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Department of Environmental Protection

2-7-11
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3/17/11
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Amey W. Marrella, Deputy Commissioner
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Date 5/9/11
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Daniel C. Esty, Commissioner  
Department of Energy and Environmental Protection  

August 3, 2011  
Date
Branford Land Trust, Inc. – Pieper Property, Branford Fee Acquisition

This 23.981 acre property lies within the Pigsah Brook/Supply Ponds Watershed and is part of an existing greenway including other OSWA funded properties such as the Queach Property and the Saltonstall Mountain Property. It is mostly wooded with several vernal pools and a varied wildlife habitat.

Town of New Fairfield – Keeler Property, New Fairfield Fee Acquisition

This parcel creates a greenway between two sections of the Pootatuck State Forest and enables public access to the western section of the Forest, which was previously landlocked, with no public access. The parcel contains steep slopes, rocky outcrops and a highly sophisticated trail system. It is mostly forested with wetlands at the SE side.

Town of Newtown – Ferris Farm Easement Acquisition

This is the last operating dairy farm in Fairfield County with the Ferris Acres Creamery, producing ice cream since 1864. 23% of the site contains prime farmland soils, including hay and corn. There are also open meadows, pastures, forested areas, high-quality watercourses and wetlands. The eastern parcel is 53.6 acres of active farmland and the western portion contains the public access trail, the Creamery and dairy farm buildings.

Steeprock Association – Bronson Sabbaday Acquisition, Washington Fee Purchase

This property is northeasterly of Steep Rock’s Hubbard Conservation Easement, in the Hidden Valley Preserve’s drumlin formation known as Baldwin Knoll. It will expand upon existing trails around active agricultural fields and provide outstanding views as well as access to Bantam River (300’ of frontage for fishing). Steep Rock Association hopes to continue the agricultural (corn) farming operation.
Town of Wethersfield — Wilkus Farm  
Fee Acquisition

Three parcels are included in this 81 acre purchase. The two parcels on Willow Street are an important symbol of the Town’s agricultural history with prime farmland soils and actively managed hayfields, providing an important habitat for grassland bird species such as the American Kestrel, a species of Greatest Conservation Need. The third parcel, on Thornbush Road, is adjacent to the 1860 Reservoir, providing greatly needed access for passive recreational opportunities and protecting the quality of Goff Brook, a stream that drains into the CT River.

Madison Land Conservation Trust – Bauermeister Property  
Fee Purchase

This property is in the northeast section of town (a mostly undeveloped area) and in the Hammonasset Watershed, adjacent to a public water supply. This land contains a mixed forest cover with a 1,000+ foot hiking trail, important wetlands and a varied topography for a wide range of critical habitats for a variety of wildlife species.
This property is an 11.04 acre inholding within the Shenipsit State Forest. The Clarke property abuts another land locked parcel known as the Kibbe property that was acquired last month. The property was acquired utilizing funds made available through the Recreation and Natural Heritage Trust Program. The acquisition of this property alleviates boundary issues and helps prevent development within the forest.
Open Space Report to the Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee and the State Bond Commission

July 2011

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The Corthouts-Homestead property is a 15.74 acre piece of land located at 200 East Pershing Street, Windsor, adjacent to the Matianuck Sand Dunes State Park and Natural Area Preserve. The property was acquired from Homestead Investments, LLC on July 25, 2011 for $110,000. The funds were made available through the George Dudley Seymour Trust. The sand dunes host a remarkable insect community including the significant finds of Big Sand Tiger Beetle and the Ghost Dune Tiger Beetle. Acquisition of this property will further protect the sand dunes and will provide an additional access point from the end of East Pershing Street.
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Daniel C. Esty, Commissioner
Department of Energy and Environmental Protection

Town of Tolland – Luce Property, Tolland
Fee Acquisition

The Luce Property protects 3000’ on both sides of Charter Book, a tributary of the Skungamaug River. It is shown on the DEEP Natural Diversity Database, expanding upon a mile-long wildlife corridor adjacent to the 240-acre Charter Marsh Wildlife Refuge and 42 acres of town-owned open space. The property is comprised of hardwood and white pine forest with wooded swamp, riparian wetlands, brooks and ledge outcroppings. It is home to a wide array of wildlife including fox, bobcat, fisher, turkeys and deer. It provides passive recreational opportunities such as hiking, mountain biking, cross country skiing, nature viewing and wild trout fishing.
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Carpenter Property, Town of Canton  
Fee Purchase

This forested parcel, with frontage on Case Street in Northern Canton, provides a buffer for the McLean Game Refuge and land of Canton Land Conservation Trust. It contains a 100 foot wide pond and a skid road, suitable for a hiking path. The property is traversed by Sawmill Brook, a tributary of Cherry Brook, which runs south to the Farmington River. It contains a habitat for numerous breeding and migratory song birds.

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Town of Canton – Cannon Open Space Preserve, Canton
Fee Acquisition

This acquisition protects surface water, wetlands and watercourses (tributaries for the Cherry Brook, a major contributor of the Farmington River). It is known to harbor numerous amphibians and reptiles and is a primary conservation area, within the “northwest Highlands Ecosystem” considered to be a primary core habitat for biodiversity.

