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## **MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Grand Lake Mayor and Board of Trustees

**Cc:** Grand Lake Town Manager

**From:** Dan Krob, Grand Lake Town Attorney

**Date:** July 8, 2024

**Re:** 3M and DuPont PFAS Settlement Funds

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### **Background**

3M and DuPont manufactured certain chemicals that are resistant to oil, grease, water and heat commonly known as PFAS. PFAS are sometimes referred to as “forever chemicals” and have been found to contaminate water systems including drinking water throughout the United States. As a result of contaminating multiple water systems, thousands of cases across the country were combined into a federal multidistrict litigation in a United States District Court.

3M and DuPont reached a settlement in this litigation and to participate in the settlement, the Town will need to join the settlement class by July 12, 2024. The Town could elect to not join the settlement class and pursue claims against the PFAS manufactures on its own, however, such a path will be extremely costly and have no guarantee of a positive outcome. Joining the class is no cost to the Town and may allow us to share in the settlement.

### **Staff recommendation**

Staff recommends the Board of Trustees direct staff to join the class action and take any further steps necessary to participate in the settlement.