

Groundwater Sampling

- DoD follows a comprehensive approach to identify installations where DoD stored and/or used AFFF and suspect a release is impacting drinking water
 - As of August 2017, DoD identified 401 active and BRAC installations in the United States with at least one area where there is a known or suspected release of PFOS/PFOA
- DoD is following the CERCLA process to address these suspected releases
 - First step is to identify the source(s) of a known or suspected release
 - Then identify if there is an exposure through drinking water
 - If there is exposure, DoD priority is to cut off drinking water exposure
 - Once exposure pathway is broken, the site is prioritized and will follow the CERCLA process to fully investigate the release and determine the appropriate cleanup actions based on risk
- The DoD Components are conducting additional investigations, which include sampling groundwater