

Department of Transportation
Response

Case #21-0046-I

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Date: November 5, 2021

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RE: OIG Case No. 21-0046-I - ROW Permits

The Department of Transportation has received and reviewed the Report of Investigation (ROI) dated October 19, 2021, regarding the issuance of Right of Way Permits to [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] [REDACTED] and the allegation of executives waiving or reducing ROW permit fees.

As a result of the identified ROW Permit instances outlined in your investigation the ROW Section will collaborate with the Law Department to develop a MOU between DOT and [REDACTED] to outline protocols for the issuance of ROW permits.

The DOT has met with the Department of Finance responsible for forwarding invoices to the vendors mentioned in your investigation.

DOT has resubmitted the [REDACTED] ROW permits to BAPS to ensure they are processed. Additionally, BAPS is re-examining their billing process for improvements.

We thank you for bringing this matter to our attention and if additional information is needed please feel free to contact me.

Respectfully,

Laetitia Griffin

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