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# INTERNAL CONTROL QUARTERLY REPORT

PREPARED FOR THE STATE BOARD OF  
INTERNAL CONTROL

PREPARED BY

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# Executive Summary

## Introduction

The State of South Dakota Internal Control Framework has been successfully rolled out to thirteen agencies: the Bureau of Finance & Management, the Department of Revenue, the Department of Agriculture, the Department of Game, Fish & Parks, the Department of Tribal Relations, the Department of Tourism, the Department of Corrections, the Department of the Military, School and Public Lands, the Office of the State Auditor, the Department of Public Safety, the Department of Social Services, and the Department of Health. These agencies have documented their objectives, risks and controls which are subject to periodic revision.

Due to a merger between the Department of Agriculture and the Department of Environment and Natural Resources, work done at the Department of Agriculture is temporarily suppressed. We will resume this work as well as refresh it to reflect the new agency when the framework is rolled out to Department of Agriculture and Natural Resources.

## Our Intent

The Statewide Internal Control Framework enables the State and its individual Agencies to implement an adaptive, effective internal control system with the intent to continually improve accountability in achieving Agency and State objectives. The Framework consists of a set of Standards which provide guidance for establishing, maintaining, assessing, and reporting effective internal controls across the State.

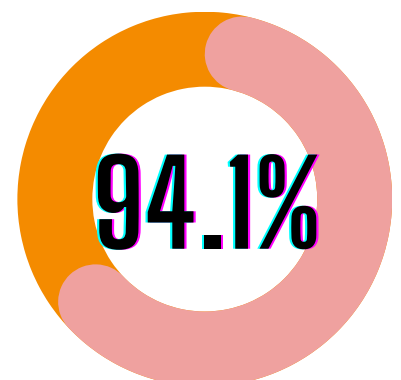
## Strategy & Implementation

The Framework provides for the need to monitor, test and report control deficiencies as part of the first line of defense activities. This report details the results and findings as part of the self-assessments performed by the control owners in each division. The following activities were performed as part of the self-assessment:

- Control owners and Agency Internal Control Officers completed a review of their objectives, risks, and controls to ensure their matrix was up to date. This includes changing risks, risk ratings, objectives, and prioritizations where necessary;
- Control owners completed a self-assessment/attestation for their respective controls validating control effectiveness;
- Control owners are documenting remediation plans for control deficiencies where applicable;
- Control owners received training on attestation completion;
- The Statewide Internal Control Officer reviewed the key information reported by all relevant parties and provided guidance where necessary.

### Control Attestation Summary

Overall, we had a 94.1% response rate on the control owner attestations this quarter.





# STATEWIDE SUMMARY

**Allysen Kerr, Statewide Internal Control Officer**

**Last review period:** September 29, 2022 | **Date of review:** March 29, 2023

## Statewide

Metric	Details	Quarter 3, FY 23		Quarter 2, FY 23		Quarter 1, FY 23		Quarter 4, FY 22	
		Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Risk by Type	Public Perception	275	9.6%	186	9.9%	186	9.9%	162	9.8%
	Technology	132	4.6%	73	3.9%	73	3.9%	63	3.8%
	Operational	1667	58.3%	1146	60.8%	1146	60.8%	1026	62.2%
	Compliance	467	16.3%	273	14.5%	273	14.5%	212	12.8%
	Financial	305	10.7%	204	10.8%	204	10.8%	184	11.2%
	Fraud	12	0.4%	3	0.2%	3	0.2%	3	0.2%
		2858	100%	1885	100%	1885	100%	1650	100%
Risk by Priority	Low	775	27.1%	583	30.9%	583	30.9%	530	32.1%
	Medium	1666	58.3%	1045	55.4%	1045	55.4%	900	54.5%
	High	299	10.5%	180	9.5%	180	9.5%	152	9.2%
	Critical	118	4.1%	77	4.1%	77	4.1%	68	4.1%
		2858	100%	1885	100%	1885	100%	1650	100%
Control Owner Self-Assessments	Completed On-time	94.1%		100%		100%		98.1%	
Critical / High Priority Risks with an Identified Control Issue	High	16	5.4%	5	1.7%	7	2.3%	6	2%
	Critical	6	5.1%	2	1.7%	1	0.8%	5	4.2%
		22	5.3%	7	1.7%	8	1.9%	11	2.6%
Past Due Remediation Actions		0		0		0		0	
Risks with Priority Changes		0		0		0		0	
Open Control Issues by Risk Type		Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
	Public Perception	3	18.8%	0	0.0%	2	22.2%	0	0.0%
	Technology	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	8.3%
	Operational	10	62.5%	5	71.4%	5	55.6%	10	83.3%
	Compliance	2	12.5%	2	28.6%	1	11.1%	1	8.3%
	Financial	1	6.3%	0	0.0%	1	11.1%	0	0.0%
	Fraud	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
		9		6		0		0	
Total Open Control Issues		9		6		0		0	
Preventive vs. Detective Controls		50.9% vs. 49.1%		43.1% vs. 56.9%		43.1% vs. 56.9%		40.7% vs. 59.3%	
Controls by Frequency	Ad-Hoc	314	48.0%	201	44.7%	199	44.7%	179	43.7%
	Daily	85	13.0%	57	12.7%	57	12.8%	55	13.4%
	Weekly	20	3.1%	11	2.4%	11	2.5%	10	2.4%
	Bi-Weekly	6	0.9%	6	1.3%	6	1.3%	6	1.5%
	Monthly	90	13.8%	65	14.4%	65	14.6%	61	14.9%
	Bi-Monthly	6	0.9%	3	0.7%	3	0.7%	3	0.7%
	Quarterly	21	3.2%	16	3.6%	16	3.6%	13	3.2%
	Semi-Annually	11	1.7%	10	2.2%	9	2.0%	7	1.7%
	Annually	101	15.4%	81	18.0%	79	17.8%	76	18.5%
		654	100%	450	100%	445	100%	410	100%





