

Rep. Vos: Statement on Task Force request

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Madison...Speaker Robin Vos (R-Rochester) released the following statement after Reps. Travis Tranel (R-Cuba City) and Todd Novak (R-Dodgeville) made a formal request for the creation of a Speaker's Task Force on Water Quality.

"It comes as no surprise that Representatives Tranel and Novak are quickly responding to the needs of their Assembly districts. I agree that the recent reports of water contamination in private wells in southwestern Wisconsin are disturbing. Every Wisconsinite should have access to safe, clean drinking water.

"Unfortunately, there are other areas of Wisconsin facing a similar issue. I have had numerous conversations with Rep. Joel Kitchens about water quality concerns in his area as well.

"I have decided to move forward on the creation of a Speaker's Task Force on Water Quality. An official announcement that will include committee membership will be made in the coming weeks."

There have been six speaker task forces since 2013 in the Wisconsin State Assembly. These bipartisan groups of legislators have addressed issues pertaining to mental health, rural schools, urban education, workforce readiness, Alzheimer's and dementia, and foster care.