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I own two properties on the Vassalboro Sanitary District sewer line. One is my residence and the other is my business. The increase in our rates has been dramatic since the update to the system, and we are paying for our sewer rates based on our water usage rates. For example, if I water my lawn, I still end up paying for that amount of water in the sewer bill, even though it's not going down that drain. I am paying \$800 a year in sewer bills for my two properties, which is double the original amount when I first bought the properties in 2014 and 2017. I watched out my window as the construction company spent hours digging the same hole every day, worked in the hole for about an hour, and then filled it in again for the rest of the day, only to dig it up again the next day. This went on for weeks. The bill for this work (under Route 32, which is a state road) is paid for by the 200 people on the sewer line. It is impossible for us to afford this, and we have no choice but to be connected to the sewer line.