PA DEP Proposed Statewide Health Standards



2025

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- Proposed Statewide Health Standards
 - Changes <u>Currently</u> Proposed
 - Future Changes (Arsenic)
- Lead in Soil
- PFAS
- Impacts to Clean Fill

Due Diligence Resources





3-Year Review Cycles

July 2, 2024 - Proposed Updates by DEP

Public Comments, Environmental Quality Board Review, Then Implementation



REMEMBER THAT DEP STATEWIDE
HEALTH STANDARDS ARE USED AS THE
CLEAN FILL STANDARDS





2024 Proposal

Update Lead SHS for Direct Contact

Addition of MORE PFAS

Revise PAH Toxicity Values

Update Toxicity Values for 19 Other Compounds to be Consistent with EPA Values







Appendix A

Table 3—Medium-Specific Concentrations (MSCs) for Organic Regulated Substances in Soil

A. Direct Contact Numeric Values

				N	onresid	lential	
ENZO[A]PYRENE ENZO[B]FLUORANTHENE ENZO[GHI]PERYLENE ENZO[K]FLUORANTHENE ENZOIC ACID ENZOTRICHLORIDE ENZYL ALCOHOL ENZYL CHLORIDE ETA PROPIOLACTONE HC, ALPHA HC, BETA- HC, GAMMA (LINDANE) IPHENYL, 1,1-	CASRN	Resident 0—15 fe		Surface Soil 0—2 fee	2.11	Subsurface Soil 2—15 feet	
BENZO[A]ANTHRACENE	56-55-3	[6.1] 42	G	[130] 910	G	190,000	C
BENZO[A]PYRENE	50-32-8	4.2	G	91	G	190,000	C
BENZO[B]FLUORANTHENE	205-99-2	[3.5] 42	G	[76] <u>910</u>	G	190,000	C
BENZO[GHI]PERYLENE	191-24-2	13,000	G	190,000	С	190,000	C
BENZO[K]FLUORANTHENE	207-08-9	[3.5] 420	G	[76] 9,100	G	190,000	C
BENZOIC ACID	65-85-0	190,000	C	190,000	С	190,000	C
BENZOTRICHLORIDE	98-07-7	1.4	G	7	G	10,000	C
BENZYL ALCOHOL	100-51-6	10,000	C	10,000	С	10,000	C
BENZYL CHLORIDE	100-44-7	9	N	45	N	52	N
BETA PROPIOLACTONE	57-57-8	0.11	N	0.55	N	0.63	N
BHC, ALPHA	319-84-6	3	G	14	G	190,000	C
BHC, BETA-	319-85-7	10	G	51	G	190,000	C
BHC, GAMMA (LINDANE)	58-89-9	[17] 2.2	G	[83] 32	G	190,000	C
BIPHENYL, 1,1-	92-52-4	8.2	N	34	N	40	N
BIS(2-CHLOROETHOXY)METHANE	111-91-1	660	G	9,600	G	10,000	C
BIS(2-CHLOROETHYL)ETHER	111-44-4	1.3	N	6.7	N	7.6	N
BIS(2-CHLORO-ISOPROPYL)ETHER	108-60-1	[44] 8,800	[N]	[220] 10,000	[N]	[250] 10,000	[N]





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Table 3—Medium-Specific Concentrations (MSCs) for Organic Regulated Substances in Soil

B. Soil to Groundwater Numeric Values¹

			Used Aquifers									Manuas Asulfara			
			TDS ≤ 2	500 mg/L			TDS > 2500 mg/L				Nonuse Aquifers				
REGULATED SUBSTANCE	CASRN	Residential		Nonre	Nonresidential		Residential		Nonresidential		Residential		Nonresidential		
	CASKIV	100 X GW MSC	Generic Value	100 X GW MSC	Generic Value	100 X GW MSC	Generic Value	100 X GW MSC	Generic Value	100 X GW MSC	Generic Value	100 X GW MSC	Generic Value		
BENZIDINE	92-87-5	0.000092	0.12 E	0.0012	1.6 E	0.0092	12 E	0.12	160 E	0.092	120 E	1.2	1,600 E	5	
BENZO[A]ANTHRACENE	56-55-3	[0.03] <u>0.21</u>	[26] <u>180</u> E	[0.39] 1.1	[340] <u>960</u> E	1.1	960 E	1.1	960 E	1.1	960 E	1.1	960 E	5	
BENZO[A]PYRENE	50-32-8	0.02	46 E	0.02	46 E	0.38	860 E	0.38	860 E	0.38	860 E	0.38	860 E	5	
BENZO[B]FLUORANTHENE	205-99-2	[0.018] 0.12	[25] <u>170</u>	0.12	170 E	0.12	170 E	0.12	170 E	0.12	170 E	0.12	170 E	5	
BENZO[GHI]PERYLENE	191-24-2	0.026	180 E	0.026	180 E	0.026	180 E	0.026	180 E	0.026	180 E	0.026	180 E	5	
BENZO[K]FLUORANTHENE	207-08-9	[0.018] 0.055	[200] <u>610</u>	0.055	610 E	0.055	610 E	0.055	610 E	0.055	610 E	0.055	610 E	5	
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Table 4—Medium-Specific Concentrations (MSCs) for Inorganic Regulated Substances in Soil

