Department of the Interior Good Accounting Obligation in Government Act Report

The Good Accounting Obligation in Government Act (GAO-IG Act, P.L. 115-414), enacted January 3, 2019, requires that Agencies report the status of each open audit recommendation issued more than one year prior to the submission of the Agency's annual budget justification to Congress. The Act requires Agencies to include the current target completion date, implementation status, and any discrepancies on closure determinations. When final corrective actions addressing an audit recommendation are fully implemented, the audit recommendation is considered closed.

The Department of the Interior (Department) leadership takes audit follow-up very seriously and considers its external auditors, to include the Government Accountability Office (GAO) and the Office of Inspector General (OIG), valued partners in not only improving the Department's management and compliance obligations but also enhancing its programmatic and administrative operations. As stewards of taxpayer resources, the Department applies cost-benefit analysis and enterprise risk management principles in recommendation implementation decisions.

The Department has established a formalized audit follow-up process which (1) provides the bureaus and offices with tools, technical support, and oversight to remediate internal and auditor-identified recommendations; (2) monitors and communicates remediation progress against target closure dates by maintaining an annual performance goal reported in the Agency Financial Report; and (3) includes review of proposed recommendation closures by senior staff with follow-on management concurrence. Moreover, management is held accountable for achieving an 85% rate of closing audit recommendations with current fiscal year due dates, barring any unforeseen events.

Following is the summary of the Department's recommendations open for more than one year (i.e. all open audit recommendations except for those issued after March 11, 2023:

Auditor	No Discrepancies	Discrepancies	Total
GAO	71	15	86
OIG	160	11	171
Total	231	26	257

OIG and GAO Recommendation Summary

There are GAO recommendations where the Department believes it has taken enough actions to implement them and considers them closed, GAO does not concur with management's determination.

United States Department of the Interior OIG Outstanding Recommendations 03/11/2023 and Prior

Bureau	Report No.	Report Title	Rec. No.	Recommendation Description	Current Target Date	Discrepancy with the OIG's Semi-Annual Report to Congress?	Implementation Status
BIA	2021-FIN-032	The Bureau of Indian Affairs Great Plains Region Did Not Oversee CARES Act Funds Appropriately	3	We recommend that the BIA Great Plains Region develop and implement written policies and procedures that describe the roles and responsibilities of BIA officials and the review processes for Federal Financial Reports and Annual Narrative Reports to ensure submitted reports are complete, accurate, and address areas of concern.	TBD	No	The Department is re- baselining the target date and approach.
BIA	2021-FIN-032	The Bureau of Indian Affairs Great Plains Region Did Not Oversee CARES Act Funds Appropriately	4	We recommend that the BIA Great Plains Region in accordance with developed and implemented written policies and procedures, provide and track annual training for BIA officials responsible for reviewing Federal Financial Reports and Annual Narrative Reports.	TBD	No	The Department is re- baselining the target date and approach.
OS	2020-ITA-030	Evaluation of the Department's Risk Management for System Accreditation and Weakness Mitigation	1	We recommend that the OCIO Develop and implement a process to evaluate all systems' Authorizations to Operate annually for accuracy and completeness to ensure systems are operating with a valid authorization determined by actual residual risk.	11/30/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
OS	2020-ITA-030	Evaluation of the Department's Risk Management for System Accreditation and Weakness Mitigation	2	We recommend that the OCIO Develop and implement a process to conduct quality control reviews at least annually to ensure that all systems within the official system of record (Cyber Security Assessment and Management system) have an accurate operating status.	11/1/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
OS	2020-ITA-030	Evaluation of the Department's Risk Management for System Accreditation and Weakness Mitigation	3	We recommend that the OCIO Develop and implement a process to validate the accuracy of bureau and office annual assurance statements before submitting the statements to Congress.	6/30/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
OS	2020-ITA-030	Evaluation of the Department's Risk Management for System Accreditation and Weakness Mitigation	4	We recommend that the OCIO in addition to ongoing continuous monitoring, develop and implement a policy to direct system owners to test all of the controls for their systems at least every 3 years.	6/30/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
OS	2020-ITA-030	Evaluation of the Department's Risk Management for System Accreditation and Weakness Mitigation	5	We recommend that the OCIO develop and implement a policy to ensure data and control implementation status are accurately represented in the official system of record.	6/30/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
OS	2020-ITA-030	Evaluation of the Department's Risk Management for System Accreditation and Weakness Mitigation	6	We recommend that the OCIO develop and implement a policy to verify that bureaus and offices perform control assessments every 3 years.	6/30/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
OS	2020-ITA-030	Evaluation of the Department's Risk Management for System Accreditation and Weakness Mitigation	7	We recommend that the OCIO develop and implement a review process that includes, at minimum, verifying that system owners have completed required testing for a sample of controls for each system before accepting the annual assurance statement.	11/30/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
OS	2020-ITA-030	Evaluation of the Department's Risk Management for System Accreditation and Weakness Mitigation	8	We recommend that the OCIO develop and implement a comprehensive quality control plan to perform required quarterly reviews of Plans of Action and Milestones in the official system of record to ensure that bureaus and offices address them in a timely manner, close them as appropriate, and continuously monitor and track them.	11/30/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
OS	2020-ITA-030	Evaluation of the Department's Risk Management for System Accreditation and Weakness Mitigation	9	We recommend that the OCIO Direct system owners to perform annual reviews of the data contained in all operational IT systems to ensure that an accurate privacy impact assessment has been completed and, when necessary, adjust the system's security categorization.	11/1/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.

OS	2020-ITA-030	Evaluation of the Department's Risk Management for System Accreditation and Weakness Mitigation	10	We recommend that the OCIO Develop and implement a process to ensure that a Privacy Impact Assessment is conducted before a system is granted Authorization to Operate.	11/1/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
OS	2020-ITA-030	Evaluation of the Department's Risk Management for System Accreditation and Weakness Mitigation	11	We recommend that the OCIO Develop and implement a policy clarifying the roles and responsibilities regarding control assessment and implementation.	11/1/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BIA	2017-FIN-041	Audit of Agreement No. A13AP00043 Between the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Crow Tribe	3	We recommend that the Bureau of Indian Affairs resolves the \$14,492,813 in questioned costs claimed by the Tribe.	TBD	No	The Department is re- baselining the target date and approach.
BIA	2021-FIN-032-В	The Omaha Tribe of Nebraska Did Not Account for CARES Act Funds Appropriately	1	We recommend that the BIA resolve the unreasonable hazard pay costs of \$29,574 by requiring the Omaha Tribe to perform an analysis of the costs incurred to applicable criteria and document its determination of reasonableness.	6/14/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BIA	2021-FIN-032-B	The Omaha Tribe of Nebraska Did Not Account for CARES Act Funds Appropriately	2	We recommend that the BIA resolve the questioned hazard pay costs of \$27,841 for Payment 1 by requiring the Omaha Tribe to provide detailed reconciliation of incurred costs to supporting documentation.	6/14/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BIA	2021-FIN-032-В	The Omaha Tribe of Nebraska Did Not Account for CARES Act Funds Appropriately	3	We recommend that the BIA resolve the questioned costs of \$182,388 for Payment 2 by requiring the Omaha Tribe to provide detailed complete supporting documentation for the hazard pay and indirect costs.	6/14/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BIA	2021-FIN-032-В	The Omaha Tribe of Nebraska Did Not Account for CARES Act Funds Appropriately	4	We recommend that the BIA review the Omaha Tribe's revised policy regarding the custody of checks and document that proper controls have been implemented.	6/14/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BIA	2021-FIN-032-В	The Omaha Tribe of Nebraska Did Not Account for CARES Act Funds Appropriately	5	We recommend that the BIA resolve the questioned costs of \$42,067 by requiring the Omaha Tribe to provide a detailed list of the questioned transactions and voided checks to the BIA for its files to ensure these transactions are not claimed for reimbursement.	6/14/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BIA	2021-FIN-032-В	The Omaha Tribe of Nebraska Did Not Account for CARES Act Funds Appropriately	6	We recommend that the BIA resolve the questioned costs of \$10,792 by requiring the Omaha Tribe to reallocate these costs to the appropriate funding source.	6/14/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BIA	2021-FIN-032-В	The Omaha Tribe of Nebraska Did Not Account for CARES Act Funds Appropriately	7	We recommend that the BIA require the Omaha Tribe to revise its policy to ensure a complete property record for CARES Act-funded assets in accordance with 2 C.F.R. § 200.313(d)(1).	6/14/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BIA	2021-FIN-032-C	The Three Affiliated Tribes Did Not Account for CARES Act Funds Appropriately	1	We recommend that the BIA resolve the questioned costs of \$237,270 by requiring the Three Affiliated Tribes to provide supporting documentation to ensure that the incurred costs are allowable, allocable, and reasonable.	6/14/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BIA	2021-FIN-032-C	The Three Affiliated Tribes Did Not Account for CARES Act Funds Appropriately	2	We recommend that the BIA require the Three Affiliated Tribes to establish controls to ensure that it can determine the appropriate funding source for each CARES Act expense.	6/14/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BIA	2021-FIN-032-C	The Three Affiliated Tribes Did Not Account for CARES Act Funds Appropriately	3	We recommend that the BIA resolve the questioned costs of \$106,280 by creating and adjusting journal entries to reallocate the funds from the U.S. Department of the Interior to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.	6/14/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BIA	2021-FIN-032-C	The Three Affiliated Tribes Did Not Account for CARES Act Funds Appropriately	4	We recommend that the BIA resolve the questioned costs of \$89,623 by creating adjusted journal entries to reallocate the funds from the BIA CARES Act to the appropriate funding source.	6/14/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BLM	2017-FIN-053	The Chicago Horticultural Society Should Improve Its Financial Management System to Receive Federal Funds	6	We recommend that the BLM determine if the CHS has created a step in its financial system to ensure that the agreement is not automatically charged for intern training costs, regardless of their attendance.	TBD	No	The Department is re- baselining the target date and approach.
BLM	2021-CR-007	The Bureau of Land Management Did Not Review the Federal Exclusions List Before Issuing Federal Mineral Leases	4	We recommend that the BLM update applicable manuals to detail the processes for documenting the review of the Federal exclusions list for all leasing actions.	8/31/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.

