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Special Notice

1. OPM Responses to Public Comments Regarding the Draft Conservation and Development Policies: A Plan for Connecticut, 2013-2018 (State C & D Plan)

The Office of Policy and Management (OPM) has published its responses to the public comments received regarding the draft of *Conservation and Development Policies: A Plan for Connecticut, 2013-2018* (the State C&D Plan). They are available at [OPM's website](#).

Once the necessary revisions are complete, OPM will send the plan will be sent to the General Assembly's Continuing Committee on State Planning and Development, which will conduct a public hearing as required by CGS Sec. 16a-30(a).

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: Dph.sourceprotection@ct.gov

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
Address: 410 Capitol Avenue, MS #51WAT
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Post-Scoping Notices: Environmental Impact Evaluation Not Required

This category is required by the October 2010 revision of the [Generic Environmental Classification Document](#) 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.

The following Post-Scoping Notices have been submitted for publication in this edition.

1. Post-Scoping Notice for the Southern Stony Brook Transmission Main Renewal Project

Municipality where project will be located: Montville

CEPA Determination: On August 7, 2012 the Department of Public Health (DPH) published a [Notice of Scoping](#) to solicit public comments for this project in the *Environmental Monitor*. Based on the [comments provided by the Department of Energy & Environmental Protection](#) (DEEP) on September 5, 2012, it has been determined that the project does not require the preparation of Environmental Impact Evaluation under CEPA. The DPH will coordinate with Norwich 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

P O Box 340308
Hartford, CT 06134-0308

Phone: 860-509-7333
Fax: 860-509-7359
E-Mail: dph.sourceprotection@ct.gov

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*.

2. Post-Scoping Notice for the Putnam Water Main Replacement

Municipality where project will be located: Putnam

CEPA Determination: On August 21, 2012 the Department of Public Health (DPH) published a [Notice of Scoping](#) to solicit public comments for this project in the *Environmental Monitor*.

Based on the [comments provided by the Department of Energy & Environmental Protection](#) (DEEP) on September 20, 2012, it has been determined that the project does not require the preparation of Environmental Impact Evaluation under CEPA. The DPH will coordinate with the Putnam Water Pollution Control Authority 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
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P O Box 340308
Hartford, CT 06134-0308
Phone: 860-509-7333
Fax: 860-509-7359
E-Mail: dph.sourceprotection@ct.gov

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*.

3. Post-Scoping Notice for State Buildings & Space Needs in Hartford (Project No. BI-2B-358)

Municipality where project will be located: Hartford

CEPA Determination: On October 2, 2012 the Departments of Administrative Services (DAS) and Construction Services (DCS) published a [Notice of Scoping](#) to solicit public comments for this project in the *Environmental Monitor*. The agencies have taken those comments into consideration and has concluded that the project does not require the preparation of Environmental Impact Evaluation under CEPA.

The agency's conclusion is documented in the [Record of Environmental Consideration](#) and [Initial Environmental Review](#).

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

Name: Shane Mallory, RPA, Administrator, Leasing and Property Transfer
Agency: Department of Administrative Services
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Hartford, Connecticut 06106
Phone: 860-713-5682
Fax: 860-713-7355
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What happens next: The agencies expect the proposed action to go forward. This is expected to be the final notice of the proposed action 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 [Environmental Impact Evaluation](#) (EIE).

The following EIEs have been submitted for publication in this edition.

1. Notice of Environmental Impact Evaluation for Additional Source(s) of Water Supply for the University of Connecticut, Storrs, with revised Executive Summary, **Extended Comment Period**

and 2nd Public Hearing

Municipalities where project is proposed: Mansfield and potentially Windham, Coventry, Tolland, Bolton, Manchester, East Hartford, South Windsor, and Vernon.

Project Description: The University of Connecticut in association with the Town of Mansfield proposes to extend a source of potable water to Mansfield and Storrs to augment the University's water supply system to serve current and future needs. This action involves extending water supply transmission piping and interconnecting with another supplier's existing water system. In particular, the additional water supply will: (1) enable the University to maintain adequate margin of safety in its public water system; (2) supply additional incremental demand to serve the proposed Technology Park on the University's North Campus; (3) supply water demands in northern Mansfield in areas proximate to the University's Main and Depot campuses; and (4) provide water supply for potential future on-campus University developments.

