

## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

THE INSPECTOR GENERAL

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## **MEMORANDUM**

**SUBJECT:** Evaluation of Agency Decision on Recommendation 18, Office of Inspector General

Report No. 17-P-0368, Improved Management of the Brownfields Revolving Loan Fund

Program Is Required to Maximize Cleanups, dated August 23, 2017

FROM:

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TO:

Christopher W. Hladick, Regional Administrator

Region 10

On December 14, 2017, we received your agency decision regarding Recommendation 18 in the subject final report. Recommendation 18 questioned the unsupported use of \$103,968 in Brownfields Revolving Loan Fund revenue reported by the Columbia River Estuary Study Taskforce in its profit and loss statements, and recommended recovery of any remaining program income.

We accept the agency's decision on Recommendation 18 based on its review of supporting documentation and the return of \$13,059.67 to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. As a result, the status of this recommendation will be changed to resolved in the Office of Inspector General tracking system as of the date of this memorandum.

If you or your staff have any questions, please contact Kevin Christensen, Assistant Inspector General for Audit and Evaluation, at (202) 566-1007 or <a href="mailto:christensen.kevin@epa.gov">christensen.kevin@epa.gov</a>; or Michael Petscavage, Director, Contract and Assistance Agreement Audits, at (202) 566-0897 or <a href="mailto:petscavage.michael@epa.gov">petscavage.michael@epa.gov</a>.

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