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Realignment of the Internal Control Program



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MEMORANDUM

To: Director, Management Services Office
Director, Policy and Administration

From: Grayford F. Payne
Deputy Commissioner – Policy,
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Subject: Realignment of the Internal Control Program

The Bureau of Reclamation's Internal Control Program (ICP) is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control and financial management systems that meet the objectives of the Federal Managers' Financial Integrity Act (FMFIA) and comply with the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-123, *Management's Responsibility for Internal Controls*, including Appendix A, *Internal Control over Financial Reporting*. Since fiscal year (FY) 2012, overall responsibility for the ICP has been held by the Director, Policy and Administration (Policy), with responsibility for financial reporting held by the Director, Management Services Office (MSO).

In order to clarify the processes between programmatic and financial reporting, and to promote efficiency, effective October 1, 2014, Policy will continue to be responsible for complying with the programmatic aspects of Circular A-123, and MSO will be responsible for complying with the requirements of Appendix A of Circular A-123 (financial reporting). In order to complete the separation between programmatic and financial internal controls, responsibility for seven assessable units (AU) will transfer to MSO (see attachment).

Governance

- **Senior Management Council (SMC):** The SMC will be streamlined to the Deputy Commissioner - Policy, Administration and Budget and the Deputy Commissioner – Operations. The Director, Policy and Director, MSO will present the internal control information for which they are responsible to the two Deputies for consideration and approval.
- **Senior Assessment Team:** Two Senior Assessment Teams will be established. Representation on each team will be determined by the areas of responsibility of the two directorates responsible for the ICP: Policy and MSO.

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ICP Deliverables

- Component Inventory and 3-Year Review Plan: Policy will continue to manage and report this deliverable as in the past for all AUs except those which are transferring to MSO. MSO will manage and report the AUs for which they are responsible (see attachment).
- Entity Level Questionnaire: Policy will coordinate and report this deliverable for programmatic issues. MSO will coordinate and report entity level assessment information for any financial components, if needed.
- Integrated Risk Rating Tool (IRRT): Policy and MSO will manage and report risk ratings for all programmatic AUs for which they are responsible to the Deputy Commissioner - Policy, Administration and Budget. MSO will continue to manage and report risk rating processes for financial reporting.
- Annual Assurance Statement (AAS): Policy and MSO will issue statements to the Deputy Commissioner - Policy, Administration and Budget, to be rolled up into the Commissioner's AAS.

ICP Automated Tracking System

- Currently Reclamation uses a database software application *Governance, Risk, and Compliance (GRC)* to document programmatic and financial internal control information, as well as single audit information. Policy is currently the business owner of this application, and as such, coordinates with users across Reclamation (including MSO users) to resolve issues and implement changes. Policy will continue to be the business owner of GRC through FY 2014. In FY 2015, MSO will become the business owner of GRC. GRC's approved budget of \$161,000 and budget responsibilities will transfer to MSO at that time.
- Policy is developing requirements for a SharePoint-based application to document programmatic internal control information. In FY 2015, Policy will submit a Business Decision Document to the Information Technology Investment Council for approval and will continue to use GRC until the SharePoint application is implemented.

Policy will work with MSO to complete this year's reporting cycle. Other processes and documents will be developed and distributed as this transition progresses.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 202-513-0509.

Attachment

cc: 91-00000 (Pimley, Rice), 91-10400 (Armani), 94-00000 (Oates), 94-30000 (Quarles, Wolf), 96-43000 (Ives), 96-00000
84-21000 (Bickford, Smiley), 84-21200 (DeNiro), 84-27000 (Speck), 84-27410 (Morrow), 84-27700 (Nicholson), 84-27820 (Terrell), 84-40000 (Baals, Howard), 84-41000 (GAnderson, Feltman), 84-50000 (Shepet), 84-52000 (Kunkel-Shields, Massengill), 84-52100 (Evans, Tanglen), 84-55000 (Stock), 84-57000 (Herrera), 84-58000 (Hulick, Sjerven), 84-59000 (Sutherland), 86-50000 (McCalman, Spiker), 86-62000 (Knipps),

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LC-7300 (CChavez), LC-7201 (Stemmer), LC-7301 (KNelson), LC-7606 (Saxton),
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No.	Component	Assessable Unit	Responsible Directorate
1	Acquisitions & Property Management	Acquisitions	MSO
2	Acquisitions & Property Management	Charge Card Fleet Business Line	MSO
3	Acquisitions & Property Management	Charge Card Purchase Business Line	MSO
4	Acquisitions & Property Management	Charge Card Travel Business Line	MSO
5	Acquisitions & Property Management	Property Policy Management	MSO
6	Asset Management	Associated Facilities RO&M Review	Policy
7	Asset Management	Security	Policy
8	Asset Management	NERG/WECC	Policy
9	Asset Management	PRO&M Review	Policy
10	Dam Safety	EAP	Policy
11	Dam Safety	Dam Safety	Policy
12	Direct Funding Agreements with PMAs	BPA Direct Funding Agreement and Sub-Agreements	MSO
13	Engineering & Cost Estimating	DEC Reviews	Policy
14	Engineering & Cost Estimating	Value Engineering	Policy
15	Environmental Management	Environmental Management Compliance	Policy
16	Environmental Management	NEPA/ESA Mitigation	Policy
17	Financial Assistance	Financial Assistance	MSO
18	Human Capital Management	EEO Program Compliance	Policy
19	Human Capital Management	Ethics	Policy
20	Human Capital Management	HR Program Compliance Accountability	Policy
21	Information Technology	IT Performance and Operational Management	Policy
22	Information Technology	IT Investment/Portfolio Management	Policy
23	Information Technology	IT Risk Management	Policy
24	Land Resource Management	Cultural Resources	Policy
25	Land Resource Management	Land Resources	Policy
25	Land Resource Management	Recreation Management	Policy
27	Native American Affairs - Self Determination/Self Governance	638 Contracts	Policy
28	Planning Studies	Feasibility Studies	Policy
29	Planning Studies	Other Planning Studies	Policy
30	Reclamation Law Compliance	Acresage Limitations	Policy
31	Reclamation Law Compliance	Incidental Revenues	Policy
32	Reclamation Law Compliance	Water Contracting	Policy
33	Safety & Health	Safety	Policy