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PFAS CONTAMINATION

# Forever no more? Treatment touted as PFAS ‘annihilator’

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commonly known as PCBs. Two years ago, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency identified the process as one of four promising technologies for destroying PFAS but noted that its widespread application had been limited by high energy demand and other technological challenges.

Battelle is not the only entity to devise a supercritical PFAS destruction method. A North Carolina company called 374Water is marketing a similar supercritical process, which is scheduled to debut commercially this year in California at the Orange County Sanitation District, where it will treat biosolid sludges as part of a demonstration project.

But Battelle, Revive and Crystal Clean are claiming first-to-market status with the Annihilator, which is already commercially treating leachate using the supercritical process.

“Most of the PFAS destruction methods are still at bench scale, field scale or pilot project stage,” said Abby Hendershott, director of the Michigan PFAS Action Response Team at the Department of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy.

OTHER METHODS

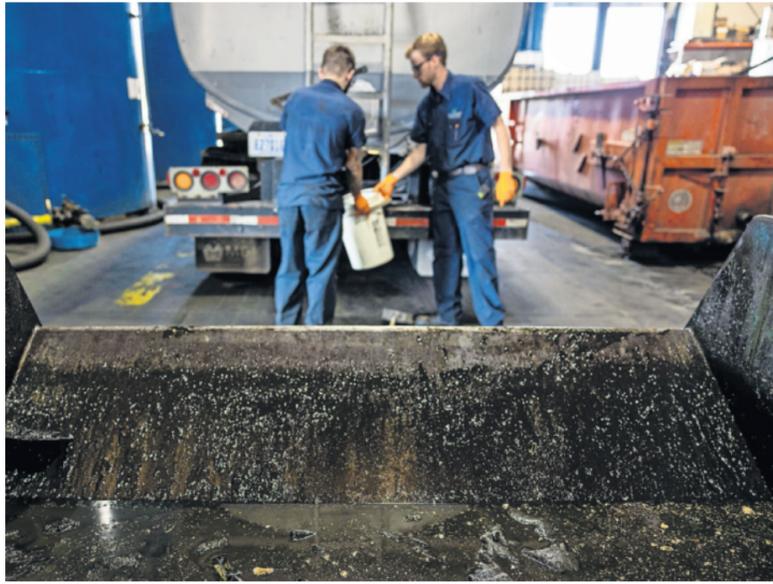
Alongside supercritical oxidation, other destruction technologies such as pyrolysis and gasification, hydrothermal alkaline treatment and electrochemical oxidation are emerging.

“I’m very excited to see these things starting to get into a real large-scale applicability,” said Hendershott, whose team, MPART, coordinates investigations into more than 250 sites around Michigan where PFAS has contaminated the groundwater, rivers and other ecosystems.

“They all have a place and there’s no one technology that’s going to be right for all the sites and all the different solutions,” she said. “We have to really look at how do we use the research and the technology to best fit the individual sites.”

In Wyoming, Revive’s equipment is set up inside the Heritage Crystal-Clean facility, where the Annihilator fits inside a pair of shipping containers. One contains a technician lab and the other performs the destruction.

Tanker trucks bring in more than 100,000 gallons of raw, untreated landfill leachate a day. The raw material is concentrated using a surface foam fractionation



Contaminated water is brought in for treatment during a tour of the PFAS Annihilator at Revive Environmental in Wyoming in June. Photos by Drew Travis, MLive.com



The Annihilator is a sustainable, cost-effective solution that permanently removes PFAS from contaminated waters and breaks it down into basic nontoxic elements, resulting in no polluting byproducts.



process and then fed into the Annihilator, which can process up to 500 gallons per day. The full treatment is branded “4never.”

MAKING IT WORK

Although the energy demand for getting water to supercritical conditions is high — Trueba said the Annihilator uses a “couple kilowatts an hour” on startup

— electricity from the chemical reaction itself can be recycled to cut down on costs.

The actual destruction step takes less than a minute. The water that comes out of the Annihilator is typically below a detection or reporting limit, said Dindal.

“Typically, it’s in the single parts per trillion range.”

