PFAS Weekly Update to LHD Advisory Committee 6/15/18

MPART Meeting Updates
  - LARA – A question came in from fire stations on changing foam to a shorter chain PFAS one; wondering if that would be better.
  - MDOT – airport subgroup meets on Monday June 18.
  - Representative Allor’s tele-townhall took place 6/13/18. Some technical difficulties did make it challenging to answer all the questions in the time allotted, but it went well overall. Dr. Wells participated.
  - All agencies are asked to collect a list of presentations, including audience and date from start of MPART to current time.
  - Finalized names and work group assignments
    - DHHS Public Health group is having their first meeting July 2

DEQ Updates
  - MDEQ shared update on Selfridge release that occurred weekend of June 9-10.
    - The amount released is closer to the low end (20 gallons) of the original estimate.
    - PFOA/PFOS was very high on base, but it seems to be contained.
    - MDEQ’s Rule 57 would apply to the PFAS that is contained inside the base.
  - MDEQ Drinking Water program is re-running the lab reports for the 51 samples they’ve already sent to MDHHS for Allegan County sites.
    - Reevaluation is taking place due to recalibration. MDHHS developing talking points regarding the reason for the reevaluation.
    - MDHHS asked MDEQ to also provide a letter to explain why there are two sets of data when letters are sent out to the residents. There will be about a 2 week delay in getting the data out; Allegan County Health Department has been notified.
  - Pilot Foam removal project on Van Etten Lake starts as early as June 26.
    - Planning 5 removal events until the end of September.
  - Public Water System testing continues.
  - Battle Creek meeting pushed until July – testing delayed. It is possible the testing may wait until the hydrant flushing is complete.
    - Helmer/Dickman/Kellogg/Battle Creek base has one well to the north of the site is higher than 70ppt
    - DEQ reported that there are several areas of concern on base.
  - Ann Arbor – more testing in the works and a municipal leadership meeting is being planned.
  - DEQ is presenting at the Michigan Environmental Compliance Conference
  - The 34th Street site write-up is almost complete.

DHHS Updates
  - Michigan Manufacturing Association invited MDHHS to attend their monthly meetings.
  - ATSDR updating 2001 Wurtsmith Public Health Assessment on VOCs in drinking water
    - Re-evaluation of data, updated TCE toxicity value (not an updated EPA Maximum Contaminant Level),
MDHHS evaluating vapor intrusion potential,
ATSDR update report may result in additional follow-up for locations still using private drinking water wells.

• On June 8, the Massachusetts DEP set 70ppt for a combo of PFOS, PFOA, PHXS, PHPA, and PFNA in drinking water.
• Dr. Wells participated in Pediatric Grand Rounds in Grand Rapids. Reinforced the need to include background/base-level knowledge to all presentations for all audiences.

Site Updates

• Central Sanitary Landfill – Townhall meeting scheduled for June 18.
  o Republic is distributing filters to homes greater than 10ppt; HD is distributing for less than 10ppt.
• MDEQ sampled from the public water supply in Mt Clemens.
  o The sample came back low and public water supply was reopened on June 8 in morning.
  o DEQ prepared to resample if needed.

Upcoming Meetings

• June 18 – Central Sanitary Landfill Meeting June 18, 2018
• June 21 – SEMCOG Briefing (9a-11:30a)
• June 21 - MALEHA Meeting
• **Cancelled** June 26 – MPART Local Health PFAS Advisory Committee **Cancelled for June**