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## Accountability Audit Report

# Clearview Water Supply Agency

Snohomish County

For the period January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2014

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### Report on Accountability

Thank you for the opportunity to work with you to promote accountability, integrity and openness in government. The State Auditor's Office takes seriously our role of providing state and local governments with assurance and accountability as the independent auditor of public accounts. In this way, we strive to help government work better, cost less, deliver higher value and earn greater public trust.

Independent audits provide essential accountability and transparency for Agency operations. This information is valuable to management, the governing body and public stakeholders when assessing the government's stewardship of public resources.

The attached comprises our report on the Agency's compliance and safeguarding of public resources. Our independent audit report describes the overall results and conclusions for areas we examined. We appreciate the opportunity to work with your staff and we value your cooperation during the audit.

Sincerely,

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## AUDIT SUMMARY

### Results in brief

In the areas we audited, Agency operations complied with applicable requirements and provided adequate safeguarding of public resources. The Agency also complied with state laws and regulations and its own policies and procedures in the areas we examined.

### About the audit

This report contains the results of our independent accountability audit of the Clearview Water Supply Agency from January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2014.

Management is responsible for ensuring compliance and adequate safeguarding of public resources from fraud, loss or abuse. This includes the design, implementation and maintenance of internal controls relevant to these objectives.

Our audit involved performing procedures to obtain evidence about the Agency's uses of public resources, compliance with state laws and regulations and its own policies and procedures, and internal controls over such matters.

In keeping with general auditing practices, we do not examine every transaction, activity or area. Instead, the areas examined were those representing the highest risk of fraud, loss, abuse, or noncompliance. The following areas were examined during this audit period:

- Billings/accounts receivables
- Accounts Payable/disbursements
- Procurement

## RELATED REPORTS

### **Financial**

Our opinion on the Agency's financial statements is provided in a separate report issued in May 2015, which includes the Agency's financial statements. That report is available on our website, <http://portal.sao.wa.gov/ReportSearch>.

## INFORMATION ABOUT THE AGENCY

The Clearview Water Supply Project was created in 1996 through an interlocal agreement among Alderwood Water and Wastewater District, Cross Valley Water District and Silver Lake Water District to construct facilities for providing water. The Clearview Water Supply Agency in Snohomish County was established upon completion of the project in March 2005.

Each participating District appoints one Commissioner to serve on the three-member governing Board. For fiscal years 2013 and 2014, the Agency reported operating revenues of \$4.7 million and \$3.7 million, respectively. The Agency has no employees and contracts with Alderwood Water and Wastewater District for accounting and management services.

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### Audit history

You can find current and past audit reports for the Clearview Water Supply Agency at <http://portal.sao.wa.gov/ReportSearch>.

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In fulfilling our mission to hold state and local governments accountable for the use of public resources, we also hold ourselves accountable by continually improving our audit quality and operational efficiency and developing highly engaged and committed employees.

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Our audits look at financial information and compliance with state, federal and local laws on the part of all local governments, including schools, and all state agencies, including institutions of higher education. In addition, we conduct performance audits of state agencies and local governments as well as [fraud](#), state [whistleblower](#) and [citizen hotline](#) investigations.

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