



At a Glance

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Why We Did This Review

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Office of Inspector General conducts site visits of American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Recovery Act) clean water and drinking water projects. The purpose of the visits is to confirm compliance with selected Recovery Act requirements. We selected a project located in Perkins, Oklahoma, for review.

Background

The Perkins Public Works Authority received a \$7,225,000 loan from the State of Oklahoma Water Resources Board through the state's Clean Water State Revolving Fund Financing Program. The purpose of the loan was to improve the wastewater treatment facility in order to meet its permitted discharge requirements. The loan included \$2 million in Recovery Act funds for loan forgiveness. The public works authority was required to repay the remaining loan amount of \$5,225,000 over 20 years.

For further information, contact our Office of Congressional, Public Affairs and Management at (202) 566-2391.

The full report is at:
www.epa.gov/oig/reports/2011/20110502-11-R-0214.pdf

American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Site Visit of the Wastewater Treatment Facility Improvements Project, Perkins, Oklahoma

What We Found

We conducted an unannounced visit of the construction site of the Perkins Public Works Authority's wastewater treatment facility improvements project in Perkins, Oklahoma, on April 19–22, 2010. We toured the project site; interviewed public works, engineering, and contractor personnel; and reviewed documentation related to Recovery Act requirements.

Based upon our site visit, we did not identify any issues that would require action by the Perkins Public Works Authority, the State of Oklahoma, or the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.