## MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT, GREAT LAKES, AND ENERGY REMEDIATION AND REDEVELOPMENT DIVISION

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD AND PUBLIC MEETING

TUESDAY, August 18, 2020 Online Webinar Meeting 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

The Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) is hosting a public meeting and accepting public comments regarding Wolverine World Wide's proposed groundwater investigation activities summarized in Response Activity Plans for Area 5, Area 6, Area 11 & 12, and Area 19 (R-1) of the North Kent Study Area, Plainfield and Algoma Townships, Kent County.

Written comments are being accepted until **September 10, 2020,** on four (4) Response Activity Plans which detail the groundwater monitoring investigations in the following geographic areas of the North Kent Study Area:

- Area 5
- Area 6
- Area 11 & 12
- Area 19 (R-1)

Properties located within these areas continue to use groundwater as a source for potable water necessitating further investigation and monitoring of PFAS groundwater contamination within or surrounding these areas. These groundwater investigations are required to be completed as outlined in the February 19, 2020, Consent Decree between the State of Michigan, Algoma and Plainfield Townships, and Wolverine.

The portions of these Response Activity Plan documents that were already subject to the public notice and comment period for the February 2020 Consent Decree are not subject to change based on this new public participation process. The portions that were previously publicly noticed can be found in Section 7.9, Appendix P, and Appendix Q of the February 2020 Consent Decree posted online here: <a href="www.michigan.gov/belmont">www.michigan.gov/belmont</a>.

Electronic copies of these Response Activity Plan reports are posted on the House Street Michigan PFAS Action Response Team (MPART) website at <a href="www.michigan.gov/belmont">www.michigan.gov/belmont</a>, under the heading "Recent Accomplishments". Paper copies of the reports are also available for review at the City of Rockford, Algoma Township, and Plainfield Charter Township offices. The review period will last at least 30 calendar days from the date of this publication. Written comments can be emailed to <a href="mailto:EGLE-RRD-Housestreet@michigan.gov">EGLE-RRD-Housestreet@michigan.gov</a>, or mailed prior to <a href="mailto:September 10">September 10</a>, 2020, to Karen Vorce, Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy, Remediation and Redevelopment Division, 350 Ottawa Avenue, NW, Unit 10, Grand Rapids, Michigan 49503-2341.

EGLE is providing the opportunity for a public meeting and comment period regarding these Response Activity Plans consistent with Section 20120d of Part 201, Environmental Remediation, of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended.

The state is taking proactive steps to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 in Michigan. As a result, an online public meeting will be held on **Tuesday**, **August 18**, **2020**, **from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.** to discuss these Response Activity Plans. Additional details regarding how to access this online meeting are posted on <a href="www.michigan.gov/belmont">www.michigan.gov/belmont</a>. If you do not have access to a computer, you can listen live during the meeting by calling: Phone No.: 1 (631) 992-3221. When prompted enter the Attendee Access Code: 227-413-120.

Individuals needing language assistance or accommodations for effective participation for the online meeting should contact Karen Vorce (RRD Project Manager) at 616-439-8008, to request language, mobility, visual, hearing, translation, and/or other assistance.

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