

# PFAS

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# PFAS

Everywhere

?

Dangerous-  
Human Health

Forever



General Motors

**Early 1930s – Freon Refrigerant**

**1938**

**Dr. Roy J Plunkett - PTFE  
(TEFLON)**

# PTFE (Teflon) – 1942 to 1946





1950

 **SCOTCHGARD**  
STAIN REPELLER

presents  
**THE  
SPOTLESS  
LOOK**



Spills won't soak in, won't stain... just blot away!

**Never before! Furniture with locked-in-the-fabric protection against soil and stains  
... even from a teen-ager's antics!**

LOOK FOR THE "SCOTCHGARD" BRAND NAME BEFORE YOU BUY. Make sure your furniture will have The Spotless Look! Forget about those topsy-turvy teen-age antics! With "SCOTCHGARD" Stain Repeller, every fiber of the fabric is protected with a shield that you

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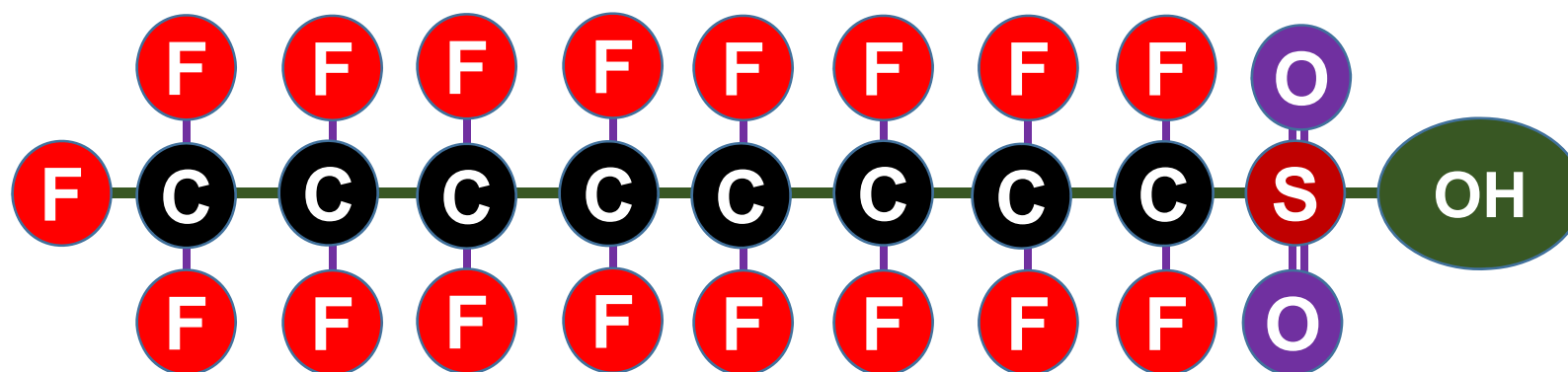


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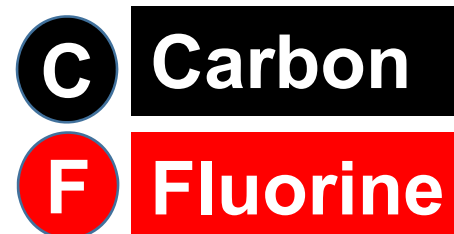
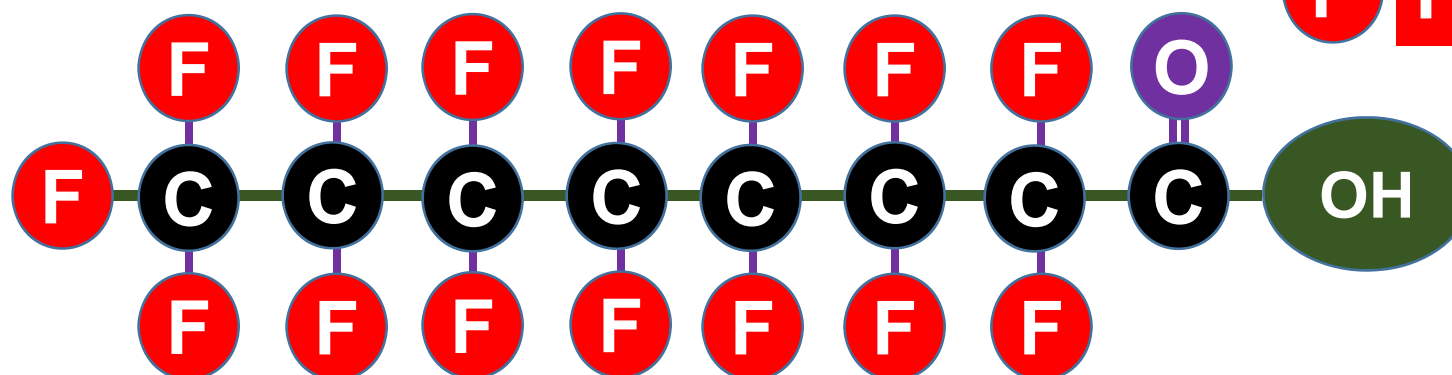


