

PFAS SUB-COMMITTEE

JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DEFENCE AND TRADE

Inquiry into the management of per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) contamination in and around Defence bases

Committee to discuss PFAS in Katherine

A parliamentary committee will discuss the progress of the Commonwealth Government's response to and management of PFAS contamination in Katherine on Thursday.

The PFAS Sub-Committee of the Parliament's <u>Joint Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs</u>, <u>Defence and Trade</u> is examining <u>the management of per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS)</u> <u>contamination in and around Defence bases</u>. The Sub-Committee will meet with residents and representatives from interested organisations at a public hearing on Thursday 19 July in Katherine.

Chair of the Sub-Committee, Mr Andrew Laming MP, said the Sub-Committee welcomed the opportunity to discuss how the Commonwealth is managing and coordinating responses from Commonwealth, state and territory and local governments to ensure the best outcomes for those communities affected by PFAS contamination.

Public hearing details: 10.30am to 4:30pm, Thursday 19 July, Godinymayin Yijard Rivers Arts & Culture Centre.

The program is available from the committee's website: <u>Inquiry into the management of per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) contamination in and around Defence bases – Parliament of Australia</u>.

This hearing will be streamed live at www.aph.gov.au/live.

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