

## Attachment 2

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**SAS 114 report for AB900 for the period  
ending December 7, 2021 (Auditor's  
Management Letter)**



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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS

The Board of Supervisors  
of the County of Santa Barbara, California

We have conducted a performance audit of the County of Santa Barbara, California (the County), Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC) Assembly Bill (AB) 900 Northern Branch Jail Construction Project (the Project) from inception (January 15, 2013) through completion (December 7, 2021).

### Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for the County's compliance with the performance requirements relating to the Project under the BSCC Audit Guide.

### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is limited to the objectives listed below, which includes determining the County's compliance with the performance requirements relating to the Project under the BSCC Audit Guide.

We conducted our performance audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and certain provisions of the BSCC Audit Guide. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance for our conclusion based on our audit objectives.

The audit also consisted of a review of all State financing, as well as all County contributions, to determine the following:

- A. That the State financing and the County's contribution (cash/hard and/or in-kind/soft match funds, if applicable) were expended in accordance with applicable laws, regulations, and BSCC Agreement and Project Delivery and Construction Agreement requirements;
- B. That the State financed projects are within approved scope and budgeted costs;
- C. That the State financed projects are in compliance with applicable laws, regulations, and established criteria; and
- D. That the State financed projects achieved their intended outcome(s).

Audit procedures included, but were not limited to:

- A. Gaining an understanding of the County's system of internal controls as it relates to the BSCC's construction financing program;
- B. Performing a risk assessment to determine what testing will be performed. The test shall be representative of all cost categories in the BSCC Agreement and is to determine whether the charges:

- Conform to any limitations or exclusions in the award of State financing;
  - Include only eligible costs and did not include ineligible costs or other costs properly chargeable to other programs or accounts;
  - Were properly recorded (i.e., correct amount, date) and supported by source documentation;
  - Reported expenditures were incurred within the appropriate period; and
  - Were approved in advance, if they involved a modification subject to prior approval in accordance with the BSCC Agreement;
- C. Providing the results of the work performed in appropriate written reports; and
- D. Identifying any program-related claims by or against the County pending at the time the audit is conducted.

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the County's internal control over compliance with the performance requirements under the BSCC Audit Guide to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion over the County's compliance with the performance requirements under the BSCC Audit Guide but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance with the performance requirements under the BSCC Audit Guide. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the County's internal control over compliance with the performance requirements under the BSCC Audit Guide.

We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion over the County's compliance with the performance requirements under the BSCC Audit Guide. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of the County's compliance with the performance requirements under the BSCC Audit Guide.

#### **Opinion**

In our opinion, the County complied, in all material respects, with the performance requirements under the BSCC Audit Guide referred to above from inception (January 15, 2013) through completion (December 7, 2021).

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**COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA, CALIFORNIA  
AB 900 NORTHERN BRANCH JAIL CONSTRUCTION PROJECT  
FUNDED BY THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
BOARD OF STATE AND COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS  
FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS  
FROM INCEPTION (JANUARY 15, 2013)  
THROUGH COMPLETION (DECEMBER 7, 2021)**

Current Period Findings and Recommendations

None noted.