A. Direct Contact Numeric Values



LEAD Reduced and Increased

CADMIUM Reduced

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				Nonresid	ential MS	SCs	
REGULATED SUBSTANCE	CASRN	Residential N 0—15 fee		Surface So 0—2 feet	Soil		21
ALUMINUM	7429-90-5	190,000	С	190,000	C	190,000	C
ANTIMONY	7440-36-0	88	G	1,300	G	190,000	C
ARSENIC	7440-38-2	12	G	61	G	190,000	C
BARIUM AND COMPOUNDS	7440-39-3	44,000	G	190,000	С	190,000	С
BERYLLIUM	7440-41-7	440	G	6,400	G	190,000	C
BORON AND COMPOUNDS	7440-42-8	44,000	G	190,000	С	190,000	С
CADMIUM	7440-43-9	[110] 22	G	[1,600] 320	G	190,000	C
CHROMIUM III	16065-83-1	190,000	С	190,000	С	190,000	C
CHROMIUM VI	18540-29-9	37	G	180	G	140,000	N
COBALT	7440-48-4	66	G	960	G	190,000	N
COPPER	7440-50-8	7,200	G	100,000	G	190,000	C
CYANIDE, FREE	57-12-5	[130] 140	G	[1,900] 2,000	G	190,000	C
FLUORIDE	16984-48-8	8,800	G	130,000	G	190,000	C
IRON	7439-89-6	150,000	G	190,000	C	190,000	C
LEAD	7439-92-1	[500] <u>200</u>	[U] <u>I</u>	[1,000] 1,100	[S] A	190,000	C
LITHIUM	7439-93-2	440	G	6,400	G	190,000	C
MANGANESE	7439-96-5	31,000	G	190,000	C	190,000	C





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Table 4 - Medium-Specific Concentrations (MSCs) for Inorganic Regulated Substances in Soil B. Soil to Groundwater Numeric Values¹

					Used	Aquifers						Soil		
			TDS < = 2500				TDS :	> 2500		<u> </u>	Nonuse	Aquifers		Buffer
REGULATED SUBSTANCE	CASRN	R		NI	R	ſ	R	N	R	F	R	NR		Distance
	1 1	100 X	Generic	100 X	Generic	100 X	Generic	100 X	Generic	100 X	Generic	100 X	Generic	
		GW MSC	Value	GW MSC	Value	GW MSC	Value	GW MSC	Value	GW MSC	Value	GW MSC	Value	(feet)
ANTIMONY	7440-36-0	0.6	27	0.6	27	60			2,00	600	27000	600	27000	15
ARSENIC	7440-38-2	1	29	1	29	100	2900	100	2900	1000	29000	1000	29000	15
BARIUM AND COMPOUNDS	7440-39-3	200	8200	200	8200	20000	190000	20000	190000	190000	190000	190000	190000	15
BERYLLIUM	7440-41-7	0.4	320	0.4	320	40	32000	40	32000	400	190000	400	190000	10
BORON AND COMPOUNDS	7440-42-8	600	1900	600			190000	60000	190000	190000	190000	190000	190000	30
CADMIUM	7440-43-9	0.5	38	0.5			3800	50	3800	500	38000	500	38000	15
CHROMIUM (III)	16065-83-1	10	190000	10	190000	1000			190000	10000	190000	10000	190000	5
CHROMIUM (VI)	18540-29-9	10	190	10			19000	1000	19000	10000	190000	10000	190000	15
COBALT	7440-48-4	-	45	2.9	130		4500	290	13000	1000	45000	2900	130000	15
COPPER	7440-50-8	100	43000			10000	190000	10000	190000	100000	190000	100000	190000	10
CYANIDE, FREE	57-12-5	20	200	20	200	2000	20000	2000	20000	20000	190000	20000	190000	20
FLUORIDE	16984-48-8	400	44	400	44	40000	4400	40000	4400	190000	44000	190000	44000	NA
LEAD	7439-92-1	0.5	450	0.5			45000			500	190000	500	190000	
LITHIUM	7439-93-2	6.9	2100	19	5700	690	190000	1900	190000	6900	190000	19000	190000	10
MANGANESE	7439.96.5	30	2000	30	2000	3000	190000	3000	190000	30000	190000	30000	190000	15

