

Municipality of Vallehermoso
AGENCY ACTION PLAN and STATUS OF IMPLEMENTATION
Audit Observations and Recommendation
For the Calendar Year 2024
As of October 3, 2025

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AAR 2024	1. The Municipality of Vallehermoso did not effectively follow the guidelines and procedures specified in COA Circular No. 2020-006 dated January 31, 2020, regarding the one-time cleansing of PPE, thus affecting the fairness of presentation of the PPE accounts amounting to ₱375,535,879.35 in the financial statements (FS) at year-end and depriving the government's access to reliable and useful information for decision-making and accountability for the assets.	We reiterated our recommendation that the Inventory Committee comply with the guidelines and procedures in COA Circular No. 2020-006 dated January 31, 2020, for the one-time cleansing of PPE accounts to ensure that the PPE account balances are verifiable as to existence, condition, and accountability by observing the following: a. Strictly follow the guidelines and procedures for conducting the physical count of PPE. This includes recognizing PPE items found at the station and disposing of items that are non-existent or missing, the Accountant and Property Officer should reconcile their records based on the results of the physical count and make any necessary adjustments; b. Ensure that the Inventory Committee has enough members who are temporarily relieved of all their regular duties to devote their full time to the physical inventory process until its completion; c. Adopt a uniform numbering system for PPE property numbers and require the Property Unit to update the property stickers according to the prescribed format and include all the necessary information as specified in Sections 5.6 and 5.7 of COA Circular No. 2020-006	Ongoing physical inventory as of Sept. 30, 2025. Cannot give data of reconciliation as our inventory is still ongoing. Awaiting the issuance of an Executive Order for this purpose. The management already has uniform numbering system of Property Number to be used to update property stickers.				Not Implemented Not Implemented Not Implemented		

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		dated January 31, 2020; and d. Record and document of the physical count daily using the standard ICF prescribed in Annex A of COA Circular No. 2020-006 dated January 31, 2020.	Still had no stickers. Ongoing physical count per office and not yet made report.			Not Implemented		
	2. Biological Assets valued at P2,223,949.64 that have been in the books for more than five years, were not stated at fair value as of the reporting date due to the non-submission of the Inventory Report of Breeding Stocks and Other Biological Assets and the prevailing market price for each item by the Municipal Agriculturist and OIC-MENRO to the Municipal Accountant, contrary to Section 4.5.1 of COA Circular 2016-004 dated September 30, 2016, and the pertinent provisions of the IPSAS 27, thus, rendering the existence and valuation of the account presented in the FS doubtful and unreliable.	We recommended and the Municipal Agriculturist and OIC-MENRO agreed to: a. Conduct and inventory of breeding stocks and plants and trees as of the end of the year and thereafter render a report including the fair market value of these items to the Municipal Accountant, for proper recording in the books of the LGU; and b. Keep a systematic record of the Municipality's breeding stocks and trees, reporting births, deaths, and disposal, and in case of death and disposal, facilitate request for relief of accountability in accordance with COA Circular No. 92-386 dated October 20, 1992, to appropriately drop the amount from books. We further recommended and the Municipal Accountant agreed to further disclose the composition of the Biological Assets account in the Notes to the Financial Statements in accordance with IPSAS 27 to provide relevant information that may affect the fairness of the presentation of the FS.	The MENRO and MAO already submitted letter of explanation and documents to derecognize the said accounts, submitted to COA hard copy on 5/30/25 and email on 5/28/25.			Fully Implemented		
	3. Collections amounting to P296,697.38 as of December 31, 2024, were not deposited with the authorized government depository bank (AGDB) daily or not later than the next banking day due to late remittance of Collecting Officers to	We recommended that the Municipal Mayor direct the Municipal Treasurer to: a. Strictly comply with the items 1 and 4 of section 69 of P.D No. 1445 and Section 32 of NGAS Manual for LGUs by ensuring that all collections are deposited intact with the AGDB at the						

