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Re: Card to Willimantic Upgrade Project

Dear Ms. Bachman:

The Connecticut Light and Power Company doing business as Eversource Energy ("Eversource") is requesting a Declaratory Ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the proposed modifications to two existing 115-killovolt transmission lines, (the Card to Willimantic Upgrade Project) in the Towns of Windham and Lebanon, Connecticut ("Petition").

Prior to submitting this Petition, representatives from Eversource briefed municipal officials in Windham and Lebanon about the Project. Eversource provided written notice of the proposed work to all abutters and of the filing of this Petition with the Council. Maps and line lists identifying the abutting property owners who were notified of the Project are provided in the Petition as Attachment A: Card to Willimantic Upgrade Project.

Eversource is submitting this filing electronically and will be providing 15 hard copies for the Council's records. Eversource understands that the Council will invoice the Company for the requisite \$625 filing fee.

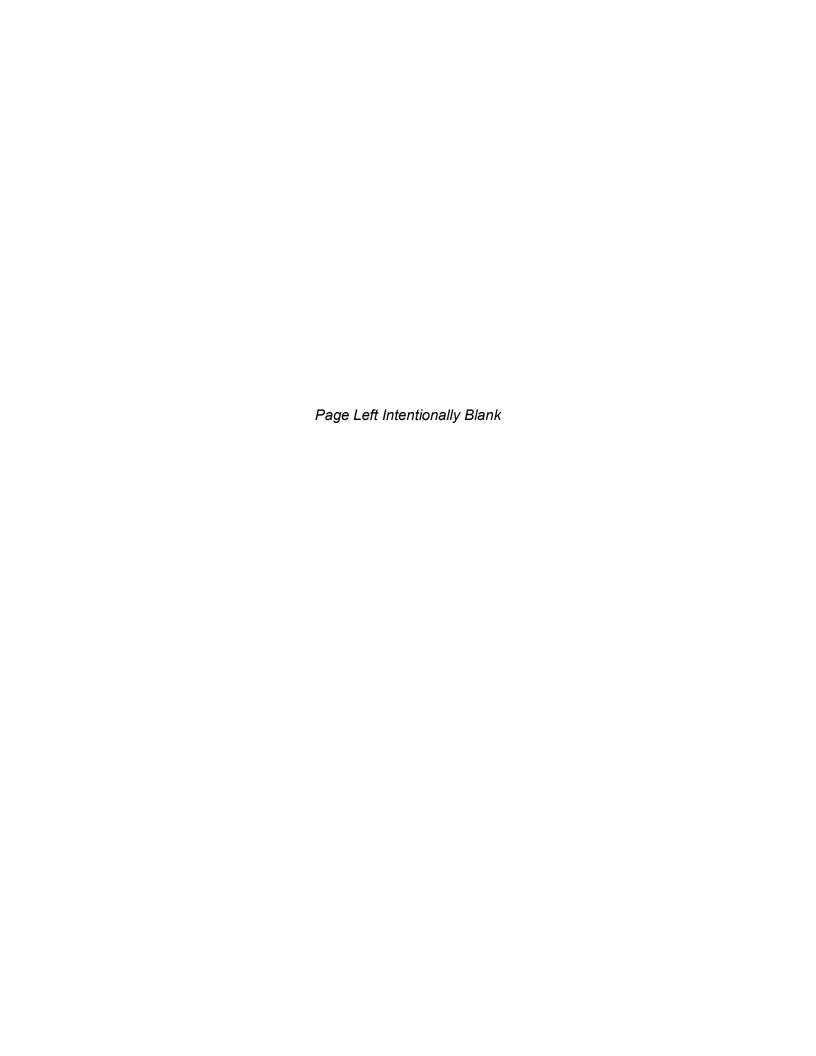
Sincerely,

Kathleen M. Shanley

Enclosure

cc: The Honorable Kevin Cwikla, First Selectman, Town of Lebanon

The Honorable Tom DeVivo, May, Town of Willimantic Mr. James Rivers, Town Manager, Town of Willimantic



THE CONNECTICUT LIGHT AND POWER COMPANY

doing business as

EVERSOURCE ENERGY

PETITION TO THE CONNECTICUT SITING COUNCIL
FOR A DECLARATORY RULING OF
NO SUBSTANTIAL ADVERSE ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECT
FOR THE PROPOSED MODIFICATIONS TO THE EXISTING
1210 and 1220 LINES IN THE TOWNS OF WINDHAM AND LEBANON, CONNECTICUT

1. Introduction

The Connecticut Light and Power Company doing business as Eversource Energy ("Eversource" or the "Company") hereby petitions the Connecticut Siting Council ("Council") for a Declaratory Ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need ("Certificate") is required pursuant to Section 16-50g et seq. of the Connecticut General Statutes for the modifications to two 115-kilovolt ("kV") transmission lines, the 1210 and 1220 Lines, located within existing rights-of-way ("ROWs") and on Eversource fee owned property in the Towns of Windham and Lebanon, Connecticut ("Towns") also referred to as the Card to Willimantic Upgrade Project as described herein (the "Project") (See Figure 1, below). Eversource submits that a Certificate is not required because the proposed modifications would not have a substantial adverse environmental effect.

2. Purpose of the Project

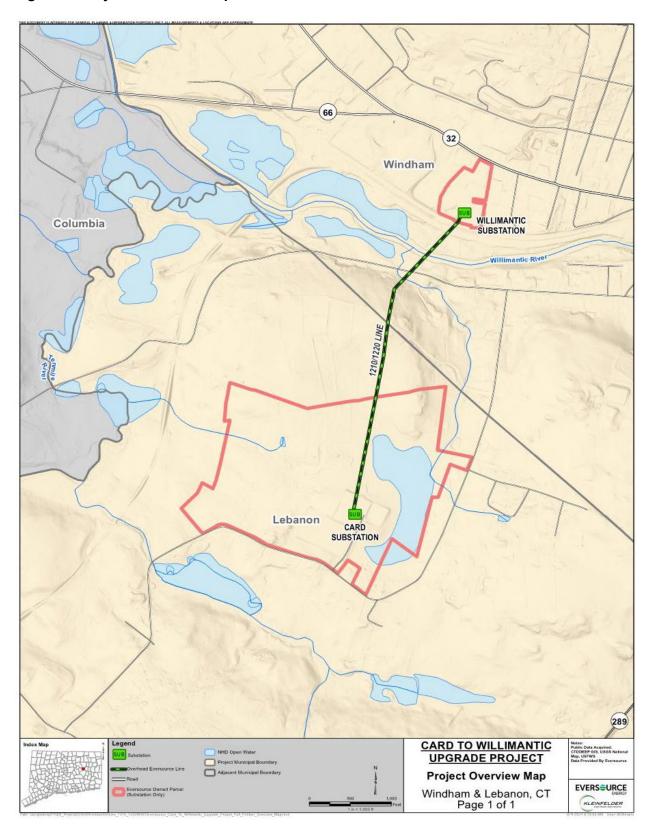
The purpose of the Project is to improve system reliability on the 1210 and 1220 Lines by replacing thirteen wood pole structures and one lattice tower structure due to asset condition. The following conditions of concern have been identified on the wood pole structures: rotten and split pole tops, woodpecker damage, cracks, decay, insect damage and weathered and broken hardware. The steel lattice tower has rust, as well as a spalling concrete footing. The design of some of the replacement structures on the 1220 Line will change from the current

horizontal H-frame configuration to a vertical monopole configuration in order to reduce a risk to reliability, as the 1220 Line currently crosses under the 69-kV 800 and 900 Lines shortly after exiting Card Substation in the Town of Lebanon. As the current industry standard of practice is to design crossings such that higher voltage lines cross over lower voltage lines; Eversource proposes to reconfigure the 1220 Line structures at this location to have the 1220 Line meet this current standard. This proposed reconfiguration will also improve clearances from the 1220 Line to the substation fence and to ground and allow for normal full-temperature operation of the line, which is currently de-rated to meet vertical clearances required by the National Electrical Safety Code ("NESC").

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¹ Structures 6500, 6501, and 6502

Figure 1: Project Overview Map



3. Project Description

The Project scope consists of replacing thirteen (13) wood H-frame structures with ten (10) weathering steel H-frame structures and three (3) weathering steel monopoles along approximately 0.77 mile of the 1210 Line and 0.81 mile of the 1220 Line, replacing one (1) steel lattice tower in Willimantic Substation with two weathering steel monopoles, replacing the existing static wire with OPGW on both the 1210 and 1220 lines, installation of approximately 0.10 mile of Alumoweld static wire along the 1220 Line just outside of Card Substation, and replacement of approximately 0.10 mile of existing conductor along the 1220 Line just outside of Card Substation.

The 1210 and 1220 Lines extend from the Card Substation located in the Town of Lebanon northerly to the Willimantic Substation located in the Town of Windham². The configuration and location of these two lines within the ROW are as follows:

- The 1210 Line exits Card Substation to the north on the single circuit Structure 6502A;
- The 1220 Line exits Card Substation to the northwest on the single circuit Structure
 6500 and continues on the single circuit Structures 6501 and 6502;
- The 1210 and 1220 Lines then converge on the double circuit Structure 6503 and remain co-located on double circuit Structures 6503 through 6505;

² The 3271 Line is a 345-kV transmission line that extends from Card Substation to Lake Road Substation in Killingly. It exits Card Substation to the northwest. The 3271 Line structures 10701 and 10702 are in the general area of proposed 1220 Line monopole structures 6500, 6501, and 6502. Two of the 3271 Line structures, 10701 and 10702, are greater in height than the proposed 1220 Line structures 6500 and 6501.

- After double circuit Structure 6505, the two lines separate with the 1210 Line occupying single circuit Structures 6506A, 6507A and 6507.5A and the 1220 Line occupying single circuit Structures 6506, 6507 and 6507.5;
- Both lines enter the Willimantic Substation and co-locate again on the double circuit lattice Structure 6508;
- The Card Substation and Structures 6500 through 6504 are located on Eversource property;
- Structures 6505 through 6507.5A occupy a single ROW that varies in width from 187.5
 feet to 250 feet; and
- Willimantic Substation and Structure 6508 are located on Eversource property.

Details of the proposed scope of work are summarized as follows:

- Replace 1 double circuit steel lattice structure within Willimantic Substation with 2
 weathering steel monopole structures. The proposed poles would be constructed in a
 vertical configuration adjacent to the existing lattice structure within the existing
 Willimantic Substation yard;
- Replace 13 H-frame wood pole structures with 10 H-frame weathering steel pole structures and 3 weathering steel monopole structures. The single and double circuit configuration of the existing H-frame structures will remain the same with the replacement structures;
- Replace the existing 556 and 795 ACSR conductor along the 1220 Line for approximately 0.10 mile from the 1220 Line Card Substation terminal structure to Structure 6502. The proposed new replacement conductor is 795 ACSS;

- Replace the existing Alumoweld overhead static wire with OPGW on all 1210 Line structures between Card and Willimantic Substations. Replace the existing Alumoweld static wire with OPGW on 1220 Line structures from Structure 6502 to Willimantic Substation;
- Install new 19#10 Alumoweld static wire along the 1220 Line for approximately 0.10
 mile from the 1220 Line Card Substation terminal structure to Structure 6502.
- Install new dielectric self-supporting ("ADSS") cable underground from the terminal structures to the control enclosures located inside both the Willimantic and Card substations;
- Install new hardware, insulators, lightning arrestors and counterpoise; and
- Improve and/or install access roads and work pads to support the proposed scope of work.

The mapsheets in Attachment A: "Card to Willimantic Upgrade Project", dated May 13, 2021, depict the locations of existing and proposed structures, existing and proposed access roads, and work pads to be used for the Project, wetland areas and other ROW features and Project elements.

The cross-section drawings in Attachment B – "Card SS to Willimantic SS Right of Way Cross Sections" depict typical views along the ROW of the existing and proposed structures and the existing limits of the ROW areas. Attachment C – "List of Structure Replacements" provides information on structure heights and the type of configuration for the existing and replacement structures. The heights of the existing structures range from 47.5 to 80 feet above ground level and many of the replacement structures must be taller to meet current NESC clearance requirements. The replacement structures will range in height from 61 feet to 100 feet above

ground level. Replacement structures will generally be taller than the corresponding existing structures by 15 feet or less, but two structures (Structures 6500 and 6501) on which the 1220 Line is located are proposed to be greater than 15 feet taller so that the conductor can then cross over the 800 and 900 Lines. These two structures are located just outside of the northern fence line of the Card Substation, but both will still have overall heights less than two existing structures on the 3271 Line also located just outside of the northern fence line of Card Substation³.

4. Existing Environment, Environmental Effects and Mitigation

The Project construction would be performed entirely within Eversource existing transmission ROW, within Card and Willimantic Substations or on Eversource fee owned property. No expansion of the existing ROW or maintained corridor would be required for the Project work or the replacement structures and conductor. The Project would not have a substantial adverse environmental effect, for reasons explained more fully below.

Land Use

Land uses adjacent to the Project area consist of a mix of residential areas, commercial, transportation, and undeveloped lands such as forests and recreational properties. Though the Project would traverse through some of these areas, it will not impact adjacent land uses. Eversource will work with any affected property owners to restore property conditions upon completion of the Project.

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³ These existing Structures 10701 and 10702 on the 3271 Line have an AGL of 124 feet and 157 feet, respectively.

Vegetation Removal

The Project maintained ROW in which both the 1210 and 1220 Lines are located, varies in width from approximately 160 feet to 162 feet wide, from Willimantic Substation south to a point just north of Structure 6504. Some limited tree removal and vegetation removal/tree trimming would be required in select areas to accommodate access road installation and improvements, for work pad installation, and along the Project ROW where conductor clearance needs to be improved to meet current NESC and Eversource clearance standards.

Vegetation removal would be accomplished using mechanical methods. This work typically requires the use of flat-bed trucks, brush hogs or other types of mowing equipment, skidders, forwarders, bucket trucks for canopy trimming, and chippers.

Eversource would require the clearing contractor to use low-impact clearing methods to remove brush vegetation to protect wetlands, watercourses, state-listed species and their habitats, and cultural resources. Low-impact clearing incorporates a variety of approaches, techniques, and equipment to minimize site disturbance. Eversource would require the contractor to use some or all of the following low impact clearing methods, depending on site-specific considerations:

- Take into consideration soil and weather conditions when scheduling vegetation removal activities, such as during periods of heavy rainfall.
- Maximize the use of uplands for clearing access routes.
- Use appropriately sized equipment for the site conditions, where possible, to minimize impacts.
- Where practical, cut brush close to the ground, leaving root systems and stumps, to retain soil stability.

The limited tree removal required for the Project would take place near existing structures 6507.5, 6507.5A, 6507, 6507A, 6506 and 6506A for work pad development and conductor clearance requirements. It is estimated that this work would result in a total permanent conversion of approximately 0.22 acre of forest habitat to scrub-shrub or herbaceous habitat areas, and approximately 0.04 acre at structures 6507A and 6507 would be permanently converted to gravel for the work pad. Given the overall limited extent of forest conversion to shrubland, or emergent vegetation, there will be no significant adverse effect to forested habitat. Further, additional shrubland and early successional habitat (and the preservation of such existing habitat) along the ROW or access roads is beneficial for many species of wildlife because shrubland habitat is otherwise declining in New England⁴.

After the installation of the structure replacements, new conductor and the OPGW, Eversource would perform ROW restoration in accordance with the protocols specified in Eversource's 2016 Construction & Maintenance Environmental Requirements, Best Management Practices Manual for Massachusetts and Connecticut (the "BMPs") and based on consultations with the property owners affected by the Project.

Scenic, Recreational and Cultural Resources

The Project is not anticipated to have a substantial adverse effect to scenic, recreational, and cultural resources. The replacement structures, conductors and OPGW will be very similar to the existing features of the lines and the replacement monopole structures will present a more

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Connecticut's Wildlife Action Plan has identified 47 wildlife species of Greatest Conservation Need (GCN) as being associated with shrubland habitat and in need of active management.

streamlined appearance than the existing H-frame structures. No portion of the ROW traverses or other Project area is located near a locally or state designated scenic roadway⁵.

A desktop review of the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection's ("CT DEEP") GIS and field investigations data was conducted to identify where portions of the ROW traverse or are adjacent to public open space property or trails. One area was identified and is detailed below. Eversource would coordinate with the CT DEEP park personnel to develop and implement measures to maintain public safety during Project construction, while also avoiding or minimizing short-term impacts to recreational users.

 The Air Line State Park Trail (see Attachment A, Map Sheets 1 - 2) is an approximately 22-mile multi-use rail trail between East Hampton and Windham. The trail crosses the ROW near Structures 6507.5 and 6507.5A (Map Sheet 2).

