Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances

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PFAS

Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances

- USEPA designation national emerging contaminant
- PFAS suite of chemicals, thousands of applications
- Used in industrial, food, and textile industries
- Characteristics
 - Incredibly stable
 - Break down very slowly
 - Highly soluble
 - Easily transferred through soil to groundwater



Statewide Concerns

- PFAS contamination identified in several locations in Michigan
- Currently 15 locations, 30 sites
- Sources include:
 - Current and former military installations
 - Tanneries
 - Plating operations
 - Legal and illegal disposal sites

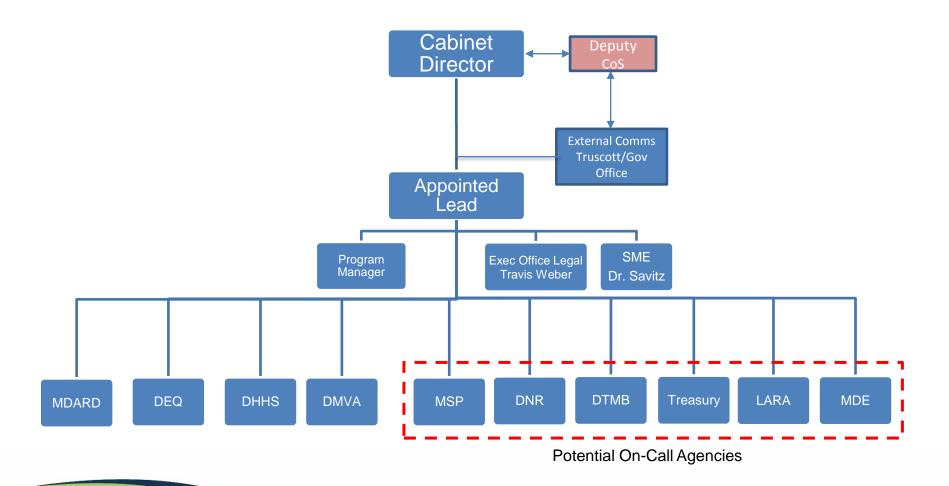


Michigan PFAS Action Response Team (MPART)

- Governor Snyder signed ED 2017-4 on November 13, 2017
- Directive: ensure comprehensive, cohesive, timely response to continued mitigation of PFAS substances (PFAS) across Michigan
- Goal: provide cooperation and coordination among all levels of government

