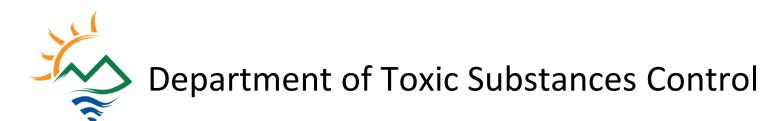
DTSC Current Activity on PFAS

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DTSC Core Programs

- Hazardous Waste Management Program
- Site Mitigation and Restoration Program
- Safer Products and Workplaces Program

Safer Consumer Products Regulatory Framework





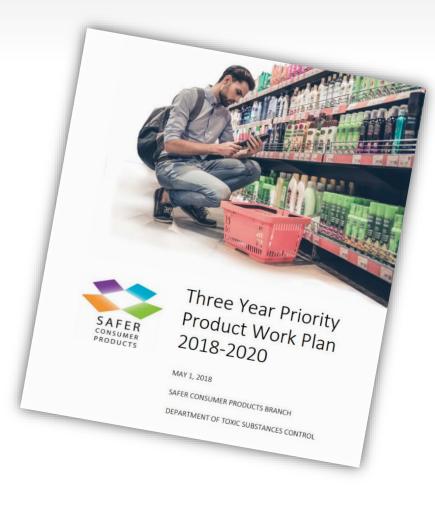
 There are potential exposures to a Candidate Chemical in the product

AND

 One or more exposures have the potential to contribute to or cause significant or widespread adverse impacts

What Products? The 2018-2020 Priority Products Work Plan

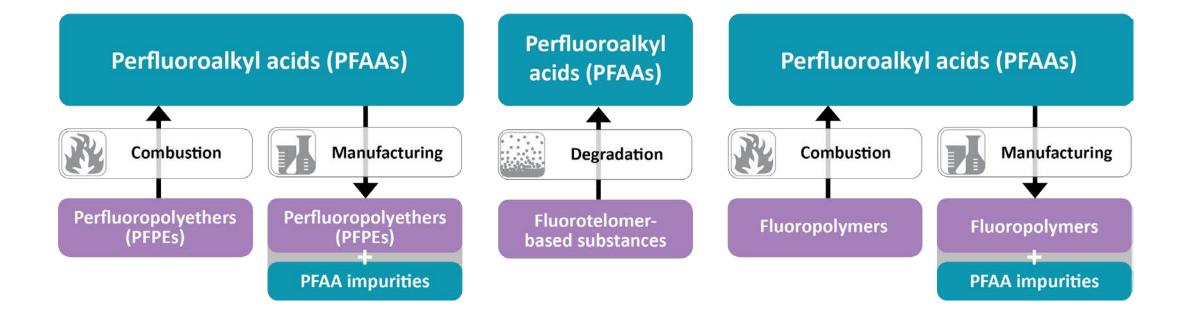




- Beauty, Personal Care, and Hygiene
- Cleaning Products
- Household, School, and Workplace Furnishing and Décor
- Building Products and Materials Used in Construction and Renovation
- Consumable Office, School and Business Supplies
- Lead-Acid Batteries
- Food Packaging

Why is PFAS as a class important?





All PFAS sub-classes can lead to PFAAs!

Concerns about the class...

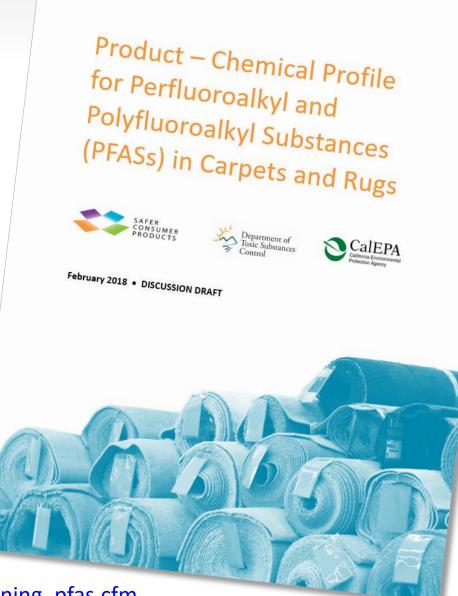
- Toxicity
- Environmental persistence
- Bioaccumulation (longer-chains only)
- Mobility in the environment
- Lactational and transplacental transfer





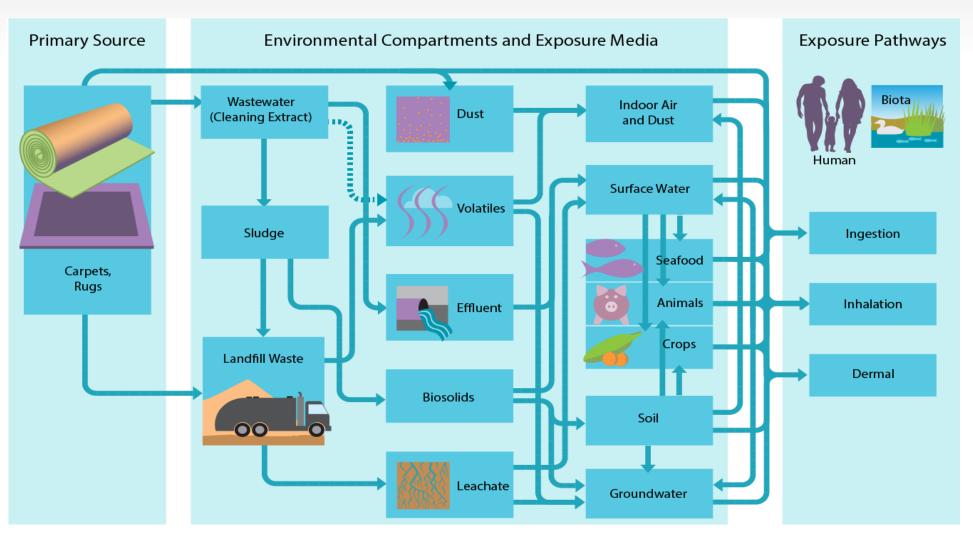
Priority Product proposed in March 2018:

Carpets and Rugs with Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFASs)



https://www.dtsc.ca.gov/SCP/carpets_and_rugs_containing_pfas.cfm

Multiple PFAS exposure routes from carpets and rugs



Alternatives Analysis is Safer Product? I DTSC Action



Manufacturers conduct Alternative Analyses to identify safer alternatives

DTSC evaluates AAs and imposes requirements as appropriate

Site Mitigation and Restoration Program



Federal Facilities (DoD)

- Reviewed Work Plans for current and former bases
- Received sampling results
- PFAS found in GW, wastewater treatment plant influent/effluent and soil
- Focus is protection of water supply wells
- Limited investigation at other sites

Hazardous Waste Management Program



- Survey of 94 permitted hazardous waste facilities
- 63% of Facilities had no information on PFAS since it is not classified as Hazardous waste
- 20% facilities provided some information about PFAS materials that are not hazardous waste (e.g. AFFF or fire fighting foam)

Questions?

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