Dear Governor Garcia:

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 seven key milestones associated with the Espanola Valley, Rio Grande and Tributaries Environmental Restoration, New Mexico:

- Tentatively Selected Plan: July 17, 2015
- Agency Decision Milestone: November 21, 2016
- District Submittal of the Final Feasibility Report: June 6, 2017
- South Pacific Division Transmittal of Report to USACE-HQ: September 5, 2017
- Senior Leaders Panel Briefing: November 29, 2017
- Signed Chief's Report: March 12, 2018

Schedules are based on the assumption of full-funding (Federal and non-Federal) over the course of the study. Up-to-date study schedules will be posted and available to the public online at http://www.spa.usace.army.mil/Missions/Civil-Works/Investigations/. All schedules and missed deadlines will also be submitted in an annual report to Congress. If you have any questions, please contact Patricia Phillips at (505) 342-3416.

Sincerely,

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