

***Interactive comment on* “The influence of soil on the impacts of burst water mains on infrastructure and society: A mixed methods investigation” by Timothy S. Farewell et al.**

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Thank you for your encouraging comments and helpful suggestions. We will take them on board when revising the manuscript. We will take all your points on board when revising, but due to the work involved, we will not be able to include the cut / clamp analysis, or the revised pipe length estimate in this paper.

In response to your specific points:

1. Noted. We will seek to mention this in our revised manuscript.

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2. This will likely be considered, and revisited in a future publication. Thank you. For now we will include your comments in our discussion in this section.
3. We did not analyse the cut/clamp data, but will consider doing so for a future publication.
4. Noted. Thank you.
5. Yes indeed. We have noted this in our personal lives as well, and will mention this in the revised paper.
6. Noted. In the revised manuscript, we will revise our terminology to say that they have a level of engineering reflecting the lower level of traffic use.

Many thanks,

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