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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 Notice has been submitted for review and comment.

1. Notice of Scoping for North Stonington Water Main Extension

Municipality where proposed project might be located: North Stonington

Address of Possible Project Location: Rocky Hollow Road and Wyassup Road

Project Description: The Town of North Stonington has received a Small Town Economic Assistance Grant (STEAP) to extend the public water main within North Stonington Village. The water main installation will extend 1) from Main Street to the New Emergency Service complex and 2) from the Public Works Garage to the North Stonington Grange. Upon completion of the project, the system extension will be transferred to the Southeastern Connecticut Water Authority for operation, service and maintenance.

Project Maps: Please click on the links to view the North Stonington STEAP project <u>overview map</u>, and the North Stonington <u>Project Location Map</u>.

Written comments from the public are welcomed and will be accepted until the close of business on: Friday, April 8, 2016.

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, March 18, 2016.

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: Patricia Bisacky

Agency: Department of Public Health Drinking Water Section

410 Capitol Avenue, MS #51WAT

Address: PO Box 340308

Hartford, CT 06134-0308

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

E-Mail: Patricia.Bisacky@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.

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

1. Post-Scoping Notice for Parking Improvements for Pratt & Whitney
Stadium at Rentschler Field

Municipality where project will be located: East Hartford

CEPA Determination: On December 8, 2015 the Office of Policy and Management, Adriaen's Landing/Rentschler Field Project Office published a <u>Notice of Scoping</u> to solicit public comments for this project in the *Environmental Monitor*. Comments were received from the Office of Environmental Review of the <u>Department of Energy and Environmental Protection</u> and the Intergovernmental Policy Division of the <u>Office of Policy and Management</u>. The Office of Policy And Management has 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 an <u>Environmental Assessment Review</u> and a <u>Memo of Findings and</u> Determination.

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

Name: Phil McLellan

Agency: Office of Policy & Management

Address: 100 Columbus Boulevard

Suite 501

Hartford, CT 06106

Phone: 860-493-2928

Fax:

E-Mail: phil.mclellan@ct.gov

What happens next: The [agency] 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 Springborn Dam Removal

Municipality where project will be located: Enfield

CEPA Determination: On April 21, 2015, the Department of Energy & Environmental Protection (DEEP) published a <u>Notice of Scoping</u> to solicit public comments concerning this project in the *Environmental Monitor*. Comments were received from the <u>State Historic Preservation Office</u> (SHPO) and the Department of Public Health (DPH) <u>Drinking Water Section</u>. DEEP will enter into a Memorandum of Agreement with the SHPO incorporating their recommended mitigation measures. Based on DEEP's environmental assessment of the project and the comments provided, the agency has concluded that the project does not require the preparation of Environmental Impact Evaluation under CEPA.

The agency's conclusion is documented in a Memorandum and an Environmental Assessment Summary.

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

Name: Jennifer L. Perry, P.E.

Agency: Department of Energy & Environmental Protection

Bureau of Water Protection & Land Reuse

Address: 79 Elm Street

Hartford, CT 06106-5127

Phone: 860-424-3802 **Fax:** 860-424-4075

E-Mail: jennifer.perry@ct.gov

What happens next: DEEP expects the project to go forward. This is expected to be the final notice of the project to be published in the *Environmental Monitor*.

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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 has been submitted for review and comment.

1. Notice of EIE for Mansfield Four Corners Sewer Extension

Municipality where proposed project would be located: Mansfield

Project Location: Along Route 195 (Storrs Road), approximately 3,000 feet north and 1,000 feet south from its intersection with Route 44 (Middle Turnpike Road); along Route 44, approximately 600 feet east and 3,700 feet west from its intersection with Route 195; and along portions of North Hillside Road and Professional Park Road.

Project Description: Public Act 14-98, Section 97 authorized a \$3 million grant-in-aid to the Town of Mansfield to extend sewers to the Four Corners area. The project involves installation of approximately 22,000 feet of sewer piping inclusive of collection system, a trunk sewer and a force main, two submersible pump stations, and related equipment and appurtenances to provide public sewer service to the Four Corners area as well as certain properties along Route 195 and Route 44, including a manufactured home development known as Rolling Hills Community. This area has a history of sewage disposal challenges due to high water table and poor soils. Wastewater would be discharged to the University of Connecticut's wastewater treatment plant.

