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Special Notice

1. OPM Submission to the Continuing Legislative Committee on State Planning and Development of the revised *Draft Conservation and Development Policies: The Plan for Connecticut, 2013-2018* (State C & D Plan) in accordance with CGS Sec. 16a-29

The Office of Policy and Management (OPM) has submitted the revised Draft State C&D Plan to the Continuing Legislative Committee on State Planning and Development (Continuing Committee) for its approval, revision or disapproval, in whole or in part, in accordance with CGS Sec. 16a-29. The revised Draft State C&D Plan is available at OPM's website.

The Continuing Committee is required by CGS Sec. 16a-30 to conduct a public hearing on the Draft State C&D Plan within forty-five (45) days after the start of the 2013 legislative session. Not later than forty-five (45) days after completion of its public hearing, the Continuing Committee must submit the Plan, along with its recommendation for approval or disapproval, to the General Assembly for its consideration of adoption.

This notice is intended to provide interested parties with adequate lead time to prepare formal testimony for the Continuing Committee's consideration.

Scoping Notices

"Scoping" is for projects in the earliest stages of planning. At the scoping stage, detailed information on a project's design, alternatives, and environmental impacts does not yet exist. Sponsoring agencies are asking for comments from other agencies and from the public as to the scope of alternatives and environmental impacts that should be considered for further study. Send your comments to the contact person listed for the project by the date indicated.

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

1. Notice of Scoping for the Spring Hill Reliability Improvements Project

Municipalities where proposed project might be located: Norwalk and New Canaan

Addresses of Possible Project Locations: Grandview Avenue, Reservoir Street, Dover Street, West Dover Street, Rhodonolia Park, Stevens Street, and Magnolia Avenue in Norwalk and Mill Road in New Canaan.

Project Description: Norwalk First Taxing District (NFTD) proposes to construct/install the following components to maintain adequate water supply at the Norwalk Regional Hospital, Paradigm Healthcare Center (150 bed nursing home), DaVita of Norwalk (dialysis center) and several other medical facilities associated with the regional hospital:

- 1. A new 1.0 MG elevated storage tank to replace the existing Spring Hill high service area elevated storage tank located adjacent to an existing Spring Hill 3.0 MG storage tank.
- 2. A new Spring Hill Booster Pump Station to replace the existing booster station located adjacent to an existing Spring Hill 3.0 MG storage tank. The new booster pump station will serve the new 1.0 MG elevated storage tank.
- 3. Approximately 3,600 linear feet of piping improvements to remedy these water supply deficiencies in the Spring Hill high service area.
- 4. Replacement of an existing altitude valve that serves the existing Spring Hill 3.0 MG storage tank.
- 5. Spring Hill Site security enhancements

In addition, NFTD proposes to install tank mixing systems for both the existing Spring Hill 3.0 MG storage tank and new 1.0-MG elevated storage tank.

Project Maps: 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: Thursday, February 7, 2013

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, January 18, 2013.

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

Name: Mr. Eric McPhee

Agency: Department of Public Health

Drinking Water Section

Address: 410 Capitol Avenue, MS #51WAT

PO Box 340308

Hartford, CT 06134-0308

Fax: 860-509-7359

E-Mail: <u>Dph.sourceprotection@ct.gov</u>

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

Name: Ms. Patricia Bisacky

Agency: Department of Public Health

Drinking Water Section

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E-Mail: Patricia.bisacky@ct.gov

2. Notice of Scoping for: Atlantic Street / Henry Street Intersection Improvements

Municipality where proposed project might be located: Stamford

Address of Possible Project Location: Intersection of Atlantic Street and Henry Street

Project Description: The project includes intersection reconstruction and the replacement of signal equipment at the Atlantic Street and Henry Street intersection. Individual elements of the project include the realignment and widening of the Henry Street west leg, the replacement of sidewalks and pedestrian ramps on three corners of the intersection, and the complete replacement of all traffic signal equipment. In addition, the project will include minor drainage improvements to accommodate the widened pavement area and to replace deteriorated structures. The realignment of the west intersection leg will require a full property acquisition (745 Atlantic Street) at the southwest corner of the intersection of Atlantic Street and Henry Street.

745 Atlantic Street is listed as a contributing structure to the National Register of Historic Places listed South End Historic District in Stamford (listed in 1986). It is a three-story 1913 brick vernacular commercial building with Italian Renaissance Revival elements that include curving pressed metal cornice embossed with an egg and dart design. An image of the resource can be found by clicking here, and the National Register form can be found by clicking here.

