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Mr. Drew Bartlett
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Dear Mr. Drew Bartlett:

We received your letter, dated February 9, 2023, that describes your intent to prepare a feasibility study for North of the Lake Okeechobee Storage Reservoir (Yellow Book Component A) under section 203 of the Water Resources Development Act of 1986, as amended. Mr. Michael L. Connor, Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works, provided direction in a letter dated February 17, 2023, that he will instruct the South Florida Water Management District and the Jacksonville District to work together to develop a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) for Federal Activities, a MOA for Technical Assistance, and scopes of work to be executed under both MOAs. We look forward to working with you to develop and execute these MOAs and their associated scopes of work.

As Mr. Connor noted in his letter, the Section 203 Study will be distinct from the Lake Okeechobee Watershed Restoration Project study.

Thank you for your continued partnership in restoring America's Everglades. If you have any questions regarding the information in this letter, please contact me or Ms. Tabitha Elkington, Project Manager at 561-801-0285, or by email at: tabitha.m.elkington@usace.army.mil.

Sincerely,

James L. Booth
Colonel, U.S. Army
District Commander