NO LEAD OR CADMIUM REDUCTIONS PROPOSED FOR SOIL TO GROUNDWATER VALUES



Clean Fill Impacts

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				Nonresidential				
REGULATED SUBSTANCE	CASRN	Resident 0—15 fe		Surface Soil 0—2 fee	Subsurface Soil 2—15 feet			
PEBULATE	1114-71-2	[10,000] 150	[C] G	[10,000] 2,200	[C] G	10,000	С	
PENTACHLOROBENZENE	608-93-5	180	G	2,600	G	190,000	C	
PENTACHLOROETHANE	76-01-7	210	G	1,000	G	10,000	C	
PENTACHLORONITROBENZENE	82-68-8	72	G	350	G	190,000	C	
PENTACHLOROPHENOL	87-86-5	47	G	230	G	190,000	C	
PERFLUOROBUTANE SULFONATE (PFBS)	375-73-5	66	G	960	G	10,000	C	
PERFLUOROBUTANOIC ACID (PFBA)	375-22-4	220	G	3,200	<u>G</u>	190,000	<u>C</u>	
PERFLUOROHEXANOIC ACID (PFHxA)	307-24-4	110	G	1,600	G	10,000	C	
PERFLUOROOCTANE SULFONATE (PFOS)	1763-23-1	[4.4] 0.68	G	[64] 9.9	G	190,000	C	
PERFLUOROOCTANOIC ACID (PFOA)	335-67-1	[4.4] 0.86	G	[64] <u>12</u>	G	190,000	C	
PHENACETIN	62-44-2	8,500	G	41,000	G	190,000	C	
PHENANTHRENE	85-01-8	66,000	G	190,000	С	190,000	C	
PHENOL	108-95-2	3,800	N	16,000	N	18,000	N	
PHENYL MERCAPTAN	108-98-5	220	G	3,200	G	10,000	C	
PHENYLENEDIAMINE, M-	108-45-2	1,300	G	19,000	G	190,000	C	
PHENYLPHENOL, 2-	90-43-7	9,600	G	47,000	G	190,000	C	
PHORATE	298-02-2	[44] 37	G	[640] <u>540</u>	G	10,000	C	
PHTHALIC ANHYDRIDE	85-44-9	380	N	1,600	N	1,800	N	
PICLORAM	1918-02-1	15,000	G	190,000	С	190,000	C	
POTASSIUM PERFLUOROBUTANE SULFONATE	29420-49-3	66	G	960	G			

PFAS Reduced, Adding New Compounds







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Table 3—Medium-Specific Concentrations (MSCs) for Organic Regulated Substances in Soil

B. Soil to Groundwater Numeric Values¹

			Used Aquifers								Manager Williams			
REGULATED SUBSTANCE		TDS ≤ 2500 mg/L					TDS > :	2500 mg/L			Nonuse	Nonuse Aquifers		
	CASRN	Residential		Nonres	sidential Residentia		dential	ential Nonresidential		Residential		Nonresidential		(feet)
	CASKIV	100 X GW MSC	Generic Value	100 X GW MSC	Generic Value	100 X GW MSC	Generic Value	100 X GW MSC	Generic Value	100 X GW MSC	Generic Value	100 X GW MSC	Generic Value	
PERFLUOROHEXANOIC ACID (PFHxA)	307-24-4	<u>1.7</u>	N/A	4.9	N/A	<u>170</u>	N/A	490	N/A	1.7	N/A	4.9	N/A	<u>NA</u>
PERFLUOROOCTANE SULFONATE (PFOS)	1763-23-1	[0.007] 0.0018	N/A	[0.007] 0.0018	N/A	[0.7] 0.18	N/A	[0.7] <u>0.18</u>	N/A	[0.007] 0.0018	N/A	[0.007] 0.0018	N/A	NA
PERFLUOROOCTANOIC ACID (PFOA)	335-67-1	[0.007] 0.0014	N/A	[0.007] 0.0014	N/A	[0.7] 0.14	N/A	[0.7] 0.14	N/A	[0.007] 0.0014	N/A	[0.007] 0.0014	N/A	NA
DHENACETIN	62-44-2	30	12 E	120	46 E	3 000	1 200 E	12,000	4 600 E	30,000	12 000 6	76,000	20 000 E	NΛ

PFAS Reduced, Adding New Compounds





Proposed Statewide Health Standards STATUS MARCH 2025

From: Sterling, Brie < bsterling@pa.gov>
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To: Walter Hungarter < whungarter@rtenv.com>
Cc: Brown, C David < cdbrown@pa.gov>

Subject: RE: [External] Act 2 Standard Update 2025

Good morning,

We are currently planning to present the final regulations to the EQB in the 3rd quarter of 2025 and have them published as final before the end of the year. This is not guaranteed to happen, but this is our current plan.

Please let me know if you have any other questions.

Thank you, Brie

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REMEMBER THAT DEP STATEWIDE HEALTH STANDARDS ARE USED AS THE CLEAN FILL STANDARDS

Clean Fill Determined by Due Diligence



Clean Fill Determined by Analytical Testing





REMEMBER THAT DEP STATEWIDE HEALTH STANDARDS ARE USED AS THE CLEAN FILL STANDARDS

SOIL CLEAN FILL STANDARDS AND LABORATORY DATA

- Lower of Direct Contact and Soil to Groundwater Generic Value
 - Currently Lead CF Value 450 mg/kg (based on Soil to Groundwater Value)
 - Proposed Lead CP Value 200 mg/kg (based on Direct Contact Value)
 - Currently Cadmium CF Value 38 mg/kg (based on Soil to Groundwater Value)
 - Proposed Cadmium Value 22 mg/kg (based on Direct Contact Value)





REMEMBER THAT DEP STATEWIDE HEALTH STANDARDS ARE USED AS THE CLEAN FILL STANDARDS

SOIL CLEAN FILL STANDARDS AND LABORATORY DATA

- Lower of Direct Contact and Soil to Groundwater Generic Value
 - Currently PFOS 4.4 mg/kg Direct Contact
 - Proposed PFOS 0.68 mg/kg Direct Contact
 - Currently PFOA 4.4 mg/kg Direct Contact
 - Proposed PFOA 0.86 mg/kg Direct Contact
 - NO GENERIC VALUE FOR PFAS. Groundwater Standards for PFAS are much Lower!! SO DIRECT CONTACT DRIVES CLEAN FILL VALUES





