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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 Crescent Crossings, Phase 1C

Municipality where proposed project might be located: Bridgeport

Addresses of Possible Project Locations: 252 Hallett Street, Bridgeport, CT 06608

Project Description: This project is the third phase of a new construction to take place on the 12.85-acre property formerly known as Father Panik Village. Demolition of existing buildings occurred in 1993. Scope of work includes new construction of 81 apartments and associated underground utilities, driveways, and landscaping. In total, all phases of construction will amount to approximately 330 new residential units. A very small portion of the subject site fall within the 100-year floodplain. An application for flood management approval is currently under review by CT DEEP. The site has been designed to mitigate effects of flood zones.

Project Maps: Click [here](#) to view a location map, flood zone and site plan and of the project area.

Written comments from the public are welcomed and will be accepted until the close of business on: February 26, 2018.

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 January 26, 2018.

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

Name: Maya Loewenberg
Agency: DECD on behalf of DOH
Address: 450 Columbus Boulevard, Suite 5, Hartford, CT 06103-1843
E-Mail: Maya.loewenberg@ct.gov

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

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2. Notice of Scoping for Washington Village - Phase Two

Municipality where proposed project might be located: Norwalk

Addresses of Possible Project Locations: 0 Raymond Street, Norwalk, CT 06854

Project Description: Washington Village Phase Two is the demolitions of six existing buildings and the construction of a single new mid-rise building of 4 stories with 85 new mixed –income units. The site is a portion of the property at 0 Raymond Street, the existing Washington Village site. The site requires abatement of hazardous materials in the existing buildings, as well as abatement of contaminated soils as detailed in the environmental reports. Project has received required flood plain exemption from CT DEEP.

Project Maps: [Click here to view](#) a location map, a site plan layout, and flood insurance map.

Written comments from the public are welcomed and will be accepted until the close of business on: **February 26, 2018.**

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3. Notice of Scoping for Whiting Street Improvement Project

Municipality where proposed project might be located: Winsted

Address of Possible Project Location: Whiting Street from Main St. (Route 44) to Holabird Ave

Project Description: The Office of Policy and Management (OPM) is proposing to provide Responsible Growth and Transit-Oriented Development Grant funding to the Town of Winchester for the technical design and construction of improvements to Whiting Street between Main Street (Route 44) and Holabird Avenue. The purpose and need of this project is to resolve issues related to chronic flooding, poor road conditions, poor pedestrian connectivity, parking issues and to calm traffic.

The conceptual plan for this project includes improvements to the existing drainage, including repairing or replacing substandard basins and installing proper sumps, repaving the roadway, installing new sidewalks and lighting along the length of Whiting Street, and if feasible, installation of a bio swale. The Town is considering converting Whiting Street to a one-way road, which would allow for additional bike and pedestrian accessibility, and on-street parking.

This project also proposes to remove invasive plants on the river side of the road, and replace with native plants. With the exception of some possible outflow repairs, no excavation work will be done in, or within approximately 10 feet of, the river. A Town of Winchester Inland Wetland and Watercourses Commission permit will be obtained for this project once the final engineering plans are complete.

Project Map and Drawings:

1. [Map](#)
2. [Conceptual Drawings](#)

Written comments from the public are welcomed and will be accepted until the close of business on: **February 15, 2018**

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

Name: Matthew Pafford
Agency: CT Office of Policy and Management
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E-Mail: Matthew.pafford@ct.gov

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

Name: Matthew Pafford
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E-Mail: Matthew.pafford@ct.gov

4. Notice of Scoping for Roraback Pond Dam Removal

Municipality where proposed project is located: Harwinton

Project Location: South Road as it crosses Leadmine Brook in Harwinton

Project Description: Roraback Pond Dam consists of a 510 foot long earth embankment with a mortared stone masonry spillway about 6.5 feet in length, for a total length of 517 feet. The dam is built along the eastern channel bank of Leadmine Brook. the original use for this dam impoundment is unknown. Heavy tree brush growth was observed on the crest and both the upstream and downstream slopes of the dam. The spillway is in failed condition, there is evidence of a bridge across the principal spillway that is no longer there. Mortared stone walls are collapsing with stones missing and cracking. The stone masonry walls are approximately 18 inches thick.

The dam impounds a 0.83 acre small sized pond approximately 2 to 4 feet deep. No fish were observed during inspection and the pond is of low recreational value. Roraback Dam is a breaching candidate because of the excessive tree growth and severe disrepair of this dam. The dam will be breached to the south in the area of the original wetland location.

