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DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Announcing Ecology's Second Report on Safer Alternatives to Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) in Food Packaging

RCW 70A.222.070 directs the department of ecology (ecology) to determine whether safer alternatives to per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) currently exist for food packaging applications. Ecology must also publish their findings in the Washington State Register and submit a report on alternatives to the legislature.

Final report under RCW 70A.222.070: Based on our findings, ecology does not believe there are food packaging products containing PFAS that require further review under RCW 70A.222.070. Therefore, ecology's 2024 food packaging report will be the final report under RCW 70A.222.070.

Final PFAS in Food Packaging Report to the Legislature: Ecology submitted the final report, titled "Decreasing Use of PFAS in Food Packaging in Washington State," in October 2024. The final report is available at <https://apps.ecology.wa.gov/publications/SummaryPages/2404052.html>. You may also request copies of these documents via email at hwtrpubs@ecy.wa.gov. For more information, view ecology's PFAS in food packaging website at <https://ecology.wa.gov/waste-toxics/reducing-toxic-chemicals/addressing-priority-toxic-chemicals/pfas/food-packaging>.

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