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The State of Michigan welcomes the US EPA's recent announcement as a step toward a more unified and consistent approach to addressing PFAS compounds nationwide.

Michigan already has enforceable drinking water standards for all six of the compounds identified by EPA (PFOS, PFOA, GenX, PFBS, PFHxS, and PFNA) in addition to PFHxA. These drinking water standards have been in place since 2020.

The Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) and other state agencies that make up the Michigan PFAS Action Response Team (MPART) look forward to reviewing the new EPA numbers and the calculation methodology they are proposing nationally to help inform our ongoing evaluation of Michigan's current and future standards.

It is too soon to say at this point what this means for Michigan's standards, but the state is closely watching federal action around PFAS and will monitor the proposed EPA standards as they navigate the rule-making and final approval process.

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