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

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No State Land Transfer has been submitted for notice 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 Neck Road Housing

Municipality where proposed project might be located: Old Lyme

Addresses of Possible Project Locations: 16 Neck Road, Old Lyme, CT 06371

Project Description: Neck Road Housing will utilize 2 lots-one vacant and one with a single family stone house built in 1880 for the construction of affordable, rental housing. The existing house will be rehabilitated into four units, and the remaining units on the sites will be new construction. The development will be 15 buildings across 6.3 acres, ranging 1, 2,and 3 bedroom units.AN ESA Phase 1 had indicated the only REC to be an underground storage tank. The site is adjacent to a bus stop and commercial district. The site is not in a flood plain. The project will develop around and not impact existing wetlands and conservation areas on site.

Project Maps: Click here to view a location map of the project area identified on the FIRM map. Click here to view a site plan.

Written comments from the public are welcomed and will be accepted until the close of business on: June 8, 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 May 17, 2018.

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

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Name: Maya Loewenberg
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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 Well 1A Raw Water Main and Well 6 Water Treatment Plant Improvement Project

Municipality where proposed project might be located: East Lyme

Address of Possible Project Location: East Lyme Middle School, 31 Society Road, Niantic- access road between school and playing fields.

Project Description: The Town of East Lyme is seeking financial assistance under the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) program for the proposed improvements to its existing greensand filtration system located at the Well 6 Water Treatment Plant (WTP) and a raw water main from Well 1A to the improved Well 6 WTP. The water from Well 1A contains elevated levels of iron and manganese. Approximately 1,400 lineal feet of new 12-inch diameter ductile iron main will be installed to convey the raw water from Well 1A to the Well 6 WTP where it can be treated for iron and manganese removal. The Well 6 WTP is being improved to accommodate the additional flow from Well 1A. The project will also include a building addition next to the existing WTP to accommodate new treatment equipment and additional chemical storage, emergency generator installation, and associated components.

Project Map: Click here to view a map of the project area.

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

Name: Mr. Eric McPhee

Department of Public Health, Drinking Water Section

Address: 410 Capitol Avenue, MS #12DWS

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: $\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) \left(\frac{1}{2$

Name: Ms. Patricia Bisacky

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3. Notice of Scoping for Emergency Interconnection Between Ledyard WPCA Water System and SCWA Water Systems

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Municipality where proposed project might be located: Ledyard

Addresses of Possible Project Locations: Hill Street, Chriswood Trace, Iron Street, Ferry View Drive, and Fairway Drive in Ledyard

Project Description: The City of Groton (City) is receiving financial assistance from the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) program for the Groton Utilities (GU) Water Treatment Plant (WTP) Upgrade project. The proposed emergency interconnections between the Ledyard Water Pollution Control Authority (WPCA) Water System and five of Southeastern Connecticut Water Authority's (SCWA) small public water systems are associated with WTP Upgrade project as it will enable GU to wheel water through the Ledyard WPCA to provide water supply to the SCWA systems if needed in an emergency. These emergency interconnection projects are essential to provide five of SCWA's small public water systems with the ability to continue providing water service to their customers in the event of an emergency. Although these emergency interconnection projects are not receiving funding from the DWSRF program, they are being scoped due to their association with state grant funding that the City received for the GU WTP project.

The project comprises installation of five segments of new 6-inch and 8-inch diameter ductile iron water pipes totaling approximately 2,070 lineal feet, isolation valves, meter pits, water meters of various sizes, and other miscellaneous appurtenances along Hill Street, Chriswood Trace, Iron Street, Ferry View Drive, and Fairway Drive in Ledyard, CT. The new main will be connected to the existing distribution system of Ledyard WPCA located at Route 117, Colonel Ledyard Highway, and Route 12. The new main will be installed along the roadway. The water mains have been minimally sized to meet the only the demands for domestic water use for the intended service areas.

Project Maps: Click here to view a map of the project area.

Written comments from the public are welcomed and will be accepted until the close of business on: June 8, 2018.

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4. Notice of Scoping for Connecticut State Police Training Facility

Municipality where proposed project might be located: Griswold

Address of Possible Project Location: 100 and 101 Lee Road

Project Description: The Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection (DESPP), Division of State Police is proposing to relocate its existing Firearms Training Facility and Program, currently located on Nod Road in Simsbury, to a 110± site at 100 and 101 Lee Road in Griswold, CT.

The size and configuration of the existing training facility does not allow for all aspects of the Connecticut State Police's (CSP's) needed training and the site configuration results in the rifle range being located behind the pistol range, preventing simultaneous use of the ranges due to safety concerns. The existing training facility is also within a floodplain and has suffered repeated damages from flooding that have led to deteriorated conditions resulting in permanent loss of an onsite classroom building and permanent sanitary facilities, damages to equipment, and repeated interruptions that impact training schedules and overall operations.

The proposed project would provide DESPP with a new facility in Griswold that allows the DESPP to meet the current and future needs of the agency and to maintain and improve the CSP Firearms Training Program. Other state and federal law enforcement agencies with whom the

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State Police partners would also periodically utilize the facility.

