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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 Notices have been submitted for publication in this edition.

1. Notice of Scoping for Belding Mill Redevelopment Project

Addresses of possible locations: 107 Providence Street

Municipality where proposed action might be located: Putnam

Project Description: The Municipal Brownfield Grant funds will be used to remediate and redevelop the former Belding Masonry Mill Complex. The remediation activities include the removal and abatement of hazardous building materials, and the removal of underground storage tanks and contaminated soil at the 1.85-acre parcel at 107 Providence Street. The remediation work will enable the redevelopment of the existing building into 120 mixed-income residential units and approximately 5,000 sq. ft. of commercial and recreational space.

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: **October 19, 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: **September 29, 2023**.

Additional information about the project can be viewed in person at: Putnam Town Hall, Economic Development Commission, 200 School St., Putnam, CT 06260

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

Name: William Wallach

Agency: Department of Economic and Community Development

Address: 450 Columbus Boulevard, Suite 5, Hartford, CT 06103

E-Mail: william.wallach@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: Mark Burno

Agency: Department of Economic and Community Development

Address: 450 Columbus Boulevard, Suite 5, Hartford, CT 06103

E-Mail: mark.burno@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*.

2. Notice of Scoping for MLK Tyler

Address of possible location: 16 Miller Street, New Haven, CT

Municipality where proposed action might be located: New Haven

Project Description: The Project is located at 16 Miller Avenue in the City of New Haven on a 4.3-acre parcel. The Project includes the new construction of fifty-six (56) residential units of one-, two- and three-bedroom apartments of which forty-four (44) will be subject to the affordability restrictions and twelve (12) supportive units. This redevelopment project will reach families and individuals at or below 30%, 50% and 60% AMI. Supporting uses include a clubhouse community center with meeting space for supportive services staff and residents, management offices, a coffee shop to be operated in part by supportive housing residents, 62 surface parking spaces, playground and community gazebo. The apartments are being constructed within the existing contextual (low rise residential) zoning established for the site by the City of New Haven with a special exception approved for the coffee shop (548 sq ft) commercial use.

Currently the land is vacant. The area was previously developed between 1923 and 1965 with 20 residential and commercial properties but most structures were demolished by 1970. There has not been an archaeological survey done because it is unlikely that there are archaeologically deposits since the site was previously developed. State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) approval is available for the site mentioning as 'No historic properties will be affected'. The project site is not located in any Natural Diversity Data Base (NDDB) identified critical habitat. The site is located in area of minimal flood hazard as per Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Flood Map and not in any wetland as per national wetland inventory map. A portion of the project site touches storm surge zone 3 and 4 and also falls in conservation area factor 1-3. That portion of the project site is located in Coastal boundary but not in any Coastal Barrier Resources System (CBRS) unit. No brownfield/superfund/toxic release facility within 3000 ft of project site. There is a Phase I ESA available. The development of the Site for residential use will be performed in accordance with a Soil Management Plan in order to protect human health and the environment.

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

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

Name: Mithila Chakraborty, Ph.D.

Agency: Department of Housing

Address: 505 Hudson Street, Hartford, CT 06106-7106

E-Mail: mithila.chakraborty@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: Mithila Chakraborty, Ph.D.

Agency: Department of Housing

Address: 505 Hudson Street, Hartford, CT 06106-7106

E-Mail: mithila.chakraborty@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*.

3. Notice of Scoping for Coventry Boathouse Upgrades Project - REVISED

Address of possible location: 124 Lake Street

Municipality where proposed action might be located: Coventry

Project Description: The University of Connecticut (UConn) is planning a design-bid-build project to upgrade the existing boathouse located at 124 Lake Street in Coventry. The site is an off-campus facility of the University of Connecticut-Storrs campus. The existing boathouse dates to 1987; in addition to reaching the end of its useful life, the facility has outstanding maintenance issues including unsecured bathroom facilities and inadequate equipment storage.