# 1940s-1950s

## Perfluorooctane sulfonic acid - PFOS



## Perfluorooctanoic acid - PFOA



# Gasoline

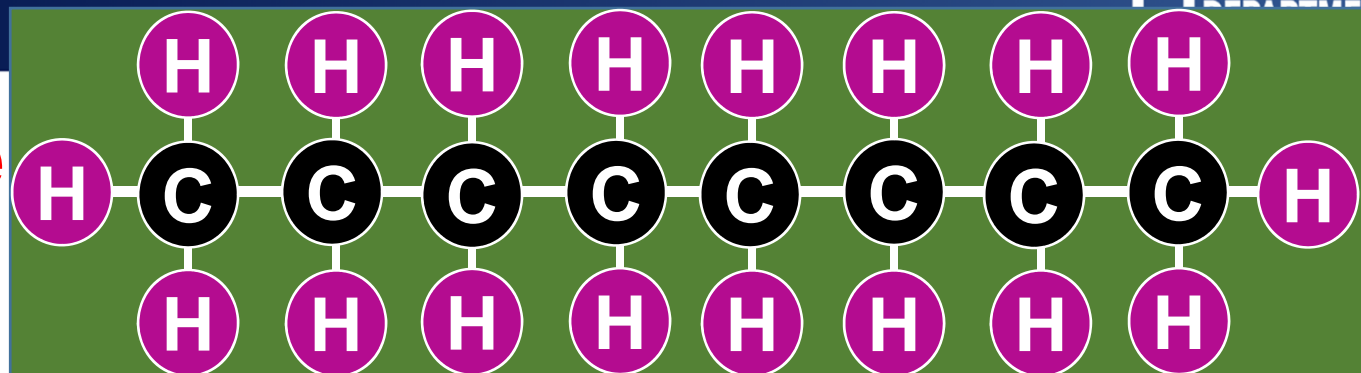




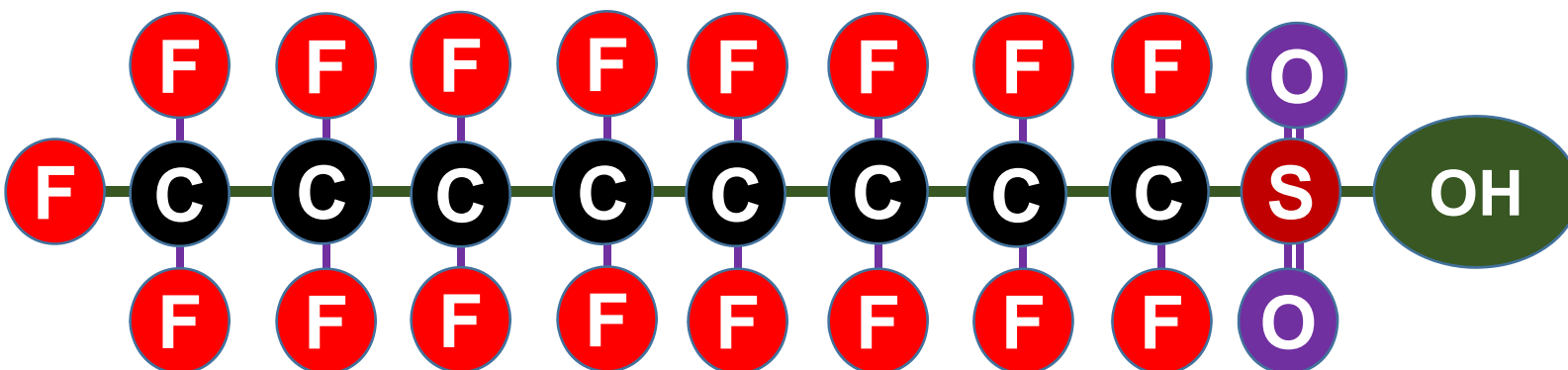
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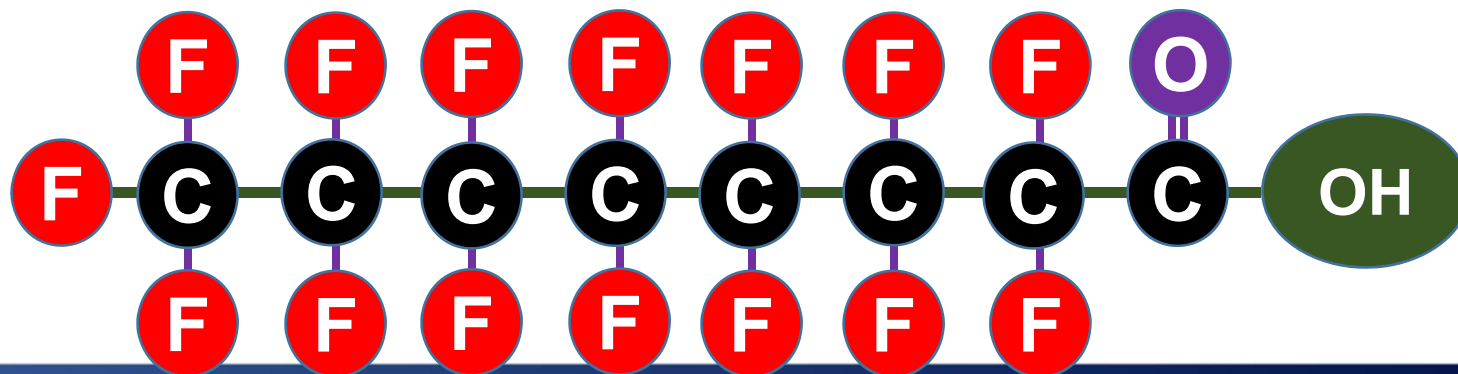
**Octane**  
**114**  
**g/mol**



