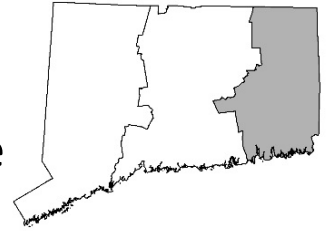


Eastern Region Water Utility Coordinating Committee



June 27, 2016

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RE: Notice of Commencement Preliminary Water Supply Assessment
Eastern Region WUCC

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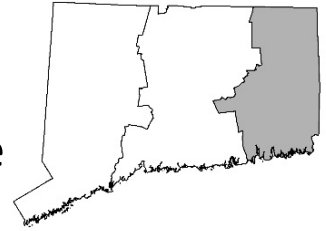
The Eastern Region Water Utility Coordinating Committee (WUCC) has begun a two year drinking water supply planning process in the eastern region public water supply management area. In accordance with Section 25-33h-1(c)(5) of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, this letter is being sent to all eligible WUCC members within the eastern public water supply management area, Chief Administrative Officials, and other interested persons to provide notice that a preliminary assessment of public drinking water supply conditions and problems is being undertaken. A Preliminary Water Supply Assessment will be prepared and shared with WUCC members and the general public as part of the Eastern Region Coordinated Water System Plan.

Eligible WUCC members include one representative from each public water system with a source of supply or service area within the public water supply management area and one representative from each regional planning agency within the public water supply management area, elected by majority vote of the chief elected officials of the municipalities that are members of such regional planning agency. A public water system is any private, municipal or regional utility supplying water for human consumption through pipes or other constructed conveyances to at least 15 service connections or that serves an average of at least 25 people daily for at least 60 days per year.

The Water Supply Assessment (WSA) will be the first of four documents that will be created through the Eastern Region WUCC planning process. The WSA is a review of the existing public water supply systems, assessing conditions, needs, issues, and deficiencies. Specifically, the assessment will include a description of existing water systems; availability and adequacy of any future water sources; existing service area boundaries and public water system limits established by statute, special act, or administrative decision; present and projected growth rates; and status of water system planning, land use planning, and coordination between public water systems.

The Eastern Region WUCC encourages participation in all stages of the WUCC process in order to receive input from all affected parties. It is important to participate in order to understand how this process and specifically the water supply assessment document will affect public water systems, communities, and the region. Discussion of this topic will begin at the next regularly scheduled WUCC meeting to be held on July 13, 2016 at the Southeastern Connecticut Council of Governments; 5 Connecticut Avenue; Norwich, CT at 1:00 p.m. Members of the public may attend.

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Additional information pertaining to the Eastern Region Water Utility Coordinating Committee, including past and future meeting agendas, meeting minutes, correspondence, mapping, and publications may be found at the following web site:
<http://www.ct.gov/dph/cwp/view.asp?a=3139&q=576502%20>

Very Truly Yours,

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