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EPA rides into Dimock

Feds to test 61 wells, provide water

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The federal government will begin testing water supplies for 61 homes in Dimock Twp. as soon as today in a dramatic expansion of the Environmental Protection Agency's current investigation into potential contamination by natural gas drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Susquehanna County township.

Citing its authority under the Superfund law, the EPA will also begin providing replacement drinking water supplies to four township homes where water was taken by outside firms raised health concerns — some of them rising to the level of an "imminent and substantial threat" to humans where small children live, the agency said.

The EPA reached out to both the state Department of Environmental Protection and Cabot Oil & Gas Corp., the Marcellus Shale driller active in the area, to ask if they would be interested in working with the agency on a cooperative.

Both agreed to cooperate. Dimock's two indicated their state has not moved into the EPA's orders as necessary.

"Our review, to be able to find EPA does not state to have presented any new data here," DEP spokesperson Katharine Dunn said. "Here since a year ago, DEP's enforcement action addressed [illegible]

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