REMEMBER THAT DEP STATEWIDE HEALTH STANDARDS ARE USED AS THE CLEAN FILL STANDARDS

SOIL CLEAN FILL STANDARDS AND LABORATORY DATA

- Default to Direct Contact
 - New PFAS
 - PFBA 220 mg/kg (Direct Contact)
 - PFHxA 110 mg/kg (Direct Contact)
 - PFBS 66 mg/kg (Direct Contact)
 - HFPO [GEN-X] and Salts 0.66 mg/kg (Direct Contact)





Groundwater Standards will also be Updated!!

- Important for Water Management at Construction Sites
- NPDES Permitting Impacts (TOPIC FOR ANOTHER TIME)
- Health and Safey Impacts (TOPIC FOR ANOTHER TIME)







3-YEAR CYCLE FOR REVIEW

- Statewide Health Standards are Risked Based Standards
- EPA Proposed New Toxicity Values which WILL impact SHS
- Arsenic reduced over an order of Magnitude (EPA Regional Screening Level) for Residential and Non-Residential Situations
- Finalize in May of 2025 (BUT WE'LL SEE WHAT HAPPENS)
- DEP can do interim update after the SHS are Finalized Later This Year
- Or can incorporate into the current version.
- Either way, anticipate that after more than 20+ years dealing with an arsenic standard lower than BACKGROUND, the standard will likely be lower!





Clean Fill Due Diligence Vs. Testing

- Clean Fill Does NOT Default to Testing (even though it seems to be the case for every receiving site)
- Due Diligence push may become more of a priority!
- Due Diligence is Defined in Management of Fill Policy (Clean Fill)
- Could be a full Phase I or Could be an Environmental Review
- Focus on Sources for Environmental Review



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General Atlas View of Project Area

Topographic Images over Many Years

Aerial Photographs over Many Years

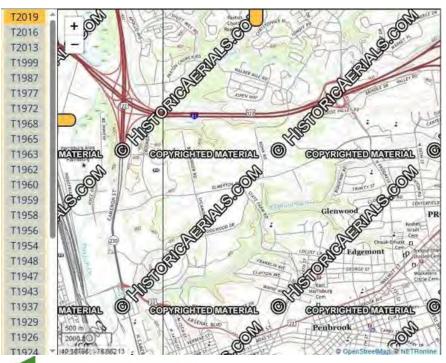
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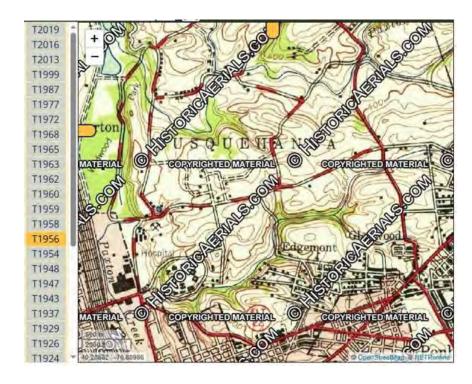




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Topographic Images over Many Years



