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Activity (NSA) Cutler Fire Station

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**Signed By:** jeffrey.doepp@navy.mil

Good Afternoon,

We are providing you with a status update regarding the Navy's investigations of per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS), which includes perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA) and perfluorooctane sulfonate (PFOS), at and near the NSA Cutler Fire Station.

**PFAS Investigation at NSA Cutler Fire Station.** Additional PFAS environmental investigation fieldwork at Installation Restoration (IR) Site 10 (NSA Cutler Fire Station) and in nearby areas is scheduled to begin in September 2022 and continue into November 2022. <u>Please see the attached flyer</u> for additional information on the PFAS environmental investigation fieldwork activities and schedule. If you have questions or concerns regarding this PFAS investigation, please send an email to Navy Project Manager Paul Young at <a href="mailto:paul.r.young71.civ@us.navy.mil">paul.r.young71.civ@us.navy.mil</a>.

**PFAS Investigation near NSA Cutler Fire Station.** The off-base drinking water investigation sampling results to date are summarized and posted on the NSA Cutler Environmental Restoration website (<a href="https://www.navfac.navy.mil/Business-Lines/Environmental/Products-and-Services/Environmental-Restoration/Mid-Atlantic/Cutler-NCTAMS/PFAS-Sampling/">https://www.navfac.navy.mil/Business-Lines/Environmental/Products-and-Services/Environmental-Restoration/Mid-Atlantic/Cutler-NCTAMS/PFAS-Sampling/</a>).

The Navy has installed a total of 19 point of entry treatment (POET) systems at properties near the NSA Cutler Fire Station where PFOA and/or PFOS concentrations in drinking water samples were detected, individually or combined, above 70 parts per trillion (ppt), the 2016 United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) lifetime drinking water health advisories for PFOA and PFOS. The Navy installed 14 POET systems in April 2021 based on results of the initial Fall 2020 drinking water well investigation. The Navy installed five additional POET systems between January - July 2022 based on the results of resampling drinking water wells near NSA Cutler Fire Station in 2021 where PFOA and/or PFOS were detected below the 2016 EPA lifetime drinking water health advisory in the initial Fall 2020 investigation. The Navy continues to collect POET performance monitoring samples and validated results continue to be provided to each property owner via email or mail. The following provides a summary of the current sampling efforts:

• POET System Performance Monitoring. Based on the first year of POET performance monitoring data for 14 POET systems installed in April 2021, the Navy is conducting quarterly sampling of the systems during the second year of operation. The first quarter (June 2022) POET performance sampling results indicate the systems are working properly. The second quarter POET performance sampling is scheduled for September 2022. POET performance monitoring for the five new POET systems installed between January – July 2022 is ongoing and still within the first year of operation. Bottled water will continue to be provided by the Navy to residents served by wells associated with these five POET systems for drinking and cooking until it is confirmed by both the Navy and Maine Department of Environmental Protection that the POET systems are operating properly.

**Closing.** If you have any questions regarding the NSA Cutler PFAS Drinking Water Investigation, please send an email to <a href="NAVFAC ML PAO@navy.mil">NAVFAC ML PAO@navy.mil</a> or call the NAVFAC Mid-Atlantic Public Affairs Office at 1-757-341-1410/1411. The Navy continues to work with property owners, community leaders, and other federal, state, and local agencies, and will keep the community informed while respecting the privacy of individual residents.

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Thank you.

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