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The following Scoping Notices have been submitted for review and comment in this edition.

1. Notice of Scoping for Candlewood Trails Association Water System Upgrades

Municipalities where proposed project might be located: New Milford, CT.

Addresses of Project Locations: Candlewood Trails Association in New Milford, CT. The project located on 4 open lots between Club Drive Ext. and Cedar Drive.

Project Description: Candlewood Trails Association (CTA) construction project includes construction of one below grade 25,000 gallon steel water tank, two submersible high service pumps, a bladder tank, a wood frame control building, water main controls, piping, valves, fittings and appurtenances including all associated site, HVAC, plumbing, electrical instrumentation, and mechanical work. When complete, the system will improve water quality and distribution challenges for CTA.

Project Map: Please see map for project location.

Written comments from the public are welcomed and will be accepted until the close of business on: Monday, June 20, 2011

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Additional information about the project can be arranged for viewing in person by contacting, Woodard & Curran, 1520 Highland Avenue, Cheshire, CT 06410

Written comments and/or requests for a Public Scoping Meeting should be sent to:

Name: Mr. Cameron Walden

Agency: State of Connecticut Department of Public Health Drinking Water Section

Address: 410 Capitol Avenue MS# 51WAT

P.O. Box 340308

Hartford, CT 06134-0308

Phone: 860-509-7333 **Fax:** 860-509-7359

E-Mail: cameron.walden@ct.gov

If you have questions about the public meeting, or other questions about the scoping for this project, contact:

Name: Mr. Cameron Walden

Agency: State of Connecticut Department of Public Health Drinking Water Section

Address: 410 Capitol Avenue MS# 51WAT

P.O. Box 340308

Hartford, CT 06134-0308

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2. Notice of Scoping for University of Connecticut Action for Additional Water Supply Source(s)

Municipalities where proposed project might be located: Mansfield, Tolland, Coventry

Addresses of Possible Project Locations:

The preferred project location(s) will be selected from a range of options that include:

- · Interconnecting with a nearby reservoir-based water system northeast of the Main Campus in Storrs, CT. Such an interconnection would involve a new pipeline that would generally run southerly along Route 195 from the intersection of Baxter Street/Anthony Road and Route 195 in Tolland, CT, through the northeast corner of Coventry, CT, to the nearest feasible point to interconnect with the existing University of Connecticut (UConn) water supply system in Storrs, CT. Alternative local roads could also be considered for portions of the pipeline route.
- · Interconnecting with a nearby reservoir-based water system southwest of the Main Campus in Storrs, CT. Such a interconnection would involve a new pipeline which would generally run northerly along Route 195 from the intersection of Conantville Road and Route 195 in southern Mansfield, CT to the nearest feasible point to interconnect with the existing UConn water supply system in Storrs, CT. Alternative local roads could also be considered for portions of the pipeline route.
- · Developing new groundwater source or sources in the stratified drift aquifers along the Fenton River, Willimantic River, or Mansfield Hollow Reservoir, and conveying the water from the new source(s) via pipeline to the nearest feasible point to interconnect with the existing UConn water supply system in Storrs, CT.

Project Description:

The University of Connecticut in direct partnership with the Town of Mansfield proposes actions that will identify and implement a long-term source of at least 0.5 - 1 million gallons per day of water for the University of Connecticut's public water supply system. The project comprises the possible creation of new wellfields and the possible installation of new water mains to provide additional water to the University's public water supply system in and around Storrs, which currently also provides service to several Town of Mansfield facilities.

The proposed action would enable growth of the University and surrounding area consistent with prior the University Water Supply Plan, University Master Plans and associated Environmental Impact Evaluations, particularly for the proposed University Technology Park to be developed on the University's North Campus. The proposed action would improve the University water supply's margin of safety and supplement the available water during times of drier years when the existing supply is limited in response to aquatic and environmental concerns. This additional source of water supply would also enable economic development as delineated in the Town Plan of Conservation and Development, particularly as envisioned for the Mansfield Four Corners and Storrs Center areas.

The alternatives for obtaining an additional water supply source for the University's public water supply system include:

- 1) Connecting with a nearby reservoir-based water system to the northeast of the main campus by extending a transmission main south from Tolland along the Route 195 corridor or alternative local roads;
- 2) Connecting with a nearby reservoir-based water system to the southwest of the main campus by extending a transmission main north from southern Mansfield along the Route 195 corridor or alternative route(s) via local roads; and
- 3) Installing and connecting to a new groundwater source or sources in the stratified drift aquifers along the Fenton River, Willimantic River, or Mansfield Hollow Reservoir. The new groundwater source(s) would preferably be installed on lands in Mansfield, CT currently owned by the University, Town of Mansfield, or the Army Corps of Engineers.

Project Map(s): Click here to view a map of the project area.

Written comments from the public are welcomed and will be accepted until the close of business on: July 7, 2011

There will be a Public Scoping Meeting for this project at:

DATE: June 28, 2011

TIME: 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm

PLACE: University of Connecticut, Student Union, Room 104, 2110 Hillside Road, Storrs, CT

NOTES: Evening parking is available at no charge across Hillside Road in the Field House lot.