# GAME, FISH & PARKS

**Chris Petersen: Finance Officer and SBIC Board Member**

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## Department of Game, Fish & Parks

Metric	Details	Quarter 3, FY 23		Quarter 1, FY 23		Quarter 3, FY22		Quarter 1, FY22	
Risk by Type		Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Public Perception Technology Operational Compliance Financial Fraud		61	16.3%	61	16.3%	61	16.3%	61	16.3%
		14	3.7%	14	3.7%	14	3.7%	14	3.7%
		255	68.0%	255	68.0%	255	68.0%	255	68.0%
		16	4.3%	16	4.3%	16	4.3%	16	4.3%
		29	7.7%	29	7.7%	29	7.7%	29	7.7%
		0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
		375	100%	375	100%	375	100%	375	100%
Risk by Priority	Low	83	22.1%	83	22.1%	83	22.1%	83	22.1%
	Medium	230	61.3%	230	61.3%	230	61.3%	230	61.3%
	High	45	12.0%	45	12.0%	45	12.0%	45	12.0%
	Critical	17	4.5%	17	4.5%	17	4.5%	17	4.5%
		375	100%	375	100%	375	100%	375	100%
Control Owner Self-Assessments	Completed On-time	82.4%		100%		91%		73.8%	
Critical / High Priority Risks with an Identified Control Issue	High	3	6.7%	4	8.9%	11	24.4%	8	17.8%
	Critical	0	0%	1	5.9%	1	5.9%	0	0%
		3	4.8%	5	8.1%	12	19.4%	8	12.9%
Past Due Remediation Actions		0		0		0		0	
Risks with Priority Changes		0		0		0		0	
Open Control Issues by Risk Type		Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
	Public Perception	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
	Technology	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	8.3%	0	0.0%
	Operational	3	100.0%	4	80.0%	10	83.3%	7	87.5%
	Compliance	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
	Financial	0	0.0%	1	20.0%	1	8.3%	1	12.5%
	Fraud	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Total Open Control Issues		0		0		0		0	
Control Issues by Division	GFP Administration	2	66.7%	2	40.0%	8	66.7%	2	25.0%
	GFP Cap Development & Fed Aid	0	0.0%	1	20.0%	1	8.3%	0	0.0%
	GFP Communications & Marketing	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	2	16.7%	1	12.5%
	GFP Education	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
	GFP Habitat Access	0	0.0%	1	20.0%	0	0.0%	2	25.0%
	GFP Law Enforcement	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
	GFP Parks Operations	0	0.0%	1	20.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
	GFP WDM	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
	GFP Wildlife & Fisheries Mgmt.	1	33.3%	0	0.0%	1	8.3%	3	37.5%
Controls with Repeat Issues		0		0		0		0	
Preventive vs. Detective Controls		16.9% vs. 83.1%		16.9% vs. 83.1%		16.9% vs. 83.1%		16.9% vs. 83.1%	
Controls by Frequency	Ad-Hoc	34	47.9%	34	47.9%	34	47.9%	34	47.9%
	Daily	2	2.8%	2	2.8%	2	2.8%	2	2.8%
	Weekly	1	1.4%	1	1.4%	1	1.4%	1	1.4%
	Bi-Weekly	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
	Monthly	4	5.6%	4	5.6%	4	5.6%	4	5.6%
	Bi-Monthly	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
	Quarterly	2	2.8%	2	2.8%	2	2.8%	2	2.8%
	Semi-Annually	1	1.4%	1	1.4%	1	1.4%	1	1.4%
	Annually	27	38.0%	27	38.0%	27	38.0%	27	38.0%
		71	100%	71	100%	71	100%	71	100%



