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Mr. Dan O'Keefe
Chairman, Governing Board
South Florida Water Management District
P.O. Box 24680
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Dear Chairman O'Keefe:

This letter is in response to your letter dated October 12, 2017, discussing the feasibility study initiated by the South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) under the authority provided by Section 203 of the Water Resources Development Act of 1986, as amended, to develop a Central Everglades Planning Project post authorization change report (PACR). In your letter, you requested assistance with expediting the development, preparation, and execution of a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between the SFWMD and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps). The purpose of the MOA will be to fund the Corps, so that they can provide technical assistance to the SFWMD for the feasibility study.

I fully support your efforts on this feasibility study, and my staff has been instructed to assist you with the preparation of the MOA. Brigadier General Diana Holland, Commander of the South Atlantic Division, has been delegated the authority to sign the Section 203 MOA you are preparing.

Thank you for your interest in the Army Civil Works program.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Douglas W. Lamont", is positioned above the typed name.

Douglas W. Lamont, P.E.
Senior Official Performing the Duties of the
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