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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 Notice has been submitted for review and comment.

1. Notice of Scoping for New Parking Structure

Municipality where proposed project might be located: Hartford

Address of Possible Project Location: 10 Clinton Street

Project Description: The Connecticut Department of Administrative Services in conjunction with Connecticut Regional Development Authority proposes to construct a new shared-use multi-story parking structure for regional development. Based on the results of a preliminary analysis, the preferred location for the parking structure is at 10 Clinton Street (the location of the former Connecticut Department of Public Health Laboratory), with possible alternate locations located at 129 Lafayette Street and at 100 Washington Street. The proposed parking structure at 10 Clinton Street would be four to six levels above grade and designed to facilitate a minimum of 400 additional vehicles over the 71 presently provided by existing surface parking.

This project is proposed in order to offset the projected loss of 350 surface parking spaces to the Capitol Region Development Authority for the purpose of housing or economic development that will occur consistent with Section 12 of Public Act 17-238.

Project Map: Click <u>here</u> to view a map of the project area. Click <u>here</u> to view two conceptual design alternatives for the parking structure at the preferred location, as well as conceptual alternatives for each alternate location.

Written comments from the public are welcomed and will be accepted until the close of business on: February 2, 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 12, 2018.

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

Name: David Barkin, AIA, Chief Architect

Agency: Connecticut Department of Administrative Services

Division of Construction Services

Address: 450 Columbus Boulevard, Suite 1301, Hartford CT 06103

E-Mail: david.barkin@ct.gov

If you have questions about a Public Scoping Meeting, or other questions about the scoping for this project, contact:

Name: David Barkin, AIA, Chief Architect

Agency: Connecticut Department of Administrative Services

Division of Construction Services

Address: 450 Columbus Boulevard, Suite 1301, Hartford CT 06103

E-Mail: david.barkin@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 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 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 <u>Notice of Scoping</u> 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 <u>Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP)</u> dated October 21, 2016, the <u>Office of Policy and Management (OPM)</u> dated October 21, 2017 and written <u>comments from the public</u> 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 <u>response to OPM</u> dated May 5, 2017 and revised on August 8, 2017 and <u>responded to the written comments submitted by the members of the public</u> 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
phone 860-509-7333
fax 860-509-7359

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*.

2. 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 <u>Notice of Scoping</u> to solicit public comments for this project in the *Environmental Monitor*. During the scoping period, the DECD received comments from the <u>Department of Energy and Environmental Protection</u>, the <u>State Historic Preservation Office</u>, and the <u>Office of Policy and Management</u>.

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 Manitor*

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 <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. <u>Read more about the process.</u>

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

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