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No Environmental Impact Evaluation has been submitted for review and comment.

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

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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 University of Connecticut Main Campus Parking Replacement Project

Municipality where proposed project might be located: Mansfield

Address of Possible Project Location: W Lot between State Route 195 and Tower Loop Road, and undeveloped land known as Parcel D along Discovery Drive on the University of Connecticut Storrs Campus

Project Description:

The University of Connecticut (UConn) is proposing construction of up to 1000 parking spaces through the construction of up to two elevated parking decks above a portion of W Lot and a new surface lot in Parcel D, connected to each other by a restricted access drive for buses, service, and emergencies. This project is consistent with parking priorities identified in the UConn Master Plan, including replacing spaces that are lost to new construction, prioritize decks (2-3 levels) with small footprints instead of large garages, limiting parking in the campus core and supporting a robust shuttle system. The construction of this parking within the North Campus replaces other parking to be lost within the North Campus as a result of new construction.

Project Maps: Click here to view a map of the [project area](#). Click here to view a [conceptual map](#) of the proposed project.

Written comments from the public are welcomed and will be accepted until the close of business on: **Friday, December 22, 2017**

A Public Scoping Meeting will be held for this project at:

DATE: **Thursday, December 7, 2017**

TIME: 7:00 pm. (Doors will be open at 6:30 pm.)

PLACE: Konover Auditorium at the Dodd Center, 405 Babbidge Road, Unit 1205

Storrs, CT 06269-1205. The closest public parking is in the South Garage, 2366 Jim Calhoun Way, Storrs, CT 06269. Adjacent to the UConn Bookstore.

NOTES:

To watch live go to this [link](#) for live-stream. Or go to <http://ait.uconn.edu/live-streaming/>; find the date and time for the event on the calendar; and choose the link based on the description on the calendar information.

Written comments should be sent to:

Name: Paul Ferri, Environmental Compliance Professional
 Agency: University of Connecticut, Office of Environmental Policy
 Address: 31 LeDoyt Road, Unit 3055, Storrs, CT 06269-3055
 Fax: (860) 486-5477
 E-Mail: paul.ferri@uconn.edu

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

Name: Paul Ferri, Environmental Compliance Professional
 Agency: University of Connecticut, Office of Environmental Policy

2. Notice of Scoping for University of Connecticut Northwest Science Quad Improvements

Municipality where proposed project might be located: Mansfield

Address of Possible Project Location: X Lot, Lot L, and Lot 9 and surrounding area south of King Hill Road on the University of Connecticut Storrs Campus, Mansfield, Connecticut

Project Description:

The University of Connecticut (UConn) is proposing to begin construction of the Northwest Science Quad on an approximately 22-acre site located at the northwest edge of campus which includes the existing Lot 9, X-Lot, and L-Lot. The Northwest Science Quad is identified as part of the North Eagleville Science District in the University's Campus Master Plan and is part of the capital project initiatives in support of Next Generation Connecticut to significantly expand educational opportunities, research, and innovation in the science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) disciplines at UConn. The proposed project consists of the following:

- Science 1 building (~250,000 sf STEM Research Center)
- Supplemental Utility Plant (SUP) including substation
- Surface parking
- Improvements to King Hill Road
- Possible realignment to Hillside Road and Alumni Drive
- Northern Woodland Corridor walkway
- Stormwater and utilities to serve the Northwest Science Quad
- Utility tunnel from the current Central Utility Plan (CUP) to the proposed SUP.

Science 1 building project will incorporate best practices of sustainability with a minimum goal of LEED Gold certified, with an aspirational goal of certified for the U.S. Green Building Council Sustainable SITES program.

Project Maps: Click [here](#) to view a map of the project area. Click here to view a [conceptual map](#) of the Northwest Science Quad improvements.

Written comments from the public are welcomed and will be accepted until the close of business on: Friday, December 22, 2017

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

DATE: Thursday, December 7, 2017

TIME: 7:00 pm. (Doors will be open at 6:30 pm.)

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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 City of Waterbury Water Pollution Control Comprehensive Facility Evaluation

Municipality where project will be located: Waterbury

CEPA Determination: On November 3, 2015, the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection published a [Notice of Scoping](#) to solicit public comments for this project in the *Environmental Monitor*. DEEP received no comments during the scoping notice period. Based on DEEP's environmental assessment of the project, 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 [Memo of Findings and Determination](#) and [Environmental Assessment Checklist](#).

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

Name: Ann Straut

Agency: CT Department of Energy and Environmental Protection

Address: 79 Elm Street, Hartford CT 06106

Phone: 860-424-3137

Fax: 860-424-4067

E-Mail: Ann.Straut@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*.

2. Post-Scoping Notice for City of Bridgeport Combined Sewer Overflow Long Term Control Plan Update

Municipality where project will be located: Bridgeport

CEPA Determination: On October 3, 2017, the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) published a [Notice of Scoping](#) to solicit public comments for this project in the *Environmental Monitor*. DEEP received no comments during the scoping period. Based on DEEP's environmental assessment of the project, the agency has concluded that the project does not require the preparation of a newly updated Environmental Impact Evaluation under CEPA.

The agency's conclusion is documented in a [Memo of Findings and Determination](#) and [Environmental Assessment Checklist](#).

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

Name: Catharine Chu

Agency: CT Department of Energy and Environmental Protection

Address: 79 Elm Street, Hartford CT 06106

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E-Mail: Catharine.Chu@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*.

3. Post-Scoping Notice for the Town of Guilford (Bittner Park) Mulberry Point Water Main Extension

Municipality where project will be located: Guilford

CEPA Determination: On September 20, 2016, 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 [Department of Energy and Environmental Protection \(DEEP\)](#) dated October 21, 2016, the [Office of Policy and Management \(OPM\)](#) dated October 21, 2017 and written [comments from the public](#) received between October 20, 2016 and October 23, 2016, it has been determined that the project does not require the preparation of an Environmental Impact Evaluation (EIE) under CEPA. The Town of Guilford provided a [response to OPM](#) dated May 5, 2017 and revised on August 8, 2017 and [responded to the written comments submitted by the members of the public](#) in letters dated April 11, 2017. The DPH will coordinate with the Town of Guilford to ensure that the recommendations received during the Scoping period 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:

Mr. Eric McPhee

Department of Public Health – Drinking Water Section

410 Capitol Avenue, MS #12DWS

PO Box 340308

Hartford, CT 06134-0308

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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*.

4. Post-Scoping Notice for Greater Waterbury-Naugatuck Valley Regional Industrial Park Expansion Project

Municipalities where project will be located: Waterbury/Naugatuck

CEPA Determination: On November 7, 2017, the Department of Economic & Community Development (DECD) published a [Notice of](#)

[Scoping](#) to solicit public comments for this project in the *Environmental Monitor*. During the scoping period, the DECD received comments from the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection, the State Historic Preservation Office, and the Office of Policy and Management. The DECD 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 a [Memo of Findings and Determination](#) and the [Environmental Assessment Checklist](#).

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

Name: Nelson Tereso
Agency: Department of Economic & Community Development
Address: 450 Columbus Boulevard
Hartford, CT 06103
Phone: 860-500-2322

What happens next:

The DECD expects 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).

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

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