BOR	2019-ITA-034	Independent Auditors' Performance Audit Report on the U.S. Department of the Interior Federal Information Security Modernization Act for Fiscal Year 2019	2	BOR enforce established EACSS patch implementation procedures that requires security patches be documented, tested, and approved through the EACSS change management process.	7/1/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BOR	2019-ITA-034	Independent Auditors' Performance Audit Report on the U.S. Department of the Interior Federal Information Security Modernization Act for Fiscal Year 2019	16	BOR document and implement processes and technology that will support a security patching program that monitors EACSS endpoints for security patching version compliance and ensures that patches are applied timely to meet DOI Security Control Standard Risk Assessment, V4.1, control RA-5.	7/1/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BOR	2019-ITA-034	Independent Auditors' Performance Audit Report on the U.S. Department of the Interior Federal Information Security Modernization Act for Fiscal Year 2019	15	BOR document and implement processes and technology that will support a security patching program that monitors EACSS endpoints for security patching version compliance and ensures that patches are applied timely to meet DOI Security Control Standard Risk Assessment, V4.1, control RA-5.	7/1/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BOR	2019-ITA-034	Independent Auditors' Performance Audit Report on the U.S. Department of the Interior Federal Information Security Modernization Act for Fiscal Year 2019	13	BOR document and implement a solution that will provide the EACSS with the functionality to perform configuration baseline monitoring for baseline compliance.	7/1/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BOR	2019-ITA-034	Independent Auditors' Performance Audit Report on the U.S. Department of the Interior Federal Information Security Modernization Act for Fiscal Year 2019	12	BOR document and implement procedures that require baseline configurations to be devekoped, documented, and monitored for compliance.	7/1/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BOR	2019-ITA-034	Independent Auditors' Performance Audit Report on the U.S. Department of the Interior Federal Information Security Modernization Act for Fiscal Year 2019	11	BOR document and implement a solution that will provide the EACSS with the functionality to perform configuration baseline monitoring for baseline compliance.	7/1/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BOR	2019-ITA-034	Independent Auditors' Performance Audit Report on the U.S. Department of the Interior Federal Information Security Modernization Act for Fiscal Year 2019	10	BOR document and implement procedures that require vulnerability scanning of EACS to perform vulnerability scanning across all components.	7/1/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
OS	2016-ITA-062	Independent Auditors' Performance Audit Report on the U.S. DOI Federal Information Security Modernization Act for FY 2016	21.OST	OST test the OST contingency plan in accordance with NIST requirements. The test documentation should include methodology, procedures, results, and lessons learned. The plan should be updated based on the results of the contingency plan test.	7/31/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
AS-IA/BIA	2017-ER-018	Indian Affairs Offices' Poor Recordkeeping and Coordination Threaten Impact of Tiwahe Initiative	1	We recommend that AS-IA direct the Office of Self Governance to work with Tribes to track the components of the CTGP funding and publish these individual amounts each year in the BIA's Budget Justifications.	3/31/2025	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
AS-IA/BIA	2017-ER-018	Indian Affairs Offices' Poor Recordkeeping and Coordination Threaten Impact of Tiwahe Initiative	4	We recommend that AS-IA direct the Office of Self Governance to determine the actual funding levels of individual Tribal programs and report them annually in the Budget Justifications.	3/31/2025	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
AS-IA/BIA	2017-ER-018	Indian Affairs Offices' Poor Recordkeeping and Coordination Threaten Impact of Tiwahe Initiative	5	We recommend that AS-IA direct the Office of Self Governance to develop and implement a records management policy to track the annual funding for each program.	3/31/2025	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
OS	2019-FIN-032	Independent Auditors' Report on the U.S. Department of the Interior Financial Statements for Fiscal Years 2019 and 2018	D.PFM.011.4	Monitoring - Implement key monitoring controls to ensure control effectiveness throughout the financial reporting process and develop robust policies and procedures to increase oversight, review, and accountability of accounting events at the bureau level to ensure the successful implementation of an effective internal control environment.	TBD	No	The Department is re- baselining the target date and approach.
OS	2019-FIN-032	Independent Auditors' Report on the U.S. Department of the Interior Financial Statements for Fiscal Years 2019 and 2018	D.PFM.011.3	Risk Assessment - Improve the risk assessment process at the financial statement assertion level and at the process level to ensure the Department is appropriately capturing significant changes in the control environment and subsequently responding to those risks at both the Bureau and Department level.	TBD	No	The Department is re- baselining the target date and approach.
OS	2019-FIN-032	Independent Auditors' Report on the U.S. Department of the Interior Financial Statements for Fiscal Years 2019 and 2018	D.PFM.011.2	Training - Regional and operations personnel should be trained and properly supervised on financial management matters that affect the financial statements, including adhering to accounting policies and procedures, as appropriate and performing key internal control functions in support of financial reporting.	TBD	No	The Department is re- baselining the target date and approach.

OS	2019-FIN-032	Independent Auditors' Report on the U.S. Department of the Interior Financial Statements for Fiscal Years 2019 and 2018	D.PFM.011.1	Personnel - Perform an assessment of employee resources in the Office of Financial Management and the bureaus to ensure an appropriate complement of resources are in place to manage accounting and reporting matters as they arise and through the normal course of business. Additionally, the Department should perform a full analysis of the Financial Reporting process, including the communication reporting lines between bureaus and the Department, to identify inefficiencies that could be eliminated and to find areas which would be conducive for automation.	TBD	No	The Department is re- baselining the target date and approach.
OS	2020-FIN-028	Independent Auditors' Report on the U.S. Department of the Interior Financial Statements for Fiscal Years 2020 and 2019	C.BIO.001.1	Identify the documentation types for automated entries and manual entries and ensure no overlapping areas.	TBD	No	The Department is re- baselining the target date and approach.
OS	2020-FIN-028	Independent Auditors' Report on the U.S. Department of the Interior Financial Statements for Fiscal Years 2020 and 2019	C.BIO.001.2	Correct any overlapping areas where automated entries and manual entries are not set up properly or identify the same codes for different uses.	TBD	No	The Department is re- baselining the target date and approach.
OS	2020-FIN-028	Independent Auditors' Report on the U.S. Department of the Interior Financial Statements for Fiscal Years 2020 and 2019	C.BIO.001.3	Enable the FBMS system segregation of duty capabilities to prevent direct posting and the ability of an individual to park and post a document without review.	TBD	No	The Department is re- baselining the target date and approach.
OS	2020-FIN-028	Independent Auditors' Report on the U.S. Department of the Interior Financial Statements for Fiscal Years 2020 and 2019	C.BIO.001.4	Implement system configuration to facilitate PFM issuing policy updates timely.	TBD	No	The Department is re- baselining the target date and approach.
OS	2020-FIN-028	Independent Auditors' Report on the U.S. Department of the Interior Financial Statements for Fiscal Years 2020 and 2019	B.PFM.004.3	Develop a resolution process for any completed asset transfer disputes between Bureaus to ensure key data elements of the PP&E footnote are complete and accurate.	TBD	No	The Department is re- baselining the target date and approach.
OS	2020-FIN-028	Independent Auditors' Report on the U.S. Department of the Interior Financial Statements for Fiscal Years 2020 and 2019	C.PFM.001.3	Issue a JV policy standardizing the process at the Department (NFR 2020-001)	TBD	No	The Department is re- baselining the target date and approach.
OS	2020-FIN-028	Independent Auditors' Report on the U.S. Department of the Interior Financial Statements for Fiscal Years 2020 and 2019	C.PFM.001.4	Perform proper monitoring procedures to ensure issues are fully remediated within six months of the issuance of the final auditor's report.	TBD	No	The Department is re- baselining the target date and approach.
OS	2020-FIN-028	Independent Auditors' Report on the U.S. Department of the Interior Financial Statements for Fiscal Years 2020 and 2019	E.PFM.007.1	Timely update Department policies, procedures and guidance to effectively address changes to standards, laws and regulations and ensure effective internal controls.	TBD	No	The Department is re- baselining the target date and approach.
OS	2020-FIN-028	Independent Auditors' Report on the U.S. Department of the Interior Financial Statements for Fiscal Years 2020 and 2019	E.PFM.007.3	Perform an evaluation of the Department's Entity Level controls and document how the Department addresses each of the Green Book's 5 components and 17 principles. (NFR 2020-007)	TBD	No	The Department is re- baselining the target date and approach.
OS	2020-FIN-028	Independent Auditors' Report on the U.S. Department of the Interior Financial Statements for Fiscal Years 2020 and 2019	E.PFM.007.4	Implement key monitoring controls to ensure control effectiveness throughout the financial reporting process and develop robust policies and procedures to increase oversight, review, and accountability of accounting events at the bureau level to ensure the successful implementation of an effective internal control environment.	TBD	No	The Department is re- baselining the target date and approach.
OS	2020-FIN-028	Independent Auditors' Report on the U.S. Department of the Interior Financial Statements for Fiscal Years 2020 and 2019	E.PFM.007.5	A. Evaluate the CAP process for implementing corrective actions: Continually monitor and reevaluate whether CAPs applied were effective. (NFR 2020- 007)B. Evaluate the CAP process for implementing corrective actions: Consider whether implementing auditors' recommendations is enough to close a CAP, or if there is a need to employ additional remedies to fix a control deficiency. (NFR 2020-007)C. Evaluate the CAP process for implementing corrective actions: Bureaus and/or PFM should perform an independent root cause analysis during the CAP development process to gain an in-depth understanding of what caused the control deficiency and to ensure corrective actions are complete and will fully remediate the issues. (NFR 2020-007)	TBD	No	The Department is re- baselining the target date and approach.

