



# At a Glance

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## Why We Did This Review

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Inspector General, conducts site visits of American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Recovery Act) funded clean water and drinking water projects. We selected the project in Las Marias, Puerto Rico, for review.

## Background

The Puerto Rico Aqueduct and Sewer Authority (PRASA) received \$19.5 million in Recovery Act funds from the Puerto Rico Infrastructure Finance Authority under the Drinking Water State Revolving Program administered by the Puerto Rico Department of Health. The Las Marias Potable Water System Phase IIA project in Las Marias, Puerto Rico, received \$5,574,410 in Recovery Act funds, consisting of a \$3,189,359 grant and a \$2,385,051 loan.

For further information, contact our Office of Congressional, Public Affairs and Management at (202) 566-2391.

The full report is at:  
[www.epa.gov/oig/reports/2011/20110525-11-R-0241.pdf](http://www.epa.gov/oig/reports/2011/20110525-11-R-0241.pdf)

## ***American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Site Visit of Las Marias Potable Water System Phase IIA Project, Las Marias, Puerto Rico***

### **What We Found**

We conducted an unannounced site visit of the Las Marias Potable Water System Phase IIA project in Las Marias, Puerto Rico, in August 2010. We toured the project site; interviewed personnel from PRASA and the Puerto Rico Department of Health, as well as the prime contractor's manager and employees; and reviewed documentation related to Recovery Act requirements.

Based on our site visit, no issues or concerns came to our attention that would require action from the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, PRASA, or the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.