

STATE OF ILLINOIS

OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL

Release Date: June 22, 2022

Frank J. Mautino, Auditor General

SUMMARY REPORT DIGEST

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Financial Audit For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

FINDINGS THIS AUDIT: 1			AGING SCHEDULE OF REPEATED FINDINGS				
	New	Repeat	<u>Total</u>	Repeated Since	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
Category 1:	0	0	0	2020		21-1	
Category 2:	0	1	1				
Category 3:	_0	_0	_0				
TOTAL	0	1	1				
FINDINGS LAST AUDIT: 1							

SYNOPSIS

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FINANCIAL AUDIT

For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES - GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES (expressed in thousands)	Fiscal Year 2021		Fiscal Year 2020	
Program Revenues				
Charges for Services	\$	19,009	\$	45,983
Operating Grants		721,266		202,050
Capital Grants		1,786,876		1,619,382
Total Revenues		2,527,151	<u></u>	1,867,415
Expenses				
Total Expenses		6,521,162		5,657,020
Net (Expenses) Revenues		(3,994,011)		(3,789,605)
Total General Revenues and Transfers		4,597,600		4,094,033
Change in Net Position		603,589		304,428
Net Position, July 1 ,(as restated)		14,466,120		14,057,279
Net Position, June 30	\$	15,069,709	\$	14,361,707

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION - GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES (expressed in thousands)	Fiscal Year 2021	Fiscal Year 2020
Cash Equity with State Treasurer	\$ 780,746	\$ 436,790
Cash and Cash Equivalents	58,146	57,091
Receivables, Net	446,134	394,395
Inventories	86,831	97,134
Capital Assets, Net	19,578,521	19,053,090
Other Assets	1,067,897	1,302,239
Total	22,018,275	21,340,739
Deferred Outflows of Resources - Pension	455,961	362,723
Deferred Outflows of Resources - Other postemployment benefits	748,250	120,915
Total Assets and Deferred Outflows of Resources	23,222,486	21,824,377
Accounts Payable	504,112	467,036
Long Term Obligations	61,154	55,500
Net Pension Liability	3,443,142	3,193,723
Other postemployment benefits	2,716,386	2,122,593
Other Liabilities	734,003	838,143
Total	7,458,797	6,676,995
Deferred Inflows of Resources - Pension	178,614	294,556
Deferred Inflows of Resources - Other postemployment benefits	515,366	491,119
Total Liabilities and Deferred Inflows of Resources	8,152,777	7,462,670
Net Position		
Net Investment in Capital Assets	19,550,049	19,036,411
Restricted for Transportation Programs	65,285	61,452
Restricted for Debt Service	-	-
Unrestricted	(4,545,625)	(4,736,156)
Total Net Position	\$ 15,069,709	\$ 14,361,707
AGENCY SECRETARY		
During Examination Period: Omer Osman		
Currently: Omer Osman		



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FINDINGS, CONCLUSIONS, AND RECOMMENDATIONS

LACK OF CENSUS DATA RECONCILIATIONS

The Department of Transportation (Department) did not have a reconciliation process to provide assurance census data submitted to its pension and other post-employment benefits (OPEB) plans was complete and accurate.

During testing, we noted the following:

No initial reconciliation of census data performed

1. The Department had not performed an initial complete reconciliation of its census data recorded by the State Employees Retirement System (SERS) to its internal records to establish a base year of complete and accurate census data.

No process developed to reconcile changes back to Department records

2. After establishing a base year, the Department had not developed a process to annually obtain from SERS the incremental changes recorded by SERS in their census data records and reconcile these changes back to the Department's internal supporting records. (Finding 1, pages 62-63)

We recommended the Department work with SERS to develop an annual reconciliation process of its active members' census data from its underlying records to a report from each plan of census data submitted to each plan's actuary. We further recommended, after completing an initial full reconciliation, the Department may limit the annual reconciliations to focus on the incremental changes to the census data file from the prior actuarial valuation, provided no risks are identified that incomplete or inaccurate reporting of census data may have occurred during prior periods.

Department stated they have completed reconciliation for FY21

Department officials stated they received the Annual Census Data Reconciliation Guidance from SERS in FY22 on July 6, 2021, and a data encrypted file from SERS on August 9, 2021, for reconciliation of Department records and they completed its part of the Census Data Reconciliation for FY21 on March 31, 2022. Department officials further stated, they are awaiting finalization of guidance from SERS on conducting an annual reconciliation process of its active members' census data to focus on the incremental changes to the census data file from prior actuarial valuations.

AUDITOR'S OPINION

The auditors stated the financial statements of the Department as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021 are fairly stated in all material respects.

This financial audit was conducted by CliftonLarsonAllen LLP.

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JANE CLARK Division Director

This report is transmitted in accordance with Section 3-14 of the Illinois State Auditing Act.

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FRANK J. MAUTINO Auditor General

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