**PFOS**  
**500**  
**g/mol**



**PFOA**  
**414**  
**g/mol**



# Innovation (incremental)

11Cl- PF3OUD S	<b>HFPO- DA (GenX)</b>	PFBA	PFHxA	PFPUnA
8:2 FTS	NFDHA	PFDA	PFNA	<b>NEtFOS AA</b>
4:2 FTS	PFEESA	PFD <sub>o</sub> A	<b>PFOS</b>	<b>NMeFOS AA</b>
6:2 FTS	PFMPA	PFHpS	<b>PFOA</b>	<b>PFTA</b>
ADONA	PFMBA	PFHpA	PFP <sub>e</sub> S	<b>PFT<sub>r</sub>DA</b>
9Cl- PF3ONS	<b>PFBS</b>	PFH <sub>x</sub> S	PFP <sub>e</sub> A	<b>10,000</b>

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PFAS

Per and Polyfluoroalkyl  
Substances

1961

AMAZING NEW  
CONCEPT IN  
*Cooking*

FREE  
SPATULA  
WITH EACH  
"HAPPY PAN"

NOTHING STICKS TO  
"HAPPY PAN"

A cast iron skillet sealed with DuPont TEFLON®

The advertisement features a central image of a black cast iron skillet with a silver handle, positioned diagonally. A silver spatula is placed below the skillet. The background is a light beige shield shape on a dark background. The text is arranged around the image, with 'AMAZING NEW CONCEPT IN Cooking' at the top, 'FREE SPATULA WITH EACH "HAPPY PAN"' on the right, and 'NOTHING STICKS TO "HAPPY PAN"' at the bottom. The brand name 'HAPPY PAN' is in a large, stylized, red font. At the very bottom, it says 'A cast iron skillet sealed with DuPont TEFLON®'.



# 1960-1970

## Aqueous film forming foam (AFFF)



# 1961-2024



FIRE  
RETARDANT  
FOAMS



'Forever Chemicals'  
Are Everywhere



ELECTRONICS



NONSTICK  
COOKWARE



RAINCOATS



MICROWAVE  
POPCORN  
BAGS

# PFAS- Forever Chemical

PFAS	Half Life in Humans
PFOA	2.1 to 10.1 years
PFOS	3.3 to 37 years
PFBS	665 hours

## Time to remove 100 ppt PFOS from human blood

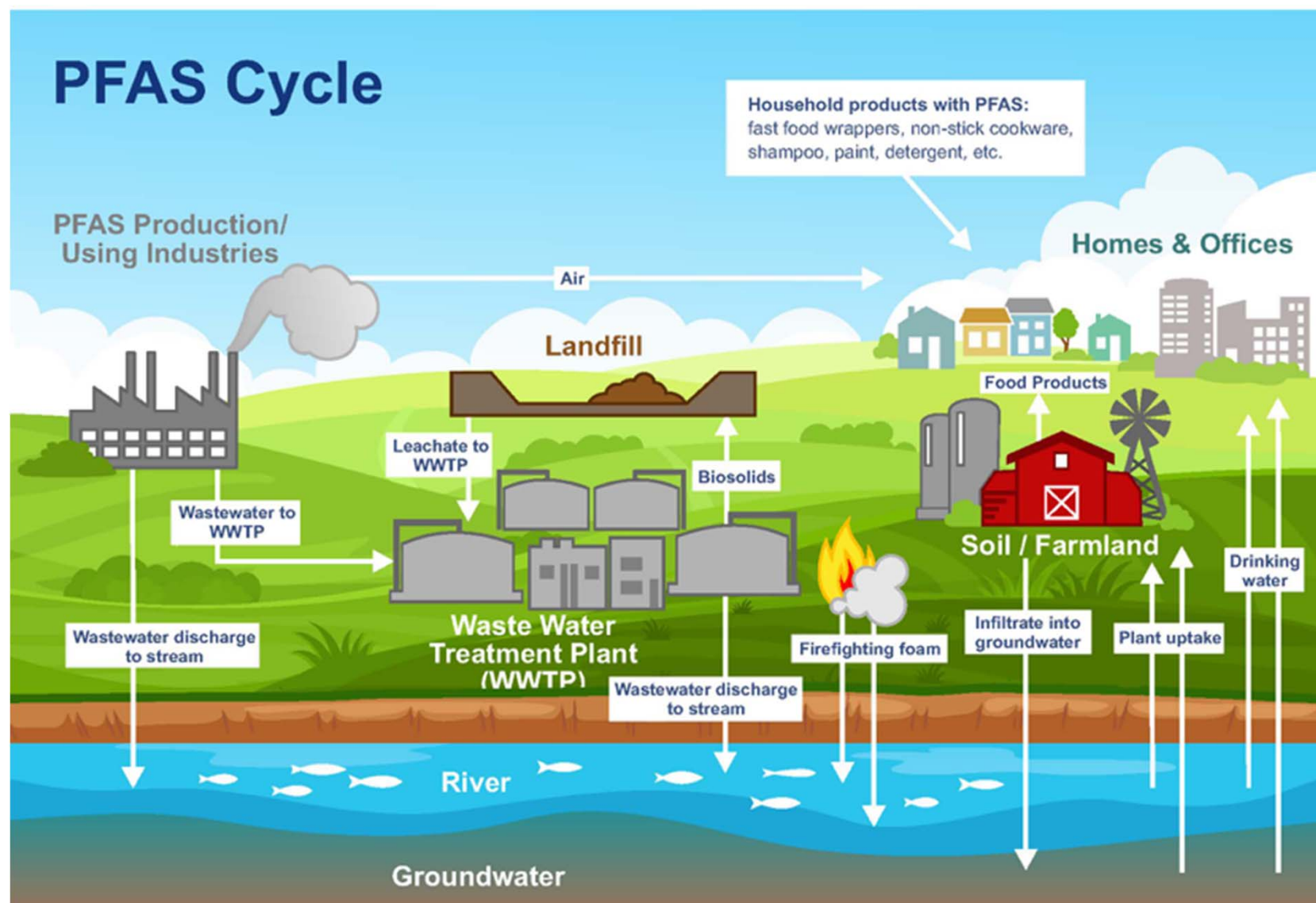
1. 100 ppt to 50 ppt = 3.3 years
2. 50 ppt to 25 ppt = 3.3 years
3. 25 ppt to 12.5 ppt = 3.3 years
4. 12.5 to 6.25 ppt = 3.3 years
5. 6.25 ppt to 3.125 ppt = 3.3 years