A cultural (archaeological and historical) resources review of the proposed Project area was conducted by Heritage Consultants, LLC ("Heritage") in November and December 2020 and April 2021. This review included the following:

• A Phase 1A assessment review of previously recorded cultural resources on file with the Connecticut State Historic Preservation Office identified two National Register of Historic Places districts, one individually listed National Register of Historic Places property, and one archaeological site recorded within 500 feet of the work areas. These historic resources include the Prospect Hill Historic District and Main Street Historic District, and the Willimantic Freight House & Office located in Willimantic. An identified archeological site is located within the Eversource ROW in Lebanon. These

Connecticut Department of Transportation (CTDOT), October 1, 2019 Connecticut State Scenic Roads. Accessed April 2, 2021. Available URL: https://portal.ct.gov/DOT/Programs/Connecticut-Scenic-Roads. The Towns of Lebanon and Windham do not have any listed scenic roads in proximity to the Project.

historical and archeological resources will not be impacted by the Project. Based on a review of historic maps, aerial photographs, and available soil profiles, six of the proposed work pad locations and four of the access road locations were identified to possess a potential for moderate to high archaeological sensitivity. These ten locations were evaluated in the field with a pedestrian survey by Heritage, resulting in the reclassification of eight of the items as no/low sensitivity areas. Two of the locations, in proximity to Structures 6502A and 6504, retained the potential for moderate to high archaeological sensitivity and a Phase 1B cultural reconnaissance survey (shovel pit testing) was completed at these locations. The shovel pit testing found no physical evidence of archaeological significance; therefore, it was determined that no further investigation is warranted.

Wetlands, Watercourses, Waterbodies and Flood Zones

Eversource identified and delineated water resources in the Project area during October 2020 (see Attachment D: Wetlands and Watercourses Report; see also the map sheets provided in Attachment A, which depict such water resources). Water resources include inland wetlands, watercourses (perennial and intermittent streams), vernal pools, and Federal Emergency Management Agency ("FEMA") Flood Zones. All work in or near these areas would be conducted in accordance with the BMPs and with the conditions of applicable regulatory permits and approvals. Details on each of these resource areas are provided below.

Wetlands

Wetlands in the Project area were identified and delineated in accordance with industry standard methodology. Work activities in wetlands, will be conducted in accordance with the BMPs and comply with Project permits and approvals. A total of six wetlands were identified in or proximate to the Project area. There will be no permanent effects to these wetlands as a

result of the Project. The Project will result in approximately 0.41 acre of temporary effects to wetlands due to the placement of construction mats for work pads. All construction mats will be promptly removed upon Project completion and wetland areas will be restored in accordance with the

BMPs. Anticipated effects to wetlands from the Project are detailed on Table W-1 below.

Watercourses and Waterbodies

Three watercourses were delineated within the Project area. These include the Willimantic River and two unnamed intermittent watercourses. One temporary watercourse crossing will be required for an access road during construction. The watercourse will be spanned using existing timber matting. All construction mats will be promptly removed upon Project completion. The following Table W-1 provides a summary of Project effects to wetlands and watercourses:

Table W-1: Summary of Project Effects to Wetlands and Watercourses

Wetland/Watercourse	200-Scale	Wetland/Watercourse Effects (<u>+</u> square feet)		
ID	Petition	Temporary	Permanent	Secondary (Selective
	Mapping	(Matting)	(Structures)	Tree Removal)
	Sheet No.			
W01	03	2,004	0	0
W02	03	4,851	0	0
W03	03	10,902	0	0
W04/S01	02	0		
W05/S02 (Willimantic	02	0	0	0
River)				
W06/S02 (Willimantic	02	0	0	0
River)				
	Total	17,757		
		(0.41 acre)		

Vernal Pools

Project area wetlands were inspected for potential vernal pool habitat in October of 2020. Wetlands were investigated for the presence of seasonally flooded depressional areas that

would support breeding by vernal pool indicator species. No indicators for vernal pools were observed within the Project area wetlands. Wetlands 01, 02, and 03 are a large PSS wetland complex that connect to a non-delineated section of intermittent Stream 01, outside of the Project area. No depressional areas that could support vernal pool hydrology were observed within Wetlands 01, 02, or 03. Wetland 04 is a small floodplain wetland associated with intermittent Stream 01, and Wetlands 05 and 06 are floodplain wetlands associated with the Willimantic River (Stream 02). These floodplain wetlands do not contain depressional areas with hydrology that would support vernal pool indicator species. A confirmed vernal pool along an access road, west of the Card Substation and associated with LS 900/800/3271/330, was mapped and characterized during a previous delineation effort, for a different project.

FEMA Flood Zones

The Project ROW extends across a 100-year FEMA Flood Zone associated with the Willimantic River. Structures 6507.5 and 6507.5A are proposed to be located within the 100-year Flood Zone. Since these structures will be replacing existing structures already within the same floodplain, no impacts to the floodplain are anticipated.

Water Supply

Based on Aquifer Protection Areas ("APA") mapping maintained by CT DEEP, there are no APAs within or proximate to the Project ROW. The Project is not located within a public water supply watershed and no public supply reservoirs or public water supply wells are located within the Project area. No private water supply wells were observed within the Project area during field investigation activities.

Eversource would require its contractors to employ best practices for the proper storage, secondary containment, and handling of diesel fuel, motor oil, grease and other lubricants, to

protect water quality within the Project area. Construction activities would conform to the BMPs, as well as to the requirements of Project-specific plans (e.g., Stormwater Pollution Control Plan; Spill Prevention and Control Plan).

Wildlife and Habitat

The Project area straddles the Southeast Hills and Northeast Hills ecoregions of the state, and includes a variety of habitat types, including managed shrubland, forest edge, and scrubshrub habitat types. The Project transmission line structure and conductor replacement work will occur within Eversource's maintained ROW or on Eversource-owned property and thus would not be anticipated to have a substantial adverse environmental effect on wildlife habitat.

In February of 2021, Eversource submitted a Natural Diversity Database ("NDDB") State-listed Species Review request to the CT DEEP for the proposed structure replacement activities on the 1210/1220 Line within the NDDB-mapped habitat area. The NDDB response received in March 2021 identified one state-listed species⁶ known to occur within or near the Project area. Eversource will implement species-specific protection and mitigations measures to avoid impacts to the listed species and their habitats during Project construction.

Visual Effects

The Project would result in some change to the visual character of the line, though Eversource does not believe that the change would result in a substantial change. Eleven of the total fourteen replacement structures will increase in height by fifteen feet or less than the existing structures they are replacing and will be located as close as possible to the existing structures.

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To protect the state listed rare, threatened and special concern species and their habitats, no details are included in this Petition regarding species/habitat types, names or locations. The Attachment A mapping provides only general areas of the Project area as identified publicly by NDDB.

Replacing the existing lattice tower within the Willimantic Substation with two monopoles will not impact the visual character of the line as they will be located within the Substation. Similarly, the replacement monopoles are not anticipated to appreciably impact the visual character of the Substation.

Two of the total fourteen replacement structures (structures 6500 and 6501) located outside of Card Substation will be significantly higher than the structures they are replacing (42.5 feet and 39 feet, respectively), but at a total AGL elevation of 90 feet and 100 feet respectively, the two replacement structures will not be as high as existing structures also located outside of Card Substation. Visual effects would be further mitigated by utilizing weathering steel for the new structures allowing them to be consistent in appearance with the existing H-frame wood structures. As a result, the Project would not result in a detrimental change to the existing visual character of the line in this area, from nearby residential developments and publicly accessible land.

Sound Levels along the Transmission ROW

The construction of the Project would result in short-term and localized noise, as is typical of similar construction projects. The temporary increase in noise would likely raise localized ambient sound levels immediately surrounding the work areas due to the operation of standard types of construction equipment. (e.g., backhoe, bulldozer, crane, trucks, etc.)⁸. Upon completion of construction, the Project would not have any effect on noise or sound pressure levels. Once in service, the rebuilt lines would not result in any changes to ambient noise levels.

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⁷ These existing Structures 10701 and 10702 on the 3271 Line have an AGL of 124 feet and 157 feet, respectively.

⁸ Construction noise is exempted under the Connecticut regulations for the control of noise, RCSA 22a-69-1.8(h).

Air Quality

Short-term, localized effects on air quality may result from the Project construction work, primarily from fugitive dust and equipment emissions. To minimize the amount of dust generated by construction activities, the extent of exposed/disturbed areas at any one time would be minimized. Vehicle emissions will be limited by requiring contractors to properly maintain construction equipment and vehicles, and by minimizing the idling time of equipment and vehicles, including diesel construction equipment, in accordance with Connecticut regulatory requirements⁹. Temporary gravel tracking pads would be installed at points of construction vehicle ingress/egress from the ROW to minimize the potential for equipment to track dirt onto local roads. To further minimize dust, water may be used to wet down disturbed soils or work areas with heavy tracking as needed.

Radio and Television Interference

There will be no increase in radio or television interference resulting from the operation of the new transmission facilities.

5. Traffic Management

Construction vehicles and equipment associated with the work would include, but are not limited to, pickup trucks, bucket trucks, flat-bed trucks, excavators, concrete trucks, drill rigs, front loaders, reel trailers, bulldozers, woodchippers, brush hogs/mowers, forklifts, side booms, dump trucks and cranes. Pullers and tensioners will be used for the line work. Guard trucks and/or temporary guard structures would be used for protection of roads during the line work.

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⁹ Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies (RCSA) Section 22a-174-18(b)(3)(C) generally prohibits the idling of motor vehicles for more than three consecutive minutes when not in motion.

Construction-related vehicular and equipment movements would utilize public roads in the Project area to access the ROW. However, the Project-related traffic is generally expected to be temporary and highly localized in the vicinity of the ROW access points and at the staging areas. Due to phasing of construction work, these Project-related traffic movements are not expected to significantly affect transportation patterns or levels of service on public roads.

To safely move construction vehicles and equipment onto and off of the ROW while minimizing disruptions to vehicular traffic along public roads, Eversource or its Project contractor would work with the Towns and the Connecticut Department of Transportation, as appropriate, to develop and implement traffic management procedures, as needed. The construction contractor is typically responsible for posting and maintaining construction warning signs along public roads near work sites and for coordinating the use of flaggers or police personnel to direct traffic, as necessary.

6. Construction Sequence

Project construction would include the following activities:

Establishing Staging Areas

The Project is proposing to utilize an Eversource leased laydown yard located at 23 New Park Avenue in Franklin for a staging/laydown area. The staging area is approximately 3.2 acres total in size (See Figure 2 below).

The staging area would be used for surface storage of construction materials, equipment, tools, and supplies (including conductors, cable reels, insulators, hardware, poles, and mats) for the Project. Office trailers and Conex storage containers may be located at the staging area. Existing transmission line components removed during the work (structures, conductor, hardware, and insulators) may be temporarily accumulated and stored at the staging area

prior to removal off-site for salvage and/or disposal. The staging area may also be used by construction crews for parking personal vehicles as well as for construction vehicles and equipment storage, and for performing minor maintenance, when needed, on construction equipment. Appropriate erosion and sedimentation ("E&S") controls would be installed and maintained until completion of the work in accordance with Project permits and the BMPs.

Figure 2: Proposed Staging and Laydown Area at 23 New Park Avenue, Franklin, CT (area defined by red cloud-like line)



Soil Erosion and Sediment Control Installation

Project construction would conform to best management practices for E&S control, including those provided in the 2002 Connecticut Guidelines for Soil Erosion and Sediment Control ("Connecticut Guidelines") and BMPs. This will include the development of a project specific Stormwater Pollution Control Plan ("SWPCP") and registration under CT DEEP's General Permit for the Discharge of Stormwater and Dewatering Wastewaters from Construction Activities, effective 10/1/13 ("General Permit").

Typical E&S control measures include, but are not limited to, straw blankets, hay bales, silt fencing, gravel anti-tracking pads, soil and slope protection, water bars, check dams, berms, swales, plunge pools, and sediment basins. Silt fence would be installed prior to construction to intercept and retain sediment and/or construction materials from disturbed areas and prevent such materials from discharging to water resources or off ROW. Temporary E&S control measures would be maintained and inspected throughout the Project to ensure their integrity and effectiveness and for compliance with the General Permit. The SWPCP inspections will be in accordance with the General Permit requirements. Following completion of the rebuilt Project facilities, seeding and mulching would be completed to permanently stabilize the areas disturbed by the work. The temporary E&S control measures would remain in place until the Project work is complete and all disturbed areas have been deemed stabilized.

Access Roads and Work Pads

Access to each proposed transmission structure location will be required during Project construction. As a result of the operation and maintenance of the existing lines within this ROW, some access roads are already established and Eversource will utilize these existing access roads to the extent possible. However, some new access roads will be required.

Construction matting will be utilized to install temporary access roads through wetland areas to reach certain structure locations. The access roads expected to be used for the proposed Project are illustrated on the maps in Attachment A.

Existing access roads may need to be improved (graded, widened, and/or reinforced) with additional stone material to accommodate the safe passage of construction vehicles and equipment. Access road improvements typically include trimming adjacent vegetation and widening roads, as needed, to provide a maximum travel surface that is approximately 16 feet wide (additional width may be needed at turning or passing locations). Access roads would typically be graveled; however, where access roads traverse streams or wetlands, timber construction mats or rail car bridges would be used. E&S controls would be installed as necessary before the commencement of any improvements to or development of access roads.

At each transmission line structure location, a work pad is required to stage material for final on-site assembly and/or removal of structures, to pull conductors and to provide a safe, level work base for the construction equipment. Typical work pads are 100 feet by 100 feet but, due to terrain and spacing between the existing and proposed structures, the work pads may be up to approximately 110 feet by 120 feet. In areas where machinery is needed for pulling conductors through an angled structure, work pads of approximately 130 feet by 80 feet are required. Most work pads will be graveled, though some will use temporary matting to protect sensitive resource areas (e.g., lawn, meadow and identified cultural resource areas) or where work pads are in wetlands.

To facilitate future transmission line maintenance, access roads, structure work pads in uplands would be left in place (refer to Attachment A). If an individual property owner requests

their removal, the Project representatives will work with the property owner on mitigation options. No new permanent access roads or work pads are proposed in water resource areas.

The proximate locations and configuration of the work pads, as determined based on the environmental field studies and constructability reviews, are shown on Attachment A.

Foundation Installation

The proposed structures will have either drilled (caisson) foundations or direct embed foundations. Foundation installation work would require the use of equipment such as drill rigs, pneumatic hammers, augers, dump trucks, concrete trucks, grapple trucks and light duty trucks. If groundwater is encountered, and when working within wetlands, pumping (vacuum) trucks or other suitable equipment would be used to pump water from the excavated areas as the shaft is being drilled or as the structure is being set. The water would then be discharged in accordance with applicable local, state and federal requirements.

Excavated soils that are generated during construction activities would be stored or spread in an upland area within the ROW, to the extent practicable. Materials that cannot be utilized as backfill would be disposed in accordance with applicable regulations.

As needed, counterpoise installation may also take place at this time. Depending on sitespecific soil conductivity, supplemental grounding will be installed. A quad "ditch-witch" plowcable trencher would be used to install the counterpoise.

Structure Assembly/Installation

Structure sections, structure components and hardware would be delivered to the individual structure locations using flat-bed trucks and assembled on-site using a crane and bucket trucks. After assembly, the area around direct embed foundations would be backfilled with processed gravel.

Conductor and OPGW Installation

The installation of the new conductors and OPGW would occur after the new structures have been erected. The equipment required for these activities would include cable reels, pulling and tensioning rigs, and bucket trucks.

Structure, Conductor and Static Wire Removal

The removal of the existing conductor and static wire would take place during the active installation of the new conductor and OPGW because the existing conductor and static wire will be used as pulling lines, if possible. Conductor dead-ending and splicing will be accomplished with pressed hardware.

The existing structures would be removed after the new conductor, static wire and OPGW are installed.

Restoration

Once the new structures are erected, the line is energized and the existing structures have been removed, ROW restoration activities would commence. Restoration activities would include the removal of construction debris, signage, flagging, and temporary fencing, as well as the removal of construction mats and work pads that are designated for removal. Areas affected by construction would be re-graded as practical and stabilized using revegetation or

other measures before removing temporary E&S controls. Eversource would perform ROW restoration in accordance with the protocols specified in the BMPs and in consultation with affected property owners.

Waste Management

Waste materials, such as structure components (e.g., materials from the removed structures, conductor, static wire, associated hardware, etc.) and any other construction debris would be disposed of in accordance with the BMPs, applicable regulations or recycled consistent with applicable rules and regulations and Eversource policies. As described above, excess soils would be managed in accordance with the BMPs, applicable regulations and disposal facility policies. Dewatering during construction activities would be conducted in accordance with the *Connecticut Guidelines*, the BMPs and applicable regulations.

7. Construction Schedule and Work Hours

Eversource proposes to begin construction in the Fall of 2021. Normal work hours would be Monday through Saturday from 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM. Sunday work hours or evening work hours past 7:00 PM may be necessary due to delays caused by unforeseen circumstances, inclement weather and/or outage constraints. In the event this is necessary, the Council, Town(s) and abutters will be provided notice of the proposed Sunday and/or evening work hours.

8. Electric and Magnetic Fields

Eversource prepared calculations of the existing and post-Project Electric and Magnetic fields ("EMF"). The calculations were based on average annual loading conditions because these are most representative of typical conditions. The calculations are made relative to the centerline of the proposed, modified transmission lines. The calculations apply at one meter

(3.28 feet) above grade and assume that the lowest conductor for each 115-kV circuit is 30 feet above grade.

Eversource's proposes to replace single-circuit and double-circuit wood H-Frame structures with single-circuit and double circuit weathering steel monopoles or weathering steel H-Frame structures and replace the existing double-circuit lattice tower inside Willimantic Substation with two single-circuit weathering steel monopoles. Magnetic field levels will increase by approximately 0.8 mG within the ROW. Magnetic fields at and beyond the edges of the ROW will remain essentially unchanged.

Maximum electric field levels in the ROW are expected to increase slightly from 1.38 kV/m to 1.54 kV/m. Electric fields at and beyond the edges of the ROW will be essentially unchanged.

