

## **Summary of 10-31-12 interview of Lisa Coronado**

Interview and summary by Thomas M. Patton, Deputy Attorney General

Lisa Coronado is a 33-year employee of the Department of Parks and Recreation and has worked as an analyst with the budget office's local assistance group since 1992. (Lisa Coronado October 31, 2012 interview transcript (LCtr), pp. 2-5.)

Coronado states she has not assisted with preparation of the fund condition statement for the State Parks and Recreation Fund (SPRF), as the area she worked in did not involve any SPRF funding. (LCtr, pp. 6, 8.) Coronado was shown memos issued by the Department of Finance (DOF) on April 8, 2002, and June 5, 2003, identifying discrepancies in balances reported to the DOF and State Controller's Office (SCO) for the SPRF. (Exhibits G and H attached.) Coronado stated she had never seen such a memo, and had never been asked to assist with efforts to reconcile such reported fund balance discrepancies. (LCtr, pp. 8-10.)

When asked if she had attended a meeting years ago when accounting officer Dorothy Kroll explained to budget personnel why the discrepancy in SPRF balances reported to the DOF and SCO existed, Coronado stated she had not. (LCtr, pp. 10-11.)

Coronado was asked about five file cabinets of materials reportedly retained by former budget officer Becky Brown. Coronado indicated she was familiar with the files as she had used them in the past to obtain historical information, such as legislation establishing specific funds. Coronado stated "you could always depend on those files because . . . they got a lot of good information," and noted that Brown "kept good files." Coronado stated while there may have been talk within the budget office of eliminating duplicate files, she has never heard any suggestion that any files retained by Brown have been eliminated. (LCtr, pp. 11-16.)