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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. Revised Notice of Scoping for The Hamlet on East Street South

Municipality where proposed project might be located: Suffield

Address of Possible Project Location: 898 East Street South, Suffield, Connecticut

Project Description: Dakota Partners Inc. is seeking state financial assistance for Phase II of a housing development project at 898 East Street South, Suffield, CT. The overall proposed activity consists of 75 townhouses and 96 apartments for a total of 171 units on approximately 29.72 acres of land. Phase II activity consists of 9 one bedroom and 27 two bedroom apartment units located within three 12 unit buildings and 60 surface parking spaces on approximately 3.85 acres of vacant land. The overall proposed activity will also include a community building and a footpath which will connect the campus to the adjacent Stony Brook River to the north.

Project Maps:

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

Click here to view a [Phasing Plan](#) of the project area.

Written comments from the public are welcomed and will be accepted until the close of business on Friday, November 20, 2015. 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, October 30, 2015.

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

Name: Helen Muniz
Agency: Department of Housing
Address: 505 Hudson Street, Hartford, CT 06106
Fax: 860 270-8032
E-Mail: helen.muniz@ct.gov

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

Name: Helen Muniz
Agency: Department of Housing
Address: 505 Hudson Street, Hartford, CT 06106
Fax: 860 270-8032
E-Mail: helen.muniz@ct.gov

2. Notice of Scoping for City of Waterbury Water Pollution Control Comprehensive Facility Evaluation

Municipality where proposed project would be located: Waterbury

Project Location: 210 Municipal Road, Waterbury, CT 06708

Project Description: The City of Waterbury Water Pollution Control Department is undertaking a comprehensive analysis of current operations at the Waterbury Water Pollution Control Facility (WPCF) to determine an overall roadmap for a long term plan for improvements. Issues to be addressed include operational upgrades required to meet new NPDES permit limits on phosphorous and metals, long term wet weather capacity, new Title V permits that would require capital improvements to the sludge incinerator, limitations on landfilling ash at the current location, and a desire to have a more sustainable operation with improved energy efficiency and potentially on-site energy generation. The plan will also address public concerns associated with the operation of a merchant incinerator in the most economically, socially and environmentally sound manner.

Project Maps: [Click here to view a project location map.](#)
[Click here to view a project site plan.](#)

Additional information about the project can be viewed in person at:

Department of Energy and Environmental Protection
Bureau of Water Protection & Land Reuse (2nd floor)
79 Elm Street
Hartford, CT 06106

Written comments from the public are welcomed and will be accepted until the close of business on: **December 4, 2015**

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

Name: Ann Straut
Agency: Department of Energy & Environmental Protection
Bureau of Water Protection & Land Reuse
Address: 79 Elm Street
Hartford, CT 06106-5127
Phone: 860-424-3137
Fax: 860-424-4067
E-Mail: ann.straut@ct.gov

If you have questions about the public meeting, or other questions about the scoping for this project, contact Ms. Straut, as directed above.

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3. Notice of Scoping for Various Bridge Rehabilitation at Route 8/ I-84 "Mixmaster" Interchange including Construction of Route 8 NB Temporary Bypass

Municipality where proposed project might be located: Waterbury

Address of Possible Project Location: Route 8 / Route I-84 Interchange

Project Description: The Connecticut Department of Transportation proposes to rehabilitate Bridge Nos. 03190A, 03190B, 03190C, 03190D, 03190E, 03190F, 03191A, 03191B, 03191D, and 03191E which are part of the Route 8/ I-84 "Mixmaster" Interchange in the City of Waterbury.

The proposed project consists of deck repair, steel repair, substructure repair, joint repair, parapet modifications and general repair to bridge drainage, and signage. Bridge No. 03190A, carrying Route 8 Northbound, will have the entire concrete deck replaced. Because of this, a temporary bypass will be utilized to relocate Route 8 Northbound while the concrete deck is being replaced. The proposed alignment for this Temporary Bypass, two lane urban expressway, is approximately 3/4 mile long with three (3) temporary

bridges. The alignment from south to north will begin the Temporary Bypass on existing Route 8 Northbound just north of the Bank Street Overpass. The Temporary Bypass will end on existing Route 8 Northbound approximately 350 feet north of the Freight Street overpass. The Route 8 Northbound Exit 30 On Ramp, and the Route 8 Northbound Exit 32 Off Ramp will be closed during the deck replacement of Bridge No. 03191A, eliminating access from Route 8 Northbound to I-84. See map for proposed temporary bypass below.

