

## MEMORANDUM

DATE: January 17, 2024

- TO: USAID/Management/Office of Acquisition and Assistance/Cost, Audit, and Support Division, Contract Audit Management Branch, Supervisory Auditor, Sheree F. Marshall
- FROM: Director of External Financial Audit Division (IG/A/EFA), David A. McNeil /s/
- **SUBJECT:** Single Audit of Winrock International Institute for Agricultural Development and Affiliates for the Year Ended December 31, 2019 (3-000-24-010-T)

This memorandum transmits the final single audit report of Winrock International Institute for Agricultural Development and Affiliates (Winrock) for the Year Ended December 31, 2019. The audit report was obtained from the Federal Audit Clearinghouse. Winrock contracted with the independent certified public accounting firm Marcum LLP (Marcum) to conduct the Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards audit in accordance with U.S. Government accounting standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Marcum is responsible for the enclosed report and the conclusions expressed in it. We do not express an opinion on Winrock's financial statements; the effectiveness of its internal control; or its compliance with the awards, laws, and regulations.<sup>1</sup>

Marcum's audit objectives were to: (1) express an opinion on the consolidated financial statements; (2) form an opinion on the combined financial statements as a whole; (3) consider Winrock's internal control over financial reporting; and (4) obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program. To answer the audit objectives, Marcum: (1) performed procedures to obtain evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the combined financial statements; (2) consider internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements; and (3) evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the consolidated financial

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> We reviewed the audit firm's report for conformity with professional reporting standards. Our desk reviews are typically performed to identify any items needing clarification or issues requiring management attention. Desk reviews are limited to review of the audit report itself and excludes review of the auditor's supporting working papers; they are not designed to enable us to directly evaluate the quality of the audit performed.

statements. Winrock's audited expenditures of Federal awards was \$75,407,311, of which the U.S. Agency for International Development's (USAID) audited expenditures amounted to \$57,035,088 for the year ended December 31, 2019.

Marcum expressed an unmodified opinion on the consolidated financial statements and stated that it presented fairly, in all material respects, Winrock's consolidated financial position as of December 31, 2019. Further, Marcum expressed an unmodified opinion on Winrock's compliance for the major Federal programs. Additionally, (1) Marcum did not identify any material weaknesses and significant deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting and internal control over major federal programs, and noncompliance material to the financial statements; and (2) Marcum concluded that it did not identify any material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over major federal programs, and there were no findings required to be reported in accordance with 2 CFR 200.516(a). Finally, Marcum did not identify any reportable findings or questioned costs in its major federal award programs audit.

OIG does not routinely distribute independent public accounting reports beyond the immediate addressees because a high percentage of these reports contain information restricted from release under the Trade Secrets Act, 18 U.S.C. 1905 and Freedom of Information Act Exemption Four, 5 U.S.C. 552(b)(4)("commercial or financial information obtained from a person that is privileged or confidential"). In addition, USAID OIG has determined that this transmittal memo and the enclosed report are not subject to notification and reporting requirements under Section 5274 of the National Defense Authorization Act.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 Pub. L. No. 117-263, § 5274. Please direct related inquiries to <u>oignotice\_ndaa5274@usaid.gov</u>.