Table 1 summarizes the calculated electric and magnetic fields at the ROW edges before and after the modifications.

Table 1 - Summary of Calculated Electric and Magnetic Fields

Summary of Fields		1210/1220 Line EMF Calculations		
Summary	or Fields	West Edge Max East Edg		East Edge
MF (mG)	Existing	0.8	15.6	1.2
	Proposed	0.8	16.4	1.2
EF (kV/m)	Existing	0.04	1.38	0.16
	Proposed	0.05	1.54	0.19

The results of the calculations show that the proposed modifications would not substantially increase electric or magnetic fields at the edge of the corridor. See Attachment E: EMF Graphs and Tabulated Field Calculations.

¹⁰ Because these are the only transmission lines in the corridor, "No-cost" mitigation options are not available.

Comparison of Calculated Fields to International Guidelines

The anticipated fields from the proposed transmission lines are well below the internationally established exposure limits for 60-Hz electric and magnetic fields. Specifically, these fields are below the limits identified by the International Council on Electromagnetic Safety ("ICES") and the International Council on Non-Ionizing Radiation Protection ("ICNIRP"). These standards are summarized below in Table 2.

Table 2 - International Guidelines for EMF Exposure

	EF (kV/m)	MF (mG)
ICES	5	9,040
ICNIRP	4.2	2,000

9. Municipal and Property Owner Outreach

In February 2021, Eversource consulted with the municipal officials of the towns of Lebanon and Windham to brief them on the proposed Project. Additionally, in May 2021, Eversource provided representatives of the Town with written notice of the Petition filing.

In February 2021, Eversource also initiated outreach to property owners located along the Project route. In conjunction with the submission of this Petition, all abutting property owners were notified of the filing and provided information on how to obtain additional information on the Project, as well as how to submit comments to the Council. Eversource representatives will continue contact with adjacent property owners to provide advance notification as to the start of construction activities and will continue to update property owners throughout construction and restoration.

10. Conclusion

Based on the foregoing, Eversource respectfully submits that the proposed modifications would not result in a substantial adverse effect on the environment, nor would they damage existing scenic, historical, or recreational values. Accordingly, Eversource requests that the Council issue a declaratory ruling that the proposed modifications would have no substantial adverse environmental effect.

Communications regarding this Petition for a Declaratory Ruling should be directed to:

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By:

Kathleen M. Shanley

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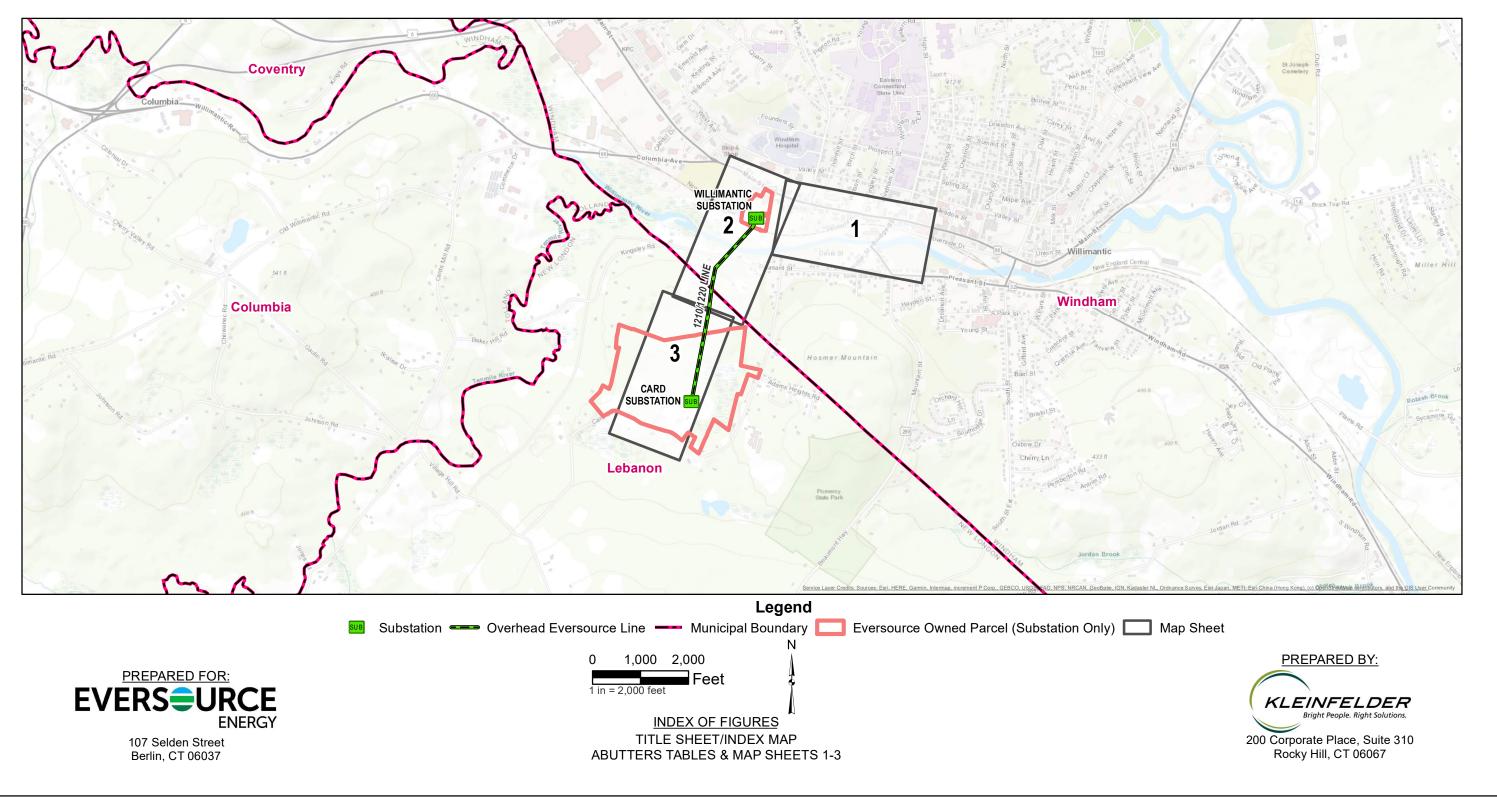
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Attachment A Card to Willimantic Upgrade Project Maps



CARD TO WILLIMANTIC UPGRADE PROJECT

Windham & Lebanon, CT June 11, 2021



MAP SHEET 1 of 3
Card to Willimantic Upgrade Project
Access Road Near Air Line State Park Trail
Town of Windham, Connecticut

AREA DESCRIPTION

Existing Land Use & Resource Areas

- Residential
- Commercial
- Railroad
- Air Line State Park Trail
- Willimantic River
- FEMA 100-Year Flood Zone and Floodway
- Natural Diversity Database Area
- Eversource owned property, Willimantic Substation

RIGHT-OF-WAY DESRIPTION

Right-of-Way Land Use & Resource Areas

No ROW present

Water Resources

• Map sheet outside of delineation area

Wetland and Watercourse Crossings

None

Right-of-Way Vegetation

No ROW present

Access

• Structures 6507.5A and 6507.5 on Map Sheet 02: Unnamed road off of Bridge Street

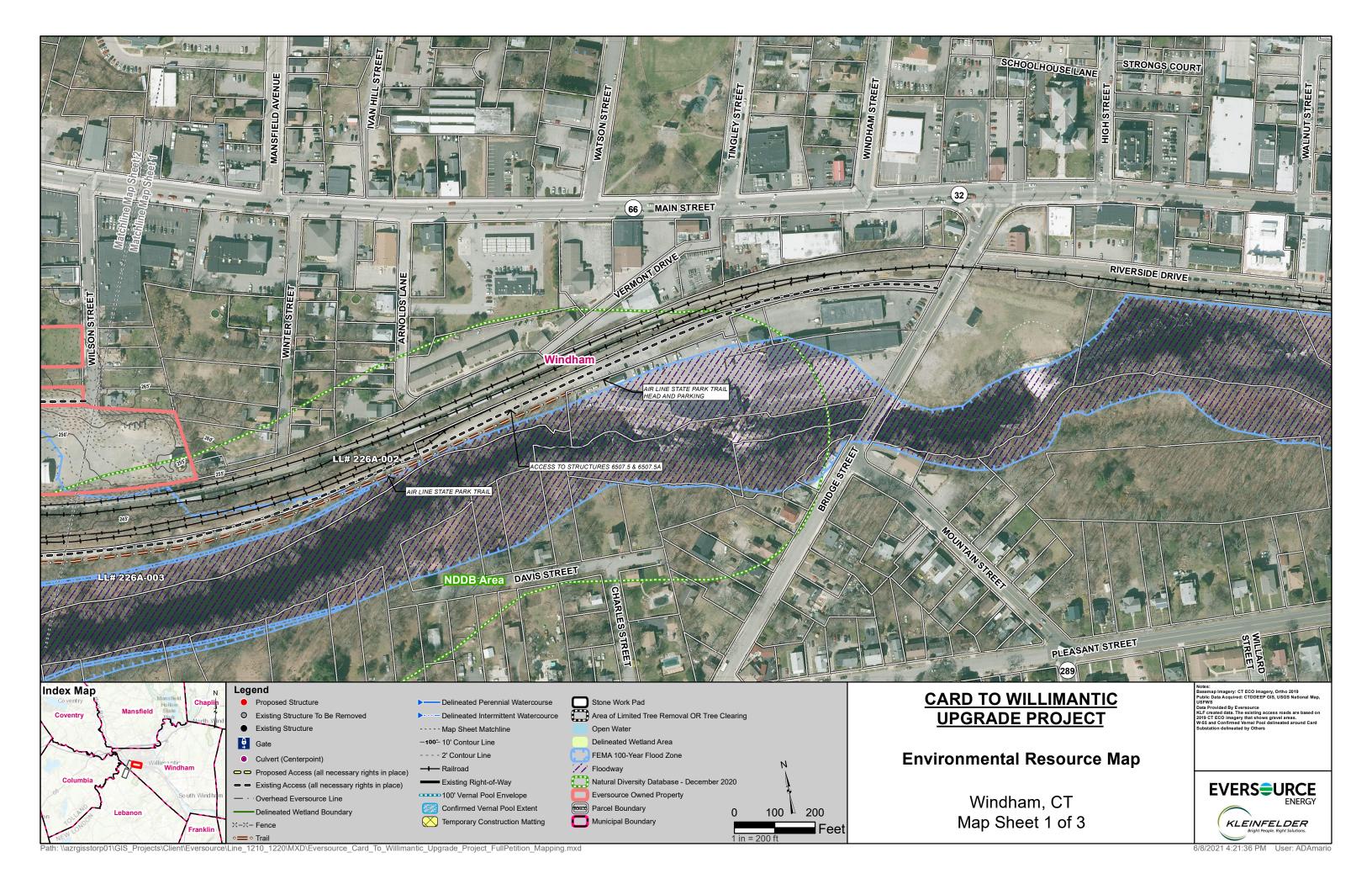
Road Crossings

None

Existing Maintained Right-of-Way Width / Proposed Right-of-Way Clearing

No ROW present

Line List Number	Parcel Address	Owner First Name	Owner Last Name
226A-002		NEW ENGLAND CENTRAL RAILROAD, INC	
226A-003	55 BRIDGE STREET	TOWN OF WINDHAM BURDICK PARK	



MAP SHEET 2 of 3 Card to Willimantic Upgrade Project Existing Structures 6508 to 6505 Town of Windham and Town of Lebanon, Connecticut

AREA DESCRIPTION

Existing Land Use & Resource Areas

- Commercial
- Residential
- Eversource owned property, Willimantic Substation
- Railroad
- Air Line State Park Trail
- Willimantic River
- FEMA 100-Year Flood Zone and Floodway
- Natural Diversity Database Area
- Undeveloped, forest

RIGHT-OF-WAY DESRIPTION

Right-of-Way Land Use & Resource Areas

- Maintained ROW
- Eversource owned property, Willimantic Substation, at Structure 6508
- Railroad between Structures 6508 and 6507.5, 6507.5A
- Air Line State Park Trail between Structures 6508 and 6507.5, 6507.5A
- Willimantic River between Structures 6507.5, 6507.5A and 6507, 6507A
- FEMA 100-Year Flood Zone from Structures 6507.5, 6507.5A to 6507, 6507A
- Natural Diversity Database Area from Structures 6507.5, 6507.5A to 6507, 6507A
- Meadow/lawn south of Willimantic River

Water Resources

- Wetlands W06, W05, W04
- Wetland Cover Types PSS1, PEM1
- Watercourses S02 (Willimantic River), S01
- Vernal Pools None

Wetland and Watercourse Crossings

None

Right-of-Way Vegetation

- Scrub-shrub
- Meadow/lawn
- Forest

Access

- Structures 6507.5A and 6507.5: Unnamed road off of Bridge Street
- Structures 6507, 6507A, to 6505: existing and proposed access from Card Street
- Structures 6508 and 6508A: existing access from Wilson Street through Willimantic Substation

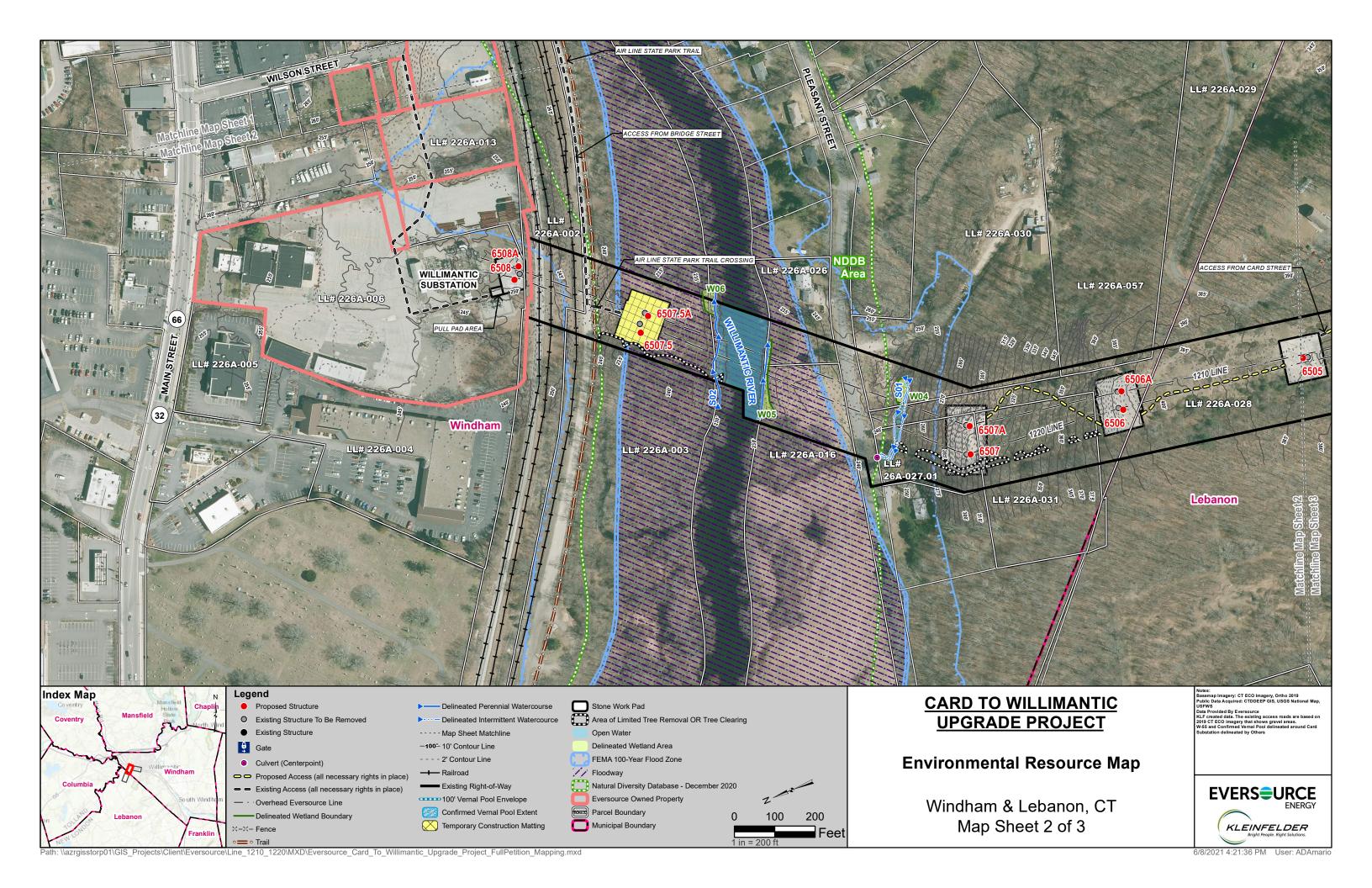
Road Crossings

- Unnamed road off of Bridge Street
- Pleasant Street

Existing Maintained Right-of-Way Width / Proposed Right-of-Way Clearing

- ± 120' / Limited Tree Removal or Tree Clearing Around Structures 6507.5 and 6507.5A
- ± 160' / Limited Tree Removal or Tree Clearing Around Structures 6507, 6507A, 6506 and 6506A (No proposed clearing between Structures 6506, 6506A and 6505)

