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Subject: Projected Schedule for the Utility Shaft Project

Dear Mr. Maestas:

The purpose of this letter is to provide you with the projected schedule for the excavation of Shaft #5 and the construction of the connecting drifts. The dates are estimates subject to change.

Projected Schedule for the Utility Shaft Project

Activity	Estimated Start Dates	Estimated Completion Dates
Shaft #5 sinking from 116' below ground surface (BGS) to Station depth of 2,125' BGS	May/June 2022	April/June 2023
Mining/construction of shaft sump, connecting drifts and bulkheads	April/June 2023	April/June 2024
Project complete including testing and turnover for integration into facility	April/June 2024	November 2025

If you have any questions, please contact me at (575) 234-7398.

Sincerely,
James E. Garza

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