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Special Notice

1. Development of a State Water Plan

The Water Planning Council (WPC), established pursuant to Section 25-330 of the CGS has been charged to prepare, within available appropriations, a state water plan for the management of the water resources of the state, in accordance with Public Act 14-163:

http://www.cga.ct.gov/2014/ACT/pa/pdf/2014PA-00163-R00HB-05424-PA.pdf

The public act specifies what shall be included and considered in the plan and requires that the plan be completed by July 1, 2017.

The law further allows, within available appropriations, for the Office of Policy and Management, on behalf of the Water Planning Council, to enter into one or more memoranda of understanding with independent consultants for advice or assistance in developing and compiling the state water plan. Such assistance may include, but need not be limited to, data collection, storage and organization of data as deemed necessary by the Water Planning Council.

The University of Connecticut has offered to provide services at no cost to the Water Planning Council, under a Memorandum of Understanding, to provide assistance to the WPC in support of its efforts to create a state water plan as outlined in the DRAFT MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING: http://tinyurl.com/m6r6rrn

The Water Planning Council is soliciting public comment, to be provided to the Council by September 5, 2014, on:

- 1. the Draft Memorandum of Understanding with the University and any recommendations on the process or conditions of the proposed agreement; and
- 2. any recommended alternative approaches to develop the plan, with identification of anticipated costs and funding sources for such approaches

Comments should be e-mailed to: bruce.wittchen@ct.gov

or **mailed** to:

Water Planning Council C/o Bruce Wittchen Office of Policy & Management 450 Capitol Ave, MS# 54ORG Hartford, CT 06106

All comments must be received by **September 5, 2014**.

The Water Planning Council shall consider comments prior to any action on the MOU at the WPC meeting on September 16 @ 1:30 pm at the office of the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority @ 10 Franklin Square, New Britain, CT 06051.

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 Notice has been submitted for review and comment.

1. Notice of Scoping for Eureka Lake Water Storage Tank

Municipality where proposed project might be located: Danbury

Address of Possible Project Location: 37 Long Ridge Road

Project Description: The Town of Bethel proposes to construct a 750,000 gallon partially buried concrete water storage tank at the existing Eureka Lake Water Treatment Plant. The proposed tank is 83 feet in diameter and will extend approximately 8.5 feet above the finished grade. The tank will be surrounded by a 6 foot tall chain link fence. Other appurtenances include two hydrants, connecting water mains and three below ground manholes. The project is being considered to provide potable drinking water storage for daily use, emergencies and fire protection for the Town of Bethel.

Project Maps: Click here to view a <u>map of the project area</u>, a <u>site plan</u> and a <u>site rendering of the proposed</u> water storage tank.

Written comments from the public are welcomed and will be accepted until the close of business on: Thursday, September 4, 2014.

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, August 15, 2014.

Additional information about the project can be viewed in person at: The Town of Bethel Town Hall Public Works Director/Town Engineer office located on 1 School Street in Bethel, CT.

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

Address: 410 Capitol Avenue, MS #51WAT

PO Box 340308

Hartford, CT 06134-0308

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

E-Mail: <u>Patricia.Bisacky@ct.gov</u>

Post-Scoping Notices: Environmental Impact Evaluation Not Required

This category is required by the October 2010 revision of the <u>Generic Environmental Classification</u> <u>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.

No Post-Scoping Notice has been submitted for publication in this edition.

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).

No Environmental Impact Evaluation has been submitted for publication in this edition.

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 process.

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

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