
From: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Sent: Friday, October 02, 2015 4:24 PM
To: Murray, David (GOV)
Cc: Kennedy, Jordan (GOV)
Subject: FW: FLINT WATER : New form letter- proposed below

With your approval we will start sending out to the masses

From: Tommasulo, Karen (DEQ)
Sent: Friday, October 02, 2015 3:44 PM
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Subject: RE: FLINT WATER : New form letter- proposed below

Looks good to me. Thanks!

From: Stoken, Laura (GOV)
Sent: Friday, October 02, 2015 2:56 PM
To: Wurfel, Brad (DEQ); Tommasulo, Karen (DEQ)
Cc: Murray, David (GOV)
Subject: FLINT WATER : New form letter- proposed below

Hey There,

Would you please review the below "form letter" to be blasted out to constituents writing the Governor regarding Flint Water.

Thanks,

Laura Stoken
Manager, Constituent Relations
Executive Office of the Governor, Rick Snyder
517.335.7858

Thank you for your recent correspondence sent to Governor Rick Snyder regarding the water in Flint. As a member of Governor Snyder's staff, I am responding on his behalf.

Governor Snyder announced a comprehensive action plan created with state, federal and city leaders to address concerns about drinking water. Flint residents need to have access to safe, clean, water now and long into the future. The water leaving Flint's drinking water system is safe to drink, but some families with lead plumbing in their homes or service connections could experience higher levels of lead in the water that comes out of their faucets.

The action plan focuses on increasing water testing, offering additional precautions for families with lead plumbing in their homes, and providing long-term solutions to address the city's water infrastructure challenges. The plan was created at the Governors direction by the Michigan Departments of Environmental Quality (DEQ) and Health and Human Services (DHHS), the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, and the city of Flint. This action plan builds upon ongoing work with local, state and federal agencies and our partnership with city and community leaders. Together, we are working to ensure that all Flint residents have accurate information and know that help is available to address potential problems.

The city and the state also are working together to gather more data to ensure the water that leaves the treatment plant as well as the water that arrives in Flint homes is safe for all residents. The plan includes:

- Testing in Flint public schools immediately to ensure that drinking water is safe, with testing also available at no cost to any other school in Flint.
- Offering free water testing to Flint residents to assure their drinking water is safe.
- Providing free water filters to residents.
- Expanding health exposure testing of individual homes.
- Accelerating corrosion controls in the Flint drinking water system.
- Accelerating water system improvements to address replacing lead service lines.
- Expediting the completion of the Karegnondi Water Authority pipeline.
- Expanding a Safe Drinking Water Technical Advisory Committee to ensure the best technology, practices and science are being followed by adding an expert from the Environmental Protection Agency's Office of Research and Development to the group.
- Naming Dr. Eden Wells, chief medical executive for the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services, as the Flint drinking water public health adviser.
- Boosting a comprehensive lead education program to make sure residents have detailed information about how to protect themselves and their homes.

Residents can have their water tested by calling 810-787-6537 and pressing 1, or emailing flintwater@cityofflint.com. The DEQ is covering the cost of this testing.

State leaders have been working closely with state and federal lawmakers to tap resources at all levels of government to address concerns.

This action plan offers concrete steps we will take in a local, state and federal partnership to ensure all Flint residents have safe water to drink. The DEQ will work closely with the city to gather further data to ensure the water that leaves Flint's system as well as the water that arrives in Flint homes is safe to drink.

Thank you, again, for taking the time to share your concerns with our office. Should you have any further comments, questions or concerns regarding this or any other state-related matter, I've included my contact information below.

Sincerely,

Laura Stoken
Manager, Constituent Relations
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