

MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT, GREAT LAKES, AND ENERGY
REMEDICATION AND REDEVELOPMENT DIVISION

NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD AND PUBLIC MEETING

Online Webinar Meeting
TUESDAY, June 15, 2021
6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

The Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) is hosting a public meeting and accepting public comments regarding Wolverine World Wide's Groundwater-Surface Water Interface Investigation Summary and Work Plan Report for the North Kent Study Area, Plainfield and Algoma Townships, Kent County.

Written comments are being accepted until **July 6, 2021**, on a Work Plan for additional Groundwater-Surface Water Interface (GSI) investigation activities in the North Kent Study Area. Wolverine World Wide (Wolverine) is required to conduct this work per the February 19, 2020, Consent Decree between the State of Michigan, Algoma and Plainfield Townships, and Wolverine. The Consent Decree document is posted online and can be found here: www.michigan.gov/belmont. Section 7.10(b)(c)(d) of the Consent Decree lists the basic requirements that are to be included within this Work Plan.

The purpose of this GSI Investigation Summary and Work Plan Report is to: (1) summarize the findings of the initial GSI study of the Rogue River that was completed in late 2020 and early 2021, and (2) propose permanent GSI monitoring well locations to further define and characterize the per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) groundwater contamination which is venting into the Rogue River. Section 11 of the GSI Investigation Summary and Work Plan Report outlines the proposed permanent monitoring well locations. This characterization and evaluation is needed to better understand where the PFAS contaminated groundwater is venting into the Rogue River so that adequate response activities can be implemented to address this.

An electronic copy of this GSI Summary Investigation and Work Plan Report can be found posted on the House Street Michigan PFAS Action Response Team (MPART) website at www.michigan.gov/belmont, under the heading "Recent Accomplishments." A paper copy of the report is also available for review at the City of Rockford, Algoma Township, and Plainfield Charter Township offices. The review period will last at least 30 calendar days from the date of this publication. Written comments can be emailed to EGLE-RRD-Housestreet@michigan.gov, or mailed prior to **July 6, 2021**, to Karen Vorce, Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy, Remediation and Redevelopment Division, 350 Ottawa Avenue, NW, Unit 10, Grand Rapids, Michigan 49503-2341.

EGLE is providing the opportunity for a public meeting and comment period regarding this GSI Summary Investigation and Work Plan Report consistent with Section 20120d of Part 201, Environmental Remediation, of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended.

The state is taking proactive steps to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 in Michigan. As a result, an online public meeting will be held on **Tuesday, June 15, 2021, from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m.** to discuss the GSI Investigation Summary and Work Plan Report. Details regarding how to access this online meeting are posted on www.michigan.gov/belmont. If you do not have access to a computer, you can listen live during the meeting by calling: Phone No.: 636-651-3142. When prompted enter the Conference Code: 374288#.

Individuals needing language assistance or accommodations for effective participation for the online meeting should contact Karen Vorce (RRD Project Manager) at 616-439-8008, to request language, mobility, visual, hearing, translation, and/or other assistance.

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