

# **Summary: Investigation of Inappropriate Use of a Computer by a USBR employee**

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OIG investigated allegations that a Bureau of Reclamation (USBR) employee used a U.S. Government computer to access child pornography. We reviewed the employee's network traffic and did not discover evidence of illegal material. We did, however, identify substantial inappropriate activity, including the installation of an unauthorized scrubbing program.

We also conducted a full forensic examination of the employee's Government computer, two external hard drives, and several electronic storage devices. We found no evidence of child pornography or other criminal material, but discovered thousands of downloaded photographs depicting children in gymnastics-related poses and clothing, hundreds of photographs of the employee wearing girls' gymnastics leotards, and an unauthorized anti-forensics tool.

We provided the results of the forensic examination to USBR and the employee admitted to misusing his Government computer. As a result, USBR suspended the employee for 14 days.

This is a summary of the investigative report that was issued to USBR.