**Approximately 17 years**

- **Liver Cell Death**
- **Birth defects in children born to occupationally exposed woman**
- **Increased cancer (kidney, prostate, liver), leukemia, kidney disease and elevated cholesterol**
- **Developmental delays in children**
- **PFAS transmitted via placenta and breast milk**



# PFAS Fate & Transport



# PFAS – Final Rule

- **Published: April 26, 2024**
- **Effective Date: June 25, 2024**
- **40 CFR Part 141 Subpart Z §141.900 – 141.905**
- **<https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2024-04-26/pdf/2024-07773.pdf>**

# PFAS – Final Rule

<b>PFOA</b>	<b>Perfluorooctane Sulfonic Acid</b>
<b>PFOS</b>	<b>Perfluorooctanoic Acid</b>
<b>PFHxS</b>	<b>Perfluorohexane Sulfonic Acid</b>
<b>PFNA</b>	<b>Perfluorononoic Acid</b>
<b>HFPO-DA (GenX)</b>	<b>Hexafluoropropylene Oxide Dimer Acid (GenX)</b>
<b>PFBS</b>	<b>Perfluorobutanesulfonic Acid</b>

# PFAS Final Rule

PFAS	MCLG (ppt)	MCL (ppt)	Trigger Levels (ppt)
PFOA	0	4.0	2.0
PFOS	0	4.0	2.0
PFHxS	10	10	5
PFNA	10	10	5
HFPO- DA (GenX)	10	10	5

## Hazard Index (HI)

$$\left( \frac{[GenX_{water}]}{[10 \text{ ppt}]} \right) + \left( \frac{[PFBS_{water}]}{[2000 \text{ ppt}]} \right) + \left( \frac{[PFNA_{water}]}{[10 \text{ ppt}]} \right) + \left( \frac{[PFHxS_{water}]}{[10.0 \text{ ppt}]} \right) = 1$$



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Arsenic = 10 ppb = 10 µg/L = 10,000 ppt

Lead = 10 ppb = 10 µg/L = 10,000 ppt

TTHM = 80 ppb = 80 µg/L = 80,000 ppt

- **Community Water Systems (CWS)**
- **Non-Transient Non Community Water Systems (NTNCWS)**

# Initial Monitoring 2024-2027

Water Source	Number of Samples	Frequency
Groundwater CWS & NTNCWS under 10,000	Two	Consecutive 12 months, 5 to 7 months apart
Groundwater CWS & NTNCWS above 10,000	Four Quarterly	Consecutive 12 months, 2 to 4 months apart
Surface water CWS & NTNCWS		

- **Previously Collected Data (from Jan 2019)**
  - ❖ **UCMR 5**
  - ❖ **State Collected Samples**
- **If needed**
  - ❖ **Additional quarterly samples**
  - ❖ **outside 12 months**
  - ❖ **Need all 4 quarters**

- **Start: April 2024**
- **At the Entry Point**
- **LDH (Matrix) will Collect Samples**
- **LDH Pays Collection & Analysis Cost**
- **Deadline: April 26, 2027**

