

Cabinet and Governor Appointed Agencies’ Performance Audit Action Item(s) & Status

Continuing Opportunities to Improve State IT Security – 2019

(See also [cabinet agency response](#) for full context to Washington State Auditor’s Office (SAO) [report](#), January 2020)

Four state agencies were included for this performance audit. Information also was provided by Washington Technology Solutions (WaTech).

SAO Recommendations (Rec) to the four audited agencies:

1. Continue remediating vulnerabilities identified during the security testing, starting with those that most significantly affect the agencies.
2. Consider further aligning agency IT security programs with leading practices recommended in the Center for Internet Security (CIS) Controls.
3. Identify and continue to periodically assess the agency’s IT security needs and resources, including personnel and technology, to mature and maintain sufficient security.

The table below shows the current status of action items the agency initiated to address issues identified in the performance audit report. Please see the [cabinet agency response](#) for additional context and any additional steps already taken.

For an explanation of the columns below, [see the legend](#).

Issue/Rec	Status	Action Steps	Lead Agency	Due Date	Current Resources?	Budget Impact?	Legislation Required?	Notes
Rec. 1-3	Complete	Each audited agency will establish a timeline to address vulnerabilities, improvements and considerations identified	1-4	3/20	Yes	TBD	No	Each agency has established their own timeline to address these items.