

## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

THE INSPECTOR GENERAL

## April 4, 2023

## **MEMORANDUM**

**SUBJECT:** Response to Planned Corrective Actions for Recommendations 1 and 2 in Office of

Inspector General Report No. <u>22-E-0049</u> The Coronavirus Pandemic Caused Schedule Delays, Human Health Impacts, and Limited Oversight at Superfund National Priorities

List Sites, June 23, 2022

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**TO:** Janet McCabe, Deputy Administrator

Barry Breen, Acting Principal Deputy Assistant Administrator

Office of Land and Emergency Management

Thank you for the August 17, 2022 memorandum, which outlines the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's planned corrective actions and estimated completion dates for the two unresolved recommendations issued in the subject Office of Inspector General report. The other recommendation was previously resolved. Based on the information and supporting documentation provided, we agree that the planned corrective actions meet the intent of Recommendations 1 and 2. All recommendations for the subject report are now considered resolved. You should track implementation of the corrective actions in the Agency's audit tracking system until all actions are completed.

We will post this memorandum on our public website at www.epa.gov/oig.

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