



Dane County Regional Airport

Progress Report Summary

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Summary

- Three rounds of testing are occurring now that the storm water repair lining project is done.
- House of Representative's Department of Transportation Appropriation bill contains funding for research on PFAS destruction.
- Attorney General Kaul urged courts to reject initial settlement draft with 3M.
- Monitoring wells are in place at the former fire training area on Darwin Rd.

Sampling after storm water pipe televising and repair project completed

Three rounds of sampling are occurring now that the work is completed. The sampling was done at the same creek and outfall locations that were sampled before the repairs to see if the repairs help reduce the amount of PFAS entering the storm sewer system. The results will be released once sampling and analysis is complete.

Attorney General Kaul pushes for better settlement in case against PFAS manufacturer 3M

In July, AG Kaul joined a bipartisan group of attorneys general in urging the courts to reject 3M's initial offer in a class action lawsuit. The opposition did yield some positive changes to the proposed settlement. You can read more about it [here](#).

In August five attorneys general signed an amicus letter noting the amount of funding suggested by 3M is not enough to cover the damages caused by PFAS. You can read that letter [here](#).

Darwin Road Former Training Area

As noted last time, the work plan for the Darwin Road former training area was approved by the DNR and the monitoring wells are in place. The successful pilot program will now be expanded to this area starting with the areas of the highest concentration of PFAS.

The DNR BRRTS number for this project is **02-13-583366** in case you want to search for updates to this work in between updates.

EPA releases PFAS sampling data

In July the EPA released their first set of results from testing done under the Fifty Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule (UCMR5). This rule from the Safe Drinking Water Act requires the EPA to collect data every five years and issue a list of water contaminants that are currently unmonitored that the EPA suggests folks start monitoring. They have been doing sampling in public water systems for 29 different PFAS to get data on how prevalent they are in drinking water. It helps the EPA decide how to shape future regulations. They found PFOS above 4 ppt in about 8.5% of the public water systems tested and PFOA above 4 ppt in about 7.8% of the public water systems tested.

You can find the summary of the sampling results from the EPA [here](#).

DNR External Advisory Group

The DNR PFAS Advisory Group most recently met on September 22 at 11:00 am. Future meetings will be posted for those interested in attending.