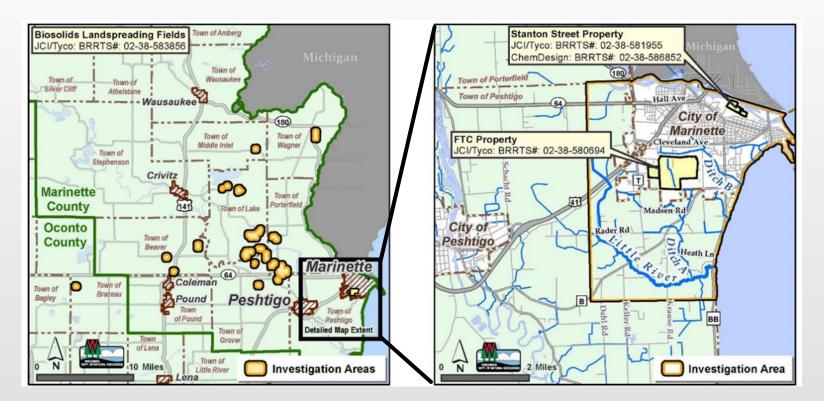
ADDRESSING PFAS: MARINETTE, PESHTIGO & SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES

Listening Session 18

October 26, 2022



# **MEETING LOGISTICS**

#### PART I: DNR & DHS Share Updates

- Muted / Zoom "Chat"
- Notecards in Room

#### **PART 2: Public Questions and Comments**

- Notecards to DNR
- Zoom "Chat" (goes to DNR Host)
- Raise hand to speak



# **DNR & DHS STAFF IN ATTENDANCE**

#### **Department of Natural Resources (DNR)**

#### **Remediation and Redevelopment**

- Christine Sieger (Haag) | Director
- Alyssa Sellwood | Project Manager
- Jodie Peotter | Brownfields, Outreach and Policy Section Chief
- Trevor Nobile | Field Operations Director
- Jody Irland | Outreach Coordinator (Zoom Host)

#### Drinking Water And Groundwater

• Kyle Burton, | Field Operations Director



#### Water Quality

- Patrick Gorski | Research Scientist
- Heidi Schmitt-Marquez | Supervisor
- Laura Gerold | Wastewater Engineer (virtual)

#### **Department of Health Services (DHS)**

- Nathan Kloczko | Health Assessor
- Curtis Hedman | Toxicologist
- Amanda Koch | Health Educator (virtual)

# AGENDA

## I. DNR & DHS UPDATES

- Menominee Warehouse Fire
- Site Investigation Updates
- DHS Updates
- Interim Action Updates

## 2. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

## MENOMINEE, MI WAREHOUSE FIRE Oct. 6, 2022

### Who's Involved

- USEPA: Lead Unified Command (Oct. 6 23)
   Support Role (Oct. 24 →)
- MI EGLE: Lead Site Cleanup, Water Management & Treatment (Oct. 24 →)
- Other Support and Coordination: DNR, Local and State Health Departments, County and Municipal governments and more...
- Warehouse Industrial Tenants

