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Dear Nick,

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE REPORT: COASTAL FLOOD AND EROSION RISK MANAGEMENT IN WALES – TIMETABLE FOR COASTAL RISK MANAGEMENT PROGRAMME

Thank you for your letter dated 14 December 2017 seeking clarification of the timetable for the Coastal Risk Management Programme (CRMP), particularly the completion of the mid-programme review. I am responding to you in my role as Minister for Environment, as flood risk management now falls within my portfolio.

I am pleased to provide you with an update on progress of CRMP. Following the completion of the initial investigations and Outline Business Cases for potential future schemes, we are working with 12 coastal authorities to progress work further. 7 new business cases are being developed following initial investigations, a further 8 schemes are continuing with their business cases and 12 schemes are now moving on to detailed design. Schemes will start to construct from March 2019.

In terms of a mid-programme review this will take place during the financial year half way through the Programme, likely to be financial year 2019/20.

Yours sincerely,

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