Written comments should be sent to:

Name: Jason Coite

Agency: University of Connecticut - Office of Environmental Policy

Address: 31 LeDoyt Road, U-3055

Storrs, CT

Fax: 860-486-5477

E-Mail: jason.coite@uconn.edu

If you have questions about the public meeting, or other questions about the scoping for this project, contact:

Name: Jason Coite

Agency: University of Connecticut - Office of Environmental Policy

Address: 31 LeDoyt Road, U-3055

Phone: 860-486-9305 **Fax:** 860-486-5477

E-Mail: jason.coite@uconn.edu

The agency expects to release an Environmental Impact Evaluation for this project, for public review and comment, in January 2012.

3. Notice of Scoping for Deep River Water Treatment Plant Transmission Main Replacement, Meter & Microturbine

Municipalities where proposed project might be located: Lebanon & Bozrah

Addresses of Possible Project Locations: In and around the Deep River WTP at Reservoir Road, Lebanon and Fitchville Road, Bozrah

Project Description: Norwich Public Utilities proposes to replace approximately 3,500 linear feet of the 30-inch diameter cast iron cross country transmission main with 30-inch cement lined ductile iron main, install a new water meter to estimate unaccounted for water along approximately 6.6 m miles of the transmission main, and generate clean energy with the installation of an in-line microturbine that will take the place of an existing pressure reducing valve. An evaluation of transmission main routes for new main and rehabilitation methods for the existing main will be made prior to proceeding with final design of this portion of the project.

Project Map(s): Click here to view maps of the project area

Written comments from the public are welcomed and will be accepted until the close of business on: Friday, July 8, 2011.

Any person can ask the sponsoring agency to hold a Public Scoping Meeting by sending such a request to the agency address below by June 17, 2011. If a meeting is requested by 25 or more individuals, or by an association that represents 25 or more members, the sponsoring agency shall schedule a Public Scoping Meeting.

Additional information about this project can be viewed in person at Norwich Public Utilities, 16 South Golden Street, Norwich, Connecticut

Written comments and/or requests for a Public Scoping Meeting should be sent to:

Name: Mr. Cameron Walden

Agency: Department of Public Health – Drinking Water Section Address: 450 Capitol Avenue, MS #51WAT, PO Box 340308

Hartford, CT 06134-0308 **E-Mail**: cameron.walden@ct.gov

If you have questions about the public meeting, or other questions about the scoping for this project, contact:

Name: Mr. Cameron Walden

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Agency: Department of Public Health – Drinking Water Section
Address: 450 Capitol Avenue, MS #51WAT, PO Box 340308

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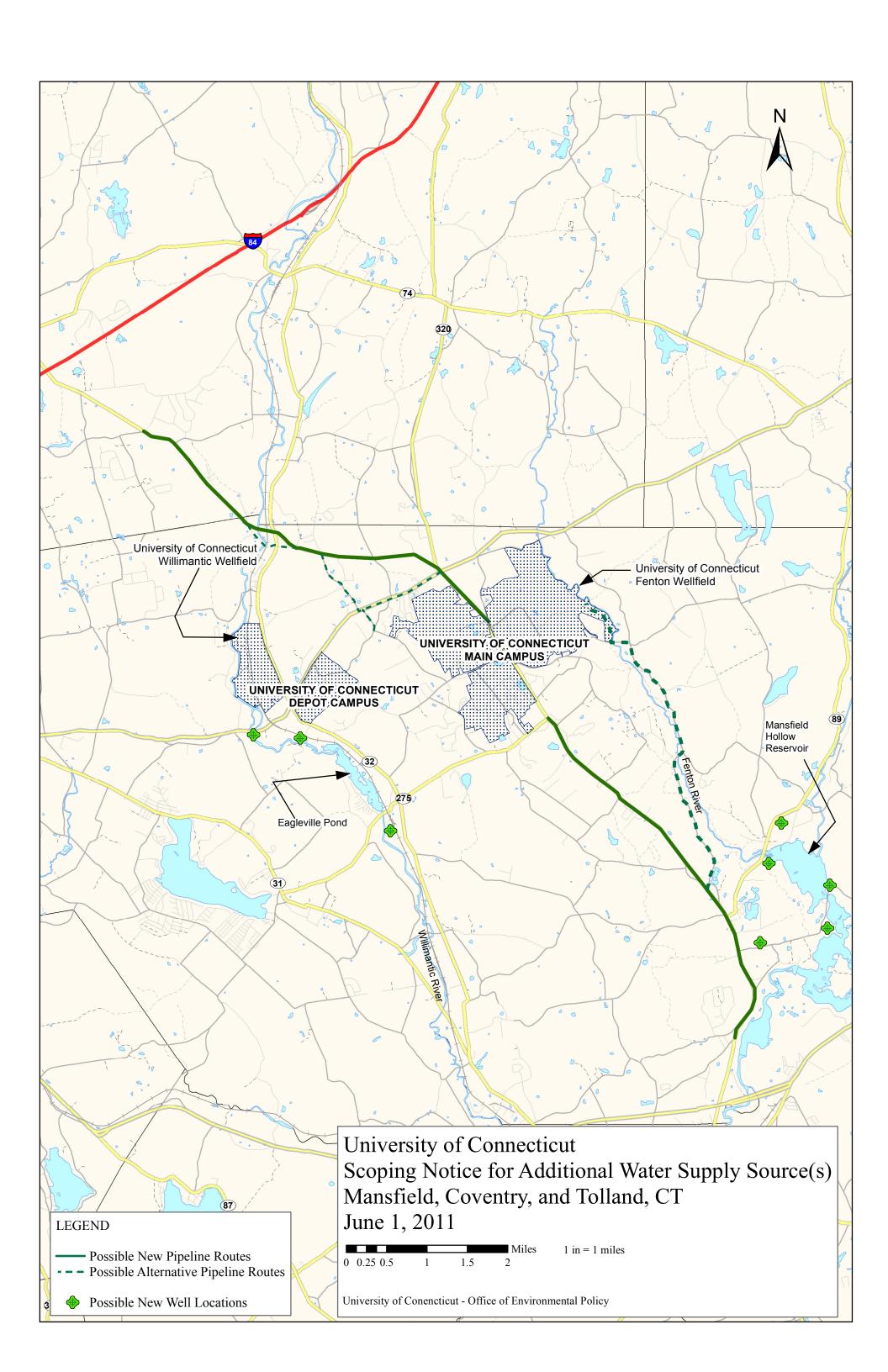
Phone: 860-509-7333