# Reduced Monitoring

- Initial Monitoring below Trigger Levels in all samples
- Triennial - 3 year cycle
- Return to Quarterly: above trigger level

PFAS	MCL (ppt)	Trigger Levels (ppt)	PFAS	MCL (ppt)	Trigger Levels (ppt)
PFOA	4.0	2.0	PFNA	10	5
PFOS	4.0	2.0	HFPO- DA (GenX)	10	5
PFHxS	10	5	Hazard Index	1	0.5

**Note: Contact UCMR 5 Lab results & Practical Quantitation Levels (PQL) below trigger level**

# Practical Quantitation Levels (PQL)

Parameters	Results	Units	PQL	MDL
<b>537.1 PFAS Compounds, Water</b>		Analytical Method: EPA 537.1 Preparation Method: Pace Analytical Services - Ormond Beach		
11CI-PF3OUdS	<0.0015	ug/L	0.0019	0.0015
9CI-PF3ONS	<0.0011	ug/L	0.0019	0.0011
ADONA	<0.00069	ug/L	0.0019	0.00069
HFPO-DA	<0.0015	ug/L	0.0019	0.0015
NEtFOSAA	<0.00088	ug/L	0.0019	0.00088
NMeFOSAA	<0.0015	ug/L	0.0019	0.0015
PFBS	<0.00063	ug/L	0.0019	0.00063
PFDA	<0.00092	ug/L	0.0019	0.00092
PFHxA	<0.0012	ug/L	0.0019	0.0012
PFDoA	<0.0014	ug/L	0.0019	0.0014
PFHpA	<0.00095	ug/L	0.0019	0.00095
PFHxS	<0.00069	ug/L	0.0019	0.00069
PFNA	<0.0019	ug/L	0.0019	0.0019
PFOS	<0.0011	ug/L	0.0019	0.0011
PFOA	<0.00083	ug/L	0.0019	0.00083
PFTeDA	<0.0018	ug/L	0.0019	0.0018
PFTTrDA	<0.0016	ug/L	0.0019	0.0016
PFUnA	<0.0019	ug/L	0.0019	0.0019

# 2027 Compliance Monitoring

Water Source	Number of Samples	Frequency
Groundwater CWS & NTNCWS under 10,000	Four Quarterly	Consecutive 12 months, 2 to 4 months apart
Groundwater CWS & NTNCWS above 10,000		
Surface water CWS & NTNCWS		



# Reduced Monitoring-Annual

- Below MCL all 4 quarters
- Return to Quarterly: MCL or MCL exceedance

PFAS	MCL (ppt)
PFOA	4.0
PFOS	4.0
PFHxS	10
PFNA	10

PFAS	MCL (ppt)
HFPO-DA (GenX)	10
Hazard Index	1

# Reduced Monitoring-3 years

- **Three Consecutive Annual Samples below Trigger Levels**
- **Return to Quarterly: above Trigger Level**

PFAS	MCL (ppt)	Trigger Levels (ppt)
PFOA	4.0	2.0
PFOS	4.0	2.0
PFHxS	10	5

PFAS	MCL (ppt)	Trigger Levels (ppt)
PFNA	10	5
HFPO- DA (GenX)	10	5
Hazard Index	1	0.5

# Compliance Determination Example 1

PFAS	Concentration (ppt)			
	QTR 1	QTR2	QTR 3	QTR 4
PFOA	4	3	5	3

$$(4+3+5+3)/4 = 3.7$$

0.5 or higher, round to higher number,

Running Annual Average (RAA) = 4 (No MCL Exceedance)

QTR = Quarter

# Hazard Index (HI) Calculation

PFAS	Concentration (ppt)				
	QTR 1	QTR2	QTR 3	QTR 4	RAA
PFHxS	4/10	3/10	5/10	3/10	
PFNA	4/10	5/10	5/10	4/10	
HFPO-DA (GenX)	5/10	6/10	4/10	7/10	
PFBS	10/2000	15/2000	5/2000	12/2000	
HI	1.30	1.41	1.40	1.41	1

$$\left( \frac{[GenX_{water}]}{[10 \text{ ppt}]} \right) + \left( \frac{[PFBS_{water}]}{[2000 \text{ ppt}]} \right) + \left( \frac{[PFNA_{water}]}{[10 \text{ ppt}]} \right) + \left( \frac{[PFHxS_{water}]}{[10.0 \text{ ppt}]} \right) = 1$$

Hazard Index = 1.38, round to 1, no violation

# Compliance Determination Example 1

- No MCL Violation
- No HI Violation
- Publish Results in CCR
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter PFOA MCL Exceedance—  
Quarterly Monitoring