## Monitoring

- Municipal water
- Surface water
- Air Quality

#### **More Information**

https://response.epa.gov/menomineewarehousefire

## SITE INVESTIGATION UPDATES

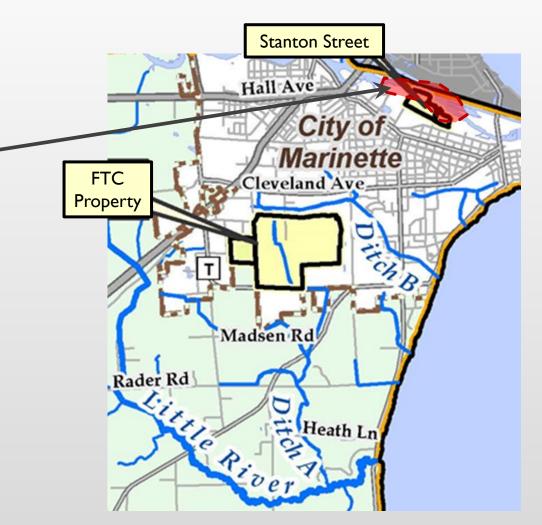




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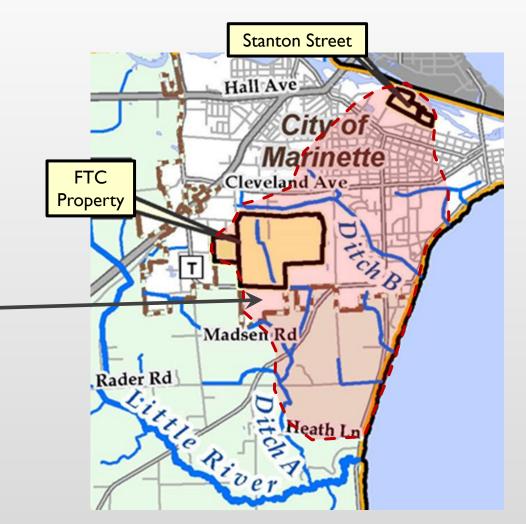


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- Groundwater (April Fall 2022)
- 70+ Wells Sampled
- Various depths (some into bedrock)



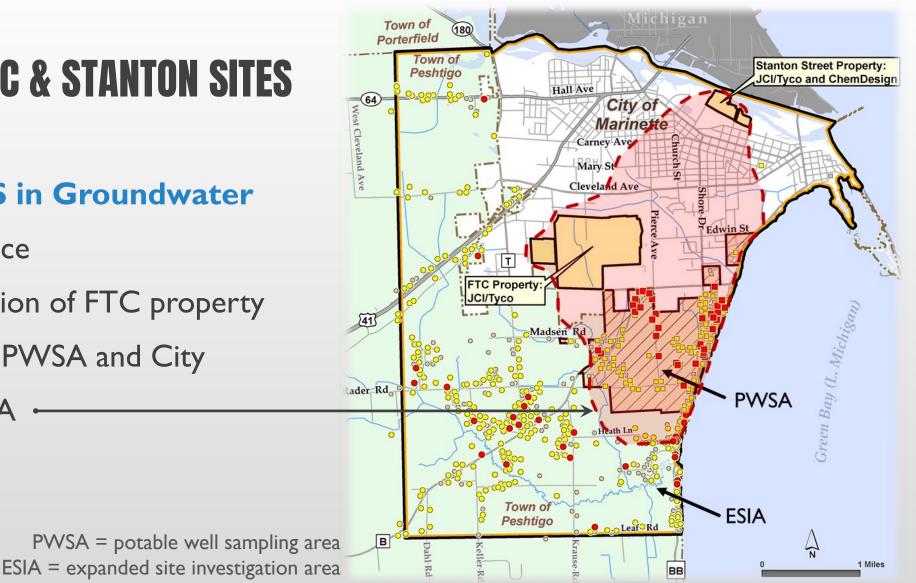
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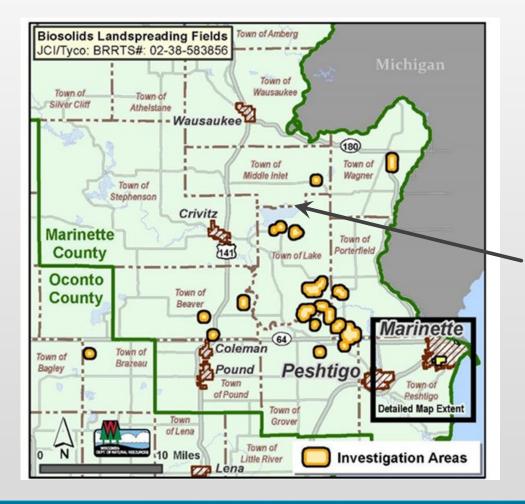
## **Mapping PFAS in Groundwater**

- Bedrock surface
- Western portion of FTC property
- Flow Paths in PWSA and City
- Fringes of ESIA •



