

National Action Plan Against PFAS

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Agenda

- Political context of the National Action Plan Against PFAS
- Initiatives in the Action Plan Decontamination initiatives Aversion initiatives Containment initiatives
- Funding and political support
- Conclusion and time for questions

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The Context of the Action Plan



Increased knowledge on wide spread PFAS contamination found in water, air, soil, humans and animals

2021: A case of high concentrations of PFAS Found in meat from a cooperative owned cattle meadow

- Wide spread media coverage and public attention
- > Strong push for political action

Action Plan includes initiatives under three headlines

- ➤ Decontamination
- ➤ Aversion
- **≻**Containment



Initiatives in the Action Plan: Decontamination



Initiatives

Funds for decontamination for soil contaminated by PFAS

Funds for decontamination of drinking water contaminated by PFAS

Knowledge-building projects on decomposition of PFAS in waste water sludge and waste

Mapping of storage capacity for PFAS contaminated soil

Initiatives in the Action Plan: Aversion



Initiatives

Phasing out PFAS in textiles and impregnation substances

Partnership with the industry on early phasing out of PFAS

Procurement guidance for public procurement and private corporations

EU-ban on PFAS

International cooperation on limiting PFAS

Limit value of PFAS in waste water sludge

Initiatives in the Action Plan: Containment



Initiatives

Task Force on knowledge of PFAS

PFAS Research Center

PFAS background values in the Danish population

Communication campaign on PFAS directed towards the public

Enhanced protection of consumers by strengthened control regime of PFAS in consumer goods

Enhanced monitoring of game

Enhanced monitoring in waterbodies

Enhanced monitoring of foods and animal feed

Enhanced monitoring of novel PFAS in groundwater

Advisory services for municipalities and water supply organizations

Funding and political support



- ➤ A total of 404 mio. DKK (54 mio. EUR) has been allocated to the Action Plan in the period 2024-2027
- ➤ The Action Plan was supported by all parties in the Danish Parliament
- Aims at establishing a holistic approach that both prevents and handles issues with PFAS effectively and in a targeted manner
- Next step is implementation of the plan to put it into action



Thank you for your attention

Questions?

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