

**COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE**  
**Inter-Office Communication**

**Date:** August 17, 2023

**To:** Chairwoman Marcelia Nicholson  
Supervisor Felesia A. Martin, Chair, Committee on Audit

**From:** Jennifer L. Folliard, Director of Audits

**Subject:** Status Report – The Rock Audit (File No. 21-760)

At its meeting in the October 2021 cycle, the Committee on Audit reviewed our audit report, “Between The Rock and a Hard Place: Former Landfill Becomes Entertainment Center with Unresolved Community Concerns Beyond the County’s Ability to Solve,” and the resolution indicating County Board concurrence with the report recommendations was adopted.

Attached is a copy of the “ASD Highlights” page for general information about our audit. The full audit report can be accessed on the Comptroller’s website via the following link:

[The Rock Report \(milwaukee.gov\)](https://www.milwaukee.gov)

Also attached is management’s most recent status report. It contains the chronology of its comments that describe its progress toward implementation of the eleven audit recommendations from our audit.

Based on management’s current comments, recommendation 6 has recently been implemented with its finalization of infrastructure to log and track complaints about the Rock at the County and to refer non-County complaints to the responsible entity. In December, we plan to confirm that management has submitted an annual report to the County Board, as noted in the recommendation.

Consequently, only recommendation 11 remains open. We will facilitate the submission of management’s next status report for the March 2024 committee cycle for an update on this item.

This status report is informational.



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Attachments

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