

PFAS in Firefighting Foam Resources

Aqueous film-forming foam (AFFF) is a type of foam used to fight liquid-fueled fires. AFFF is highly concerning because it contains PFAS (per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances). PFAS are toxic chemicals known to negatively impact human health and do not easily break down in the environment, waterways, wildlife, or human bodies.



Scan the QR code to learn more.¹

AFFF collection and disposal program

To help fire departments safely dispose of their AFFF, we are developing a [program to collect and dispose of AFFF](#).² This program will launch after we publish a [draft Environmental Impact Statement \(EIS\)](#)³ and conduct a public comment period.



How can you stay updated?

Scan here to review the latest documents and updates related to AFFF.⁴



Scan here to sign up for the AFFF firefighting foam email list.⁵



Questions?

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¹ <https://apps.ecology.wa.gov/publications/SummaryPages/2204037.html>

² <https://ecology.wa.gov/AFFF-disposal>

³ <https://apps.ecology.wa.gov/publications/SummaryPages/2304012.html>

⁴ https://www.ezview.wa.gov/site/alias__1962/37693/pfas_in_firefighting_foam.aspx

⁵ https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/WAECY/subscriber/new?topic_id=WAECY_89