

City of Kotzebue Line Maintenance Supervisor

I am writing in support of the Intended use Plan for the Kotzebue Storm Drain Planning, Design, and Construction for conducting the inflow and infiltration study for all areas draining towards Lift station 8 as both a state certified Waste Water Collections Operator and Kotzebue's Line Maintenance Supervisor. This study should include all areas near the current gravity sewer lines now draining into lift station 8 as much of lift stations 8's over capacitance is due to the inflow and infiltration of these old failing lines from surrounding areas.

My department currently has to run additional pumps during spring thaw in an attempt to help keep L/S 8 from becoming over burdened causing sewer and storm drainage to flow out of many manholes which poses obvious community health concerns.

Respectfully,

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Supervisor-Line Maintenance

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