#### SITE INVESTIGATION

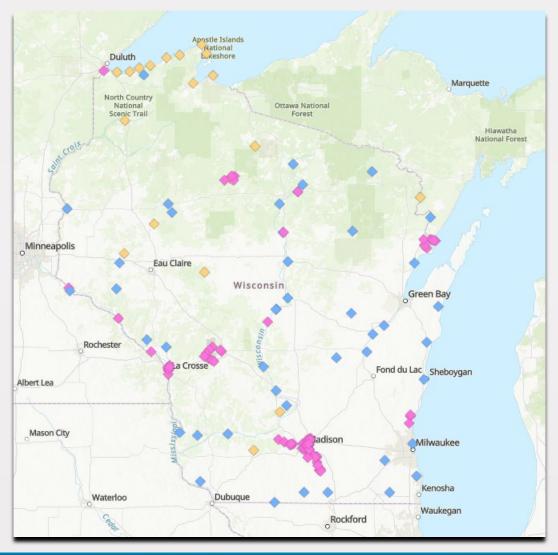
# **BIOSOLIDS LANDSPREADING FIELDS**



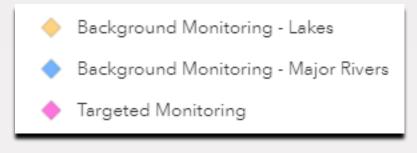
- JCI/Tyco's Preliminary Investigation Work Plan
  - Test soil and groundwater
  - Six initial sites

- DNR to test Lake Noquebay Nov. 2022
- Patrick Gorski, PhD | DNR Research Scientist in Water Quality Program

# **DNR PFAS INTERACTIVE MAP, SURFACE WATER**



## 2019 - PRESENT 155 SITES



#### https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/PFAS/SWFish.html

# LAKE NOQUEBAY SURFACE WATER SAMPLING: 5 PLANNED LOCATIONS



# **SURFACE WATER FOAM**



Lake Noquebay Beach, South Shore Sept. 27, 2022

Samples submitted to UW-Madison Prof. Christy Remucal's lab for analysis



<u>Understanding freshwater foam may help in fight against</u> <u>PFAS "forever chemicals" – YouTube</u> (2.5 min video)



## DHS PFAS UPDATES

NATHAN KLOCZKO, MPH | HEALTH ASSESSOR

CURTIS HEDMAN, PHD | TOXICOLOGIST

To protect and promote the health and safety of the people of Wisconsin

# **EPA UPDATED HEALTH ADVISORIES**

# Interim:

- PFOA = 0.004 parts per trillion (ppt)
- PFOS = 0.02 ppt

## Final:

- GenX = 10 ppt
- PFBS = 2,000 ppt

https://www.epa.gov/sdwa/drinking-water-health-advisories-pfoa-and-pfos

# **EPA INTERIM HEALTH ADVISORY**

DHS is reviewing technical information for PFOS and PFOA

- Draft PFOS and PFOA MCLs expected Fall 2022, Final rule Fall 2023
- Continuing to operate under DHS recommended groundwater standards (20 ppt for PFOS+PFOA)

# NATIONAL ACADEMIES CLINICAL GUIDANCE

- Recommendations about clinical testing and follow-up
- Recommend ATSDR/CDC reviews recommendations and updates their clinical guidance
- Still cannot infer personal health risk from serum levels—primary guidance is to reduce exposure

https://nap.nationalacademies.org/catalog/26156/guidance-on-pfas-exposure-testing-and-clinical-follow-up

