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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 Hockanum Mill

Municipality where proposed project might be located: Vernon

Addresses of Possible Project Location: 161 and 200 West Main Street, Vernon, CT

Project Description: The Town of Vernon is requesting a \$500,000 Urban Act grant to complete the restoration of the Hockanum Mill located at 200 West Main Street Rockville. Previously, a total of \$4,000,000 in brownfield loans funds have been provided to Kaplan Mill Works, LLC to investigate, remediate and to perform building and structural work improvements at the site of the recently renovated mill. The property is a 9-acre, 10-building site which Kaplan acquired through the purchase of tax liens from the Town of Vernon. The goal is to restore 105K square feet of mixed use and industrial space. The Town of Vernon is a partner in this redevelopment and stands to receive economic benefits from the redevelopment of this historic mill.

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

Written comments from the public are welcomed and will be accepted until the close of business on: **March 9, 2017**.

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 **February 17, 2017**.

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

Name: Lilia Kieltyka
Agency: Department of Economic and Community Development
Address: 505 Hudson Street, Hartford, CT 06106

Fax: 860-707-1810
E-Mail: lilia.kieltyka@ct.gov

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

Name: Lilia Kieltyka
Agency: Department of Economic and Community Development
Address: 505 Hudson Street, Hartford, CT 06106
Phone: 860-270-8193
Fax: 860-707-1810
E-Mail: lilia.kieltyka@ct.gov

2. Notice of Scoping for Watertown Sewer Extension

Municipality where proposed project would be located: Watertown

Project Location: Bunker Hill Road, Lexington & Concord Drives

Project Description: The proposed project includes construction of water mains and sanitary sewers to serve the area of Concord and Lexington Drives and connection to the existing Town of Watertown water and sewer systems. Water mains and sewers will address identified water pollution and potable water quality and quantity problems due to relatively shallow bedrock, poor soils and failing septic systems. The DEEP will be providing funding only for the sewer mains on this project. In the future, the Town may apply for funding through the Department of Public Health's Drinking Water State Revolving Fund program for the water main construction as a separate project.

Sewer and water mains for the Concord Drive area extension will be sized to accommodate the existing homes in the Concord Drive area, but with reserved capacity for future water main and sanitary sewer extensions to other properties in future potential extension areas which have similar identified water pollution and potable water quality and quantity problems. The timing and funding sources for future phases are unknown. These future phases will be initiated if and when water quality issues require remedial action and may not occur in numeric order.

Project Maps: [Click here to view a map of the proposed project.](#)
[Click here to view a map of potential future phases.](#)

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)
 Municipal Facilities, Water Planning & Management Division
 79 Elm Street
 Hartford, CT 06106

Written comments from the public are welcomed and will be accepted until the close of business on: **March 10, 2017.**

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 **February 17, 2017.**

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

Name: Maxwell Fan
Agency: Department of Energy & Environmental Protection
 Bureau of Water Protection & Land Reuse
Address: 79 Elm Street
 Hartford, CT 06106-5127
Phone: 860-424-3670
Fax: 860-424-4067
E-Mail: maxwell.fan@ct.gov

If you have questions about scoping for this project, contact Mr. Fan, as directed above.

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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 Notice has been submitted for publication in this edition.

1. Post-Scoping Notice for Rocky Ledge Water Main Extension

Municipality where project will be located: Clinton

CEPA Determination: On November 8, 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 December 9, 2016, 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 Town of Clinton 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:

Contact: Mr. Eric McPhee
 Department of Public Health
 Drinking Water Section
 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*.

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 Notices have been submitted for publication in this edition.

1. Notice of EIE for the Connecticut Airport Authority (CAA) – Off-Airport Tree Obstruction Removal at the Danielson Airport

Municipality where project is proposed: The Airport is located in Danielson, a borough of the Town of Killingly approximately 25 miles west of Providence, RI and 41 miles east of Hartford.

Address of Possible Project Location: The airport office is located at 70 Airport Road, Danielson, just east of the Quinebaug River.

Project Description: Preparation of National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and Connecticut Environmental Policy Act (CEPA) environmental document as required to evaluate the potential impacts associated with tree obstruction removal in areas on, and surrounding the Danielson Airport. The evaluation addresses obstruction removals associated with Federally-defined airspace surfaces surrounding the airport needed for the continued safe operation of aircraft. Objects that penetrate these surfaces are classified as obstructions, and should be removed to safely accommodate approaching and departing aircraft.

