



Town of  
*North Stonington, Connecticut*

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Eric McPhee  
CT DPH-Drinking Water Section  
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PO Box 340308  
Hartford, Connecticut 06134-0308

RE: Notice of Scoping for the North Stonington Village Waterline Extension  
PFA Exemption under CGS Sec. 16a-35d

Dear Mr. McPhee:

The Town of North Stonington requests a priority funding area (PFA) exception for a northern waterline extension to the North Stonington Grange and Fairgrounds. The Grange has existed in our Community since 1893. The Grange Hall #138 was built in 1912 on a 22.85 acre parcel of land and is located on the edge of the historic North Stonington Village.

Throughout the years the Grange has hosted a number of community gatherings including the annual North Stonington Agricultural Fair, which will celebrate it's 53<sup>rd</sup> year this July. The fair attracts over 12,000 adults plus children, vendors, fair workers and event participants in a four day weekend. Other events include a 4-H Fair, dog shows, and this year will be the first year of the Mystic Blues Festival which hopes to entertain over 10,000 visitors. The fairgrounds is also used to stage the annual Memorial Day Parade, and also includes the home field for the North Stonington Little League.

The North Stonington Grange and Fairgrounds are an important part of North Stonington's community activities throughout the year. This waterline extension will support the events already a part of the Grange but also allow for new events to be offered to our residents and visitors by providing safe drinking water. We believe this request for an exception is in compliance with CGS 16a-35d (b)(3).

Respectfully,

Shawn P. Murphy  
First Selectman