4. Notice of Scoping For New London Road (Route 1), 12" Water Main Extension, Noank/Ledyard Rd to Judson Ave, Construction Design

Municipality where proposed project might be located: Town of Groton

Addresses of Possible Project Location: The project is scheduled to proceed easterly along Route 1 from Noank/Ledyard Road to Judson Avenue.

Project Description: The project consists of installation of approximately 2,600 lineal feet of 12-inch ductile iron water main piping extending easterly along Route 1 from Noank/Ledyard Road to Judson Avenue. The project includes hydrant installations, water main reconnections, and installation of an additional 1,000 gpm pump to increase pumping capacity at the Fort Hill Booster Pumping Station.





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Post-Scoping Notices: Environmental Impact Evaluation Not Required

No Post-Scoping Notices have been submitted for publication in this edition.

Environmental Impact Evaluations

- 1. Harbor Brook Flood Control Project, Meriden
- 2. NEW! University of Connecticut Health Center New Construction and Renovation, Farmington

State Land Transfers

No State Land Transfer Notices have been submitted for publication in this edition.

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Scoping Notices

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The following Scoping Notices have been submitted for review and comment in this edition:

1. Notice of Scoping for the Thames Shipyard Improvements Project

Municipality where proposed project might be located: New London

Address of Possible Project Location: 50 Farnsworth Street, New London, CT 06320

Project Description: The capital improvement project at Thames Shipyard and Repair Company consists of

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three related elements. The company has secured the necessary permits to dredge the footprint of the soon to be expanded Number 2 floating drydock, dredge a turning basin at the entrance to the Number 1 drydock, and to dredge the existing channel to its former depth to allow the shipyard to service deeper draft vessels that are currently turned away due to insufficient water depth to reach the drydocks. The proposed project consists of dredging a total of approximately 24,500 cubic yards of marine sediments from within the Thames Shipyard berthing area and access channel footprints. The proposed dredging of this facility consists of three individual footprints: Footprint A encompasses the dredging of a portion of the access channel, an area around the northern most dry-dock and the northern most pier to a depth of -18.0' Mean Low Water (MLW). Footprint B encompasses an area around a main facility dry dock to a depth of -28.0' MLW. Footprint C encompasses an area around the second pier from the south to a depth of -15.0' MLW. Dredging and disposal operations are proposed to be conduced using the mechanical clam-shell method and within an approved DEEP dredging window. A thorough Disposal Alternatives Analysis concluded that dredge spoils will be disposed of at either the New London Disposal Site, the Central Long Island Sound Disposal Site or Western Long Island Sound Disposal site. When the project is completed, the shipyard will be in position to fully utilize the capability of the dry docks. This will allow Thames Shipyard to better service the region's high capacity ferry services that rely on the shipyard to maintain their fleets. This in turn will lead to the creation of jobs in the marine trades field that will enable faster vessel turnaround times and the ability to service more vessels.

In addition, Thames Shipyard is currently working on modifications to expand its Number 2 drydock thus increasing its overall capabilities. Once completed, the drydock will be lengthened by 24 feet and widened by 20 feet bringing the overall length to 170 feet (120' long pontoon with a 25' apron on each end), and overall width to 92 feet. These improvements to the drydock will increase its deck size enabling it to haul longer and wider vessels. They will increase the drydock's capacity, stability and efficiency and enable it to haul heavier vessels with higher centers of gravity and extend its useful life by 30 years.

The third element to the project is the replacing and rebuilding of existing and deteriorating bulkheading at the shipyard. This will allow for vessels to be serviced while they are not in drydock. Thames Shipyard has received permits to replace 600 feet of bulkheading at the yard.

Project Map(s): Click here to view a <u>Location Map</u> of the project area. Click here to view a <u>Site Plan</u> of the project area.

Written comments from the public are welcomed and will be accepted until the close of business on: December 22, 2011.

