



REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
BALTIMORE DISTRICT, U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS
P.O. BOX 1715
BALTIMORE, MD 21203-1715

March 3, 2006

Programs and Project
Management Division

Mr. Christopher Zimmerman
Chairman
Arlington County Board
2100 Clarendon Boulevard-Suite 300
Arlington, Virginia 22201

Dear Mr. Zimmerman:

I would like to commend Arlington County's efforts to explore ecosystem restoration opportunities in the Four Mile Run watershed. The recently released *Four Mile Run Restoration Master Plan* presents a remarkable community vision for the levee corridor's future. In particular, it is notable that Arlington County and the City of Alexandria were able to jointly produce such a wonderful plan in such a short time.

As a stakeholder in the process, the Corps of Engineers embraces this opportunity to marry our traditional focus of flood protection with our evolving mission of ecosystem restoration. This Four Mile Run master plan establishes a new benchmark for transforming a local flood protection project into a vibrant community asset. We look forward to working with Arlington County and the City of Alexandria to implement those master plan features that fall under flood control and ecosystem restoration missions through our ongoing watershed feasibility study. As a part of this process, we will be identifying opportunities for Federal cost-sharing of these master plan elements. In addition, we'll be glad to work with the county's resource agencies on any regulatory permits that would arise from the master plan's implementation.

I look forward to our continued cooperation on and the successful completion of this project. If you have any questions regarding the project, please contact the project manager, Ms. Claire O'Neill, P.E., at (410) 962-0876.

Sincerely,

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Robert J. Davis
Colonel, Corps of Engineers
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Honorable William D. Euille
Mayor of Alexandria
301 King Street
Alexandria, Virginia 22314

Dear Mayor Euille:

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