OS	2021-FIN-036	Independent Auditors' Report on the U.S. Department of the Interior's Financial Statements for Fiscal Years 2021 and 2020	D.PFM.009.06	Recommend that the Department perform an assessment of its entity level controls, and improve controls over risk assessment and monitoring as follows perform an evaluation of the Department's entity level controls and determine if each of the GAO Green Book components and principles have been addressed by the entity level controls that have been put in place by the Department.	TBD	No	The Department is re- baselining the target date and approach.
OS	2021-FIN-036	Independent Auditors' Report on the U.S. Department of the Interior's Financial Statements for Fiscal Years 2021 and 2020	D.PFM.009.04	Recommend that the Department perform an assessment of its entity level controls, and improve controls over risk assessment and monitoring as follows: Ensure all internal control functions, in support of financial reporting, are adhering to appropriate accounting policies and procedures.	TBD	No	The Department is re- baselining the target date and approach.
OS	2021-FIN-036	Independent Auditors' Report on the U.S. Department of the Interior's Financial Statements for Fiscal Years 2021 and 2020	D.PFM.009.03	Recommend that the Department perform an assessment of its entity level controls, and improve controls over risk assessment and monitoring as follows enforce the independence and objectivity concepts when performing internal OMB A-123 test work.	TBD	No	The Department is re- baselining the target date and approach.
OS	2021-FIN-036	Independent Auditors' Report on the U.S. Department of the Interior's Financial Statements for Fiscal Years 2021 and 2020	D.PFM.009.02	Recommend that the Department perform an assessment of its entity level controls, and improve controls over risk assessment and monitoring as follows complete a comprehensive risk assessment for certain financial reporting and accounting processes to address all potential identified risks and develop the appropriate testing plans.	TBD	No	The Department is re- baselining the target date and approach.
AS-IA/BIA	2017-ER-018	Indian Affairs Offices' Poor Recordkeeping and Coordination Threaten Impact of Tiwahe Initiative	1	Direct the Office of Self Governance to work with Tribes to track the components of the CTGP funding and publish these individual amounts each year in the BIA's Budget Justifications.	3/31/2025	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
AS-IA/BIA	2017-ER-018	Indian Affairs Offices' Poor Recordkeeping and Coordination Threaten Impact of Tiwahe Initiative	4	Direct the Office of Self Governance to determine the actual funding levels of individual Tribal programs and report them annually in the Budget Justifications.	3/31/2025	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
AS-IA/BIA	2017-ER-018	Indian Affairs Offices' Poor Recordkeeping and Coordination Threaten Impact of Tiwahe Initiative	5	Direct the Office of Self Governance to develop and implement a records management policy to track the annual funding for each program.	3/31/2025	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
ASLM	2018-CR-010	Bureau of Land Management Maintenance Fee Waivers for Small Miners	2	Secretary of the Interior should use discretionary authority to continue or eliminate the maintenance fee waiver for small miners based on the results of the analysis performed by BLM.	TBD	No	The Department is re- baselining the target date and approach.
BIA	2019-FIN-058	The St. Stephens Indian School Educational Association, Inc., Needs To Improve Financial Accountability for Federal Funds	2	Recommend that the BIA Division of Facilities Management and Construction ensure all funded and required minor improvement and repair projects have been completed and identify how much of the carried over \$442,632 in restricted minor improvement and repair funds can and should be used to reconcile costs improperly paid from the BIE operations and maintenance fund.	8/1/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BIA	2019-FIN-058	The St. Stephens Indian School Educational Association, Inc., Needs To Improve Financial Accountability for Federal Funds	3	Recommend that the BIA Division of Facilities Management and Construction resolve the \$31,133 in overpayment of minor improvement and repair costs from St. Stephens to cover the repairs made to the mission homes.	8/1/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
AS-IA/BIA	2020-CGD-001	The Bureau of Indian Education, the Bureau of Indian Affairs, and the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indians Need To Improve Accountability for Federal Funds	3	We recommend that the BIA Division of Facilities Management and Construction: 3.Work with the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indians to identify potential uses for the unspent \$120,943.	8/1/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
AS-IA/BIA	2020-CGD-001	The Bureau of Indian Education, the Bureau of Indian Affairs, and the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indians Need To Improve Accountability for Federal Funds	4	We recommend that the BIA Division of Facilities Management and Construction: 4.Work with the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indians to update the current project list in the MAXIMO system.	8/1/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BIE	2020-CGD-001	The Bureau of Indian Education, the Bureau of Indian Affairs, and the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indians Need To Improve Accountability for Federal Funds	1	We recommend that the BIE work with the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indians to resolve the questioned costs of \$216,878.	8/1/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BIE	2020-CGD-001	The Bureau of Indian Education, the Bureau of Indian Affairs, and the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indians Need To Improve Accountability for Federal Funds	2	We recommend that the BIE require the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indians to develop and implement internal controls that will ensure administrative costs claimed support school operations.	8/1/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
OSMRE	C-IN-OSM-0044-2014	Oversight of Annual Fund Transfer for Miner Benefits Needs Improvement	19	We recommend that OSMRE obtain authoritative Federal guidance from GAO for the disposition of interest earned.	12/31/2025	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.