The facility is currently processing

leachate from three Michigan landfills. Leachate — the slurry that collects at the bottom of landfills — typically contains high concentrations of PFAS chemicals. Leachate often goes to a municipal wastewater plant, which passes the chemicals into waterways because standard treatment processes cannot remove the PFAS compounds.

Michigan wastewater plants must limit their discharge to 12 ppt for the individual compound PFOS, which readily accumulates in the organs of fish and other aquatic life. Most wastewater plants require wastewater pre-treatment from industrial customers.

Brian Recatto, president of Crystal Clean, contacted Battelle in 2020 after learning about its supercritical research. Michigan was eventually chosen for the project launch because it has aggressive water quality standards.

STARTING AT THE SOURCE

The foam fractionation units that concentrate PFAS before destruction are designed for installation at landfills and other industrial sites, Recatto said.

“We would concentrate the waste at the source and then truck the resulting concentrate back to our facilities where the Annihilator would be located,” he said.

Depending on the logistics of getting the raw water to the process units, Recatto said the treatment cost is running between 15 and 40 cents per gallon.

Crystal Clean has 11 facilities around the country ready for an Annihilator. Trueba said there are currently six units in production and planned for deployment this fall.

Up to 25 might be built, he said, depending on demand.

In addition to landfill leachate and industrial wastewater, the technology also destroys PFAS in firefighting foam. Battelle also has contracts with the Department of Defense, including one to eventually deploy an Annihilator unit at Wurtsmith Air Force Base in Oscoda to process PFAS-contaminated water pulled from the ground during ongoing remedial investigations.

“It’s a tremendous opportunity for us. It’s a billion dollar-plus market — multibillion dollars if you believe everything you read,” Recatto said. “We’re very optimistic about it.”

“Expect to see us in other states soon.”

MICHIGAN POLITICS

# Senator is first Black woman overseeing state spending

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“It has shaken up the institution a bit, and I’m OK with that.”

The shake-up is evident the moment you walk into Anthony’s Capitol office. Portraits of past Appropriations chairs line a wall. All have one glaring similarity — they are older white men.

“When I look at that wall of the men who have, like, done this job before me, I know that they didn’t have the same level of community connection,” Anthony said. “Particularly like communities of color, they expect you to show up. They expect you to be present for the church service, and you don’t just show your face, you stay for the whole church service.”

Anthony graduated from Everett High School on Lansing’s south side and earned degrees from Central Michigan and Western Michigan universities. Before her time in the Capitol, Anthony served as an Ingham County com-

missioner. She was deputy director of the Michigan College Access Network, which prepares students for higher education, for nearly a decade.

A freshman member of the Senate, Anthony has represented Lansing since her election to the state House in 2018.

The capital city is one of the larger and more diverse mid-Michigan cities, with about 22% of its residents living at or below the poverty line. The view from her office balcony — of the Michigan State University campus, wealthy lobbyists and the city’s homeless — is a staunch reminder of the varying aspects of Lansing life, Anthony said.

Working alongside House Appropriations Chair Angela Witwer, who is another Democratic legislator also from mid-Michigan, in Delta Township, Anthony said she hopes to make Lansing “look and feel like a capital city should.” For her, that means more entertainment and cultural activities, in addition to affordable housing.

Because she believed she could do more work at the state level than in Washington, D.C., she is forgoing a run for U.S. Rep. Elissa Slotkin’s open congressional seat after months of speculation.

“There (are) other careers that I could absolutely choose that I can make more money, I can travel more, I wouldn’t have as much scrutiny, but I love my city,” she said.

On any given day on the Senate floor, Anthony is rarely stationary at her desk. She is often buzzing about, talking to different lawmakers about policy matters or running back to her office for meetings with stakeholders.

Anthony is known among her colleagues, staff and community as an authentic communicator capable of building strong relationships.

Senate Majority Leader Winnie Brinks, D-Grand Rapids, said she had no qualms appointing Anthony as Appropriations chair because of those qualities. The pair first crossed paths when both were members of the House five years ago.

“I’ve just been really impressed with her,” Brinks said. “She had all the right ingredients to be a fantastic appropriations chair.”

But Anthony’s rising success hasn’t been without its challenges.

More than once, she’s been the target of racist and misogynistic threats that required law enforcement intervention.

