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Attention Ms. Josephine Axt

Dear Colonel Toy:

### **LOS ANGELES COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT ARROYO SECO WATERSHED FEASIBILITY STUDY REQUEST TO ACCELERATE FUNDS**

The Los Angeles County Flood Control District (LACFCD) formally requests the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to accelerate the completion of the Arroyo Seco Watershed Feasibility Study (Study), which will provide long-term management practices to improve watershed health, water quality, and increase water conservation while maintaining flood control.

The LACFCD is willing to accelerate funding to facilitate completion of the Study, not to exceed the LACFCD's share of the total estimated study cost. The purpose of this letter is to request the provisions of a clause in the Feasibility Study Cost-Sharing Agreement that will allow acceleration of non-Federal funds by the LACFCD for completion of the Study.

We appreciate the effort and attention that you and your staff have brought to the Study over the past years. Through our efforts, we were able to complete the watershed study portion of the Study developing the necessary baseline data, analytical tools, and objectives that will encourage management decisions to help reverse negative trends and enhance positive trends in maintaining and improving the health of the watershed.

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It is critical that we finalize this effort and move forward with the feasibility portion of the Study, which will allow us to identify potential projects that will benefit the environment and improve the quality of life for the community.

The LACFCD looks forward to continuing to work with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers on this important Study. If you have any questions, please contact me at (626) 458-4300 or [ghildeb@dpw.lacounty.gov](mailto:ghildeb@dpw.lacounty.gov) or your staff may contact Mr. Cung Nguyen at (626) 458-4346 or [cunguyen@dpw.lacounty.gov](mailto:cunguyen@dpw.lacounty.gov).

Very truly yours,

GAIL FARBER  
Director of Public Works

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gary Hildebrand", written over the typed name of Gary Hildebrand.

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Watershed Management Division

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