OSMRE	C-IN-OSM-0044-2014	Oversight of Annual Fund Transfer for Miner Benefits Needs Improvement	20	We recommend that OSMRE ensure appropriate treatment of interest earned.	12/31/2025	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
OSMRE	C-IN-OSM-0044-2014	Oversight of Annual Fund Transfer for Miner Benefits Needs Improvement	21	We recommend that OSMRE resolve the \$2.1 million in earned interest.	12/31/2025	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BIE	C-EV-BIE-0023-2014	Bureau of Indian Education School Facilities	16	Create a process to ensure that regional inspectors are consistently addressing these critical factors identified in the health and safety inspection checklist.	8/1/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BIE	C-EV-BIE-0023-2014	Bureau of Indian Education School Facilities	18	Identify BIA school facilities that are not on the BIE school listings, including the Todd County School District schools, and ensure facility responsibilities are clearly delineated and upheld.	8/1/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BIA	CR-EV-BIA-0002-2013	BIA Need Sweeping Changes to Manage the Osage Nation's Energy Resources	10	Develop and implement supplemental Agency guidance to 25 C.F.R. Part 226 to help identify and verify companies' allowances for royalty calculations.	TBD	No	The Department is re- baselining the target date and approach.
BIA	CR-EV-BIA-0002-2013	BIA Need Sweeping Changes to Manage the Osage Nation's Energy Resources	12	Develop and implement Agency policies and procedures to verify that companies properly report volumes on flared gas and pay appropriate royalties.	TBD	No	The Department is re- baselining the target date and approach.
BIA	CR-EV-BIA-0002-2013	BIA Need Sweeping Changes to Manage the Osage Nation's Energy Resources	24	Reconcile oil and gas exceptions to independent or third-party sources of information, and follow up and resolve any identified differences in a timely manner.	TBD	No	The Department is re- baselining the target date and approach.
BIA	CR-EV-BIA-0002-2013	BIA Need Sweeping Changes to Manage the Osage Nation's Energy Resources	26	Develop and implement Agency sampling thresholds and follow up on any identified discrepancies in a timely manner.	TBD	No	The Department is re- baselining the target date and approach.
BIA	CR-EV-BIA-0002-2013	BIA Need Sweeping Changes to Manage the Osage Nation's Energy Resources	4	Develop and implement internal policies and procedures directing the Agency to verify companies' allowances for royalty calculations, or restrict or disallow such allowances.	TBD	No	The Department is re- baselining the target date and approach.
BIA	CR-EV-BIA-0002-2013	BIA Need Sweeping Changes to Manage the Osage Nation's Energy Resources	5	Develop and implement internal policies and procedures for the Agency to oversee, identify, and verify non-arm's-length sales transactions.	TBD	No	The Department is re- baselining the target date and approach.
BIA	CR-EV-BIA-0002-2013	BIA Need Sweeping Changes to Manage the Osage Nation's Energy Resources	8	Make certain that lessees pay oil and gas royalties based on market price according to the current regulation, 25 C.F.R. Part 226.11.	TBD	No	The Department is re- baselining the target date and approach.
BIE	C-EV-BIE-0023-2014	Bureau of Indian Education School Facilities	17	Ensure BIE properly manages school funds through the implementation of controls over spending priorities and timely distribution of funds, and include a review process to verify adherence to bureau policy.	8/1/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BIE	C-EV-BIE-0023-2014	Bureau of Indian Education School Facilities	20	Take immediate action to correct the health and safety issues identified in this report or ensure that the students and staff are adequately protected until these problems are resolved.	8/1/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BIE	C-IS-BIE-0023-2014-A	Conditions of Bureau of Indian Affairs Facilities At The Pine Hill Boarding School	5	Re-assess the needs of the students boarded on-site and identify a more efficient way to house them in the dormitory.	8/1/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BIE	C-IS-BIE-0023-2014-A	Conditions of Bureau of Indian Affairs Facilities At The Pine Hill Boarding School	8	Review the existing inventory for the school and make any necessary corrections so the inventory and additional needs of the school are accurately reflected for funding considerations. IA did not update and reconcile inventory data with physical inventory worksheets.	8/1/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BIE	2019-CR-062	Facility Improvements Still Needed at Pine Hill School	1	We recommend that the IA coordinate with Pine Hill School to ensure that the general facility deficiencies noted in this report are either addressed or included as part of the consolidation and renovation of the school facilities (Phase II).	12/31/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BIE	2019-CR-062	Facility Improvements Still Needed at Pine Hill School	2	We recommend that the IA coordinate with Pine Hill School to complete the planned consolidation and renovation (Phase II).	12/31/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BIE	2019-CR-062	Facility Improvements Still Needed at Pine Hill School	3	We recommend that the IA coordinate with Pine Hill School to complete the gymnasium replacement project (Phase III).	12/31/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BIE	2019-CR-062	Facility Improvements Still Needed at Pine Hill School	4	We recommend that the IA coordinate with Pine Hill School to complete routine inspections for heating and cooling systems, fire alarms, and asbestos.	6/30/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.

BIE	2019-CR-062	Facility Improvements Still Needed at Pine Hill School	10	We recommend that the IA inspect, identify, and address any immediate safety and health issues at all IA-funded portable buildings at Pine Hill School, including the Administration and FACE buildings, to ensure the safety and health of students and staff.	6/30/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BIE	2019-CR-062	Facility Improvements Still Needed at Pine Hill School	11	We recommend that the IA evaluate all IA-funded portable buildings at the school, including the Administration and FACE buildings, to: a) Assess the need for each portable facility b) Determine whether alternate space on the campus could be used in lieu of the portable facility, the portable building should be replaced, or a permanent structure should be built c) Implement appropriate actions based on the outcome of the evaluation.	6/30/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BIE	2019-CR-062	Facility Improvements Still Needed at Pine Hill School	12	We recommend that the IA coordinate with Pine Hill School to address and correct deficiencies identified during IA's safety and health inspections.	6/30/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BIE	2019-CR-062	Facility Improvements Still Needed at Pine Hill School	13	We recommend that the IA coordinate with Pine Hill School to address and correct deficiencies identified during IA's safety and health inspections 13.Track deficiencies identified during safety and health inspections and confirm that deficiencies are being addressed.	6/30/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BIA	2019-FIN-058	The St. Stephens Indian School Educational Association, Inc., Needs To Improve Financial Accountability for Federal Funds	2	We recommend that the BIA Division of Facilities Management and Construction ensure all funded and required minor improvement and repair projects have been completed and identify how much of the carried over \$442,632 in restricted minor improvement and repair funds can and should be used to reconcile costs improperly paid from the BIE operations and maintenance fund.	8/1/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BIA	2019-FIN-058	The St. Stephens Indian School Educational Association, Inc., Needs To Improve Financial Accountability for Federal Funds	3	We recommend that the BIA Division of Facilities Management and Construction resolve the \$31,133 in overpayment of minor improvement and repair costs from St. Stephens to cover the repairs made to the mission homes.	8/1/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BLM	2015-EAU-057	Inspection Report - Bureau of Land Management's Management of Private Acquired Leases	2	Develop, update, and implement policies, procedures, and strategy to help standardize private acquired leases (PAQ) management.	3/29/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BLM	C-IN-MOA-0013-2010	Management of Rights-of-Way in the U.S. Department of the Interior	11	Reduce or eliminate the market value threshold required to adjust rents on ROW for communications sites.	TBD	No	The Department is re- baselining the target date and approach.
BLM	IC-IN-MOA-0013-2010	Management of Rights-of-Way in the U.S. Department of the Interior	15	Reduce or eliminate the 75 percent discount for additional grantee and colocator ROW site services, or justify any discount provided.	TBD	No	The Department is re- baselining the target date and approach.
BLM	C-IN-MOA-0013-2010	Management of Rights-of-Way in the U.S. Department of the Interior	8	We recommend that the bureaus enhance the design and implementation of controls over the maintenance of their HASL listings including the timely review of additions and withdrawals and communication to those involved in the financial reporting process.	TBD	No	The Department is re- baselining the target date and approach.
BLM		Bureau of Land Management's Geothermal Resources Management	1	Review and update existing orders to: a. determine the relevancy of existing orders; b. eliminate redundant, conflicting, or outdated requirements; c. include current standards and practices commonly included in Conditions of Approval; and d. include inspection criteria and procedures.	2/28/2026	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BLM	2020-FIN-073	Pandemic Purchase Card Use	3	We recommend that the BLM resolve the \$11,321 in questioned costs due to insufficient documentation.	TBD	No	The Department is re- baselining the target date and approach.
BOEM	CR-EV-BOEM-0001- 2013	U.S. Department of the Interior's Offshore Renewable Energy Program	1	Review existing regulations to identify gaps and inconsistencies, and make regulatory changes before issues arise.	9/30/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BOEM	CR-EV-BOEM-0001- 2013	U.S. Department of the Interior's Offshore Renewable Energy Program	2	Develop and implement detailed SOPs for the Program's internal processes in order to facilitate good management practices and strong internal controls.	9/30/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BOR	2017-FIN-040	Audit of Contract Nos. R11AV60120 and R12AV60002 Between the Bureau of Reclamation and the Crow Tribe	10	Resolve the \$7,790,434 in questioned costs for unsupported transactions.	12/31/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.

