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Jim Loman  
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Dear Jim,

I met with you yesterday and we discussed infiltration and inflow (I & I) into the collection system.

You mentioned that you have been televising sewer lines to find problems in the collection system. We also reviewed some pictures taken of the broken lines. I wanted you to be aware that both Iola and Burlington are planning some repairs to their systems. Additional work in the area might reduce the costs to you as crews may be close and mobilization charges should be less. Budgeting for several hundred feet of line per year can be more cost effective to most systems than trying to repair a majority all at once. The impact on rates may be minimal.

You also mentioned possibly purchasing a sewer cleaning truck with a vacuum attachment. Depending on the price, having equipment can be an advantage, especially in emergency situations such as a collapsed line or back-ups into customers' homes. The vacuum can also be used to clean storm sewer catch basins, excavating buried lines and cleaning main water valve boxes, just to name a few.

Please call if you have any questions. KRWA appreciates the opportunity to provide assistance to your system and your support as members.

Sincerely,

Charlie Schwindamann  
Wastewater Tech

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