# WisPAC

PFAS Action Plan
Public Comment Kick off

October 6, 2020, 1:30-3pm

## Public Comment Kick off

## Today

- Background
  - PFAS
  - WisPAC
  - PFAS Action Plan
- Next steps review
- Opportunity for comments or questions from the public



# What are PFAS?

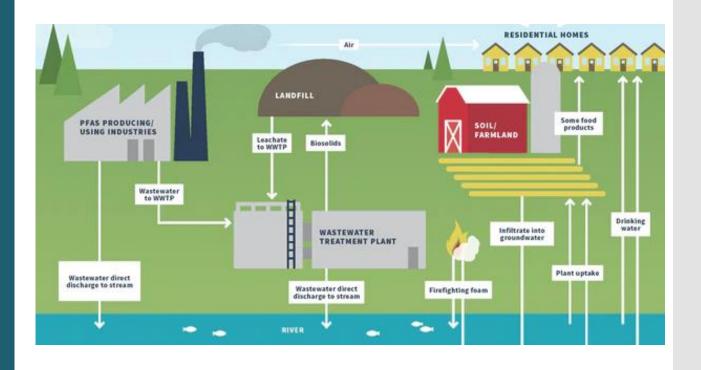
### Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS)

- Family of 4,000+ human-made chemicals
- Commercial and industrial applications since 1940
- PFOA, PFOS, PFNA, PFHxS, GenX
- Less known about "short-chain" PFAS

### "Emerging Contaminant"

- Bioaccumulate
- Not known to degrade in the environment and the environment
- Exposure at certain levels can lead to health issues

# Where are PFAS found?





"Create the **PFAS** Coordinating Council pursuant to Section 13.019 of the Wisconsin Statutes. The Council shall be staffed by the Department of Natural Resources, with assistance provided by other agencies. Membership of the Council shall include a representative form each agency seeking to participate."

# Executive Order 40

- Wisconsin PFAS Action Council (WisPAC)
- First Step → PFAS Action plan
- Ongoing role to make sure we keep moving forward

## PFAS Action Plan



...create a **roadmap** for how Wisconsin will address these emerging chemicals.



- Advisory Group Meeting
- Listening Session
- Comment Period

## PFAS Action Plan

**Development** 



#### PFAS Action Plan available online for review:

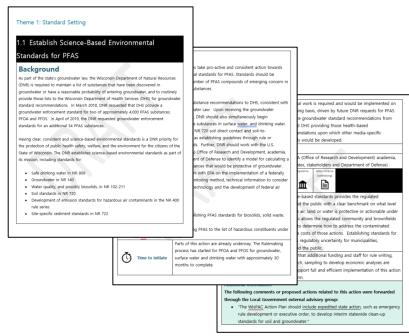
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# PFAS Action Plan

Contents

- Background on PFAS and WisPAC
- Review of the process
- Eight themes → 25 Action Items



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### **Next Steps**

- Kick-off comment period (today)
- Written submissions via online form:
  - https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/WisPFASPlan
- Comments due: October 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020
- WisPAC reviews + considers public input
   & finalizes plan
- Late 2020 WisPAC PFAS Action Plan shared with Governor



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Time to ask questions or provide verbal comments

 Easiest to submit question via the chat function in Zoom

### OR

 "Raise Hand" and you'll be unmuted to ask your question



Remember to also send in your written comments!

# Public Comments

## Public Comments Instructions

### Options to be heard this meeting:

- Write your comments or questions into the "Chat" box:
  - Click "Chat" at the bottom of your screen
  - Submit your written comment or question
- 2. Ask your question or give comments out loud:
  - Click "Participants" at the bottom of your screen and "Raise Hand" OR indicate you have a question/comment in the chat function as described above
  - The Meeting Host will unmute you
  - You should receive a pop-up: "The host would like to unmute you"
  - Click "unmute"
  - When you've finished speaking, the Meeting Host will remute you

Email <u>benjamina.jaster@Wisconsin.gov</u> if you encounter any difficulty

- Write comments or questions in chat box OR
- "Raise Hand" (or ask to be unmuted in chat box) to give verbal comments

Please keep to 3 minutes

Thank you!

3 minutes left

2 minutes left

1 minute left

Please wrap up your comment

### **THANK YOU**

Please submit general questions to:

**DNRPFASinquiries@wisconsin.gov** 

Use the <u>online form</u> to submit comments on the PFAS Action Plan until October 31<sup>st,</sup> 2020