BOR	2017-FIN-040	Audit of Contract Nos. R11AV60120 and R12AV60002 Between the Bureau of Reclamation and the Crow Tribe	12	Resolve the \$4,772,000 in unallowable costs.	12/31/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BOR	2017-FIN-040	Audit of Contract Nos. R11AV60120 and R12AV60002 Between the Bureau of Reclamation and the Crow Tribe	5	Ensure that the Tribe completes and maintains an accurate equipment listing.	12/31/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BOR	2017-FIN-040	Audit of Contract Nos. R11AV60120 and R12AV60002 Between the Bureau of Reclamation and the Crow Tribe	6	Ensure that the Tribe locates all missing equipment.	12/31/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BOR	2017-FIN-040	Audit of Contract Nos. R11AV60120 and R12AV60002 Between the Bureau of Reclamation and the Crow Tribe	7	Resolve the \$246,000 in questioned costs for the missing equipment.	12/31/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
	ISD-IN-MOA-0004- 2014-I	U.S. Department of the Interior's Continuous Diagnostics and Mitigation Program Not Yet Capable of Providing Complete Information for Enterprise Risk Determinations	4	We recommend that DOI's Chief Information Officer incorporate and enforce the following items into its newly evolving vulnerability management program— a. enterprise-level monitoring and reporting of all devices and software packages; b. enterprise-level enforcement of consistent assessment, detection, prioritization and remediation techniques; c. required elevated account credential usage for testing; d. enterprise-level monitoring and bureau accountability for patch deployment; and e. enterprise-level quarantining for critically vulnerable systems that are not patched in a pre-defined timeframe.	12/30/2025	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BSEE	2017-EAU-043	BSEE Has Opportunities To Help Industry Improve Oil Spill Preparedness	4	Revise the regulations under 30 C.F.R. X 254 for managing oil spill preparedness and response.	9/30/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BSEE	2017-EAU-043	BSEE Has Opportunities To Help Industry Improve Oil Spill Preparedness	6	Update and revise the existing agreements between BSEE and State governments for coordinating spill preparedness functions.	9/30/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
NPS	2019-CR-035	The National Park Service Did Not Oversee Its General Agreements	4	Review and update existing GA policy and guidance (including templates, handbooks, and decision trees) to ensure consistency and clarification across the NPS.	12/31/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
NPS	2019-CR-035	The National Park Service Did Not Oversee Its General Agreements	5	Develop and deliver agreements training to all staff working with the GAS.	12/31/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
NPS	2019-FIN-014	The Puerto Rico State Historic Preservation Office Needs to Improve Its Accounting System	4	Recommend that the NPS coordinate with the PRSHPO to develop and implement a labor distribution report that includes all appropriate information such as employee name, project number, employee identification number, total hours worked, hours absent, hourly rate, wage earned, indirect expenses applied, and benefits accrued.	5/31/2025	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
OS	2018-ITA-043	U.S. Department of the Interior Federal Information Security Modernization Act for Fiscal Year 2018	14.OST	OST document and implement procedures to facilitate the implementation of the SC-28 security control. The procedures should include roles and responsibilities, technical requirements, and exceptions to procedures when appropriate.	TBD	No	The Department is re- baselining the target date and approach.
OS	2016-ITA-020	Evaluation of DOI's Computer Security Incident Response Program	2	Utilize the Department's High-Value IT Asset list to develop prioritized event monitoring and incident response activities.	10/30/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
OS	2018-FIN-059	The U.S. Department of the Interior Needs To Improve Internal Controls Over the Purchase Card Program	3	Work with the vendor bank to develop an online review and approval system for cardholders and approving officials and develop policies and procedures that require cardholders and approving officials to use the bank's online system to review and approve transactions.	TBD	No	The Department is re- baselining the target date and approach.
OS	2019-ITA-003	Weaknesses in the Landsat System Leaves Assets at Increased Risk of Attack	2	Recommend that the DOI select and implement a CDM SWAM tool that is compatible with the DOI's computer environment.	6/30/2025	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
OS	2019-ITA-003	Weaknesses in the Landsat System Leaves Assets at Increased Risk of Attack	3	Recommend that the DOI establish, implement, and continuously review and update approved software lists (blacklists and whitelists) to ensure that unapproved, unsupported, or potentially malicious software is not present on bureau computer networks.	11/30/2025	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
OS	2020-CR-009	Better Internal Controls Could Ensure Accuracy of the Office of Natural Resources Revenue's Royalty Reporting and Adjustments	3	Recommend that ONRR evaluate the use of ARC 10, Adjustments, to determine its effectiveness and create additional codes to capture accurate reasons for adjustments.	10/30/2025	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.

OS	2020-CR-009	Better Internal Controls Could Ensure Accuracy of the Office of Natural Resources Revenue's Royalty Reporting and Adjustments	13	Recommend that ONRR develop and implement a process to prevent modification of adjustments made as a result of compliance activities without approval from ONRR.	9/30/2025	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
OS	2020-CR-009	Better Internal Controls Could Ensure Accuracy of the Office of Natural Resources Revenue's Royalty Reporting and Adjustments	14	Recommend that ONRR develop and implement processes to reduce unnecessary manual transactions as the BPRM effort is being implemented.	10/31/2025	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
OS	2020-FIN-002	The U.S. Department of the Interior Needs To Strengthen Charge Card Internal Controls When Using Disaster Relief Funds	2	Recommend that the DOI and its bureaus establish policies and procedures providing guidance on how to pay for allowable evacuation costs when employees do not have a Government charge card.	3/31/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
OS	2021-FIN-010	Pandemic-Related Contract Actions	4	Recommend that the DOI and its bureaus and offices review the FPDS and correct any COVID-19 pandemic-related procurement actions missing the COVID-19 NIA code.	3/30/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
OS	2021-FIN-010	Pandemic-Related Contract Actions	6	Recommend that the DOI and its bureaus and offices review contract actions coded with the COVID-19 NIA code for accuracy.	3/30/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
OS	2021-ITA-005	DOI AD Password Strength Inspection	1	We recommend that the DOI establish, implement, and continuously review and update approved software lists (blacklists and whitelists) to ensure that unapproved, unsupported, or potentially malicious software is not present on bureau computer networks.	12/30/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
OS	2021-ITA-005	DOI AD Password Strength Inspection	2	We recommend that the Department prioritize implementing PIV or other Department-approved MFA methods that cannot be bypassed to allow single- factor authentication for all applications, starting with the Department's HVAs.	TBD	No	The Department is re- baselining the target date and approach.
OS	2021-ITA-005	DOI AD Password Strength Inspection	5	We recommend that the Department prioritize the inventory, monitoring, and enforcement of existing controls as well as the controls we recommended in this report for accounts belonging to senior Government employees or accounts with elevated privileges.	12/31/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
OS	2021-ITA-005	DOI AD Password Strength Inspection	6	We recommend that the Department revise account management policy to prohibit related accounts from using the same passphrases and passwords (e.g., shared mailboxes, service accounts, or users with multiple service-level accounts).	4/30/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
OS	2021-ITA-005	DOI AD Password Strength Inspection	7	We recommend that the Department implement guidance requiring temporary passphrases and passwords to be unique and complex, rather than using a common variation or reusing the same passphrase or password.	4/30/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
OS	2021-ITA-005	DOI AD Password Strength Inspection	8	We recommend that the Department establish procedures and accountability mechanisms to ensure compliance with policies regarding account management monitoring and timely disabling of inactive accounts.	TBD	No	The Department is re- baselining the target date and approach.
OSMRE	2021-ITA-037	FISMA 2021	38	We recommend OSMRE design and implement a process to perform weekly reviews of privileged user activity logs in accordance with DOI Security Control Standards.	TBD	No	The Department is re- baselining the target date and approach.
OSMRE	2021-ITA-037	FISMA 2021	44	We recommend OSMRE allocate adequate resources to periodically assess implemented security and privacy controls for the OSMRE GSS in accordance with DOI Security Control Standards.	TBD	No	The Department is re- baselining the target date and approach.
OSMRE	2021-ITA-037	FISMA 2021	45	We recommend OSMRE document and implement a formal ISCM Plan to provide an ongoing situational awareness to support risk-based management decisions in accordance with DOI Security Control Standards.	12/31/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
OSMRE	2021-ITA-037	FISMA 2021	59	We recommend OSMRE review and update the OSMRE GSS contingency plan and BIA in accordance with the DOI Security Control Standards to reflect the current environment.	7/31/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
OSMRE	2021-ITA-037	FISMA 2021	60	We recommend OSMRE conduct an annual contingency plan exercise to measure the effectiveness of the contingency plan and document lessons learned to identify corrective actions in accordance with DOI Security Control Standards.	12/31/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.

BOR	2021-ITA-037	FISMA 2021	16	We recommend BOR improve Configuration Management Plan procedures to require the documentation of testing and impact analyses for security patches and system changes for CBG Folsom EACSS.	4/7/2025	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BOR	2021-ITA-037	FISMA 2021	17	We recommend BOR identify and document appropriate STIG(s) and applicable audit checks for the CBG Folsom EACSS system to evaluate baseline configuration compliance.	6/6/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BOR	2021-ITA-037	FISMA 2021	18	We recommend BOR configure the Tenable Nessus compliance scanning policy to scan for all applicable audit checks defined in the established STIG(s) for CBG Folsom EACSS.	6/4/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BOR	2021-ITA-037	FISMA 2021	19	We recommend BOR document and maintain policy deviations from the applicable STIG following BOR's STIG Exception Process.	6/4/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BOR	2021-ITA-037	FISMA 2021	20	We recommend BOR create POA&Ms to document required remediation steps for any untimely remediated failed audit checks identified on the CBG Folsom EACSS system.	6/4/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BOR	2021-ITA-037	FISMA 2021	21	We recommend BOR require CBG Folsom EACSS management to design and implement a process to retain CM evidence supporting its system of internal controls and operational needs as required by the GAO Standards for Internal Control in the Federal Government and NIST Rev 4.	2/23/2025	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BOR	2021-ITA-037	FISMA 2021	33	We recommend BOR require that CGB Folsom EACSS management retain IAM control documentation to support its system of internal controls and operational needs as required by the GAO Standards for Internal Control in the Federal Government and NIST Special Publication 800-53, Rev 4.	3/11/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BOR	2021-ITA-037	FISMA 2021	42	We recommend DOI implement a process to retain data protection and privacy internal control documentation at BOR, BSEE, and SOL to support its system of internal controls and operational needs as required by the GAO Standards for Internal Control in the Federal Government and NIST Special Publication 800- 53, Rev 4.	11/29/2025	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BOR	2021-ITA-037	FISMA 2021	47	We recommend BOR design and implement a process to retain incident response internal control documentation to support its system of internal controls and operational needs as required by the GAO Standards for Internal Control in the Federal Government and NIST SP 800-53, Rev 4.	11/29/2025	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BOR	2021-ITA-037	FISMA 2021	50	We recommend BOR design and implement a process to retain data backup internal control documentation to support its internal controls and operational needs as required by the GAO Standards for Internal Control in the Federal Government, NIST SP 800-53, Rev 4.	6/30/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.