NATIONAL ACADEMIES Medicine

Guidance on PFAS Exposure, Testing, and Clinical Follow-Up



Consensus Study Report

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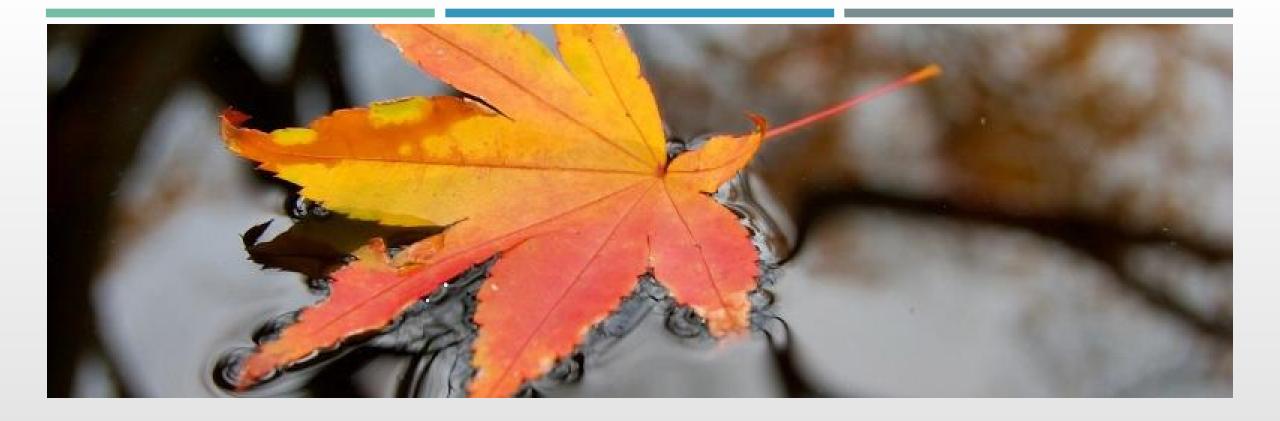
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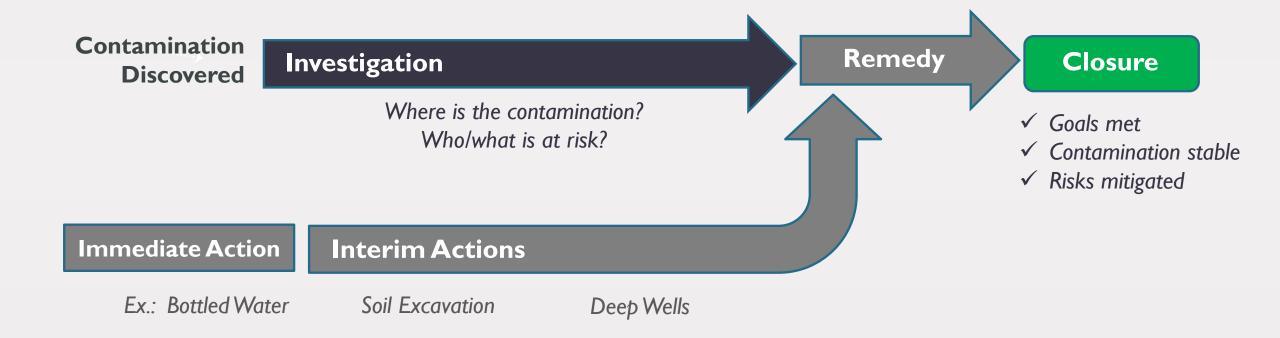


Wisconsin Department of Health Services



## **INTERIM ACTION UPDATES**

# **CONTAMINATED SITE CLEAN-UP**



Conceptual drawing for illustration purposes only.

# **JCI/TYCO'S INTERIM ACTIONS**

- Bottled Water/POETS
- Treat surface water in Ditches A and B
- Collect and dispose of surface water foam
- Excavate contaminated soil
- Surface water advisory signs
- Deep wells in PWSA
- Groundwater Extraction and Treatment System (GETS)

