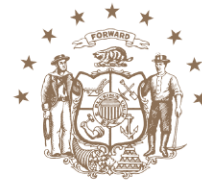




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REP. POPE APPOINTED TO SPEAKER'S TASK FORCE ON WATER QUALITY

MADISON, Wis. – Today, Representative Sondy Pope (D-Mt. Horeb) was appointed to serve on the Speaker's Task Force on Water Quality. This task force will hold public hearings around the state in order to gain a better understanding of the unique water quality issues facing different areas of the state. They will then make recommendations on how best to assess and improve the quality of water in Wisconsin. In response, Rep. Pope released the following statement:

"It's deeply troubling that many citizens around the state, including areas of Southwest Wisconsin that I represent, simply do not have consistent access to clean water. As a state with a proud tradition of clean natural resources, we can do much better for our people. Nearly a decade of reckless lack of oversight and regulation has allowed water sources that citizens and their families rely on for everyday use to be unpotable. This is unacceptable."

"I'm thankful to have the opportunity to serve on this task force to help find ways to ensure that no one in Wisconsin ever need worry about the safety of their water supply. It is my hope that this task force take a thoughtful approach in addressing this problem, in which scientific methods are acknowledged and prioritized. We must also recognize the urgency of this situation and find solutions quickly so that that safety of our water supply is secure now and for future generations."

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