Early in the COVID-19 pandemic, an armed security detail of activists had to escort her to and from the Capitol as armed protesters loomed over lawmakers in objection to the governor’s stay-home order.

Most recently, her job requires constantly juggling interests of her fellow lawmakers, long nights of negotiations and anxiety about ensuring the state budget reflects the needs of Michiganders.

The morning the Legislature passed the 2023-24 budget, she reflected on months of work and personal sacrifice.

“Did you have ever a time where you’re like, I just wanted to like throw in the towel?” Anthony said. “I’ve always wanted to take the job really seriously ... being the ‘first only’ thing and just by nature. This being my first budget, I wanted to be more of a technician than a politician, because I don’t want to just repeat talking points.”

“So I am actually exhausted. ... But you know, I think

that’s what it takes.”

Later in the day, Anthony missed multiple calls from her mother, one of several women she references as a strong presence in her life.

She was in the throes of a busy session but prepared for an emergency. Once they were able to connect, she said her mother simply wanted to know how she was doing.

“My mother does not see me as the appropriations chair, she does not see me as a senator, she sees me as her baby,” Anthony said. “She is good for seeing me on the news and saying ‘Baby, you look tired,’ or, ‘Make sure to get some rest.’”

Jim Stamas, a Midland Republican no longer in office because of term limits, can relate. He served as appropriations chair from 2019 to 2022.

“It’s not a 9-to-5 job, it’s closer to 16-hour days, if not a little more. Then, your mind doesn’t usually stop,” Stamas said. “I think she’s done a nice job navigating those waters in the first year.”

In the past few months, Republican senators criticized Anthony for a lack of transparency throughout the budget process. The budget is the largest in Michigan history and the first under an all Democratic-led state government in four decades.

But the “political theater,” as she likes to call it, doesn’t sway her plans.

“It’s interesting, like there’s the public relationship and then there’s the private relationships,” Anthony said. “I have grown really thick skin to see Republicans who are blasting me, blasting Democrats.”

No other Republican may have worked as closely with Anthony this year than Senate Appropriations Minority Vice Chair Jon Bumstead, R-North Muskegon.

He said she’s included him “in all the conversations as far as the Republican side” and she’s been “very upfront and honest” with him.

“I know when you’re in the minority, you’re not going to get quite the same thing when you’re in the majority, and people need to understand that,” Bumstead said.

When speaking about Anthony, he added, “She’s a smart gal and she’s fun to work and to be around. She’s just a good person, and not that we have to agree politically on anything or things all the time.”

Anthony said she is motivated by communities of people she thinks have too often been overlooked.

First introduced in 2019, her CROWN Act bill to ban race-based hair discrimination in Michigan became law in June. The Legislature also passed a bill to raise the legal of marriage in Michigan to 18, which she initially proposed in 2018.

A woman of faith, she said it’s a blessing to help bridge the gap between her community and state government.

“Hopefully, my legacy is being able to have an ear to the streets and bring those perspectives here, so that they can see themselves in the state budget, which in my mind is one of the most powerful mechanisms for change in politics,” she said.

The day the budget passed, she wore a pin symbolizing breaking glass ceilings. It was a gift from former Lansing state Rep. Joan Bauer, who employed Anthony before she became a lawmaker.

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Administrative Rules for Commercial Forests  
Rule Set 2021-75 NR**

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Department of Natural Resources, Forest Resources Division,  
ATTN: Karen Maidlow  
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# News About People on Mackinac Island

## Margaret DOUD

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Once again, it has been a very nice week on Mackinac. The flowers are absolutely gorgeous and bring such beauty to the Island. The hollyhocks are bursting into bloom in a variety of colors, and they are so stately and tall. It is a great time to visit!

Friday, July 21, at 7 p.m. State Park Director Steve Brisson, Governor Gretchen Whitmer, and Mayor Margaret Doud stood in front of City Hall to stop a horseless carriage from proceeding down Market Street. A large crowd of people gathered to hear the resolution from 1898 read aloud, and Mayor Doud said that it will be honored in 2023! It was a fun event. Saturday evening, July 22, a reception was held at Fort Mackinac to continue the celebration. Phil Porter explained his book entitled "Where Horse IS King, Mackinac Island's Automobile Ban" which was most interesting. It was a beautiful Mackinac evening, and everyone reaffirmed that the "Horse IS king on Mackinac." A very

special thank you to Steve Brisson and his team for organizing the events. They were very well done.

