

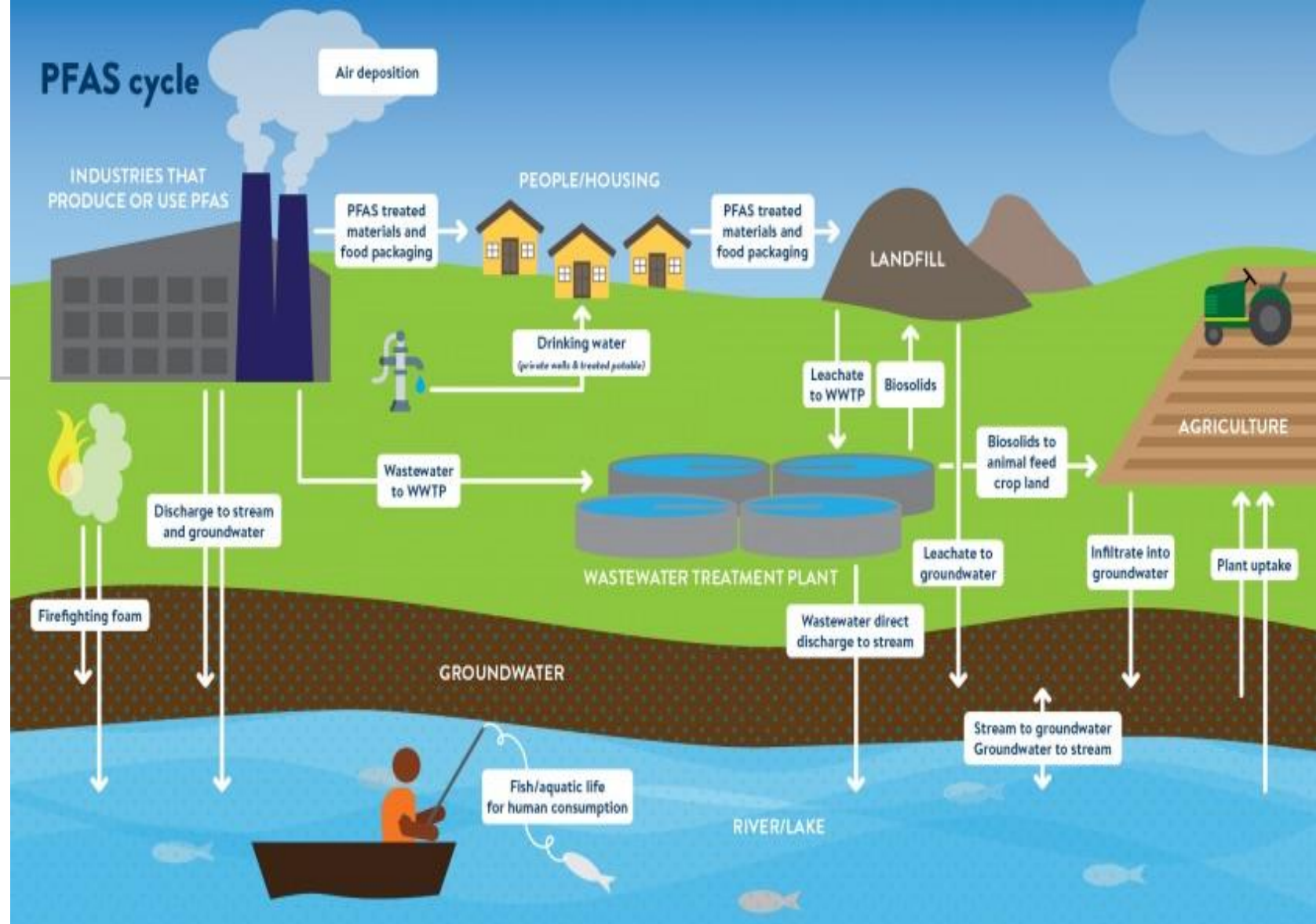


PFAS IN AFRICAN AMERICAN DISADVANTAGED COMMUNITIES

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PFAS CYCLE

- This illustration is a general overview of how PFAS moves in the environment, but is not a complete representation of all pathways.