In order to avoid conflicts with the Temporary Bypass and to maintain local traffic flow, Southbound Riverside Street will temporarily be converted to a bidirectional roadway with one lane in each direction between Sunnyside Avenue and Freight Street. This will temporarily relocate Northbound Riverside Street onto the eastern lane of Southbound Riverside Street. Northbound Riverside Street between Sunnyside Avenue and Freight Street will be utilized for the Temporary Bypass.

In order to mitigate for the loss of access from Route 8 Northbound to I-84 due to the exit closures listed above, a new single lane northbound and southbound will be constructed at and within the Exit 35 Right of Way. This will allow a Median U-turn to be constructed within the infield connecting the existing left lanes of the northbound and southbound roadways (Watertown Connector/Route 73). This will allow traffic that utilizes the Temporary Bypass to complete the connections to Interstate 84.

Project Maps: Click [here](#) to view a map of the project area.
Click [here](#) to view a map of the proposed temporary bypass.
Click [here](#) to view maps of the proposed U-Turn.

Written comments from the public are welcomed and will be accepted until the close of business on: **December 4, 2015 (if the scheduled meeting is postponed to December 10, 2015, comments will be accepted until the close of business on December 24, 2015).**

There will be a Public Scoping Meeting for this project at:

DATE: **Wednesday, November 18, 2015**

TIME: Doors open at 6:30 PM, the presentation will begin at 7:00 PM

PLACE: Crosby Hill School Auditorium, 300 Pierpont Road, Waterbury, CT

NOTES: In case of inclement weather, the meeting will be rescheduled to December 10, 2015

Additional information about the project can be viewed in person at or online at:

The Connecticut Department of Transportation, 2800 Berlin Turnpike, Room 3303, Newington, CT 06131

and

City of Waterbury Clerk's Office, 235 Grand Street, Waterbury, CT 06702

Written comments should be sent to:

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

Agency: Connecticut Department of Transportation
Bureau of Policy and Planning

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. Robert P. Brown, P.E., Project Manager

Agency: Connecticut Department of Transportation
Bureau of Engineering and Construction

Address: 2800 Berlin Turnpike
Newington, CT 06131
Phone: 860-594-3207
E-Mail: Robert.Brown@ct.gov

Other information: The location is ADA accessible. If language assistance is needed, please contact the Department of Transportation's Office of Communications at (860) 594-3062 before November 11, 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.

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

1. Post-Scoping Notice for Tariffville Fire District Water Storage Tank Replacement

Municipality where project will be located: Simsbury

CEPA Determination: On September 8, 2015 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 DEEP dated October 9, 2015, it has been determined that the project does not require the preparation of an Environmental Impact Evaluation (EIE) under CEPA. The DPH will coordinate with the Tariffville Fire District to ensure that the recommendations by the DEEP are 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. 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 Asnuntuck Community College New Manufacturing Center (BI-CTC-488)

Municipality where project will be located: Enfield

CEPA Determination: On May 19, 2015 the Department of Administrative Services published a [Notice of Scoping](#) to solicit public comments for this project in the *Environmental Monitor*. The DAS and Board of Regents 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 a [Record of Environmental Consideration](#).

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

Name: Jeff Bolton, Supervising Environmental Analyst
Agency: Department of Administrative Services
Address: 165 Capitol Avenue, Room 483, Hartford, CT 06106
Phone: 860-713-5706
Fax: 860-713-7251
E-Mail: Jeffrey.bolton@ct.gov

What happens next: The agencies expect 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 EIE Notice has been submitted for review and comment.

1. Environmental Impact Evaluation for Old Lyme Coastal Wastewater Management Plan

Municipality where proposed project would be located: Old Lyme

Addresses of Possible Project Locations: Shoreline communities located south of and along Route 156 between Miami Beach Association and Old Lyme Shores Beach Association, and the Route 156 corridor to East Lyme

Project Description: The Beach Associations of Old Lyme Shores, Old Colony Beach and Miami Beach have conducted independent engineering studies showing that the prevalent conditions in the project area such as the age and location of existing onsite wastewater treatment systems, high density of development, lack of adequate space and overall challenging subsurface conditions, such as shallow groundwater, have rendered the onsite wastewater treatment systems economically and technically unfeasible for long term wastewater renovation.