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Bureau	Report No.	Report Title	Rec. No.	Recommendation Description	Current Target Date	Discrepancy with GAO designated as "open/closed, unimplemented"	Implementation Status
BIA	GAO-14-323	URANIUM CONTAMINATION: Overall Scope, Time Frame, and Cost Information is Needed for Contamination Cleanup on the Navajo Reservation	2	Direct the Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs to identify and examine any lessons learned from managing the remedial investigation and feasibility study contract and consider these lessons as part of the acquisition planning process for the remedial action contract.	TBD	No	The Department is re-baselining the target date and approach.
BIA	GAO-14-323	URANIUM CONTAMINATION: Overall Scope, Time Frame, and Cost Information is Needed for Contamination Cleanup on the Navajo Reservation	3	Direct the Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs to employ best practices in creating the schedule and cost estimates for the remedial action cleanup phase.	TBD	No	The Department is re-baselining the target date and approach.
BLM		Opportunities to Reduce Potential Duplication in Government Programs, Save Tax Dollars, and Enhance Revenue	1	The Department of the Interior should implement GAO's recommendations from prior reports addressing a variety of oil and gas measurement factors.	9/30/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
OS	GAO-15-431	Telecommunications: Agencies Need Better Controls to Achieve Significant Savings on Mobile Devices and Services	1	To help the Department effectively manage spending on mobile devices and services, the Secretary of the Interior should ensure an inventory of mobile devices and services is established Department- wide (i.e., all components' devices and associated services are accounted for).	7/31/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
OS	GAO-15-431	Telecommunications: Agencies Need Better Controls to Achieve Significant Savings on Mobile Devices and Services	2	To help the Department effectively manage spending on mobile devices and services, the Secretary of the Interior should ensure a reliable Department-wide inventory of mobile service contracts is developed and maintained.	7/31/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BIA	GAO-17-423	Tribal Transportation: Better Data Could Improve Road Management and Inform Indian Student Attendance Strategies	2	For fields determined to have continued relevance for management and program oversight, take steps to improve the quality of these data by clarifying guidance in the NTTFI coding guide that Tribes use to collect data and by providing additional guidance on steps needed to ensure that data are consistently reported.	8/31/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BIA	GAO-17-423	Tribal Transportation: Better Data Could Improve Road Management and Inform Indian Student Attendance Strategies	3	Establish a process to monitor data to facilitate timely and targeted corrections to missing or erroneous data.	TBD	No	The Department is re-baselining the target date and approach.
BIA	GAO-17-423	Tribal Transportation: Better Data Could Improve Road Management and Inform Indian Student Attendance Strategies	4	To improve the Deferred Maintenance Reporting (DMR), we recommend that the Secretary of the Interior direct the Assistant Secretary -Indian Affairs to: Develop a means to document when the level of service for each road section was last evaluated.	8/31/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.

BIA	GAO-17-423	Tribal Transportation: Better Data Could Improve Road Management and Inform Indian Student Attendance Strategies	5	Develop and maintain documentation supporting the unit costs of maintenance used to estimate maintenance needs.	8/31/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BIA	GAO-17-423	Tribal Transportation: Better Data Could Improve Road Management and Inform Indian Student Attendance Strategies	6	Develop a process for more complete and accurate reporting occurring under existing authority of Road Maintenance Program (RMP) funds expended for performed maintenance on BIA roads.	8/31/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BIA	GAO-19-87	Indian Programs: Interior Should Address Factors Hindering Tribal Administration of Federal Programs	2	The Assistant Secretary of Indian Affairs should develop a process that results in consistent determinations for inherently Federal functions and to provide documentation to Tribes on specific activities and functions determined to be inherently Federal.	9/30/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BLM	GAO-13-572	OIL AND GAS DEVELOPMENT: BLM Needs Better Data to Track Permit Processing Times and Prioritize Inspections	3	Take steps, including making changes to AFMSS, and in any new system that replaces AFMSS, to improve the ability of staff to identify wells that are a high priority for environmental inspection and to incorporate information on the inspection history of wells into the environmental inspection prioritization process.	12/31/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BLM	GAO-16-559	Unauthorized Grazing: Actions Needed to Improve Tracking and Deterrence Efforts	1	Amend the regulations on unauthorized grazing use - 43 C.F.R. Subpart 4150 (2005) - to establish a procedure for the informal resolution of violations at the local level, or follow the existing regulations by sending a notice of unauthorized use for each potential violation as provided by 43 C.F.R. X 4150.2(a) (2005).	12/14/2025	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BLM	GAO-16-559	Unauthorized Grazing: Actions Needed to Improve Tracking and Deterrence Efforts	2	Record all incidents of unauthorized grazing, including those resolved informally.	12/14/2025	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BLM	GAO-16-559	Unauthorized Grazing: Actions Needed to Improve Tracking and Deterrence Efforts	3	Revise the agency's Unauthorized Grazing Use Handbook to make it consistent with the 43 C.F.R. pt. 4100 (2005).	12/14/2025	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BLM	GAO-16-607	Oil and Gas: Interior Could Do More to Account for and Manage Natural Gas Emissions	1	High Risk Recommendation - To help improve reporting of emissions data on the Oil and Gas Operations Report (OGOR), the Secretary of the Interior should direct the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) to provide additional guidance on how to estimate natural gas emissions from Federal oil and gas leases.	TBD	No	The Department is re-baselining the target date and approach.
BLM	GAO-17-307	Oil and Gas Development: Improved Collection and Use of Data Could Enhance BLM's Ability to Assess and Mitigate Environmental Impacts	5	Provide additional guidance to field offices on how to collect and use data collected during monitoring inspections and, in doing so, determine and implement an approach for using the data to assess the effectiveness of the agency's mitigation efforts, including its best management practices.	TBD	No	The Department is re-baselining the target date and approach.
BLM	GAO-19-346	Land and Water Conservation Fund: Variety of Programs Supported, but Improvements in Data Collection Needed at BLM	1	The Secretary of the Interior should direct BLM to collect centralized data on the acquisition method and interest acquired for the lands it obtains using LWCF funds as part of its planned update to LR2000.	3/29/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.

BLM	GAO-19-346	Land and Water Conservation Fund: Variety of Programs Supported, but Improvements in Data Collection Needed at BLM	2	The Secretary of the Interior should direct BLM to develop more specific guidance to ensure that land acquisition data are entered correctly into the agency's data system.	3/29/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BLM	GAO-20-397R	Bureau of Land Management: Agency's Reorganization Efforts Did Not Substantially Address Selected Key Practices for Effective Reforms	3	The Director of BLM should complete a strategic workforce plan that addresses how it will recruit for and fill vacant positions resulting from the relocations.	7/30/2025	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
OS	GAO-20-397R	Bureau of Land Management: Agency's Reorganization Efforts Did Not Substantially Address Key Practices for Effective Reforms	4	The Secretary of the Interior should ensure its bureau leadership incorporates key practices for effective agency reforms prior to implementing reorganization activities at other Interior bureaus.	8/1/2024	No	The Department is re-baselining the target date and approach.
OS	GAO-18-93	Federal Chief Information Officers: Critical Actions Needed to Address Shortcomings and Challenges in Implementing Responsibilities	12	The Secretary of the Interior should ensure that the Department's Information Technology management policies address the role of the Chief Information Officer for key responsibilities in the five areas we identified.	TBD	No	The Department is re-baselining the target date and approach.
OS	GAO-18-415	COMPACTS OF FREE ASSOCIATION: Actions Needed to Prepare for the Transition of Micronesia and the Marshall Islands to Trust Fund Income	1	The Secretary of the Interior should ensure that the Director of the Office of Insular Affairs, as Chairman of the FSM compact trust fund committee, works with other members of the committee to develop a distribution policy for the FSM compact trust fund, as required by the compact trust fund agreement, that takes into account potential strategies that could address risks to the trust funds' ability to provide a source of income after fiscal year 2023.	TBD	No	The Department is re-baselining the target date and approach.
OS	GAO-18-415	COMPACTS OF FREE ASSOCIATION: Actions Needed to Prepare for the Transition of Micronesia and the Marshall Islands to Trust Fund Income	2	The Secretary of the Interior should ensure that the Director of the Office of Insular Affairs, as Chairman of the FSM compact trust fund committee and of the FSM Joint Economic Management committee, works with other members of the committees to develop the fiscal procedures required by the compact trust fund agreement.	TBD	No	The Department is re-baselining the target date and approach.
OS	GAO-18-415	COMPACTS OF FREE ASSOCIATION: Actions Needed to Prepare for the Transition of Micronesia and the Marshall Islands to Trust Fund Income	3	The Secretary of the Interior should ensure that the Director of the Office of Insular Affairs, as the Chairman of the FSM Compact trust fund committee, works with other members of the committee to address the timing of the calculation of Compact trust fund disbursements.	TBD	No	The Department is re-baselining the target date and approach.
OS	GAO-18-415	COMPACTS OF FREE ASSOCIATION: Actions Needed to Prepare for the Transition of Micronesia and the Marshall Islands to Trust Fund Income	4	The Secretary of the Interior should ensure that the Director of the Office of Insular Affairs, as Chairman of the RMI Compact trust fund committee, works with other members of the committee to develop a distribution policy for the RMI Compact trust fund, as required by the Compact trust fund Agreement, that takes into account potential strategies that could address risks to the trust funds' ability to provide a source of income after fiscal year 2023.	TBD	No	The Department is re-baselining the target date and approach.

