



# Environmental Monitor

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**April 4, 2023**

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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](#)

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### 1. Notice of Scoping for Craigmoor Water Main Interconnection

**Address of possible location:** Barlow Mountain Road, North Salem Road (Route 116) and Craigmoor Road

**Municipality where proposed action might be located:** Ridgefield

**Project Description:** Aquarion Water Company proposes to construct a 6,240 foot water main extension connecting the Ridgefield water system to the Craigmoor water system. By completing the interconnection between the two systems, it will eliminate the existing water quality concerns, increase capacity, improve reliability and ensure an adequate margin of safety for the Craigmoor system.

**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: **April 6th, 2023.**

Any person may ask the sponsoring agency to hold a public scoping meeting by sending such a request to the address below. If a public scoping meeting is requested by 25 or more individuals, or by an association that represents 25 or more members, the sponsoring agency shall schedule a public scoping meeting. Such requests must be made by: **March 17th, 2023**

**Written comments and/or requests for a public scoping meeting should be sent to**

**Name:** Eric McPhee

**Agency:** Department of Public Health, Drinking Water Section

**Address:** 410 Capitol Avenue, MS #12DWS, PO Box 340308, Hartford, CT 06134-0308

**E-Mail:** [dph.sourceprotection@ct.gov](mailto:dph.sourceprotection@ct.gov)

**If you have other questions about the scoping for this project, contact:**

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**Phone:** 860-509-7333

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**Website:** [Freedom of Information Request \(ct.gov\)](https://www.ct.gov/foi)

**Agency:** Department of Public Health, Hearing Office

**Address:** 410 Capitol Avenue, MS #13PHO Hartford, CT 06134-0308

**Email:** [DPH.foi@ct.gov](mailto:DPH.foi@ct.gov)

**Phone:** 860-566-5682

**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*.

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## 2. Notice of Scoping for Cedar Heights Water Main Interconnection

**Address of possible location:** Nabby Road in Brookfield, CT; N Nabby Road and Forty Acres Mountain Road in Danbury, CT

**Municipality where proposed action might be located:** Brookfield, Danbury

**Project Description:** Aquarion Water Company proposes to construct a 4,430 foot water main extension connecting the New Milford Regional water system to the Cedar Heights water system. By completing the interconnection between the two systems, it will eliminate the existing water quality concerns, increase capacity, improve reliability and ensure an adequate margin of safety for the Cedar Heights system.

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### 3. Notice of Scoping for Interconnection of Montville and Seven Oaks

**Address of possible location:** Hunters Run and Old Colchester Rd

**Municipality where proposed action might be located:** Montville

**Project Description:** The Southeastern Connecticut Water Authority (SCWA) is seeking financial assistance under the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) program to fund the construction of a water main to interconnect the Seven Oaks Division with the Montville Division distribution system. The project will also be receiving federal grant funding under Section 1459a of the federal Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA).

The proposed project includes the installation of an approximately 2,295 lineal feet of 8-inch diameter water main to connect the terminal ends of the two existing distribution mains located at Hunters Run and the intersection of Leisure Drive and Old Colchester Road. The new water main will traverse along the land behind the United Church of Christ building. A booster pump station to be located at the edge of the Old Colchester Road is also being proposed to pump water from the Seven Oaks Division system to the Montville Division system.

Based on the information provided in the Preliminary Engineering Report (PER), the most feasible solution to address the water supply deficit of the Montville Division is to interconnect the distribution system to Seven Oaks Division, in order to meet water demands and maintain adequate margin of safety during drought periods and summer months. It is documented in the PER that Seven Oaks Division has sufficient surplus of water supply to augment the need of the Montville Division.

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

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## 4. Notice of Scoping for Removal of Exit 21 Off-Ramp on Interstate 84 Eastbound (EB)

**Address of possible location:** Interstate 84 (I-84) in the EB direction and on the local road network within the vicinity of the I-84 EB Exit 21 and Exit 22 off-ramps. The proposed project area encompasses I-84 EB from Mile Marker 32.45, inclusive of the off-ramp for Exit 21 (Bridge No. 03191F), to Mile Marker 32.62 at the Exit 22 off-ramp. The existing Interchange 21 off-ramp terminates at Meadow Street. Interchange 22 off-ramp terminates at the intersection with Market Square and South Main Street/McMahon Street. The local roadway network of interest extends from Liberty Street to the south and Grand Street to the north. The network extends from Meadow Street to the west and South Main Street to the east.

