# Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances in New Hampshire & Funding

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#### **Team Presentation**



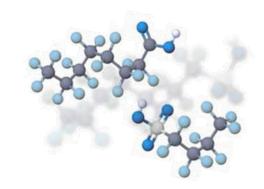
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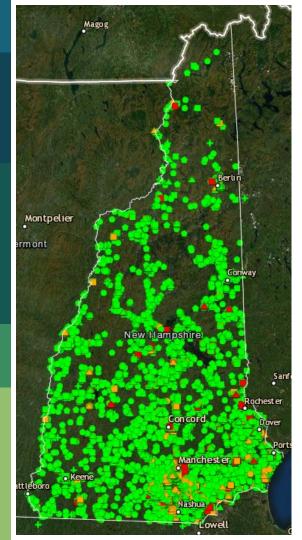


# Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS)



- Family of man made chemicals
- Resistant to grease, oil, water and heat
- AFFF, fabrics, carpets, cosmetics, food packaging......
- Persistent in the environment

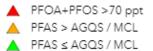




#### **PFAS** in New Hampshire

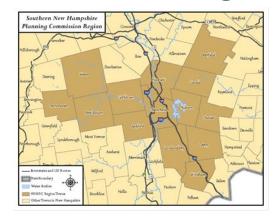
Perfluorochemical	Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) / Ambient Groundwater Quality Standards (AGQS) (parts per trillion — ppt)
Perfluorooctanoic Acid (PFOA)	12
Perfluorooctanesulfonic Acid (PFOS)	15
Perfluorohexanesulfonic Acid (PFHxS)	18
Perfluorononanoic Acid (PFNA)	11

<sup>\*</sup> Passed into law July 28, 2020



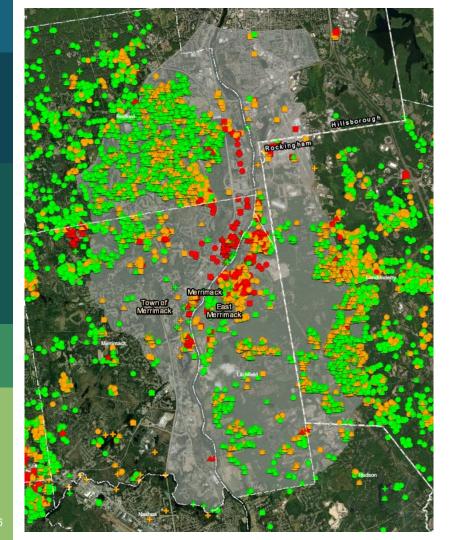
PFAS Sampling Map: NHDES PFAS SAMPLING (arcgis.com)

# Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission Region



<u>Private Well-Testing Request Form –</u> NH PFAS Investigation (state.nh.us)





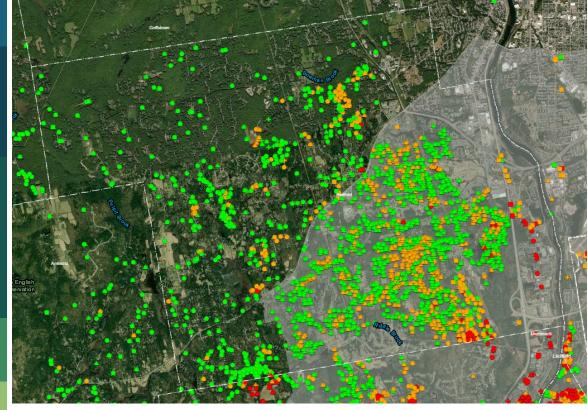
## Saint Gobain 2018 Consent Decree Area

- Includes Bedford, Manchester and Londonderry

PFOA+PFOS >70 ppt
PFAS > AGQS / MCL
PFAS ≤ AGQS / MCL

NHDES and Saint-Gobain Consent Decree

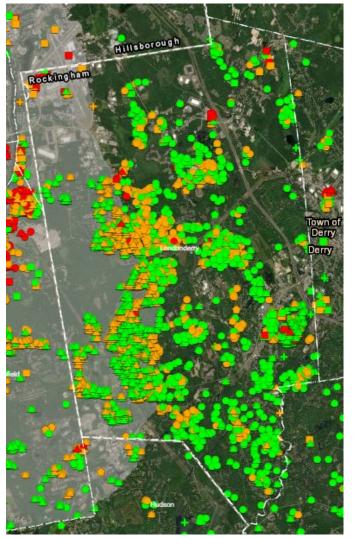
- NH PFAS Investigation (state.nh.us)



