## **UTA Audit Committee Meeting**

October 28, 2019



## Call to Order and Opening Remarks



## **Safety First Minute**



# If there is a train near, don't give in to fear, just remember that the trains cannot steer.



## Approval of August 12, 2019 Audit Committee Meeting Minutes



## Recommended Action (by acclamation)

Motion to approve



## **Agency Report**



## **Internal Audit Update**



### **Audit Plan Status Update**



### **2019 Internal Audit Plan Status**

Audit	Timing	Executive	Status
State of Good Repair	Q1	C00	Completed
Budget Management	Q1	CFO	Completed
Cash Management	Q2	CFO	Completed
Maintenance of Way (Infrastructure)	Q2	C00	Reporting
Data Access & Security	Q2	Interim Executive Director	In progress
Payroll	Q3	CFO	In progress
Grants Management	Q3	Acting CSD0	Reporting
Accounts Payable	Q4	CFO	On schedule*
Maintenance of Way (Systems)	Q4	C00	Postponed <sup>®</sup>

\* Audit is on schedule to be performed as planned

 $\tilde{~}$  Preliminary assessment recommended to be postponed to 2020

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### Maintenance Of Way Update



### Asset Management Organizational Structure (Cost Centers)



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### **MOW Statistics**

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- MOW Team (104 employees)
  - Systems Maintenance
    - Bargaining 55
    - Admin 16
  - Infrastructure Maintenance
    - Bargaining 24
    - Admin 9



- 24/7 coverage of rail system
- 202 miles of revenue track
- 134 grade crossings
- 317 switches
- 82 structures
- 50 substations
- 73 rail stations
- 230 signal houses
- 2 PTC systems
- 702 catenary poles
- Hundreds of miles of overhead contact and messenger wire

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### **MOW and Continuous Improvement**

- Partnering with CI team
  - Conducting risk analysis
  - Restructuring MOW Department
  - Defining roles and responsibilities
  - Mapping core processes and identifying core tasks
  - A project plan has been developed to identify key deliverables and help support the implementation of the new structure.

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### **MOW Restructure Project Plan and Timeline**

#### **Current Progress**

This restructure has been ongoing for the past few months and we have completed the following steps

- ✓ Establish Project Plan
- ✓ Executive Summary
- ✓ Executive Approval
- ✓ Implement New Structure (this transition took place on July 14<sup>th</sup>)

### **Ongoing and Next Steps**

The following steps are ongoing with estimated completion dates as follows

$\Box$ Identify and Document Core Processes	May 19	October 19
$\Box$ Identify and Document Standard Work	May 19	December 19
Complete Risk Analysis	September 19	December 19
Implement New SOP's and Training	January 20	March 20

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### **MOW Restructure Project Update**

 Mid 2019 the MOW department went from two sections (systems and Infrastructure) to four sections

Systems	Infrastructure	Systems	Inspections and
	Maintenance	Engineering	Compliance
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• This new structure provides clarity to roles and responsibilities and improves overall accountability for each group.

### **Systems Maintenance**

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- System monitoring
- Preventative maintenance
- Asset repair and replacement
- Emergency response (approximately 350 crossing arms damaged/broken annually)
- SGR and capital project support
- Inventory control







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### **Infrastructure Maintenance**

- Preventative maintenance
  - Rail, ballast and ties
  - Fencing, weeds, trees, and trash
- Asset repair and replacement
  - Special track work, frog welding, switch point welding. IJ replacements

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- SGR and capital project support
- Inventory control







### **Inspections and Compliance**

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- Responsible for CFR 213, 234, and 236 compliance
- FRA coordination for MOW
- Responsible for 3<sup>rd</sup> party required annual testing
- Ride quality and production tamping



### **Systems Engineering**

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- Provides technical knowledge and supports all MOW Groups.
- Manages SGR systems projects.
- Stray current mitigation
- Configuration management
- PTC continuing control and issue resolution
- Bridge management program



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### **Audit Recommendations Compliance**



### **Audit Recommendations Compliance - Audits**

Audit	Findings			Planned
	Total	Findings	<b>Findings in</b>	action date
	Findings	addressed	progress/	
			not started	
Family Medical Leave Act	4	4	0	-
<b>Business Continuity/Disaster</b>	10	10	0	-
Recovery				
Data Centers	5	5	0	-
Sales Tax Collections &	1	1	0	-
Reporting				
Davis-Bacon Compliance	1	1	0	-
Grants Management	6	6	0	-
Procurement	19	19	0	-
<b>Transit Oriented Development</b>	15	15	0	-

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### Audit Recommendations Compliance - Audits

Audit	Findings			Planned
	Total Findings	Findings addressed	Findings in progress/ not started	action date
IT General Controls	14	14	0	-
Purchase Card Compliance	15	15	0	-
Operating & Ridership Reporting	8	7	1	Q4, 2019
Treasury Management	6	6	0	-
<b>Inventory Management</b>	8	8	0	-
Vanpool Operations	14	10	4	Q4, 2019
National Transit Database	5	0	5	Q4, 2019
Cash Management	8	8	0	-
Total	139	124	15	

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### **Audit Recommendations Compliance - Assessments**

Assessment	Findings			Planned action
	Total Findings	Findings addressed	Findings in progress/ not started	date
Accounts Payable	8	1	7	Q4, 2019
Grants Management	7	6	1	Q4, 2020
Payroll	7	7	0	-
State of Good Repair	11	0	11	Q2, 2020
Budget Management	6	0	6	Q1, 2020
Total	39	14	25	

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## Recommended Action (by acclamation)

Motion to approve moving the Maintenance of Way (Systems) Audit from the 2019 Audit Plan to the 2020 Audit Plan



## **Internal Audit Report Review**



### **AUDIT REPORT AND PRELIMINARY ASSESSMENT**

- Operating and Ridership Reporting Audit (R-18-04)
- Budget Management Preliminary Assessment (R-19-02)

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### **Operating and Ridership Report**



### **Operating and Ridership Audit**

• Audit period: *03/01/2018 - 05/31/2018* 

#### **Audit Scope - Included**

- Governance
- Ridership Reporting
- Operations, Capital and Asset Reporting, Ad hoc Reporting
- Mobile Data Computer, Automated Passenger Counters, and related contracts and monitoring
- System Monitor Validation

#### **Audit Scope - Excluded**

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- Source data originating outside of the Operations Analysis and Solution Team's responsibility
- Proposed changes to the COO Report and related processes

### **Operating and Ridership Audit**

- Policies and Procedures
- Data Integrity and Change Controls
- Report Classification and Retention
- Ad Hoc Reporting
- Standardization
- Contracts
- Risk Assessment
- System Monitoring and Validation

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### Budget Management Preliminary Assessment Report



### **Budget Management Preliminary Assessment**

• Preliminary assessment period: *01/01/2018 - 12/31/2018* 

Audit Scope - Included			
Governance	Budget finalization		
Operating budget development	Monitoring and control		
Capital budget development	• Select IT controls for operating budget related software		
Audit Scope – Excluded			
UTA Employee Pension and Trust internal budget			
Assessment of overall Authority operating effectiveness due to budget decisions			
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### **Budget Management Preliminary Assessment**

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- Governance of Budget Management Process
- Operating Budget
- Capital Budget
- Information Technology General Controls
- Budget Finalization
- Monitoring and Control

## **Other Business**

Next Meeting: December 9, 2019 at 3:00 p.m.



## **Closed Session**

a. Strategy session to discuss pending or reasonably imminent litigation



## **Open Session**



## Adjourn

