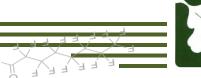
MassDEP Public Meeting

CLF & TAC Petition for Rulemaking to Establish a Treatment Technique Drinking Water Standard for Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS)

January 16, 2019



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Meeting Overview

- MassDEP's Introductory Remarks
- Petitioners' Presentation
- Feedback from Meeting Attendees
- MassDEP's Recent PFAS Actions
- MassDEP's Next Steps on Petition
- Additional Resources

Petition Process

- M.G.L. c. 30A, § 4 allows any person to petition an agency to adopt a regulation
- 310 CMR 2.00 requires MassDEP to consider the petition at a meeting and, within 10 days, to notify the petitioner of its action

Primacy under the Safe Drinking Water Act

- EPA's SDWA rule development process must consider:
 - Health impacts and frequency of occurrence of the contaminant
 - Benefits, costs and feasibility of a proposed standard
- MassDEP is designated to implement SDWA in MA ("Primacy")
- Primacy states must promulgate state regulations as stringent as EPA's, but may be <u>more</u> stringent

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- Most MassDEP regulations mirror EPA rule
 - There was one MassDEP-led standard (perchlorate MCL)

MassDEP's Recent and Planned Actions

- Office of Research & Standards Guideline (ORSG) of 70 ppt for sum of five PFAS
- Oversaw Public Water Supplier activities to comply with the ORSG
- Requirement for PWS to sample new sources for PFAS
- Guidelines for waste site cleanup investigations under Mass Contingency Plan
- PFAS waste site investigations
- Firefighting foam collection and disposal
- New online resources for PFAS
- Forthcoming:
 - Reconsider ORSG
 - Propose MCP draft regulations including soil & groundwater cleanup standards
 - Develop draft drinking water regulations/standards



Petitioners' Presentation: Conservation Law Foundation & Toxics Action Center



Attendee Views on the Petition

- Seeking feedback from audience members
- Please limit individual comments to 5 minutes (to allow time for all who wish to speak)
- Written feedback will continue to be accepted until COB Thursday 1/17/19
 - Send to program.director-dwp@mass.gov (subject line of "PFAS Petition Feedback")

MassDEP Actions, Next Steps and Available Resources



MassDEP Drinking Water Guideline

- MA Office of Research and Standards Guideline (ORSG) for Drinking Water:
 - 70 ppt for any sum of PFOS, PFOA, PFHxS, PFHpA & PFNA
 - Based on structural similarity
 - Reviewed and endorsed by MassDEP Health Effects Advisory Committee
 - Reviewing additional / new information (incl. ATSDR Toxicity Profiles; European Food Safety Authority report; NY and NH; etc.)
- Drinking Water Program and Waste Site Cleanup Program implementing current ORSG



Drinking Water Values for PFAS (parts per trillion) (1/2019)

| | PFOS | PFOA | PFNA | PFHxS | PFHpA | Other PFAS |
|--|-----------------------|-------------|--------|-------|-------|---------------------------|
| USEPA Health Advisory | 70 Sum | of both | | | | |
| ATSDR (using USEPA approach; draft MRLs) | 7 | 11 | 10 | 70 | | For PFBS: MN = 2,000 |
| NY Proposed MCLs | 10 | 10 | | | | Based on |
| NJ | 13 Proposed | 14 Proposed | 13 MCL | | | draft EPA RfD |
| CA Interim Notification Levels | 13 | 14 | | | | = > 30,000 |
| VT Groundwater Standards | 20 Sum of all five | | | | | |
| MA ORSG | 70 Sum of all five | | | | | For Gen X: |
| CT DW Action Levels | 70 Sum of all five | | | | | NC = 140 |
| MN Drinking Water Guidelines | 27 Under review | 35 | | 27 | | Based on draft EPA RfD |
| NH Proposed MCLs | 70 | 38 | 23 | 85 | | = 280 |
| | 70 Sum of PFOS & PFOA | | | | | - 200 |
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PFAS in MA Public Water Supplies

- 5 PWS were above the 2018 ORSG
 - Hyannis: Installed treatment
 - Lakeside Estates (Mashpee): Connected to municipal PWS
 - Westfield: Modified well usage and installing treatment
 - Ayer: Changed wells and installing treatment
 - Devens: Changed wells and exploring treatment
- Monitoring PWS with detections below the 2018 ORSG
- Firefighting foam (AFFF) appears to be primary source (with one likely manufacturing source and one source under investigation)
- All PWS PFAS results are posted on Mass.Gov

Additional MassDEP Action

- PFAS testing required for all proposed new Public Water Sources
- Requested voluntary testing of bottled water
 - All PFAS results are posted on MassDEP's webpage

- PFAS testing for all residuals disposal site approvals
 - New and renewals

MassDEP PFAS Site Cleanup Activities following the outward... contamination...outward...



PFAS in

PWS

Issue Requests for Information (RFIs) and Notices of Responsibility (NORs)

- Sampling private wells near known PFAS-contaminated public wells (PRP-lead or MassDEP-lead)
- Working w/EPA and DoD cleanup & funding issues



MassDEP PFAS Site Cleanup Activities

- Guidance to LSPs for PFAS investigations
- Proposing MCP Method 1 cleanup standards for soil and groundwater
 - Draft regulations in winter 2019
 - Will include Reportable Concentrations (RCs)
 - Will solicit comment on all aspects of PFAS: specific compounds, toxicity values & exposure assumptions
 - Comment on GW-1 standard will inform subsequent drinking water regulations



MassDEP & MassDPS AFFF Firefighting Foam Take-Back

- Pre-2003 foams (AFFF)
- Outreach, voluntary inventory, and collection/disposal program for fire chiefs
- Goal: Prevent future releases
- 60+ requests for assistance
 MORE THAN 125,000 lbs of AFFF concentrate
- Disposal via incineration

MassDEP Next Steps on Petition

- Written feedback by COB Thurs 1/17/19
- MassDEP to consider petition, available information, and feedback received
- MassDEP response to petitioners by Monday 1/28/19 (and posted on Mass.Gov)

Resources

- MassDEP PFAS weblink, including:
 - Presentations from today
 - Written feedback received, and MassDEP's correspondence related to petition
 - Additional PFAS information and links
 - <u>https://www.mass.gov/info-details/per-and-polyfluoroalkyl-substances-pfas</u>
- MassDEP Contacts:
 - Stephanie Cooper, Deputy Commissioner for Policy & Planning <u>Stephanie.Cooper@mass.gov</u>
 - Mark Smith, Director, Office of Research & Standards <u>C.Mark.Smith@mass.gov</u>
 - Douglas Fine, Assistant Commissioner for Water Resources <u>Douglas.Fine@mass.gov</u>
 - Paul Locke, Assistant Commissioner for Waste Site Cleanup Paul.Locke@mass.gov
- US EPA PFAS weblink: <u>https://www.epa.gov/pfas</u>

