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I run a small household budget and have noticed that water quality problems in our rural road are costing us real money. There is sometimes a faint rotten-egg odor when I run the hot water, which suggests something is wrong in the system. I worry about microplastics and pharmaceutical traces that standard treatment may not remove. Runoff from road salt and fertilizers eventually reaches our water source, and I fear the long-term effect. The level of disinfection byproducts in treated water should be disclosed clearly and in plain language. As someone caring for an elderly parent, I need to be certain the water is safe for medications and cooking. Backflow prevention seems neglected in older buildings, and I would like to see an inspection program. Emergency repairs are fine, but a long-term capital plan would prevent so many of these problems. Water bills keep climbing, yet the quality has not improved, which feels unfair to families on fixed incomes. A whole-house filtration system quoted at several thousand dollars is out of reach for most people around me. Small businesses such as cafes and bakeries in the south side are also affected, because water taste matters for their products. I urge decision-makers to treat water quality as a long-term commitment and not a crisis-by-crisis response.