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Alfred Cressler
City of Arlington
218 N. Maple Street
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Dear Al,

We recently discussed "pigging" the force main. Yes, KRWA can assist you with this. However you will need to provide the pig launcher and needed materials to install the launcher and pigs. You would also need to provide a pump such as possibly a fire truck to force pigs through lines. KRWA does have some basic type pigs we can provide at cost.

While discussing the pigging process, you asked what happens if a pig gets stuck in the line. If this happens, we would need to try and figure the distance the pig traveled before it became stuck. Then proceed to excavate the line and retrieve the pig. This could be costly as we may have to dig several holes if calculations of distance of travel are off. If a pig gets stuck in the creek/river crossing it could become very expensive.

You mentioned the city received a price quote from Mayer Specialty Services for this project. I would ask what cost would be if a pig does not get stuck and need to be retrieved. It may be less if the pig does not get stuck. I have worked with them on several projects and I believe them to be very reputable company. Did they provide a line item cost quote in case something is not used so that could be eliminated from the quote? You may ask them to provide a line item quote for this reason.

Please call me at 785-799-6105 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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