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The next edition of the Environmental Monitor will be published on **May 4, 2021**.

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Scoping Notice

"Scoping" is for projects in the earliest stages of planning. At the scoping stage, detailed information on a project's design, alternatives, and environmental impacts does not yet exist. Sponsoring agencies are asking for comments from other agencies and from the public as to the scope of alternatives and environmental impacts that should be considered for further study. Send your comments to the contact person listed for the project by the date indicated. [Read More](#)

The following Scoping Notice has been submitted for publication in this edition.

1. Notice of Scoping for Replacement of Stiles Bridge - Route 191 over Scantic River

Address of possible location: Route 191 over Scantic River. Mile point 2.73 of Route 191

Municipality where proposed action might be located: East Windsor

Project Description: The Stiles Bridge (Bridge No. 01524) was built in 1925 and rehabilitated in 1987, and is eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. It is a 76-foot span steel truss on reinforced concrete with a curb-to-curb width of 27 feet 10 inches. It carries one lane of traffic in each direction, and has an estimated average daily traffic of 1,500 vehicles. The proposed project scope is to replace the existing bridge. Replacement is required based on the findings of the latest Bridge Inspection Report in which the bridge was found to be in serious condition. The proposed new structure will be a multi girder steel superstructure on reinforced concrete abutments.

An approximate 9-month closure of Bridge No. 01524 and a corresponding detour of pedestrian and vehicular traffic will be required. The estimated project cost is \$9 million, and is anticipated to be undertaken with 80% Federal funds and 20% State funds. Construction is anticipated to begin in 2023 based on availability of funding and approval of permits.

Project Map: [Click here to view a map of the project area.](#)

Written comments from the public are welcomed and will be accepted until the close of business on: **Friday May 21, 2021.**

There will be a Virtual Public Scoping Meeting for this proposed action:

DATE: Tuesday May 4, 2021

TIME: 7:00 p.m.

PLACE: Virtual

NOTES: The meeting will be live streamed via Microsoft Teams Live Event and YouTube Live. A Question & Answer session will immediately follow the presentation. Instructions on how to access the meeting and on how to provide comments or ask questions, can be found on the project webpage at: <https://portal.ct.gov/DOTEastWindsor46-127>

During the Q&A session and the comment period that follows the meeting, individuals may leave a question or comment via email (preferred) at DOTProject46-127@ct.gov. Individuals may also leave a voicemail question or comment by calling (860) 944-1111. Please reference the project in your voicemail.

Persons with limited internet access may request that project information be mailed to them by contacting Mr. Ken-Taro Plude by email at Ken-Taro.plude@ct.gov - allow one week for processing and delivery.

Individuals with limited internet access can listen to the meeting by calling **(800) 779-3152** and entering the Participant Code when prompted: **3998306**. Persons with hearing and/or speech disabilities may dial 711 for Telecommunications Relay Services

(TRS). A recording of the formal presentation will be posted to YouTube following the event and closed captioning (including non-English translation options) will be available at that time. The recording will also be available in the list of DOT virtual public meetings at: <https://portal.ct.gov/dot/general/CTDOT-VPIM-Library>

Language assistance may be requested by contacting the Department's Language Assistance Call Line (860) 594-2109. Requests should be made at least five business days prior to the meeting. Language assistance is provided at no cost to the public and efforts will be made to respond to timely requests for assistance.

Comments and/or questions about the meeting or project (email preferred) should be sent to:

Name: Mr. Ken-Taro Plude, Project Engineer

Agency: Connecticut Department of Transportation, Bureau of Engineering and Construction

Address: 2800 Berlin Turnpike, Newington, CT 06131

E-Mail: DOTProject46-127@ct.gov

Individuals may also leave a voicemail question or comment by calling (860) 944-1111. Please reference Project No. 46-127 in your voicemail.

Inquiries and requests to view and or copy documents, pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, must be submitted to the sponsoring state agency:

Name: Ms. Alice M. Sexton

Agency: Connecticut Department of Transportation, Office of Legal Services

Address: 2800 Berlin Turnpike, Newington, CT 06131

E-Mail: Alice.Sexton@ct.gov

What Happens Next: The sponsoring agency will make a determination whether to proceed with preparation of an Environmental Impact Evaluation (EIE) or that the project does not require the preparation of an EIE under the Connecticut Environmental Policy Act (CEPA). A Post-Scoping Notice of its decision will appear in a future edition of the *Environmental Monitor*.

Scoping Notice - Post-Scoping Notice (Need More Time)

If an agency is unable to publish a Post-Scoping Notice within six months after the comment period for scoping, the agency will publish an update with an action status and an estimate as to when a Post-Scoping Notice will be published. Such an update will be published by the agency at six-month intervals until the Post-Scoping Notice is published. [Read More](#)

No notice for additional time has been submitted for publication in this edition.

Post-Scoping Notice

A Post-Scoping Notice is the determination by a sponsoring agency, after publication of a Scoping Notice and consideration of comments received, whether an **Environmental Impact Evaluation (EIE)** needs to be prepared for a proposed State action. [Read More](#)

No Post-Scoping Notice has been submitted for publication in this edition.

