The Assembly is expected to take up SB 312 in January. Colleagues of mine from other impacted communities have shared our concerns with our legislators, the DNR, DHS and environmental groups who are hoping to amend SB 312 in its current form. We recognize we may not be able to achieve all of our goals, but we are hopeful that the conversation will continue as we all recognize the very real health, safety and economic impacts of PFAS.

I urge you to contact your assembly representatives by phone or email to express your concerns. The original bill focused on private well owners and now that focus has shifted to the spread of biosolids and commercial interests.

Call Your Legislator

Rep. Jill Billings can be reached at 608 -237-9195 and **Email**:<u>Rep.Billings@legis.wisconsin.gov</u>. Your call can be as simple as I am concerned about PFAS in my community and I want to uphold the Spills Law in SB 312.

Last Tuesday I was a panelist at a conference sponsored by the Wisconsin Health Network and Wisconsin wide health care organizations including Gundersen, Quartz, Aurora Health and UW medical facilities. Dr. Beth Neary is a retired pediatrician who has worked extensively with babies and young mothers who have ingested PFAS. I am committed to banning the production of PFAS in Wisconsin and banning the import of PFAS waste from the Netherlands and other European nations. The financial impacts of PFAS are devastating.

The EPA is expected to announce a final PFAS Maximum Contaminant Level early next year for municipal water systems. There is no federal standard for groundwater. I am actively working with others to get State PFAS groundwater standards signed into law.

Tonight the La Crosse County Board will consider a resolution that Margaret Larson and I worked on to help protect the Mt. Simon aquifer. The resolution if passed tonight will go before the full county board on Dec 21st. I welcome your questions.

Thank you.