Line List Number	Parcel Address	Owner First Name	Owner Last Name
226A-002		NEW ENGLAND CENTRAL RAILROAD, INC	
226A-003	55 BRIDGE STREET	TOWN OF WINDHAM BURDICK PARK	
226A-004	1320 MAIN STREET	ALEXANDER TYLER CORPORATION TACO BELL	
226A-005	1310 MAIN STREET	NORWICH REALTY INC., C/O RITE AID CORP #2468	
226A-006	1270 MAIN STREET	THE CONNECTICUT LIGHT & POWER COMPANY (EVERSOURCE)	
226A-013	20 FITCH STREET	THE CONNECTICUT LIGHT & POWER COMPANY (EVERSOURCE)	
226A-016	700 PLEASANT STREET	WINFIELD H	ELWELL
226A-026	677 PLEASANT STREET	GERI & SHERRY	LANGLOIS & DALESSANDRO
226A-027.01	736 PLEASANT STREET	MARTHA M	LAVOY
226A-028	131 CARD STREET	GORDON E & ROBIN L	MARROTTE, JR & MARROTTE
226A-029	137 CARD STREET	GORDON E & ROBIN L	MARROTTE, JR & MARROTTE
226A-030	680 PLEASANT STREET	GORDON E	MARROTTE, JR & MARROTTE
226A-031	650R PLEASANT STREET	MARTHA M	LAVOY
226A-057	624R PLEASANT STREET	GORDON E	MARROTTE



MAP SHEET 3 of 3 Card to Willimantic Upgrade Project Existing Structures 6505 to 6500 Town of Windham and Town of Lebanon, Connecticut

AREA DESCRIPTION

Existing Land Use & Resource Areas

- Eversource owned property, Card Substation
- Undeveloped, forest
- Residential

RIGHT-OF-WAY DESRIPTION

Right-of-Way Land Use & Resource Areas

- Maintained ROW
- Eversource owned property, Card Substation

Water Resources

- Wetlands W03, W02, W01, W-55 (Located on Eversource Property Outside of ROW)
- Wetland Cover Types PSS1
- Watercourses Unnamed Stream at Confirmed Vernal Pool
- Confirmed Vernal Pool (Located on Eversource Property Outside of ROW)

Wetland and Watercourse Crossings

- W01 construction mats for work pad
- W02 construction mats for work pads
- W03 construction mats for work pads
- · Unnamed Stream at Confirmed Vernal Pool utilize existing mats to span stream for access

Right-of-Way Vegetation

- Scrub-shrub
- Forest

Access

- Structures 6505 to 6501: existing and proposed access from Card Street
- Structure 6500: existing access from Card Street through Card Substation

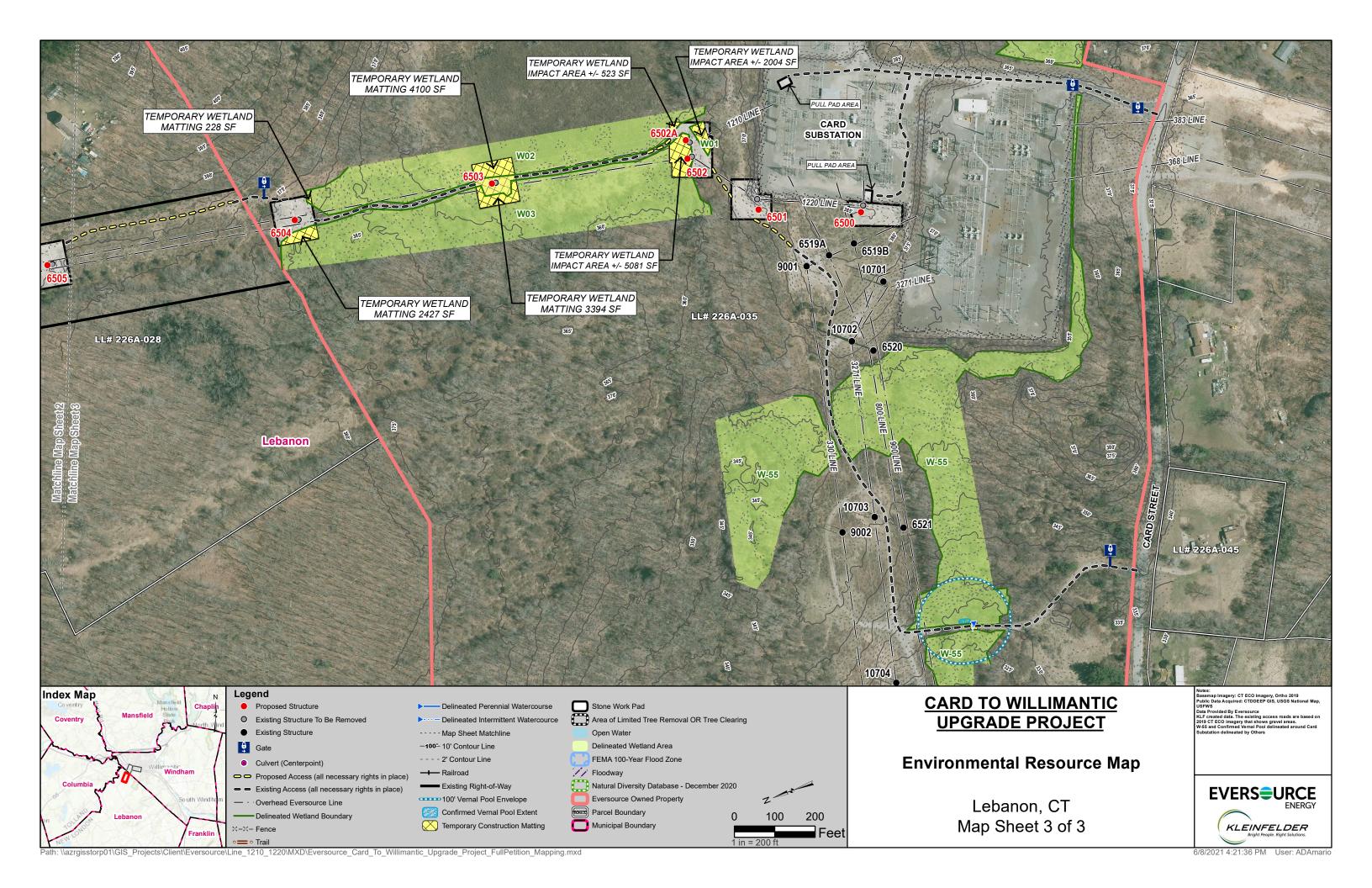
Road Crossings

None

Existing Maintained Right-of-Way Width / Proposed Right-of-Way Clearing

• ± 160' / no proposed clearing

Line List Number Parcel Address		Owner First Name	Owner Last Name
226A-028	131 CARD STREET	GORDON E & ROBIN L	MARROTTE, JR & MARROTTE
226A-035	141 CARD STREET	THE CONNECTICUT LIGHT & POWER COMPANY (EVERSOURCE)	
226A-045	184 CARD STREET	PHILIP J	INSALACO

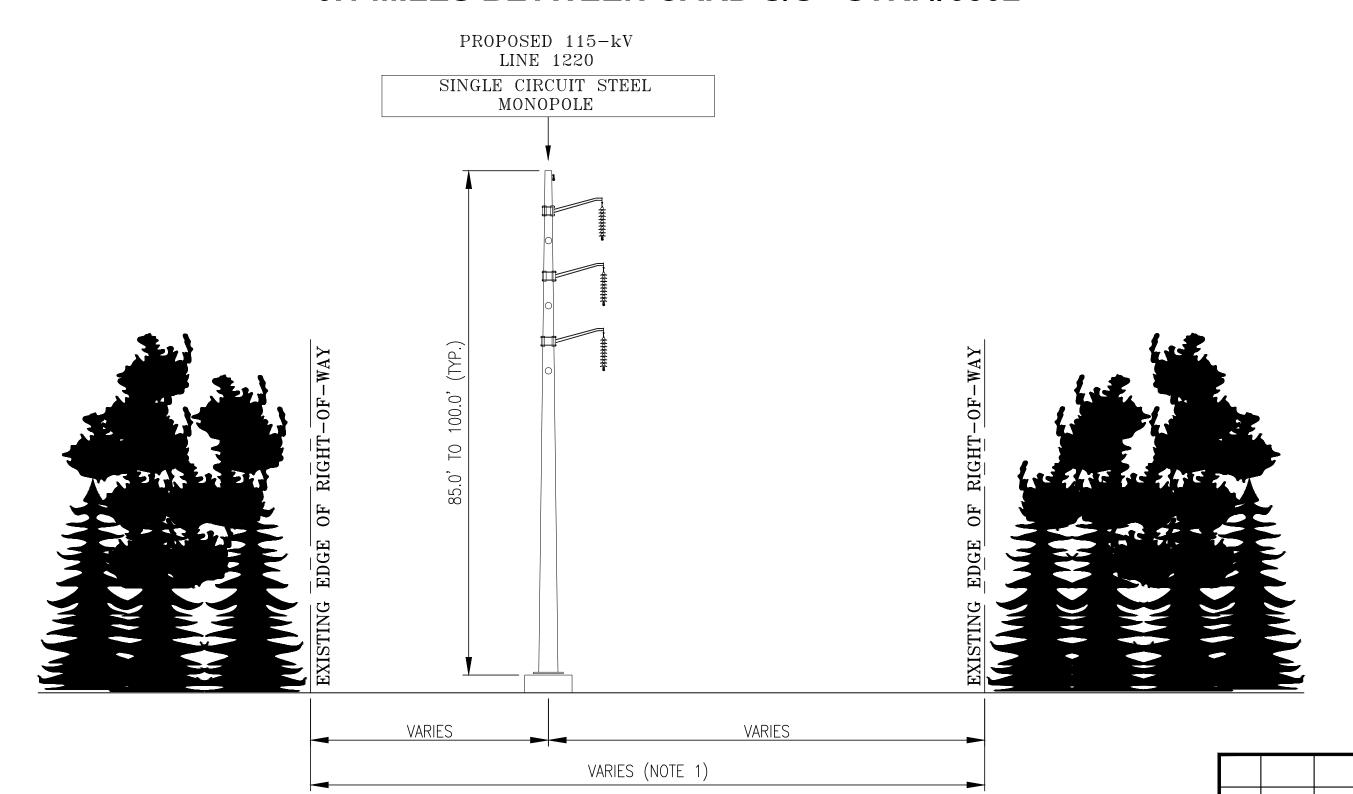




Attachment B Card to Willimantic Upgrade Project Right-of-Way Cross Sections



EXISTING R.O.W. CONFIGURATION SINGLE CIRCUIT WOOD DEADENDS LOOKING TOWARD WILLIMANTIC SUBSTATION, TOWN OF LEBANON, CONNECTICUT 0.1 MILES BETWEEN CARD S/S - STR. #6502



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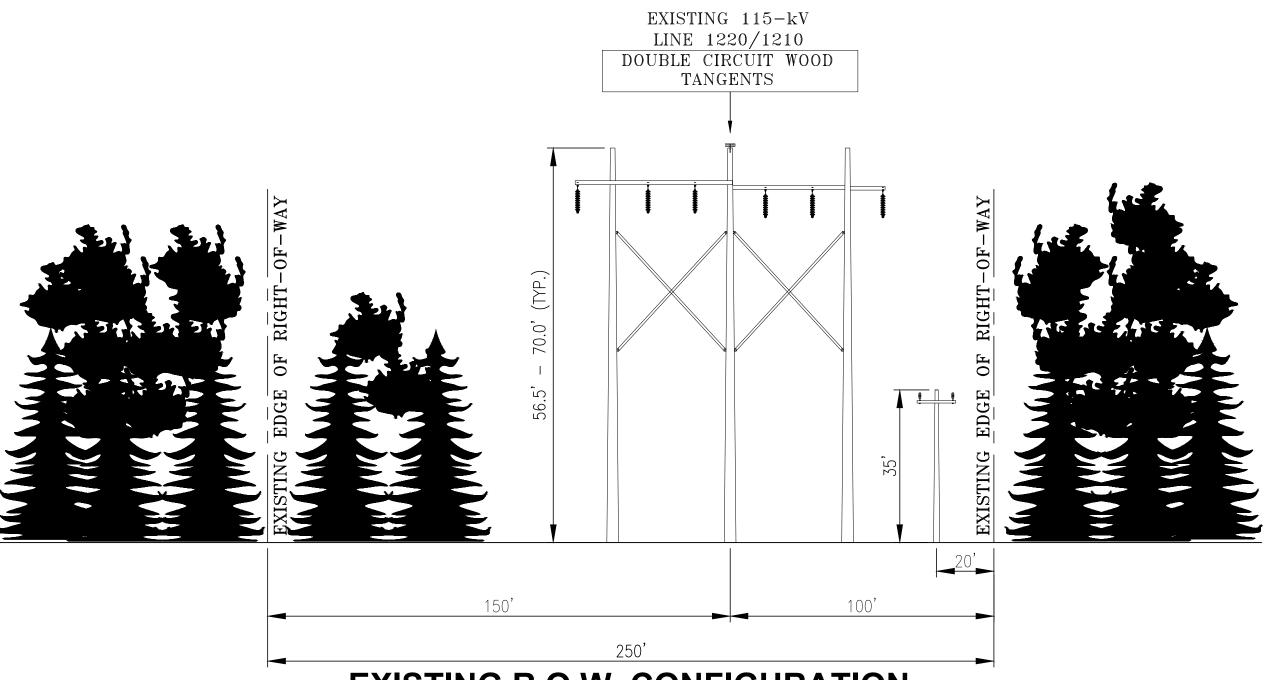
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			REVISIONS DURING CONSTRUCTION			

PROPOSED R.O.W. CONFIGURATION SINGLE CIRCUIT STEEL MONOPOLES LOOKING TOWARD WILLIMANTIC SUBSTATION, TOWN OF LEBANON, CONNECTICUT 0.1 MILES BETWEEN CARD S/S - STR. #6502

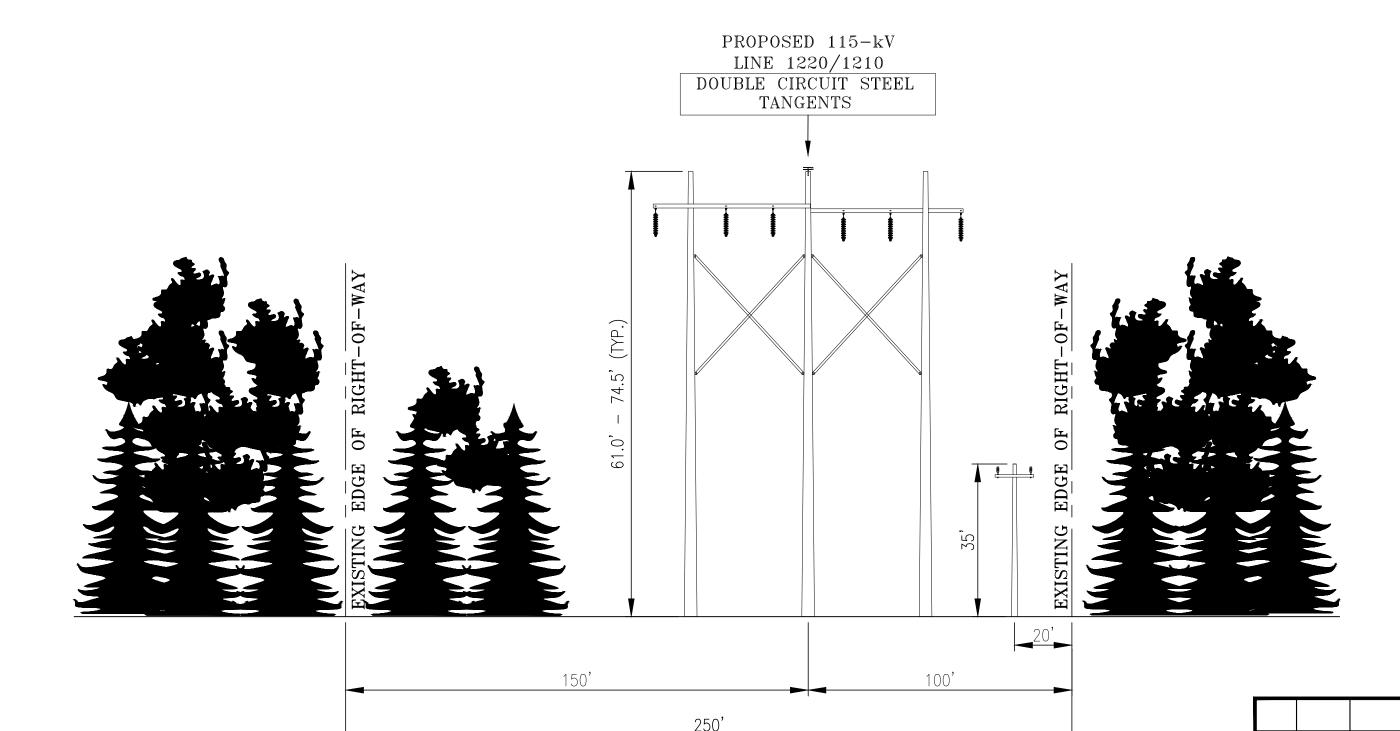
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RIGHT OF WAY CROSS SECTION
LEBANON, CONNECTICUT