The 114th Chicago to Mackinac Race was great. The weather was perfect and the *Whitehawk* was the first to cross the finish line. The boats finished with their colored spinnakers billowing, creating an amazing sight. All the sailors had a great time and enjoyed a wonderful party at Mission Point Tuesday afternoon, July 25. A great time was had by all.

There will be a Mackinac 7 art exhibit at the Mackinac Island Public Library on display from August 1 to September 1. The opening reception will be Friday, August 4, from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Mike, Libby, Jack Reece, and a friend from Georgia spent a week on Mackinac at Dan and Virginia's home on Benjamin Lane.

There will be a celebration Wednesday, August 9, from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. at the Mackinac Island Yacht Club in honor of Jean Allen's 100th birthday. Come and help her celebrate!

The Vintage Base Ball game was Saturday, July 29, behind Fort Mackinac at 6:30 p.m. A fun time was had by all.

Jane Winston spent several days at

Mackinac at Cable Cottage.

Claire and Candi Dunnigan are enjoying Easterly and riding their horses.

Anna Mary Cusack is entertaining her daughter, Kelly, and granddaughter, Marlo, from Colorado.

Happy first anniversary to Sarah Dehring and Ashley Johnson Saturday, July 29.

Diane and Dan Shea are enjoying their home in Hubbard's Annex.

Happy anniversary to Katie and Matt Kovakowski August 1, to Larry and Kay Berke August 2, to Brian and Kara Thomas August 4, and to Alan and Allison Seohyan August 6. Enjoy your day!

Dr. Jeff Chambers from Minnesota visited Mackinac over the weekend.

This past week, a person went missing from Mission Point Resort. The Mackinac Island Fire Department, Police Department, EMTs, Mackinac Marine Rescue, Michigan State Police, and many volunteers came together to locate the gentleman. It is a great thing how Mackinac comes together and a special thank you to everyone. It truly is the Mackinac way. The person was found, so all ended well!

Wednesday, July 19, Commodore Lewis Boynton, Postmaster Ollie Boynton,

and Brother Jim Boynton were honored at the second Michilimackinac Bridging History dinner hosted by the historical society in St. Ignace. It was a very nice event and was well attended. At the end of the evening, Brother Jim and his group started playing great music. Many people from Mackinac Island attended.

The flags at Fort Mackinac and City Hall flew at half-staff Tuesday, July 18, in honor of Doris LaPine, age 75, who passed surrounded by her family. Doris was born and raised on Mackinac Island, the daughter of James and Helen Bazinaw. She married Richard LaPine August 27, 1966. Doris loved her family, especially her granddaughter, Cassie, and great granddaughter, Bella. They were the light of her life.

Doris enjoyed family gatherings, especially when cards and dice were played. She was the life of the party!

Doris is survived by her husband, Richard, daughter, Tammy, son, Richard, granddaughter, Cassie and her husband Lucas, and great-granddaughter, Bella, as well as many brothers and sisters.

May Doris always rest in peace on the shores of Mackinac.

Enjoy your week! ■

# Cedarville's Class of 1973 Celebrates 50 Year Reunion

The Cedarville High School class of 1973 celebrated its 50th year reunion celebration at Hessel School House Saturday, July 1. Twenty-three of the group's 46 graduates returned for the event. The class followed up the reunion by participating in Cedarville's Independence Day parade Tuesday, July 4, with a tie-dye themed entry that featured signage highlighting the big events and popular culture of their graduation year. ■



MICKY BICKHAM / COURTESY PHOTO  
The 23 members of the class of 1973 alumni who gathered in July for their 50th class reunion.

# News from West Mackinac

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The lazy hazy days of summer are upon us, and often the haze is from the Canadian wildfires to the north of us. Our state's motto is "If you seek a pleasant peninsula, look about you." Folks from all over and parts in between find our part of the state is living up to that motto. License plates bearing the names of most states in the union are in evidence on the very busy and travelled road, the US-2 corridor. The locals tend to avoid that in the summer. Folks who are bound for other places with US-2 as the connector seem to be in a hurry and want to arrive yesterday.