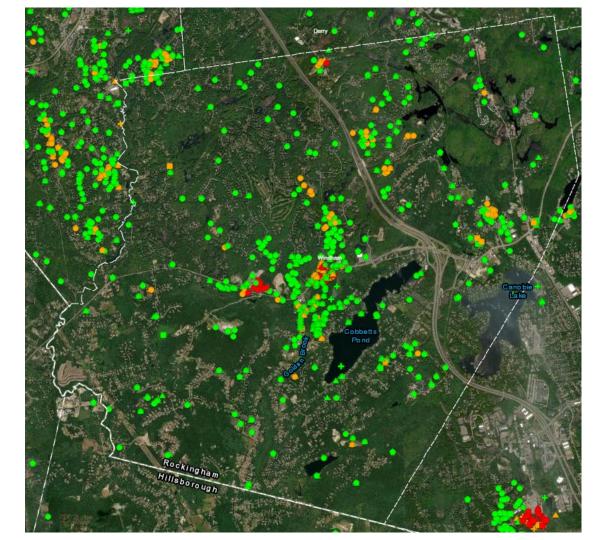
#### **Bedford and Londonderry**

2022 Saint Gobain Agreements:

- NHDES and Saint-Gobain Performance Plastics Alternate Water Agreement, April 2022
- June 2022 List of Alternate Water Remedies

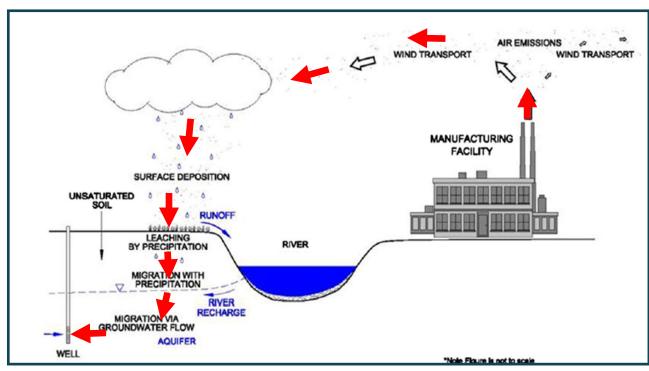


# Town of Windham



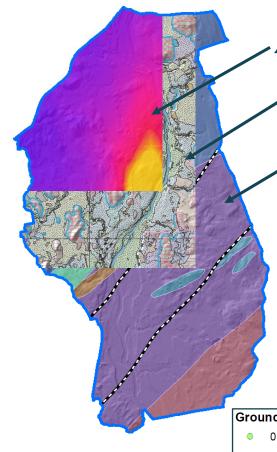
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# Air Emissions Impacting Soil and Groundwater



After Davis et al., 2007, Chemosphere NH STATE STATUTE RSA 125-C:10-e Requirements for Air Emissions of Perfluorinated Compounds Impacting Soil and Water

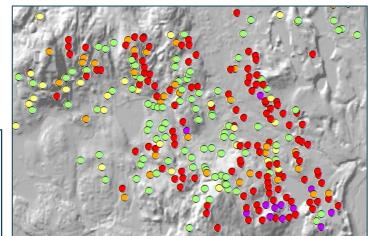




Air Deposition + , Surficial Geology + Bedrock Geology + Time - related Factors =

> (e.g., changes in chemicals released, precursor transformations, seasonal variation, etc.)

#### Complex Spatial Distribution of PFAS in Groundwater

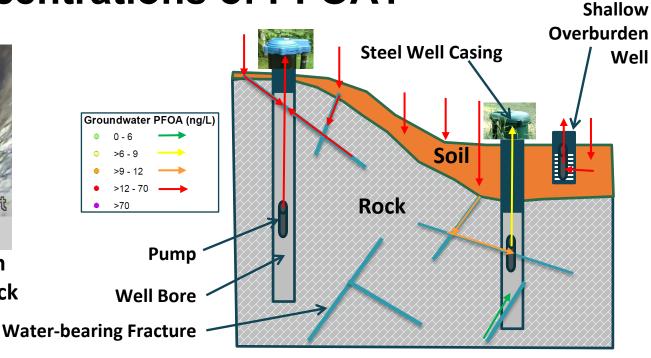


- >9 12
- >12 70
- >70

# Why do neighboring wells have different concentrations of PFOA?



Water entering a well from fractures (cracks) in the rock



#### Cross Section (Profile)View

This diagram illustrates a hypothetical cross section showing potential groundwater flow pathways to water supply wells that are depicted by color-coded arrows that correspond to PFOA concentration. The downward red arrows into the soil layer represent aerial deposition of PFOA that infiltrates into the soil above bedrock.