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	the Municipal Treasurer, contrary to Items 1 and 4 of Section 69 of PD No. 1445 and Section 32 of the NGAS Manual for LGUs, Volume I, thereby posing a substantial risk to the municipality's financial integrity and exposing government fund potential misappropriation or possible loss.	end of each day or within the prescribed period; b. Regularly notify the Collecting Officers to remit their collections at the end of each working day or at least once a week if they are stationed in far-flung areas and to establish cut-off dates for collections and deposits, especially at year-end; c. Designate a responsible accountable officer, in accordance with existing regulations, to deposit collections to the municipality's AGDB within the prescribed period during her absence or when she is not personally available to do so. We recommended that the OIC – Municipal Health Officer comply with the requirements under DOH AO No. 2018, to obtain the DOH-LTO for the four vehicles.	Complied and Implemented Office Order was made and received by the concern. A responsible officer was bonded to make deposits in my absence and/or unavailability. The MHO can't comply with the DOH requirements for ambulance, thus we will convert the vehicles from ambulance to PTV. Stickers for the said vehicles were ordered.				Fully Implemented Fully Implemented Fully Implemented Not Implemented		
	4. The four municipal vehicles labeled "Ambulance" were not licensed by the Department of Health (DOH) to operate as ambulances; instead, they functioned as patient transport vehicles. Consequently, they were improperly marked, contrary to DO AO No. 2018-001 dated January 28, 2018, thereby endangering the safety of both patients and personnel on board. 5. The unexpended balances of the LDRRMF form prior years amounting to ₱6,027,925.02 which were transferred to the Special Trust Fund (STF) were not considered and integrated into the LDRRMFIP for CY 2024, contrary to Sections 5.1.2 and 5.1.15 of COA Circular No. 2012-002 dated September 12, 2012, and may result in inefficiencies in allocating and utilizing funds	We recommended and the LDRRMO and the LDRRMC agreed to: a. Include PPAs that are chargeable against the prior years' unexpended LDRRMF in the annual LDRRMFIP of the current year, in accordance with the							

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	for disaster risk reduction and management efforts, as well as missed opportunities for disaster resilience and preparedness initiatives.	format prescribed under Annex A of COA Circular No. 2012-002; and b. Establish an efficient review and monitoring system to ensure that the LDRRMFIP complies with the requirements outlined in COA Circular No. 2012-002.					Not Implemented		
6.	The fuel purchased from the LDRRMF was used for purposes unrelated to disaster related activities, in violation of Section 5.0 of NDRRMC-DBM-DILG JMC No. 2013-1 dated March 25, 2013, and DILG MC No. 2012-73 dated April 17, 2012. This misuse undermines the intended purpose of the fuel purchase and reduces the funds available for disaster risk management, relief, rehabilitation, and recovery programs.	We recommended that LDRRMO-Designate: a. Adhere strictly to the provisions of DILG Memorandum Circular No. 2012-73 dated April 17, 2012, and NDRRMC-DBM-DILG Joint Memorandum Circular No. 2013-1 dated March 25, 2013, on the utilization of the LDRRMF; b. Reimburse the LDRRMF from the General Fund for the cost of fuel used by non-LDRRM vehicles; and c. Ensure that the LDRRM motor vehicles and heavy equipment are exclusively used for disaster/calamity response and rescue/relief operations in conformity with DILG MC No. 2021-004 dated January 18,2021. Otherwise, refund or replenish the LDRRMF for the cost of the subject motor vehicles and heavy equipment, the appropriations for which shall be taken from the General Fund.	For compliance at the end of the year.				Fully Implemented		
			We shall adhere to the requirements outlined in COA Circular No. 2012-002.				Fully Implemented		
							Not Implemented		
7.	The Municipality of Vallehermoso did not take advantage of the guidelines and procedures of COA Circular No. 2020-006 dated January 31, 2020, on the one-time cleansing of Property, Plant, and Equipment		The management already adhered to the provisions on the utilization of the LDRRMF.				Fully Implemented		
			To enact supplemental budget at the end of the year.						

