# Proposed Amendments to the Connecticut Remediation Standard Regulations

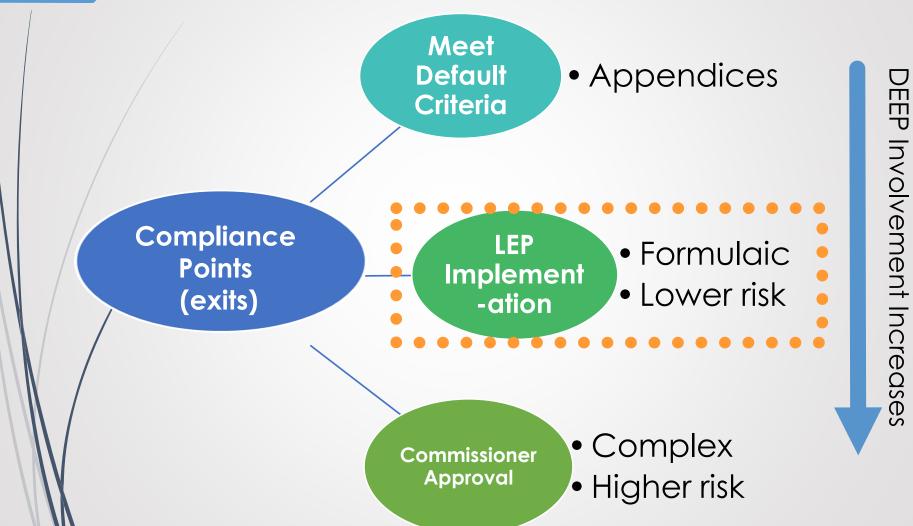
Question and Answer Session 3 September 11, 2019



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## RSRs - Compliance Structure



### Big Picture – Goals for Revisions



#### Greater certainty

Clearer requirement details help build certainty for planning and redevelopment

### Since 2012 CT Brownfield Program has:

- Invested 206 million in grants and loans
- Funded 234 projects
- Remediated 3,062 acres

#### **Enhance economic growth**

- Lower remedial cost while maintaining protection
- Increase brownfield redevelopment

#### Limit Business impact

 Little to no negative impact on large or small businesses



### Big Picture – Goals for Revisions

#### Promote faster cleanups

- Increased compliance exits
- Allow for more release-specific remedies



- Less DEEP involvement on lower-risk scenarios
- New LEP-implemented options
- Conduct remediation appropriate for site conditions
- Continue to protect public health and the environment



#### **Total Number of Affected Businesses**

- Approximately 7,400 properties currently subject to the RSRs
- About 4,300 of those properties are in the Property Transfer Program
  - Approximately 40% of those properties are Small Businesses
- On average, 230 filings for the Property Transfer Program each year
  - Average 109 verifications/year with 2013 revisions
  - Reminder: Multiple filings on one property, typically addressed through one verification



### **Business Impact**

- Little to no negative impacts on large or small businesses
- Lowers costs associated with site remediation
- Gives more flexibility when deciding best remedial options (increasing exit choices)
- Clearer requirement details help build certainty for planning and redevelopment





**Public Process** 

#### Communication with Businesses



**WORKGROUPS -** regulated community and other constituent groups assisted DEEP in crafting the revision ideas



**DISCUSSION PAPERS - posted online for public feedback** 



ITERATIONS OF DETAILED CONCEPTUAL LANGUAGE - posted online for public feedback (April and August 2016)



**PUBLIC INFORMATION SESSIONS -** April 2016 concept draft discussed in Hartford and Derby



**REMEDIATION ROUNDTABLES** – presented and discussed proposed RSR revision concepts



CONSTITUENT GROUPS – 2015 and 2016 presentations on proposed RSR changes to stakeholder organizations with direct connections to the small business community (CBIA, CEF, EPOC, CBA)



STATE AGENCIES - briefed during drafting (DECD, DPH, DOT, AG)