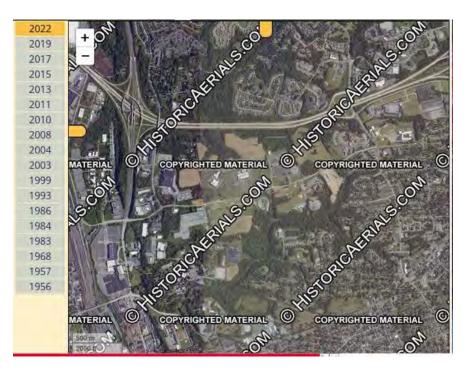






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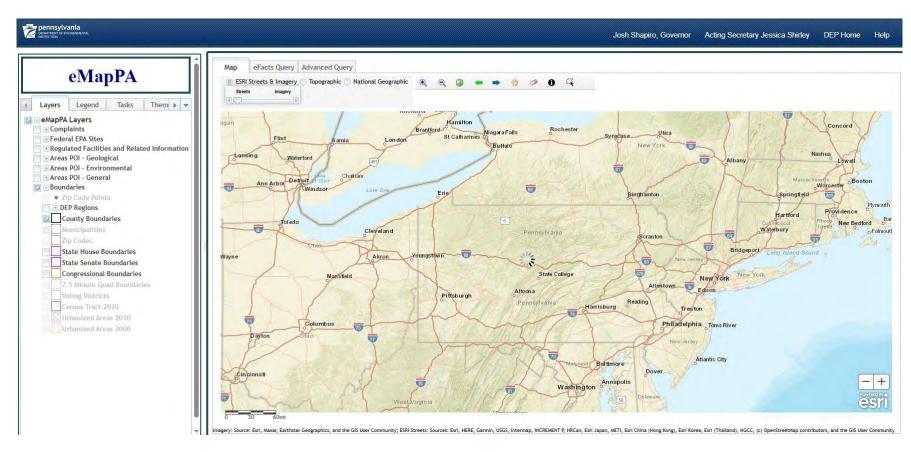
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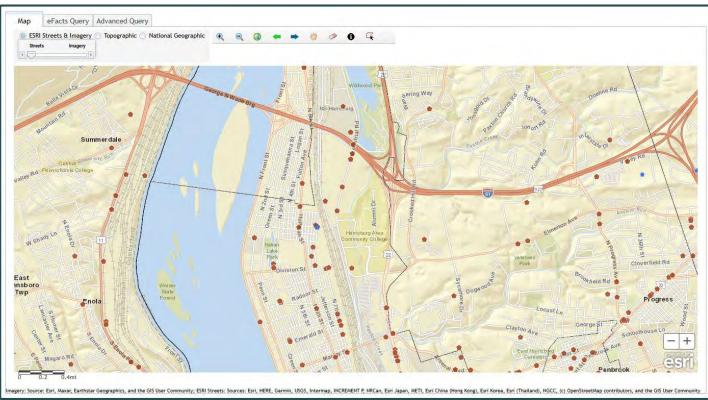
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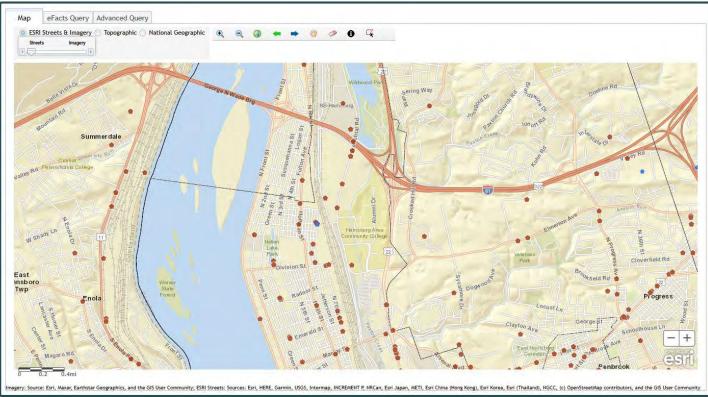