**Municipality where proposed action might be located:** Waterbury

**Project Description:** The purpose of this project is to improve safety, traffic flow, and air quality by reducing traffic congestion on I-84 EB in the vicinity of Exits 19-22 in Waterbury, as well as enhance the local roadway network. Both system movements from Route 8 Northbound (NB) and Southbound (SB) enter I-84 on the right and left, respectively, creating a short four lane weave section (approximately 350 feet long) prior to the Exit 21 off-ramp. The auxiliary lane within the weave section serves as the single lane Exit 21 off-ramp. The project proposes to remove the Exit 21 off-ramp from I-84 EB and extend the auxiliary lane to allow more merge and diverge space for drivers entering and exiting I-84 EB in the vicinity of Exit 22. The on-ramp to I-84 EB from Meadow Street will remain open. The I-84 EB Exit 22 off-ramp will be restriped to two lanes to accommodate the anticipated increase in traffic due to the removal of the Exit 21 off-ramp. Work will be done to improve the functionality and safety of the local roadway network, including new traffic signals with improved signal timing and phasing. The project also includes streetscape and urban design improvements that are expected to create a safer and more welcoming environment for pedestrians and bicyclists.

**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: **Monday April 10, 2023.**

**There will be a public scoping meeting for this proposed action:**

**DATE:** Thursday March 23, 2023

**TIME:** 6:00 p.m. open house - formal presentation to follow at 6:30 p.m.

**PLACE:** Maloney Magnet School, 233 South Elm Street, Waterbury, CT 06706

**NOTES:** The meeting location is ADA accessible. Language assistance, including American Sign Language, may be requested by contacting CTDOT's Language Assistance Call Line at (860) 594-2109. Requests should be made at least 5 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.

**Additional information about the project can be viewed online at:** <https://www.newmixwaterbury.com>

**Comments, questions about the public meeting, or questions about the project should be sent to (email preferred):**

**Name:** Mr. Jonathan Dean, Project Manager

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

**Address:** 2800 Berlin Turnpike, Newington, CT 06131

**Phone:** (860) 594-3211

**E-Mail:** [Jonathan.Dean@ct.gov](mailto:Jonathan.Dean@ct.gov)

**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](mailto: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*.

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## 5. Notice of Scoping for Barber Pond Dam Removal

**Address of possible location:** 102 Old Windsor Road

**Municipality where proposed action is located:** Bloomfield

**Project Description:** After a routine inspection of the Barber Pond Dam, the State Dams Division of the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) determined that Barber Pond Dam is in poor condition due to deficiencies in the concrete of the spillway and training walls. Due to the extensive repair work required, DEEP determined it was not feasible to repair these deficiencies. Since this dam does not provide any flood control to the area, DEEP determined that the spillway and a portion of the earthen embankment would need to be removed. All appropriate permits and determinations needed for dam removal will be obtained by the agency. Because this dam is in a DEEP owned wildlife management area, removal of this dam will eliminate liability and public safety hazards as well as allow free movement of migratory and resident fish and other aquatic organisms within the river system. Removal will be done using a stepped approach that allows for a controlled release of the water in Barber Pond. The flow of Mill River will be temporarily redirected to allow for reconstruction of the Mill River channel which will then be reconnected to the existing Mill Brook.

**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: **April 20, 2023.**

**There will be a public scoping meeting for this proposed action:**

**DATE:** March 31, 2023

**TIME:** 2:00PM EST

**PLACE:** Virtual Zoom Meeting

**NOTES:** Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us05web.zoom.us/j/87466832658?pwd=cTFRL1AyRkxFRWNFQkg3eIIYMStGUT09>

Meeting ID: 874 6683 2658

Passcode: 1Hfr6c

**To submit written comments, or for any questions about the public scoping meeting or other questions about this project, contact:**

**Name:** James Heaven

**Agency:** Department of Energy and Environmental Protection

**Address:** 79 Elm Street, Hartford CT 06106

**E-Mail:** [James.Heaven@ct.gov](mailto:James.Heaven@ct.gov)

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**What Happens Next:** DEEP 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*.

