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Dear Ms. Malione:

Section 1002 of the Water Resources Reform and Development Act (WRRDA) allows for greater transparency in the notification and reporting of feasibility study milestones. WRRDA Section 1002 requires the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers District Engineer to provide non-Federal interests a notification of feasibility study milestone schedules for all active studies that received Investigation appropriations since October 1, 2009 until June 10, 2014. Studies initiated after June 10, 2014 also require notification of five key milestones within 90 days of signing the Feasibility Cost Sharing Agreement.

This certified letter provides the current study schedule for the following five key milestones associated with the Flushing Creek and Bay Ecosystem Restoration Feasibility Study and the Hudson Raritan Estuary Ecosystem Restoration Feasibility Study:

Milestone	Milestone Date
Release of the Draft Feasibility Report	6-June-16
District Submittal of the Final Feasibility Report	23-June-17
MSC Transmittal of the Final Feasibility Report	25-July-17
Civil Works Review Board	16-October-17
Signed Chief's Report	21-Dec-17

As you are aware, the recommendations from the Flushing Creek and Bay Feasibility Study, as well as the HRE-Hackensack Meadowlands, HRE-Lower Passaic River, Bronx River Basin and Jamaica Bay, Marine Park, Plumb Beach Feasibility Studies, will be incorporated in the Hudson Raritan Estuary Ecosystem Restoration Feasibility Report and Environmental Assessment, meeting the conditions established within each studies' Feasibility Cost Share Agreement. The integration of the studies in one single report reflects the New York District's streamlined approach that will maximize resources, efficiencies and benefits.

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Up-to-date study schedules will be posted and available to the public on (http://www.nan.usace.army.mil) the New York District website. All schedules and missed deadlines will also be submitted in an annual report to Congress. If you have any questions please contact Lisa Baron, Project Manager, at 917-790-8306.

Sincerely,

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