

# The Northwest Seaport Alliance

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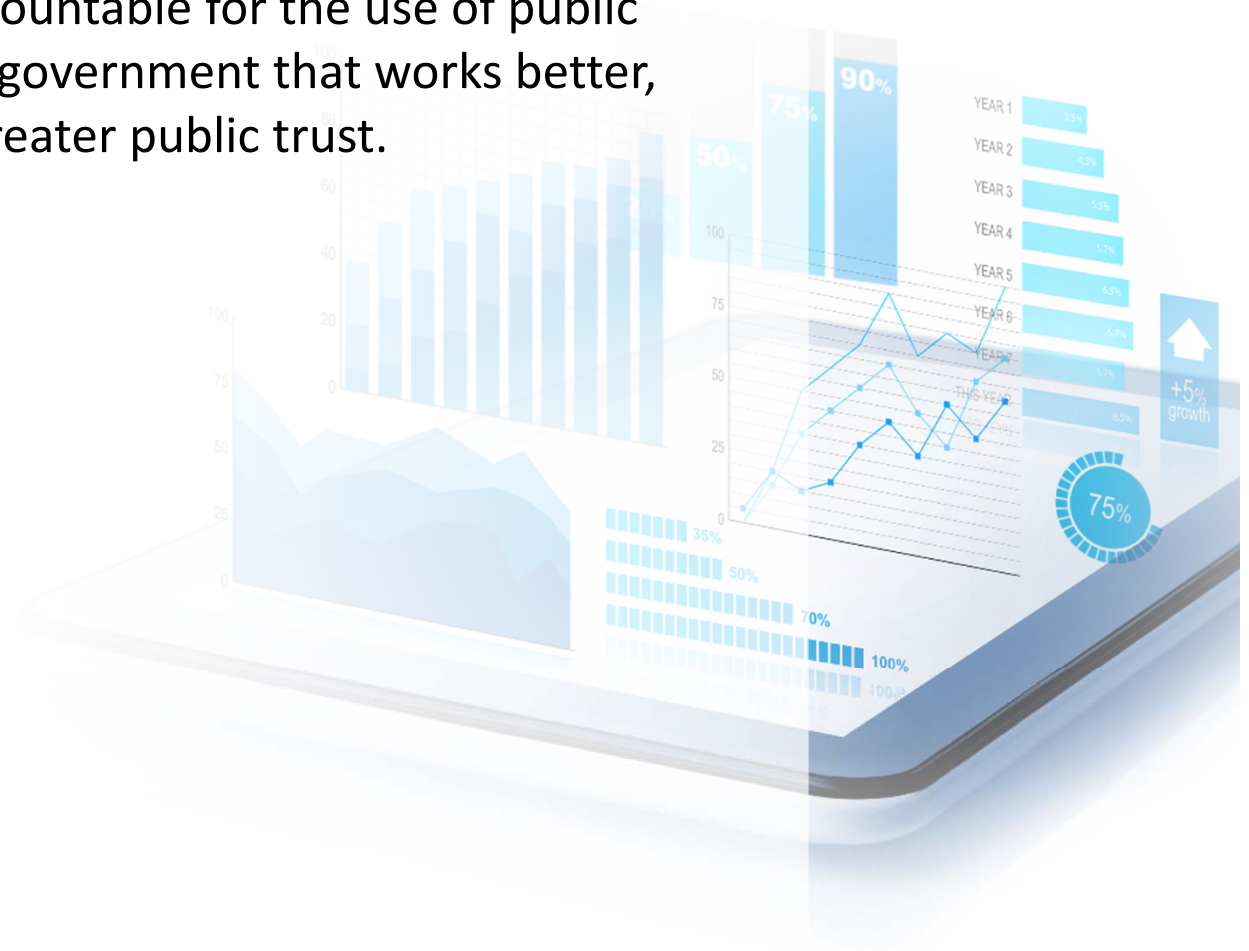
# Today's presentation

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# About our Office

- The Washington State Auditor's Office holds state and local governments accountable for the use of public resources. Our goal is government that works better, costs less and earns greater public trust.



# Accountability Audit Report

The report includes:

- NWSA operations complied with applicable requirements and provided adequate safeguarding of public resources.
- NWSA also complied with state laws and regulations and its own policies and procedures in the areas we examined.





# Accountability audit

- Contracting – compliance with bid law
- Payroll – gross wages, salary increases, bonus and incentive pay, other additional pay
- Purchase card activities – compliance with policies, review, approval, relations to port business
- Wharf revenues – support for billings
- Related party distributions – monthly profit and loss allocations



# Report publication

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- **Accountability Audit:**  
Published December 30, 2019



# Accountability audit

- **Confidential Information**

Our Office is committed to protecting your confidential or sensitive information.

- **Estimated audit costs**

At the entrance conference, we estimated the cost of the audit to be \$35,000 and actual audit costs will approximate that amount.

- **Expected communications**

During the course of the audit, we will communicate with Don Kelley (Manager, Financial Accounting & Deputy Auditor) on the audit status, any significant changes in our planned audit scope or schedule, and preliminary results or recommendations as they are developed.



# Questions





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