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About our Office

The Office of the Washington State Auditor's vision is increased trust in government. Our mission is to provide citizens with independent and transparent examinations of how state and local government use public funds.



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Work of Other Auditors

- A financial statement and single audit was performed by RSM
- In accordance with professional standards, we will consider the audit report and audit work performed by other auditors in the planning of our accountability audit. This includes communicating with the other auditors, evaluating their work and results, and leveraging work already performed, if applicable.

Accountability audit starting in September 2019

Once we have completed our planning for this year's audit we will communicate specific areas for our audit focus. Typical areas that are evaluated for potential review:

- Contracts – bid laws
- Payroll
- Wharf revenue
- Employee purchase cards
- Related party transactions
- Clean truck program



Report publication

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- **Accountability Audit:**
Scheduled for publication late December 2019

Concluding comments

- **Confidential Information**

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

- **Estimated audit costs**

About \$31,000

- **Expected communications**

During the course of the audit, we will communicate with Darren Arakaki (Director, Accounting and Port Auditor) on the audit status, any significant changes in our planned audit scope or schedule, and preliminary results or recommendations as they are developed.

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