

PFAS Weekly Update to LHD Advisory Committee 3/9/18

Michigan PFAS Action Response Team (MPART) Update

- Discussion of Grand Valley State University (GVSU) Community Advisory Board proposal 3/7/18.
- Michigan Department of Environmental Quality announced that air quality numbers for PFAS are being released due to concerns over PFAS potentially being released during a remediation process called air stripping.
- The MDEQ announced that 1400 municipal water supplies & 1300 schools will be tested for PFAS.
 - MDHHS has a Health Educator and their Toxicology and Response Section (TARS) Drinking Water Unit Manager working with the MDEQ to develop an outreach strategy related to contaminants in municipal drinking water from a public health perspective.
- Recent sampling of surface water in Lake St. Clair and the Clinton River detected PFAS. Ira Township and the cities of Mt. Clemens and New Baltimore operate water plants with intakes in the upper part of Lake St. Clair where PFAS have been detected. Meeting with state, local and city officials scheduled 3-14-18.

Active Sites/Locations

- Kent Co & Wolverine
 - The Freska Lake Neighborhood Association has requested a meeting to discuss the fish guidelines.

Legislative Actions

- Meeting with Senator Nofs.
 - Had questions about how infrastructure is impacted and what can be done to help in the future.

Communications/Media

- March 8th meeting – PFAS overview for business community

Federal Partnerships

- Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Request (pending)
 - No updates.
- Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) Partnership
 - ATSDR topic 1: Epidemiology
 - CDC experts committed to work groups.
 - Next week's meeting will be specifically about Kent Co health study.
 - Plan is to have this call and then ask Dr. Savitz to review the draft protocol.
 - ATSDR topic 2: Healthcare outreach