

August, 2023 PFAS Testing Results

NPU is required to share with the public the result of our water testing for PFAS. According to the U.S. Department of Environmental Protection, "*PFAS are widely used, long lasting chemicals, components of which break down very slowly over time. Because of their widespread use and their persistence in the environment, many PFAS are found in the blood of people and animals all over the world and are present at low levels in a variety of food products and in the environment. PFAS are found in water, air, fish, and soil at locations across the nation and the globe." To learn more about PFAS, please visit the <u>EPA's website</u>.* 

Since March of 2022, NPU's has tested water samples for PFAS at our Deep River or Stony Brook Reservoirs. No level of PFAS could be detected at either location by the latest equipment at an EPA-approved laboratory.

NPU testing did detected an exceedance of one compound at our Norwich Town Emergency well **but it is important to understand that water from this location has not been utilized or sent to customers in over four years**. The exceedance was 14.1 parts-per-billion (PPB) and the limit is 10 ppb. NPU would not send water from this source unless it met all federal and state standards for safety and health.

For the full report, click the attachments listed under Water services: <u>Utility Services - Welcome</u> to Norwich Public Utilities