## 6. Notice of Scoping for Track Improvement and Mobility Enhancement (Time - 1): Metro North Railroad

**Municipalities where proposed project might be located:** Bridgeport and Stratford

**Address of Possible Project Location:** Mile Post (M.P.) 56.77 (east of Seaview Avenue, Bridgeport) running easterly to M.P. 60.30 (approximately 400 feet east of East Main Street/State Route 113, Stratford).

**Project Description:** The purpose of TIME-1 is to increase the Maximum Authorized Speed (MAS) of a three-mile section of Metro North Railroad (MNRR) in Bridgeport and Stratford from 70 mph to 90 mph. The project will consist of the reconstruction of track to improve track geometry from M.P. 56.77 (east of Seaview Avenue, Bridgeport) running easterly to M.P. 60.30 (approximately 400 feet east of East Main Street/ State Route 113, Stratford), including corresponding overhead catenary adjustments and the reconstruction of eight bridges using accelerated construction techniques. Bridges at Bishop Avenue (Bridgeport), Bruce Avenue (Stratford), W. Broad Street (Stratford), King Street (Stratford), Main Street (Stratford), Longbrook Avenue (Stratford) and East Main Street (Stratford) that intersect with MNRR will be replaced as part of this project.

**Project Maps:** [Click here](#) to view maps of the project area.

Written comments from the public are welcomed and will be accepted until the close of business on: **May 9, 2023.**

**There will be a hybrid virtual/ in-person public scoping meeting for this proposed action:**

**DATE:** April 25, 2023

**TIME:** 7:00 p.m.

**PLACE:** Stratford Town Hall, Council Chambers (Room 211), 2725 Main Street, Stratford, CT 06615

**NOTES:** The meeting location is ADA accessible. Language assistance, including American Sign Language, may be requested by contacting CTDOT's Language Assistance Call Line at (860) 594-2109. Requests should be made at least 5 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. Persons with hearing and/or speech disabilities may dial 711 for Telecommunications Relay Services (TRS).

**Other Information:** If you choose to attend the meeting virtually, you will need to register using the following link: [Webinar Registration - Zoom](#). The meeting will also be livestreamed on YouTube at <https://portal.ct.gov/ctdotvpimarchive>. Persons with limited internet access may use the call-in number 877-853-5257 and enter Meeting ID 835 2949 7469. Requests for hardcopies of meeting materials may also be requested by contacting Haresh Dholakia ([Hareshkumar.Dholakia@ct.gov](mailto:Hareshkumar.Dholakia@ct.gov); 860-594-3173). Closed captioning will be available. Non-English translation options will be available on Zoom and YouTube. The recording will also be available on CTDOT's YouTube Virtual Public Information Meeting playlist: [portal.ct.gov/ctdotvpimarchive](https://portal.ct.gov/ctdotvpimarchive).

**Additional information about the project can be viewed online at:** <https://portal.ct.gov/DOT300-214>

**Written comments, questions about the scoping meeting, or questions about the project should be sent to (email preferred):**

**Name:** Mr. Haresh Dholakia, Transportation Supervising Engineer

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

**Address:** 2800 Berlin Turnpike, Newington, CT 06131

**Phone:** 860-594-3173 or 860-594-2020

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## 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](#)

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

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## 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](#)

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*The following Post-Scoping Notices have been submitted for publication in this edition.*

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### 1. Post-Scoping Notice for Norwalk First Taxing District - Grupes Dam Rehabilitation

**Addresses of Possible Project Locations:** On Silvermine River, off Valley Road and Deep Valley Road in New Canaan.

**Municipalities where it would be located:** Norwalk and New Canaan.

**Connecticut Environmental Policy Act (CEPA) Determination:** On July 5, 2022, the Department of Public Health (DPH) published a [Notice of Scoping](#) in the Environmental Monitor for the rehabilitation of Grupes Reservoir Dam, which is classified by Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (CTDEEP) dam safety regulations (RCSA 22a-409) as a Class C, or "high hazard" dam, meaning that if the dam were to fail, it could result in probable loss of life, major damage to habitable structures and residences, damage to critical utilities and infrastructure, and great economic loss.

