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The Office of the National Public Auditor (ONPA) has issued Report No. 2026-12, *Inspection on the CFSM Appropriation for Public Projects in Kosrae State*, revealing significant weaknesses in the administration, oversight, and implementation of public projects funded through the CFSM appropriation.

Covering the period from October 1, 2022, through March 31, 2025, the inspection raises serious concerns about the fulfillment of public officials' responsibilities and the internal controls governing public project funds in Kosrae State.

The findings underscore the importance of responsible public project management, sound procurement practices, complete documentation, and effective internal controls in safeguarding public funds and ensuring accountability for government-funded projects.

ONPA discussed the findings and recommendations with the CFSM Public Projects Allottees and requested their official management responses. The responses generally agreed with the inspection findings and recommendations.

The complete Report No. 2026-12 is available on the ONPA's official website and Facebook page.

The ONPA encourages the public to review the report and remain informed about the oversight of public funds and the implementation of government-funded projects.

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Article XII, Section 3 of the F.S.M Constitution and Title 55, Chapter 5 of the FSM Code authorized the Public Auditor to direct a broad, comprehensive program of auditing within the National Government

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