



National Academies Committee on Guidance on PFAS Testing and Health Outcomes

Eastern Communities Town Hall (ATSDR Regions 1-4)

April 7, 2021

This is an information-gathering town hall for the committee to hear from community members in the Eastern U.S. ([ATSDR Regions 1-4](#)). Future information-gathering sessions will cover other regions and additional topics.

All times listed are Eastern Daylight Time

Session A: Pre-Town Hall Session

One video primer will be available for viewing before the workshop, this will provide pertinent background information on the PFAS Guidance Study, the National Academies and a review of the study's statement of task and the study plans.

- PFAS Guidance Study Overview, **Ned Calonge**, Committee Chair, and **Elizabeth Boyle**, Study Director

Session B: Community Perspectives from ATSDR Region I

2:00 **Welcome and Introductions**
Ned Calonge, Committee Chair

Moderator: **Alan Woolf**, Harvard Medical School/Boston Children's Hospital

2:10 **Laurene Allen**, Merrimack Citizens for Clean Water
2:20 **Teresa Gerade**, Don't Undermine Memphremagog's Purity (DUMP)
2:30 **Ayesha Khan**, Nantucket PFAS Action Group
2:40 **Kristen Mello**, Westfield Residents Advocating For Themselves (WRAFT)

2:50 **Panel Discussion with Session B Speakers**

Session C: Community Perspectives from ATSDR Region II

Moderator: **Laurel Schaider**, Silent Spring Institute

3:10 **Tracy Carluccio**, Delaware Riverkeeper Network
3:20 **Loreen Hackett**, PFOA Project New York

3:30 **Panel Discussion with Session C Speakers**

3:45 **BREAK**



Session D: Community Perspectives from ATSDR Region III

Moderator: **Maida Galvez**, Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai Hospital

- 3:55 **Patrick Elder**, Military Poisons
- 4:05 **Hope Grosse**, Buxmont Coalition for Safe Water
- 4:15 **Panel Discussion with Session D Speakers**

Session E: Community Perspectives from ATSDR Region IV

Moderator: **Linda Birnbaum**, National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (retired)

- 4:30 **La'Meshia Whittington**, North Carolina Black Alliance
- 4:40 **Mike Watters**, Grays Creek Residents United Against PFAS in our Wells & Rivers
- 4:50 **Emily Donovan**, Clean Cape Fear
- 5:00 **Cheryl Sievers-Cail**, South Carolina Indian Affairs Commission/SC Idle No More
- 5:10 **Stel Bailey**, Fight 4 Zero
- 5:20 **Panel Discussion with Session E Speakers**
- 5:40 **BREAK**

Session F: Open Comment Period

- 5:45 **Public Comments¹**
- 6:45 **Adjourn**

¹ Advance registration is required and comment time is limited to 3 minutes. Total number of speakers limited to approximately 20, plus 10 alternates. If time remains, we will cycle through the public commenters to give them more time to speak. Please time your comments carefully to allow for everyone to speak. A timer will be provided on screen, with 30 second wrap up warning. Priority will be given to speakers and discussants who have not had the opportunity to speak in earlier sessions of today's agenda.