The proposed boathouse will occupy the footprint of the existing UConn boathouse which sits east of Coventry Lake (Wangumbaug Lake) on the site of the Town of Coventry's Patriots Park. The new facility will include modernized facilities, including appropriate locker room space and bathrooms that are accessible from within the new building. These upgrades will support the recent team growth of both coaches and students. The total project footprint will occupy approximately 0.45 acres of the approximately 6.2-acre parcel on which it sits and will be comprised of the new boathouse, a gravel parking and boat hauling area, and a paved parking area to include a new Americans with Disability Act (ADA) accessible parking space and entrance (not currently provided on site).

Known as the "Coventry Boathouse Upgrades Project," the Proposed Action to be assessed under the Connecticut Environmental Policy Act (CEPA) process consists of the following elements:

- Demolish existing, aged boathouse and replace with a modernized boathouse in the general footprint of the existing boathouse with an approximately 2,000 square foot (SF) addition
- Facility upgrades to include safe interior equipment storage areas, locker rooms, and bathrooms
- Upgrades to site drainage and stormwater management including a bioswale

The Proposed Action is located in the Mill Brook subregional watershed within the Willimantic local watershed. UConn will incorporate comments from a public scoping meeting and evaluate the Proposed Action with taking no action or other feasible alternatives. Direct, indirect, and cumulative impacts associated with the Proposed Action will also be assessed.

Project Map: [Click here](#) to view the project location and a figure of its approximate area.

Written comments from the public are welcomed and will be accepted until **5:00 PM EST on Tuesday, November 7, 2023**.

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

DATE: Wednesday, November 1, 2023

TIME: 6:00 PM EST

NOTES: Participants MUST register in advance at https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_es-FoQYtQ3aSv6-MLBY-gg

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting, including an option to join by phone. A copy of the presentation and recording of the public scoping meeting will be available by 5:00 PM EST on Thursday, November 2, 2023 at <https://updc.uconn.edu/boathouse/>.

Written comments and/or questions about attending the public scoping meeting, or other questions about the scoping for this project, should be sent to:

Name: Antoaneta Fedeles, AIA, PMP, LEED AP

Agency: University Planning, Design & Construction

Address: 3 Discovery Drive, U-6038, Storrs, CT 06269

E-Mail: antoaneta.fedeles@uconn.edu

Inquiries and requests to view and or copy documents, pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, must be submitted to: <https://publicrecords.uconn.edu/make-a-request/>

What Happens Next: The University 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*.

4. Notice of Scoping for Replacement of Bridge No. 00853, Route 16 over Salmon River

Address of possible location: Route 16 (Colchester Avenue) over Salmon River approximately 2 miles west of the intersection with Route 149 (Westchester Road).

Municipality where proposed action might be located: East Hampton

Project Description: The bridge (00853), constructed in 1932 and reconstructed in 1986, is comprised of a concrete encased steel girder and reinforced concrete deck superstructure supported on reinforced concrete abutments, wingwalls and central pier. It has been determined that the bridge is potentially eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places. Route 16 is classified as a Rural Minor Arterial Road and has an Average Daily Traffic (ADT) volume of approximately 6,800 vehicles per day. The existing structure is generally oriented in an east/west direction, with no skew, and does not carry a sidewalk on either side.

The purpose of the project is to address the structural deficiencies of State Bridge No. 00853, and to provide a structure that accommodates safe travel for all facility users. The replacement bridge will be a steel plate girder structure with integral abutments. The proposed bridge will be a single span structure and have a span length of 150 feet, eliminating the center pier. It also includes a widening of the roadway to provide a 32-foot curb-to-curb width.

There are right-of-way impacts associated with the proposed improvements. These impacts include temporary construction easements on each side of the bridge. Construction is anticipated to begin April of 2026 based on the availability of funding, acquisition of rights of way, and approval of permit(s).

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: **October 19, 2023**

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

DATE: October 5, 2023

TIME: 7:00 p.m.

PLACE: Virtual

NOTES: Please register for the Virtual Meeting at <https://portal.ct.gov/DOTEastHampton41-121>. Registration is required to participate. Once registered, you will receive a confirmation email with a link to access the meeting.

Members of the public can submit comments and questions through **October 19, 2023** to: DOTProject41-121@ct.gov and 860-594-2020 or Francisco Fadul, Transportation Supervising

Engineer, Francisco.Fadul@ct.gov, (860) 594-2078.