The project will include the full replacement of all the traffic signal equipment at the intersection. The new signal equipment will include mast arm support structures, countdown pedestrian signals, pedestrian push buttons supported on pedestals, and video detection on all

approaches. Emergency vehicle signal pre-emption equipment, a CCTVV monitoring camera and illuminated street signs will also be installed. Peak hour traffic volume information on the signal plan was taken from the Stamford Traffic Volumes approved by CTDOT Bureau of Policy and Planning in September 2012. The average daily traffic on Atlantic Street and Henry Street is 3800 vehicles and 450 vehicles, respectively

Project Maps / Plans:

Click here to view an aerial map of the project area.

A new aerial map has been appended to this scoping notice on January 24, 2013 - please click here to view. This aerial provides a more recent view of the project area.

Click here to view project plans.

Written comments from the public are welcomed and will be accepted until the close of business on: Friday, February 22, 2013

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, February 2, 2013.

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

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

Agency: Bureau of Policy and Planning

Connecticut Department of Transportation

Address: 2800 Berlin Turnpike

Newington, CT 06131

Fax: 860-594-3028

E-Mail: dot.environmentalplanning@ct.gov

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

Name: Mr. Anthony Estanislau

Agency: Bureau of Engineering and Construction

Connecticut Department of Transportation

Address: 2800 Berlin Turnpike

Newington, CT 06131

Phone: 860-594-3230

E-Mail: anthony.estanislau@ct.gov

3. Notice of Scoping for the Route 69, New Haven Road Water Line

Municipality where proposed project might be located: Prospect

Address of Possible Project Location: New Haven Road

Project Description: The purpose of this project is to install approximately 2200' of 12" water main from the intersection of Center Street and New Haven Road (Route 69) to 75 New Haven Road to supply the site of the new Region 16 grammar school. Regional School District 16 is comprised of the towns of Beacon Falls and Prospect, CT.

Project Map: 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: Thursday, March 7, 2013

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: February 15, 2013.

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

Name: Mr Fric McPhee

Agency: Department of Public Health

Drinking Water Section

Address: 410 Capitol Avenue, MS #51WAT

PO Box 340308

Hartford, CT 06134-0308

Fax: 860-509-7359 E-Mail: <u>Dph.sourceprotection@ct.gov</u>

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

Name: Ms. Sara Rossetti-Nichols
Agency: Department of Public Health

Drinking Water Section

Address: 410 Capitol Avenue, MS #51WAT

PO Box 340308

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

E-Mail: Sara Rossetti-Nichols@ct.gov

4. Notice of Scoping for Norwich Public Utilities - Deep River Pumps, Drives & Tanks

Municipality where proposed project might be located: Lebanon

Address of Possible Project Location: Near the intersection of Camp Moween Road & Lynch Road Lebanon

Project Description: Construction of two new 0.5 million gallon finished water storage tanks near the intersection of Camp Moween Road & Lynch Road, Lebanon and upgrades to the pumps and pump drives at the Deep River Water Treatment Plant, Reservoir Road, Lebanon.

• Project Map: 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: Thursday, March 7, 2013.

Any person can ask the sponsoring agency to hold a Public Scoping Meeting by sending such a request to the address below by Friday, February 15, 2013. 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.

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

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E-Mail:

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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.

 $\label{thm:continuous} \mbox{The following Post-Scoping Notice has been submitted for publication in this edition.}$

1. Post-Scoping Notice for the Lake Konomoc Intake Pump Station—Phase 2

Municipality where project will be located: Waterford

CEPA Determination: On December 4, 2012 the Department of Public Health (DPH) published a <u>Notice of Scoping</u> to solicit public comments for this project in the *Environmental Monitor*.

Based on the <u>comments provided by the Department of Energy & Environmental Protection</u> (DEEP) on January 3, 2013 it has been determined that the project does not require the preparation of Environmental Impact Evaluation (EIE) under CEPA. The DPH will coordinate with the New London Department of Public Utilities to ensure that the recommendations by the DEEP will be implemented.

The agency's conclusion is documented in a Memorandum of Findings and Determination and an Environmental Assessment Checklist.

If you have questions about the project, you can contact the agency at:

Name: Mr. Eric McPhee

Agency: Department of Public Health

Drinking Water Section

Address: 450 Capitol Avenue, MS #51WAT

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Hartford, CT 06134-0308

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

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What happens next: The DPH expects the project to go forward. This is expected to be the final notice of the project to be published in the *Environmental Monitor*.

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 <a href="mailto:environmental-mailto:envir

No EIEs have been submitted for publication in this edition.

State Land Transfer Notices

Connecticut General Statutes <u>Section 4b-47</u> requires public notice of most proposed sales and transfers of state-owned lands. The public has an opportunity to comment on any such proposed transfer. Each notice includes an address where comments should be sent. <u>Read more about the five-step process...</u>

No State Land Transfer Notice has been submitted for publication in this edition.

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