

1. Has PFOS or PFOA testing been carried out on privately-owned bores in the Bullsbrook area? Has testing been carried out at Pearce air base?

Ten samples from private properties neighbouring RAAF Base Pearce have been taken as part of a preliminary site investigation. The purpose of the preliminary sampling is to test for the presence of PFOS and PFOA in the vicinity of RAAF Base Pearce in order to focus the detailed site investigation to follow. Testing on RAAF Pearce will be undertaken during the detailed site investigation which has just commenced.

2. Will results be given to private landowners whose properties have been tested?

Defence will provide verified results from preliminary sampling investigations to relevant landholders.

3. Will the results of all testing be made public?

The finding of the preliminary site investigation will be used to inform any potential future detailed site investigations. Any reports arising from detailed site investigations will be made publicly available.

4. Will a report including the results be presented at the community meeting in Bullsbrook on Thursday, June 23?

As part of Defence's commitment to working collaboratively with local communities, Defence will hold an information session for the Bullsbrook community on Thursday 23 June 2016.

Attendees at the community meeting will receive an overview of the preliminary sampling program. There will also be opportunities for the community to ask questions during the information session. Defence will receive the final outcomes of the preliminary sampling investigations in late July 2016.

5. Have any tests returned high concentrations of PFOS and/or PFOA?

As stated above, Defence will receive the final outcomes of the preliminary sampling investigations in late July 2016.

6. How far from Pearce air base has the testing been carried out and how many tests have been done and by whom?

Ten samples from private properties neighbouring RAAF Base Pearce have been taken as part of a preliminary site investigation, by qualified contractors in accordance with the National Environment Protection (Assessment of Site Contamination) Measure.

Defence has established a national website to facilitate access to information regarding its PFOS and PFOA investigation program:

<http://www.defence.gov.au/id/PFOSPFOA/Default.asp>

Defence has also established a national telephone number: 1800 365 414 and email address: PFCDefenceCoordination@golder.com.au