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EXISTING R.O.W. CONFIGURATION
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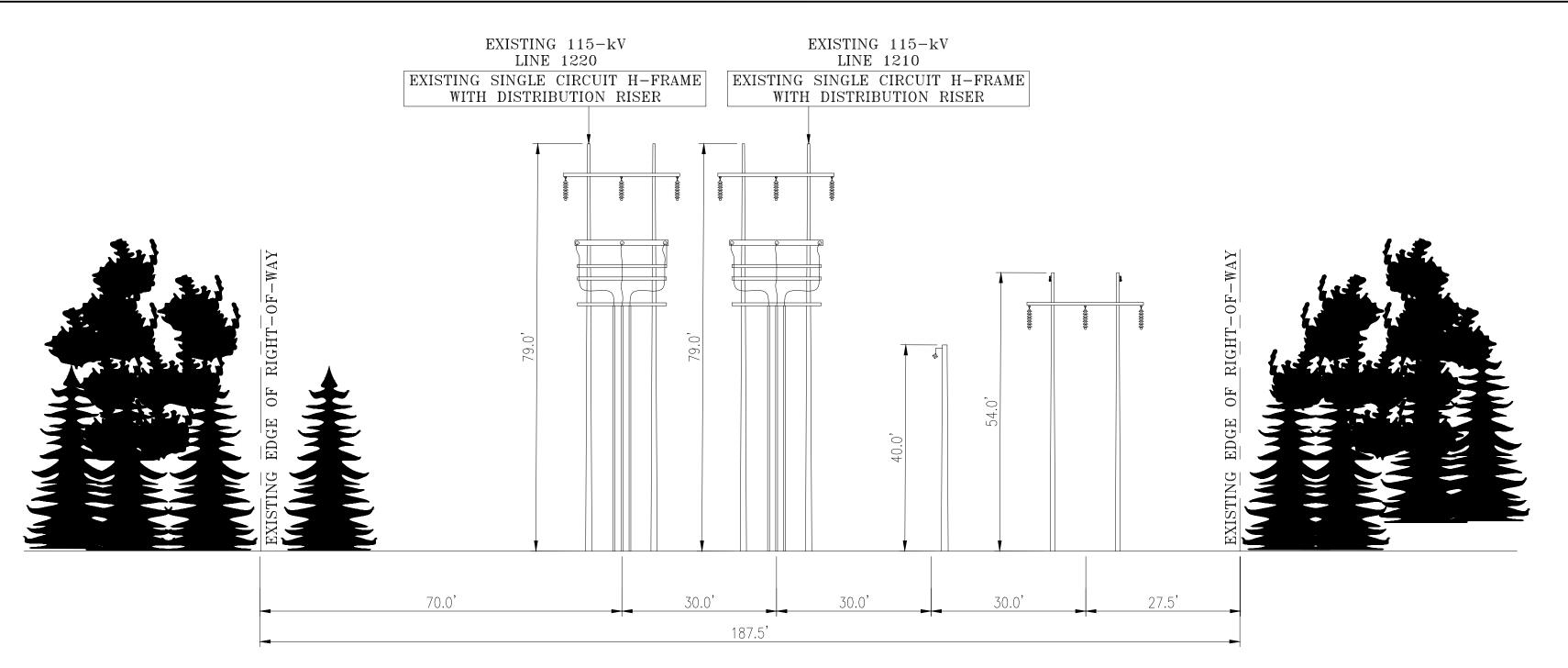
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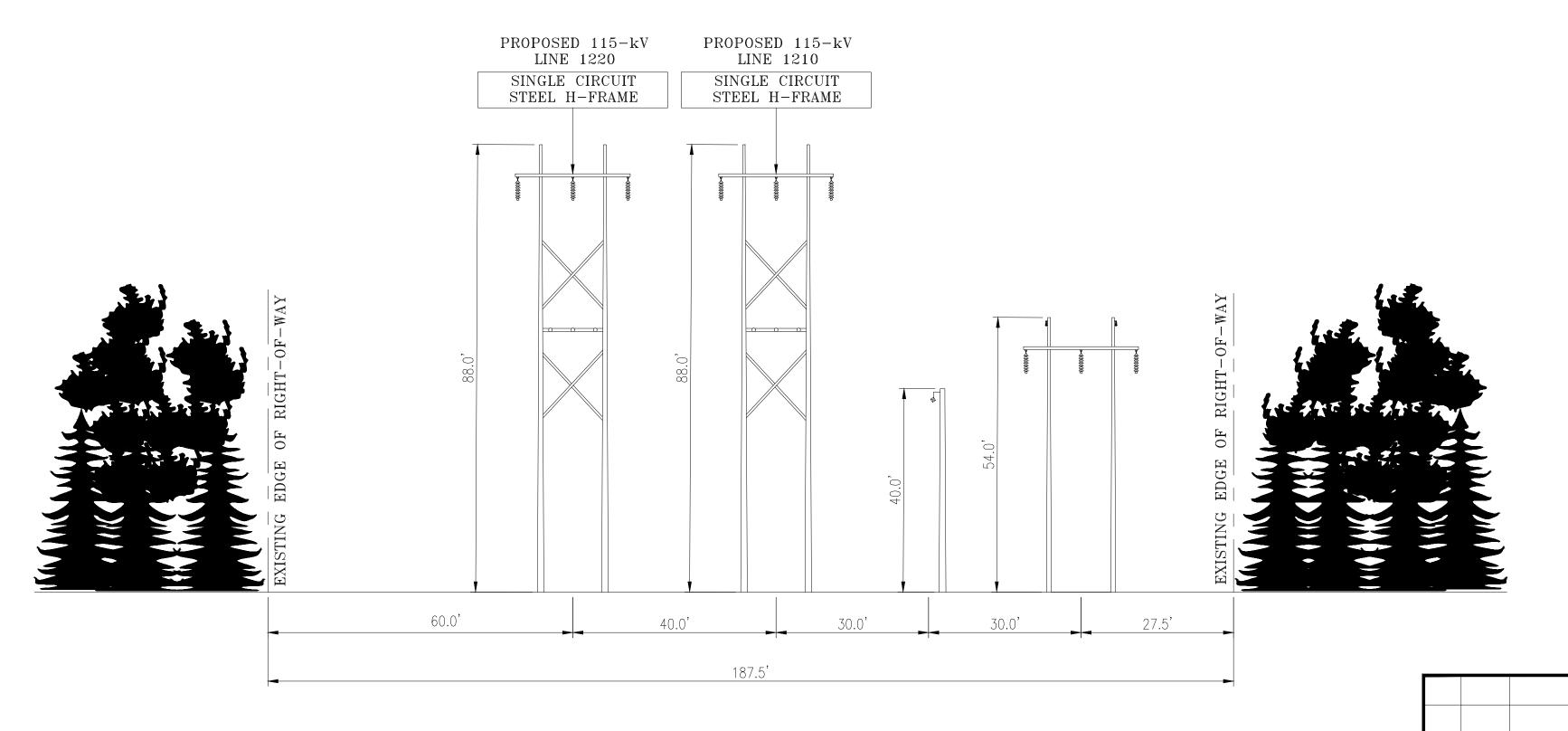
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EXISTING R.O.W. CONFIGURATION SINGLE CIRCUIT STEEL TANGENTS WITH DISTRIBUTION UNDERBUILD LOOKING TOWARD WILLIMANTIC SUBSTATION, TOWN OF WINDHAM, CONNECTICUT STR. #6507.5 & STR. 6507.5A



PROPOSED R.O.W. CONFIGURATION SINGLE CIRCUIT STEEL TANGENTS WITH DISTRIBUTION UNDERBUILD LOOKING TOWARD WILLIMANTIC SUBSTATION, TOWN OF WINDHAM, CONNECTICUT STR. 6507.5 TO STR. 6507.5A

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			WO#TPC00701					SAL	BRK	GEL
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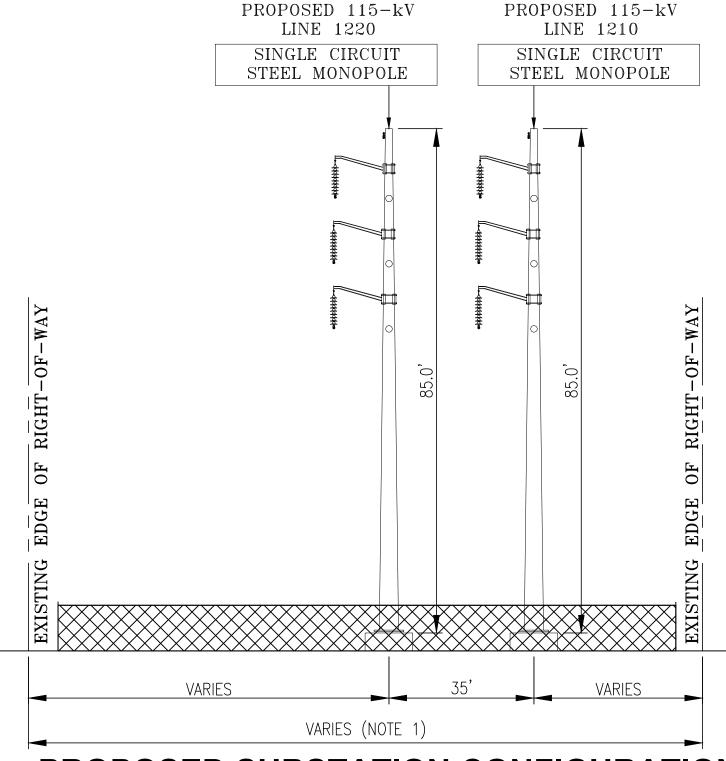
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CARD S/S TO WILLIMANTIC S/S

115-kv transmission line 1210/1220
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EXISTING SUBSTATION CONFIGURATION DOUBLE CIRCUIT LATTICE TOWER LOOKING TOWARD WILLIMANTIC SUBSTATION, TOWN OF WINDHAM, CONNECTICUT STR. #6508



PROPOSED SUBSTATION CONFIGURATION
SINGLE CIRCUIT STEEL MONOPOLES
LOOKING TOWARD WILLIMANTIC SUBSTATION,
TOWN OF WINDHAM, CONNECTICUT
STR. 6508 & 6508A

NOTE:
1. CROSS SECTION DEPICTS EVERSOURCE OWNED PROPERTY WITH VARYING WIDTHS TO EDGE OF BOUNDARY.

	REVISIONS DURING CONSTRUCTION							
2	03/02/21	RE-IFC WO#TPC00701 (1210) & WO #TPC00801 (LINE 1220)	RDW	GEL	BRS			
3	03/24/21	RE-IFC WO#TPC00701 (1210) & WO #TPC00801 (1220)	JAM	GEL	BRS			
4	05/14/21	RE-IFC WO#TPC00701 (1210) & WO #TPC00801 (1220)	SAL	BRK	GEL			
4	05/20/21	RE-IFC WO#TPC00701 (1210) & WO #TPC00801 (1220)	МММ	BRK	GEL			

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CARD S/S TO WILLIMANTIC S/S 115-kV TRANSMISSION LINE 1210/1220 RIGHT OF WAY CROSS SECTION

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Attachment C Card to Willimantic Upgrade Project List of Structure Replacements



Structure	Existing Structure Type	Height (ft.)	Replacement Structure Type	Height (ft.)/increase
6500	Single circuit, Wood 3-pole	47.5	Single circuit weathering steel monopole	90.0/42.5
6501	Single circuit, Wood 3-pole	61.0	Single circuit weathering steel monopole	100.0/39.0
6502	Single circuit, Wood 3-pole	70.0	Single circuit weathering steel monopole	85.0/15.0
6502A	Single circuit, Wood 3-pole	70.0	Single circuit weathering steel 3-pole	74.5/4.5
6503	Double circuit, Wood 3-pole	61.0	Double circuit weathering steel 3-pole	70.0/9.0
6504	Double circuit, Wood 3-pole	70.0	Double circuit weathering steel 3-pole	74.5/4.5
6505	Double circuit, Wood 3-pole	70.0	Double circuit weathering steel 3-pole	74.5/4.5
6506	Single circuit, Wood 3-pole	61.0	Single circuit weathering steel 3-pole	61.0/0.0
6506A	Single circuit, Wood 2-pole	61.0	Single circuit weathering steel 2-pole	65.5/4.5
6507	Single circuit, Wood 3-ppole	56.5	Single circuit weathering steel 3-pole	61.0/4.5
6507A	Single circuit, Wood 3-pole	56.5	Single circuit weathering steel 3-pole	61.0/4.5
6507.5	Single circuit, Wood 2-pole	79.0	Single circuit weathering steel 2-pole	88.0/9.0
6507.5A	Single circuit, Wood 2-pole	79.0	Single circuit weathering steel 2-pole	88.0/9.0
6508	Steel double circuit lattice tower	80.0	Single circuit weathering steel monopole	85.0/5.0
6508A	**	0.0	Single circuit weathering steel monopole	85.0/85.0**

^{**} Structure 6508A is a new single circuit steel monopole



Attachment D

Card to Willimantic Upgrade Project

Wetlands and Watercourses Report





Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Report

Project: Card to Willimantic Upgrade Project

Project Location: Windham and Lebanon, Connecticut

Prepared: March 2021

Prepared for: Eversource Energy

107 Selden Street Berlin, CT 06037

Prepared by: Kleinfelder, Inc.

200 Corporate Place, Suite 310

Rocky Hill, CT 06067

Wetland and watercourse delineation performed by¹:

Kleinfelder, Inc

Emma Mrowka

Emma Mouka

Qualified Soil Scientist

¹Wetlands and watercourses were delineated by Kleinfelder soil scientists Anthony Froonjian and Emma Mrowka, assisted by Taylor Templeton.

Executive Summary:

On behalf of Eversource Energy (Eversource), Kleinfelder, Inc. (Kleinfelder) conducted inland wetland and watercourse delineations within an approximately 15-acre area of interest along an existing right-of-way between the Willimantic Substation in Windham, Connecticut and the Card Substation in Lebanon, Connecticut. The delineation was conducted on October 7 and 8, 2020 in support of Eversource's Card to Willimantic Upgrade Project (Project).

Kleinfelder identified the following inland wetlands and watercourses within the Project area during the delineation surveys:

- 2 watercourses, consisting of:
 - 1 intermittent stream, and
 - 1 perennial stream.
- 6 inland wetlands, consisting of:
 - o 5 palustrine scrub/shrub wetlands, and
 - 1 palustrine emergent wetland.

In addition to the wetlands and watercourses identified by Kleinfelder, 1 intermittent watercourse, 2 inland wetlands, and 1 vernal pool were identified by other consultants during a previous delineation effort. Data for these resources are not supplied in this report.

Resources delineated for the Project area are described in **Table 1** and **Table 2**. Wetland Determination Data Forms for resources delineated in October 2020 are appended.

Field Conditions:

The state of Connecticut was experiencing a documented drought during the time of the investigation. Drought conditions at the Project area were classified as D3 – Extreme Drought, according to the National Integrated Drought Information System (www.drought.gov). No precipitation occurred within 48 hours prior to the investigation.

Delineation Methodology:

Wetlands and watercourses were delineated in accordance with state and/or federal wetland criteria pursuant to the Connecticut Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Act: Section 22a-36 through Section 22a-45, the Corps of Engineers Wetlands Delineations Manual (Environmental Laboratory, 1987), and the Regional Supplement to the Corps of Engineers Wetland Delineation Manual: Northcentral and Northeast Region (Version 2.0) (USACE, 2012). The limits of streams were established based on the USACE's definition of the ordinary high water mark provided at 33 CFR 328.3.

Results:

Table 1: Delineated Wetlands Within the Card to Willimantic Upgrade Project Area

Wetland Name ¹	NWI Classification ²	Associated Watercourses ³	Area (acres)	Soil Map Units Within Delineated Wetland	CT Inland Wetland Soil ⁴
W01	PSS1	-	0.05	Sutton fine sandy loam, 2 to 8 percent slopes, very stony	CT non wetland
				Sutton fine sandy loam, 2 to 8 percent slopes, very stony	CT non wetland
W02 PSS1		-	1.94	Ridgebury, Leicester, and Whitman soils, extremely stony	CT wetland
				Timakwa and Natchaug soils	CT Wetland
				Woodbridge fine sandy loam, 2 to 8 percent slopes, very stony	CT non wetland
				Sutton fine sandy loam, 2 to 8 percent slopes, very stony	CT non wetland
W03	PSS1	-	3.18	Ridgebury, Leicester, and Whitman soils, extremely stony	CT wetland
				Woodbridge fine sandy loam, 2 to 8 percent slopes, very stony	CT non wetland
W04	PEM1	S01 (Unnamed,	0.03	Charlton-Chatfield complex, 15 to 45 percent slopes, very rocky	CT non wetland
		intermittent)		Saco silt loam	CT wetland
W05	PSS1	S02 (Willimantic River, perennial)	0.05	Saco silt loam	CT wetland
W06	PSS1	S02 (Willimantic River, perennial)	0.04	Suncook loamy fine sand	CT wetland

NOTES

¹Wetland name is a Kleinfelder generated naming convention during the 2020 field survey within the Card to Willimantic Upgrade Project area.

²Wetlands classified according to *Classification of Wetlands and Deepwater Habitats of the United States, Second Edition* (FGDC, 2013); PSS1 = Palustrine Scrub/Shrub Broad-Leaved Deciduous; PEM1 = Palustrine Emergent Persistent.

³Associated Watercourse refers to the name and stream type assigned during the 2020 field survey within the Card to Willimantic Upgrade Project area.

