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RE: Oklahoma City tower project progress KOPX

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Shea:

Jason:

The Oklahoma City project is proceeding but going much slower than anyone anticipated.
The shared Antenna system for KOPX will not be ready in time for the April 12 end of Phase 2 deadline.
I do anticipate it will be ready before the end of April.

The project schedule was for 11/12/18 to 1/22/19.

Summary of the project:

Tower crew arrived in early December, 3 weeks delayed by weather at a previous project.

The Antenna and transmission line was not ready to ship on schedule and then was delayed by the holidays so it arrived in early January a month late.

The absolutely excessive rain and cold this winter resulted the crew running out of budgeted weather days in February. We were able to take advantage of a Helicopter lift to save 14 days on the project.
The crew is current installing the transmission line and is about half way up the tower. The high winds that plague Oklahoma this time of the year cause an unsafe work environment for the crew so we losing additional days.

The building, power systems and transmitter is tested and ready.

We anticipate 1 week of RF testing and tuning once they connect to the antenna and the facility will be ready to go on line.

This project for KOPX is a priority for Tribune.

Sorry for the delay

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