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Subject: Comment received - Proposed Rulemaking: Safe Drinking Water PFAS MCL Rule (#

7-569)

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The Department of Environmental Protection has received the following comments on Proposed Rulemaking: Safe Drinking Water PFAS MCL Rule (#7-569).

Commenter Information:

Jan Hughes (animaldoglover1990@yahoo.com) 726 Washington St Apt 304 Reading, PA 19601 US

Comments entered:

RE: Strength the Safe Drinking Water PFAS MCL Rule (#7-569)

Dear,

Its waters grow crops, provide drinking water to communities, sustain recreational and tourist economies, support a diverse array of plant and wildlife communities, and provide people with spiritual nourishment. Those waters are threatened like never before and I write today to ask for your leadership to ensure living rivers for generations to come.

I'm writing to call on DEP to strengthen its proposal to tackle pollution from the "forever chemicals" known as PFAS. While I'm glad DEP is looking at addressing this issue, the proposal has far too many loopholes to protect public health.

- 1. DEP must include the dozens of PFAS chemicals currently being excluded by this proposal, including PFNA, PFHxA, PFHxS, PFHpA and PFBS.
- 2. Allowable pollution levels in the current proposal are far too high to protect public health. No level of PFAS exposure is safe. DEP should set maximum levels below 6ppt for both PFOS and

PFOA.

- 3. DEP must close its exemption for private well water, which would leave 3.5 million Pennsylvanians at risk of contamination from "forever chemicals."
- 4. DEP must require wells and water companies to test yearly for forever chemicals. If a water system tests positive for PFAS, they should be required to test monthly until contamination levels drop.

Signed,

No attachments were included as part of this comment.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely, Jessica Shirley

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