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	(PPE), thus adversely affecting the fairness of presentation of its financial position in the financial statements and may deprive the government of reliable and useful information in decision-making and accountability for these assets.	We recommended and Management agreed to: a. Strictly follow the guidelines and procedures in the conduct of physical count of PPE, Recognition of PPE items found at station, and disposition of inexistent/missing PPE items and require the Accountant and Property Officer to reconcile their records based on the results of the actual physical inventory and effect necessary adjustments; b. Adopt the uniform numbering system for property numbers of PPE and require the Property Unit to update the property stickers based on the prescribed format and to include the required information under Section 5.6 and 5.7 of COA Circular No. 2020-006 dated January 31, 2020; c. Submit the approved PIP to the COA Audit Team within the prescribed period; d. Conduct the required preliminary activities prior to inventory taking; and e. Record / document the physical count daily in a standard ICF prescribed in Annex A of COA Circular No. 2020-006 dated January 31, 2020.	Full observation and compliance for the use of our LDRRMF vehicles and equipment inted for their purpose. The Management has already started the preliminary Inventory per office last Dec. 13, 2024 and to wrap up our final Inventory in the 1st semester of the CY 2025 The management already has uniform numbering system of Property Number to be used to update property stickers. Still had no stickers. Management already has PIP and ready for submission. The management already conducted preliminary			Not Implemented Not Implemented Fully Implemented Fully Implemented Not Implemented		Submitted soft copy through email on 1/23/25 and hard copy on 1/28/25.

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		No. 36 7160, either by administrative action through levy on real property or by judicial action.						
AAR 2023	3. The position of Local DRRM Officer, a mandatory Plantilla item in the establishment of Local DRRM Offices (LDRRMOs) prescribed under NDRRMC-DILG-DBM-CSC Joint Memorandum Circular No. 2014-1 dated April 4, 2014, remained vacant due to lack of qualified and interested applicants thus, leaving the Municipality without a responsible person to direct the development, coordination, and implementation of its disaster risk management projects and activities.	We recommended that Management advertise the vacancy in local newspapers and social media, as well as post the notice of vacancy in public places such as the Municipal Hall, Capitol, and Public Markets to attract applicants.	The Management will take appropriate action once the case will decide with finality.			Not Implemented	The Instant position is still under litigation at the court.	
AAR 2023	4. The Trust Fund was used to remit employees' loan payments to a private cooperative, totaling P554,642.00, without the necessary supporting documents, such as a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) or written authorization from the employees allowing the deduction of loan payments from their salaries, in contravention of Section 4(6) of P.D. No. 1445. As a result, the roles and responsibilities of the parties involved could not be established, which compromises accountability and objective evaluation of fund utilization.	We recommended that Management strictly adhere to the provision of Section 4(6) of P.D. No. 1445 and refrain from remitting personal loan payments on behalf of the LGU employees without a written MOA or authority from the employees allowing the deduction of loan payments from their salaries.	The Management already practice as of Nov. 2024 to require authorization from employees before deducting their bonuses and remitted the same to private cooperative.			Fully Implemented		
AAR 2023	5. Registration fees totaling P35,000.00 paid by two Sangguniang Bayan members in connection with their attendance at the 2023 PCL National Convention conducted by the PCL were not acknowledged by government official receipts (Accountable Form No. 51), contrary to Section 505(b) of R.A. No. 7160 or the	We recommended and Management agreed to request the Philippine Councilors League Incorporated to acknowledge their payments with government Official Receipts (Accountable Form No. 51) in compliance with Section 505(b) of R.A. No. 7160 and Sections 42 and 44, Chapter 7, Title I(B) Book V of the Administrative Code of 1987.	The Management already submitted the Letter response from PCL last Aug. 6, 2024 both hard copy and soft copy through email.			Fully Implemented		