There will be a Public Scoping Meeting for this project at:

DATE: December 13, 2011

TIME: 2:00 pm

PLACE: New London Public Library, Community Room, 63 Huntington Street, New London, CT 06320

Written comments and should be sent to:

Name: Mark Hood

Agency: Department of Economic and Community Development

Address: 505 Hudson Street

Hartford, CT 06106 860-270-8157

Fax: 860-270-8157 **E-Mail**: mark.hood@ct.gov

If you have questions about the public meeting, or other questions about the scoping for this project, contact:

Name: Mark Hood

Agency: Department of Economic and Community Development

Address: 505 Hudson Street Hartford, CT 06106

 Phone:
 860-270-8089

 Fax:
 860-270-8157

 E-Mail:
 mark.hood@ct.gov

2. Notice of Scoping for the Old Saybrook Railroad Parking Lot Expansion

Municipality where proposed project might be located: Old Saybrook

Address of Possible Project Location: 3 North Main Street, Old Saybrook, CT

Project Description: The Connecticut Department of Transportation proposes to expand the parking area for the Old Saybrook Shore Line East Railroad Station. The Department's plan is to acquire the adjacent property to the west of the current parking lot and to construct a parking lot of approximately 800 parking spaces and

various bicycle racks to be used by the Old Saybrook Railroad Station commuters.

Project Map: Click here to view a map of the project area.

Project Plans: Click here to view preliminary site plans for the project.

Written comments from the public are welcomed and will be accepted until the close of business on: Friday, December 23, 2011

Any person can ask the sponsoring agency to hold a Public Scoping Meeting by sending such a request to the address below. If a meeting is requested by 25 or more individuals, or by an association that represents 25 or more members, the sponsoring agency shall schedule a Public Scoping Meeting. Such requests must be made by Friday, December 2, 2011.

Written comments and/or requests for a Public Scoping Meeting, including questions regarding the scoping of this project should be sent to:

Name: Mr. Mark W. Alexander

Agency: Connecticut Department of Transportation

Address: 2800 Berlin Turnpike

Newington, CT 06131

Phone: 860-594-2931 **Fax:** 860-594-3028

E-Mail: Mark.W.Alexander@ct.gov

After the public scoping, the Department will make a determination whether an Environmental Impact Evaluation may be prepared for this project.

3. Notice of Scoping for the Reconstruction of Old Farms Road

Municipality where proposed project might be located: Avon

Address of Possible Project Location: Old Farms Road, Thompson Road, and Scoville Road

Project Description: This project will reconstruct, realign or relocate Old Farms Road, Thompson Road and Scoville Road in the Town of Avon, Connecticut to provide transportation improvements to address operational and safety needs, as well as support land use objectives established in the Town of Avon's current approved Plan of Conservation and Development adopted on May 2, 2006.

Project Map(s): Click here to view a map of the project area.

Written comments from the public are welcomed and will be accepted until the close of business on: Friday, December 23, 2011

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Written comments and/or requests for a Public Scoping Meeting should be sent to:

Name: Mr. Mark W. Alexander

Agency: Connecticut Department of Transportation

Address: 2800 Berlin Turnpike Newington, CT 06131

Fax: 860-594-3028

E-Mail: Mark.W.Alexander@ct.gov

If you have questions about the public meeting, or other questions about the scoping for this project, contact:

Name: Ms. Jessica L. DiLuca

Agency: Connecticut Department of Transportation

Address: 2800 Berlin Turnpike

Newington, CT 06131

Phone: 860-594-2135 **Fax:** 860-594-3028

E-Mail: Jessica.DiLuca@ct.gov

4. Notice of Scoping for: University of Connecticut Action for Additional Water Supply Source(s), Amended to Include Improvements to the Fenton River Wellfield

Municipalities where proposed project might be located: Mansfield, Tolland, Coventry

Address of Possible Project Location: An additional alternative to those in the previously noticed scope for additional water supply sources will include installing a replacement for "Well A" within the University of Connecticut's Fenton River wellfield, which is accessible via Gurleyville Road in Mansfield, CT. On June 7, 2011 the CT Environmental Monitor posted a scoping notice for the University of Connecticut's proposal to identify and implement a long-term source of at least 0.5 - 1 million gallons per day of water. The alternatives identified in the previous scoping notice remain options and include interconnecting with nearby

reservoir-based water systems and developing a new groundwater source. The full notice in the June 7^{th} Monitor can be found at http://www.ct.gov/ceq/cwp/view.asp?a=987&Q=481666.

Project Description: The University of Connecticut in direct partnership with the Town of Mansfield proposes actions that will identify and implement a long-term source of at least 0.5 - 1 million gallons per day of water for the University of Connecticut's public water supply system. The project comprises the possible creation of new wellfields and the possible installation of new water to provide additional water to the University's public water supply system in and around Storrs, which currently also provides service to several Town of Mansfield facilities.

The proposed action would enable growth of the University and surrounding area consistent with prior the University Water Supply Plan, University Master Plans and associated Environmental Impact Evaluations, particularly for the proposed University Technology Park to be developed on the University's North Campus. The proposed action would improve the University water supply's margin of safety and supplement the available water during times of drier years when the existing supply is limited in response to aquatic and environmental concerns. This additional source of water supply would also enable economic development as delineated in the Town Plan of Conservation and Development, particularly as envisioned for the Mansfield Four Corners and Storrs Center areas.

