

Hazardous Sites Clean-up Under the Act of October 18, 1988
Notice of Prompt Interim Response

Middle Spring Creek HSCA Site, Fish Hatchery Road, Shippensburg PA 17257
Southampton Township, Cumberland and Franklin Counties, Pennsylvania

The Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), under the authority of the Hazardous Sites Cleanup Act (HSCA) (35 P.S. §§6020.101-6020.1305) has initiated a prompt interim response at the Middle Spring Creek Site (Site). The prompt interim response has been initiated pursuant to Sections 501(a) and 505(b) of the HSCA (35 P.S. §§6020.501(a) and 6020-505(b)).

The site is in a residential area is located about 1.5 miles northwest of Shippensburg, which is the nearest public water supply. To date, seven residential potable wells have been affected by per- and polyfluorinated substances (PFAS) above Maximum Contaminant Limits (MCLs). These residents with contaminated wells are receiving or have been offered bottled water service.

To address the release and threat of release of PFAS at the site and corresponding threats to human health, DEP considered three alternatives: no action, bottled water delivery, and point-of-entry treatment systems. DEP has selected bottled water delivery as the prompt interim response. This response complies with Applicable, Relevant, and Appropriate Requirements (ARARs), is feasible, and is cost-effective.

Bottled water delivery was initiated on October 14, 2024, for residences with water supply contamination levels greater than 4 parts per trillion (ppt) perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA) or perfluorooctanesulfonic acid (PFOS) or 10 ppt perfluorononanoic acid (PFNA) or perfluorohexanesulfonic acid (PFHxS). Bottled water delivery will continue until DEP implements a final response. Investigation of the Site will continue to determine the source(s) of contamination, the extent of the contamination, and if further response actions are necessary.

DEP is providing this notice pursuant to sections 505(b) and 506(b) of HSCA. The Administrative Record, which contains the information that forms the basis and documents the selection of this response action. The Administrative Record can be examined Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at DEP's Southcentral Regional Office located at 909 Elmerton Avenue, Harrisburg, PA 17110 by contacting Ms. Crystal Wolf at (717) 705-7751 or by email at crywolf@pa.gov. The Administrative Record can also be reviewed at the Shippensburg Borough Office Building, 111 N. Fayette St, Shippensburg, PA, (717) 532-2147 from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

The Administrative Record will be open for comment from the date of publication of this notice in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin* on January 11, 2025, and will remain open for 90 days. Persons may submit written comments regarding this action to DEP before April

11, 2025, by mailing them to Ms. Wolf at the DEP Southcentral Regional Office, 909 Elmerton Avenue, Harrisburg, PA 17110-8200 or by email at crywolf@pa.gov.

In addition, any person may present oral arguments, for inclusion in the Administrative Record, at a public hearing. DEP has scheduled the hearing for February 20, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. at the Shippensburg Borough Office Building, 111 N. Fayette St, Shippensburg, PA 17257. In the event of inclement weather, the meeting will be postponed until February 27, 2025. Any person wishing to present comments must register with John Repetz a minimum of 24 hours in advance of the hearing by telephone at (717) 705-4904 or in writing at 909 Elmerton Avenue, Harrisburg, PA 17110.

Persons with a disability who wish to attend the hearing and require an auxiliary aid, service, or other accommodations to participate in the proceedings, should call John Repetz at the above number or through the Pennsylvania AT&T Relay Service at 1-800-654-5984 (TDD) to discuss how the DEP may accommodate their needs.