Credit: Minnesota Pollution Control Agency



BAYO VISTA'S HEAVILY POLLUTED COMMUNITY

IMPACTED BY SEVERAL POLLUTION &
INDUSTRIAL SOURCES:

(affecting health, quality of life and our water)

- PHILLIP 66 REFINERY
- NU STAR OIL COMPANY
- FREEWAY POLLUTION
- RAW SEWAGE PLANT
- RAILROAD
- & HAS RECENTLY BECOME A FOOD
DESSERT

PFAS EXPOSURE & INEQUALITY

A , [UCS report](#) details, that it is rare for frontline communities to face just one environmental challenge.

Instead, Black communities face cumulative impacts from multiple routes of exposure to hazards, leading to increased health burdens.

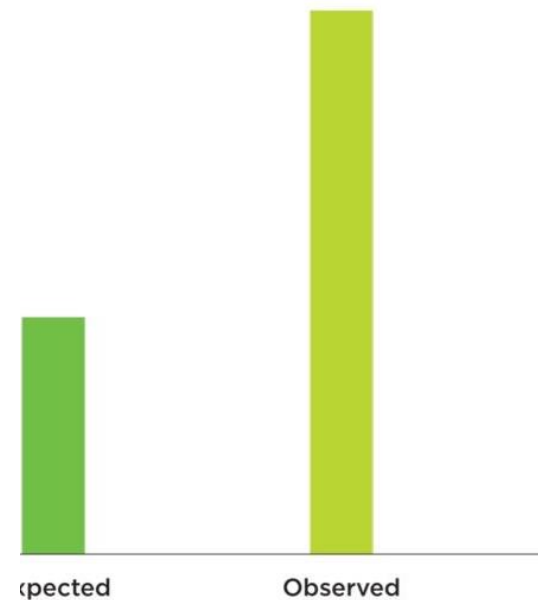
A [2015 report](#) revealed levels of PFAS higher than state standards.



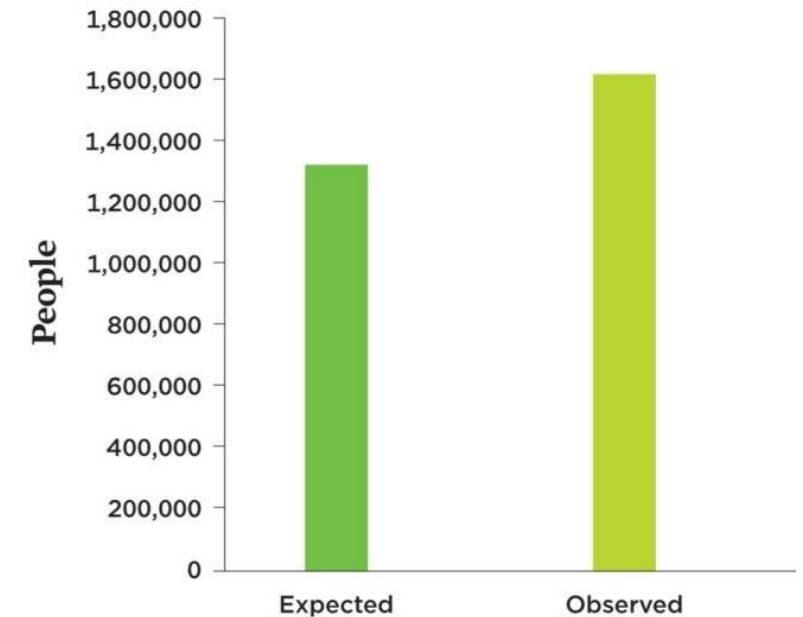
DATA

- As we know, Millions worldwide are affected by this “forever chemical” , PFAS. While, Marginalized and Fence Line ,Black community are get hit the heaviest as we are already overburden and overlooked
- [*Abandoned Science, Broken Promises*](#), found that communities of color and low-income communities are more likely to bear the economic and biological burden of the federal government’s lack of responsiveness to community concerns.

a. Households Living Within Five Miles of a Reported PFAS Contaminated Area



b. People of Color Living Within Five Miles of a Reported PFAS Contaminated Area





FISHING HAS DEEP ROOTS IN THE BLACK COMMUNITY

- Family tradition in many communities
(it's a way of life.)
- Hobby or Sport
- Leisure
- *Source of Food



COMMUNITY CONCERNS

- Historical & Long Term Exposures Consuming PFAS in Fish.
- Patterns of Polluters.
- Polluters have been allowed to directly contaminate the fish we eat.



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works to improve the health
and quality of life for low
income and severely
disadvantaged communities.

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