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Auditor General releases list of intended performance audits

VICTORIA – The Office of the Auditor General of B.C. has released its annual performance audit coverage plan, summarizing its next three years of work.

These audits review an organization or a program, looking at whether or not it is achieving its objectives effectively, economically, and efficiently.

“Sharing our audit intentions publicly is an important part of maintaining transparency and engaging with our stakeholders,” said Auditor General Carol Bellringer. “While the plan covers the next three years, we update it annually to reflect new priorities or significant changes.”

This year, the office added seven projects to the list bringing the total projects started over the next three years to 56. The new projects include taking a look at employment programs and rate-regulated accounting at BC Hydro. The office also removed six projects from last year’s list such as the audit of biosecurity risk in agriculture (because most of the authority resides with the federal government) and the one on health leadership (which will be examined within our other audits). The plan explains any such changes.

The office receives hundreds of audit suggestions each year from a variety of sources, meets with stakeholders, and uses a rigorous set of criteria to determine which audits to undertake. “We carefully chose each audit listed in the plan and are confident that they will carry the greatest relevance and value to government and the people of B.C.,” said Bellringer.

This is the second time that Bellringer has publicly released a list of her office’s intended performance audits. The office must release a coverage plan for its annual audit of government’s financial statements, but it chooses to release its performance audit coverage plan to encourage conversations about its planned work with the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts and other stakeholders.

The full coverage plan is available on the Office of the Auditor General’s website at:
www.bcauditor.com/pubs

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