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MDHHS releases PFAS well retest results to residents near Alpena Combat Readiness Training Center

LANSING, Mich. – The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) recently retested drinking water wells near the Alpena Combat Readiness Training Center (CRTC) for per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS). The well testing was an effort by MDHHS to determine if PFAS levels in area wells are similar to the levels found in previous tests. Owners of 124 wells that were previously tested were offered the opportunity to have their drinking water retested; 71 owners participated.

Retest results found no PFAS in 52 of the 71 drinking water wells. PFAS were found in 19 of the wells, with no sample results above the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) criterion of 70 parts per trillion (ppt) for PFOA and PFOS (two types of PFAS). Two of the 19 wells had results above proposed state drinking water limits for PFAS. These results are consistent with previous drinking water well tests conducted by EGLE. Homeowners with PFAS detections have been offered water filters.

MDHHS and District Health Department No. 4 recently mailed results letters to the residents whose well water was retested. The letters provided the test results compared to MDHHS screening values and outlined health recommendations for use of the residents' drinking water, which are consistent with previous recommendations.

This effort was conducted in partnership with District Health Department No. 4 and EGLE. MDHHS will continue to monitor these drinking water wells located near the CRTC.

Residents who have questions about their results can call MDHHS at 800-648-6942. For more information about the PFAS response near the Alpena CRTC or in other areas of Michigan, visit [Michigan.gov/PFASResponse](https://www.michigan.gov/PFASResponse).

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