The alternatives for obtaining an additional water supply source for the University's public water supply system include:

- 1) Connecting with a nearby reservoir-based water system to the northwest of the main campus by extending a transmission main south from Tolland along the Route 195 corridor or alternative local roads;
- 2) Connecting with a nearby reservoir-based water system to the southeast of the main campus by extending a transmission main north from southern Mansfield along the Route 195 corridor or alternative route(s) via local roads: and
- 3) Installing and connecting to a new groundwater source or sources in the stratified drift aquifers along the Fenton River, Willimantic River, or Mansfield Hollow Reservoir. The new groundwater source(s) would preferably be installed on lands in Mansfield, CT currently owned by the University, Town of Mansfield, or the Army Corps of Engineers.
- 4) Replacing the University's existing "Well A" in its Fenton River Wellfield with a new well installed in the stratified drift more than 250 feet westward from its current location. Relocating Well A further from the river to lessen the impact pumping has on aquatic habitat during seasonal drier conditions was among the recommendations in the "Long-Term Impact Analysis of the University of Connecticut's Fenton River Water Supply Wells on the Habitat of the Fenton River" by Warner et al (2006). The University abides by other recommendations in the aforementioned Analysis by curtailling and ceasing pumping from Well A and other wells at the Fenton River wellfield when streamflows drop below prescribed thresholds. If the on-going research and aquifer modeling support a lessened impact to aquatic habitat, then relocating Well A could provide supplemental water that the University had planned to be otherwise unavailable.

Project Map(s): Click here to view a map of the project area.

Written comments from the public are welcomed and will be accepted until the close of business on: January 19, 2012

Any person can ask the sponsoring agency to hold a Public Scoping Meeting by sending such a request to the address below. If a meeting is requested by 25 or more individuals, or by an association that represents 25 or more members, the sponsoring agency shall schedule a Public Scoping Meeting. Such requests must be made by December 30, 2011.

Written comments should be sent to:

Name: Jason Coite

Agency: University of Connecticut - Office of Environmental Policy

Address: 31 LeDoyt Road, U-3055

Storrs, CT 06269 **Fax:** 860-486-5477

E-Mail: jason.coite@uconn.edu

If you have questions about the public meeting, or other questions about the scoping for this

project, contact:

