Department

Audit Title and Type

Project Number

None

Please note that some projects, particularly financial audits and follow-up reports, operate from pre-established audit objectives and, therefore, move directly to the audit fieldwork stage.

Report Preparation - Typical activities include: preparing the draft audit report, discussion of draft findings with the audited entity, receipt of the entity's preliminary responses to findings, and other tasks.

Department	Audit Title and Type	Project Number	Estimated Audit Release Date
Labor and Economic Opportunity and State Budget Office	Michigan State Housing Development Authority - (sa)	000-0800-21	March 2021
Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy and Labor and Economic Opportunity	Brownfield Redevelopment Financing Program - (per)	186-0420-20	April 2021
Treasury	Offers in Compromise Program - (per)	271-0145-20	April 2021

Audits Released

Department	Audit Title and Type	Project Number	Date Released	Number of	
				Material Weaknesses	Reportable Conditions
Legislature	Michigan Legislative Retirement System, Opinion on Financial Statements and Internal Control Report, for the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2020 - (fin)	900-0140-21	02/12/2021	0	0
Technology, Management, and Budget	State of Michigan 401K Plan, Opinion on Financial Statements and Internal Control Report, for the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2020 - (fin)	071-0156-21	02/12/2021	0	0
Technology, Management, and Budget	State of Michigan 457 Plan, Opinion on Financial Statements and Internal Control Report, for the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2020 - (fin)	071-0157-21	02/12/2021	0	0
Labor and Economic Opportunity	Michigan Strategic Fund, Opinion on Financial Statements and Internal Control Report, for the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2020 - (fin)	186-0401-21	02/23/2021	0	0
Labor and Economic Opportunity	Michigan Economic Development Corporation, Opinion on Financial Statements and Internal Control Report, for the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2020 - (fin)	186-0406-21	02/23/2021	0	0
Technology, Management, and Budget	State Building Authority, Opinion on Financial Statements and Internal Control Report, for the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2020 - (con)	NA	02/26/2021	NA	NA

We report this information to you on a monthly basis, and we correspond with auditee management and staff regularly as our projects transition through the various stages referenced above.

Please contact me or Laura Hirst, Deputy Auditor General, at (517) 334-8050 if you have questions regarding this summary or wish to discuss specific audit projects.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Doug Ringler". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Doug Ringler
Auditor General

c: Agency Audit Liaisons
SBO-Office of Internal Audit Services