

# West Virginia Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management

## Media Response

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Brad McElhinny, West Virginia Metro News

### **Was there a representative of the Inspector General at WV Homeland Security and Emergency Management last week?**

Yes.

### **Can you help me identify the person or persons?**

Jesse Argueta, Department of Homeland Security, Office of the Inspector General

### **What was the topic?**

Richwood audit, recent headlines, how DHSEM will move forward with Richwood.

### **There was talk of the Inspector General getting involved after the Auditor's Richwood report came out. Was it about that? Or was the topic broader?**

Yes, it was about the Richwood Audit, projects occurring there, and FEMA reviews of closeouts to determine eligibility.

### **Was the meeting just one day? Will there be follow-up visits?**

DHSEM will report details of any findings on our part to OIG, so there may be additional communication of some sort.

### **Did the Inspector General ask for any particular written information or to view any materials here at the state?**

Not that I am aware of aside from a copy of the meeting attendees.

### **Who met with the IG and where?**

The meeting occurred in Mike Todorovich's office and included reps from DHSEM and FEMA. Please see attached meeting list.

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