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Accountability Audit Report

Fall City Metropolitan Park District King County

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Washington State Auditor Brian Sonntag

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Board of Commissioners Fall City Metropolitan Park District Fall City, Washington

Report on Accountability

Please find attached our report on the Fall City Metropolitan Park District's accountability and compliance with state laws and regulations and its own policies and procedures.

Sincerely,

BRIAN SONNTAG, CGFM

STATE AUDITOR

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ABOUT THE AUDIT

This report contains the results of our independent accountability audit of the Fall City Metropolitan Park District from January 1, 2009 through December 31, 2009.

In keeping with general auditing practices, we did not examine every transaction, activity or area. Instead, the areas examined were those representing the highest risk of noncompliance, misappropriation or misuse. The specific areas examined were the District's compliance with open public record requirements and the Open Public Meetings Act.

ABOUT THE DISTRICT

The District was created in 2009 to represent local interests for park and recreation services. An elected, five-member Board of Commissioners governs the District. For 2009, the District generated approximately \$6,500 in revenue and operated without any employees. In 2010 the District will start receiving property tax revenue anticipated to be approximately \$100,000.

RESULTS

We noted certain matters pertaining to compliance with Open Public Meeting Act that we communicated to District management. We appreciate the District's commitment to resolving those matters. We also determined the District complied with the open public record requirements.



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