

Weekly Dem radio address: Gov. Evers delivers radio address on efforts to clean up Wisconsinites' water, approve new rule changes strengthening PFAS drinking water standards

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Hey there, folks! Governor Tony Evers here.

During the 2026 the Year of the Neighbor, ensuring our neighbors have access to clean, safe water has to be a top priority.

Whether it's kids in the classrooms, families at home, or our farmers or agricultural industries, Wisconsinites should be able to trust that the water coming out of their tap is safe—simple as that.

My administration and I have been working since Day One to get harmful contaminants, like lead and PFAS and copper, out of our water for good.

And this week, I'm excited to build upon our good work by approving our new rule to strengthen drinking water standards for PFAS in Wisconsin.

The new rule I approved will strengthen the enforceable standards for PFAS to help keep kids and families and communities healthy and safe.

And folks, that's on top of our efforts to strengthen Wisconsin's lead and copper

standards for public drinking water at the end of last year.

Now, with stronger drinking water standards, it is more important than ever that we can support our farmers, public water systems, and homeowners in meeting these new requirements.

I'm as optimistic as ever that PFAS can be a bipartisan success story for us in 2026.

And I remain hopeful that Republican lawmakers will continue working with me and my administration to release the \$125 million to fight PFAS contamination statewide, so we can get this done—and get it done right.

With that, I look forward to continuing our work to make sure Wisconsinites—no matter their ZIP code—have access to the safe and clean drinking water they need and deserve.

Thank you.