Name: Jason Coite

Agency: University of Connecticut - Office of Environmental Policy

Address: 31 LeDoyt Road, U-3055

Storrs, CT 06269 **Phone**: 860-486-9305 **Fax:** 860-486-5477

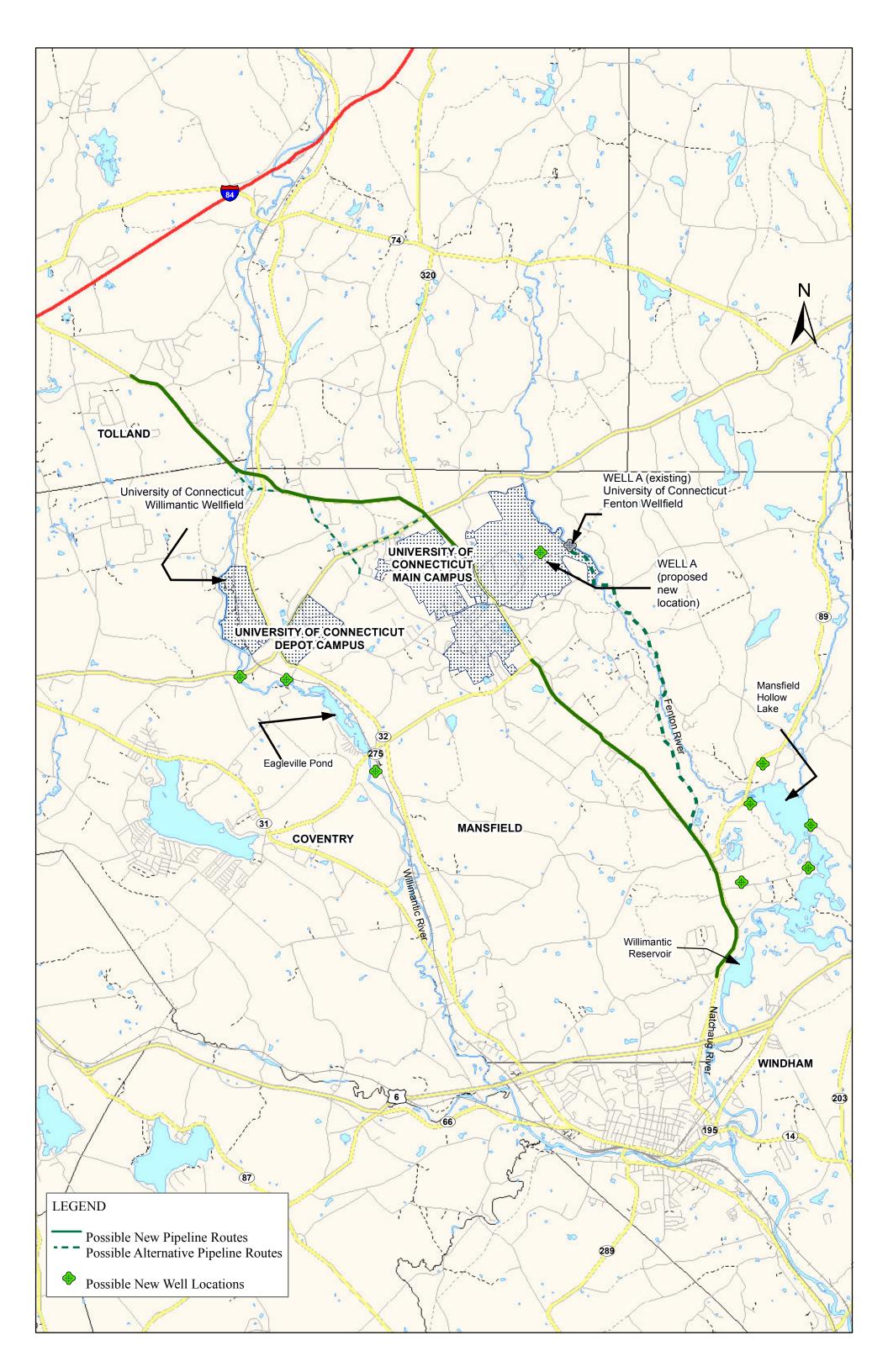
E-Mail: jason.coite@uconn.edu

The agency expects to release an Environmental Impact Evaluation for this project, for public

review and comment, in February 2012.

Post-Scoping Notices: Environmental Impact Evaluation Not Required

This category is required by the October 2010 revision of the <u>Generic Environmental Classification Document</u>



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1. State Conservation and Development Policies: A Plan for Connecticut, 2013-2018 (State C & D Plan) - Draft Available

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- 1. Quinebaug Regional Technical Park, Putnam
- 2. Stamford Transportation Center, Stamford
- **3. REVISED!** University of Connecticut Action for Additional Water Supply Source(s), Amended to Include an Interconnection with MDC's Drinking Water Supply.

Post-Scoping Notices: Environmental Impact Evaluation Not Required

1. No Post-Scoping Notices have been submitted for publication in this edition.

Environmental Impact Evaluations

- 1. The Villages, Montville
- 2. New Haven Hartford Springfield Line High Speed Intercity Passenger Rail Project

State Land Transfers

No State Land Transfer Notices have been submitted for publication in this edition.

The next edition of the Environmental Monitor will be published on June 19, 2012.

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Special Notice

The following notice is published at the request of the Office of Policy and Management to provide notice of the availability of the revised draft of *Conservation and Development Policies: A Plan for Connecticut, 2013-2018.* There is a strong link between this plan and CEPA.

1. Conservation and Development Policies: A Plan for Connecticut, 2013-2018 (State C & D Plan)

The Office of Policy and Management (OPM) has published a revised draft of *Conservation and Development Policies: A Plan for Connecticut, 2013-2018* (the State C&D Plan), in accordance with CGS Section 16a-28(b). The Draft State C&D Plan, including the Draft Locational Guide Map, can be viewed at: http://www.ct.gov/opm/cwp/view.asp?a=2990&q=467686.

OPM, in cooperation with Regional Planning Organizations (RPOs), will schedule, publicize, and conduct formal public hearings on the Draft State C&D Plan in each of the state's 14 planning regions between the months of May and September 2012. Written comments from the public are welcomed and will be accepted until the close of business on October 5, 2012.

Written comments from the public are welcome and will be accepted until the close of business on:

October 5, 2012.

Written comments should be sent to: Name: Daniel Morley

Agency: Office of Policy and Management Address: 450 Capitol Avenue, MS #540RG

Hartford, CT 06106-1379

Fax: 860-418-6486
E-Mail: Daniel.Morley@ct.gov

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The following Scoping Notices have been submitted for review and comment.

1. Notice of Scoping for the Quinebaug Regional Technical Park

Municipality where proposed project might be located: Putnam

Address of Possible Project Location: Land adjacent to I-395 on the west bank of the Quinebaug River

Project Description: The Town of Putnam, as part of its long-range planning to develop additional land for industrial purposes, has identified land to the west of the Quinebaug River, south of the Town's wastewater treatment plant and north of the Wheelabrator Ash Landfill as a site for key industrial park development. The Quinebaug Regional Tech Park (Park), comprising approximately 230 acres, is envisioned to be developed into approximately 11 separate development lots. Generally, lot sizes will be on the order of 15 acres and support up to 90,000 sf of light industrial, research or technology manufacturing.

The Park will be served by a new upgraded paved central roadway substantially on the foot print of the existing paved road accessing the current land fill. The major change in the access to the park will be the construction of a new two-lane bridge which is currently proposed to tie directly to Interchange 95 off of I-395 and Kennedy Drive. An existing one-lane bridge that currently provides limited access to the site will be retained to provide pedestrian and bicycle access to the site and will tie into the town's existing River Trail.

The first phase of the Park will consist of a 40,000 sf Regional YMCA, which will be constructed on one of the eleven proposed park lots, and development of enhanced access to the wastewater treatment plant to the north. As part of the project it is envisioned that major utilities (water, wastewater, electric and telephone) be incorporated into the proposed access right of way to be immediately available to each proposed development lot

In 2006, the state Department of Economic and Community Development (DECD) circulated a Stage 1 Environmental Assessment to determine CEPA obligations for the proposed project. Based on this review, a recommendation was made by DECD to conduct an Environmental Impact Evaluation (EIE) Study. Since the overall scope of the project has changed, another scoping notice is being published to seek state agencies and public comments before the scope of services for the EIE is finalized.