EIE Notice

After Scoping, an agency that wishes to undertake an action that could significantly affect the environment must produce, for public review and comment, a detailed written evaluation of the expected environmental impacts. This is called an **Environmental Impact Evaluation (EIE)**. [Read More](#)

The following EIE Notice has been submitted for publication in this edition.

1. Notice of an Environmental Impact Evaluation (EIE) for City of New Haven Combined Sewer Overflow Long-Term Control Plan Update

Address of Possible Project Location: Throughout the City of New Haven

Municipality where proposed action is to be located: New Haven

Project Description: The scoping notice for this project was published in the [February 20, 2018 edition](#) of the Environmental Monitor. New Haven is a combined sewer overflow (CSO) community, where both sanitary sewage and stormwater are carried in the same pipe. During rainfall events of sufficient intensity and duration, the capacity of the collection system is overwhelmed and excess flows discharge to nearby rivers and the New Haven Harbor via built-in overflows in the collection system. The overflows were designed to prevent the combined sewer flows from backing up into basements and surcharging onto streets. The Greater New Haven Water Pollution Control Authority (GNHWPCA) is responsible for operation and maintenance of this collection and treatment system.

The GNHWPCA has agreed, through a Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) consent order, to eliminate these discharges, and has developed the CSO Long Term Control Plan (CSOLTCP) to accomplish this. The CSOLTCP recommends a combination of sewer separation, in-system storage, and capacity increases in the conveyance system and at New Haven's East Shore Water Pollution Abatement Facility (ESWPAF). These improvements will be implemented in a phased approach over a 20 year period. The CSOLTCP will be reevaluated as its projects progress, based on environmental improvements, changes in regulations and new technological solutions that may emerge. Implementation of the proposed CSOLTCP will be conducted in three phases: Short-Term, Intermediate-Term, and Long-Term.

The proposed 2016 update to the CSOLTCP, upon completion of short-term, intermediate-term, and long-term control plan actions, identifies the elimination of CSOs from storms up to and including a 2-year, 6-hour design storm by 2036. If requested by the Greater New Haven Water Pollution Control Authority and deemed appropriate by the Commissioner, such schedule may be extended but not beyond July 1, 2040.

The CSOLTCP was reviewed and approved by DEEP in 2003 and has been updated regularly in the intervening time. Beginning in 2009, updates to the CSOLTCP are issued every 5 years to ensure that the GNHWPCA continues to stay on track for meeting CSO goals and remains compliant with regulatory requirements, including those of a Consent Order entered into by DEEP and the GNHWPCA. The GNHWPCA continues to implement a variety of projects under the CSOLTCP as described in the City of New Haven Combined Sewer Overflow Long-Term Control Plan Update from December 2016, revised March 2018 (2016 Update). The 2016 Update is the subject of this EIE.

Comments on this EIE will be accepted until the close of business on: **April 30, 2021**

The EIE can be viewed from this link: [EIE FINAL DRAFT](#)

A public hearing may be requested by 25 persons or by an association having more than 25 members within 10 days of this notice's publication. If you have questions about a public hearing, or other questions about this project, contact Mr. Chartier, as directed below.

Send your written comments about this EIE to:

Name: Casey Chartier

Agency: Department of Energy and Environmental Protection

Address: 79 Elm Street, Hartford CT 06106

E-Mail: casey.chartier@ct.gov

If you have questions about this EIE, or similar matters, please contact:

Name: Casey Chartier

Agency: Department of Energy and Environmental Protection

Address: 79 Elm Street, Hartford CT 06106

Phone: 860-424-3762

Note: Due to COVID 19 restrictions, employees of the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection are working remotely. Email is the preferred method of contact, there may be delays with responses to phone calls.

What happens next: The Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) will review the comments received and may conduct further environmental study and analysis or amend the evaluation. DEEP will prepare responses to the substantive issues raised in review of and comment on the EIE and any supplemental materials or amendments. Those responses and all supplemental materials and comments shall be made available in a "Record of Decision" which will appear in the *Environmental Monitor* for public inspection.

Agency Record of Decision

After an **Environmental Impact Evaluation (EIE)** is developed, an agency will prepare a concise public record of decision, which takes into consideration the agency's findings in the EIE, and any comments received on that evaluation. [Read More](#)

No Record of Decision Notice has been submitted for publication in this edition.

OPM's Determination of Adequacy

After an **Environmental Impact Evaluation (EIE)** is developed, the Office of Policy and Management (OPM) will determine if the EIE is adequate. If not, OPM will specify the areas of inadequacy with reference to CEPA or the CEPA regulations and specify the corrective action required. [Read More](#)

No Determination of Adequacy Notice has been submitted for publication in this edition.

State Land Transfer Notice

Connecticut General Statutes **Section 4b-47** requires public notice of most proposed sales and transfers of state-owned lands. The public has an opportunity to comment on any such proposed transfer. Each notice includes an address where comments should be sent. [Read more about the process.](#)

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CEPA Project Inventory

The Office of Policy and Management maintains a list of projects that have entered the CEPA process. It shows each project's status. The inventory can be found at <ftp://ftp.ct.gov/opp/CEPA/CEPA%20Project%20Inventory.xlsx>.

CEQ Contact Information

All inquiries and requests of the Council should be sent electronically to: peter.hearn@ct.gov.

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