

PFAS Weekly Update to LHD Advisory Committee 4/13/18

MPART update

- MDARD is meeting with MDEQ to discuss biosolids in Lapeer County.
 - MDEQ/AECOM are ready to start testing soil where biosolids were distributed in Lapeer County.
- MDEQ announced will begin systematic testing of public water supplies with AECOM.
 - Starting in Kent County, then Plainwell, Otsego, Otsego Twp, and Allegan in Allegan County.
 - School testing on hold until plan is refined.
- DMVA has hired a person dedicated to PFAS response. First task is working on foam on Lake Margarethe.
- The Scientific Advisory Board meets 4/13 by phone for the first time. First in-person meeting June 4-5.

DEQ/DHHS interagency activity

- MDEQ Focus Groups with water suppliers took place 4/10. Stakeholders wanted a simpler letter to identify if results are above or below 70 ppt. Letters and accompanying materials to be revised following feedback. Stakeholders urged DEQ to be more communicative about the full project plan, that this is a discovery effort, and that next steps will continue to evolve.
 - MDHHS obtained agreement from stakeholders to be part of a risk communication stakeholder group to establish a toolkit/set of standardized messaging.

Active Site/s Locations

- Wolverine/Kent County
 - Fresca Lake association meeting 4/11 to discuss fish consumption guidelines.
 - Belmont Armory switching off bottled water. Wolverine installed a whole building carbon treatment system. Meeting to be scheduled (TBD) with MDEQ, local health, and MDHHS.
- Helmer/Dickman Study Area (formerly known as Kellogg ANG) (Battle Creek)
 - Open house 4/12. Few residents attended.
- Wurtsmith AFB
 - RAB meeting 4/18
- Lake St. Clair
 - Open house scheduled 4/16.
- Selfridge Air Force Base
 - Coordination meeting 4/9 for 4/16 Open House

Federal Partnerships

- ATSDR Partnership
 - Epidemiology: May need ATSDR guidance on local health advisories soon.
 - Healthcare outreach: MDHHS TARS Outreach Team is working with ATSDR to set up the workshop with Kent County for health providers.
 - Agenda nearly final; still need date/location.