With September on the horizon and a change in the activities, life tends to slow down just a tad. Plenty of reunions both class and family are filling up the calendar, as well as football practice. Holy cow, it seems as though we just barely finished the school year, but as us older folks are prone to say, "The older we get, the faster times seems to go."

Guests at the home of Dale and Evelyn Burgess are family members Jenn and Ken Huyghe of the southern regions of our state.

Following the morning service Sunday,

August 20, at 11 a.m., the Christian Fellowship Churches will be having their annual CFC Fish Fry/Potluck at the Prayer Park, which is located on the south side of US-2 on the beautiful shores of Lake Michigan in Naubinway. You are invited and welcome to join the church family for great food, outdoor fun, and a fantastic view.

Birthday wishes are extended to Scott Butkovich, Mary Rexlow, Jason Brown August 1; Star Freed, Katie Moore, Blane Butkovich, Teresa Makin, Matt Laky, Alice Martis, Jenna Livermore August 2; brother-in-law Steve Livermore, Skip Fuller, Alicia King, Emma Butkovich, Corole Hadley, Jim Zdebski August 3; Annie Carroll, Chelsea Bryers August 4; brother-in-law Dale Burgess, Lyla Luto, Ellie Butkovich, Heather Crawford, Leland Jordan August 5; Michal Vigas, Dennis Borowski, Jillian Spurlock, Al Garavaglia August 6; former resident of Garnet, Lillian Kerridge Hoerz who has reached her 90th year we wish her health and happiness, brother-in-law Roy Livermore, Dan Plue, Mercy Freed, Coty Ionetz all on August 7; nephew Dave Albrecht, Denny Knight, Samantha Martis, Kathleen Mason August 8; Erwin Hansen, Roy Metcalf August 9; Karen Beaulieu August 10; Kaylee Derusha, Tyler Nance, Dominick Clark August 11; Lisa Butkovich, Judith Leveille, Chris Ionetz August 12; Lisa Whiddett August 13.

Anniversary blessings to Nicki and Will Cobe August 1; Geoff and Cheryl

Vanhise, Hugh and Darcy Bigelow August 3; Butch and Debbie Formolo, Kevin and Conni Gouza August 5; Joe and Sandy Webber, Larry and Heidi Derusha August 7; Ben and Abby Wyse August 8; Matt and Kierra Freed August 11.

Condolences to the family of Joan Rau who passed away in Florida July 5. She, along with her husband Jerry, operated a small convenience store on Trout Lake Road and Hiawatha Trail many years ago, and were well known in the area, and their children all attended Engadine Schools.

Get well wishes and prayers to Steve King, Mary Sharp, and George Trembley.

Nice to say hello to Kelly and Beverly Smock here from New York. Bev is the former Beverly Selby and were staying a few days with sister-in-law Evelyn Selby. ■

# PUZZLE ANSWER

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# REQUEST FOR BIDS City of St. Ignace DDA

The St. Ignace Downtown Development Authority is requesting sealed bids for purchase of and moving or salvaging of the Museum Boarding House located at 556 North State Street. Bid packages are available from the St. Ignace City Clerk's Office.

Bids must be in a **SEALED** envelope and received by **Thursday, August 17, 2023, 2:00 p.m.**, local time, to the **St. Ignace Downtown Development Authority, St. Ignace City Hall, 369 North State Street, St. Ignace, Michigan 49781**, at which time the bids will be opened and read aloud.

It is the City of St. Ignace's intent to have the building removed by **November 3, 2023**.

# St. Ignace City Council Minutes

## City of St. Ignace Summary of Council Proceedings July 10, 2023

A Regular Meeting of the St. Ignace City Council was held at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, July 24, 2023, in the City Hall Council Chambers with Mayor LaLonde presiding.

Council approved the minutes as presented from the July 10, 2023, Council meeting.

Council approved the updated Treasurer Support Agreement through 2023.

Council approved the Tie Michigan Teal Campaign for the month of September.

Council approved postponing the Trek the Yoop 2023 Resolution 23-27.

Council approved purchasing a replacement circulation pump from Advanced Comfort Controls for Little Bear East facility.