A centralized gravity sewer system to be constructed by the three Beach Associations has been identified the most cost effective and technically feasible solution. Wastewater from the associations would be collected via gravity pipes and conveyed through one shared pump station and force main. It is currently envisioned that the centralized pump station would be located within Miami Beach Association. Wastewater from Old Colony Beach Association would be transported to the Miami Beach Association through an easement located within Sound View. The pipe traversing across Sound View would enable this community to tie-in, should Old Lyme join the Associations in the future. Wastewater would be conveyed along Route 156 to East Lyme and then through the existing collection systems of East Lyme and Waterford for final treatment at the New London Water Pollution Control Facility.

Project Maps: [Click here to view the areas to be sewered.](#)
[Click here to view the proposed sewer system.](#)
[Click here to view the proposed conveyance system.](#)

The EIE and additional information about the project can be viewed in person at:

Department of Energy and Environmental Protection
Bureau of Water Protection & Land Reuse (2nd floor)
79 Elm Street
Hartford, CT 06106

The public can view a copy of this EIE at:

Old Lyme Town Clerk
Old Lyme Memorial Town Hall
52 Lyme Street
Old Lyme, CT 06360

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

A request for public hearing has been received from the Sound View Beach Association in Old Lyme. Accordingly, a public hearing will be scheduled in Old Lyme and written comments on this EIE will be accepted up until one week after the public hearing is held. When a public hearing date has been scheduled, it will be published on the Environmental Monitor at the earliest opportunity.

Written comments about this EIE and/or questions about the public hearing should be sent to:

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E-Mail: carlos.esguerra@ct.gov

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2. Environmental Impact Evaluation for Norwich Combined Sewer Overflow Control Plan

Municipality where proposed project would be located: Norwich

Project Location: The Greenville, Eastside, Thamesville, Laurel Hill and Downtown areas of Norwich

Project Description: Norwich is a combined sewer overflow (CSO) community, where both sanitary sewage and stormwater are carried in a single pipe. During rainfall events of sufficient intensity and duration, the capacity of the collection system is overwhelmed and excess flows discharge to nearby rivers via built-in overflows in the collection system. The overflows were designed to prevent the combined sewer flows from backing up into basements and surcharging onto the streets.

The collection system will undergo a separation which will involve the construction of a new sewer parallel to the existing combined sewer, thereby segregating the sources. After completion of a separation, one dedicated stormwater sewer will transport runoff directly to the local receiving waters, while the other sewer will be dedicated to carrying wastewater to the wastewater treatment plant for treatment prior to discharge into the river.

The CSO Long Term Control Plan recommends complete separation of all remaining combined sewer areas in Norwich, with the separation projects to be implemented in a phased approach, over a 20 year period. The highest priority areas would be done first, with the option to reevaluate the final phase of separation as the project progresses, based on environmental improvements, changes in regulations and new technological solutions that may emerge. Such adjustments to this plan that could occur during the implementation period and that are within the scope of the current project may not require an additional EIE.

The proposed sewer separation project will be conducted according to a "Five-Phase Implementation Plan." The separation plan is structured to give the highest environmental benefits at the beginning of the program. At the end of the first phase, in year 4 of the "Five-Phase Implementation Plan," the Greenville area separation will be completed, which is projected to eliminate half of the CSO discharge volume. At the end of the third phase, in year 8, over 98% of the CSO discharge volume will be eliminated. In year 15 of the

program, after the first four separation phases are completed, over 99% of the CSO discharge volume (on an annual basis for the typical year) will be removed.

As the separation projects proceed, opportunities to provide an enhanced environmental outcome with the strategic placement of green infrastructure will be considered. It should be noted, however, that the great majority of project areas where separation work will be done are underlain by bedrock ledge and other geologic formations that generally are not conducive to the application of green infrastructure technologies.

Project Maps: [Click here to view a table outlining the Five-Phase Implementation Plan](#)
[Click here to view a figure depicting the Five-Phase Implementation Plan](#)

The EIE and additional information about the project can be viewed in person at:

Department of Energy and Environmental Protection
Bureau of Water Protection & Land Reuse (2nd floor)
79 Elm Street
Hartford, CT 06106

The public can view a copy of this EIE at:

Norwich City Clerk
100 Broadway
Norwich, CT 06360

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

Written comments on this EIE are welcomed and will be accepted until the close of business on: **December 4, 2015**

Any person can ask the sponsoring agency to hold a Public Hearing on this EIE 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 Hearing. Such requests must be made by **October 30, 2015.**

Written comments about this EIE and/or requests for a Public Hearing should be sent to:

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Bureau of Water Protection & Land Reuse
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If you have questions about a public hearing or questions about this project, contact Ms. Marusin, as directed above.

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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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