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# eRegulations System

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### Remediation Website Materials

Additional information on the RSR webpage to assist in your review:

www.ct.gov/deep/rsr

- Red-Line/[Blue-Line] version of Proposed Revised Remediation Standard Regulations
- Summary Document
  - Companion to <u>Red-Line</u>/[Blue-Line]
  - Outlines modifications, new provisions, and reorganization
- Schedule and locations of Remediation outreach events
  - Link to Remediation Division Presentations



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### **Public Comment Period**

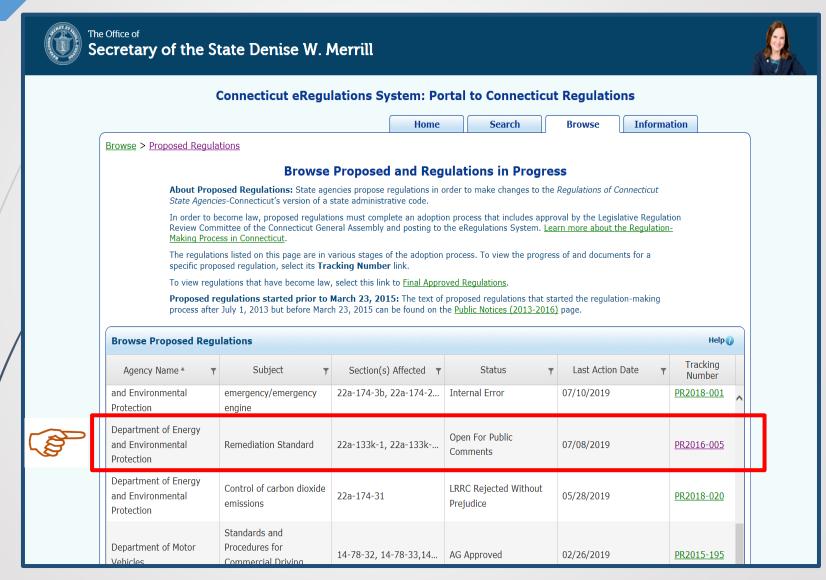
- 90-day public comment period from
   July 8<sup>th</sup> to 5:00 pm on October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019
- Comments may be provided:
  - Written:
    - Submitted through the

<u>eRegulations System</u>

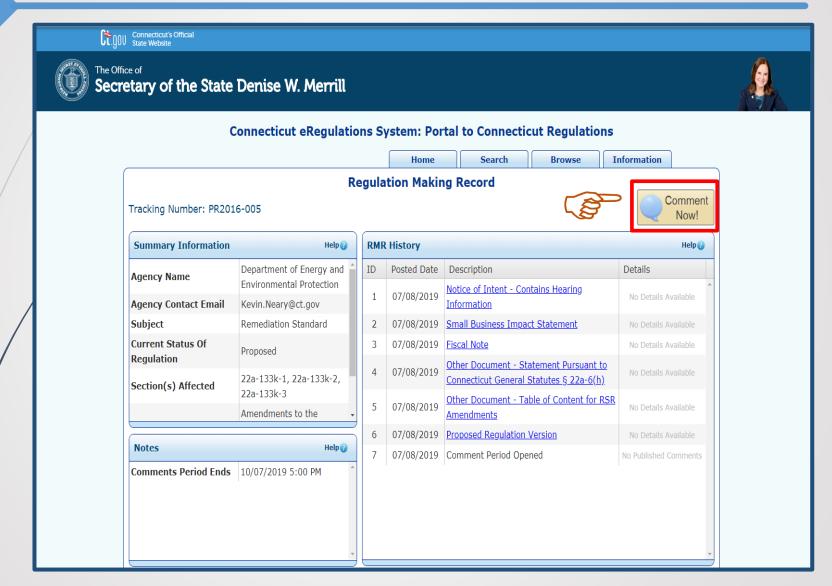
- Verbal:
  - Public Hearing on September 25, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. at DEEP, 5th Floor, Gina McCarthy Auditorium, 79 Elm Street, Hartford, CT



### **Comment Procedure**



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#### **Comment Submission Form**

Proposed Regulation Concerning: Remediation Standard Tracking Number: PR2016-005

Already have an account for commenting and/or receiving email notice updates? Log In.

