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Distilled biosolids and residuals news for New England and eastern Canada

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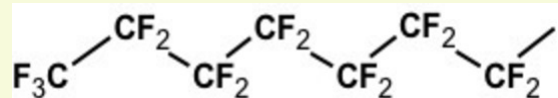
CHECK IT OUT...

Spring really is coming! Just as birds & blooms move northward, so do biosolids applications. Here's [March spreading in Virginia](#), thanks to the [VA Biosolids Council](#).

Soil Health: [NEBRA has compiled resources](#) on this key

PFAS*:

Biosolids groups urge robust



science & thoughtful regulatory approaches

Last week, biosolids groups from across the nation submitted a letter to Dave Ross, U. S. EPA Assistant Administrator for the Office of Water, urging the Agency to include wastewater and biosolids management professionals and their perspectives in its efforts to address poly- and perfluorinated alkyl substances (PFAS) in the environment. [Details...](#)

Emerging Contaminants Are Getting More Attention

*PFAS (perfluorinated compounds) are one kind of emerging contaminant spawning a lot of attention these days. But there continue to be new stories about others also, and biosolids are often mentioned as a mode by which they get into the environment. The details and perspective are important. [More...](#)

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concept. Biosolids and other organic residuals have a role to play in soil health.

No-Till Farmers [see the value of biosolids, composts, and other residuals.](#)

Dirt Saves Earth: a [NY Times Magazine article](#) about the Marin Carbon Project & more.

Farmers & DEP [defend biosolids in PA,](#) where the state [Supreme Court supports biosolids use](#) under the Right to Farm Act.

Washington DC "Bloom" biosolids gains a [significant endorsement.](#)



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Calendar:

May 24: [Nutrient Recovery from WRRFs](#), an SPA webinar

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- **Biosolids digestion** is planned for the Albany, NY region.
- Meanwhile, regional **biosolids digestion** is being considered by Greenfield, MA.
- The story of **malodor in an Alabama town** emanating from a trainload of New York City "sewage sludge" or "bio-waste" has been in the media for two months.
- A proposed **biosolids processing facility faces opposition** in rural New York State.
- Update on the **Slate Belt biosolids facility** in northeast PA...
- Gilmanton, NH voters have **banned local biosolids use**, but...
- The Sustainable Phosphorus Alliance (SPA) has created a **Biosolids and Manure Task Force.**
- **New RFPs** have been issued by the Water Research Foundation.
- How significant can biosolids be in **sequestering carbon (C)** in soils?
- NH DES's Water Division Director, **Eugene Forbes is retiring.**
- La Coop, **a farming cooperative in Quebec, now owns most** of (75%) of Viridis Environment, a Quebec biosolids management company.
- U. S. EPA has announced **new rulemaking for blending.**



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