#### April 2022 Settlement Agreement to Remedy Contaminated Wells Key Provisions

- PROVIDES A SPECIFIC REMEDY FOR APPROXIMATELY 33% OF WELLS THAT EXCEED AGQS
  - 74 PROPERTIES RECEIVE CONNECTION TO EXISTING WATER LINES.
  - 98 PROPERTIES RECEIVE CONNECTIONS TO NEW WATER LINES.
  - 181 PROPERTIES RECEIVE POINT-OF-ENTRY TREATMENT (POET) SYSTEM
- SGPP PROPOSED A REMEDY FOR THE REMAINING 67% OF WELLS THAT EXCEED AGQS
   ON APRIL 29, 2022 THIS INCLUDES A COMBINATION OF POET SYSTEMS AND WATER
   LINE CONNECTIONS.

# Per- & Polyfluorinated Alkyl Substances (PFAS) Funding



#### **PFAS Specific Funding**

1. PFAS Removal Rebate Program for Private Wells

<u>PFAS Removal Rebate Program for</u> <u>Private Wells – NH PFAS Investigation</u> (<u>state.nh.us</u>) P

2. PFAS Remediation Grant and Loan Fund (PFAS RLF)

PFAS Remediation Loan Fund – NH PFAS Investigation (state.nh.us)

PFAS Design Services
Reimbursement/PFAS Consolidation
Study Program – NH PFAS Investigation
(state.nh.us)

3. PFAS Consolidation Study Program



PFAS Design Services
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Program – NH PFAS Investigation
(state.nh.us)

4. PFAS Treatment Design Services Reimbursement

# PFAS Removal Rebate Program for Private Wells

Overview and Eligibility

## PFAS Removal Rebate for Private Wells



- Up to \$5,000 per household for treatment
- Up to \$10,000 per household for a service connection
- Exceedance of a PFAS AGQS/MCL
- Working on accepting applications by the end of August
- Retroactive back to September 30, 2019



# **PFAS** Remediation **Grant & Loan Fund**

Overview and Eligibility Updates

# \$75,000,000

Another \$25,000,000 pending!

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### PFAS Remediation Grant & Loan Fund Overview

- \$50M for Low Interest Loan
  - Established in Statue (RSA 485 H)
  - Potential for Principal Forgiveness
  - Contingent Reimbursement
- \$25M in Grant Funds
  - ARPA funding
  - \$1.5M or 30% of total project costs, whichever is greater
- Covers 100% Cost for PFAS Remediation



# PFAS Remediation Grant & Loan Fund – Eligible Entities

- Community Water Systems
  - Existing system
  - Expand system to assist private well users
- NNT/NC owned by a non profit (i.e., schools)
- Municipalities
  - Municipal use
  - To assist private well users



# PFAS Remediation Grant & Loan Fund – Additional Eligibility Requirements

- Exceedance of a PFAS AGQS/MCL
- Demonstrate remedy is most cost effective
- Liable third party consideration
- Costs incurred after:
  - Loan September 30, 2019
  - Grant March 3, 2021



# PFAS-Focused Consolidation Study Assistance Program

Reimbursement program



#### PFAS-Focused Consolidation Study Assistance Program

- 100% reimbursement with prior approval
- Eligibility Requirements
  - Community Water Systems
  - NT/NC owned by a non profit (i.e., schools)
  - Municipalities
  - Source(s) exceed a PFAS AGQS/MCL
- Open Enrollment 1<sup>st</sup> Come, 1<sup>st</sup> Served



# **PFAS Treatment** Design **Services**

Reimbursement program



### PFAS Treatment Design Services

- Up to 26% of total cost of the project
- Eligibility Requirements
  - All schools and childcare centers
  - Transient and non transient,
     non community water systems
  - Source(s) exceed a PFAS AGQS/MCL
- Open Enrollment 1<sup>st</sup> Come, 1<sup>st</sup> Served



# Other Available Funding

Non - PFAS Specific



#### Non-PFAS Specific Funding

- Federal Emerging Contaminant Funding
  - Bipartisan Infrastructure Bill (BIL)
     Contaminants Funding
  - Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation (WIIN)
     Small and Underserved Communities Emerging
     Contaminants Grant Program
- Drinking Water State Revolving Loan Fund
- Drinking Water & Groundwater Trust Fund



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**THANK YOU!** 

### Any questions?

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