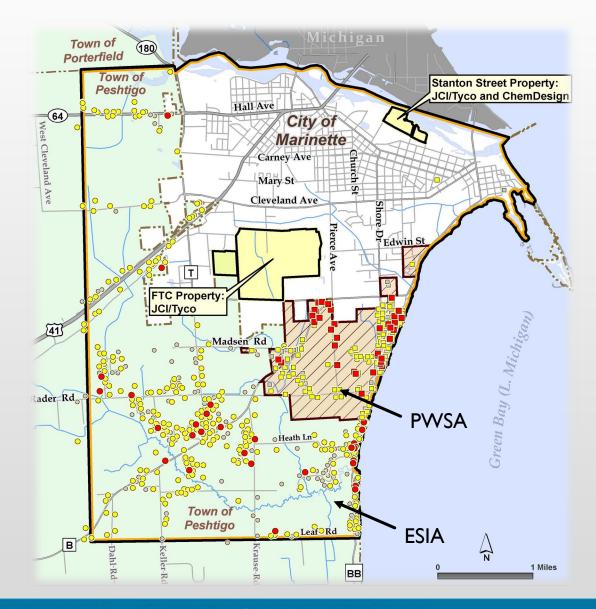
# **DEEP WELLS**

## PWSA

- JCI/Tyco offered deep wells to homeowners in Sept. 2022
- Some residents also looking into public water option(s)

## **ESIA** and **Biosolids** Areas?

- More investigation work to be done
- Design/treatment needs may vary



# **MUNICIPAL WATER**

#### WHEN DNR SAYS "PREFERRED" – WHY?

- Regulated monitoring and maintenance = More certainty for safe drinking water
- Municipal water systems must:
  - Meet drinking water standards
  - ✓ Monitor regularly
  - Operated by licensed operators

#### ... BUT THERE ARE OTHER FACTORS

- Personal preference
- Engineering feasibility
- Operational sustainability
- Cost
- Local rules and regulations (e.g., annexation)
- Public Service Commission (PSC) approval

# **DEEP WELLS**

## **DNR Requested**

- I. Design for deep wells
- 2. Testing/treatment plan for drinking water
- 3. Long-term monitoring plan

## **Clarify Selection Timeline**

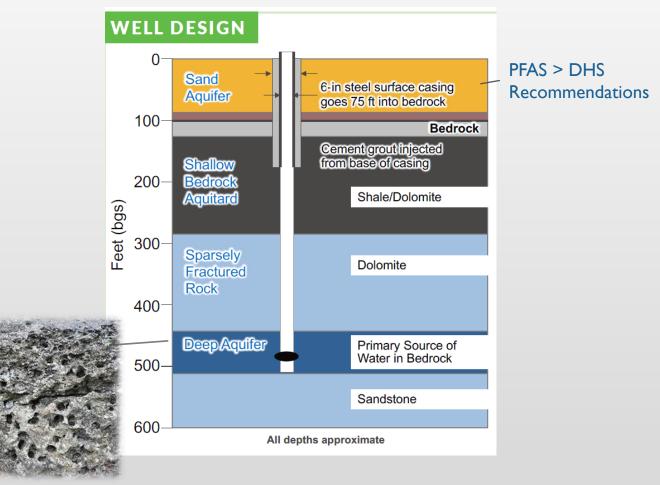
- There is currently no "deadline" for homeowners in PWSA
- Give homeowners time to understand and ask questions

# **DEEP WELLS**

## JCI/Tyco's Proposal for PWSA

- ✓ 500-ft well with deep (~150-ft) casing
- In-home water treatment
- ✓ I-yr monitoring deep wells
- ✓ Long-term monitoring deep *aquifer*

Well Design from JCI/Tyco's 9/15/22 Update

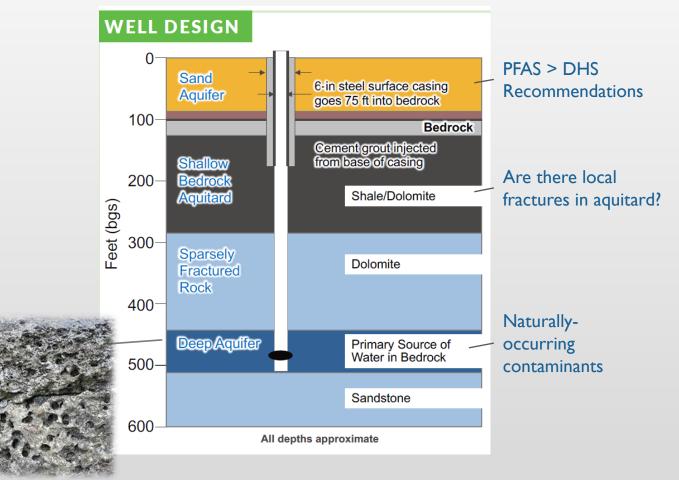


# **DEEP WELLS**

## **Permanent Solution?**

- Possibly, no guarantee
- Concerns with deep aquifer water quality
- Future monitoring recommended

