



Audit finds Salton Sea Authority tops in fiscal integrity

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The Salton Sea Authority (SSA) is operating at the highest professional standard of fiscal integrity and public accountability, according to a recently completed independent audit of the organization.

Independent auditor Jennifer Farr reported audit results to the Salton Sea Authority Board of Directors finding that the SSA's audit was exceptionally clean, the very best financial review an organization can receive.

The financial examination evaluated handling of SSA accounts for revenues and expenditures as well as internal controls over cash receiving, cash disbursement, payroll and investment transactions. The audit closely scrutinized state grant funds, such as the SSA's Financial Feasibility Action Plan – completed on time and under budget by the SSA – and found all revenues and expenditures in proper order and accounted. ([Link to FFAP](#))

The SSA is a joint powers authority empowered to work in consultation and cooperation with the state of California Natural Resources Agency to restore the Salton Sea. As the largest inland lake in the state of California, the Salton Sea is home to nearly two thirds of all migratory waterfowl traveling the Pacific Flyway. The Sea ecosystem and economy are threatened by rising salinity levels and lowering water elevations, a trend expected to worsen due to massive agricultural-to-urban water transfers in December 2017.

The SSA and its partner agencies – Imperial Irrigation District, Riverside and Imperial Counties, Coachella Valley Water District, and Torres Martinez Tribe – are working tirelessly to establish a healthy, prosperous future for a smaller but sustainable Salton Sea. For more information click on <http://saltonsea.ca.gov/>

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