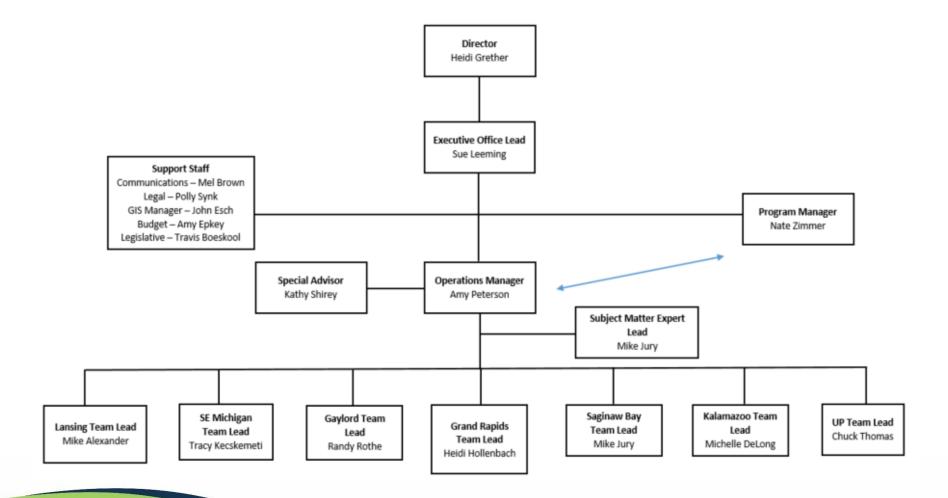


Michigan PFAS Action Response Team





DEQ Action Response Team





Confirmed PFAS Locations

Alpena

Ann Arbor

Escanaba

Flint

Grayling

Gwinn

Howard Township

Lansing

Lapeer

Mt. Clemens

Mt. Pleasant

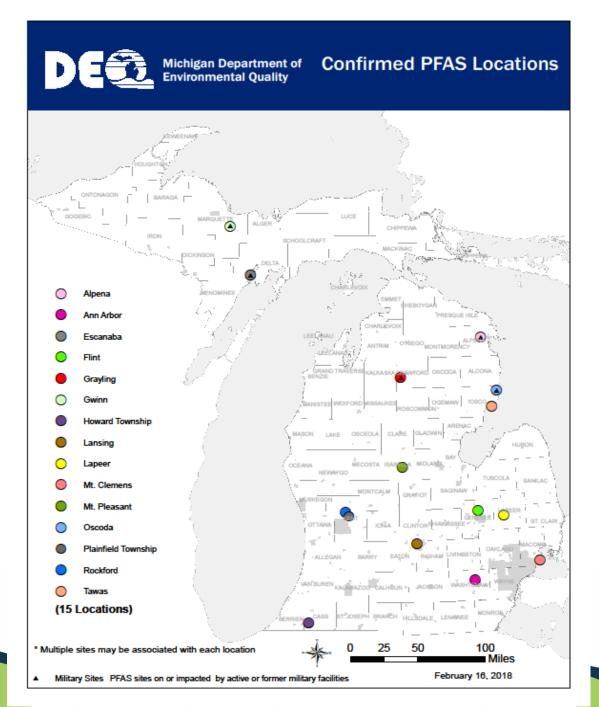
Oscoda

Plainfield Township

Rockford

Tawas





Confirmed PFAS Locations/# sites

Alpena/2

Ann Arbor/1

Escanaba/1

Flint/2

Grayling/3

Gwinn/1

Howard Township/1

Lansing/2

Lapeer/2

Mt. Clemens/2

Mt. Pleasant/1

Oscoda/7

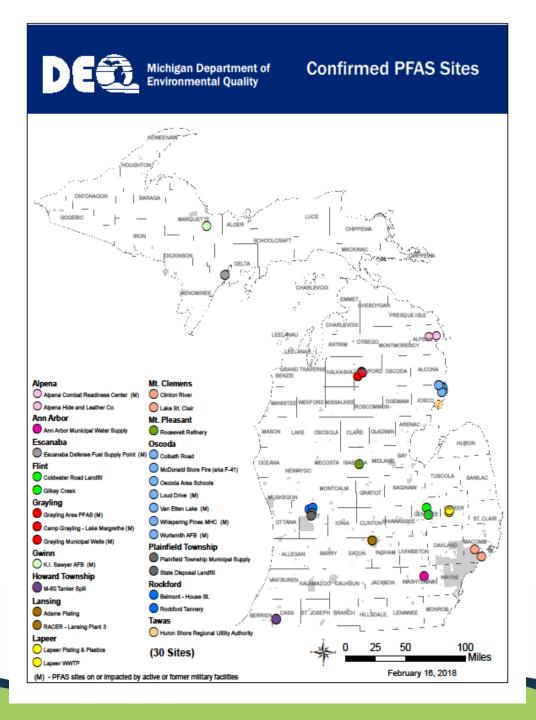
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DEQ's PFOA and PFOS Drinking Water Criterion

- PFAS criterion 70 ppt PFOA and PFOS combined, established under Part 201
- Took effect January 10, 2018
- Allows DEQ to:
 - Mandate responsible parties conduct activities
 - take legal action against those who do not comply with DEQ's cleanup rules
- 70 ppt comes from the health advisory value set by EPA for PFOA and PFOS.



Next Steps

- State laboratory capabilities
- Coordination through MPART
- PFAS Regional Team
- PFAS Multiagency Technical Workgroup
- Scientific Advisory Committee
- Local Public Health Advisory Committee
- Secure ongoing funding
- Web site: <u>www.michigan.gov/pfasresponse</u>



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