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October 17, 2017

Lt. Col. Jeffrey Palazzini
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Charleston District
ATTN: Planning, Programs and
Project Management Division, Planning Branch
69A Hagood Avenue
Charleston, South Carolina 29403

Dear Sir:

This letter serves as Dorchester County's official request for assistance from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers under Section 205 of the 1948 Flood Control Act, as amended, in reducing flood damages along Eagle Creek and Chandler Creek in Dorchester County.

On August 14, 1985, a joint project with Dorchester County and USACE entitled "Eagle Creek Flood Control Project" was completed. This project included improvements to Eagle Creek from Dorchester Road to its confluence with Chandler Creek then continues along Chandler Creek terminating at Miles Jamison Road. The intent of the project was to alleviate flooding along the Eagle/ Chandler Creek corridor.

Since October 2015, a large number of houses in the neighborhoods along Eagle Creek have flooded. These neighborhoods include Tranquil Acres, Tranquil Estates, Grand Oaks Preserve, and Summerwood. The flooding was a result of storm events associated with the October 2015 flood, Hurricane Matthew in 2016, and Hurricane Irma in 2017. While these three events produced higher than normal amounts of rain, it is Dorchester County's opinion that based on these recent events, it is in the best interest of the Flood Control Project and the citizens of Dorchester County, to re-evaluate the Flood Control Project and to expand the project limits along Eagle Creek.

Dorchester County understands that the Corp of Engineers will initially investigate the problem to determine if it meets the requirements for federal participation. We understand that feasibility costs in excess of the \$100K are shared, 50% federal and 50% non-federal. We also understand that project implementation costs are cost shared at 65% federal and 35% non-federal.

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Dorchester County looks forward to once again partnering with the U.S. Army Corp of Engineers on this much needed project. Your primary contact will be Jason Carraher, PE, Director of Public Works. Mr. Carraher can be reached at (843) 832-0070. We look forward to your response.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James Lex Byars, III". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a prominent initial "J" and a long, sweeping underline.

James Lex Byars, III, Chairman
Dorchester County Council

cc: Jason Carraher, Director of Public Works
Jason L. Ward, County Administrator