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Mr. Grover Fugate, Executive Director
Rhode Island Coastal Resource Management Council
4808 Tower Hill Road
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Dear Mr. Fugate:

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.
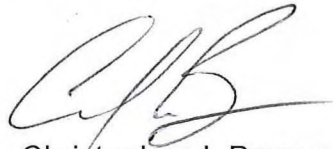
This certified letter provides the current study schedule for the following five key milestones associated with the Pawcatuck River & Rhode Island Coastal Investigation Feasibility Study:

Release of the Draft Feasibility Report	April 19, 2016
District Submittal of the Final Feasibility Report	January 18, 2017
MSC Transmittal of the Final Feasibility Report	February 17, 2017
Civil Works Review Board	April 21, 2017
Signed Chief's Report	July 24, 2017

This schedule is based on the assumption of full Federal funding over the course of the study. Up-to-date study schedules will be posted and available to the public on the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Headquarters website at: http://www.usace.army.mil/Missions/CivilWorks/ProjectPlanning/LegislativeLinks/wrrda2014.aspx. All schedules and missed deadlines will also be submitted in an annual report to Congress.

If you have any questions, please contact Christopher Hatfield, Study Manager, at (978) 318-8520.

Sincerely,

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Division Engineer