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To: Connecticut Council on Environmental Quality, Environmental Monitor

From: Christopher Martin, Director, CTDEEP Forestry Division

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CC: David Fox, Environmental Analyst 3, CTDEEP

Date: March 17, 2016

Re: Cockaponset State Forest Prescribed Burn

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Attached please find the Environmental Assessment of the above referenced project. Scoping for the project began on February 02, 2016 and ended March 04, 2016.

The Department of Energy and Environmental Protection received comments from the Connecticut Water Company (CWC) on February 25, 2016 and the Connecticut Dept. of Public Health Drinking Water Section (DWS) on March 4, 2016. Both CWC and DWS recommended best practices for fuel storage and refueling and prohibition of chemical foam retardant to suppress/extinguish the prescribed burn. CTDEEPs will follow these recommendations in addition to monitoring for erosion and notifying CWC prior to conducting the prescribed burn. No other comments were received.

Based on CTDEEP's environmental assessment and the comments received, it is recommended that an Environmental Impact Evaluation (EIE) is not warranted for this project, and that a post-scoping notice to that effect be prepared. Should you have any questions, please contact Emery Gluck of my staff at 860.345.8522 or at [emery.gluck@ct.gov](mailto:emery.gluck@ct.gov).