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Re: City of Amsterdam Carbon Contactor Replacement

Dear Mayor Cinquanti,

I am taking this opportunity to contact you to express my strong support for the City of Amsterdam's Carbon Contactor Replacement Project. Finished water from the City of Amsterdam WTP has elevated levels of Total Organic Carbon (TOC) and Disinfection By-products (DBPs) which is conveyed to the Town of Florida. This water is stored for up to two (2) weeks in our 3 million gallon storage tank where it reacts with chlorine, increasing the concentration of DBPs suppling our system.

As a result, the Town has exceeded the Location Running Annual Average (LRAA) for Trihalomethanes (THMs) and Haloacetic Acids (HAA5) and subsequently placed under an Administrative Order from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) due to violation of the Stage 2 Disinfection By-product Rule. Implementation of the Carbon Contactor Replacement Project at the treatment source will reduce the concentration of TOC and DBPs entering the Town of Florida's Water System and improving water quality for both the City and Town.

I strongly recommend that the project be nominated to be included for funding through the FY25 Appropriations Bill and be submitted to the House Committee on appropriations for community project funding.

Sincerely,

Eric Mead  
Town Supervisor