# MILITARY

**Connie Hohn: Deputy Secretary**

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## Department of the Military

Metric	Details	Quarter 3, FY 23		Quarter 1, FY 23		Quarter 3, FY22		Quarter 1, FY22	
Risk by Type		Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
	Public Perception	2	2.5%	2	2.5%	2	2.5%	0	0%
	Technology	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0%
	Operational	57	70.4%	57	70.4%	57	70.4%	0	0%
	Compliance	20	24.7%	20	24.7%	20	24.7%	0	0%
	Financial	2	2.5%	2	2.5%	2	2.5%	0	0%
	Fraud	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0%
		81	100%	81	100%	81	100%	0	0%
Risk by Priority	Low	36	44.4%	36	44.4%	36	44.4%	0	0%
	Medium	41	50.6%	41	50.6%	41	50.6%	0	0%
	High	4	4.9%	4	4.9%	4	4.9%	0	0%
	Critical	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0%
		81	100%	81	100%	81	100%	0	0%
Control Owner Self-Assessments	Completed On-time	100%		100%		100%		0%	
Critical / High Priority Risks with an Identified Control Issue	High	0	0%	1	25%	1	25%	0	0%
	Critical	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
		0	0%	1	25%	1	25%	0	0%
Past Due Remediation Actions		0		0		0		0	
Risks with Priority Changes		0		0		0		0	
Open Control Issues by Risk Type		Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
	Public Perception	0	0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0%
	Technology	0	0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0%
	Operational	0	0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0%
	Compliance	0	0%	1	100.0%	1	100.0%	0	0%
	Financial	0	0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0%
	Fraud	0	0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0%
Total Open Control Issues		0		0		0		0	
Control Issues by Division	DOM Adjutant General	0	0%	1	100.0%	1	100.0%	0	0%
	DOM Air Guard	0	0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0%
	DOM Army Guard	0	0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0%
Controls with Repeat Issues		0		0		0		0	
Preventive vs. Detective Controls		0% vs. 100%		0% vs. 100%		0% vs. 100%		0% vs. 0%	
Controls by Frequency	Ad-Hoc	7	100.0%	7	100.0%	7	100.0%	0	0%
	Daily	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0%
	Weekly	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0%
	Bi-Weekly	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0%
	Monthly	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0%
	Bi-Monthly	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0%
	Quarterly	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0%
	Semi-Annually	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0%
	Annually	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0%
		7	100%	7	100%	7	100%	0	0%

# PUBLIC SAFETY

## Kimberly Blair: Internal Control/Grant Specialist

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## Department of Public Safety

Metric	Details	Quarter 3, FY 23		Quarter 1, FY 23		Quarter 3, FY22		Quarter 1, FY22	
Risk by Type		Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
	Public Perception	24	10.2%	24	10.2%	0	0%	0	0%
	Technology	10	4.3%	10	4.3%	0	0%	0	0%
	Operational	120	51.1%	120	51.1%	0	0%	0	0%
	Compliance	61	26.0%	61	26.0%	0	0%	0	0%
	Financial	20	8.5%	20	8.5%	0	0%	0	0%
	Fraud	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0%	0	0%
		235	100%	235	100%	0	0%	0	0%
Risk by Priority									
	Low	53	22.6%	53	22.6%	0	0%	0	0%
	Medium	145	61.7%	145	61.7%	0	0%	0	0%
	High	28	11.9%	28	11.9%	0	0%	0	0%
	Critical	9	3.8%	9	3.8%	0	0%	0	0%
		235	100%	235	100%	0	0%	0	0%
Control Owner Self-Assessments	Completed On-time	100%		100%		0%		0%	
Critical / High Priority Risks with an Identified Control Issue	High Critical	0	0%	2	7.1%	0	0%	0	0%
		0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
		0	0%	2	5.4%	0	0%	0	0%
Past Due Remediation Actions		0		0		0		0	
Risks with Priority Changes		0		0		0		0	
Open Control Issues by Risk Type		Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
	Public Perception	0	0%	2	66.7%	0	0%	0	0%
	Technology	0	0%	0	0.0%	0	0%	0	0%
	Operational	0	0%	1	33.3%	0	0%	0	0%
	Compliance	0	0%	0	0.0%	0	0%	0	0%
	Financial	0	0%	0	0.0%	0	0%	0	0%
	Fraud	0	0%	0	0.0%	0	0%	0	0%
Total Open Control Issues		0		0		0		0	
Control Issues by Division	DPS Administration	0	0%	1	50.0%	0	0%	0	0%
	DPS Criminal Justice Services	0	0%	1	50.0%	0	0%	0	0%
	DPS Emergency Services	0	0%	0	0.0%	0	0%	0	0%
	DPS Highway Patrol	0	0%	0	0.0%	0	0%	0	0%
	DPS Wildland Fire	0	0%	0	0.0%	0	0%	0	0%
Controls with Repeat Issues		0		0		0		0	
Preventive vs. Detective Controls		65.8% vs. 34.2%		65.8% vs. 34.2%		0% vs. 100%		0% vs. 100%	
Controls by Frequency	Ad-Hoc	20	52.6%	20	52.6%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
	Daily	2	5.3%	2	5.3%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
	Weekly	1	2.6%	1	2.6%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
	Bi-Weekly	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
	Monthly	4	10.5%	4	10.5%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
	Bi-Monthly	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
	Quarterly	3	7.9%	3	7.9%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
	Semi-Annually	2	5.3%	2	5.3%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
	Annually	6	15.8%	6	15.8%	3	100.0%	3	100.0%
		38	100%	38	100%	3	100%	3	100%