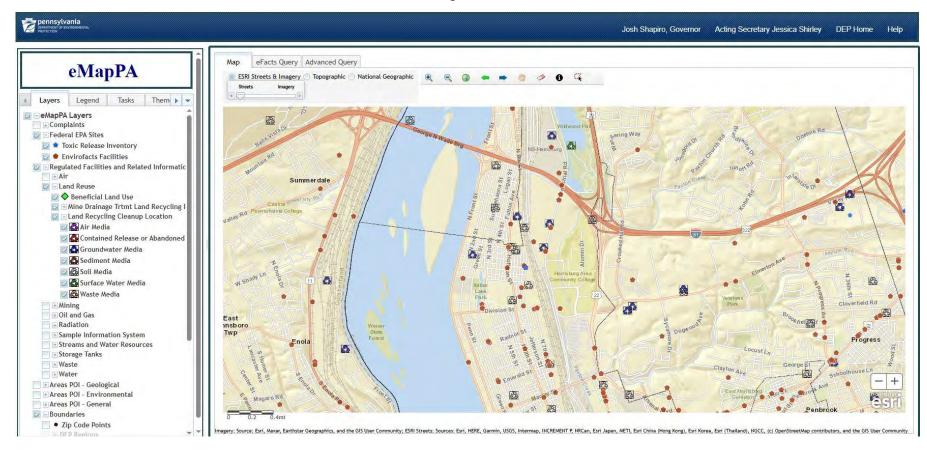






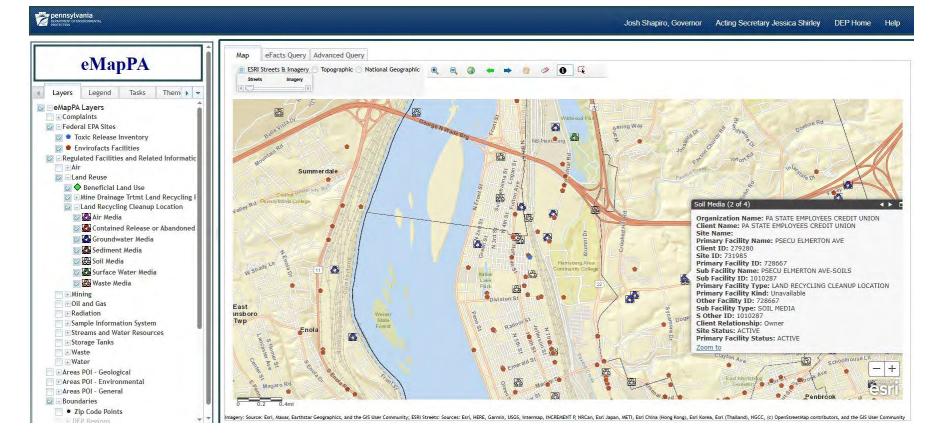






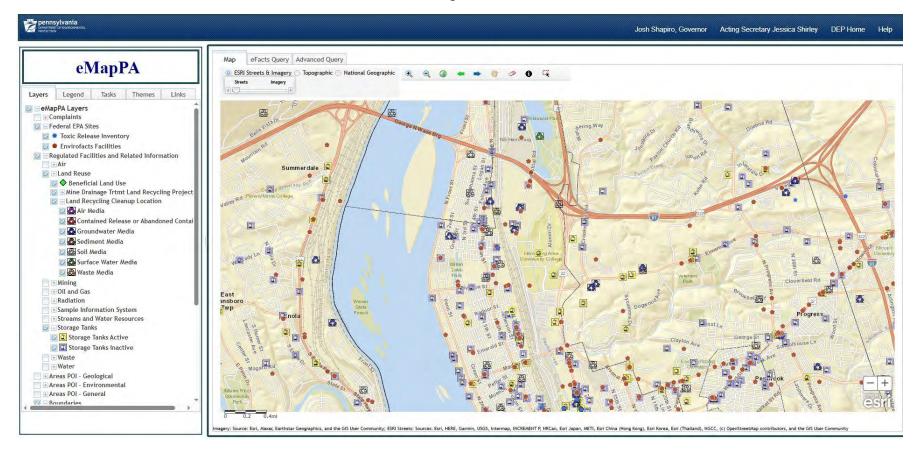






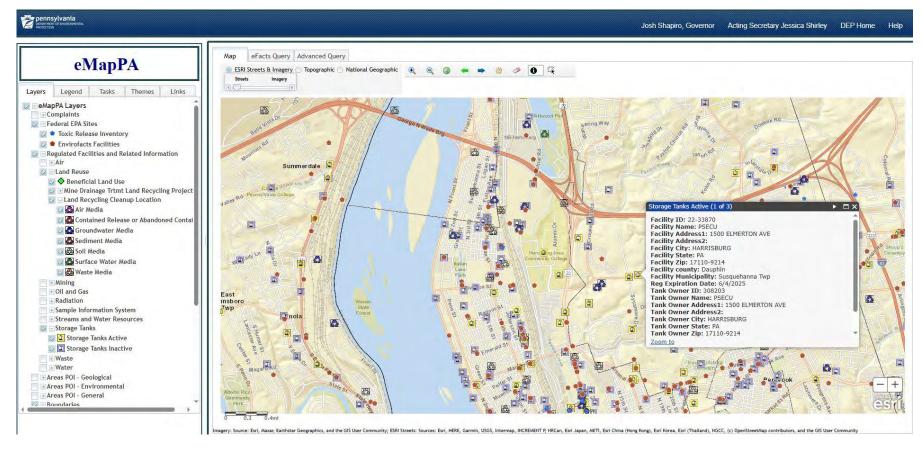






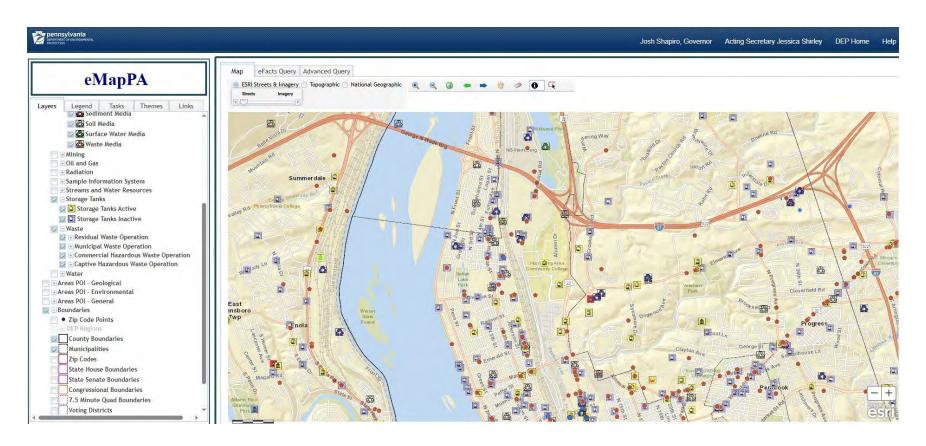






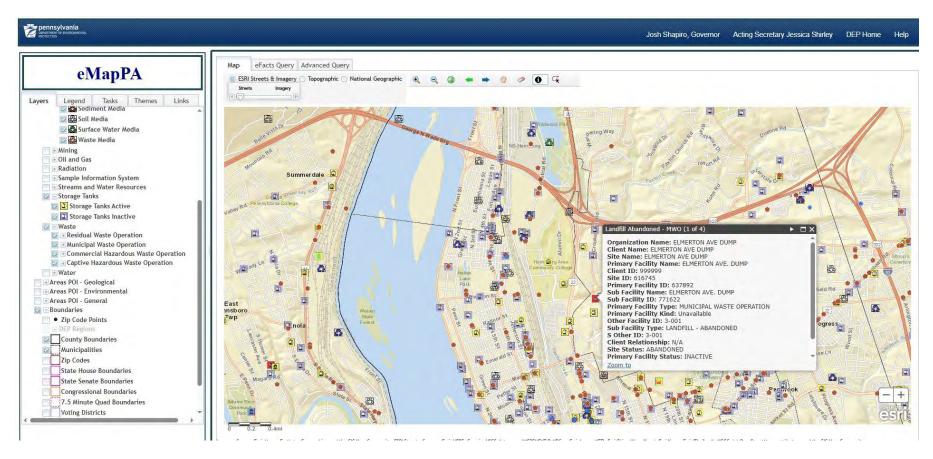






