

Town Water Supply Fact Sheet

The Town has worked diligently to address PFAS in its water supply since MassDEP announced its new PFAS public drinking water standard and in anticipation of the EPA releasing its regulations.

As of January 2025, all of the Town's well system have come into full compliance with DEP'S PFAS regulations of below 20ppt. There is no longer an advisory for users to find alternative water sources. North Attleborough is one of the first compliant municipalities in the state.

What is PFAS?

Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances are a group of chemical compounds called PFAS. PFAS have been used in a number of industrial processes and to make carpets, clothing, fabrics for furniture, paper packaging for food and other materials (e.g., cookware) that are resistant to water, grease and stains.

While consumer products and food are the largest source of exposure to these chemicals for most people, drinking water can be an additional source of exposure in communities where these chemicals have contaminated water supplies.



Drinking Water Standards

In Massachusetts, drinking water suppliers are regulated by MassDEP. Massachusetts began regulating PFAS compounds in October 2021, requiring communities to meet the standard of 20 parts per trillion (ppt) for the sum of the concentrations of PFAS.

In April 2024, the EPA announced PFAS regulations of 4ppt that will have to be met by 2029.

Is the Town Compliant?

YES! Since January 2024, all of the Town's well systems (Adamsdale Well, McKeon Treatment Facility, Hillman Well and the Whiting St. Treatment Facility) have met MassDEP's regulation of below 20ppt.

The Adamsdale Well and McKeon Treatment Facility meet the EPA's new regulations for 4ppt. The Water Division is now working on designs to upgrade the Hillman Well and the Whiting St. Treatment Facility to meet the EPA's new regulations.

Our Work

System Upgrades

- **COMPLETED:** New System at McKeon Treatment Facility and Adamsdale Well
- **IN PROGRESS:** Hillman Well and the Whiting St. Treatment Facility Design Concepts

Funding

- **\$11.5M** in New Treatment Facilities
- **\$180,000** in Kiosk Rental for Sensitive Subgroups
- **\$1M** allocated by Congressman Jake Auchincloss

Commitment

- Providing Safe Drinking Water for the North Attleborough Community

