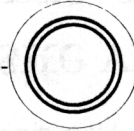
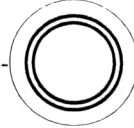


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- Auditor had NO findings in the areas of grant commitments (how the Foundation decides to award grants) and investment (selection and oversight)
- In Grant Oversight, Foundation recommended to develop a comprehensive monitoring and evaluation plan that uses risk assessment and standardizes procedures – formalizing some of what happened before. The Auditor emphasizes site visits as beneficial.

The Golden LEAF Response



- Board of Directors endorsed changes to the post-grant award process per Auditor report
- Balance oversight with cost-effectiveness
- These changes include:
 - Assess levels of risk for the grantees at the beginning
 - Grantees required to attend in-person grants management workshop (phone conference previously required) to improve compliance – including a Project Management Plan
 - Site visits required for grantees with higher monitoring needs
 - Standardized desk review, site visit, budget forms and process that builds on many of our pre-existing controls