

Evers campaign: ICYMI - Gov. Evers and AG Kaul take action against PFAS contamination

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MADISON, Wis. — In case you missed it, Governor Tony Evers and Attorney General Josh Kaul [took action this week to address PFAS](#) contamination in Wisconsin by ensuring accountability and responsibility for polluters and making sure Wisconsinites don't have to foot the bill to clean up the messes that others have made.

Gov. Evers declared 2019 the Year of Clean Drinking Water because he believes every Wisconsinite deserves access to clean, safe water — free of lead, PFAS, and other contaminants that have long been known to harm our kids, families, farmers, communities, and industries across our state.

PFAS contamination has affected too many in Wisconsin — that is why Gov. Evers and AG Kaul are doing the right thing and taking action to protect our state's natural resources.

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Milwaukee Journal Sentinel: [Tony Evers, Josh Kaul announce lawsuit to recover massive costs from 'forever chemical' contamination in Wisconsin](#)

- “Republicans and elected leaders in this state have long known about the problems facing water quality in communities in every corner of the state, including many of their own, and have sided with polluters by doing next to nothing — by allowing polluters to soil, spoil our state's natural resources and avoid basic safety standards and responsibility and accountability for their

actions,” Evers said.”

CapTimes: [Evers, Kaul sue 18 companies over PFAS contamination](#)

- “Every corner of Wisconsin has been affected by PFAS contamination, and communities from Marinette to Wausau to French Island are facing the harsh reality of PFAS in their wells, causing some folks and families to even have to rely on water coolers and plastic water bottles for clean drinking water,” Evers said in a statement. “We’re taking immediate action to address PFAS in Wisconsin by ensuring accountability and responsibility for polluters and making sure Wisconsinites don’t have to foot the bill to clean up the messes that others have made.”

WPR: [Gov. Evers administration files lawsuit against chemical companies over PFAS contamination](#)

- “Evers and state Attorney General Josh Kaul announced the suit Wednesday morning at a press conference on French Island, where hundreds of residents have been relying on bottled water for over a year because their private wells are contaminated with PFAS.”
- “Wisconsinites should not have to foot the bill for polluters who should have known that what they were doing was wrong all along. That’s why we are demanding that the polluters who are responsible should have to pay for their reckless and reprehensible conduct,” Evers said during the event.”