AECOM PFAS Capability Overview

What are PFAS?

Per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) constitute a class of thousands of synthetic compounds sharing at least one carbon bonded to fluorine. Because of their surfactant properties, many PFAS are employed in industry.



Areas of PFAS Expertise

- Site Characterization/Remediation
- Risk Assessment and Management
- Development of Treatment Technologies
- Regulatory Navigation/Negotiation
- Forensic Chemical Assessments
- Waste Management and Foam Transition
- Destructive Technology Innovation

AECOM PFAS Clients

- Oil & Gas
- Pulp & Paper
- Airports
- Paint and Coating
- Chrome Platting
- Automotive
- Department of Defense
- Municipalities

PFAS Fate and Transport Challenges

The fate and transport properties of some PFAS in the environment create challenges in managing this broad class of compounds, such as:

- · Limited sorption to soil and sediments
- Highly water soluble, non-volatile and extremely mobile in water
- Exceptional stability and resistance to biological, chemical, and thermal degradation
- · Persistent in the environment with very little attenuation
- Widely present in environmental media
- Bioaccumulative in plants, many animals, and humans

Why PFAS are an Environmental Concern

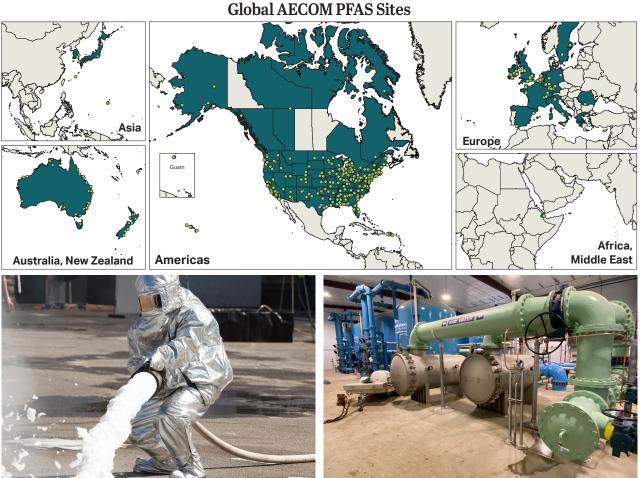
Toxicological data are generally limited with the exception of a handful of the most commonly encountered PFAS. For the few PFAS with reliable toxicological information, health effects include:

- Development delays
- Suppressed immune response
- Increased cholesterol levels
- Liver effects
- Low infant birth weights
- Thyroid effects

AECOM has conducted PFAS investigations since 2001, tackling many of the world's most challenging PFAS sites, and actively innovating methods to identify and resolve PFAS for our clients.

Key AECOM Attributes

- Conducted PFAS activities at >400 sites in every state and 3 US territories, including assessments, soil and groundwater sampling, risk assessment, and treatment evaluation.
- Worldwide, multi-country experience in all aspects of PFAS investigation, risk assessment and remediation in consulting, research, and regulatory developments.
- Conducting the largest PFAS investigation ever performed; collecting >15,000 samples, investigating several entire counties, and collecting samples along an 80 mile segment of a major river.
- Designed, installed, operated, monitored and maintained full-scale PFAS groundwater remediation systems, hundreds of residential and dozens of commercial supply well PFAS treatment systems.
- Conducting innovative on-site soil and groundwater remediation bench and pilot scale testing in the US and Australia.









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