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Thank you for the chance to comment; water quality is a top priority for my household in the hillside area. I have stopped cooking rice and pasta with tap water because the flavor of the food changes. The smell of chlorine is strongest when the weather turns hot, and it lingers on my hands after washing dishes. My white sinks and tubs develop stubborn stains that no ordinary cleaner removes. Several neighbors have reported stomach upset that they suspect is linked to the water, though nobody can prove it. My child developed skin irritation that cleared up only after we started using filtered water for baths. Dead-end lines in the downtown district allow water to sit for long periods, which hurts its quality. Stormwater and sewer overflows near the intake worry me, and I would like to see separation projects accelerated. Independent third-party testing, at least once a year, would build much more trust in the numbers. Renters like me cannot replace pipes or fixtures, so we depend completely on the quality delivered to the building. I would appreciate a written response explaining what steps will be taken to improve conditions in the south side.