**MCL Violation: Tier 2 public notice, no later than 30 days**

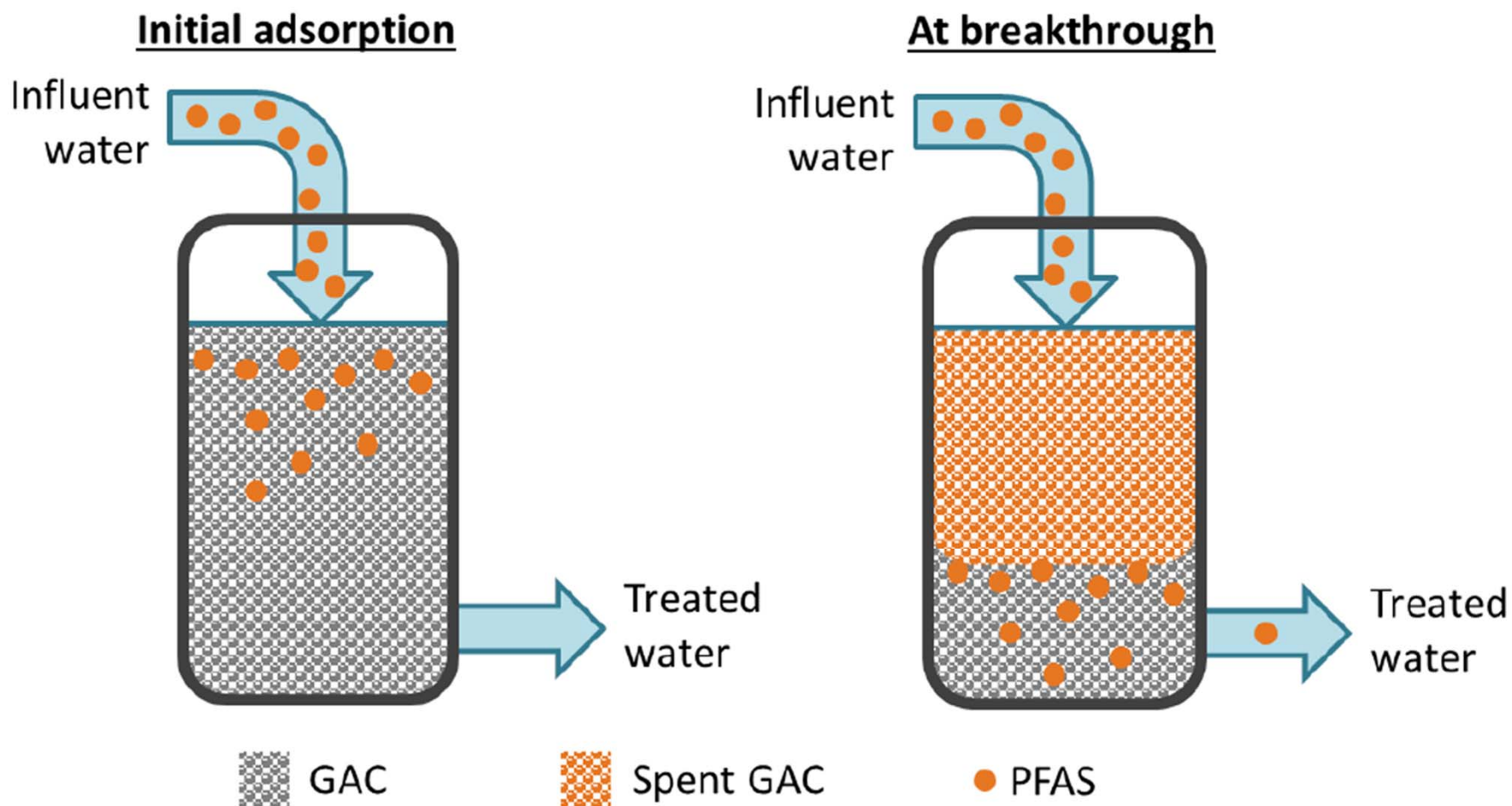
**Publish Results CCR**

**Quarterly Monitoring**

# Best Available Technologies (BAT)

- Granular Activated Carbon (GAC)
- Anion Exchange Resins (AIX)
- Nano Filtration (NF)
- Reverse Osmosis (RO)
- Other technologies of interest to water system
- Point of Use (POU) not available for compliance

