

# **Summary: Former Bureau of Reclamation Employee Misused His Travel Card**

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The OIG investigated allegations that a former U.S. Bureau of Reclamation (BOR) employee made personal purchases with his Government travel card (GTC) while he was in an absent without leave (AWOL) employment status.

We confirmed the former employee used his GTC to pay his rent and car insurance and attempted to use his GTC to withdraw cash and pay his cell phone bill while AWOL. Our investigation also found the BOR lacked policy to ensure AWOL employees' GTC accounts are suspended or cancelled.

The employee was removed from Federal service. The local District Attorney's Office charged the employee with unauthorized use of a financial transaction device and there is an active warrant for his arrest.

This is a summary of an investigative report we issued to the BOR Commissioner.

