



OFFICE OF THE
STATE AUDITOR

News Release

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**The Office of the State Auditor Releases
Limited Review of Scofield Town**

Salt Lake City, UTAH –

The Office of the State Auditor (Office) today releases its limited review of Scofield Town (Town). The Office received a complaint alleging potential misuse of public funds and noncompliance at Scofield Town.

State Auditor John Dougall continued to emphasize best practices for government entities, saying, “Proper separation of duties, or compensating controls, help to ensure that good people continue to make good decisions and help to prevent, or detect, potential bad actors who attempt to perpetuate fraud, waste or abuse of taxpayer funds. Following best practices, such as the use of purchase cards (p-cards) and fuel cards, limits the risk of abuse associated with credit cards. The Office continues to encourage governmental entities to strengthen their financial oversight policies and procedures. The Office provides an array of training and resources to assist these entities.”

The news release and related information may be found on the Office’s website at auditor.utah.gov.

The Review may be found directly at:

<https://reporting.auditor.utah.gov/servlet/servlet.FileDownload?file=0151K0000071qSnQAI>.

About the Office of the State Auditor

The Office of the State Auditor provides Utah taxpayers and government officials with an independent assessment of financial operation, statutory compliance, and performance management for state and local government.

Specific activities of the Office include performing financial audits, conducting Federal funds compliance audits, providing local government oversight, conducting agency and program performance audits, performing fraud and compliance audits, and operating the State Auditor Hotline for citizens to report suspected financial issues or improprieties. These capabilities strengthen Utah State Government and help taxpayers have confidence in the integrity of Utah’s government agencies.

The Office also provides interactive graphical tools to help taxpayers and policymakers gain greater insight into governmental financial activities. These tools include the Transparent Utah Public Finance website (transparent.utah.gov) as well as the award-winning Project KIDS public education analysis dashboards (auditor.utah.gov/kids) and the Utah Health Cost Compare project (healthcost.utah.gov) to assist consumers in understanding the cost of health procedures.

The State Auditor is a Constitutional Officer of the State of Utah, elected directly by the state's citizens every four years. The role of the State Auditor is authorized in Article VII, Section 15 of the Utah Constitution. For more information, see auditor.utah.gov.

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