MVWA Phase 20 leak-detection survey

Mohawk Valley Water Authority | Utica regional water system, New York

Prepared for Steve Porter | Water Leak Dog Detectives / Checked 14 November 2026

Owner: Mohawk Valley Water Authority / Utica regional system, New York

Put your K9 expertise into targeted leak follow-up

MVWA's Phase 20 program covers up to 492 miles of water mains, and its published bid canvass includes a separate leak-survey and pinpointing line. Your concealed- and quiet-leak services give you a specific complementary role to propose. Ask engineer Kristofer Downes whether targeted K9 investigation is permitted and which team would commission it following the bid opening. [1, 2, 3]

YOUR SALES SCOPE

Proposed targeted K9 leak-location support. [2, 3]

PROJECT POSITION

Bids opened November 12; canvass names Miles Leak Detection. [2]

YOUR NEXT MOVE

Ask Kristofer about award status and permitted K9 follow-up. [1]

Why it fits

01 Phase 20 concerns distribution and transmission mains. Your published services include both concealed leaks and transmission lines. [1, 3]

02 The canvass separately prices 16 hours of leak survey and pinpointing. Discuss complementary K9 work; this line does not establish K9 acceptance. [2]

03 Your company offers demonstrations. Propose a defined demonstration or paid investigation scope and agree Utica travel and access first. [3]

Your first move

Kristofer Downes | MVWA Assistant Engineer

Named Phase 20 specification contact; published direct work phone. [1, 4]

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Ask: Kristofer, what is Phase 20's award status, and would MVWA permit a targeted K9 demonstration or investigation alongside the survey team? If so, who would commission and approve that scope?

From insight to action

Where your offer fits

PROJECT NEED	YOUR CONTRIBUTION	NEXT STEP
Regional leak survey [1]	Propose targeted hidden-leak work. [3]	Establish whether K9 work can complement the required method.
Separate pinpointing line [2]	Offer a defined investigation task.	Ask who selects supplementary specialists after award.
Field demonstration [3]	Show K9 application on an agreed site.	Agree evaluation criteria, access, travel and commercial terms.

The canvass records a bidder's prices, not an award to your company. Any K9 service would need its own approved scope and commissioning route. [2]

People to know

DOCUMENTS / BID RECORDS

Jolie Murray | jmurray@mvwa.us. Request the full specifications and current award record. [1]

NAMED BIDDER

Miles Leak Detection LLC appears in the November 12 canvass; final award not verified. [2]

What happens next

- **NOVEMBER 12 -- BID OPENING**

  The official invitation set 11:00 a.m. Eastern; that deadline has passed. [1]

- **NEXT -- AWARD / METHOD REVIEW**

  Establish the selected team and whether supplementary K9 work is allowed. No K9 purchasing date verified.

Evidence behind the opportunity

[1] MVWA | Phase 20 invitation | Nov. 12 opening

[2] MVWA | Phase 20 bid canvass | Nov. 12

[3] Water Leak Dog Detectives | checked Nov. 14

[4] MVWA | Published engineering contact | 2026

[5] MVWA | Current bid board | checked Nov. 14

Open current program or procurement records

Public records checked 14 November 2026. Final award, K9 acceptance and available specialist work were not verified.

Your next update

Track the award, permitted survey methods and any authorized specialist follow-up; confirm the decision maker before proposing a paid K9 scope.