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T2D project risk and issue management

Quotes from the Auditor-General

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"The audit was not a review of whether the T2D project is on budget or on schedule, but whether appropriate arrangements are in place to identify, manage and oversee risks and issues associated with a project of this scale and complexity."

"The T2D project is one of the most significant public infrastructure investments ever undertaken in South Australia. Effective risk and issue management is critical to ensuring decision-makers have clear visibility of emerging threats to project cost, schedule and delivery outcomes. "

"DIT has established a structured framework for managing T2D project risks and issues. Our audit found that this framework provides a sound foundation, but there are opportunities to strengthen oversight, reporting and assurance arrangements as the project progresses through its most complex delivery phases."

"The T2D project's delivery model requires particular attention to oversight arrangements because the State ultimately remains accountable for project outcomes and bears cost overruns above the cap specified in the Alliance agreement."

"Projects of this scale inevitably face evolving risks and emerging issues over time. Strong governance, transparent reporting and clear assurance processes help ensure those risks and issues are identified early, managed effectively and escalated when necessary."

"Our recommendations are intended to support ongoing effective oversight throughout the remainder of the T2D project and to strengthen assurance that significant risks and issues are being managed in the interests of the State and taxpayers. "

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