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	Local Government Code of 1991 and Sections 42 and 44, Chapter 7, Title I(B) Book V of the Administrative Code of 1991, effectively preventing the accounting and audit thereof.							
AAR 2022 ML 2015	6. The consolidated balances of reciprocal accounts, Due from Other Funds and Due to Other Funds for CY 2022 showed an unreconciled difference of P657,163.97, indicating some neglect by the Accounting Office in monitoring and reconciling the accounts, thus rendering both accounts unreliable.	We recommended that the Municipal Accountant reconcile the balances of the reciprocal accounts under the three funds and book the necessary adjustments to bring their balances into an agreement. The Municipal Accountant should closely monitor transactions affecting reciprocal accounts and ensure that these are recorded in the different funds simultaneously to avoid any error of omission. We further recommended that transactions between funds be settled immediately to minimize monitoring and reconciliation work and, more importantly, to avoid erroneous account balances.	The Management especially the Accounting Office could no longer locate the supporting documents but only establishes that the transactions occurred for more than 10 years.			Partially Implemented	Could not be traced due to lack of supporting documents.	The management already requested for write-off for Due from accounts that are dormant for 10 years and above last 6/9/2023 and refiled it on 7/28/23.
AAR 2021	7. Six (6) Job order personnel assigned in the Office of the Municipal Treasurer that undertake the duties and responsibilities of a collecting officer/agent were not properly bonded as required contrary to the provisions in Section 101 (2) of P.D. No. 1445 and Item 4.1.2 of Treasury Circular No. 02-2019 dated April 25, 2019.	We strongly recommended that Management ensure that all accountable officers of the LGU, especially Job Order personnel, shall always be properly bonded pursuant to the provisions in Section 101 (2) of P.D. No. 1445 and Item 4.1.2 of Treasury Circular No. 02-2019 dated April 25, 2019.	The Management already bonded two (2) Job order last Nov. 25, 2024 and the others were no longer assigned as collecting agent in the MTO.			Fully Implemented		
AAR 2018	8. Funds transferred to other LGUs amounting to P108,697.04 recorded under the account Due from other LGUs were not properly recorded in subsidiary ledgers nor was the liquidation thereof followed up, thus have remained dormant since their recognition in CY 2003 while the debtors thereof could not be identified, adversely affecting the fairness of presentation of assets in the financial statements.	We recommended that the Municipal Accountant review the 2003 journals and ledgers to identify the local government units to whom the amounts had been transferred to and to demand liquidation thereof. If these efforts prove futile, the municipality may request for the write-off of the receivables in accordance with COA Circular No. 2016-005 dated December 19, 2016. We further recommended that henceforth, the municipal accountant faithfully maintain subsidiary ledgers for all control accounts as required under the Manual on NGAS.	The Accounting Office reviewed the CY 2003 journals and ledgers but had not identified the fund transfer's recipient LGUs as transaction records remained unlocated. Hence, Management already requested write-off of the accounts last 6/9/23 and refiled it on 7/28/23			Partially Implemented	Waiting for the result of request for write-off to COA.	

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AAR 2018	9. GSIS premiums amounting to ₱357,675.20 aged one month to over five years remained unremitted as of December 31, 2018 contrary to Section 6(b) of R.A. 8291 which requires agencies to remit premiums directly to the GSIS within the first ten days of the following month, to the disadvantage of employees to whom the premiums pertain while incurring interest charges on the delayed remittance.	We recommended that the officials and employees whose premiums remain unremitted be made to immediately comply with the documentary requirements set by GSIS so that the premium payments would be finally accepted. We also recommended that the Municipal Accountant identify members whose GSIS premiums remain unremitted by tracing entries in the subsidiary ledgers to the disbursement vouchers/payrolls and to remit the same as soon as possible.	The Accounting Office still needed to locate the supporting documents from the old files in the office.			Partially Implemented	There was a lack of supporting documents to verify the names of the personnel.	Out of ₱357,675.20, ₱227,917.92 was already remitted and ₱129,757.28 is still unremitted.
AAR 2017	10. The Municipality paid additional compensation to the local election officer, to its personnel designated to other positions in the LGU or as Chairman and members of the Bids and Awards Committee, Technical Working Group and Secretariat in the form of Communication Allowance or Extra Service Allowance which do not have any basis in law or regulations thereby resulting to irregular expenditures amounting to ₱335,950.00.	We recommended that payment of honoraria in violation of existing rules and regulations be immediately stopped and that the officials and personnel who received payment in violation of regulations be required to refund the amounts collected upon receipt of the Notices of Disallowance. We further recommended that henceforth, the municipality observe existing rules and regulations on the grant of honoraria.	No refund done as the management awaits the notice of disallowance. For the past 5 years until today, the management strictly complies with the guidelines in granting honoraria to BAC member, TWG and Secretariat.			Not Implemented Fully Implemented	Waiting for Notice of Disallowance	
AAR 2016	11. Expenses incurred in connection with the holding of the Miss Vallehermoso 2016 & Kanglambat Festival Queen beauty pageants, live band and t-shirts were charged to government funds contrary to Sections 335 and 343 of R.A. 7160 and COA Circular Nos. 85-55-A and 2012-003, thus resulting to irregular and unnecessary expenditures amounting to ₱290,745.00.	We recommended that Management desist from charging to government funds expenditures related to beauty pageants and exercise caution in the allocation and utilization of government funds for expenditures related to fiestas or religious activities, reception and entertainment, ensuring that regulations for the prevention of irregular and unnecessary expenditures are observed. We further recommended the immediate refund of the payments made for the beauty pageants as these are disallowed in audit.	Management desists from expending activities relating to Beauty pageant for the past 5 years to present. Management had planned to search for the persons responsible and collect.			Fully Implemented Not Implemented	The LGU had stopped charging to government funds expenditures related to fiestas or religious activities. However, the payment for Beauty Pageants Festival still had to be refunded.	
2015 ML	12. The municipality utilized the KALAHI CIDSS Funds for monthly additional services payments and daily wage payrolls totaling ₱854,959.00 despite the lack of compliance with the	We recommended that Management: a) Evaluate the necessity of granting additional service payments to personnel, giving consideration to the source of fund, the PS cap,	Management for the past 5 years did not grant Honoraria for special projects and if it will undergo will			Fully Implemented		

