



## **Environmental Engineering Program (EEP) June 14, 2018 Code Advisory Committee (CAC) Meeting**

### **Meeting Sign-in (Members & Visitors), CAC Member Updates, Visitor Comments**

- CT Association of Directors of Health
- CT Association of Water Pollution Control Authorities
- CT Environmental Health Association
- CT Onsite Wastewater Recycling Association
- **CT Water Well Association (New member, Reps: Larry Sima & Jeremiah Weid)**
- Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP)
- Home Builders and Remodelers Association of CT (HB & RA of CT) (Additional Rep: Patrick Carrier)
- Professional Engineers
- Soil Scientists
- Visitors

### **Legislative Matters**

- **Senate Bill No. 342 (Alternative Treatment Septic Systems):** DEEP, DPH, HB & RA of CT, and others (planners, environmental groups) provided testimony on the raised bill. Legislation did not move forward.
- **House Bill No. 5130 (Sewage Spill Right to Know & CEUs for Wastewater Operators):** Legislation enacted: Public Act No. 18-97

**Water Supply Well Exceptions:** Included on the November 16, 2017 CAC meeting agenda. The well siting variance issue is on the June 21, 2018 agenda of the Plumbing and Piping Work Examining Board. DPH is seeking to meet with the Department of Consumer Protection to discuss resolution.

### **Nonpoint Source Pollution Matters**

- **DEEP Nitrogen Study:** The consultant (Lombardo Associates) is anticipated to have draft final versions of the task reports available for review in July, and a lot-by-lot analysis for three case study sub-watersheds will be performed in July. As noted in previous CAC meeting agendas the study is evaluating on-site sewage system nitrogen loading/management options in CT coastal areas. The final reports are to be issued by September 30, 2018.
- **The Nature Conservancy (TNC):** EEP staff participated in a webinar preview of TNC's Long Island Sound Clean Coastal Waters Website. TNC conducted interviews with some local health officials, and have requested a follow-up meeting with EEP and DEEP to discuss the interviews and recommendations. The website <https://www.liswaterquality.org/> went live in early May.

**2017 Decentralized Wastewater Management MOU between the U.S. EPA & 19 Partner Organizations:** Signed November 14, 2017, and covers the 2017 – 2020 period. Septic Smart Week: September 17 – 21, 2018.

### **DEEP General Permits**

- **GP to Discharge from SSDSs Serving Existing Facilities:** Modified February 15, 2018 to reflect the new 7,500 GPD jurisdiction limit.
- **Comprehensive GP for Discharges to Surface Water and Groundwater (Comprehensive GP):** Effective March 30, 2018. Covers onsite disposal of water treatment wastewater (WTW) that is not governed by the Technical Standards.
- **GP for Miscellaneous Discharges of Sewer Compatible Wastewater (Misc. GP):** Effective May 3, 2018. Covers brewery wastewater collected in holding tanks and transported to a publicly owned treatment works (POTW, a.k.a., sewer plant). Brewery wastewater previously covered by GP for the Discharge of Food Processing Wastewater, which expired on February 11, 2018.
- **GP for the Discharge of Low Flow WTW and GP for the Discharge of WTW:** Both expired on March 29, 2018. Onsite disposal of WTW now covered by Comprehensive GP. Discharges to POTW now covered by Misc. GP.

**Technical Standards for Subsurface Sewage Disposal Systems:** Final power point presentation posted on DPH website. Water treatment wastewater matters. Future revisions to the standards.