

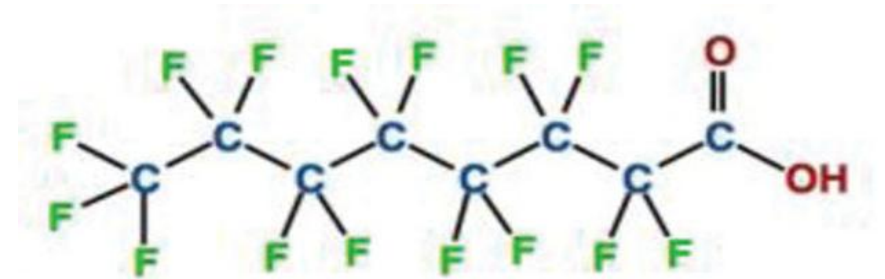
Oregon DEQ PFAS Strategic Plan

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PFOA - perfluorooctanoic acid

2025 PFAS Strategic Plan

Cross-Media Plan

- Dovetail with EPA Actions
- Understand PFAS exposures and risks
- Manage PFAS effectively



Primary Focus Goals

Reduce

Reduce PFAS sources to the environment through consumer, industrial, and commercial products

Manage

Manage releases and emissions of PFAS to the environment

Research

Research and gather scientific data on PFAS for decision making

Engage

Engage and collaborate with internal and external parties

Reduce PFAS sources to the environment through consumer, industrial, and commercial products

1. Leverage and build on existing state and federal actions
2. Expand and promote technical info, educational materials and community outreach



Focus Goal 2

Manage releases and emissions of PFAS to the environment

Actions to achieve goal:

1. Utilize agency regulatory authority to limit releases and emissions
2. Manage and mitigate existing contamination
3. Safe and proper waste management



Focus Goal 3

Research and gather scientific data on PFAS for decision making

Actions to achieve goal:

1. Implement targeted and non-targeted analytical methods to evaluate PFAS across media
2. Develop and maintain monitoring activities
3. Gather, maintain, and display data relating to PFAS in Oregon's environment



Focus Goal 4

Engage and collaborate with internal and external parties

Actions to achieve goal:

1. Engage federal and state partners to support research and efforts
2. Coordinate across DEQ programs
3. Leverage resources, information and expertise across governments, academia and NGOs

Oregon PFAS Biosolids Study



Objectives

- Understand levels of PFAS
 - land applied biosolids
 - uptake in crops and
 - Potential leaching to groundwater



Partners

- Oregon Assoc. of Clean Water Agencies (municipalities)
- Oregon State University



Funding

- \$800K
- EPA grant
- Legislative appropriation
- Municipal contributions



Approach

- Soil and crop samples
- 8 ag fields in 4 regions
- Control and agricultural fields
- Method 1633
- Differentiate sources

Implementation of Actions

- Hazardous Substance Rulemaking
- Adding 6 PFAS as hazardous substances:
 - PFOA, PFOS, PFHxS, PFNA, PFBS, GenX (HFPO-DA)
- Other actions being compiled and prioritized
- Some actions will be supported by funding from EPA Columbia Basin Restoration Grant

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