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Dear Residents and Water Customers,

I am pleased to advise you that perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA) continues to be non-detectable in the water that the Essex Fells Water System is supplying to customers in Essex Fells, Caldwell, North Caldwell and Roseland.

Our new treatment facility, at which we commenced operations in July, is functioning well and removing PFOA and other per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) from all 13 of our active groundwater wells.

We remain on track with our plans to construct 2 additional treatment facilities that, together, will remove PFOA and other PFAS from our remaining 3 groundwater wells. These 3 wells are offline, not delivering water to the public. Thus, they have no current impact on water quality. However, installing permanent PFOA treatment will allow us to bring the wells back online, restoring our system to its full capacity while maintaining the highest water quality. We hope to complete both construction projects in 2025.

Where You Can Find More Information

For more information, please see the enclosed regulatory notice issued by our Water Department on November 21, 2024.

Given the steps we have taken to date, the NJDEP has authorized the Water Department to reduce the frequency of mailing public notices to you from every 3 months to every 12 months. We will continue to post quarterly updates on the Borough's website until we complete our 2 additional PFOA treatment facilities. These updates are meant to keep you informed about your drinking water and the capital improvements we have made and continue to make in response to new state and federal regulations and the September 2021 PFOA exceedance previously reported to you.

Copies of prior Water Department updates and information on PFOA from the NJ Department of Health and the United States Environmental Protection Agency are available on the Borough's website (<https://www.essexfellsboro.com/pages/pfoa>).

Sincerely,

Edward A. Davis
Mayor
Borough of Essex Fells