**Please note:** The agency proposing this regulation will review comments submitted through this page. Under Public Act 14-187, Section 3, agencies may decline to publish comments and attachments deemed impractical or inappropriate for display. Examples of such content may include, but are not limited to, comments that contain offensive language, are off-topic and advertisements.

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be fully disclosed to third parties.

comments become public information upon submission and may

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### Formal Regulation Adoption Process

- Public Notice of Intent to Secretary of State, beginning the formal public comment period: **July 8, 2019**
- Public Hearing: September 25, 2019
  - Close of public comment period: 5:00 pm, October 7, 2019
  - Hearing Officer's Report
  - DEEP notification to all interested parties of availability of final wording
- Final proposed regulations to Attorney General for Legal Sufficiency approval
- Final proposed regulations to Office of Fiscal Analysis and Environment Committee
- Legislative Regulation Review Committee (LRRC) holds meeting on regulatory amendments per CGS section 4-170
- After approval of LRRC, regulations filed with Secretary of State per CGS section 4-172 (regulations become final upon filing)
- Publication of regulations on the Connecticut eRegulations System



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### 3 Question & Answer Sessions

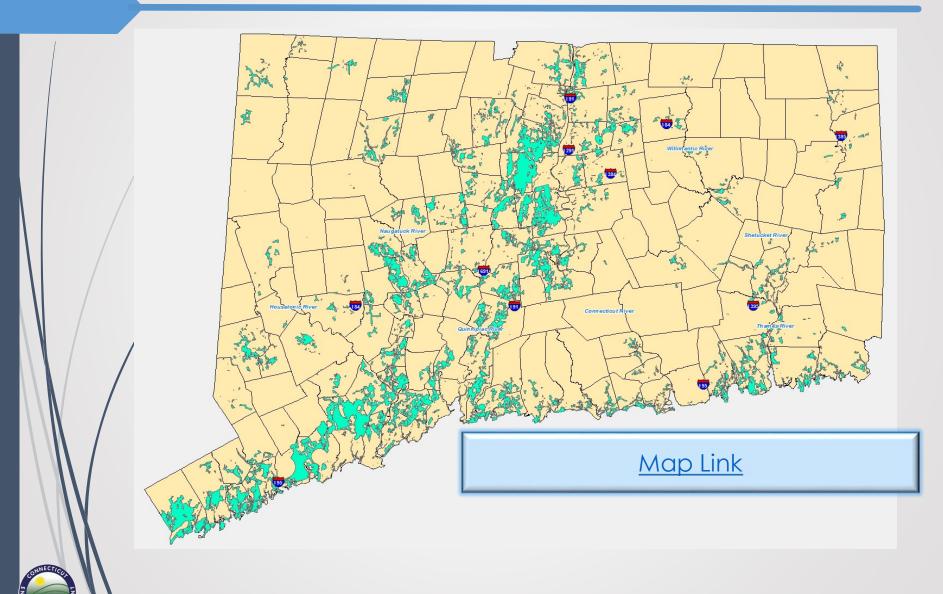
- July 30, 2019 from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. (ZOOM)
  Gina McCarthy Auditorium, 5th Floor, Department of Energy and Environmental Protection
  79 Elm Street, Hartford, CT
- August 6, 2019 from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.
  - Kellogg Environmental Center 500 Hawthorne Avenue, Derby, CT
- Sheraton Hartford South Hotel
  100 Capital Boulevard, Rocky Hill, CT
- Other Outreach Events EBC (6/11/19), CBIA (7/18/19), SWEP (8/27/19), CEF (9/4/19)



### **Questions or Comments?**



# Potential Alternative GWPC Map



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