ANGELINA AND NECHES RIVER AUTHORITY

LOWER NECHES VALLEY AUTHORITY

Issue 1

ANRA Must Improve and Expand Its Planning Efforts to Fully Support Its Organizational Goals.

Management Action

Rec. 1.1, Adopted

Direct ANRA to develop and institute a strategic planning process that supports achieving the authority's long-term objectives.

Rec. 1.2, Adopted

Direct ANRA to develop and institute a formal, documented planning process for facility acquisitions.

Rec. 1.3, Adopted

Direct ANRA to develop and institute a formal, documented budget planning process that ensures its annual budget is structurally balanced.

Issue 2

An Improved Procurement and Contracting Process Would Better Protect ANRA from Unnecessary Risks.

Management Action

Rec. 2.1, Adopted

Direct ANRA to periodically conduct formal solicitations for utility repairs to ensure the authority receives fair and competitive pricing.

Rec. 2.2, Adopted

Direct ANRA to consider developing and using umbrella agreements to procure utility repairs services.

Rec. 2.3, Adopted

Direct ANRA to formally document and evaluate vendor performance.

Rec. 2.4, Adopted

Direct ANRA to adopt contracting best practices to ensure consistency.

Issue 3

A More Robust and Comprehensive Strategic Planning Process Would Better Position LNVA for Continued Long-Term Success.

Management Action

Rec. 3.1, Adopted

Direct LNVA to develop an authority-wide strategic planning process that more thoroughly contemplates all aspects of its operations.

Issue 4

LNVA's Procurement and Contracting Process Would Benefit from Additional Best Practices.

Management Action

Rec. 4.1, Adopted

Direct LNVA to ensure key procurement and contract management staff receives appropriate training.

Rec. 4.2, Adopted

Direct LNVA to adopt a formal contract management policy.

Rec. 4.3, Adopted

Direct LNVA to adopt a formal escalation policy to prevent contract compliance issues.

Rec. 4.4, Adopted

Direct LNVA to formally document and evaluate vendor performance.

Rec. 4.5, Adopted

Direct LNVA to improve certain contracting activities to ensure consistency and enhance monitoring.

Issue 5

ANRA's and LNVA's Statutes and LNVA's Grant Process Do Not Reflect Some Standard Elements of Sunset Reviews.

Change in Statute

Rec. 5.1, Adopted

Apply the standard across-the-board requirement regarding the governor's appointment of the presiding officer to the boards of ANRA and LNVA.

Rec. 5.2, Adopted

Apply the standard across-the-board requirement regarding grounds for removal of a board member to ANRA and LNVA.

Rec. 5.3, Adopted

Apply the standard across-the-board requirement regarding board member training to ANRA and LNVA.

Rec. 5.4, Adopted

Apply the standard across-the-board requirement regarding the separation of duties of board members from those of staff to ANRA and LNVA.

Rec. 5.5, Adopted

Apply the standard across-the-board requirement regarding public testimony to ANRA and LNVA.

Rec. 5.6, Adopted

Apply the standard across-the-board requirement related to developing and maintaining an authority complaints system and making information on complaint procedures available to the public.

Rec. 5.7, Adopted

Update ANRA's statute to reflect the requirements of the person-first respectful language initiative.

Rec. 5.8, Adopted

Amend the Sunset review dates of ANRA and LNVA to 2037.

Management Action

Rec. 5.9, Adopted

Direct LNVA to review and, as necessary, adopt grant administration best practices and develop loan-making policies and processes before issuing loans.

Rec. 5.10, Adopted

Direct LNVA to conduct TCEQ-required management audits.

Rec. 5.11, Adopted

Direct LNVA to file with TSLAC information regarding the authority's compliance with records control schedules.