A public scoping meeting was held on September 19th, 2022 at 1:00 PM.

[Public Comments](#) were received during the public comment period and at the Public Scoping Meeting. A



synopsis of the comments received and a summary of DPH responses are included in the [DPH Memorandum of Findings](#).

After consideration of the comments received, DPH has determined: **the project does not require the preparation of an Environmental Impact Evaluation (EIE) under the CEPA**. The agency's conclusion is documented in a [DPH Memorandum of Findings](#) and an [Environmental Review Checklist](#).

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**What Happens Next:** The Department of Public Health expects the project to go forward. This is anticipated to be the final notice of the project to be published in the Environmental Monitor.

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## 2. Post-Scoping Notice for Extension of Water Lines from Winsted into Barkhamsted

**Addresses of Possible Project Location:** Old New Hartford Road, east of Battistoni Drive (close to the Barkhamsted town line), heading east to a location behind the Mallory Brook Plaza.

**Municipality where it would be located:** Barkhamsted

**Connecticut Environmental Policy Act (CEPA) Determination:** On November 22, 2022, the CT Department of Public Health (CT DPH) published a [Notice of Scoping](#) to solicit public comments for this proposed project in the Environmental Monitor.

Comments were received from the [Department of Energy and Environmental Protection](#) and a [Member of the Public](#) during the comment period. Comments and responses are included as a hyperlink in the [Environmental Review Checklist](#).

After consideration of the comments received, the Department of Public Health has determined that **the project is not one that may significantly affect the environment and therefore, it does not require the preparation of an Environmental Impact Evaluation (EIE) under CEPA**. The Department's conclusion is documented in an [Environmental Review Checklist](#) and [Memorandum of Findings](#).

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**What Happens Next:** The Department of Public Health will provide funding for the project and expects it to go forward. This is expected to be the final notice of the project to be published in the Environmental Monitor.

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## 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](#)

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## 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](#)

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

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## OPM's Determination of Adequacy

After an [Environmental Impact Evaluation](#) (EIE) and record of decision are developed, the Office of Policy and Management (OPM) will determine if the EIE and the associated process are 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](#)

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## 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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*The following State Land Transfer Notice has been submitted for publication in this edition.*

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## 1. Notice of Proposed Land Transfer at the University of Connecticut in Storrs

**Complete Address of Property:** Moulton Road, Storrs Mansfield, CT 06268

**Commonly used name of property or other identifying information:** Portion of property located immediately north of 4 Moulton Road

**Number of acres to be transferred:** 19,655 square feet (0.451 acre) (the "Premises")

[Click to view an aerial photo of the property location.](#)

[Click to view a survey of the lot line revision for the proposed land transfer.](#)

### Description of Property

Below is some general information about the property. It should not be considered a complete description of the property and should not be relied upon for making decisions. If only a portion of a property is proposed for transfer, the description pertains only to the portion being transferred.

**Brief description of historical and current uses:** The developed portion of the land includes a 19th-century barn structure in poor condition (the "Barn") and a paved parking area. The undeveloped portion of land is sloped woodland. In the 1960's, the recipient's family sold a parcel of land to the University consisting of approximately 120 acres. In the early 2000's, the University divested/returned approximately 2.1 acres to the recipient, including his family home at 4 Moulton Road so it may be fully restored. The Barn situated on the 0.45-acre parcel within the Premises to be transferred was present on the property when University acquired the 120-acre parcel from the recipient's family. The Barn was used by Facilities Operations for storage in the past, but at present is not in use and only has been minimally maintained.

