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Dear Charles,

I'm a resident of San Rafael (39 Corte Mesa Avenue) and am studying the water system of Marin County.

In particular, I am interested in knowing the approximate age of the county's water pipes. I understand from our conversation that some of the pipes are very old and this month's newsletter indicates that we are replacing approximately 1% of the pipes each year.

I can work with records best in electronic form, that is, I would rather not have them in paper form. This will allow me to work with the data much more easily.

For each pipe segment or water tank, the ideal information would be:

- the starting and ending coordinates
- the length of the pipe or capacity of the water tank
- the year the pipe or water tank was installed (or best estimate)
- the material of the pipe or water tank
- (if this is available) when that section of pipe or water tank is next slated to be replaced

I can work with almost any sort of generic electronic file, including XLS and CSV, but I do not have access to a GIS system. I understand that the records may not be complete. Thank you for your support with this!

Sincerely yours,

André Angelantoni