

For Immediate Release

Town of Campbell  
2219 Bainbridge  
La Crosse, WI 54603

February 18, 2021

On November 18, 2020 we submitted 3 water samples, one for each of our public buildings to the WI State Department of Hygiene to be tested for the presence of PFAS. This followed notification by the City of La Crosse that PFAS contamination had been found in water samples near the Airport.

The Town received the complete and final results of those water samples on February 16, 2021. Following a clarification with the lab regarding those results, the test results were released to the public and posted on our website on Feb. 17, 2021.

The results show there is a PFAS presence above the 20 ppt limit for the Library which was not a part of the original or expanded test area identified by the City.

Some residents have conducted PFAS tests on their wells at their own expense, to identify potential PFAS contamination. A handful of residents have shared their specific test results with us, including a resident in the expanded area who tested over twice the 20 parts per trillion standard and a resident outside of the testing area who exceeded the 20 parts per trillion standard. We appreciate their collaboration, which is crucial to gauging the extent of the contamination. The City of La Crosse only provides us test results in broad terms, identifying areas with varying levels of contamination. We encourage everyone in the identified testing areas to test their water.

The Town of Campbell has engaged the law firms of Michael Best & Friedrich LLP and Levin Sedran & Berman LLP, to advise and assist us.

We are in the process of scheduling a day and time for a public information Q&A meeting with the Town Board and Levin law firm. That meeting will be posted publicly and on our website.

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