**The property to be transferred contains the following:**

Building(s) in use	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Building(s) not in use	<input type="checkbox"/>	No Structures
Other Features:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Paved areas	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Wooded land
Non agricultural fields	<input type="checkbox"/>	Active agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ponds, streams, other water, wetlands
Public water supply	<input type="checkbox"/>	On-site well	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Water Supply Unknown
Served by sewers	<input type="checkbox"/>	On-site septic system	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Waste DisposalUnknown

**The property is in the following municipal zone(s):** [place an "x" in the appropriate cells to the left of the text]

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Zoned	<input type="checkbox"/>	Not zoned	<input type="checkbox"/>	Not known		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Residential	<input type="checkbox"/>	Industrial	<input type="checkbox"/>	Commercial	<input type="checkbox"/>	Institutional
	Other:	[identify "other" zone]					

**Special features of the property, if known:** Premises and Barn were originally part of the recipient's property and family home located at 4 Moulton Road, adjacent to the proposed land transfer.

**Value of property, if known:** \$45,000.00

<input type="checkbox"/>	If checked, value is not known.
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**Type of sale or transfer:**

Sale or transfer of property in fee

Sale or transfer of partial interest in the property (such as an easement). Description of interest:

**Proposed recipient, if known:** Quentin Kessel

**Proposed use by property recipient, if known:** Restoration and preservation of the Barn as well as personal use.

**Is the agency imposing restrictions or conditions upon the transfer of the land or land interest?** Yes, that (1) the recipient, at his own expense and within 3 years, shall suitably restore the Barn in accordance with those standards set forth by the State Historic Preservation Office of the State of Connecticut and (2) impose on the Premises and his adjacent single-family house a "preservation restriction" as that term used in Section 47-42a(b) of the Connecticut General Statutes.

**Reason the state of Connecticut is proposing to transfer this property:** The University has no programmatic or conservation need for the 0.45 acres on which the barn is located, can vacate the barn without interfering with University operations, and has no plans to rehabilitate or reuse the barn.

Comments from the public are welcome and will be accepted until the close of business on **April 6, 2023**.

Comments may include (but are not limited to) information you might have about significant natural resources or recreation resources on the property, as well as your recommendations for means to preserve such resources.

**Written comments\* about the proposed property transfer should be sent to:**

Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management

c/o Paul F. Hinsch

Office of Policy and Management

Bureau of Assets Management

450 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, CT 06106-1379

[paul.hinsch@ct.gov](mailto:paul.hinsch@ct.gov)

**Please also send a copy of any comments and/or questions about the proposed property transfer to:**

University of Connecticut

c/o Nathan P. LaVallee

Office of the General Counsel

343 Mansfield Road, Unit 1177, Storrs, CT 06269-1177

[nathan.lavallee@uconn.edu](mailto:nathan.lavallee@uconn.edu)

**\*E-Mail submissions are preferred.**

**What Happens Next:**

When this comment period closes, the proposed land transfer can take one of three tracks:

1. If no public comments are received, the sale or transfer can proceed with no further public comment and no further notices in the *Environmental Monitor*, unless the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) elects to conduct a review of the property (see #3).
2. If public comments are received, the Office of Policy and Management (OPM) will respond to those comments. The comments and responses will be published in the *Environmental Monitor*. Fifteen days after publication of the comments and responses, the proposed sale or transfer can proceed,

unless DEEP elects to conduct a review of the property (see #3).

3. If DEEP elects to conduct a further review of the property, it may submit to OPM a report with recommendations for preserving all or part of the property. The report and recommendations will be published in the *Environmental Monitor*, and there will be a 30-day public comment period. DEEP will publish its responses to any comments received and its final recommendation about the property in the *Environmental Monitor*. OPM will then make the final determination as to the ultimate disposition of the property, and will publish that determination in the *Environmental Monitor*. Fifteen days after publication of that final determination, the sale or transfer can proceed.

To find out if this proposed transfer is the subject of further notices, check future editions of the *Environmental Monitor*. [Sign up for e-alerts](#) to receive a reminder e-mail on *Environmental Monitor* publication dates.

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## CEPA Project Inventory

The Office of Policy and Management (OPM) maintains a list of projects that have entered the CEPA process. It shows each project's status. The inventory can be found [here](#).

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## CEQ Contact Information

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