

May 6, 2025

The Honorable Wayne Propst
Cabinet Secretary
New Mexico Department of Finance and Administration
Via email (Wayne.Propst@dfa.nm.gov)

RE: Allegations of Financial Misconduct in Mora County

Dear Secretary Propst:

Thank you for your letter dated May 2, 2025, regarding the allegations of governance and financial misconduct in Mora County, including the concerning preliminary findings from the Jaramillo Accounting Group.

We take these allegations seriously. As part of our commitment to ensuring transparency and accountability in the management of public funds, the New Mexico Department of Justice has initiated a review of this matter. While we will be conducting an independent investigation into the matter, we would appreciate the opportunity to coordinate with your office to better understand the findings provided by the Jaramillo Group. We would also like to request any documents and reports that will aid in investigating these allegations.

To facilitate this effort, we respectfully request that your office identify a designated point of contact with whom we can engage directly. This collaboration will help ensure a comprehensive understanding of the concerns raised and support our shared goal of protecting public resources and restoring confidence in local governance.

We value your partnership in this matter and look forward to working closely with your office to address these serious issues.

Sincerely,

Raúl Torrez

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