Notice of Public Listening Session - Wisconsin PFAS Action Plan "Kick-Off"

On behalf of the Wisconsin PFAS Action Council (WisPAC), the DNR will be hosting a public listening session on the PFAS Action Plan on Oct. 6 from 1:30 p.m. to 3 p.m. to kick off a month of public engagement. This plan was requested by Governor Evers in Executive Order #40, directing state agencies to address concerns over PFAS in Wisconsin. The purpose of this session is to offer the public an opportunity to provide input, comment or ask questions regarding the contents of the action plan prior to delivering it to the Governor, other policy makers and the public. WisPAC asks that any written comments on the draft action plan be submitted on or before Oct. 31, 2020, as explained below.

Information

Date: Oct. 6, 2020

Time: 1:30 p.m. - 3 p.m.

This kick-off listening session will take place virtually. Viewing details and other materials will be available on the <u>WisPAC webpage</u> under "Upcoming Meetings."

Wisconsin PFAS Action Plan

With input from a public survey and local government and citizen advisory groups, the <u>PFAS Action Plan</u> was developed by WisPAC to leverage resources, personnel and expertise from across a multitude of state agencies and other entities toward addressing environmental and public health concerns that are or may be posed by per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) in Wisconsin.

WisPAC understands that environmental contamination by PFAS has a direct impact on Wisconsin communities. The council has ensured that all meetings are open to the public and that Wisconsin residents have been given every opportunity to participate and provide input toward building a PFAS Action Plan that reflects their needs and concerns. In keeping with this precedent, WisPAC is seeking public comment on the plan, before it is submitted to the governor in late 2020.

Accessibility

- 1. Hearing impaired persons may request an interpreter for this session. Please make reservations for a hearing interpreter at least 10 days before the date of the scheduled hearing, by sending an email to katherinee.majewski@wisconsin.gov.
- 2. Alternatively, you may contact the Department of Natural Resources TDD at 608-267-6897. The hearing facility is accessible to disabled users.
- 3. Pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act, reasonable accommodations, including the provision of information material in an alternative format, will be provided for qualified individuals with disabilities upon request. Please call with specific information on your request at least 10 days before the date of the scheduled session.

Appearances at the Session and Submittal of Written Comments

The public can provide input and ask questions at the listening session on Oct. 6. Written comments may be submitted through an online form or by e-mailing DNRPFASInquiries@wisconsin.gov. Even if you provide verbal comments at the listening session, it is important to provide written comments as well.

WisPAC asks that any written comments on the action plan be submitted on or before Oct. 31, 2020. Questions should be submitted to DNRPFASInquiries@wisconsin.gov.

The latest version of the action plan is available to <u>view online</u>.