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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 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. Eric McPhee
Agency: Department of Public Health
 Drinking Water Section
 410 Capitol Avenue, MS

Address: #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. Sara Rossetti-Nichols
 Agency: Department of Public Health
 Drinking Water Section
 Address: 410 Capitol Avenue, MS #51WAT
 PO Box 340308
 Hartford, CT 06134-0308
 Phone: 860-509-7333
 Fax: 860-509-7359
 E-Mail: Sara.Rossetti-Nichols@ct.gov

2. 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.

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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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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 Meriden - Broad Brook WTP & Pump Station Improvements

Municipality where project will be located: Meriden

CEPA Determination: On November 8, 2011 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 DPH's environmental assessment of this project which includes [comments provided by the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection](#) (DEEP) on December 9, 2011 and the [DPH Drinking Water Section Source Water Protection \(SWP\) Unit](#) dated December 8, 2011, 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 City of Meriden to ensure that the recommendations by the DEEP and DPH will be implemented.

The agency's conclusion is documented in a [Memorandum of Findings and Determination](#) and an [Environmental Assessment Summary](#).

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

Name: Mr. Cameron Walden
Agency: Department of Public Health
 Drinking Water Section
Address: 450 Capitol Avenue, MS #51WAT
 P O Box 340308
 Hartford, CT 06134-0308
Phone: DPH.CTDWSRF@ct.gov
Fax: 860-509-7359
E-Mail: 860-509-7333

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 East Lyme-New London Interconnection

Municipalities where project will be located: East Lyme, Montville and Waterford

CEPA Determination: On April 19, 2011, the Department of Public Health (DPH) published a [Notice of Scoping](#) for the East Lyme-New London Interconnection to solicit public comments for this project in the *Environmental Monitor*. On October 16, 2012, the DPH published a [revised Notice of Scoping](#) because there were minor changes to the original project design and location.

Based on the DPH's environmental assessment of this project which includes comments provided by the DEEP dated [May 14, 2010](#) and [May 20, 2011](#), concurrence by the [DEEP Wildlife Division Natural Diversity Database](#) and the [Inland Fisheries Habitat Conservation and Enhancement Program](#), the [DPH Drinking Water Section Source Water Protection \(SWP\) Unit](#) dated May 20, 2011 (revised July 24, 2012), several meetings with the [Office of Policy and Management](#), and a [Memorandum of Understanding between East Lyme and Montville](#), 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 Town of East Lyme to ensure that the recommendations by the DEEP, SWP and OPM will be implemented.

The agency's conclusion is documented in a [Memorandum of Findings and Determination](#) and an [Environmental Assessment Summary](#).

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

Name: Mr. Cameron Walden
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
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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 [Environmental Impact Evaluation](#) (EIE).

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

1. Notice of EIE for the Quinebaug Regional Tech Park

Municipality where project is proposed: Putnam

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

Project Description: This Environmental Impact Evaluation (EIE) has been prepared for the Proposed Action on behalf of the Department of Economic and Community Development (DECD) which is the sponsoring agency and cooperating state agencies the Department of Transportation (DOT) and Department Social Services (DSS).

The Proposed Action is the construction of a new vehicular bridge at the intersection of Kennedy Drive and the I-395 Southbound off ramp at Exit 95 and a new regional YMCA facility. The purpose of the bridge is to provide access to a 267± acre site that is targeted for economic development, which would be an indirect or secondary consequence of the new bridge. The DSS is providing a portion of the funding needed to construct the YMCA facility which will include a 48,000± square foot (SF) building, surface parking, and athletic fields. By providing improved access to the Site, the new bridge has the potential for creating secondary actions that, in addition to the YMCA construction,

include the development of the Quinebaug Regional Technical Park (Q RTP), a light industrial type of development focused on "green technologies". A significant portion of the Q RTP will be set aside for conservation to protect rare species habitat, wetlands, floodplains, farmland soils and a portion of the proposed Aquifer Protection Area (APA).