⁴CT Inland Wetland Soil status is based upon GIS data maintained by the Connecticut branch of the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), accessible here: Connecticut Inland Wetland Soils | NRCS Connecticut (usda.gov)

Table 2: Delineated Watercourses Within the Card to Willimantic Upgrade Project Area

Stream Name ¹	Flow Regime	NWI Classification ²	Stream Name	Ordinary High Water Mark Width (ft)
S01	Intermittent	R4SB3	Unnamed tributary to Willimantic River	3.5
S02	Perennial	R2UB1	Willimantic River	90

NOTES

¹Stream name is a Kleinfelder generated naming convention during the 2020 field survey within the Card to Willimantic Upgrade Project area.

²Streams classified according to *Classification of Wetlands and Deepwater Habitats of the United States, Second Edition* (FGDC, 2013); R4SB3 = Riverine Intermittent Streambed Cobble-Gravel; R2UB1 = Riverine Lower Perennial Unconsolidated Bottom Cobble-Gravel.

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Northcentral and Northeast Region

Project/Site: Card to Willimant	cic Upgrade Project	City/Co	unty: Lebanon/New Lo	ondon	Sampling Date: 10/7/2020
Applicant/Owner: Eversource E					Sampling Point: W01-WET
Investigator(s): Kleinfelder: A.					<u> </u>
Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc	Swamp	L and ratio	f (concover convey no	Concave	Slone (9/.): 2
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Subregion (LRR or MLRA):	Lat:	41.70372701	Long:		Datum: WGS 1984
Soil Map Unit Name: Sutton II	me sandy roam, 2 to 8% stop	es, very stony (map unit	31D)	NWI classifi	cation: Not mapped by the NWI
Are climatic / hydrologic conditi	ions on the site typical for	this time of year? Ye	s NoX	(If no, explain in F	Remarks.)
Are Vegetation, Soil	, or Hydrology	_ significantly disturb	ed? Are "Norma	I Circumstances"	present? Yes No_X
Are Vegetation, Soil				explain any answe	
SUMMARY OF FINDING	GS – Attach site ma	ıp showing samı	oling point location	ons, transects	s, important features, etc.
Hydrophytic Vegetation Prese	ent? Ves X	No	s the Sampled Area		
	Yes X		within a Wetland?	Yes X	No
Wetland Hydrology Present?		No	f yes, optional Wetland	d Site ID. W01, W	702, W03
Remarks: (Explain alternative			T you, optional wotant	<u> </u>	
This sample point is representat			cted PSS wetland comple	ex. USACE and CT	DEEP wetland criteria are met.
			-		
National Integrated Drought Inf		ight. This site location l	ias been classified as a D	3 - Extreme Drough	nt, as of 10/6/2020, according to the
LIVEROL OCV					
HYDROLOGY Wetland Hydrology Indicate				Cocondon/India	atora (minimum of two required)
Wetland Hydrology Indicato		-11 th -4 h A		'	ators (minimum of two required)
Primary Indicators (minimum	•		(DO)		Cracks (B6)
Surface Water (A1)		Vater-Stained Leaves Aquatic Fauna (B13)	(B9)	Drainage Pa	atterns (B10)
High Water Table (A2)Saturation (A3)		Marl Deposits (B15)			Water Table (C2)
Water Marks (B1)		lydrogen Sulfide Odoi	· (C1)	Crayfish Bui	
Sediment Deposits (B2)			on Living Roots (C3)		riows (C6) /isible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
Orift Deposits (B3)		Presence of Reduced			Stressed Plants (D1)
Algal Mat or Crust (B4)		Recent Iron Reduction		X Geomorphic	
Iron Deposits (B5)		hin Muck Surface (C7	` '	Shallow Aqu	,
Inundation Visible on Aer		Other (Explain in Rema			aphic Relief (D4)
Sparsely Vegetated Cond		(=//p/3/////////////////////////////////	,	X FAC-Neutra	
Field Observations:					
Surface Water Present?	Yes NoX	Denth (inches): -			
Water Table Present?	Yes NoX				
Saturation Present?	Yes No _X		Wetland I	Hydrology Prese	nt?Yes <u>X</u> No
(includes capillary fringe)				-	10
Describe Recorded Data (stre	eam gauge, monitoring we	ell, aerial photos, previ	ous inspections), if ava	ailable:	
Remarks:					
Hummocky surface					

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.

			Sampling Point: W01-WET
Absolute	Dominant Species?		Dominance Test worksheet:
70 COVEI	<u>Opecies:</u>	<u> </u>	Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL FACW or FAC: 4 (A)
		· ——	That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 4 (A)
			Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: 4 (B)
			(5)
		·	Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 100 (A/B)
		·	
		· ——	Prevalence Index worksheet:
			Total % Cover of: Multiply by:
	= Total Cov	er er	OBL species 83 x 1 = 83
			FACW species 50 $\times 2 = 100$ FAC species 15 $\times 3 = 45$
	•	FACW	FAC species 15 $x 3 = 45$ FACU species 10 $x 4 = 40$
	-	FACW	UPL species x 5 =
10	N	FACU	Column Totals: 158 (A) 268 (B)
8	N	OBL	
5	N	FAC	Prevalence Index = B/A = 1.7
5	N	FAC	Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:
	ī		X 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation
78	= Total Cov	er er	X 2 - Dominance Test is >50%
			$\frac{X}{2}$ 3 - Prevalence Index is $\leq 3.0^{1}$
25	Y	OBL	4 - Morphological Adaptations ¹ (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)
5	N	FAC	Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation ¹ (Explain)
40	Y	OBL	¹ Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must
10	N	OBL	be present, unless disturbed or problematic.
		·	Definitions of Vegetation Strata:
			Tree – Woody plants 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in diamete at breast height (DBH), regardless of height.
		·	Sapling/shrub – Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH
			and greater than or equal to 3.28 ft (1 m) tall.
		· ——	Herb – All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless of
		. ———	size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall.
		· ——	Woody vines – All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in
	·	· <u> </u>	height.
80	= Total Cov	er	
			Hydrophytic Vegetation
		· ——	Vegetation Veg. V. No.
	35 15 10 8 5 5 78 25 5 40 10	= Total Cov 35	= Total Cover 35

SOIL Sampling Point: $\underline{\text{W01-WET}}$

Profile Desc	cription: (Describe	to the de	pth needed to docu	ment the i	ndicator	or confirm	the absence o	of indicators.)
Depth	Matrix			ox Feature	<u>s</u> .			
(inches)	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²	<u>Texture</u>	Remarks
0-6	2.5Y 2.5/1	100					muck	Oa horizon
6-10	10YR 3/1	100					clay loam	
10-18	2.5Y 6/1	70	10YR 6/8	30	<u>C</u>	M	loamy fine sand	1
			_					
		_						
		_						
		_						
'Type: C=C Hydric Soil		oletion, RM	1=Reduced Matrix, M	S=Masked	Sand Gr	ains.		PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix. for Problematic Hydric Soils ³ :
Histosol			Polyvalue Belo	w Surface	(S8) (LRI	RR,		uck (A10) (LRR K, L, MLRA 149B)
Histic E	pipedon (A2)		MLRA 149B	3)			Coast F	Prairie Redox (A16) (LRR K, L, R)
	istic (A3) en Sulfide (A4)		Thin Dark Surf					ucky Peat or Peat (S3) (LRR K, L, R) urface (S7) (LRR K, L, M)
	d Layers (A5)		Loamy Gleyed			, L)		ue Below Surface (S8) (LRR K, L)
	d Below Dark Surfac	ce (A11)	Depleted Matri					ark Surface (S9) (LRR K, L)
	ark Surface (A12) Mucky Mineral (S1)		Redox Dark Su Depleted Dark					inganese Masses (F12) (LRR K, L, R) int Floodplain Soils (F19) (MLRA 149B)
	Gleyed Matrix (S4)		Redox Depress		• ,			Spodic (TA6) (MLRA 144A, 145, 149B)
-	Redox (S5)							rent Material (F21)
	d Matrix (S6) Irface (S7) (LRR R ,	MLRA 149	9B)				-	nallow Dark Surface (TF12) Explain in Remarks)
			etland hydrology mu	st be prese	ent, unless	s disturbed	or problematic.	
	Layer (if observed)	:						
Type: NA			-				Hudria Sail I	Present? Yes X No
Depth (in Remarks:	cnes)		-				Hydric Soil i	Present? Yes X No
Nemarks.								

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Northcentral and Northeast Region

Project/Site: Card to Willimant	ic Upgrade Project	City/C	ounty: Lebanon/New Lo	ondon	Sampling Date: 10/7/2020
Applicant/Owner: Eversource E					Sampling Point: W01-UPL
Investigator(s): Kleinfelder: A.					camping rount
Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc	Toe		on, rownship, Kange	None	01 (01) 7
Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc	C.):	Local reli	ef (concave, convex, no	ne):	Slope (%):_ '
Subregion (LRR or MLRA): LH	RR R MLRA 144A Lat:	41.70363363	Long: ⁻⁷²	2.23383280	Datum: WGS 1984
Soil Map Unit Name: Sutton fin	ne sandy loam, 2 to 8% slop	es, very stony (map un	it 51B)	NWI classifi	cation: Not mapped by the NWI
Are climatic / hydrologic conditi	ons on the site typical for	this time of year? Y	es No _X	(If no, explain in F	Remarks.)
Are Vegetation, Soil	, or Hydrology	significantly distur	oed? Are "Norma	I Circumstances"	present? Yes No ^X
Are Vegetation, Soil				explain any answe	
					s, important features, etc.
		v	Is the Committed America	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	<u> </u>
Hydrophytic Vegetation Prese		No X	Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?	Yes	No <u>X</u>
Hydric Soil Present?	Yes	No X			
Wetland Hydrology Present?		No X	If yes, optional Wetland	d Site ID:	
Remarks: (Explain alternative	•				
This sample point serves as a re	presentation of the upland a	reas adjacent to W01,	W02, and W03.		
The state of Connecticut is expe	eriencing a documented dro	ight. This site location	has been classified as a D	3 - Extreme Drough	nt, as of 10/6/2020, according to the
National Integrated Drought Inf	formation System.				
HYDROLOGY					
Wetland Hydrology Indicato	ors:			Secondary Indica	ators (minimum of two required)
Primary Indicators (minimum	of one is required; check	all that apply)		Surface Soil	Cracks (B6)
Surface Water (A1)		Vater-Stained Leave	s (B9)	Drainage Pa	• •
High Water Table (A2)		Aquatic Fauna (B13)	,	Moss Trim L	
Saturation (A3)		Marl Deposits (B15)			Water Table (C2)
Water Marks (B1)		Hydrogen Sulfide Odd	or (C1)	Crayfish Bu	
Sediment Deposits (B2)	(Oxidized Rhizosphere	es on Living Roots (C3)	Saturation V	isible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
Drift Deposits (B3)	F	Presence of Reduced	Iron (C4)	Stunted or S	Stressed Plants (D1)
Algal Mat or Crust (B4)	F	Recent Iron Reduction	n in Tilled Soils (C6)	Geomorphic	Position (D2)
Iron Deposits (B5)	<u></u> 1	Thin Muck Surface (C	(7)	Shallow Aqu	uitard (D3)
Inundation Visible on Aer	ial Imagery (B7) (Other (Explain in Ren	narks)	Microtopogr	aphic Relief (D4)
Sparsely Vegetated Cond	cave Surface (B8)			FAC-Neutra	l Test (D5)
Field Observations:					
Surface Water Present?	Yes No X	Depth (inches): -			
Water Table Present?	Yes NoX	Depth (inches): -			
Saturation Present?	Yes NoX	Depth (inches): -	Wetland I	Hydrology Prese	nt?Yes No <u>X</u>
(includes capillary fringe) Describe Recorded Data (stre	om gauge, monitoring w	all acrial photos pro	vieus inapostiens) if ave	ailahla:	
Describe Recorded Data (stre	earn gauge, monitoring we	eli, aeriai priotos, pre	vious irispections), ii ava	aliable.	
Remarks:					
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VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.

· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·				Sampling Point: $W01$ -UPL
<u>Tree Stratum</u> (Plot size: 30 feet)	Absolute	Dominant Species?		Dominance Test worksheet:
1			· · ·	Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 1 (A)
2				Total Number of Dominant
3				Species Across All Strata: 4 (B)
4			<u> </u>	Percent of Dominant Species
5				That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 25 (A/B)
6				Prevalence Index worksheet:
7				Total % Cover of: Multiply by:
		= Total Co	/er	OBL species x 1 =
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 15 feet)				FACW species 10 $\times 2 = 20$
1. Rubus allegheniensis	40	Y	FACU	FAC species 45 x 3 = 135
2. Rosa multiflora	15	Y	FACU	FACU species 95 x 4 = 380
3				UPL species x 5 =
				Column Totals: <u>150</u> (A) <u>535</u> (B)
4 5		_		Prevalence Index = B/A = 3.6
				Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:
6			-	1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation
7				2 - Dominance Test is >50%
5 faat		= Total Co	/er	3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 ¹
Herb Stratum (Plot size: 5 feet) 1. Solidago canadensis	40	Y	FACU	4 - Morphological Adaptations ¹ (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)
2. Solidago rugosa	45	Y	FAC	Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation ¹ (Explain)
3. Dichanthelium clandestinum			FACW	¹ Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.
4			· ——	
5				Definitions of Vegetation Strata:
6				Tree – Woody plants 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in diamete at breast height (DBH), regardless of height.
7 o				Sapling/shrub – Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH
8				and greater than or equal to 3.28 ft (1 m) tall.
9			· ——	Herb – All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless of
10				size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall.
11				Woody vines – All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in
12				height.
20.5-4	95	= Total Co	/er	
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: 30 feet)				
1		-		Hydrophytic
0				Vegetation
Z				Present? Yes No _X
2 3				
		_		

SOIL Sampling Point: W01-UPL

Profile Desc	ription: (Describe	to the dep	oth needed to documen	nt the indicator o	r confirm	the absence	of indicators.)	
Depth	Matrix		Redox F	<u>eatures</u>	0			
(inches)	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	% Type ¹	Loc ²	<u>Texture</u>	Remarks	
0-18	10YR 4/3	100				sand	gravelly fill	
		· ——						
		·						
	-							
								
								-
1	- D D	letien DM	Deduced Metric MO A			21	DI Dana Linia M Mate	·
Hydric Soil I		letion, Rivi	=Reduced Matrix, MS=N	llasked Sand Gra	ins.		n: PL=Pore Lining, M=Matr s for Problematic Hydric S	
_			Dalvarelue Daleur Cr	f (CO) (LDD	ь			
Histosol	(AT) ipedon (A2)		Polyvalue Below Si MLRA 149B)	uriace (58) (LRR	. к,		Muck (A10) (LRR K, L, MLI Prairie Redox (A16) (LRR	
Black His			Thin Dark Surface	(S9) (I RR R MI	RA 149R		Mucky Peat or Peat (S3) (L	
	n Sulfide (A4)		Loamy Mucky Mine				Surface (S7) (LRR K, L, M)	
	Layers (A5)		Loamy Gleyed Mat		-/		alue Below Surface (S8) (L l	
	l Below Dark Surfac	e (A11)	Depleted Matrix (F:				Oark Surface (S9) (LRR K , I	
Thick Da	rk Surface (A12)		Redox Dark Surfac				langanese Masses (F12) (I	
Sandy M	lucky Mineral (S1)		Depleted Dark Surf	face (F7)		Piedm	ont Floodplain Soils (F19)	(MLRA 149B)
Sandy G	leyed Matrix (S4)		Redox Depressions	s (F8)		Mesic	Spodic (TA6) (MLRA 144A	A, 145, 149B)
Sandy R	edox (S5)						arent Material (F21)	
	Matrix (S6)					-	Shallow Dark Surface (TF12	2)
Dark Sur	face (S7) (LRR R, N	/ILRA 149	B)			Other	(Explain in Remarks)	
31 11 1 6								
			etland hydrology must be	e present, uniess	disturbed	or problemation	C.	
	_ayer (if observed):							
Type: NA								**
Depth (inc	ches):					Hydric Soil	Present? Yes	No X
Remarks:								

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Northcentral and Northeast Region

Project/Site: Card to Willimant	tic Upgrade Project	City/Co	unty: Windham/Windh	am	Sampling Date: 10/8/2020
Applicant/Owner: Eversource E			,	State: CT	Sampling Point:_W02-2-WET
Investigator(s): Kleinfelder: A		Templeton Section	Township Range: N	NA	
Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc	, Floodplain	Section	f (conserve convey no	Concave	Clara (0/.), 2
Landform (nillslope, terrace, etc	C.):	Local relie	r (concave, convex, nor	ne): 	Slope (%): WGS 1984
Subregion (LRR or MLRA): Li	Lat:	41./1001/90	Long:	.23143112	Datum: ***G5 1764
Soil Map Unit Name: Saco sitt	Toam (map unit 108)			NWI classific	ation: <u>R4SBC</u>
Are climatic / hydrologic conditi	ions on the site typical for	this time of year? Ye	s No_X	(I f no, explain in Re	emarks.)
Are Vegetation, Soil	, or Hydrology	significantly disturb	ed? Are "Normal	l Circumstances" p	resent? Yes No_X
Are Vegetation, Soil				explain any answer	
					, important features, etc.
Hydrophytic Vegetation Prese	X		ls the Sampled Area		
			within a Wetland?	Yes X	No
Hydric Soil Present? Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes X		If yes, optional Wetland	Sito ID: W04	
Remarks: (Explain alternative			ii yes, optional wetiand	J Site ID.	
This sample point is representate criteria are met.	tive of W04, a PEM wetland	d. The wetland is located	•		USACE and CTDEEP wetland t, as of 10/6/2020, according to the
HYDROLOGY					
Wetland Hydrology Indicato	ors:			Secondary Indica	tors (minimum of two required)
Primary Indicators (minimum	of one is required; check	all that apply)		Surface Soil (Cracks (B6)
Surface Water (A1)	\	Water-Stained Leaves	(B9)	Drainage Pat	terns (B10)
High Water Table (A2)	/	Aquatic Fauna (B13)		Moss Trim Li	nes (B16)
Saturation (A3)	<u> </u>	Marl Deposits (B15)		Dry-Season \	Water Table (C2)
Water Marks (B1)		Hydrogen Sulfide Odor		Crayfish Burr	
Sediment Deposits (B2)			on Living Roots (C3)		sible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
Drift Deposits (B3)		Presence of Reduced			tressed Plants (D1)
Algal Mat or Crust (B4)		Recent Iron Reduction		X Geomorphic	, ,
Iron Deposits (B5) Inundation Visible on Aer		Γhin Muck Surface (C7 Other (Explain in Rema		Shallow Aqui	phic Relief (D4)
Sparsely Vegetated Cond	• • • • —	other (Explain in Neme	arks)	X FAC-Neutral	
Field Observations:				1 A0-11cullal	1631 (150)
Surface Water Present?	Yes NoX	Denth (inches):			
Water Table Present?	Yes NoX				
Saturation Present?	Yes NoX		Wetland F	lydrology Presen	t?Yes X No
(includes capillary fringe)				,	
Describe Recorded Data (stre	eam gauge, monitoring we	ell, aerial photos, previ	ous inspections), if ava	ilable:	
Remarks:					
rtomanto.					

