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I run a small household budget and have noticed that water quality problems in our small town 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.

Dishes come out of the dishwasher with a film on them no matter which detergent we use.

After a main break the water looked like weak tea for almost two days before it cleared.

I would like to know how often the system tests for bacteria such as E. coli and coliform.

I have sensitive skin, and my dermatologist suggested that the chlorine and hardness may be contributing.

Pregnant women and infants are the most vulnerable, so safety margins should be strict and well communicated.

Emergency repairs are fine, but a long-term capital plan would prevent so many of these problems.

I have watched crews dig up the same street three times in over a decade, and each repair seems to stir up the water again.

A whole-house filtration system quoted at several thousand dollars is out of reach for most people around me.

We spend more than I would like on bottled water and filter cartridges every month.

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

At the last community meeting, many people raised their hands when asked if they use a filter at home.

I remain hopeful that, with proper funding and oversight, we can restore confidence in our water supply.