# Granular Activated Carbon (GAC)

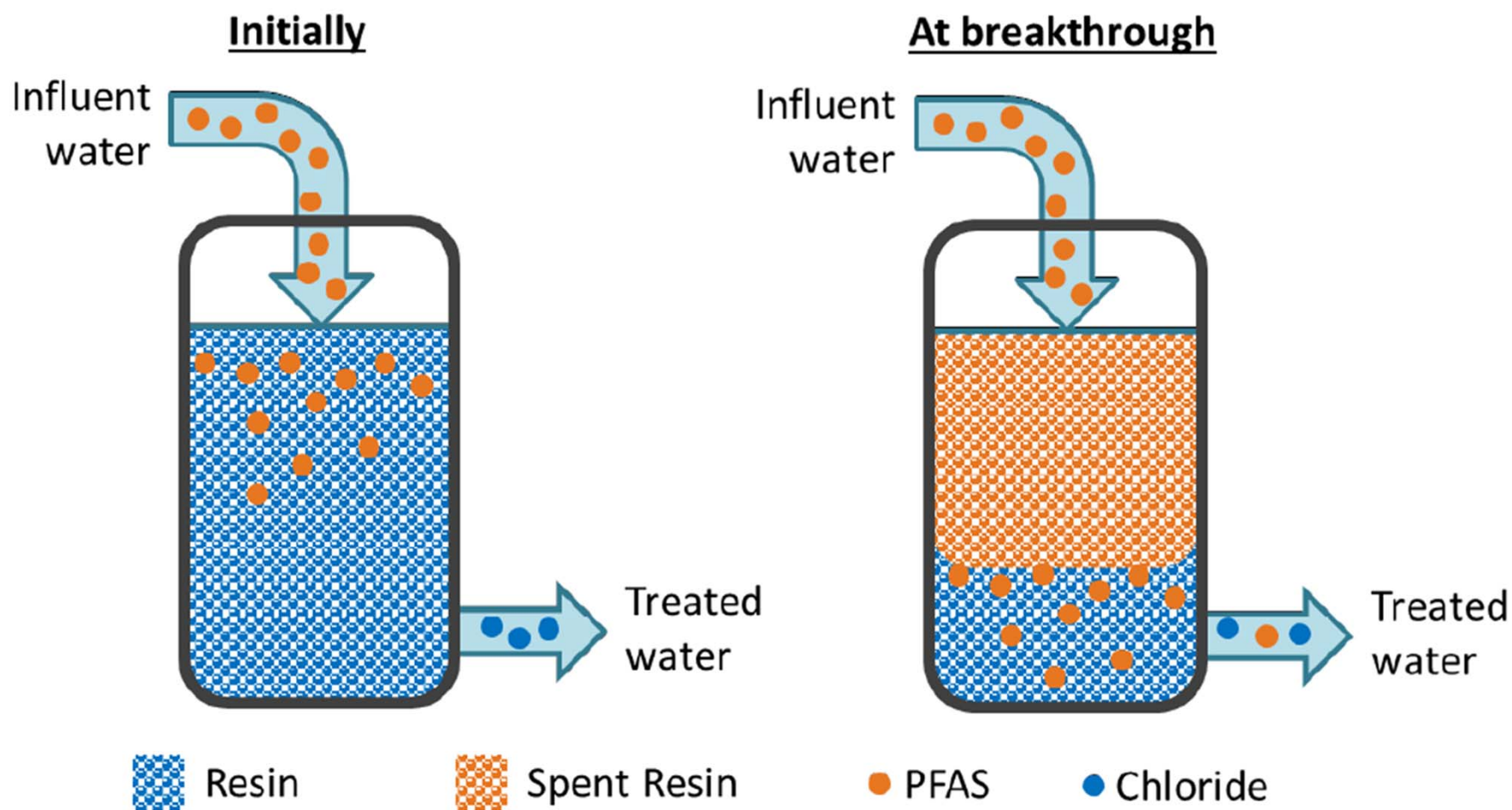




# Granular Activated Carbon (GAC)

- Greater than 99% removal efficiency
- Co-contaminants (Organics, DBPs) removal
- Arsenic Contamination- Possible
  - ❖ Discard initial bed volumes
  - ❖ Acid washed & pre rinsed GAC
- Residual Disposal/Spent GAC
  - ❖ Regeneration or Landfill

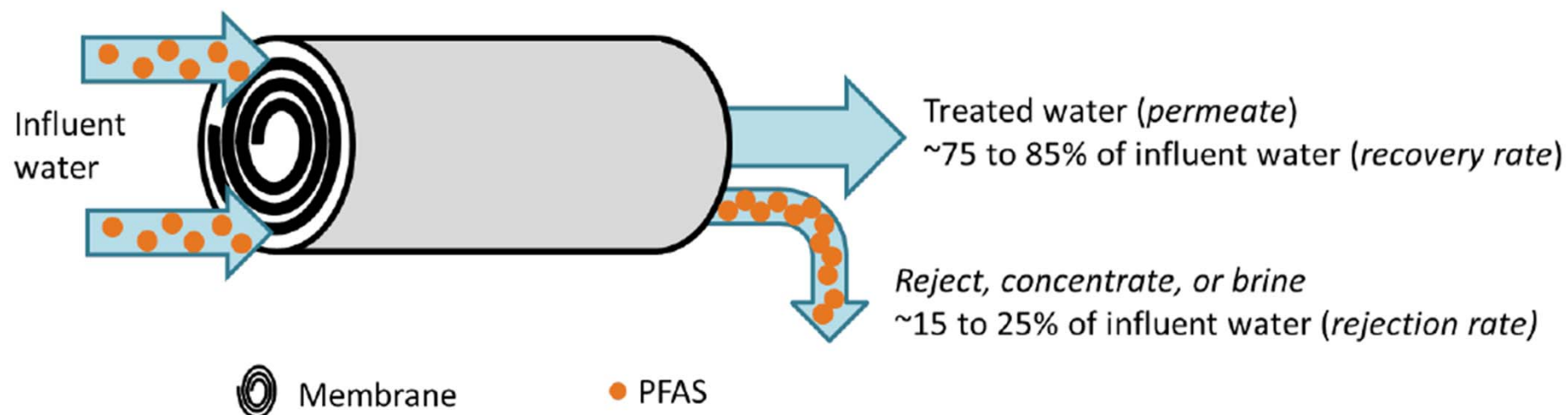
# Anion Exchange Resin (AIX)



