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Mr. Tom Modica
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Dear Mr. Modica:

This letter serves to inform you of the current expected milestone dates for the East San Pedro Bay Ecosystem Restoration Feasibility Study (the Study). Section 1002 of the Water Resources Reform and Development Act (WRRDA) of 2014 requires the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' District Engineers (the Corps) to provide non-Federal partners with notification of feasibility study milestones scheduled for all active studies that received General Investigation appropriations between October 1, 2009, and June 10, 2014. These letters will also be prepared for studies initiated after June 10, 2014, allowing for greater transparency, a formal notification, and reporting of feasibility study milestones.

The milestone dates of the Study have been revised since the Corp's last update on August 10, 2020. Please see the current schedule for the following four key milestones:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Previously Reported Date</u>	<u>Current Date</u>
Release of the Draft Feasibility Report	Nov 29, 2019	Nov 25, 2019
Los Angeles District Submittal of the Final Feasibility Report	Mar 16, 2021	Jan 28, 2022
South Pacific Division Transmittal of the Final Feasibility Report	Mar 16, 2021	Jan 28, 2022
Signed Chief's Report	Aug 27, 2021	Jun 24, 2022

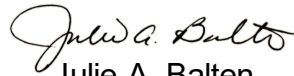
Previously reported dates were postponed approximately 10 months due to Policy Review delays at the National level. As a result, a 3x3x3 rule exemption was granted in August 2020, allowing the study to continue with a 10-month time extension. The Corps, with your partnership, completed the release of the Draft Feasibility Report Milestone.

The Corps is currently on schedule to meet the final two milestones listed above.

This letter will be posted and made available to the public on the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers website <https://www.spl.usace.army.mil/Missions/Civil-Works/WRRDA-Water-Projects-and-Studies/>. The dates for these milestones will be submitted in an annual report to Congress.

If you should have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (213) 452-3961, or your staff may contact David Van Dorpe, Deputy District Engineer for Programs and Project Management, at (213) 452-3971, or via email at david.m.vandorpe@usace.army.mil.

Sincerely,



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