

STATE OF CONNECTICUT

OFFICE OF POLICY AND MANAGEMENT INTERGOVERNMENTAL POLICY DIVISION

March 20, 2014

Mark Hood Dept. of Economic & Community Development 505 Hudson St. Hartford, CT 06106

Re: OPM Comments re. Notice of Scoping: Proposed East Haven Industrial/Business Park

Dear Mark:

The Office of Policy and Management (OPM) has reviewed the Notice of Scoping for the Proposed East Haven Industrial/Business Park and submits the following comments:

- The scoping notice's location map shows much of the site's developable area having steep slopes, with vertical relief apparently exceeding 100 ft across the proposed lots.
 Please describe the extent of material removal that will be required to prepare the proposed building lots and measures that will be taken to manage potential impacts on nearby residences. OPM notes that current satellite imagery shows a number of homes that appear to be closer to the site than those shown in the scoping notice's location map.
- Is DECD aware of any recent studies or plans prepared by either the South Central Regional Council of Governments or its Economic Development District (REX Development) that address the supply of and demand for warehouse/industrial space in the region, especially properties where state investment would support brownfield redevelopment or other re-use?

Thank you for the opportunity to respond to this Notice of Scoping and please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely:

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