# Anion Exchange Resin (AIX)

- Greater than 99% removal efficiency
- Co-contaminants (sulfate, nitrate, bicarbonate) removal
- Need post treatment corrosion inhibitor
- Residual / Spent Resin
  - ❖ Single Use Resin
  - ❖ Regeneration with organic solvents

# Reverse Osmosis (RO)/ Nano Filtration (NF)



# Reverse Osmosis (RO)/ Nano Filtration (NF)

- Greater than 99% removal efficiency
- Co-contaminants (dissolved inorganics, TDS, nitrate, radionuclides, etc.) removal
- Post treatment corrosion control
- Residual / Reject, concentrate
  - ❖ Large volume and high PFAS
  - ❖ Requires additional treatment

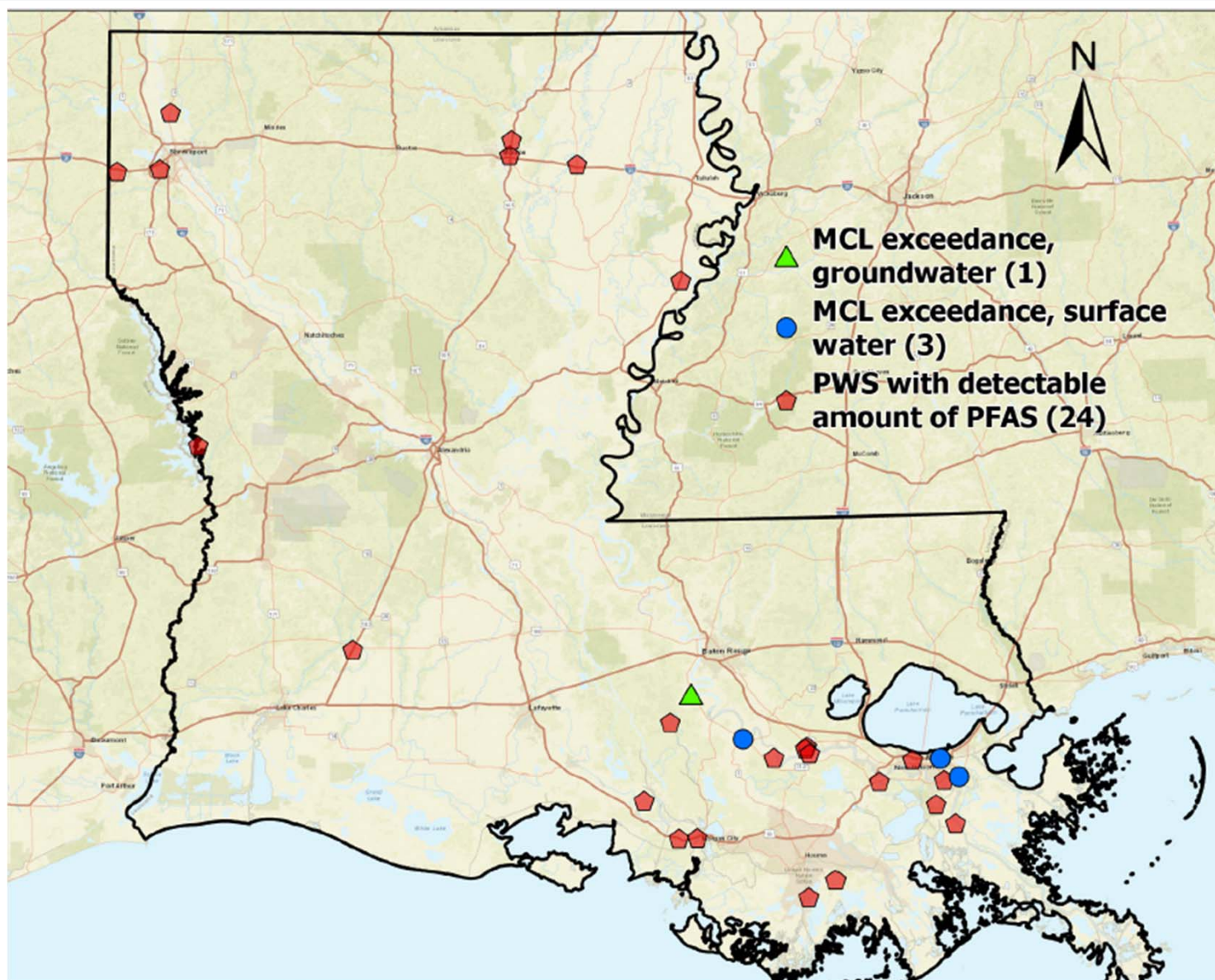
# UCMR 5: 2022-2026

## Participating Water Systems

	Population less than 10,000	Population greater than 10,000	Total
<b>Nationwide</b>	<b>5,947</b>	<b>4,364</b>	<b>10,311</b>
<b>Louisiana</b>	<b>192</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>268</b>



# Louisiana- UCMR5 - PFAS



**PFOA and PFOS MCL and Hazard Index  
implementation 2024-2027**

**UCMR 5 & Initial Monitoring data  
determine PFAS prevalence in drinking  
water**