

Fiscal Year 2022/Top Management Challenges: U.S. EPA Office of Inspector General Report



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The United States Environmental Protection Agency (“EPA”) Office of Inspector General (“OIG”) issued an annual report titled:

Fiscal Year 2022 – Top Management Challenges (“Report”)

The Congressional Reports Consolidation Act of 2000 requires that each federal agency’s inspector general prepare an annual statement that:

- Summarizes what the inspector general considers to be the most serious management and performance challenges facing the agency
- Assesses the agency’s progress in addressing those challenges

The EPA OIG states that in identifying the top challenges for fiscal year 2022 the following was considered:

- The body of OIG’s work
- OIG’s objective and professional observations
- Work conducted by the U.S. Government Accountability Office
- EPA documentation and statements

OIG identified seven top management challenges that are believed to represent:

- EPA’s greatest vulnerabilities to waste, fraud, abuse, and mismanagement
- EPA’s most significant barriers to accomplishing its mission during fiscal year 2022

The seven top management challenges identified include:

1. Mitigating the Causes and Adapting to the Impacts of Climate Change
2. Integrating and Leading Environmental Justice Across the Agency and Government
3. Ensuring the Safe Use of Chemicals
4. Safeguarding Scientific Integrity Principles
5. Ensuring Information Technology and Systems Are Protected Against Cyberthreats
6. Managing Infrastructure Funding and Business Operations
7. Enforcing Environmental Laws and Regulations

A copy of the *Report* can be downloaded [here](#).