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	reglementary and documentary requirements under DBM BC No. 2007-2 and COA Circular No. 2012-001, hence the validity of said payments could not be ascertained. Moreover, various personnel received both additional and extra time services that constitute excessive payments prohibited under COA Circular No. 2012-003.	employment status for entitlement and the requirements of DBM Budget Circular (BC) No. 2007-2 in case of special projects; b) Formulate and adopt internal rules and procedures on the rendition of overtime services of personnel and ensure that the documentary requirements stipulated under Section 5.10 of COA Circular No. 2012-001 are complied with; c) Refund the payment of extra time services to personnel simultaneously granted with additional services upon determination that the latter is valid, otherwise refund the payment of the latter; and d) Submit the following documents to enable us to make a decision in audit: d.1) legal basis for the grant of additional services to personnel d.2) certification as to the employment status of the personnel granted with payments for additional services d.3) PS cost of CY 2015 and compliance with the 55% PS cap d.4) specific details/Program of Work on the project undertaken for which the daily wages were incurred, and the status of work accomplishment thereon d.5) explanation on the rendition of extra time services for straight periods and the required documents proving the accomplishment of the expressed necessity.	strictly observe the guidelines. Management will strictly follow guidelines in granting overtime and honoraria and support complete supporting documents. We regret to inform you that the officials involved are no longer connected to the government service. Documents cannot be submitted and produced as previous person concerns are no longer connected to government service and documents could not be traced.			Fully Implemented Not Implemented Not Implemented	The concern officials & employees as of 12/31/2024 were no longer connected with our LGU.	
2015 ML	13. Several lots of the municipality with a total market value of P34,019,860.00 were not recorded in the books of accounts in violation of Section 72 of the New Government Accounting System (NGAS) Manual for LGUs, Volume II, thus, understating the assets of the	We recommended that management require the Municipal Assessor, as well as, the Municipal Treasurer to convene the Provincial Appraisal Committee to immediately act in the determination of the value of the unrecorded lots. Also direct them to process the titling of the lots owned by the municipality and for the Municipal Budget Officer to allocated funds for the titling	The management will appropriate funds partially for surveying and titling services. On 2024 no budget allocated but will allocate budget for 2025 thru			Not Implemented		

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	municipality. Moreover, lots owned by the local government unit have no certificates of title which contravenes Section 148 of COA Circular No. 92-386.	thereof. Likewise, instruct the Municipal Accountant to review the land account and record in the books of accounts those lots that are owned by the municipality. Moreover, the value of the lots which will be determined by the Provincial Appraisal Committee shall also be recorded in the books of accounts to avoid understatement of assets.	Supplemental Ordinance.					
2015 ML	14. The Municipal Treasurer failed to reconcile the Cash-Other Local Government Treasury (account 101) amounting to P9,839.42 with the records of the Provincial Treasury as required under Section 16 of COA Circular No. 92-382 dated July 3, 1992, thus the municipality could not withdraw its deposits thereby depriving the municipality of its use.	Require the municipal treasurer to follow up the schedule to be set by the Provincial Accounting Office in order to reconcile Cash-Other Local Government Treasury with the corresponding account in the Provincial Treasury in pursuance of Section 16 of COA Circular No. 92-382 dated July 3, 1992. Thereafter, she is enjoined to withdraw the amount so that the municipality can use it for other projects.	The MTO will seek clarification with Provincial Accounting Office as to the existence of the account and, after verification same will withdraw the deposited amount from the Provincial Treasury to our Municipal Account.			Not Implemented		

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