OS	GAO-18-415	COMPACTS OF FREE ASSOCIATION: Actions Needed to Prepare for the Transition of Micronesia and the Marshall Islands to Trust Fund Income	5	The Secretary of the Interior should ensure that the Director of the Office of Insular Affairs, as Chairman of the RMI compact trust fund committee and of the RMI Joint Economic Management and Financial Accountability committee, works with other members of the committees to develop the fiscal procedures required by the Compact trust fund Agreement.	TBD	No	The Department is re-baselining the target date and approach.
OS	GAO-18-415	COMPACTS OF FREE ASSOCIATION: Actions Needed to Prepare for the Transition of Micronesia and the Marshall Islands to Trust Fund Income	6	The Secretary of the Interior should ensure that the Director of the Office of Insular Affairs, as the Chairman of the RMI Compact trust fund committee, works with other members of the committee to address the timing of the calculation of Compact trust fund disbursements.	TBD	No	The Department is re-baselining the target date and approach.
OS	GAO-16-607	Oil and Gas: Interior Could Do More to Account for and Manage Natural Gas Emissions	4	High Risk Recommendation - ONRR should provide additional guidance on how to differentiate between combusted and non- combusted lease use volumes reported on the OGOR, which could assist Interior in measuring its progress towards greenhouse gas reduction goals.	8/30/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BIE	GAO-20-308	Bureau of Indian Education: Actions Needed to Improve Management of a Supplemental Education Program	2	The Director of the Bureau of Indian Education, in coordination with the Bureau of Indian Affairs as needed, should establish a process to track and monitor the timeliness of JOM disbursements to non-tribal contractors, including identifying a target date for disbursing funds to these contractors.	TBD	No	The Department is re-baselining the target date and approach.
BIE	GAO-20-308	Bureau of Indian Education: Actions Needed to Improve Management of a Supplemental Education Program	3	The Director of the Bureau of Indian Education should develop a timeline to assess the usefulness of the information they are collecting from JOM contractors and update JOM information collection forms, including converting them to an electronic format to reduce the burden on contractors to complete them.	TBD	No	The Department is re-baselining the target date and approach.
BIE	GAO-20-308	Bureau of Indian Education: Actions Needed to Improve Management of a Supplemental Education Program	5	The Director of the Bureau of Indian Education should clearly define the roles and responsibilities and identify the staff necessary for conducting critical JOM functions, including administering contracts, reviewing the appropriateness of contract types, and overseeing those contractors that are subject to BIE oversight.	TBD	No	The Department is re-baselining the target date and approach.
BIE	GAO-20-358	Indian Education: Actions Needed to Ensure Students with Disabilities Receive Special Education Services	1	The Director of BIE should establish consistent requirements for schools on making up missed special education and related services and monitor schools to ensure that they follow these requirements.	8/1/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.

BIE	GAO-20-358	Indian Education: Actions Needed to Ensure Students with Disabilities Receive Special Education Services	2	The Director of BIE should work with knowledgeable stakeholders in Indian education to establish a community of practice or other formal mechanism to identify and disseminate promising practices for schoolsespecially those in remote locationson recruiting, hiring, and retaining special education teachers and contracting with providers. The Director of BIE could consider conferring with BIE's special education advisory committee, OSEP, and relevant Tribal	8/1/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BIE	GAO-20-358	Indian Education: Actions Needed to Ensure Students with Disabilities Receive Special Education Services	4	and State education officials in addressing this recommendation. The Director of BIE should update the agency's workforce plan to include a strategy and timeframe for filling vacant staff positions responsible for overseeing and supporting schools' special education programs.	8/1/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BIE	GAO-20-358	Indian Education: Actions Needed to Ensure Students with Disabilities Receive Special Education Services	5	The Director of BIE should fully implement the agency's high-risk monitoring policy for IDEA and other Federal education programs, including requirements for agency-wide coordination, and ensure that schools selected for such monitoring receive reports and technical assistance plans within 30 days of agency on-site visits, as required by BIE policy.	TBD	No	The Department is re-baselining the target date and approach.
BIE	GAO-20-358	Indian Education: Actions Needed to Ensure Students with Disabilities Receive Special Education Services	6	The Director of BIE should establish special education training requirements for staff in the agency's Education Resource Centers who are responsible for supporting and overseeing schools' special education programs, and ensure that staff complete those training requirements.	8/1/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BIE	GAO-20-358	Indian Education: Actions Needed to Ensure Students with Disabilities Receive Special Education Services	7	The Director of BIE should take steps to ensure that all of the agency's Education Resource Centers conduct outreach with schools to inform them of their new roles in overseeing and supporting schools' special education programs under BIE's reorganization.	8/1/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BIE	GAO-20-600	Native American Youth Agencies Incorporated All Leading Practices When Accessing Grant Programs Addressing Delinquency	2	The Director of the Department of the Interior's Bureau of Indian Education should take steps to alert grantees of the Native Language Immersion Cooperative Agreement when they are late in submitting performance reports.	TBD	No	The Department is re-baselining the target date and approach.
BIE	GAO-20-600	Native American Youth Agencies Incorporated All Leading Practices When Accessing Grant Programs Addressing Delinquency	3	The Director of the Department of the Interior's Bureau of Indian Education should take steps to alert grantees of the Native Language Immersion Cooperative Agreement when they are late in submitting performance reports.	TBD	No	The Department is re-baselining the target date and approach.
BIA	GAO-21-110	NATIVE AMERICAN CULTURAL RESOURCES: Improved Information Could Enhance Agencies' Efforts to Analyze and Respond to Risks of Theft and Damage	4	The Secretary of the Interior should direct the Director of BIA to take steps to identify and obtain the information needed to target its efforts for analyzing and addressing risks to Native American cultural resources and share any promising practices with the Departmental Consulting Archeologist.	8/1/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.

USGS	GAO-21-129	National Earthquake Reduction Program (NEHRP) and Earthquake Risk Assessment	1	The Director of USGS should develop a strategic plan for the Earthquake Hazard Program that articulates the fundamental mission of the entire program, lays out its long-term goals for implementing the plan, and identifies the strategies and resources that are needed to reach these goals.	TBD	No	The Department is re-baselining the target date and approach.
USGS	GAO-21-129	National Earthquake Reduction Program (NEHRP) and Earthquake Risk Assessment	3	The Director of USGS should consult with relevant Congressional committees when developing its strategic plan for EHP.	TBD	No	The Department is re-baselining the target date and approach.
USGS	GAO-21-129	National Earthquake Reduction Program (NEHRP) and Earthquake Risk Assessment	4	The Director of USGS should complete a staffing gap analysis for the Earthquake Hazard Program that is clearly linked to the mission and long-term goals of the Natural Hazards Mission Area and Earthquake Hazard Program's strategic plans.	TBD	No	The Department is re-baselining the target date and approach.
BLM	GAO-21-169T	Federal Oil and Gas Revenue: Actions Needed to Improve BLM's Royalty Relief Policy	1	The Director of BLM should evaluate its temporary royalty relief program, including the extent to which the policy met BLM's objectivesconserving oil and gas resources from becoming unrecoverableand likely costs, such as forgone revenuesto inform any royalty relief decisions it may make in the future under the ongoing regulatory authority.	TBD	No	The Department is re-baselining the target date and approach.
BLM	GAO-21-169T	Federal Oil and Gas Revenue: Actions Needed to Improve BLM's Royalty Relief Policy	2	The Director of BLM should update BLM's 1995 royalty handbook to provide specific, consistent, and transparent policies and procedures for royalty relief.	TBD	No	The Department is re-baselining the target date and approach.
BLM	GAO-21-209	Interior Should Strengthen Management of Key Data Systems Used to Oversee Development on Federal Lands	3	The Director of BLM should develop training plans for key data systems that identify users and how they will be trained.	TBD	No	The Department is re-baselining the target date and approach.
BSEE	GAO-21-293	Offshore Oil and Gas: Updated Regulations Needed to Improve Pipeline Oversight and Decommissioning	1	The BSEE Director should take actions to further develop, finalize, and implement updated pipeline regulations to address long-standing limitations regarding its ability to (1) ensure the integrity of active offshore oil and gas pipelines and (2) address safety and environmental risks associated with their decommissioning.	9/30/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
FWS	GAO-21-518	FACIAL RECOGNITION TECHNOLOGY: Federal Law Enforcement Agencies Should Better Assess Privacy and Other Risks	14	The Director of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service should, after implementing a mechanism to track non-federal systems, assess the risks of using such systems, including privacy and accuracy-related risks.	3/29/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BIE	GAO-21-492T	Indian Education: Schools Need More Assistance to Provide Distance Learning (GAO-21-492T)	1	The Director of BIE should provide comprehensive guidance to schools on distance learning to ensure they have the information to create and maintain effective distance learning programs during extended school building closures.	TBD	No	The Department is re-baselining the target date and approach.
BIE	GAO-21-492T	Indian Education: Schools Need More Assistance to Provide Distance Learning (GAO-21-492T)	2	The Director of BIE should work with Indian Affairs' Office of Information Management Technology to develop and implement written policies and procedures for collecting timely information on BIE-operated schools' technology needs.	TBD	No	The Department is re-baselining the target date and approach.