This meeting will also be livestreamed on YouTube, and 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: <https://portal.ct.gov/ctdotvpimarchive>

Persons with limited internet access, use the call-in number (877) 853-5257 and enter Meeting ID 868 7811 6111. Persons with limited internet access may also request that project information be mailed to them within one week by contacting Brianna Ritacco, Brianna.Ritacco@ct.gov, (860) 594-3205.

Persons with hearing and/or speech disabilities may dial 711 for Telecommunications Relay Services (TRS).

Language assistance may be requested by contacting CTDOT'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.

Additional information about the project can be viewed online at: <https://portal.ct.gov/DOEastHampton41-121>

Written comments and/or questions about the meeting or project should be sent to:

Name: Mr. Francisco Fadul, Transportation Supervising Engineer

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

Address: 2800 Berlin Turnpike, Newington, CT 06131

E-Mail: DOTProject41-121@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

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*.

5. Notice of Scoping for Return to the Riverbend

Addresses of possible locations: 22 River Road, 44 River Road, 110 River Road, and 225 River Road

Municipality where proposed action might be located: City of Middletown

Project Description: The City Middletown has been awarded a Community Investment Fund 2023 grant for five brownfield properties constituting a portion of the Return to the Riverbend project which seeks remediate and redevelop land located along the Connecticut River in the downtown Middletown area. Following the remediation activities, the city is planning to redevelop the site for mixed-use residential, recreational, commercial, and entertainment district uses.

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: **November 2, 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: **October 13, 2023**.

Additional information about the project can be viewed in person at Middletown Economic and Community Development Office, 245 DeKoven Drive Suite 202, Middletown, CT 06457 and online at: <https://www.middletownct.gov/DocumentCenter/View/21965/Middletown-Master-Plan-Presentation?bidId=>

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

Name: William Wallach

Agency: Department of Economic and Community Development

Address: 450 Columbus Boulevard, Suite 5, Hartford, CT 06103

E-Mail: william.wallach@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: Mark Burno

Agency: Department of Economic and Community Development

Address: 450 Columbus Boulevard, Suite 5, Hartford, CT 06103

E-Mail: mark.burno@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*.

6. Notice of Scoping for State and Chapel Development

Address of possible location: 300 State Street & 742-760 Chapel Street, New Haven, CT

Municipality where proposed action might be located: New Haven

Project Description: The project will involve the development of an underutilized parking lot (300 State Street) and the adjoining historic buildings (Chapel Street) into 76 units of newly constructed affordable housing rental units. A new structure will be built at 300 State of a type and scale compatible with the adjoining historic structures and connect to the rear façade of 742 Chapel to create one integrated mixed-use property. The State Street lot is a 0.42-acre parking lot, and the Chapel property is approximately 0.54 acres. The total gross square footage for the project is 115,000. There will be no demolition on site. The Chapel buildings will be preserved and rehabilitated in accordance with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation. State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) reviewed the project already and have part approval. The State & Chapel development will include the preservation and rehabilitation of the Chapel buildings located at 742-760 Chapel Street (3 buildings). These buildings are located in a Historic District listed on the National Register. The rehabilitation will be done in accordance with the Secretary of the Interior Standards. The following historic approvals received to date: SHPO Part 1 approval for 742 Chapel, SHPO Part 1 approval for 756 Chapel, SHPO Part 1 approval for 760 Chapel, NPS Part 1 approval for 742 Chapel, SHPO Part 2 Approval for 742 Chapel, NPS Part 2 Approval for 742 Chapel. Part 2 applications for 756 and 760 Chapel were submitted to the SHPO in November 2021. The project is not in any floodzone.

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: **November 17th, 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: **October 27th, 2023.**

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

Name: Mithila Chakraborty, Ph.D.

Agency: Department of Housing

Address: 505 Hudson Street, Hartford, CT 06106-7106

E-Mail: mithila.chakraborty@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: Mithila Chakraborty, Ph.D.

Agency: Department of Housing

Address: 505 Hudson Street, Hartford, CT 06106-7106

E-Mail: mithila.chakraborty@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*.

