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REPORT HIGHLIGHTS

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The National Institutes of Health Administered Superfund Appropriations During Fiscal Year 2024 in Accordance With Federal Requirements

Why OIG Did This Audit

- The Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (CERCLA) established the trust fund known as Superfund. CERCLA requires the Inspector General of a Federal organization with Superfund responsibilities to audit all uses of the fund in the prior fiscal year (FY).
- To meet this requirement, OIG conducts an annual audit of the Superfund program at the National Institutes of Health's (NIH's) National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (the Institute), to determine whether NIH administered Superfund appropriations in accordance with applicable Federal requirements.

What OIG Found

During FY 2024, NIH administered Superfund appropriations in accordance with applicable Federal requirements. Specifically, NIH obligated and disbursed Superfund appropriations in accordance with Federal requirements and in similar proportions to prior years. In addition, the Institute's monitoring of Superfund grants ensured that recipients generally met requirements for financial, performance, and audit reporting.

What OIG Recommends

This report contains no recommendations.