The Four Corners area is one of three main commercial centers in Mansfield. It serves as the northern gateway to Mansfield and has the benefit of being located at the crossroads of two state arterial roads. Plans to extend water and sewer to this area will enable redevelopment with a mixture of residential and commercial uses. Given its proximity to the new Technology Park, it is anticipated that this area will be focal point for research and light industry and may also become a priority housing location for Tech Park workers. The size of the area combined with extensive wetland resources will result in clusters of development that have been designated by the Town as appropriate for higher intensity uses.

Project Maps: <u>Click here to view a map of the proposed sewer line.</u> <u>Click here to view a map of the sewer service area.</u>

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:

Mansfield Town Clerk's Office Mansfield Town Hall 4 South Eagleville Road (Route 275) Storrs, CT 06268

The EIE can also be found online at the DEEP website by clicking here.

There will be a Public Hearing for this project at:

DATE: March 8, 2016

TIME: 7:00 p.m.

PLACE: Council Chamber, Mansfield Town Hall; Four South Eagleville Road; Storrs, CT

Written comments from the public are welcomed and will be accepted until the close of business on: March 18, 2016

Written comments should be sent to:

Name: 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 **Fax:** 860-424-4067

E-Mail: carlos.esguerra@ct.gov

If you have questions about the public hearing, where you can review this EIE, or other questions about this project, contact Mr. Esquerra, as directed above.

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State Land Transfer Notices

Connecticut General Statutes <u>Section 4b-47</u> 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.

The Following State Land Transfer Notice has been submitted for publication in this edition.

1. Notice of Proposed Transfer of Land in Putnam

Complete Address of Property: 380 Pomfret Street, Putnam, CT

Commonly used name of property or other identifying information: "Putnam Group Home"

Number of acres to be transferred: 1.00 +/-

Click to view map of property location (6 MB)

Description of Property

Below is some general information about the property. It should not be considered a complete description of the property and should not be relied upon for making decisions. If only a portion of a property is proposed for transfer, the description pertains only to the portion being transferred.

Brief Description of Historical and Current Uses: Has only been used as a Group Home. The main house is approximately 4,000 SF and has a detached garage of approximately 500 SF. The proposed 1-acre parcel will need to be split from the current parcel, which is the CT DDS Putnam Satellite Office.

The property to be transferred contains the following:

Structures:	☐ Buildings in use X Buildings not in use ☐ No Structures
Other Features:	☐ Wooded land ☐ Nonagricultural fields ☐ Active agriculture
	X Paved areas Ponds, streams, other water, wetlands
Water Supply: Waste Disposal:	Public water supply On-site well X Unknown Served by sewers On-site septic system X Unknown
Click to view aer	ial view of property (3 MB)
The property is i	n the following municipal zone(s):
	Industrial Commercial Institutional /Office Development District
Not zoned	Not known
Special features	of the property, if known: None
Value of property	y, if known:
X If checked, valu	ue is not known.
Links to other av	ailable information
Type of Sale or T	ransfer:
X Sale or transfe	r of property in fee
Sale or transfe	r of partial interest in the property (such as an easement). Description of interest:
Proposed recipie	nt, if known: unknown
Proposed use by	property recipient, if known: Unknown
The agency is pro	oposing to transfer the property with the following restrictions on future uses:
X If checked, th	ne state is not currently proposing restrictions on future uses.
Reason the State no longer needed b	of Connecticut is proposing to transfer this property: The subject property is by the State.
Comments from t	the public are welcome and will be accepted until the close of business on April 7
natural resource:	nclude (but are not limited to) information you might have about significant sor recreation resources on the property, as well as your recommendations for ye such resources.
Written commen	ts* should be sent to:
Name:	Patrick O'Brien
Agency:	Office of Policy and Management
Address:	450 Capitol Avenue MS#52 ASP
	Hartford, CT 06106-1379
EM I	Patrick.Obrien@ct.gov

Please also send a copy of the comments to:

E-Mail:

Shane Mallory, DAS 165 Capitol Ave, G-1 Hartford, CT 06106 shane.mallory@ct.gov

*E-Mail submissions are preferred.

(Comments from state agencies must be on agency letterhead and signed by agency head. **Scanned copies are preferred.**)

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