Three site development alternatives were evaluated in an iterative process that evolved through the analysis of environmental constraints. It is estimated that with the new zoning regulations being drafted, the environmental and physical constraints of the site, the preferred alternative would be approximately 20 building lots of 7 – 8 acres in size that would each be capable of supporting up to 70,000 square feet of such development in addition to the YMCA.

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

Comments on this EIE will be accepted until the close of business on: April 22, 2013.

A copy of this EIE will be available for public review starting March 8, 2013 at:

The Putnam Town Clerk, 126 Church Street, Putnam, CT, 06260

The Putnam Public Library, 225 Kennedy Dr Putnam, CT, 06260

It also will be available at the following website starting March 8, 2013:

<http://www.qza.com/quinebaug-regional-technical-park-environmental-impact-evaluation>

There is no public hearing scheduled for this EIE. The agency will hold a public hearing if 25 or more persons or an association that has at least 25 members requests a hearing. A public hearing request must be made no later than March 18, 2013.

To request a public hearing contact:

Name: Nelson Tereso, Project Manager
Agency: Department of Economic and Community Development
 Office of Financial & Technical Review
Address: 505 Hudson Street
 Hartford, CT 06106
E-Mail: nelson.g.tereso@ct.gov
Phone: 860-270-8213

Send your comments about this EIE to:

Name: Mark Hood
Agency: Department of Economic and Community Development
Address: 505 Hudson Street
 Hartford, CT 06106
E-Mail: mark.hood@ct.gov

2. Notice of EIE for the Eastern Connecticut State University 2008 Campus Plan Update

Municipalities where project is proposed: Windham (Willimantic) and Mansfield

Address of Possible Project Location: 83 Windham Street, Windham, CT (see Project Location figures)

Project Description: The Eastern Connecticut State University Campus Master Plan is part of an update to the master plan first prepared in 1992 and revised in 1997. The Plan is a baseline for future campus development and funding requests to the Board of Regents. The Plan update for Eastern is a guide for incremental growth that responds to stated needs, planned expansions, and changes in facilities needs. Eastern is comprised two campuses: the Main Campus, located south of Route 6; and the Mansfield Campus which consists of athletic facilities, located north of the Route 6 within walking distance of the main campus.

The Plan is a ten-year comprehensive physical development plan to enhance the academic, residential, and community life of the campus. It identifies new building and renovation projects that should be made by the target year 2017; with the understanding that all projects may not be accomplished over the ten-year period.

The full Plan can be viewed online here: <https://www.ct.gov/dcs/cwp/view.asp?a=4224&Q=520014&PM=1>

Project Map(s): (1) [General Location figure](#) (2) [Campus Master Plan figure](#)

Comments on this EIE will be accepted until the close of business on: April 19, 2013

The public can view a copy of this EIE at: <https://www.ct.gov/dcs/cwp/view.asp?a=4224&Q=520014&PM=1>

Any person can ask the sponsoring agency to hold a Public Hearing on this EIE by sending a request to the address below by March 15, 2013. If a hearing is requested by 25 or more individuals, or by an association that represents 25 or more members, the Sponsoring and Participating Agencies will schedule a Public Hearing.

Send your comments about this EIE to:

Name: Keith Epstein, AIA
Title: Director of Capital Projects
Agency: Connecticut Board of Regents
Address: 61 Woodland Street
Hartford, Connecticut 06105
Fax: 860-493-0059
E-Mail: epsteink@ct.edu

If you have questions about requesting a public hearing, or where you can review this EIE, or similar matters, please contact:

Name: Jeff Bolton
Title: Supervising Environmental Analyst
Agency: Connecticut Department of Construction Services
Address: 165 Capitol Avenue, Room 482
Hartford, Connecticut 06106
Phone: 860-713-5706
E-Mail: jeffrey.bolton@ct.gov

Other information: <http://www.easternct.edu/>

State Land Transfer Notices

Connecticut General Statutes [Section 4b-47](#) 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. [Read more about the five-step process...](#)

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