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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 Connecticut Airport Authority (CAA) Off-Airport Obstruction Removal and Lighting Project

Municipalities where proposed project might be located: Windsor Locks (Bradley International Airport), Willimantic (Windham Airport), Groton (Groton-New London Airport), Oxford (Waterbury-Oxford Airport), Hartford (Hartford-Brainard Airport) and Killingly (Danielson Airport).

Address of Possible Project Location: Various (see above)

Project Description: The proposed undertaking involves preparation of National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and Connecticut Environmental Policy Act (CEPA) documentation as required to evaluate the potential impacts associated with tree obstruction removal and obstruction lighting at Bradley International Airport and the five state-owned general aviation airports as identified and listed above. The evaluation will address obstruction removals and lighting associated with Federal Aviation Regulations (FAR) Part 77, *Safe, Efficient Use, and the Preservation of Navigable Airspace* and published Terminal Instrument Procedures (TERPS), which define and regulate the airspace beyond the ends of runways through the establishment of imaginary surfaces. Objects that penetrate these surfaces are classified as airspace obstructions, and should be removed to safely accommodate approaching and departing aircraft.

The project sponsoring agency, the Connecticut Aviation Authority (CAA), and Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) have identified that trees penetrate the airspace at Bradley International Airport and airspace at the five state-owned general aviation airports, including locations beyond defined airport property boundaries. Per FAA practice, review of off-airport obstruction removal should be evaluated and documented per federal (NEPA) and state (CEPA) environmental guidelines and requirements. This project also includes the identification of each affected property owner and associated parcels (both public and private) with necessary obstruction removals, obstruction lighting, and anticipated project access routes.

Project Maps: Project maps for each airport can be found at the following locations:

[Bradley International Airport Obstruction Removal and Lighting Documents](#)

[Danielson Airport Obstruction Removal and Lighting Documents](#)

[Groton-New London Airport Obstruction Removal and Lighting Documents](#)

[Hartford-Brainard Airport Obstruction Removal and Lighting Documents](#)

[Waterbury-Oxford Airport Obstruction Removal and Lighting Documents](#)

[Windham Airport Obstruction Removal and Lighting Documents](#)

Written comments from the public are welcome and will be accepted until the close of business on: **Friday, July 17, 2015.**

Any person can ask the sponsoring agency (CAA) 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, June 26, 2015.**

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

Name: Mr. Robert J. Bruno, Director of Planning, Engineering & Environmental
Agency: Connecticut Airport Authority
Address: 334 Ella Grasso Turnpike, Suite 160
Windsor Locks, CT 06096
Phone: (860) 254-5516
E-Mail: rbruno@ctairports.org

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

Name: Mr. Robert J. Bruno, Director of Planning, Engineering & Environmental
Agency: Connecticut Airport Authority
Address: 334 Ella Grasso Turnpike, Suite 160
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The agency expects to release an environmental document for this project, for public review and comment, in October 2015.



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.

No Post-Scoping Notices 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.](#)

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