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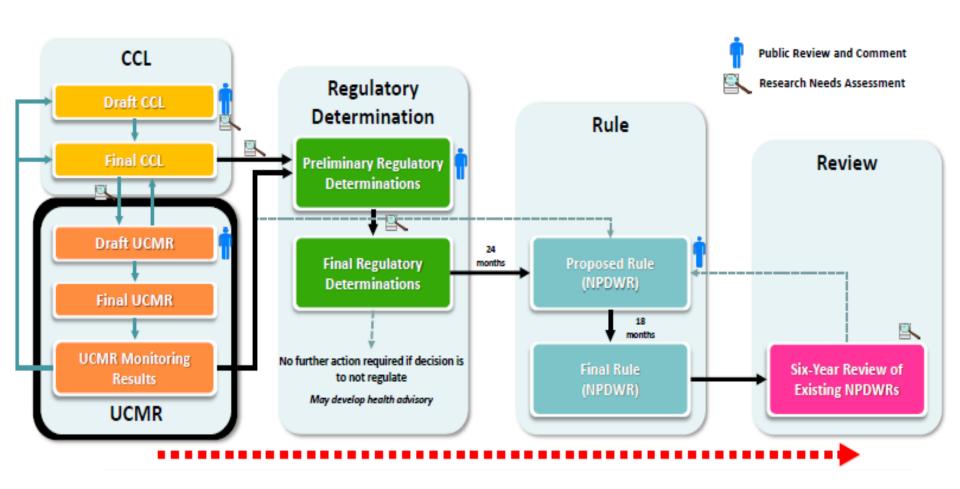
# UCMR5—COORDINATING FEDERAL SAMPLING WITH STATE PFAS SAMPLING

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#### Objective of the UCMR Program

- Collect data for national occurrences of unregulated contaminants that may need regulation under SDWA
  - Consider data collected as part of future EPA actionable decisions to protect public health
  - Provide data to states, local governments, and the public for their use in decisions regarding public health protection

#### Flow of SDWA Regulatory Processes



#### PWS Expected to Participate in UCMR 5

System Size Category (Number of people served)	Monitoring Design (CWSs and NTNCWSs) <sup>2</sup>	Total Number of Systems per Size Category
Small Systems <sup>1</sup> (fewer than 3,300)	Nationally representative sample	800
Small Systems <sup>1</sup> (3,300 – 10,000)	All systems, if confirmed by EPA	5,147³
Large Systems (10,001 and over)	All systems	4,364 <sup>3</sup>
TOTAL		10,311

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This requirement is based on the availability of appropriations and sufficient laboratory capacity. As EPA obtains appropriations, PWSs will be notified.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Community Water Systems (CWSs), Non-Transient Non-Community Water Systems (NTNCWSs)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Counts are approximate

#### **DOH PFAS RULES**

- SBOH approved PFAS regulations in 2021
- All COMM and NTNC systems must take initial samples in 2023–25 compliance period
  - Some TNC's may be required if near PFAS detections or near known sources
  - \*\*Rule allows UCMR 5 results to count toward meeting initial monitoring
- Ongoing monitoring dependent on PFAS levels detected

#### PFAS State Action Levels (SAL)

Type of PFAS	2021 WA SALs
PFOA	10 ppt*
PFOS	15 ppt*
PFNA	9 ppt*
PFHxS	65 ppt*
PFBS	345 ppt*

<sup>\*</sup>ppt = parts per trillion or ng/L.

### **ODW PFAS Sampling Project**

- Started in 2022
- Help systems meet initial monitoring requirements and provide ODW with occurrence data
- Voluntary program pays for initial and confirmation sample analysis
- Funding extended into 2023

#### Participation to Date

- Invitation to sample sent to all COMM and NTNC water systems in 2021
- 1,555 sources from 952 water systems enrolled
- 974 source samples received and entered in Sentry
  - 166 sources have had detections of one or more PFAS (109 systems)
  - 15 sources with PFAS exceeding one or more SALs (11 systems)

#### **How to Participate**

- Send an email to ODW.WQCompliance@doh.wa.gov
- Include the following info:
  - System ID# and Name
  - Point of contact including name, phone number, email address
  - Mailing address to receive sample bottle shipments

If more systems volunteer than funding will support, we'll give priority to at-risk sources.

## Questions?