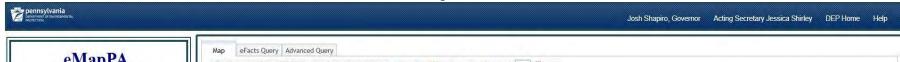




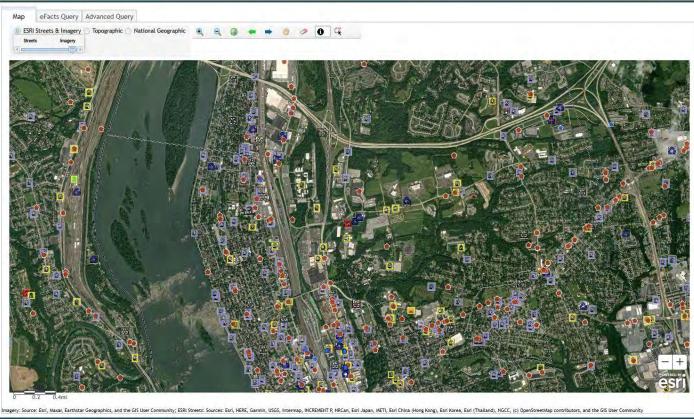








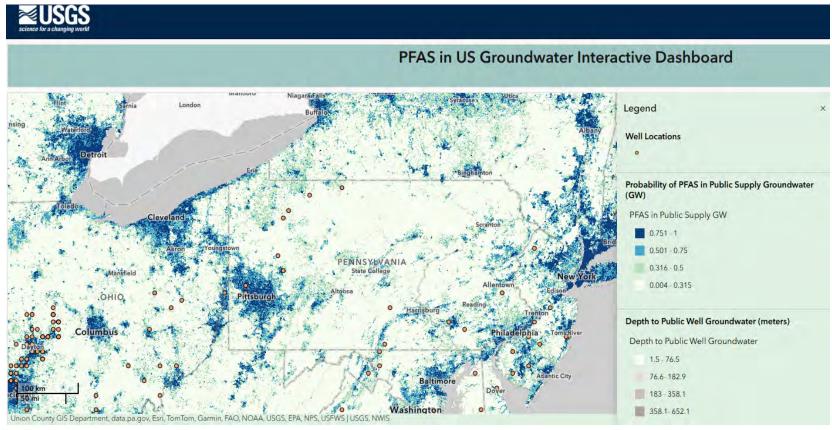






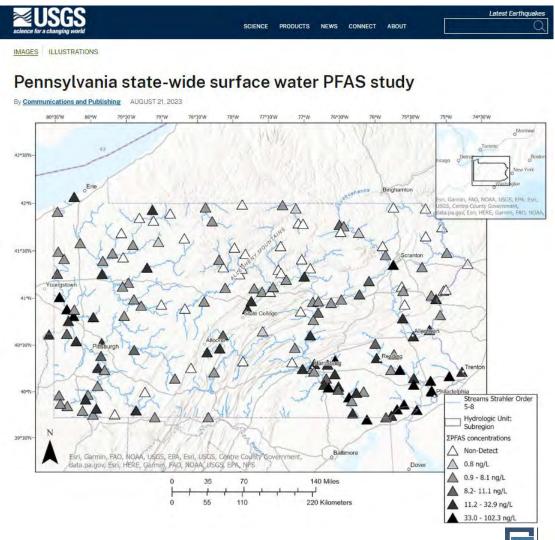


US EPA, USGS, PA DEP – Numerous Other Sources Available MOSTLY Focused on GROUNDWATER AND SURFACE WATER











