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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 Stafford Water and Sewer Line Extension and Housing Project

Municipality where proposed project might be located: Stafford

Address of Possible Project Location: 87 West Stafford Road, Stafford, CT

Project Description: The Town of Stafford is provided state financial assistance under the STEAP program for the extension of water and sewer lines to support the development of 79 units of new affordable housing at 87 West Stafford Road, Stafford, CT. The proposed 12" waterline will connect to the existing CT Water Company 12" line and run approximately 2,700' along Route 190 and then an 8" waterline will run an additional 900' off the new access road serving the new affordable housing project. When completed the new 2,700 foot CT Water Company service will provide incentive and promote economic development opportunities, allowing existing and potential future commercial establishments to utilize the new waterline, reduce their operating expenses and enhance-enable a wider range of services and products. The proposed sanitary sewer will be an 8" line. This line will run 475'+/- to the site interior to Route 190 along the service road to the project. The Stafford affordable housing project is a standalone project and is not contingent on any other town conceptual plans for long term economic development purposes.

Project Map: Click here to view a Location Map of the project area.

Written comments from the public are welcomed and will be accepted until the close of business on: October 8, 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 September 18, 2015.

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

Name: Dimple Desai

Agency: Department of Housing

Address: 505 Hudson Street, Hartford, CT 06106

Fax: (860) 706-5741 **E-Mail**: Dimple.Desai@ct.gov

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

Name: Dimple Desai

Agency: Department of Housing

Address: 505 Hudson Street, Hartford, CT 06106

Phone: (860) 270-8012 **Fax:** (860) 706-5741 **E-Mail**: Dimple.Desai@ct.gov

2. Notice of Scoping for Tariffville Fire District Water Storage Tank Replacement

Municipality where proposed project might be located: Simsbury

Address of Possible Project Location: Off of Mountain Road

Project Description: The Tariffville Fire District (TFD) proposes to construct a new 330,000 gallon water storage tank adjacent to their existing water storage tank. The project is being considered because the existing tank is over 80 years old and has reached the end of its useful life. The new tank will provide a

reliable water storage tank for TFD with greater than 75 years of useful life. The existing tank will be removed once the new tank is approved for use.

Project Maps: Click <u>here</u> to view two maps of the project area.

Written comments from the public are welcomed and will be accepted until the close of business on: Friday, October 9, 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, September 18, 2015.

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 #51WAT

Address: 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:

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Agency: Department of Public Health Drinking Water Section

410 Capitol Avenue, MS #51WAT

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Hartford, CT 06134-0308

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

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

3. Notice of Scoping for Connecticut Airport Authority (CAA) Installation of a Wildlife Deterrent Fence at Hartford - Brainard Airport

Municipalities where proposed project might be located: Hartford

Address of Possible Project Location: Hartford – Brainard Airport

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 installation of a wildlife deterrent fence at the Hartford-Brainard Airport. The airport is a public-use, publically owned General Aviation airport located entirely in the City of Hartford, Connecticut and is owned and operated by the CAA.

The purpose of the project is to enclose the entire Airport with an 8 foot chain link fence with a 3 foot horizontal burrowing deterrent chain link "skirt" attached to the bottom and 3 strands of barbed wire on the top, in accordance with FAA specifications. The need for the proposed project is to protect aircraft and their passengers from hazardous conditions at the airport as a result of medium to large sized wildlife, including deer, coyote, raccoons and woodchuck, from entering the airport property. The airport is currently surrounded on the three landward sides by a wildlife fence. The project would include inspection of and repairs to this fence, as well as installation of the additional fencing along portion of the airport abutting the Clark Dike and the Connecticut River.

Because the project is partially funded by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), an Environmental Assessment (EA) shall be prepared pursuant to National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and shall address all CEPA requirements.

Project Map: A project <u>map</u> is provided which shows the proposed action and alternatives.

Written comments from the public are welcome and will be accepted until the close of business on: October 22, 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 October 2, 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: environmental@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

Windsor Locks, CT 06096

Phone: (860) 254-5516

E-Mail: <u>environmental@ctairports.org</u>

The agency expects to release an environmental document for this project, for public review and comment, in early summer 2016.

4. Notice of Scoping for Connecticut Airport Authority (CAA) Installation of a Wildlife Deterrent Fence at Groton-New London Airport

Municipalities where proposed project might be located: Groton

Address of Possible Project Location: Groton-New London Airport

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 installation of a wildlife deterrent fence at the Groton-New London Airport. The airport is a public-use, publically owned General Aviation airport located in the Town of Groton, seven miles from New London, in New London County. The airport is owned and operated by the CAA.

The purpose of the project is to enclose the entire Airport with an 8 foot chain link fence with a 3 foot horizontal burrowing deterrent chain link "skirt" attached to the bottom and 3 strands of barbed wire on the top, in accordance with FAA specifications. The need for the proposed project is to protect aircraft and their passengers from hazardous conditions at the airport as a result of medium to large sized wildlife, including deer, coyote and woodchuck, entering the airport property. The airport is currently surrounded on three sides by a wildlife fence. The project would include inspection of and repairs to this fence, as well as installation of the additional fencing along portion of the airport abutting the Poquonnock River.

Because the project is partially funded by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), an Environmental Assessment (EA) shall be prepared pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and shall address all CEPA requirements.

Project Map: A project <u>map</u> is provided which shows the proposed action and alternatives.

Written comments from the public are welcome and will be accepted until the close of business on: October 22, 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 October 2, 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

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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

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Windsor Locks, CT 06096

Phone: (860) 254-5516

E-Mail: <u>environmental@ctairports.org</u>

The agency expects to release an environmental document for this project, for public review and comment, in early summer 2016.

5. 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, October 16, 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, November 6, 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

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 Notices have 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 <u>Environmental Impact Evaluation</u> (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.

Written comments on this EIE are welcomed and will be accepted until the close of business on: November 20, 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 16, 2015.

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

Carlos Esguerra

Agency: Department of Energy & Environmental Protection

Bureau of Water Protection & Land Reuse

Address: 79 Elm Street

Hartford, CT 06106-5127

Phone: 860-424-3756 860-424-4067 Fax:

E-Mail: carlos.esguerra@ct.gov

If you have questions about a public hearing or this project, contact Mr. Esguerra, 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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