Project Map: Click here to view a Location Map of the project area.

Written comments from the public are welcomed and will be accepted until the close of business

Any person can ask the sponsoring agency to hold a Public Scoping Meeting by sending such a request to the address below. If a meeting is requested by 25 or more individuals, or by an association that represents 25 or more members, the sponsoring agency shall schedule a Public Scoping Meeting. Such requests must be made by May 18, 2012.

Written comments and/or requests for a Public Scoping Meeting should be sent to:

Name: Mark Hood

Agency: Department of Economic and Community Development

Address: 505 Hudson Street Hartford, CT 06106

Fax: 860-270-8157 **E-Mail:** mark.hood@ct.gov

If you have questions about the public meeting, or other questions about the scoping for this project, contact:

Name: Mark Hood

Agency: Department of Economic and Community Development

Address: 505 Hudson Street

Hartford, CT 06106

 Phone:
 860-270-8089

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 860-270-8157

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2. Notice of Scoping for the Stamford Transportation Center Parking and Transit Oriented Development

Municipality where proposed project might be located: Stamford, CT

Address of Possible Project Location: Stamford CT, within a 1/2 mile radius of the Stamford Transportation Center

Project Description: The Connecticut Department of Transportation (Department) is proposing to replace the Department's original parking garage located at the Stamford Transportation Center in Stamford, CT through a public-private partnership agreement that will include Transit-Oriented Development (TOD). Up to \$35 million dollars in bond proceeds are available from the State of Connecticut relative to the replacement garage. The original grarage at the Stamford Transportation Center provides some 727 spaces and was constructed in the 1980's, while a second garage provides an additional 1,200 parking spaces and will remain. The public-private partnership will include demolition of the original multi-level parking garage and the creation of 1,000 (minimum) commuter parking spaces within a 1/4 mile of the Stamford Transportation Center, possible improvements to the Stamford Transportation Center, improvements to Station Place, and the construction of TOD components within a 1/2 mile of the Stamford Transportation Center. Prior to demolition of the original garage, at least 727 parking spaces will be provided in the vicinity.

Project Maps: Click here to view maps of the project area.

Written comments from the public are welcomed and will be accepted until the close of business on: June 8, 2012

There will be a Public Scoping Meeting for this project at:

DATE: May 24, 2012

TIME: 7:00 pm

PLACE: Stamford Government Center, 4th Floor Cafeteria, 888 Washington Boulevard, Stamford, CT

NOTES: The meeting location is accessible to persons with disabilities. Deaf and hearing impaired persons wishing to attend this meeting and requiring an interpreter may make arrangements by contacting the Department's Office of Communication at 860-594-3062 (voice only) at least five days prior to the meeting.

Written comments should be sent to:

Name: Mr. Mark W. Alexander - Transportation Assistant Planning Director

Agency: State of Connecticut Department of Transportation **Address**: 2800 Berlin Turnpike, Newington, CT 06131

Fax: 860-594-3028

E-Mail: Mark.W.Alexander@ct.gov

If you have questions about the public meeting, or other questions about the scoping for this project, contact:

Name: Ms. Jessica DiLuca

Agency: State of Connecticut Department of Transportation **Address**: 2800 Berlin Turnpike, Newington, CT 06131

Phone: 860-594-2135 **Fax:** 860-594-3028

E-Mail: Jessica.DiLuca@ct.gov

The agency expects to release an Environmental Impact Evaluation for this project, for public review and comment, in July/August 2012

3. Notice of Scoping for the University of Connecticut Action for Additional

Water Supply Source(s), Amended to Include an Interconnection with MDC's Drinking Water Supply

Municipalityies where proposed project might be located: East Hartford, Manchester, Bolton, Coventry, Vernon, South Windsor, Tolland, Mansfield, Windham

Addresses of Possible Project Locations: In addition to the alternative sources of supplementary water supply described in previous scoping notices, the University of Connecticut proposes to include an interconnection with the Metropolitan District Commission's supply system terminus in East Hartford. Two alternative routes for the MDC transmission main are proposed for the EIE: one that runs within the Rt. 384 and Rt. 44 corridors through East Hartford, Manchester, Bolton, Coventry, and Mansfield, and one that runs within the Rt. 84 and Rt. 195 corridors through East Hartford, Manchester, South Windsor, Vernon, Tolland, Coventry, and Mansfield.

On June 7, 2011 and December 20, 2011, the CT Environmental Monitor posted scoping notices for the University of Connecticut's proposal for a long-term source of at least 0.5 - 1 million gallons of water per day . The alternatives identified in the previous scoping notices remain options. The previous Monitor notices can be found at http://www.ct.gov/ceq/cwp/view.asp?a=987&Q=481666.

Project Description: The University of Connecticut in direct partnership with the Town of Mansfield proposes actions that will identify and implement a long-term source of at least 0.5 - 1 million gallons per day for the University of Connecticut's public water supply system. The project comprises the possible creation of new wellfields and possible interconnections with other existing water suppliers to provide additional water to the University's public water supply system in and around Storrs, which currently also provides service to several Town of Mansfield facilities.

