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Skagit County

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Mayor and Town Council
Town of Lyman
Lyman, Washington

Report on Accountability

We appreciate the opportunity to work in cooperation with your Town to promote accountability, integrity and openness in government. The State Auditor's Office takes seriously our role to advocate for government accountability and transparency and to promote positive change.

Please find attached our report on Town of Lyman's internal controls and compliance. This report will also be published on our website at www.sao.wa.gov as a matter of public record. Our audit was performed under the authority of state law (RCW 43.09.260) and included procedures we considered necessary under the circumstances.

Thank you for working with us to ensure the efficient and effective use of public resources.

Sincerely,

TROY KELLEY
STATE AUDITOR

Audit Summary

**Town of Lyman
Skagit County
January 6, 2014**

ABOUT THE AUDIT

This report contains the results of our independent accountability audit of Town of Lyman from January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2012.

The objective of our audit was to evaluate the adequacy of the Town's internal controls to safeguard public resources and the Town's compliance with state law and its own policies. In keeping with general auditing practices, we did not review every aspect of the Town's internal controls and compliance. Instead, our review focused on areas representing the highest risk of misappropriation, misuse or noncompliance.

Our report is addressed to the governing body and management of the Town. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.

RESULTS

In the areas we examined, the Town's internal controls were adequate to safeguard public assets. The Town also complied with state laws and its own policies in the areas we examined.

However, we noted certain matters that we communicated to the Town. We appreciate the Town's commitment to resolving those matters.

Description of the Town

**Town of Lyman
Skagit County
January 6, 2014**

ABOUT THE TOWN

The Town of Lyman, established in 1909, serves approximately 450 Skagit County citizens. An elected, five-member Council and a separately elected Mayor govern the Town. The Town has two employees who provide water billing services to residents. It also owns and operates the Lyman Park-Cemetery. For 2011 and 2012, the Town had annual revenue of \$288,334 and \$280,731, respectively.

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