7. Notice of Scoping for Relocation of Route 8 Southbound (SB) Interchange 34

Address of possible location: Route 8 in the southbound (SB) direction and on the local roadway network within the vicinity of Interchange 35 On-ramp (Route 73) and Interchange 34 Off-ramp. The proposed project area encompasses Route 8 SB from Mile Marker 31.56 to Mile Marker 30.62. The existing Interchange 35 On-Ramp begins at E. Aurora Street. The existing Interchange 34 Off-Ramp terminates at West Main Street. The local roadway network of interest extends from E. Aurora Street to the north, West Main Street to the south, Grandview Avenue to the west and northbound (NB) Watertown Avenue 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 West Main Street and Route 8 SB in the vicinity of Interchanges 34 and 35. Currently, Watertown Avenue is a separated pair of one-way roads between West Main Street and Robbins Street with SB Watertown Avenue located west of Route 8 and NB Watertown Avenue located east of Route 8. Immediately to the west of Route 8, the SB Watertown Avenue and Route 8 SB Interchange 34 Off-Ramp approach West Main Street adjacent to but separated from each other.

This project proposes to relocate the Route 8 SB Interchange 34 Off-Ramp from the current terminus at West Main Street further north to the intersection of Robbins Street at Watertown Avenue to improve traffic operations along the West Main Street corridor. The existing Route 8 SB Interchange 34 Off-Ramp will be repurposed to convert SB Watertown Avenue to a bi-directional roadway. The existing NB Watertown Avenue alignment to the east of Route 8 will be closed; the on-ramp to Route 8 NB will remain open. Additional lane configuration and traffic signal improvements would be provided at the project intersections of West Main Street at Watertown Avenue and Riverside Streets. The intersection of West Main Street at Highland Avenue, located to the west, is proposed to convert to traffic signal control with lane configuration improvements. Intersection improvements, including a new traffic signal, are also proposed at the intersection of Watertown Avenue at Robbins Street and the realigned Route 8 SB Interchange 34 Off-Ramp. To accommodate the relocation of the Route 8 SB Interchange 34 Off-Ramp further north, modifications are also proposed to the Route 8 SB Interchange 35 On-Ramp to extend the auxiliary lane between the Interchange 35 On-Ramp and Interchange 34 Off-Ramp.

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: **Thursday, November 30, 2023.**

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

DATE: Wednesday, November 15, 2023

TIME: 6:00 p.m.

PLACE: Chase Park House, 150 Sunnyside Avenue, Waterbury, CT 06708

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.

Comments/questions about the public meeting, or comments/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

E-Mail: 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

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*.

8. Notice of Scoping for Naugatuck Railroad Station Relocation

Address of possible location: Water Street extension between Maple Street and Rubber Avenue, across from Old Firehouse Road.

Municipality where proposed action might be located: Naugatuck

Project Description: The Naugatuck Rail Station project involves relocating the Naugatuck Station approximately 0.3 miles south of the existing station on the New Haven Line (Waterbury Branch). The proposed project consists of a new platform and canopy, a new elevator and stair tower, and associated site work. The station will include a new 350' high-level heated fiber-reinforced polymer (FRP) platform with an integral heating system along approximately the full length. The platform will be able to accommodate up to a 4-car trainset with 350 feet in length to allow level boarding. Proposed platform amenities include canopies, wind screens, benches, and lighting. The station platform and connecting stair towers will include energy efficient LED lighting that is specifically designed to control the spread of light onto adjacent properties. Passenger information displays are also proposed at the station. Commuters would be able to connect directly to an enclosed structure two-story elevator tower connecting the drop-off area to the platform with ticket vending machines.

Project Maps/Plans: [Click here](#) to view a map of the project area. [Click here](#) to view a proposed site plan.

Written comments from the public are welcomed and will be accepted until the close of business on: **Wednesday, November 29, 2023.**

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

DATE: Wednesday November 15, 2023

TIME: 6:30 p.m.

PLACE: Virtual

NOTES: Please register for the virtual meeting by [Clicking here](#). Registration is required to participate. Once registered, you will receive a confirmation email with a link to access the meeting.

This meeting will also be livestreamed on YouTube, and 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: <https://portal.ct.gov/ctdotvpinarchive>.

Persons with limited internet access, use the call-in number 877-853-5257 and enter Meeting ID 823 7970 6049. Persons with limited internet access may also request that project information be mailed to them within one week by contacting Richard Bertoli at DOTProject0304-0029@ct.gov or 860-594-2020.