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.

	•			Sampling Point: W02-2-WET
<u>Tree Stratum</u> (Plot size: 30 feet)	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet:
1	70 00101			Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC:3(A)
2				Total Number of Dominant
l				Species Across All Strata: 3 (B)
l <u>, </u>				Percent of Dominant Species
5				That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 100 (A/B)
3				Prevalence Index worksheet:
·				Total % Cover of: Multiply by:
		= Total Co	ver	OBL species 45 x 1 = 45
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 15 feet)				FACW species $\frac{15}{}$ x 2 = $\frac{30}{}$
				FAC species 35 $\times 3 = 105$
2				FACU species x 4 =
3				UPL species x 5 =
				Column Totals: <u>95</u> (A) <u>180</u> (B)
I, 5				Prevalence Index = B/A = 1.9
5				Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:
7				1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation
		= Total Co	ver	X 2 - Dominance Test is >50%
Herb Stratum (Plot size: ^{5 feet})		- 10(a) 00	VCI	$\frac{X}{X}$ 3 - Prevalence Index is $\leq 3.0^{1}$
Microstegium vimineum	35	Y	FAC	4 - Morphological Adaptations ¹ (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)
2. Scirpus microcarpus	25	Y	OBL	Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation ¹ (Explain)
3. Vernonia noveboracensis	10	N	FACW	¹ Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must
1. Juncus effusus	5	N	OBL	be present, unless disturbed or problematic.
5. Bidens frondosa	5	N	FACW	Definitions of Vegetation Strata:
6. Persicaria sagittata 7		Y	OBL	Tree – Woody plants 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in diameter at breast height (DBH), regardless of height.
3				Sapling/shrub – Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH and greater than or equal to 3.28 ft (1 m) tall.
9				Herb – All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless of
10				size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall.
11				Woody vines – All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in
12				height.
	95	= Total Co	ver	
Noody Vine Stratum (Plot size: 30 feet)				
1				H. L. A. C.
1				Hydrophytic Vegetation
2				Present? Yes <u>X</u> No
•				11000111
2				T TOOSIN.

SOIL Sampling Point: W02-2-WET

Profile Desc	ription: (Describe	to the de	oth needed to docu	ment the i	ndicator	or confirn	n the absence	of indicators.)
Depth	Matrix			x Feature:	<u>s</u> ,			
(inches)	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²	<u>Texture</u>	Remarks
0-6	10YR 2/1	100					sandy loam	
6-18	2.5Y 5/2	60	10YR 5/6	10	С	M	loamy fine sand	mixed matrix
	10YR 2/1	30						
-	-							
							·	
	-		-					
	-							
¹ Type: C=Co	oncentration. D=De	pletion. RM	=Reduced Matrix, M	S=Masked	Sand Gr	ains.	Location:	PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.
Hydric Soil I		,	,			-		for Problematic Hydric Soils³:
Histosol			Polyvalue Belo		(S8) (LRI	RR,		luck (A10) (LRR K, L, MLRA 149B)
Histic Ep	oipedon (A2)		MLRA 149B Thin Dark Surfa	,	DD D MI	DA 140B		Prairie Redox (A16) (LRR K, L, R) lucky Peat or Peat (S3) (LRR K, L, R)
	n Sulfide (A4)		Loamy Mucky I					urface (S7) (LRR K, L, M)
Stratified	l Layers (A5)		Loamy Gleyed			, _,	Polyval	ue Below Surface (S8) (LRR K, L)
	d Below Dark Surfa	ce (A11)	Depleted Matrix					ark Surface (S9) (LRR K, L)
	ark Surface (A12) lucky Mineral (S1)		Redox Dark Su Depleted Dark					anganese Masses (F12) (LRR K, L, R) ont Floodplain Soils (F19) (MLRA 149B)
	Bleyed Matrix (S4)		Redox Depress		7)			Spodic (TA6) (MLRA 144A, 145, 149B)
	ledox (S5)		<u> </u>	(* -)				arent Material (F21)
	Matrix (S6)						-	hallow Dark Surface (TF12)
Dark Sui	rface (S7) (LRR R ,	MLRA 149	В)				Other (Explain in Remarks)
			etland hydrology mu:	st be prese	ent, unless	s disturbed	d or problematic	
	_ayer (if observed):						
Type: NA							Unadaia Cail	Present? Yes X No
Depth (ind	cnes):		•				Hyaric Soil	Present? Yes X No No No
Remarks:								

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Northcentral and Northeast Region

Project/Site: Card to Willimant	ic Upgrade Project	City/C	county: Windham/Windh	nam	Sampling Date: 10/8/2020
Applicant/Owner: Eversource E					Sampling Point: W02-UPL
Investigator(s): Kleinfelder: A					
Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.	-). Hillslope		on, rownship, range	None None	Clana (0/), 10
Landform (nillslope, terrace, et	C.):	Local rel	er (concave, convex, no	ne): 23141514	Slope (%): WGS 1984
Subregion (LRR or MLRA):	KK K MEKA 144A	Lat: 41./1008038	Long: ^{/2}	23141314	Datum: WGS 1704
Soil Map Unit Name: Saco silt					cation: Not mapped by the NWI
Are climatic / hydrologic condit	ions on the site typic	cal for this time of year? Y	es No _X	(If no, explain in F	demarks.)
Are Vegetation, Soil	, or Hydrology _	significantly distur	bed? Are "Norma	ا Circumstances" ا	present? Yes No_X
Are Vegetation, Soil				explain any answe	
-	-				s, important features, etc.
		X	Is the Sampled Area		
Hydrophytic Vegetation Prese	ent? Yes	No_X	within a Wetland?	Yes	No <u>X</u>
Hydric Soil Present? Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes	No X No X		-1 C:4- ID.	
Remarks: (Explain alternative			If yes, optional Wetland	d Site ID:	
This sample point serves as a re					
	•	·			
		ed drought. This site location	has been classified as a D	3 - Extreme Drough	t, as of $10/6/2020$, according to the
National Integrated Drought In	ormation System.				
HYDROLOGY					
Wetland Hydrology Indicato	ors:			Secondary Indica	ators (minimum of two required)
Primary Indicators (minimum	of one is required; c	heck all that apply)		Surface Soil	Cracks (B6)
Surface Water (A1)		Water-Stained Leave	s (B9)	Drainage Pa	tterns (B10)
High Water Table (A2)		Aquatic Fauna (B13)		Moss Trim L	ines (B16)
Saturation (A3)		Marl Deposits (B15)		Dry-Season	Water Table (C2)
Water Marks (B1)		Hydrogen Sulfide Od		Crayfish Bur	
Sediment Deposits (B2)		Oxidized Rhizosphere		·	isible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
Drift Deposits (B3)		Presence of Reduced			tressed Plants (D1)
Algal Mat or Crust (B4)		Recent Iron Reductio			Position (D2)
Iron Deposits (B5)	· (D.7)	Thin Muck Surface (C		Shallow Aqu	
Inundation Visible on Aer	=	Other (Explain in Rer	narks)		aphic Relief (D4)
Sparsely Vegetated Cond	zave Surrace (B8)			FAC-Neutral	Test (D5)
		Y 5 " " \			
Surface Water Present?		X Depth (inches): -			
Water Table Present?		X Depth (inches): -			V
Saturation Present? (includes capillary fringe)	Yes No	X Depth (inches): -	Wetland I	Hydrology Presei	nt?Yes No _X
Describe Recorded Data (stre	eam gauge, monitori	ng well, aerial photos, pre	vious inspections), if ava	ailable:	
·					
Remarks:					

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.

EGETATION – Use scientific names of plants				Sampling Point: W02-UPL
Free Stratum (Plot size: 30 feet)	Absolute	Dominant		Dominance Test worksheet:
)	% Cover	Species?	Status	Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: (A)
				Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: 3 (B)
				Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 0 (A/B
				Prevalence Index worksheet:
				Total % Cover of: Multiply by:
47.0		= Total Co	ver	OBL species x 1 =
apling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 15 feet)				FACW species x 2 =
Rubus allegheniensis	20	Y	FACU	FAC species x 3 = FACU species x 4 =
				UPL species 80 x 5 = 400
				Column Totals: 120 (A) 560 (B)
				Column Totals (A)
				Prevalence Index = $B/A = 4.7$
				Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:
		-		1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation
	20	= Total Co		2 - Dominance Test is >50%
5 feet		- Total Co	ver	3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 ¹
erb Stratum (Plot size: 5 feet) Artimesia vulgaris	40	Y	UPL	4 - Morphological Adaptations ¹ (Provide supportin data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)
Daucus carota	30	Y	UPL	Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation ¹ (Explain)
Lespedeza capitata	5	N	FACU	¹ Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must
Oxalis stricta	15	N	FACU	be present, unless disturbed or problematic.
Celastrus orbiculatus	10	N	UPL	Definitions of Vegetation Strata:
				Tree – Woody plants 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in diamete
				at breast height (DBH), regardless of height.
				Sapling/shrub – Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH
		-		and greater than or equal to 3.28 ft (1 m) tall.
·				Herb – All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless of
0				size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall.
1		-		Woody vines – All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in
2				height.
	100	= Total Co	ver	
/oody Vine Stratum (Plot size: 30 feet)				
		'		Hydrophytic
				Vegetation Yes No _X
		-		
		= Total Co		

SOIL Sampling Point: W02-UPL

Profile Description: (Describe to the depth needed to document the indicator or confirm the absence of indicators.)							
Depth	Matrix		Redox Feature	<u>es</u>	. 2		
(inches) 0-10	Color (moist)	100	Color (moist) %	Type ¹	Loc ²	Texture	Remarks
0-10	10YR 3/4	100		·		loamy fine sand	
10-16	7.5YR 4/6	100				loamy fine sand	
					-		
	-						
				· <u></u>	'		_
					-		
			·				
	-			·			
		letion, RM	=Reduced Matrix, MS=Maske	d Sand Gr	ains.		L=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.
Hydric Soil				>			Problematic Hydric Soils ³ :
Histosol	(A1) pipedon (A2)		Polyvalue Below Surface MLRA 149B)	(S8) (LRI	κ κ,		((A10) (LRR K, L, MLRA 149B) irie Redox (A16) (LRR K, L, R)
	stic (A3)		Thin Dark Surface (S9) (LRR R, MI	LRA 149B		ky Peat or Peat (S3) (LRR K, L, R)
	en Sulfide (A4)		Loamy Mucky Mineral (F				ace (S7) (LRR K, L, M)
	d Layers (A5)		Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F.	2)			Below Surface (S8) (LRR K, L)
	d Below Dark Surfac	e (A11)	Depleted Matrix (F3)				Surface (S9) (LRR K, L)
	ark Surface (A12) Mucky Mineral (S1)		Redox Dark Surface (F6Depleted Dark Surface (anese Masses (F12) (LRR K, L, R) Floodplain Soils (F19) (MLRA 149B)
	Gleyed Matrix (S4)		Redox Depressions (F8)	')			dic (TA6) (MLRA 144A, 145, 149B)
	Redox (S5)						nt Material (F21)
	Matrix (S6)					-	ow Dark Surface (TF12)
Dark Su	rface (S7) (LRR R, I	/ILRA 149	B)			Other (Exp	olain in Remarks)
³ Indicators of	f hydrophytic yegeta	tion and w	etland hydrology must be pres	ent. unless	s disturbed	or problematic	
	Layer (if observed):		onana nyarology maet so pres			1	
Type: NA	A						
Depth (inc						Hydric Soil Pre	esent? Yes No X
Remarks:							

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Northcentral and Northeast Region

Project/Site: Card to Willimant	tic Upgrade Project	City/Co	ounty: Windham/Windh	nam	Sampling Date: 10/8/2020		
Applicant/Owner: Eversource E					Sampling Point: W03-WET		
Investigator(s): Kleinfelder: A					camping rount		
Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.	Floodplain	Sectio	n, rownship, Range	. None			
Landform (hillslope, terrace, et	C.): Troodplain	Local relie	et (concave, convex, nor	ne):	Slope (%):		
Subregion (LRR or MLRA):	RR R MLRA 144A Lat:				Datum: WGS 1984		
Soil Map Unit Name: Water (n	nap unit W)			NWI classific	cation: R2UBH		
Are climatic / hydrologic conditi	ions on the site typical fo	r this time of year? Ye	es No _X	(If no, explain in F	Remarks.)		
Are Vegetation, Soil	, or Hydrology	significantly disturb	ed? Are "Norma	l Circumstances" i	present? Yes No ^X		
Are Vegetation, Soil				explain any answe			
-			·		s, important features, etc.		
	X		Is the Sampled Area				
Hydrophytic Vegetation Prese			within a Wetland?	Yes X	No		
	Yes X	_ No		W05. W	06		
Wetland Hydrology Present? Remarks: (Explain alternative)			If yes, optional Wetland	d Site ID:			
			dalain of the Willimentie	Divor USACE and	CTDEEP wetland criteria are met.		
This sample point is representati	live of woo and woo, FSS	wettands within the floc	deplain of the willinance	KIVEL USACE and	CIDEEF wettand Citiena are met.		
		ought. This site location	has been classified as a D	3 - Extreme Drough	nt, as of 10/6/2020, according to the		
National Integrated Drought Int	formation System.						
HYDROLOGY							
Wetland Hydrology Indicato	ors:			Secondary Indica	ators (minimum of two required)		
Primary Indicators (minimum	of one is required; check	all that apply)		Surface Soil	Cracks (B6)		
Surface Water (A1)	<u></u>	Water-Stained Leaves	s (B9)	Drainage Pa	itterns (B10)		
High Water Table (A2)		Aquatic Fauna (B13)		Moss Trim Lines (B16)			
Saturation (A3)		Marl Deposits (B15)		Dry-Season Water Table (C2)			
Water Marks (B1)		Hydrogen Sulfide Odd	lrogen Sulfide Odor (C1) Crayfish Burrows (C8)				
Sediment Deposits (B2)		Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (C3) Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery					
Drift Deposits (B3)		Presence of Reduced	Iron (C4)	Stunted or S	Stressed Plants (D1)		
Algal Mat or Crust (B4)	_	Recent Iron Reduction	n in Tilled Soils (C6)	X Geomorphic	Position (D2)		
Iron Deposits (B5)	_	Thin Muck Surface (C	7)	Shallow Aqu	iitard (D3)		
Inundation Visible on Aer	rial Imagery (B7)	Other (Explain in Rem	arks)	Microtopogra	aphic Relief (D4)		
Sparsely Vegetated Cond	cave Surface (B8)			X FAC-Neutra	Test (D5)		
Field Observations:							
Surface Water Present?	Yes NoX	Depth (inches): -					
Water Table Present?	Yes NoX	Depth (inches): -					
Saturation Present?	Yes NoX	Depth (inches): -	Wetland h	Hydrology Presei	nt?Yes <u>X</u> No		
(includes capillary fringe)		all assistantes ass	dana laana atiana \ if ana	:labla:			
Describe Recorded Data (stre	eam gauge, monitoring w	ell, aerial photos, prev	rious inspections), if ava	allable:			
Remarks:							
1							

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.

