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## Rep. Stubbs' Statement on Gov. Evers' Enhancement of Wisconsin Water Infrastructure and Improving Public Health and Safety

MADISON, WI – This week, Gov. Tony Evers and the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources celebrate the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Clean Water Act. Together, they have announced the launch of a new tool, the PFAS Interactive Data Viewer, available to the public to understand the impact of per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) on Wisconsin's lands and water. Additionally, Gov. Evers, the Wisconsin DNR, and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) announced the use of federal funding to support municipal investments in drinking water and wastewater infrastructure. On the matter of these new investments and safety improvements, Rep. Stubbs (D-Madison) released the following statement:

"This week, Gov. Tony Evers, the Wisconsin DNR, and the U.S. EPA have worked together to make necessary improvements to Wisconsin's water infrastructure. Investments in water quality are investments in the health and safety of all Wisconsinites. The measures demonstrate actionable change to improve the well-being of Wisconsinites now and in the future."

"For too long, Wisconsinites have been victims of faulty infrastructure that has negatively impacted the quality of our water. No community can thrive without adequate access to quality drinking water. The investments made by our Governor will help Wisconsin families enjoy safe water and protect our natural resources."

"Wisconsinites can access the <u>DNR's webpage</u> dedicated to information about PFAS to view a variety of resources to better understand how these chemicals pose a threat to our communities. Likewise, Wisconsinites can use the <u>PFAS Interactive Data Viewer</u> for better information about the lands and waters throughout our state. In this process of improvement, government transparency is key and these resources are a wonderful tool to properly inform the public."

"Wisconsin is known for its beautiful lakes, rivers, and waterways. With these enhancements, we can uphold our sterling reputation. Now is the time to address the long-standing issues of water quality, and ensure our environment, natural resources, and families are protected."