The project sponsoring agencies, the Connecticut Airport Authority (CAA), and Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) have identified that trees penetrate the airspace at the Airport, including locations beyond the airport property boundary. Per FAA and CAA practice, review of off-airport obstruction removal should be evaluated and documented via a NEPA Environmental Assessment (EA) and state CEPA Environmental Impact Evaluation (EIE). This project includes the identification of each affected property owner and associated parcels (both public and private) with anticipated obstruction removals.

Project Diagram: Project maps can be found at the following locations:

<http://danielsonairport.caa-analysis.com/project-documents/>

Comments on this EA/EIE will be accepted until the close of business on: Friday, March 3, 2017.

A formal public hearing has not been scheduled. The sponsoring agency (CAA) is holding a **Public Informational Meeting on February 23, 2017 from 7:00 to 8:30 PM**, at the Killingly Town Hall (172 Main Street, Killingly, CT 06239). Comments on the study may be submitted via email at the website above, or by sending written comments to Colin Goegel at the address below. The sponsoring agency (CAA) shall hold a public hearing on the draft evaluation if twenty-five persons or an association having

not less than twenty-five persons requests such a hearing by **Friday, January 27, 2017**.

The public can view a copy of this EA/EIE at:

The Draft EA and EIE for this project are currently available for review at the website listed above and at the following locations:

Killingly Public Library
25 Westcott Road
Killingly, CT 06239

Brooklyn Town Library
10 Canterbury Road
Brooklyn, CT 06234

Send your comments about this EA/EIE to:

Name: Mr. Colin Goegel, Senior Manager of Engineering
Agency: Connecticut Airport Authority
Address: 334 Ella Grasso Turnpike, Suite 160
Windsor Locks, CT 06096
Phone: (860) 254-5628
E-Mail: cgoegel@ctairports.org

If you have questions about the Public Informational Meeting, please contact Colin Goegel at the above address.

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.](#)

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

1. Notice of Proposed Land Transfer, Hartford

Complete Address of Property: 101 Clermont Street, Hartford

Commonly used name of property or other identifying information: N/A

Number of acres to be transferred: 1.88 acres

[Click to view map of property location](#)

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: Open space along South Branch of the Park River.

The property to be transferred contains the following:

Structures: Buildings in use Buildings not in use No Structures
Other Features: Wooded land Nonagricultural fields Active agriculture
 Paved areas Ponds, streams, other water, wetlands
Water Supply: Public water supply On-site well Unknown
Waste Disposal: Served by sewers On-site septic system Unknown

[Click to view parcel map of the property](#)

The property is in the following municipal zone(s):

Residential Industrial Commercial Institutional
 Other: Open Space District
 Not zoned Not known

Special features of the property, if known: None

Value of property, if known:

If checked, value is not known.

Type of Sale or Transfer:

- Sale or transfer of property in fee
 Sale or transfer of partial interest in the property (such as an easement). Description of interest:

Proposed recipient, if known: Unknown

Proposed use by property recipient, if known: Unknown

The agency is proposing to transfer the property with the following restrictions on future uses:

- If checked, the state is not currently proposing restrictions on future uses.

Reason the State of Connecticut is proposing to transfer this property: No longer meets the State's needs.

Comments from the public are welcome and will be accepted until the close of business on **March 9, 2017.**

Comments may include (but are not limited to) information you might have about significant natural resources or recreation resources on the property, as well as your recommendations for means to preserve such resources.

Written comments* should be sent to:

Name: Paul F. Hinsch
 Agency: Office of Policy and Management
 Bureau of Assets Management
 Address: 450 Capitol Avenue
 Hartford, CT 06106-1379
 E-Mail: Paul.Hinsch@ct.gov

***E-Mail submissions are preferred.**

Send copies of comments to:

Name: Shane Mallory
 Agency: Department of Administrative Services
 Leasing & Property Transfer Unit
 Address: 450 Columbus Boulevard, Suite 1402
 Hartford, CT 06103
 E-Mail: Shane.Mallory@ct.gov

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

[What Happens Next?](#)

To find out if this proposed transfer is the subject of further notices, check future editions of the Environmental Monitor. [Sign up for e-alerts](#) to receive a reminder e-mail on Environmental Monitor publication dates.

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