## Department of Social Services

Metric	Details	Quarter 3, FY 23		Quarter 1, FY 23		Quarter 3, FY22		Quarter 1, FY22	
		Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Risk by Type	Public Perception	49	9.3%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
	Technology	35	6.7%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
	Operational	260	49.5%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
	Compliance	104	19.8%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
	Financial	70	13.3%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
	Fraud	7	1.3%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
		525	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Risk by Priority	Low	68	13.0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
	Medium	382	72.8%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
	High	59	11.2%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
	Critical	16	3.0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
		525	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Control Owner Self-Assessments	Completed On-time	100%		0%		0%		0%	
Critical / High Priority Risks with an Identified Control Issue	High	2	3.4%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
	Critical	1	6.3%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
		3	4%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Past Due Remediation Actions		0		0		0		0	
Risks with Priority Changes		0		0		0		0	
Open Control Issues by Risk Type		Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
	Public Perception	1	33.3%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
	Technology	0	0.0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
	Operational	1	33.3%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
	Compliance	1	33.3%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
	Financial	0	0.0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
	Fraud	0	0.0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Total Open Control Issues		1		0		0		0	
Control Issues by Division	DSS Administration & Finance	2	66.7%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
	DSS Child Protective Services	0	0.0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
	DSS Child Support	0	0.0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
	DSS Community Behavioral Health	0	0.0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
	DSS Economic Assistance	0	0.0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
	DSS Human Services Center	0	0.0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
	DSS Medical Services	1	33.3%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Controls with Repeat Issues		0		0		0		0	
Preventive vs. Detective Controls		67.4% vs. 32.6%		0% vs. 0%		0% vs. 0%		0% vs. 0%	
Controls by Frequency	Ad-Hoc	49	51.6%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
	Daily	13	13.7%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
	Weekly	2	2.1%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
	Bi-Weekly	0	0.0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
	Monthly	12	12.6%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
	Bi-Monthly	2	2.1%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
	Quarterly	3	3.2%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
	Semi-Annually	1	1.1%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
	Annually	13	13.7%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
		95	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%





## FRAMEWORK

# PROJECT UPDATE

### COMPLETE

- Internal Control Framework drafted and adopted
- Implementation training material developed and updated
- GRC Technology implemented
- Extended INRY contract for ServiceNow GRC administrative support
- Extended PwC consulting contract extension
- Rolled out to eleven agencies (BFM, DOR, SDDA, GFP, DTR, TOUR, DOC, DOM, SPL, OSA, DPS, DSS, and DOH)
- Presented Annual Work Plan to GOAC in August 2022



### IN PROGRESS

- Implementation finalization at the State Treasurer's Office
- Implementation at Department of Education
- Next Stage of the Internal Control Program



### NOT STARTED

- Implementation at the Board of Regents starting this summer



# INTERNAL CONTROL PROGRAM

## NEXT STEPS



### Risk Ranking Approach

#### Quantities:

- Higher revenue spend
- Higher transaction counts
- Significant budget impacts

#### People

- Metrics for key personnel
  - Experience level
  - Years of employment or institutional knowledge
- Areas where employee turnover has been higher

#### Historical Background

- Errors/fraud have occurred in the past
- Higher amount of recent changes to the area (i.e., new regulations, processes, legislation, etc.)



### Control Walkthroughs

#### What is it?:

- An end-to-end illustration by management of a process and the key control points within the process that mitigate the key risks identified to assess the design of the controls.

#### Purpose:

- Assess if the design of controls appropriately mitigates the associated risk.
- Determine whether controls are operating consistently as designed to mitigate the associated risk.

**OVERALL GOAL = CONTROL  
ACCOUNTABILITY**