Council approved the June 2023 financials.

Council approved the appointment of Scott Marshall, as City Manager,

to the Straits Area EMS Authority.

Council approved the bills for a total of \$425,197.28.

Council received the Management report.

Council received the Committee reports.

Councilmember comments were received.

Meeting adjourned at 8:29 p.m.

The next Regular Council Meeting will be held on Monday, August 7, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers. Please visit the City's website at [www.cityofstignace.com](http://www.cityofstignace.com), or call (906)643-9671, for the most up-to-date information for upcoming City meetings.

Official City Council proceedings are available electronically on the website and in the City Clerk's Office by request.

Respectfully Submitted,  
**Andrea Insley,**  
City Clerk/Treasurer

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WOMEN'S WORLD CUP

# The U.S. lacks that 2019 magic

BY ANNE M. PETERSON  
AP Sports Writer

The United States is clearly not the dominant team that won the 2019 Women's World Cup.

The Americans have advanced to the knockout stage at this edition of the tournament, but just barely after a 0-0 draw with Portugal in their final group match. After the final whistle on Tuesday night, Alex Morgan stood expressionless with her hands on her hips.

It was a look of frustration. If the Americans don't pick up

their play, their run to a third straight World Cup title could soon be over.

With just one win and a pair of draws, the United States fell to second in Group E behind the Netherlands. The Americans now head to Melbourne, Australia, for a Round of 16 match against the top finisher from Group G, which wraps up Wednesday.

The United States scored just four goals in group play — a sharp contrast to the 18 they scored in the group in 2019. In each of their first six matches four years ago in France, the Americans scored within the

opening 12 minutes.

"I think there's things we can do better for sure, things we could do better for the last couple of games. But I'm not going to dwell on it. It is what it is," veteran Megan Rapinoe said. "We need to play better and we know that. We need to be a little bit more fluid and I think just a little bit more connected offensively."

The team has 14 players who are making their first appearance in a World Cup, and for 12 of them, it's their first big international tournament. Coach Vlatko Andonovski focused on developing young

talent after the United States settled for a disappointing bronze medal at the Tokyo Olympics.

Andonovski rolled out the same lineup for the first two matches of the group stage against Vietnam and the Netherlands. The starters had never played together before.

Rapinoe and Rose Lavelle, who both scored in the 2-0 victory over the Netherlands in the World Cup final four years ago in France, had picked up injuries in the run-up to the tournament and their minutes were restricted.

When Lavelle was subbed

into the group match against the Dutch last Thursday, she gave the team a second-half spark and served up the corner kick to Lindsey Horan for the goal that pulled the U.S. into a 1-1 draw.

Hoping to boost the attack, Andonovski changed things up against Portugal, starting Lavelle for midfielder Savannah DeMelo and replacing forward Trinity Rodman with Lynn Williams. Still, the scoring issues persisted.

Lavelle picked up her second yellow card in the match against Portugal, meaning she won't be available to play on

Sunday in Melbourne.

Portugal nearly scored in stoppage time, but Ana Capeta's blast hit the post. A loss to the Portuguese would have sent the Americans home after the group stage for the first time at a World Cup or an Olympics.

Following the draw, former U.S. forward Carli Lloyd blasted the team as "uninspiring."

"Disappointing. They don't look fit. They're playing as individuals and the tactics are too predictable," Lloyd said on the Fox Sports postgame show.

AUTO RACING

## Who's in? NASCAR Cup Series has 4 playoff spots open

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Chase Elliott has four races remaining to save his season.

The 2020 NASCAR champion has raced for the title each of the last three years but has yet to claim a spot in the 16-driver playoff field for 2023. NASCAR's most popular driver missed six races early after breaking his left leg and was suspended for another. Those absences have him sitting 20th in the Cup Series standings headed into Sunday's race at Michigan International Speedway.

Elliott goes to Michigan this weekend and then road courses at Indianapolis Motor Speedway and Watkins Glen before finishing the regular season at Daytona International Speedway on Aug. 26. There have been 12 playoff-eligible winners through 22 races, leaving four postseason spots to be decided this month.

