Hi Fadt,

I am a resident of Salt Ash and within the nominated red zone and at this stage I do not understand the chemicals spoken of or their affects to me my family or our animals.

I have heard that this chemical does not breakdown quickly around 100 years and is still being leeched into the soil at the source on the RAAF base Williamtown NSW.

I am therefore also concerned that this chemical has many more years of concentration which will leech through to my property. I would have expected that as a rate payer the RAAF base would have a duty to comply with Councils water runoff requirements and be held to account and remediate where required. I am concerned that this contamination was known for many years before being reported to the EPA, this has caused me great concern as I could have changed my use of ground water on my property thus reducing the exposure and risk to my family, particularly my children and grand child.

I have used the ground water to wash out gutters and down pipes, I wash down paths and have at times filled the pool with the ground water. I also irrigate the lawns.

As you can understand I am very concerned that my use of contaminated ground water has cause future health problems for my family.

I am also concerned that my house and land will reduce in value and I will not have an appreciating property to leave as inheritance. Can you assure I have not damaged my families long term health and that the reduction in house prices in the area will return to the normal growth?

Regards Daniel Perrin