The objectives of this project are:

-to eliminate a public safety risk and liability.

-to eliminate costs associated with maintenance, inspection and repair of a state-owned dam. The State has limited resources to maintain this structure.

-to restore natural riverine functions (e.g. restoration of normal wetland and floodplain functions, re-establishment of natural riverine vegetative communities).

[Location and pictures of Roraback Pond Dam.](#)

Written comments from the public are welcomed and will be accepted until the close of business on: **March 6, 2018.**

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 16, 2018.**

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

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

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5. Notice of Scoping for Putnam Memorial Pond Dam Removal

Municipality where proposed project might be located: Redding

Project Location: Park is located at 499 Black Rock Turnpike, Redding. Pond is located off of Route 107 (Putnam Park Road) within the boundaries of the park.

Project Description: The Putnam Memorial Dam consists of a 55-foot dry stone masonry structure with a concrete cap and a possible concrete facing on the upstream face of the stone masonry. The concrete spillway is about 8.2 feet long, located 4.3 feet from the right edge of the dam, and discharges to an unnamed tributary to the Little River. The dam crest is topped by a concrete slab 3 feet wide. The spillway is topped with a concrete slab 4 feet wide that projects beyond the downstream face of the dam.

The downstream stone masonry face is in disrepair. A valve operator and 6-inch outlet pipe were observed in the channel downstream of the dam. A stone culvert is located downstream of the dam below an internal park roadway. This dam is a candidate for breaching in the existing location.

Project objectives include:

- Eliminating a public safety risk and liability.
- Eliminating costs associated with maintenance, inspection and repair of a state-owned dam. The State has limited resources to maintain this structure.
- Restoring natural riverine functions (e.g. sediment transport, restoration of floodplain functions and values, maintenance of normal thermal regimes, re-establishment of natural riverine vegetative communities).

Project Location Map: [Putnam Memorial Park Pond Dam, Route 107, Redding.](#)

[Pictures and aerial photo of Putnam Memorial Park Pond Dam.](#)

Written comments from the public are welcomed and will be accepted until the close of business on: **March 6, 2018.**

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Name: Dan Biron
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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 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*.

2. Post-Scoping Notice for Bunker Hill Water Main and Sewer Extension

Municipality where project will be located: Watertown

CEPA Determination: Watertown Water and Sewer Department (WWSD) submitted a funding application to the Department of Public Health (DPH) for a water main extension in the Bunker Hill area of Watertown. The WWSD concurrently submitted a Preliminary Engineering Report to the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) for a sewer extension in the same area in anticipation of applying for Clean Water State Revolving Funds. [Scoping for the sewer project](#) began on February 7, 2017 and ended on March 10, 2017. [Scoping for the water project](#) began on April 4, 2017 and ended on May 5, 2017. Subsequent to these individual postings, the DPH and the DEEP provided an additional comment period because the projects are proposed to be implemented simultaneously. The [joint Scoping](#) with the DPH as the Sponsoring Agency began on June 6, 2017 and ended on July 6, 2017.

The DPH provided comments to the DEEP on [March 1, 2017](#) and received comments from DEEP on [May 3, 2017](#). The Office of Policy and Management provided comments to the DEEP on [March 10, 2017](#), the DPH on [May 5, 2017](#) and commented on the joint scoping notice on [July 6, 2017](#).

Following the joint Scoping period, the Watertown Water and Sewer District chose to [withdraw](#) its application for funding from the DPH's Drinking Water State Revolving Fund and did not pursue funding through the DEEP's Clean Water State Revolving Fund. Since this project is no longer being implemented with State funding, no further documentation through CEPA is required.

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

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 Hartford, CT 06134-0308
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E-Mail: DPH.SourceProtection@ct.gov

3. Post-Scoping Notice for Tylerville Water Main Project

Project Title: Tylerville Water Main Project

Municipality(ies) where project will be located: Haddam and Chester

CEPA Determination: On June 6, 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*. Based on [agency and public comments](#) received between June 6 and July 10, 2017 and at the public hearing/ scoping meeting held on June 21, 2017, it has been determined that the project does not require the preparation of the Environmental Impact Evaluation under CEPA.

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

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

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Agency: Department of Energy and Environmental Protection
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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*.

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).

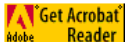
No EIE Notice has been submitted for publication in this edition.

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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