

**Audit Status Report  
As of March 23, 2010**

State Legislative Audit Activities

None

External Audit Reports & Activities

Final Reports Issued:

None

Work in Progress:

University of Alaska TRS, PERS, and SSA (SOA Department of Administration)

FY07 Incurred Costs for Fringe Benefits (DCAA)

National Science Foundation Audit of UAA Grants (NSF OIG)

## FY2010 Annual Audit Plan

*Italic Items* - have been completed or are in progress

Special requests and investigations are listed by their audit number in order to maintain confidentiality

### **KPMG External Audit Support**

*Year-end cutoff*  
*Inventory observation*  
*Cash disbursements & bank transfers*  
*Cash depositories*  
*Auxiliary fund analysis*  
*Unexpended plant fund addition*  
*Search for unrecorded liabilities*

### **Function and System Reviews**

*MAU Risk Assessments – in progress, this is an ongoing project*  
*Continuous Controls Auditing – in progress, this is an ongoing project*

### **UAA**

*Procurement (Cell Phone Procurement)*  
*Departmental Review\* (Facilities Maintenance & Operations)*  
*Athletics*  
*Follow-up Audits\* (Follow-up of UAA Facilities, Planning & Construction)*

### **UAF**

Procurement – next in queue  
Departmental Review\* - next in queue  
Rural Campus Review\*  
*Cash Receipts\**  
*Follow-up Audits\* (Follow-up of Cash Receipts)*

### **UAS**

Procurement  
Departmental Review\*  
Rural Campus Review\*

### **Information Systems Reviews**

Campus IT General Controls\*  
*Rural Campus Information Security\**  
Banner Program Upgrade Follow-up

### **Statewide**

Procurement

*Travel*

Follow-up Audits\*

**Special Requests and Investigations**

10-38

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Reports Issued:

- UAF Athletics and Campus Recreation Follow-up (FY09) – Preliminary report issued
- UAF Departmental Travel & Travel Card (FY09) – Preliminary report issued
- Statewide Departmental Cash Receipts (FY09) – Draft report issued

Audits in Review:

None

FY2010 Audit Plan Progress

There are expected to be a few changes to the audits scheduled for FY10. At this time, we do not expect to complete the following audits. They will be included on the FY11 audit plan, however.

1. UAF Rural Campus Review
2. UAS Rural Campus Review
3. UAA Athletics – The majority of the planned scope for this audit was covered by the external audit NCAA Agreed-upon Procedures that was conducted in December 2009
4. Statewide Follow-up
5. Campus IT general controls or Banner Upgrade

We have hired a student intern for spring 2010 and continue to be fully staffed.

MAU Risk Assessments

Update:

We are scheduling to conduct the workshop and risk assessment with UAF on April 12. A follow-up meeting was held with UAA in late February. The two MAUs will present their results at the June Audit Committee meeting.

Background:

In conjunction with the MAU risk assessments that our department is facilitating, we are also working with the chief risk officer to educate UA staff and leadership on enterprise risk management (ERM). It is appropriate for Internal Audit to assist with promoting this activity and lend advice on best practices for ERM. The director for Internal Audit has been providing this assistance with guidance from the Institute of Internal Auditors regarding appropriate auditor roles in ERM.

Our approach has been multi-step: contact each MAU to schedule time with the chancellor and their direct reports, use this time to host a workshop to explain and discuss ERM, and facilitate an executive-level risk assessment (ERA) with the attendees. Part of the ERA process is to assign a responsible person or position to the areas identified, and then to determine the best course of action or mitigation. Suggested next steps for each MAU include performing a risk assessment on the areas that have been identified as higher in risk. Typically this would be a more detailed risk assessment conducted by a single department's staff.

Each MAUs ERA will be presented to the Audit Committee during FY10. A consolidated version of the risk assessment results will be presented to the full board at the June meeting. Internal Audit will also be able to use the results to assist with development of the FY11 audit plan. The ERM process will aid the Board of Regents with their oversight and fiduciary responsibilities by presenting a list of risks, identified and prioritized, by the positions that are most familiar with the business functions.

We plan to continue this approach in FY11 to assist the MAUs, individual departments, and extended sites with their risk assessments, as resources allow.

#### Other Department Activities

- Continuous Controls Monitoring – This is an ongoing project that involves analytical tests which run automatically on a prescheduled basis. An auditor has been assigned to the follow-up of results from tests, refinement of tests, and development of new tests.
  - Potential Duplicate Payments by Accounts Payable
  - Potential Scheduled Payments (unauthorized)
  - Representational expenditures with inappropriate funding sources
  - Gifts Exceeding \$25 Threshold
  - Potential Duplicate Payroll Checks
  - Terminated Employees on the Payroll
  - Phantom Employees
- Quality Assessment Review (QAR) – Progress chart attached

| <b>Tool</b> | <b>Title</b>   | <b>Completed Date</b> | <b>Notes</b>   |
|-------------|--|-----------------------|--|
| Tool 1      | Preparation and Planning for Conducting a QA   | 12/1/2008             | Completed  |
| Tool 2      | Self-Assessment Guide  |                       |  |
| Tool 3      | Chief Audit Executive Questionnaire  | 5/13/2009             | Completed  |
| Tool 4      | Audit Customer Survey  | 7/24/2009             | Completed  |
| Tool 5      | Internal Audit Activity Staff Survey   | 6/18/2009             | Completed  |
| Tool 6      | Interview Guide - Board (Audit Committee) Member   | 12/16/09              | Completed with Regent Tim Brady  |
| Tool 7      | Interview Guide – Executive to Whom the CAE Reports  | 5/21/2009             | Completed with Joe Trubacz, CFO  |
| Tool 8      | Interview Guide – Senior and Operating Management  | 11/6/2009             | Completed with Myron Dosch, Controller; Mark Hamilton, President; and scheduled for Dan Julius, Vice President for Academic Affairs. |
| Tool 8A     | Interview Guide – Chief Information Officer  | 2/04/10               | Completed  |
| Tool 9      | Interview Guide – Chief Audit Executive  |                       |  |
| Tool 10     | Interview Guide – Internal Audit Activity Staff  | 12/18/2009            | Completed  |
| Tool 11     | Interview Guide – External Auditor   | 1/5/2010              | Completed  |
| Tool 12     | IA Activity Structure and Responsibilities   | 1/12/2009             | Completed  |
| Tool 13     | Risk Assessment and Audit Planning   | 1/20/2009             | Completed  |
| Tool 14     | Staff Professional Proficiency   | 2/2/2009              | Completed  |
| Tool 15     | Information Technology   | 2/16/2009             | Completed  |
| Tool 16     | Assessing Production and Value Added   | 3/9/2009              | Completed  |
| Tool 17     | Planning and Conducting the Engagement, Work Paper Review, Audit Report, and Monitoring Progress | 1/22/2010             | Completed  |
| Tool 18     | Observations and Issues Worksheet  |                       | This is where we describe the exceptions noted in the other tools.   |
| Tool 19     | Standards Compliance Evaluation Summary  |                       | This is the summary of all the work papers.  |
| Tool 20     | Reports – Explanatory Information  |                       |  |