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WESTFIELD WATER UPDATE: PRIVATE WELLS

In a collaborative effort with the City of Westfield, MassDEP and Barnes Air National Guard, a phased approach has been implemented to investigate whether private wells have been affected by the release of perflourinated chemicals (PFC's) to the groundwater. The current update on the status of this implementation has been shared.

To date, the MassDEP has sampled 22 wells. The results of 8 of these private wells have been completed and released. So far, the sampling results indicate that there have been no PFC's detected above the laboratory reporting level.

Mayor Brian P. Sullivan: "This is good news for north side residents with private wells. We will continue to work with MassDEP and Barnes to ensure that 25 wells are tested. We are pleased with the results to date and plan to move forward with our water remediation plans."

The full results may be accessed through the City of Westfield website under Water Department, PFC's Info & Updates, Other Helpful Info, Westfield MassDEP Files (Trans. ID 927633).

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