

King County Auditor's Office 2015-16 Work Program

Project Name	Status	Project Focus
Section I: Performance Audits		
Enhanced 911	Complete	Evaluate the operations of King County E-911 including finance and technology management.
Transit Asset Management	Complete	Evaluate the effectiveness of Transit's facilities management program.
Office of Law Enforcement Oversight / Sheriff's Internal Investigation	Complete	KCC 2.20.037. Implement annual review of Office of Law Enforcement Oversight and the Sheriff's Internal Investigations Unit.
Riparian Project Management	Complete	Evaluate the efficiency, economy, and effectiveness of WLRD's capital project management of flood district projects.
Solid Waste Demand Management and Landfill Diversion	Complete	Evaluate the extent to which the Solid Waste Division is utilizing demand management techniques at transfer stations. Assess the effectiveness of Solid Waste's approach to diverting waste from the Cedar Hills Regional Landfill.
Paratransit	Pending	Evaluate the efficiency and effectiveness of how Transit provides services under its ADA Paratransit program.
Sheriff Overtime	Pending	KCC 2.20.037. Examine the use of overtime by employees of the King County Sheriff's Office with a focus on cost and safety impacts.
Sheriff Early Warning System	Pending	KCC 2.20.037. Evaluate the effectiveness of the existing early warning system intended to flag potentially problematic officer behavior in the King County Sheriff's Office.
Transit IT (Replacement of 4.9 Network IT Project)	Pending	Evaluate KCIT and DOT's approach to the project including analysis of alternatives, benefits realization, and risk management.
Strategic Goal Area Review	Pending	KCC 2.10.124. Implement annual review of one strategic planning goal area.
Merit Pay	Pending	Evaluate the effectiveness and equity of the allocation of merit pay within King County. Review the relationship between merit pay and performance management.
King County Courthouse System Revitalization	Phase 1 complete Phase 2 underway	Evaluate FMD's approach to the project including analysis of alternatives, process of selecting preferred alternatives, and project management effectiveness.
Rate Predictions	Phase 1 complete Phase 2 underway	Evaluate the rate forecasts various divisions have made in the past and reconcile these forecasts with actual enacted rates.
Office of Emergency Management	Underway	Evaluate the efficiency, economy, and effectiveness of Office of Emergency Management, including the Emergency Operations Center.
Transit Component Supply Center	Underway	Examine the cost-effectiveness of the methods used for making decisions on whether to purchase new, purchase rebuilds, or build components in-house.
Capital Project Debt Usage	Underway	Evaluate the effectiveness and impact of debt usage for capital projects across county programs.

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King County Lean	Underway	Evaluate the approach to and impact of implementing lean methods in King County.
County Real Estate	Underway	Assess the effectiveness of real estate decision-making and implementation processes across divisions.
Emergency Medical Services	Underway	Implement mandated performance audit of Emergency Medical Services activities under the 2014-2019 EMS Levy.
Section II: Direct Capital Projects Oversight		
Children and Family Justice Center	Ongoing	Continue to provide ongoing oversight of FMD's Children and Family Justice Center project with emphasis on scope, schedule, and budget performance, and providing timely information.
Factoria Recycling and Transfer Station	Ongoing	Continue to provide ongoing oversight of SWD's Factoria Transfer and Recycling Station project with emphasis on scope, schedule, and budget performance, and providing timely information.
Georgetown Combined Sewer Overflow Project	Ongoing	Provide ongoing oversight of WTD's Georgetown CSO project with emphasis on scope, schedule, and budget performance, and providing timely information.
Puget Sound Emergency Radio Network Project	Ongoing	Provide ongoing oversight of KCIT's Puget Sound Emergency Radio Network project with emphasis on scope, schedule, and budget performance, and providing timely information.
South County Recycling and Transfer Station	Ongoing	Provide ongoing oversight of Solid Waste's South County Recycling and Transfer Station project with emphasis on scope, schedule, and budget performance, and providing timely information.
Section III: Supplemental Performance Audits if Capacity Allows or Issue Becomes Critical		
Assessor	Likely no capacity	Evaluate efficiency, economy, and effectiveness of the Assessor's Office. Assess inclusion of equity and social justice objectives.
Parks	Likely no capacity	Review operational spending and capital projects to increase efficiency, economy, and effectiveness.
Acquisition of Heavy and Metered Vehicles	Likely no capacity	Determine to what extent acquisition of heavy and metered vehicles follows best practices and King County Code.
Budgeting for End of Career Costs	Likely no capacity	Evaluate the effectiveness and equity of budgeting for end of career costs within King County.
Public Health	Pending	Scope will be informed by the 2015-16 budget deliberations and the results of several ongoing studies of Public Health. Assess inclusion of equity and social justice objectives.
Public Defense	Pending	Evaluate efficiency, economy, and effectiveness of Office of Public Defense operations. Assess inclusion of equity and social justice objectives.

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Section IV: Additional Efforts		
APTA Recommendation Follow-up	Complete	Follow-up on the recommendations from the 2014 American Public Transportation Association report.
Strategic Goal Area Planning	Complete	Develop a framework for implementation of our annual review of one strategic planning goal area as mandated in KCC 2.10.124.
Capital Program Reporting	Ongoing	Analyze and follow-up on executive-produced quarterly capital project reports.
Risk Scoring	Ongoing	Assist and consult during annual process to score and select capital projects for mandatory phased appropriation.
Follow-up of Past Recommendations	Ongoing	Enhance accountability by following up on all open recommendations to determine the extent to which departments implement recommendations.
Pre-Budget Review	Pending	Summary of the King County Auditor's Office's relevant audit and oversight work to enhance County Council discussion and analysis for the 2017-18 budget process.