NPS	GAO-21-104325	COVID-19: Reviewing Existing Policies Could Help Selected Agencies Better Prepare for Dedicated User Fee Revenues Fluctuations	2	The Director of the National Park Service should develop, document, and implement plans to periodically review the agency's target rate for recreation fee carryover balances at individual park units.	12/31/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BLM	GAO-22-104247	The Bureau of Land Management's workforce composition since 2016.	1	The Director of BLM should track data on vacancies and the use of details for all offices.	6/30/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BLM	GAO-22-104247	The Bureau of Land Management's workforce composition since 2016.	2	The Director of BLM should develop an agency-wide strategic workforce plan that aligns the agency's human capital program with emerging mission goals and includes long-term strategies for acquiring, developing, and retaining staff to achieve programmatic goals.	7/30/2025	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BLM	GAO-22-103968	Oil and Gas Leasing: BLM Should Update Its Guidance and Review Its Fees	3	The Director of BLM should revise the agency's approach to conducting biennial fee reviews to ensure that future biennial reviews examine all costs BLM intended to recover with its application fees and, where appropriate, adjust fees accordingly.	3/31/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BLM	GAO-22-103968	Oil and Gas Leasing: BLM Should Update Its Guidance and Review Its Fees	1	The Director of BLM should conduct a review to determine why the agency has had difficulty updating handbooks and its manual for oil and gas leasing as directed by BLM policy, and then adjust BLM's approach to updating them accordingly.	TBD	No	The Department is re-baselining the target date and approach.
NPS	$(\tau A() - 1/1 - 1/0.44/0)$	Less-Lethal Force during Demonstrations, including Lafayette Square	7	The Chief of USPP should develop specific reporting requirements on the types of information that must be provided for each use of force incident, such as the type of munition.	3/12/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BIA	GAO-22-104241	Alaska Native Issues: Federal Agencies Could Enhance Support for Native Village Efforts to Address Environmental Threats	1	The BIA Director should identify options for providing additional technical assistance that is specifically designed to help Alaska Native villages navigate and obtain assistance from the variety of potentially available Federal programs, including by assessing how BIA prioritizes its available resources.	12/31/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BIA	GAO-22-104241	Alaska Native Issues: Federal Agencies Could Enhance Support for Native Village Efforts to Address Environmental Threats	3	The BIA Director should review BIA's programs identified in this report and, where the agency determines it feasible and appropriate, implement relevant changes to address program characteristics that are not established in statute that pose obstacles to Alaska Native villages' obtaining assistance, including characteristics we identified and others that BIA may identify. BIA should also document its review, any related consultation with tribes, and any changes made to its programs.	6/30/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BLM		Oil and Gas: Federal Actions Needed to Address Methane Emissions from Oil and Gas Development	2	The Director of BLM should consider whether to require gas capture plans that are similar to what States require, including gas capture percentage targets, from operators on Federal lands.	TBD	No	The Department is re-baselining the target date and approach.

USGS		Critical Minerals: Building on Federal Efforts to Advance Recovery and Substitution Could Help Address Supply Risks	1	The Secretary of Energy, the Secretary of the Interior, and the Director of the Office of Science and Technology Policy, in collaboration with the members of the Critical Minerals Subcommittee, should update the 2019 critical minerals national strategy as it relates to recovery and substitution. The update should address newly enacted statutory requirements and recent federal efforts and incorporate characteristics of effective national strategies, including (1) goals, subordinate objectives, activities, and performance measures; (2) resources, investments, and risk management; and (3) integration and implementation.	TBD	No	The Department is re-baselining the target date and approach.
BIA	GAO-22-104626	FEDERAL PERSONAL PROPERTY: Better Internal Guidance and More Action from GSA Are Needed to Help Agencies Maximize Use of Excess	1	The Director of the Bureau of Indian Affairs should ensure that internal guidance on considering excess personal property incorporates, at a minimum, the requirement to consider excess property, relevant roles and responsibilities, when it is practicable to check for and obtain excess property, and how to evaluate the suitability of excess property for meeting agency needs.	TBD	No	The Department is re-baselining the target date and approach.
NPS	GAO-23-104489	Working Dogs: Federal Agencies Need to Better Address Health and Welfare	8	The Secretary of Interior should direct all of the Department of the Interior's agencies with federally managed working dog programs to revise their policies as necessary to ensure that they address all of the 18 issues GAO identified as important to the health and welfare of working dogs.	7/31/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BLM	GAO-23-104489	Working Dogs: Federal Agencies Need to Better Address Health and Welfare	8	The Secretary of Interior should direct all of the Department of the Interior's agencies with federally managed working dog programs to revise their policies as necessary to ensure that they address all of the 18 issues GAO identified as important to the health and welfare of working dogs.	TBD	No	The Department is re-baselining the target date and approach.
FWS	GAO-23-104489	Working Dogs: Federal Agencies Need to Better Address Health and Welfare	15	The Secretary of Interior should direct all of the Department of Interior's agencies with contractor managed working dog programs to ensure that all 18 issues GAO identified as important to the health and welfare of working dogs are addressed, as appropriate, in future contracts.	8/30/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
BIA	GAO-23-104489	Working Dogs: Federal Agencies Need to Better Address Health and Welfare	8	The Secretary of Interior should direct all of the Department of the Interior's agencies with federally managed working dog programs to revise their policies as necessary to ensure that they address all of the 18 issues GAO identified as important to the health and welfare of working dogs.	TBD	No	The Department is re-baselining the target date and approach.
BSEE	GAO-23-105789	Offshore Oil and Gas: Strategy Urgently Needed to Address Cybersecurity Risks to Infrastructure	1	The BSEE Director should immediately develop and implement a strategy to guide the development of its most recent cybersecurity initiative; such a strategy should include (1) a risk assessment; (2) objectives, activities, and performance measures; (3) roles, responsibilities, and coordination; and (4) identification of needed resources and investments.	12/31/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.

OCIO	$1 (\tau \Delta I) = / 3 = 1 (1) (1) (1) (1)$	Information Management: Agencies Need to Streamline Electronic Services	4	The Secretary of Interior should establish a reasonable time frame for when the Department of the Interior will be able to accept remote identity proofing with authentication, digitally accept access and consent forms from individuals who were properly identity proofed and authenticated, and post access and consent forms on the Department's privacy program website.	12/31/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
NPS	GAO-23-106625	Capitol Attack: Federal Agencies Identified Some Threats, but Did Not Fully Process and Share Information Prior to January 6, 2021	9	The Chief of Park Police should update its policies to clarify how it uses information from other agencies on potential threats of violence.	4/1/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
OS	GAO-23-105408	Abandoned Hardrock Mines: Land Management Agencies Should Improve Reporting of Total Cleanup Costs	1	The Secretary of the Interior should expand the information available to Congress regarding the agency's fiscal exposure from abandoned hardrock mines by clearly identifying the amount of known cleanup cost estimates specifically for such mines in supplemental reports or other budget materials.	8/1/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.
OS	GAO-23-105408	Abandoned Hardrock Mines: Land Management Agencies Should Improve Reporting of Total Cleanup Costs	4	The Secretary of the Interior should develop quantitative performance measures for the IIJA abandoned hardrock mine land program, as the agency continues to design and implement the program, to enable the agency to assess its progress toward meeting its program goals.	8/1/2024	No	Implementing the Corrective Action Plan.