At this preliminary planning stage, four (4) layout alternatives have been proposed, showing potential full buildout layouts for the facility. The proposed project construction may be phased based on prioritization of needs and available state funding. The estimated maximum acreage needed for the main project elements is approximately 30 acres. This acreage does not include auxiliary infrastructure improvements that may be necessary for the project.

Each alternative includes the following major elements:

A multipurpose training building (or series of structures) of up to a total of 55,000 gross square feet (GSF), which would include space for classrooms, a firearms simulator, and open area training room, gun cleaning and smithing, file storage, offices, vault space, ammunition storage, kitchenette and dining, reloading, target storage, bathrooms with showers and lockers, and garage space,

- Range control tower(s),
- · Two (2) pistol ranges,
- One (1) rifle range,
- One (1) rifle/shotgun range,
- · Sim Training and Live Fire Shoot House and a facility for low light training,
- · Approximately 125 parking spaces,
- · Site access improvements, and
- · Well, septic system, telecom, and electrical utilities.

Project Maps:

Alternative 1
Alternative 2
Alternative 3
Alternative 4

Written comments from the public are welcomed and will be accepted until June 21, 2018.

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

DATE: June 5, 2018

TIME: Presentation to begin at 7:00 PM

PLACE: Griswold High School Auditorium, 267 Slater Avenue, Griswold, CT

NOTES: Doors open at 6:00 PM; meeting starts at 7:00 PM and will conclude after public comments.

Written comments should be postmarked by June 21, 2018 and sent to:

Name: Stephen Lecco, AICP, CEP Firm: GZA GeoEnvironmental, Inc.

Address: 655 Winding Brook Drive, Suite 402

Glastonbury, CT 06033

Fax: (860) 652-8590

Comments may also be emailed to:

Email: CSPtraining@gza.com (Please use the subject heading "Scoping Comment" and keep all email attachments to less than 25 MB)

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

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The agency expects to release an Environmental Impact Evaluation (EIE) for this project for public no later than early 2019.

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.

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1. Post-Scoping Notice for Athletic District Improvements Project

Municipality where project will be located: Mansfield

CEPA Determination: On September 19, 2017, the University of Connecticut published a <u>Notice of Scoping</u> in the <u>Environmental Monitor</u> to solicit public comments for the proposed athletics district improvements. A public scoping meeting was held on October 10, 2017, and comments were accepted through October 20, 2017. During the scoping period, the University of Connecticut received comments from the Department of Public Health, the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection, and the Town of Mansfield. The University of Connecticut has taken those comments into consideration and has concluded that the project does not require the preparation of an Environmental Impact Evaluation under CEPA. The agency's conclusion is documented in an <u>Environmental Assessment Review</u>.

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

 Name:
 Paul Ferri, Environmental Compliance Professional

 Agency:
 University of Connecticut, Office of Environmental Policy

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 31 LeDoyt Road, U-Box 3055, Storrs, Connecticut 06269-3055

Phone: (860) 486-9295

Fax: (860) 486-5477

E-Mail: paul.ferri@uconn.edu

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

2. Post-Scoping Notice for the Proposed Disposition of the University of Connecticut Greater Hartford Campus

Municipality where project will be located: West Hartford

CEPA Determination:

The University of Connecticut has determined that an Environmental Impact Evaluation (EIE) is not required at this time. Depending on the ultimate disposition of the campus, a new CEPA process may or may not be required.

On June 17, 2014 the University of Connecticut published a <u>Notice of Scoping</u> to solicit public comments for this project in the *Environmental Monitor*. At the time of the scoping notice, the actual proposed disposition for the Greater Hartford (i.e., West Hartford) campus had not yet been determined and several alternatives were being contemplated. Click <u>here</u> to see a summary of comments received during the scoping period are attached.

The Town of West Hartford entered into a Purchase and Sale Agreement with the University of Connecticut effective July 14, 2016 to purchase the campus. The closing was anticipated to be on or about October 1, 2017. After UConn granted the Town seven extensions, on December 13, 2017 the Town notified UConn that the Town was cancelling the Agreement.

During 2018 UConn has been seeking to sell the property to a private buyer. The final disposition of the campus remains undetermined.

Given the amount of time that has passed since the publication of the scoping notice in June 2014 and given that the long-term disposition remains undetermined, the University of Connecticut has taken what it considers to be appropriate steps to stabilize and secure the campus buildings and grounds while it continues to pursue other sale or reuse options.

With this notice, the University closes the CEPA process initiated in June 2014.

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

Name: Paul Ferri

Agency: University of Connecticut

Address: 31 LeDoyt Road, Storrs, CT

Fax: 860-486-5477

E-Mail: paul.ferri@uconn.edu

What happens next:

The public will be informed through the *Environmental Monitor* of any future proposed state actions that require either a new CEPA scoping process or the *Sale or Transfer of State Land* notice requirement of CGS Sec. 4b-47.

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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).

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 State Land Transfer Notice has been submitted for notice in this edition.