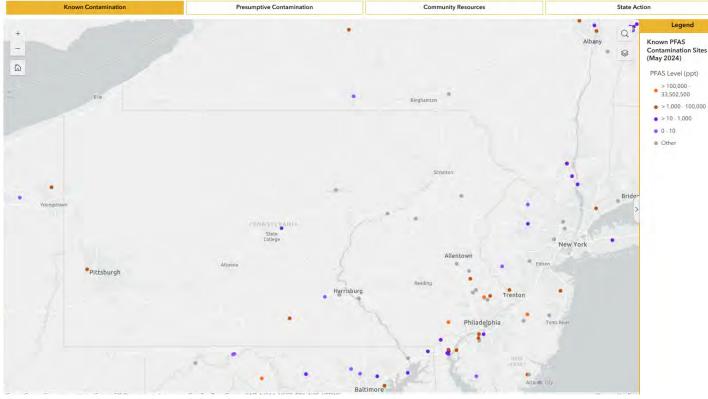


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- Click on a site to learn more about it.
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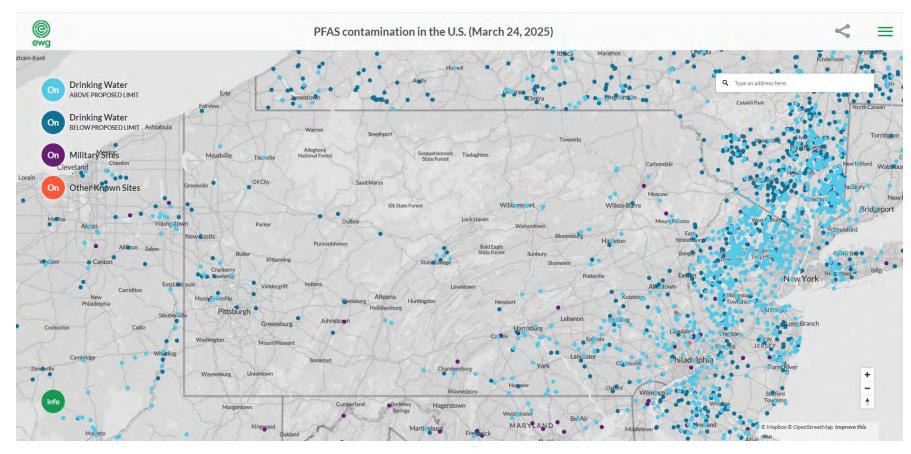
Details: The Known Contamination map contains over 2,000 sites throughout the United States where PFAS have been tested for and detected in the environment. These sites are tracked in the PFAS Contamination Site Tracker, developed and maintained by Northeastern University's PFAS Project Lab. Due to the lack of widespread testing for PFAS, the true extent of contamination is underrepresented in this map. The number of sites identified in each state reflects the amount of testing conducted by that state, as well as the extent of PFAS contamination. Some states appear to have many contamination sites due to comprehensive statewide regulatory efforts to identify and address contamination. Conversely, states that have few known sources of contamination have likely done less testing and may not be aware of other contamination sites in their state. Please note that some sites may have incomplete or missing data due to a lack of publicly available information.

Known Contamination Sites









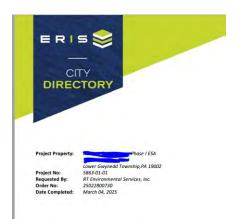




Due Diligence Database Services

- ERIS or EDR Reports (typically part of Phase I ESA)
- Can be Purchased Outside of a Phase I







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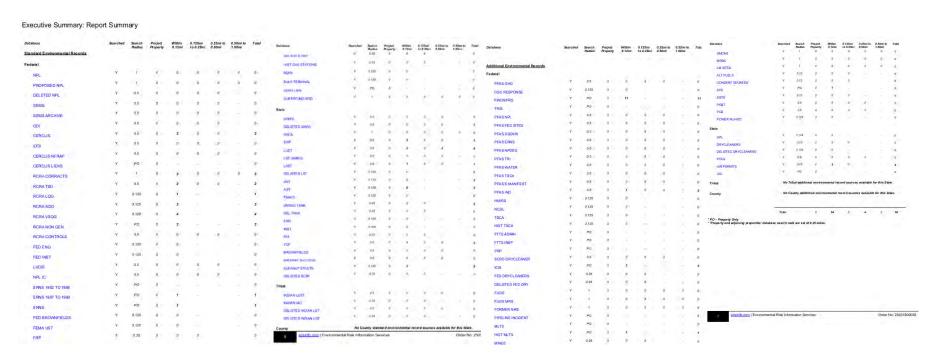




Requested by:

Due Diligence Database Services

- More Aerials, and Topographic Maps
- More Environmental Databases on Your Site AND in Your Project Area
- City Directory Listings for former Businesses In Project Area (can find listing of potential owners who could contaminate sites)

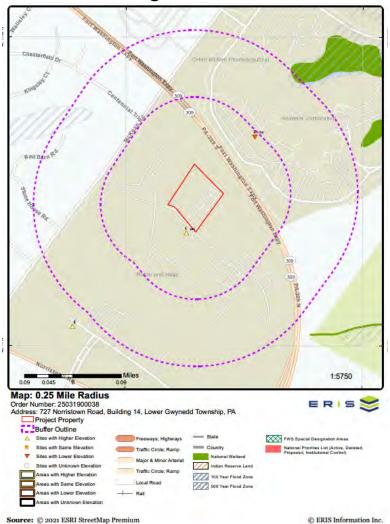






Due Diligence Database Services

Site and Surrounding Areas – Potential Due Diligence Concerns?





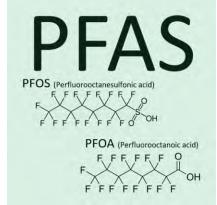


Due Diligence Database Services PFAS

Database	Searched	Search Radius	Project Property	Within 0.12mi	9.125ml to 0.25ml	0.25ml to 0.50ml	0.50ml to 1.00ml	Total
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- Potential Impacts for Projects Soil and Groundwater Management, Clean Fill, Health and Safety
- Free Sources for Due Diligence
- Paid Database Service Providers
- Environmental Consultant Phase I ESAs













- Proposed Statewide Health Standards
 - Changes <u>Currently</u> Proposed Likely Effective 2026 Construction Season
 - Future Changes (Arsenic)
- Due Diligence Resources
 - Spend Some Time on Due Diligence and Decide IF Testing is Needed OR NOT
 - Receiving Party of Clean Fill and Need for Testing
 - If Testing is Necessary Check the Current SHS





OPEN DISCUSSION AND QUESTIONS



(TIME PERMITTING)