The 10-race playoffs begin at

Darlington Raceway on Sept. 3. Here's a look at drivers on the bubble:

**ELLIOTT**

The Hendrick Motorsports star hasn't led a lap since late June, a summer swoon that has some wondering whether he will get the victory he needs to make the playoffs. But with two road course upcoming, no one should count him out.

Seven of Elliott's 18 career Cup wins have come at road courses, including two at the Glen.

**KEVIN HARVICK**

Harvick is retiring at the end of this season, and the 2014 Cup champion wants to go out with a shot at a second title. He's sixth in the Cup standings, which would be good enough to make the playoffs without a victory providing there are not 16 unique winners.

With six career wins at Michigan, one at the Glen and two at Daytona, Harvick surely has

to like his chances to punch his playoff ticket in August.

**BRAD KESELOWSKI**

Keselowski is 11th in the standings and would make the playoffs if there are not 16 different winners.

In his second year of ownership at rebranded RFK Racing, the 2012 champion is trying to get back into the playoffs after last year's rebuild at his new team. He missed the playoffs for the first time in 15 seasons in 2022.

Like Harvick, Keselowski is in solid position to make the playoffs so long as he's not bumped out by four new winners over the next four weeks.

**BUBBA WALLACE**

Wallace is still looking for his first playoff berth. He is 15th in the standings, one of two Toyota drivers not already locked into the postseason. Wallace led a season-high 80 laps last week at Richmond International Raceway, but he faded late and finished a

disappointing 12th.

He's usually a contender at Daytona but surely doesn't want to go there needing to win.

**MICHAEL MCDOWELL**

The 2021 Daytona 500 champion is 16th in the standings, trying to get tiny Front Row Motorsports into the playoffs for the second time in team history. The team earned the automatic berth the year McDowell won the 500.

Although McDowell would be in if the regular season ended today, he has little room for error down the stretch and would need a victory if another new drivers win in the coming weeks.

**TY GIBBS**

The reigning Xfinity Series champion is having a decent rookie Cup season for Joe Gibbs Racing and sits 17th in points. If Gibbs could snag a spot, JGR would have all four of its Toyotas in the playoff field.

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Forest Resource Division  
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Rule Set 2021-75 NR

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
Thursday, August 17, 2023  
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The Department of Natural Resources will hold a public hearing to receive public comments on proposed changes to the Commercial Forests rule set.

The proposed rule changes are intended to provide clarification of administrative processes and remove language in conflict with Part 511, Commercial Forests, of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended.

By authority conferred on the department of natural resources by part 511 of the natural resources and environmental protection act, 1994 PA 451, MCL 324.51101 to 324.51120.

The proposed rules will take effect immediately after filing with the Secretary of State. The proposed rules are published on the State of Michigan's website at [www.michigan.gov/ARD](http://www.michigan.gov/ARD) and in the 8/15/2023 issue of the Michigan Register. Copies of these proposed rules may also be obtained by mail or electronic mail at the following email address: [Maidlowk@michigan.gov](mailto:Maidlowk@michigan.gov).

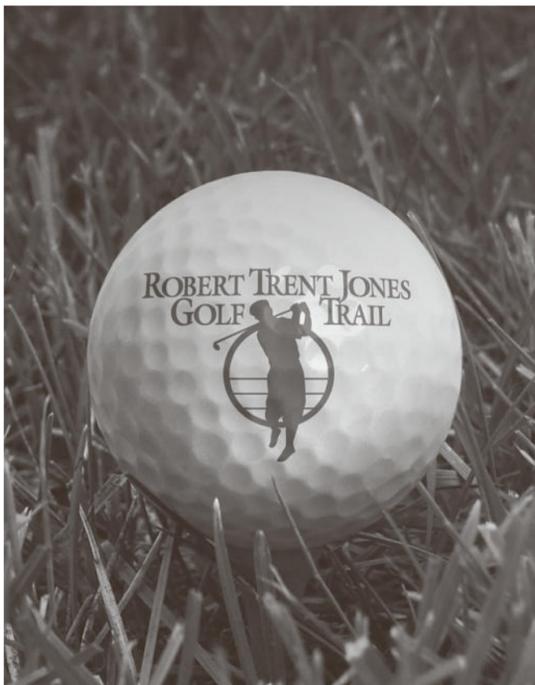
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