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Mr. Ross Feltes  
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New Jersey Meadowlands Commission  
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Dear Mr. Feltes:

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.

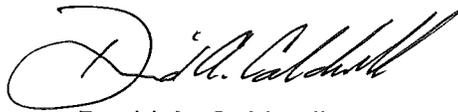
This certified letter provides the current study schedule for the following five key milestones associated with the Hudson Raritan Estuary (HRE)- Hackensack Meadowlands Ecosystem Restoration Feasibility Study:

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 approved in April 2013, the recommendations from the HRE- Hackensack Meadowlands Ecosystem Restoration Feasibility Study will be incorporated in the Hudson Raritan Estuary Ecosystem Restoration Feasibility Report and Environmental Assessment, meeting the conditions established within the study's Feasibility Cost Share Agreement. The integration of these studies in one single report reflects the New York District's streamlined approach that will maximize resources, efficiencies and benefits.

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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. A. Caldwell". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial "D".

David A. Caldwell  
Colonel, U.S. Army  
Commander