Project Maps:

[Click here to view maps of potential interconnection alternatives](#)

Written comments on this EIE will be accepted until the close of business on:

~~December 21, 2012~~ EXTENDED TO JANUARY 4, 2013 EXTENDED TO JANUARY 31, 2013

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The public can view a copy of this EIE at the following locations:

Bolton Town Hall	Coventry Town Hall	East Hartford Town Hall
Office of the Town Clerk	Office of the Town Clerk	Office of the Town Clerk
222 Bolton Center Road	1712 Main Street	740 Main Street
Bolton, CT 06043	Coventry, CT 06238	East Hartford, CT 06108

Manchester Town Hall	Mansfield Municipal Building	Tolland Town Hall
Office of the Town Clerk	Town Clerk's Office	Office of the Town Clerk
41 Center Street	4 South Eagleville Road	21 Tolland Green
Manchester, CT 06045	Mansfield, CT 06268	Tolland, CT 06084

Vernon Town Hall	Windham Town Hall
Office of the Town Clerk	Office of the Town Clerk
14 Park Place	979 Main Street
Vernon, CT 06066	Willimantic, CT 06226

The EIE can also be viewed on line by clicking on the sections below:

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A public hearing was held on this EIE on:

DATE: Tuesday, December 11, 2012

TIME: 7:00 p.m.

PLACE: Room 146, UConn Bishop Center; One Bishop Circle; Storrs, CT

A second public hearing will be held on this EIE on:

DATE: Tuesday, January 22, 2013

TIME: 7:00 p.m.

PLACE: Human Resources Training Room, UConn Health Center Munson Building; 16 Munson Road; Farmington, CT, 06032

Written comments should be sent to:

Name: Jason M. Coite

Agency: University of Connecticut – Office of Environmental Policy

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Storrs, Connecticut 06269

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Fax: 860-486-5477

Email: jason.coite@uconn.edu

If you have questions about the public hearing, or other questions about the EIE, contact Mr. Coite as directed above.

2. Notice of EIE for Extension of Public Water System from Middletown to Durham

Municipalities where project is proposed: Middletown, Durham and Middlefield

Project Description: The Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP), in association with the Town of Durham, proposes to extend public water service from the City of Middletown into areas of the Town of Durham to address groundwater contaminated by the

Durham Meadows Superfund site and other contaminated areas in the vicinity of the Superfund site. There are several homes in Durham with contaminated drinking water wells that are currently using in-home filter systems to remove the contaminants. The proposed permanent solution is to extend Middletown's water supply transmission piping and interconnections along Route 17 into Durham. The action also includes installation of a water storage tank at Cherry Hill in the City of Middletown and the provision of fire protection to areas of Durham.

Project Map(s): [Click here to view a map depicting the route of the water line and potential areas to be served.](#)

Comments on this EIE will be accepted until the close of business on: February 1, 2013.

The public can view a copy of this EIE at:

Town Clerk's Office
Durham Town Hall
30 Town House Road
Durham, Connecticut 06422

or

Durham Public Library
7 Maple Ave.
Durham, CT 06422

The [EIE can also be found online at the DEEP website by clicking here.](#)

Any person can ask the sponsoring agency to hold a Public Hearing on this EIE by sending such a request to the address below by **December 28, 2012**. If a hearing is requested by 25 or more individuals, or by an association that represents 25 or more members, the Department of Energy & Environmental Protection must schedule a Public Hearing.

Send your comments about this EIE to:

Name: Jing Chen
Agency: Department of Energy & Environmental Protection
Remediation Division
Address: 79 Elm Street
Hartford, CT 06106-5127
Phone: 860-424-3391
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If you have questions about a public hearing, or where you can review this EIE, or similar matters, please contact Ms. Chen as directed above.

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State Land Transfer Notices

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

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