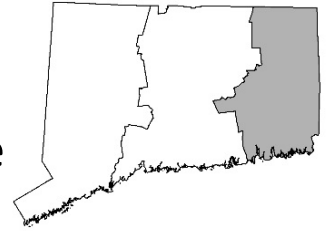


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To: Council of Government WUCC Members and Constituent Municipalities

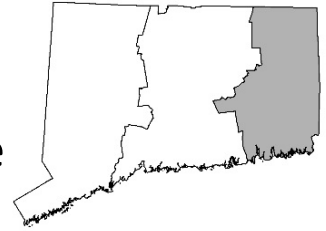
RE: Request for Information
Final Water Supply Assessment
Eastern Region WUCC

The Eastern Region Water Utility Coordinating Committee (WUCC) has recently issued its Preliminary Water Supply Assessment (WSA) for public review and comment. The WSA is a review of the existing public water supply systems and identifies current conditions, needs, issues, and deficiencies related to the provision of public water supply in the region.

As discussed at the meeting on September 14, the Eastern Region WUCC is in need of input from all the municipalities in the Eastern Region to help inform the WSA. The Council of Government WUCC members have been asked to reach out to their constituent municipalities to provide feedback critical to the process. Specifically, we are hoping to address the following questions:

1. Is the creation of a public water system desired in any village centers (or other areas where there is a concentration of residential or commercial uses) due to high development density and challenging lot sizes, perhaps coupled with a desire for nominal growth?
2. Is there a desire to create a new public water system or expand an existing system in your municipality to address water quality concerns?
3. Do you know of any examples of water systems in need or experiencing problems, are in need of assistance, or have unmet needs?
4. Where is the movement of water necessary from areas of surplus to areas of need?
5. Are there areas in your municipality where additional water supply is necessary (due to reduced available water, reduced yields, etc.)?
6. Do you know of any areas in your municipality where it may be prudent to eliminate small public water systems where nearby expansion of a larger system has occurred?
7. Is there a general desire to reduce the overall number of small water systems in your municipality?

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8. Can you identify any potential interconnections or main extensions that could address any of the challenges listed above?
9. Have needed water system expansion or upgrades within your municipality been delayed due to lack of funding?
10. Please explain any other issues related to public water supply that you believe that the WUCC should consider as part of this planning process.

If you could provide a written summary of the information via electronic mail it would be very helpful to the development of the WSA. Alternatively, you can provide your answers online by typing the following into your web browser: bit.ly/EWUCC1. We encourage you to consider the water supply needs of your municipality. Thank you for your time and effort assisting us in this process.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact any of the Tri-Chairs at the phone numbers or email addresses listed above, or the Eastern WUCC's consultant, Mr. Scott Bighinatti of Milone & MacBroom, Inc., at 203-271-1773 or sbighinatti@mminc.com. You may also discuss your concerns with us at our next regularly scheduled Eastern WUCC meeting to be held on October 12, 2016 at the Southeastern Connecticut Council of Governments office, 5 Connecticut Avenue, Norwich, CT at 1:00 PM. A Town-by-town discussion of issues, needs, and deficiencies related to the provision of public water supply in the region is proposed to occur at the meeting.

Additional information pertaining to the Eastern Region Water Utility Coordinating Committee, including past and future meeting agendas, meeting minutes, correspondence, schedules, mapping, and publications may be found at the following web site: <http://www.ct.gov/dph/wucc>. We look forward to your participation in this important process.

Very Truly Yours,

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