City of Danbury – Westside Nature Park, Danbury
Fee Acquisition

This upland forest along I-84 contains four major ecosystems: Sanfords Pond (source of the Still River), the Still River, the swamps that bound the Still River and the upland forest that serves as a buffer. Sanfords Pond and this property fall within the Lake Kenosia Watershed (drinking water supply). The following uses will be evaluated by the Danbury Recreation Department for eligibility by individuals, groups, and the general public: hiking on designated trails, camping in designated areas, boating from designated launch sites and environmental education/research.

Salem Land Trust – Wheaton Preserve, Salem
Fee Acquisition

This parcel spans the deepest gorge in Salem, approx. 130 feet deep, through which Big Brook runs at the headwaters of the Eightmile River Watershed (recently designated as a Wild & Scenic River). This parcel lies within an intact 1,000+ acre large hemlock/hardwood forest block that is key to the protection of forest-interior birds, with upland and lowland mesic forest, ledges and caves.
Town of Madison – Griswold Airport, Madison
Fee Acquisition

This is 17.4 acre portion of the 42 acre total acquisition, features frontage on the Hammonasset River. This is one of the most important salt marshes on Long Island Sound featuring a rare, intact coastal forest, native grasslands, estuarine, tidal wetlands and upland habitats. It directly connects to Hammonasset State Park and adds an additional buffer to this park.

Simsbury Land Trust – Tulmeadow Farm Forest (Woodlot), Simsbury
Easement Acquisition

This is the 3rd and final phase/acquisition to protect the 260 acre Tulmeadow Farm. This “forest lot” produces a marketable timber harvest every 8-10 years. It is an integral link in a four mile walking trail from Ethel Walker to McLean along the ridge used by hikers, dog walkers, joggers, horseback riders, cross country skiers and nature viewers.
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<td>$100,000.00</td>
<td>Add to Housatonic State Forest</td>
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Valsecchi Property, Sharon
Fee Purchase

The Valsecchi property is a 25.03 acre parcel located off of Clay Beds Road, within the Housatonic State Forest. The parcel is mostly wooded with several smaller open fields. The property was acquired utilizing funds made available through the Recreation and Natural Heritage Trust Program. The acquisition of this property alleviates boundary issues and helps prevent development within the forest.
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This parcel is a vital component to an extended greenway which will eventually link the State Air Line Trail to the Town Center. This parcel consists of agricultural fields with prime farmland soils and is adjacent to the Town-owned Johnson farm. An unnamed watercourse, crossing through the site, is a major tributary to Raymond Brook (approx. 2500' southeast of this parcel) and the Raymond Brook Marsh, a wetland of statewide special concern. 13+- acres is open cornfield and 4.5 acres is forested with wetlands.

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<td>Beverly’s Marina Property</td>
<td>Morris</td>
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<td>-</td>
<td>2.82</td>
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<td>$1,990,000</td>
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Mason Property, Vernon
Fee Purchase

The Mason Property is adjacent to and upstream of the Belding Wildlife Management Area (BWMA), protecting Connecticut’s first Wild Trout Management Area, created in 1994. This acquisition expands upon a greenway which includes the BWMA, Valley Falls Park and Bolton Notch State Park to the south and the Town-owned Walker Reservoir and Walker Recreational Park to the north. The Tankerhoosen River, which flows through the property, is home to wild brook trout, brown trout, freshwater mussels and pollution intolerant invertebrates. There are at least 64 Greatest Conservation Need species, species of Special Concern and numerous habitats of Greatest Conservation Need. The property is mostly wooded with meadows, walking trails throughout and includes the Walker Reservoir Dam.

Beverly’s Marina Property, Morris
Fee Purchase

The DEEP has purchased the Beverly’s Marina property which consists of 2.82 acres, 558’ of lake frontage and a 9,172 square foot structure. It also includes a ramp for launching boats, boat slips and parking. DEEP purchased the property from the current owner, Bantam Lake Properties LLC.

The purchase enables DEEP to accomplish multiple objectives on this designated Heritage Lake:

- to secure modest public access to the state’s largest natural lake;
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Town of Oxford – VonWettberg Property
Fee Acquisition

This mostly forested property contains a pond, a 13.6-acre aquifer, hiking trails and an unnamed brook which feeds into the Housatonic River. It is part of a 1,000-acre contiguous open space corridor in Oxford and Seymour. The property will provide hiking, cross country skiing, bird watching, horseback riding and fishing opportunities.

Town of Glastonbury – Tiboni Property
Fee Acquisition

This property abuts the Meshomasic State Forest in two locations and serves as a connector. It protects a large undeveloped, forested area which is a prime natural habitat for the timber rattlesnake. The Shenipsit Trail and Dark Hollow Brook run through the property.

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Matson Property, Stonington
Fee Purchase

The DEEP has purchased the Matson property in Stonington which consists of 5.75 acres and a small older residential structure that will soon be demolished with the help of the Town. Located along Palmer Neck Road, the property will be incorporated into the Barn Island Wildlife Management Area. The acquisition will expand the grassland habitat in the area, and will provide a potential pathway for saltwater migration at a restoring marsh. The acquisition was made available through a Federal EPA Long Island Sound Study grant.