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Village of Weston Message on PFA's

The Village of Weston Water Utility takes its role in protecting public health by providing safe drinking water to our community very seriously. Our drinking water is closely regulated by both the **EPA (U.S Environmental Protection Agency)** and DNR (**Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources**) and it meets strict Federal and State drinking water standards. We appreciate that an important conversation is happening right now regarding PFAS (**Perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances**). PFAS is an emerging contaminant that EPA and DNR do not currently regulate. Recent tests of water by area utilities found levels of PFAS in their drinking water

Here are some important points about PFAS and the Weston Water Utility:

- A required sampling was conducted in 2014 and 2015 for the EPA's **Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule (UCMR3)**.
- Samples analyzed under UCMR 3 did not find PFAS above the reporting limits of 20 parts per trillion in any of the utility's 6 wells.
- Testing for PFAS is not required by state or federal regulators at this time.
- Weston Water Utility will be voluntarily sampling for PFAS in the coming weeks.
- Results of sampling will be made available to the public.

EPA and DNR are both working to determine how and when PFAS should be regulated. The DNR has never adopted a drinking water standard without first having a federal standard in place but, the current target dates for DNR recommending a standard in 2022 and EPA by fall of 2023, are causing confusion with the issue. We will continue to follow EPA's and DNR's lead on PFAS to keep your drinking water safe according to the Safe Drinking Water Act.

Weston Water Utility customers can be confident that they can safely continue to use and drink from the water supply as normal.

For more information on PFAS please visit www.westonwi.gov/pfas