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# **DEEP WELLS**



Whole-House Water Softener & Filter: Address hard water and improve reverse osmosis



Under-the-Sink Reverse Osmosis: Address naturallyoccurring contaminants

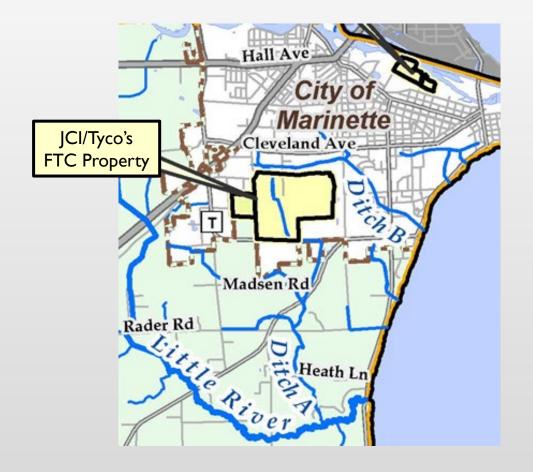
### Water Quality Concerns: In-Home Treatment Recommended

Naturally-occurring Contaminants in Deep Aquifer	Standard	Deep Aquifer Detected Range
Radium (pCi/L)	5 *	12 - 34
Strontium (ppm)	1.5 **	5.7 - 13
Sulfate (ppm)	250 ***	370 – 500

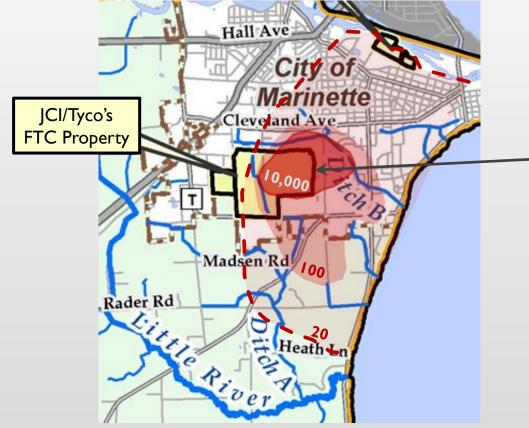
pCi/L = picocuries per liter ppm = parts per million

\* MCL (Maximum Contaminant Level) in drinking water
 \*\* DHS Recommendation
 \*\*\* NR 140 Enforcement Standard

Photos are examples for illustration only.



