PFAS TASK FORCE September 07, 2021

BEVERLY REGIONAL AIRPORT

Gloria Bouillon, BVY Airport Manager



SERVING THE NORTH SHORE

- Established in 1928
- Decommissioned in 1945 and returned to the City of Beverly in 1950
- Designated as a Corporate/Business Airport
 - $\circ~$ Intermodal connectivity to Boston
 - Serves the interstate, rail and tech corridor
 - Global connectivity for Fortune 500 companies
- Governed by the Beverly Airport Commission appointed by the Mayor of Beverly
- BVY serves a primary role in regional economic activities, connected to state and national economies (Mass DOT System Plan)
- Services: MRO, FBO, Flight Training, Aircraft Management, Manufacturing, Executive Hangars
- Per the 2018 Statewide Economic Impact Study, BVY's impact is *\$34,000,000*



Located in *three* jurisdictions: City of Beverly, Town of Danvers, and Town of Wenham



IMPORTANT DISTINCTION BETWEEN AIRPORT CLASSIFICATIONS

General Aviation (GA) Airports are regulated by CFR Part 139

Commercial service airports, and other airports with scheduled, or, unscheduled service trigger the requirement for use of AFFF

BVY, as a GA airport, is not required to store or use AFFF for fire-fighting capabilities



One Training Event

- Mass Department of Environmental Protection requested BVY to test for after learning that AFFF was used during at the airport during a training exercise
- Testing has occurred all around the 413 acre site of the Airport
- Approximately 30% of our total annual operating budget is spend on testing for PFAS; for one known event
- A review of Airport, Fire Department, and Air Traffic Tower records was conducted and no other use of PFAS was identified by the Airport since the 1970s

OUR SUSTAINABILITY GOALS



Strengthen our fiscal responsibility

Align community and airport values



Promote environmental stewardship



Ensure operational efficiency



THE STATE NEEDS TO ESTABLISH STANDARDS

- Coordination and Communication
- This new level of coordination & communication means:
 - Ensuring more robust conversations with our regional, state and federal partners
 - Establishing experienced, certified environmental firms with testing standard requirements
 - Funding of grants for testing and possible remediation
- Airports alone cannot be the focus as being the source of all PFAS contamination

Our Commitment

- Going Forward Strategic Thinking
 - Generate a broader conversations/planning
 - Experienced firms with understanding of the specialization within the Airport environment
 - Guidance and standards
 - Determine who is going to pay for this





Thank You!

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General Aviation Airports

PFAS (Per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances), that was found after DEP's request to test, after they found an article that AFFF, Aqueous film-forming foam, was used once at the Airport during a training exercise in 2009





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