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James B. Giottonini  
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Dear Mr. Giottonini:

Section 1002 of the Water Resources Reform 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. A notification is required when a key milestone is missed.

This certified letter provides the revised study schedule of the following five key milestones associated with the Lower San Joaquin River Feasibility Study from the letter dated June 13, 2016. The schedule has slipped due to a funding shortage related to the delay in receiving the biological opinions from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Services and National Marine Fisheries Service.

- a. Release of the Draft Feasibility Report for Public Comment and Concurrent Review Completed - April 13, 2015.
- b. District Submittal of the Final Feasibility Report – July 15, 2016, revised to August 18, 2016.
- c. MSC Transmittal of the Final Feasibility Report – August 19, 2016, revised to May 31, 2017.
- d. Civil Works Review Board – October 2016, revised to July 28, 2017.
- e. Signed Chief's Report – December 2016, revised to November 30, 2017.

Schedules are based on the assumption of the approval of the waiver request for additional funding and appropriation of adequate funding. Up-to-date study schedules will be posted and available to the public on [spk.usace.army.mil](http://spk.usace.army.mil) website. All schedules and missed deadlines will also be submitted in an annual report to Congress. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Mr. Patrick Howell, Project Manager, at 916-557-6784.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D. G. Ray', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

David G. Ray, P.E.  
Colonel, U.S. Army  
District Commander