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I run a small household budget and have noticed that water quality problems in the downtown district are costing us real money.

Ice cubes made from our tap water come out cloudy and carry a stale taste.

My dog sniffs at the water bowl and walks away when I fill it from the tap, which tells me something is off.

I have stopped cooking rice and pasta with tap water because the flavor of the food changes.

There is a thin yellow tint in the bathtub water that I first noticed about seven years ago.

Runoff from road salt and fertilizers eventually reaches our water source, and I fear the long-term effect.

Lead pipes and solder in older plumbing remain a serious risk, and homeowners need help identifying them.

We have had to buy bottled water for formula preparation because we do not trust the tap.

Repeated pressure drops after heavy rain suggest that the distribution system needs serious investment.

Storage tanks should be inspected and cleaned on a regular schedule, with the results shared with the public.

The boil-water notice last year arrived after we had already been drinking the water for nearly a day.

Independent third-party testing, at least once a year, would build much more trust in the numbers.

Water bills keep climbing, yet the quality has not improved, which feels unfair to families on fixed incomes.

I look forward to seeing a clear timeline and measurable targets for better water quality.