				Sampling Point: W03-WET		
Free Stratum (Plot size: 30 feet)	Absolute	Dominant		Dominance Test worksheet:		
)	% Cover	Species?	Status	Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 2 (A)		
2		-		Total Number of Dominant		
l				Species Across All Strata: 2 (B)		
k <u> </u>				Percent of Dominant Species		
5				That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 100 (A/B		
3				Prevalence Index worksheet:		
				Total % Cover of: Multiply by:		
		= Total Cov	er	OBL species 30 x 1 = 30		
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 15 feet)				FACW species <u>85</u> x 2 = <u>170</u>		
Cornun amomum	80	Y	FACW	FAC species 50 x 3 = 150		
				FACU species x 4 =		
				UPL species x 5 =		
				Column Totals: <u>165</u> (A) <u>350</u> (B)		
				Prevalence Index = B/A = 2.1		
				Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:		
				1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation		
•	00	= Total Cov		$\frac{X}{X}$ 2 - Dominance Test is >50%		
Herb Stratum (Plot size: ^{5 feet})		- Total Cov	еі	$\frac{\overline{X}}{3}$ 3 - Prevalence Index is $\leq 3.0^1$		
Eutrochium maculatum	15	N	OBL	4 - Morphological Adaptations ¹ (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)		
Echinochloa crus-galli	50	Y	FAC	Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation ¹ (Explain)		
Ludwigia palustris	10	N	OBL	¹ Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must		
Eupatorium perfoliatum	5	N	FACW	be present, unless disturbed or problematic.		
Bidens cernua	5	N	OBL	Definitions of Vegetation Strata:		
3				Tree – Woody plants 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in diamete at breast height (DBH), regardless of height.		
3				Sapling/shrub – Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH and greater than or equal to 3.28 ft (1 m) tall.		
),			-	Herb – All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless of		
0				size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall.		
1				Woody vines – All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in		
2				height.		
	85	= Total Cov	er			
Voody Vine Stratum (Plot size: 30 feet)						
				Hydrophytic Vegetation		
				Present? Yes No		
2 3						
3		= Total Cov	er			

SOIL Sampling Point: W03-WET

Profile Description: (Describe to the depth needed to document the indicator or confirm the absence of indicators.)								
Depth	Matrix		Redo	x Feature	<u>s</u> .			
(inches)	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²	<u>Texture</u>	Remarks
0-18	2.5Y 3/1	80	5YR 3/4	10	С	M, PL	very fine sand	
			5YR 4/4	10	С	M,PL		
	-							
	-							
¹ Type: C=Co		letion, RM	=Reduced Matrix, M	S=Masked	Sand Gr	ains.		: PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix. for Problematic Hydric Soils ³ :
Histosol			Polyvalue Belo	w Surface	(S8) (LR I	R R,		luck (A10) (LRR K, L, MLRA 149B)
-	pipedon (A2)		MLRA 149B	,	DD D M	L D A 440D		Prairie Redox (A16) (LRR K, L, R)
	stic (A3) en Sulfide (A4)		Thin Dark Surfa					lucky Peat or Peat (S3) (LRR K, L, R) urface (S7) (LRR K, L, M)
	d Layers (A5)		Loamy Gleyed	Matrix (F2		, _,	Polyva	lue Below Surface (S8) (LRR K, L)
	d Below Dark Surfac	e (A11)	Depleted Matrix					ark Surface (S9) (LRR K, L)
	ark Surface (A12) lucky Mineral (S1)		X Redox Dark Surface (F6) Depleted Dark Surface (F7)					anganese Masses (F12) (LRR K, L, R) ont Floodplain Soils (F19) (MLRA 149B)
	Gleyed Matrix (S4)		Redox Depressions (F8)					Spodic (TA6) (MLRA 144A, 145, 149B)
	Redox (S5)							arent Material (F21)
	Matrix (S6) rface (S7) (LRR R, N	/ILRA 149	B)				-	hallow Dark Surface (TF12) Explain in Remarks)
			etland hydrology mus	st be prese	ent, unles	s disturbed	or problematic	•
	Layer (if observed):							
Type: NA Depth (inc							Uvdria Cail	Present? Yes X No
Remarks:	cries)						nyuric 30ii	Present? Yes No
Tromano.								

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Northcentral and Northeast Region

Project/Site: Card to Willimant	ic Upgrade Project	City/0	County: Windham/Windh	nam	Sampling Date: 10/8/2020		
Applicant/Owner: Eversource E			,	State: CT	Sampling Point:W03-UPL		
Investigator(s): Kleinfelder: A					<u></u>		
Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.	Plain	Geon	ist (see see see see see	Convex	Olana (0/.), 10		
Landform (nillslope, terrace, et	C.): DD D MI DA 144A	Local rel	iet (concave, convex, no	ne):	Slope (%): WGS 1984		
Subregion (LRR or MLRA): L	KK K WILKA 144A	Lat: 41./1143039	Long:	23110401	Datum: WGS 1704		
Soil Map Unit Name: Saco silt					cation: Not mapped by the NWI		
Are climatic / hydrologic condit	ions on the site typic	cal for this time of year? \	/es No _X	(If no, explain in R	temarks.)		
Are Vegetation, Soil	, or Hydrology	significantly distu	bed? Are "Norma	l Circumstances" p	present? Yes No_X		
Are Vegetation, Soil				explain any answe			
-			·	ons, transects	, important features, etc.		
	10	N X	Is the Sampled Area				
Hydrophytic Vegetation Prese	ent? Yes	No_X	within a Wetland?	Yes	No <u>X</u>		
Hydric Soil Present? Wetland Hydrology Present?	res	No X No X	If you entional Watlant	d Cita ID:			
Remarks: (Explain alternative			If yes, optional Wetland	J Site ID.			
This sample point serves as a re			and W06				
	•	·					
The state of Connecticut is expo National Integrated Drought Int		ed drought. This site location	n has been classified as a D	3 - Extreme Drough	t, as of $10/6/2020$, according to the		
ivational integrated brought in	offilation System.						
HYDROLOGY							
Wetland Hydrology Indicato					ators (minimum of two required)		
Primary Indicators (minimum				Surface Soil	` '		
Surface Water (A1)		Water-Stained Leave					
High Water Table (A2)		Aquatic Fauna (B13)		Moss Trim Lines (B16)			
Saturation (A3)		Marl Deposits (B15)					
Water Marks (B1)		Hydrogen Sulfide Od					
Sediment Deposits (B2)		Oxidized Rhizospher			isible on Aerial Imagery (C9)		
Drift Deposits (B3)		Presence of Reduce			tressed Plants (D1)		
Algal Mat or Crust (B4)		Recent Iron Reduction		Geomorphic Shallow Aqu	Position (D2)		
Iron Deposits (B5) Inundation Visible on Aer	rial Imageny (R7)	Thin Muck Surface (Other (Explain in Re			aphic Relief (D4)		
Sparsely Vegetated Cond		Other (Explain in rec	nano,	FAC-Neutral			
Field Observations:			<u> </u>	17.0 110444	1681 (20)		
Surface Water Present?	Vos No	X Depth (inches): -					
Water Table Present?		X Depth (inches): -					
Saturation Present?		X Depth (inches): -	Wetland	Judrologu Drocer	nt?Yes NoX		
(includes capillary fringe)	res No	Deptil (inches)	vvettand	nyurology Preser	itrresNO		
Describe Recorded Data (stre	eam gauge, monitori	ing well, aerial photos, pre	evious inspections), if ava	ailable:			
Remarks:							

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.

/EGETATION – Use scientific names of plants).			Sampling Point: W03-UPL
<u>Tree Stratum</u> (Plot size:	Absolute	Dominant Species?	Indicator	Dominance Test worksheet:
1			· · ·	Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 1 (A)
2				Total Number of Dominant
3	-	ī-		Species Across All Strata: 3 (B)
4				Percent of Dominant Species
5				That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 33 (A/B)
6				Prevalence Index worksheet:
7				Total % Cover of: Multiply by:
		= Total Co	ver	OBL species x 1 =
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 15 feet)				FACW species <u>5</u> x 2 = <u>10</u>
1. Elaeagnus umbellata	10	Y	UPL	FAC species 30 $\times 3 = 90$
2. Alnus incana		Y	FACW	FACU species $\frac{70}{10}$ x 4 = $\frac{280}{10}$
3.				UPL species 10 x 5 = 50
4				Column Totals: <u>115</u> (A) <u>430</u> (B)
5				Prevalence Index = B/A = 3.7
6				Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:
7				1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation
·· <u> </u>	1.5	= Total Co	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	2 - Dominance Test is >50%
Herb Stratum (Plot size: 5 feet)		- Total Co	V C1	3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 ¹
1. Lespedeza capitata	10	N	FACU	4 - Morphological Adaptations¹ (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)
2. Solidago rugosa	15	N	FAC	Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation ¹ (Explain)
3. Schizachyrium scoparium	60	Y	FACU	¹ Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must
4. Desmodium canadense			FAC	be present, unless disturbed or problematic.
5				Definitions of Vegetation Strata:
6				Tree – Woody plants 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in diamete
7				at breast height (DBH), regardless of height.
8				Sapling/shrub – Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH
9.		'		and greater than or equal to 3.28 ft (1 m) tall.
10				Herb – All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless of
11				size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall.
12.				Woody vines – All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in height.
	100	= Total Co	/er	neight.
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: 30 feet)				
1				
2			-	Hydrophytic
<u></u>				Vegetation Present? Yes No _X
3				
3				
3 4		= Total Co	·or	

SOIL Sampling Point: W03-UPL

Profile Description: (Describe to the depth needed to document the indicator or confirm the absence of indicators.)							
Depth	Matrix		Redox Feat	<u>ures</u>	0		
(inches)	Color (moist)		Color (moist) %	Type ¹	Loc ²	<u>Texture</u>	Remarks
0-5	10YR 3/3	100				loam	
5-11	10YR 2/2	100				very fine sandy lo	-
11-16	10YR 4/6	100				very fine sandy lo	oam
				<u> </u>		·	
					'	·	
	-	_				-	
							_
Type: C=C	oncentration D=Der	letion RM	=Reduced Matrix, MS=Mas	— —— ked Sand Gr	ains	² l ocation:	PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.
Hydric Soil		oletion, rav	-reduced Matrix, MO-Mas	ica dana di	airio.		or Problematic Hydric Soils ³ :
Histosol			Polyvalue Below Surfa	ace (S8) (LRI	RR,		uck (A10) (LRR K, L, MLRA 149B)
-	oipedon (A2) istic (A3)		MLRA 149B) Thin Dark Surface (S9) (LRR R. M	LRA 149B		rairie Redox (A16) (LRR K, L, R) ucky Peat or Peat (S3) (LRR K, L, R)
Hydroge	en Sulfide (A4)		Loamy Mucky Mineral	(F1) (LRR K		Dark Su	rface (S7) (LRR K, L, M)
	d Layers (A5)	o (A11)	Loamy Gleyed Matrix	(F2)			le Below Surface (S8) (LRR K, L)
	d Below Dark Surfac ark Surface (A12)	æ (ATT)	Depleted Matrix (F3)Redox Dark Surface (I	F6)			rk Surface (S9) (LRR K, L) nganese Masses (F12) (LRR K, L, R)
Sandy N	lucky Mineral (S1)		Depleted Dark Surface	∍ (F7)		Piedmor	nt Floodplain Soils (F19) (MLRA 149B)
	Gleyed Matrix (S4) Redox (S5)		Redox Depressions (F	⁵ 8)			podic (TA6) (MLRA 144A, 145, 149B) rent Material (F21)
	Matrix (S6)						allow Dark Surface (TF12)
Dark Su	rface (S7) (LRR R,	MLRA 149	B)			Other (E	explain in Remarks)
³ Indicators o	f hydrophytic vegeta	ntion and w	etland hydrology must be pr	esent, unles	s disturbed	l or problematic.	
Restrictive	Layer (if observed)		<u> </u>				
Type: NA							
Depth (in	ches):					Hydric Soil P	Present? Yes No X
Remarks:							

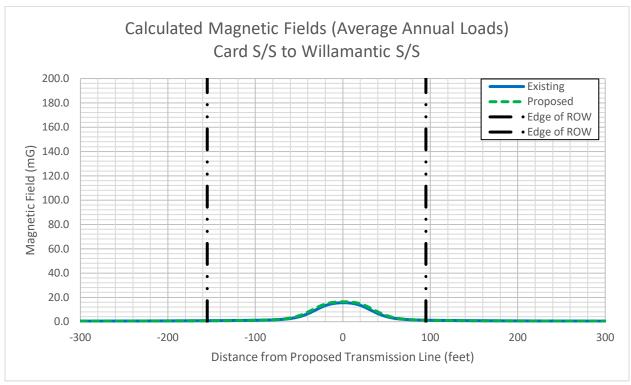
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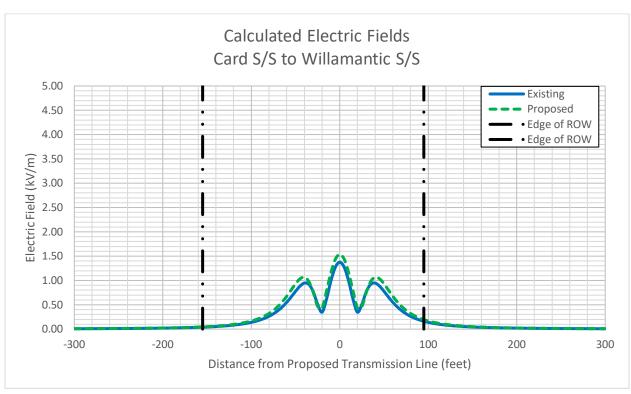
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EMF Graphs and Tabulated Field Calculations



Append E





Distance from Proposed	Magnetic 1	Fields (mG)	Electric Fi	elds (kV/m)
Transmission Line (feet)	Existing	Proposed	Existing	Proposed
-300	0.5	0.5	0.0	0.0
-275	0.5	0.5	0.0	0.0
-250	0.5	0.5	0.0	0.0
-225	0.6	0.6	0.0	0.0
-200	0.7	0.6	0.0	0.0
-175	0.7	0.7	0.0	0.0
-150	0.8	0.8	0.0	0.1
-125	1.0	0.9	0.1	0.1
-100	1.2	1.1	0.1	0.2
-75	1.6	1.8	0.3	0.4
-50	4.0	4.9	0.8	0.9
-25	11.8	13.2	0.5	0.5
0	15.6	16.3	1.4	1.5
25	12.0	13.4	0.5	0.5
50	4.2	5.0	0.8	0.9
75	1.7	1.8	0.3	0.4
100	1.2	1.1	0.1	0.2
125	1.0	0.9	0.1	0.1
150	0.8	0.8	0.0	0.1
175	0.7	0.7	0.0	0.0
200	0.7	0.6	0.0	0.0
225	0.6	0.6	0.0	0.0
250	0.5	0.5	0.0	0.0
275	0.5	0.5	0.0	0.0
300	0.5	0.4	0.0	0.0

Attachment F

Card to Willimantic Upgrade Project

Letter to the Abutters and Affidavit of Notice of Service





June 2021

Dear Neighbor,

Maintaining infrastructure is one of the many ways Eversource supports the safe and secure transmission of electricity throughout the region. This is a follow up to the February 2021 letter we sent regarding the Card to Williamtic Upgrade Project.

This letter is to inform you that we are submitting a petition to the Connecticut Siting Council (CSC) for this proposed transmission line (circuit) structure replacement project in your area.

Proposed Project Information

The proposed project, called the Card to Willimantic Upgrade Project ("Project"), would include replacing fourteen existing wood structures with new steel structures within approximately 0.81 miles of Eversource's existing right-of-way (powerline corridor) that extends from Eversource's Card Street Substation (Card Street, Lebanon) and Eversource's Willimantic Substation (Main Street, Windham).

In addition, we will be replacing the existing shield wire on the structures with Optical Ground Wire (called OPGW) along the same route, and replacing a short span of overhead line, call conductor, at Eversource's Card Street Substation. The OPGW improves electric reliability by enabling communication between substations.

This proposed work is necessary to ensure the continued reliability, safety, and security of the transmission of electricity throughout the region. If the CSC approve the proposed work, construction is expected to begin in late Summer of 2021. We anticipate restoration of any affected areas would be completed by end of 2022.

Contact Information

Eversource is committed to being a good neighbor and doing our work with respect for you and your property. For more information please call our projects hotline at 1-800-793-2202 or send an email to ProjectInfo@eversource.com.

If you would like to send comments regarding Eversource's petition to the CSC, please send them via email to siting.council@ct.gov or send a letter to the following address: Melanie Bachman, Executive Director, Connecticut Siting Council, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, CT 06051.

Sincerely,

John Tierney

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BHI Energy

Eversource Project Manager



AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE OF NOTICE

STATE OF CONNECTICUT)
) ss. Hartford
COUNTY OF HARTFORD)

Sec. 16-SOj-40 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies ("RCSA") provides that proof of notice to the affected municipalities, property owners and abutters shall be submitted with a petition for declaratory ruling to the Connecticut Siting Council ("Council"). In accordance with that RCSA section, I hereby certify that I caused notice of the petition for a declaratory ruling of The Connecticut Light and Power Company doing business as Eversource Energy to be served by mail or courier upon the following municipal officials:

The Honorable Kevin Cwikla, First Selectman, Town of Lebanon Lebanon Town Hall 579 Exeter Rd, Lebanon, CT 06249

The Honorable Thomas DeVivo, Mayor, Town of Windham Windham Town Hall 979 Main St.
Willimantic, CT 06226

Mr. James Rivers, Town Manager, Town of Windham Windham Town Hall 979 Main St.
Willimantic, CT 06226

I also certify that I caused notice of the proposed modifications to be served by mail or courier upon 11 owners of abutting properties shown on the maps in Attachment A in the Petition.

Susan J. Bellion
Susan J. Bellion
Project Siting Specialist

On this the <u>11th</u> day of June 2021, before me, the undersigned representative, personally appeared, Susan J. Bellion, known to me (or satisfactorily proven) to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same for the purposes therein contained.

In witness whereof, I hereunto set my hand and official seal.

Notary Public

My Commission expires:

Commissioner of the Superior Court/Juris No.

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