## OUT STATE OF MAINE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION





**To:** Board of Environmental Protection

From: Kerri Malinowski, Office of the Commissioner

**Date:** January 23, 2020

**Re:** Chapter 890: Designation of PFOS as a Priority Chemical

**Public Hearing** 

On November 7, 2019, the Board voted to schedule a public hearing on the proposed Chapter 890: Designation of PFOS as a Priority Chemical. The rule was previously posted to a 30-day public comment period beginning October 2, with a comment deadline of November 4, 2019. The Department received 5 or more requests for a public hearing, so a hearing was required in accordance with The Maine Administrative Procedures Act (APA), 5 M.R.S. § 8052(1).

Requests for a public hearing were received from the following:

Alice D. Elliott, Director, Sierra Club Maine Sharon Anglin Treat, Senior Attorney, Institute for Agriculture & Trade Policy Sarah Woodbury, State Advocacy Director, Environmental Health Strategy Center Dana Colihan (she/hers), Maine Community Organizer, Toxics Action Center Beth Ahearn, Esq., Director of Government Affairs, Maine Conservation Voters Phelps Turner, Staff Attorney, Conservation Law Foundation

Comments on the proposed rule were also received from Patrick MacRoy, on behalf of the Environmental Health Strategy Center, the Conservation Law Foundation, Sierra Club Maine, and the Toxics Action Center. A copy of those comments is included in the packet materials.

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