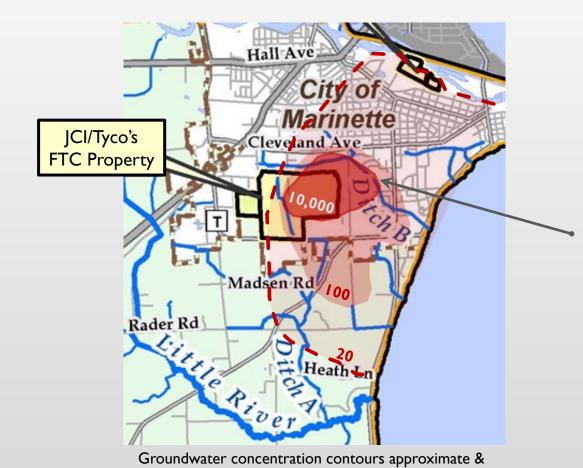
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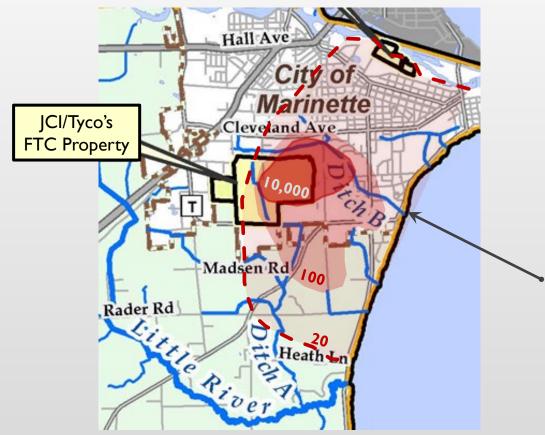
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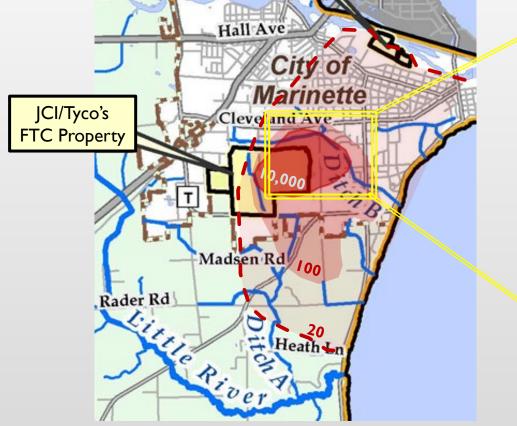
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- 2. Ditch B intercepts highly impacted groundwater
- 3. Surface water in Ditch B has PFAS > 1,000 ppt
  - Surface water foams form
  - Flows into Green Bay

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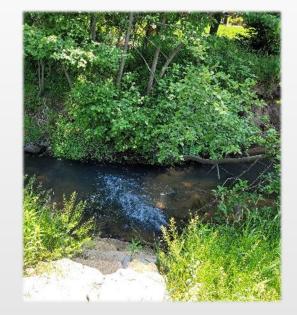


Capture groundwater with high PFAS
Limit PFAS going into Ditch B









Extraction Well Control Box & Monitoring Well

GETS Treatment Building on FTC Property

Inside GETS Building Carbon Filtration Vessels Discharge of Treated Water into Ditch B

# **GETS CONSTRUCTION COMPLETE - SEPTEMBER 2022**

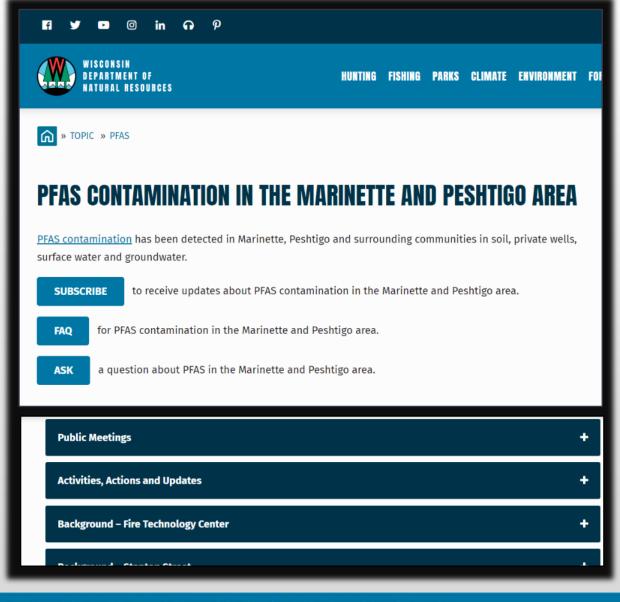
# **GETS STARTUP**

- ✓ Baseline monitoring: July 2022
- ✓ Confirmed treatment: Aug. Sept. 2022
- ✓ Pump tested extraction wells: Oct. 2022
- ✓ Full-scale startup & monitoring: Nov. 2022



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  - **Call** us: 1-888-626-3244



# **PUBLIC QUESTIONS & COMMENTS**

## In Person:

- Hand notecard to DNR
- Raise hand to speak

### Zoom:

- Submit question via "Chat" (goes to DNR Host)
- "Raise hand" / Unmute when prompted

#### **Phone:**

\*9 Raise Hand / \* 6 Unmute when prompted



## Please:

- Constructive comments
- Specific to projects
- Limit 3 min/person

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