The proposed action would enable growth of the University and surrounding area consistent with prior the University Water Supply Plan, University Master Plans and associated Environmental Impact Evaluations, particularly for the proposed University Technology Park to be developed on the University's North Campus. The proposed action would improve the University water supply's margin of safety and supplement the available water during times of drier years when the existing supply is limited in response to aquatic and environmental concerns. This additional source of water supply would also enable economic development as delineated in the Town Plan of Conservation and Development, particularly as envisioned for the Mansfield Four Corners and areas of Northern Mansfield near the University Campus.

The alternatives for obtaining an additional water supply source for the University's public water supply system include:

- 1) Connecting with a nearby reservoir-based water system to the northwest of the main campus by extending a transmission main south from Tolland along the Route 195 corridor or alternative local roads;
- 2) Connecting with a nearby reservoir-based water system to the southeast of the main campus by extending a transmission main north from southern Mansfield along the Route 195 corridor or alternative route(s) via local roads; and
- 3) Installing and connecting to a new groundwater source or sources in the stratified drift aquifers along the Fenton River, Willimantic River, or Mansfield Hollow Reservoir. The new groundwater source(s) would preferably be installed on lands in Mansfield, CT currently owned by the University, Town of Mansfield, or the Army Corps of Engineers.
- 4) Replacing the University's existing "Well A" in its Fenton River Wellfield with a new well installed in the stratified drift more than 250 feet westward from its current location.
- 5) **NEW** Connecting with the Metropolitan District Commission's reservoir-based water system to the west of the main campus by extending a transmission main via one of two alternative routes along state highway corridors. For the purpose of the EIE, the MDC interconnection shall be evaluated for transmission capacities of 0.5 to 5 million gallons per day.

Project Map(s): Click here to view a map of the project area.

Written comments from the public are welcomed and will be accepted until the close of business on: July 6, 2012

There will be a Public Scoping Meeting for this project at:

DATE: June 21, 2012

TIME: 5:30 pm to 8:00 pm

PLACE: Council Chamber, Audrey P. Beck municipal building, 4 South Eagleville Road (Rt. 275), Mansfield, CT

NOTES: The public scoping meeting is being held in conjunction with the previously scheduled quarterly meeting of the UConn Water/Wastewater Advisory Committee.

Written comments and/or requests for a Public Scoping Meeting should be sent to:

Name: Jason Coite

Agency: University of Connecticut - Office of Environmental Policy

Address: 31 LeDoyt Road, U-3055 Storrs, CT 06269-3055

Fax: 860-486-5477

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If you have questions about the public meeting, or other questions about the scoping for this

project, contact:

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The agency expects to release an Environmental Impact Evaluation for this project, for public review and comment, in September 2012

Post-Scoping Notices: Environmental Impact Evaluation Not Required

This category is required by the October 2010 revision of the <u>Generic Environmental Classification Document</u> for State Agencies. A notice is published here if the sponsoring agency, after publication of a scoping notice and consideration of comments received, has determined that an Environmental Impact Evaluation (EIE) does not need to be prepared for the proposed project.

No Post-Scoping Notice has been submitted for publication in this edition.

EIE Notices

After Scoping, an agency that wishes to undertake an action that could significantly affect the environment must produce, for public review and comment, a detailed written evaluation of the expected environmental impacts. This is called an Environmental Impact Evaluation (EIE).

The Following Environmental Impact Evaluation notices have been submitted for review and comment in this edition.

1. Notice of EIE for The Villages

Municipality where project is proposed: Montville

Address of Possible Project Location: Norwich - New London Turnpike (Rte. 32), Montville, CT 06382

Project Description: Mutual Housing Association of South Central Connecticut, Inc. (MHA) proposes to construct a 120-unit apartment community complex ("The Villages") on approximately 12.2 acres of undeveloped wooded land located on the west side of the Norwich New London Turnpike (Route 32) in the Uncasville section of Montville. The proposed project (the Proposed Action) would address the demand for affordable housing and rental housing in Montville and the surrounding communities, as well as provide easy access to and from the Mohegan Sun Casino and surrounding commercial areas, and access to the region's public transportation system.

The Proposed Action consists of the development of affordable housing units and associated infrastructure in Montville, Connecticut. The proposed housing complex consists of twenty multi-story units, providing one-bedroom, two-bedroom and three-bedroom apartments. The garden-style multifamily residential buildings range from two to three stories in height and house four to eight units per building. The proposed development also includes construction of a new access road off Route 32 and infrastructure development, surface, a community building, playscape areas, and a maintenance building.

This combined EIE/EA has been prepared for the Proposed Action on behalf of DECD and HUD, the CEPA sponsoring agency and the Federal lead agency, respectively. This document has been prepared in accordance with CEPA, NEPA, and HUD's implementing regulations at 24 CFR 50. The EIE/EA provides a description of the Proposed Action and its purpose and need, an evaluation of the direct, indirect, and cumulative effects of the No Action Alternative and the Proposed Action, and proposed mitigation measures to eliminate or minimize adverse environmental effects.

Project Map: Click here to view a site map of the project area.

Comments on this EIE will be accepted until the close of business on: June 22, 2012

The public can view a copy of this EIE at: The Montville Town Clerk , 310 Norwich-New London Tpke., Uncasville, CT 06382

The Raymond Library, 832 Raymond Hill Rd, Oakdale, CT 06370

There is a public hearing scheduled for this EIE on:

