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**AUG 27 2018**

**Mr. Andy Squires, MS, CPM  
Pinellas County Department of Public Works  
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Clearwater, FL 33765**

**Dear Mr. Squires:**

This letter is to inform you that pursuant to Title IV, Division B of the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2018, Public Law 115-123, enacted February 9, 2018 (hereinafter "BBA 2018"), the Government is authorized to conduct a Feasibility Study at full Federal expense for Pinellas County, Florida.

The Jacksonville District received implementation guidance governing execution of agreements for feasibility studies including actions required over the next 90 days. See Enclosure 1. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) and Pinellas County must enter into a Feasibility Cost Sharing Agreement (FCSA) before the work is performed. The agreement must be executed by both the Department of the Army and Pinellas County no later than October 15, 2018. As such, here is a timeline of required actions:

1. By August 30, 2018, the non-Federal sponsor must provide the Jacksonville District with a letter (see Enclosure 2 for a sample): (a) reflecting the non-Federal sponsor's acceptance of the terms of the draft FCSA, the Certificate of Authority and the Certification Regarding Lobbying, provided as Enclosure 3, (b) reflecting intent to partner in the study, and (3) including a signed Non-Federal Sponsor's Self-Certification of Financial Capability for Agreements, provided as Enclosure 4.
2. By September 8, 2018, the Jacksonville District intends to provide the final FCSA, Certificate of Authority and Certification Regarding Lobbying to the non-Federal sponsor for signature.
3. By October 8, 2018, the non-Federal sponsor must sign four copies of the final FCSA and certifications and provide four executed originals to the Jacksonville District.
4. By October 15, 2018, the Jacksonville District Commander is expected to execute the FCSAs. Two executed originals will be returned to the non-Federal Sponsor.

This is an expedited schedule for high-priority studies. Thanks in advance for your cooperation in meeting these timeframes. If you have any further questions regarding this or need additional information, please contact the Project Manager, Laurel Reichold at 904-232-1458 or by e-mail at [Laurel.P.Reichold@usace.army.mil](mailto:Laurel.P.Reichold@usace.army.mil).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mike Renacker". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Mike" and last name "Renacker" clearly distinguishable.

Mike Renacker, RPA  
Chief, Water Resources Branch

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