

PROPOSED STATE RULES

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Vermont Water Supply Rule.

Vermont Proposed Rule: 24P047

AGENCY: Agency of Natural Resources

CONCISE SUMMARY: In 2024, EPA promulgated new PFAS regulations, including Maximum Contaminant Levels. States are required to implement these new standards into State regulation and be no less stringent. This rule incorporates the federal regulation but expedites the timeline due to our existing PFAS data and regulation. This will ensure systems in need of PFAS treatment seek and install such treatment while federal funding remains available, through 2027. It also updates state technical standards for PFAS treatment. We are also seeking updates to the regulation of bottled water in Vermont. EPA also promulgated updated regulations pertaining to Consumer Confidence Reports, a form of public notice providing essential information to be conveyed annually to water systems users. This state rule revision will incorporate those federal changes as well.

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