Persons with hearing and/or speech disabilities may dial 711 for Telecommunications Relay Services (TRS).

Language assistance may be requested by contacting CTDOT'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/questions about the project or the scoping meeting should be sent to (email preferred):

Name: Mr. Richard Bertoli, Project Manager

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

Address: 2800 Berlin Turnpike, Newington, CT 06131

Phone: 860-594-2020

E-Mail: DOTProject0304-0029@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

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](#)

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

1. Notice of Time Extension for Post-Scoping for Barber Pond Dam Removal

Address of Possible Project Location: 102 Old Windsor Rd, Bloomfield

Municipality where proposed action would be located: Bloomfield

Connecticut Environmental Policy Act (CEPA) Determination: On [March 21, 2023](#), the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) published a Notice of Scoping to solicit public comments for this proposed dam removal in the Environmental Monitor. DEEP is unable to publish its determination regarding this action at this time.

Action Status: DEEP is currently awaiting additional information on water quality.

Estimated Publication Date: DEEP estimates that a Post-Scoping Notice will be published in the Environmental Monitor on or before January 2, 2024.

If you have questions about the proposed action, contact:

Name: James Heaven

Agency: Department of Energy and Environmental Protection

Address: 79 Elm Street, Hartford CT 06106

Phone: 860-519-7029

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 CEPA. A Post-Scoping Notice of its decision will appear in a future edition of the *Environmental Monitor*.

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](#)

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

1. Post-Scoping Notice for Whitney House Demolition

Address of Possible Project Location: 1315 Storrs Road

Municipality where it would be located: Mansfield

Connecticut Environmental Policy Act (CEPA) Determination: On July 3, 2023, the University of Connecticut published a [Notice of Scoping](#) to solicit public comments for this proposed action in the *Environmental Monitor*.

A public scoping meeting was held on Tuesday, July 25, 2023. A recording of the meeting and a copy of its presentation were posted at <https://updc.uconn.edu/whitney-house>.

Comments were received during the public comment period from the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (CTDEEP), Willington Historical Society, the Town of Mansfield Planning and Zoning Commission, the Town of Mansfield Town Council, and the Connecticut Department of Economic and Community Development State Historic Preservation Office and thirteen members of the public.

After consideration of the comments received, the University has determined the action does not require preparation of an Environmental Impact Evaluation (EIE) under CEPA. The agency's conclusion is documented in a [Memorandum of Findings and Determination](#), an [Environmental Review Checklist](#), and a [Synopsis of Comments and Responses](#) from the Scoping phase.

Agency contact:

Name: James Libby, AIA, LEED AP, NCARB

Agency: University of Connecticut, University Planning, Design and Construction

Address: 3 Discovery Drive, U-6038, Storrs, CT 06269

E-Mail: james.libby@uconn.edu

Inquiries and requests to view and or copy documents, pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, must be submitted to: <https://publicrecords.uconn.edu/make-a-request/>

What Happens Next: The University expects the project to go forward. This is expected to be the final notice for this action to be published in the *Environmental Monitor*.

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

Address of Possible Project 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 it would be located: Waterbury

Connecticut Environmental Policy Act (CEPA) Determination: On March 7, 2023, the Connecticut Department of Transportation (CTDOT) published a [Notice of Scoping](#) to solicit public comments for this proposed project in the *Environmental Monitor*.

A public scoping meeting was held on March 23, 2023, at Maloney Magnet School, 233 South Elm Street, Waterbury, CT 06706.

Comments were received during the public comment period and at the Public Scoping Meeting. CTDOT received comments from the [Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection \(CTDEEP\)](#) and several members of the public. A synopsis of the comments received and CTDOT's responses are included in the [Environmental Review Checklist](#), which also includes the report of meeting from the public scoping meeting.

After consideration of the comments received, CTDOT 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 [Memo of Findings and Determination](#) and an [Environmental Review Checklist](#).

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

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](#)

No EIE Notice has been submitted for publication in this edition.

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 \(EIE\)](#) 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](#)

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.](#)

No State Land Transfer Notice has been submitted for publication in this edition.

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](#).

CEQ Contact Information

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