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Scoping Notice

"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. **Read More**

The following Scoping Notices have been submitted for publication in this edition.

1. Notice of Scoping for Bella Vista Apartments Project

Address of possible locations: 501 East Main Street and 65 Main Street

Municipality where proposed action might be located: Ansonia

Project Description: Municipal Brownfield Grant funding will be used for the abatement and remediation of the 2.84-acre Former Farrel Corporation buildings located at the adjacent lots of 501 East Main Street and 65 Main Street to enable the redevelopment of the existing buildings into 200 mixed-income residential units and 20,000 square feet of commercial space.

Project Map: 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: **March 9**, **2023.**

Any person may ask the sponsoring agency to hold a public scoping meeting by sending such a request to the address below. If a public scoping 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, 2023.**

Additional information about the project can be viewed in person at: City of Ansonia Economic Development Department, 253 Main Street, Ansonia, CT 06401.

Written comments and/or requests for a public scoping meeting should be sent to

Name: William Wallach

Agency: Department of Economic and Community Development

Address: 450 Columbus Boulevard, Suite 5, Hartford, CT 06103

E-Mail: william.wallach@ct.gov

Inquiries and requests to view and or copy documents, pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, must be submitted to the sponsoring state agency:

Name: Mark Burno

Agency: Department of Economic and Community Development

Address: 450 Columbus Boulevard, Suite 5, Hartford, CT 06103

E-Mail: mark.burno@ct.gov

What Happens Next: The sponsoring agency will make a determination whether to proceed with preparation of an Environmental Impact Evaluation (EIE) or that the project does not require the preparation of an EIE under the Connecticut Environmental Policy Act (CEPA). A Post-Scoping Notice of its decision will appear in a future edition of the *Environmental Monitor*.

2. Notice of Scoping for Seymour Reservoir No. 4 Dam Repair Project

Address of possible location: Chestnut Tree Hill Road in Naugatuck State Forest

Municipality where proposed action might be located: Oxford.

Project Description: After a regulatory inspection of Seymour No. 4 Dam, the State Dams Division of the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) determined that the dam is in poor condition and needs to be repaired. The poor conditions noted during the inspection were several eroded areas of the crest cutting several feet into the dam at some points, numerous small trees growing on the embankments and that the spillway is failing at the downstream end (water is flowing around the outside of the outlet pipes) and it unknown if the low-level outlet is operating as designed. It was also noted that the current spillway is inadequate to discharge the ½ PMF (probable maximum flood) design flood. The proposed reconstruction is designed to improve the dam's safety and efficiency as well as make it easier to maintain. For the proposed reconstruction the dam embankment will be raised one foot and eroded areas will be repaired, the existing 24-inch reinforced concrete pipe spillway will be replaced with a new drop inlet spillway and 48-inch outlet pipe. A new 100-foot-long auxiliary spillway will be constructed to the left of the dam and the normal water level of the reservoir will be lowered by 2 feet in order to meet flood capacity requirements for the ½ PMF design flood.

Project Map: <u>Click here</u> 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: March 24, 2023

Any person may ask the sponsoring agency to hold a public scoping meeting by sending such a request to the address below. If a public scoping 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: **March 6, 2023**

Written comments and/or requests for a public scoping meeting should be sent to

Name: James Heaven Agency: Department of Energy and Environmental Protection Address: 79 Elm Street, Hartford CT 06106 E-Mail: James.Heaven@ct.gov Inquiries and requests to view and or copy documents, pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, must be submitted to the sponsoring state agency:

Name: James Heaven

Agency: Department of Energy and Environmental Protection

Address: 79 Elm Street, Hartford CT 06106

E-Mail: James.Heaven@ct.gov

What Happens Next: The sponsoring agency will make a determination whether to proceed with preparation of an Environmental Impact Evaluation (EIE) or that the project does not require the preparation of an EIE under the Connecticut Environmental Policy Act (CEPA). A Post-Scoping Notice of its decision will appear in a future edition of the *Environmental Monitor*.

3. Notice of Scoping for Craigmoor Water Main Interconnection

Address of possible location: Barlow Mountain Road, North Salem Road (Route 116) and Craigmoor Road

Municipality where proposed action might be located: Ridgefield

Project Description: Aquarion Water Company proposes to construct a 6,240 foot water main extension connecting the Ridgefield water system to the Craigmoor water system. By completing the interconnection between the two systems, it will eliminate the existing water quality concerns, increase capacity, improve reliability and ensure an adequate margin of safety for the Craigmoor system.

Project Map: 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: April 6th, 2023.

Any person may ask the sponsoring agency to hold a public scoping meeting by sending such a request to the address below. If a public scoping 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: **March 17th, 2023** Written comments and/or requests for a public scoping meeting should be sent to

Name: Eric McPhee

Agency: Department of Public Health, Drinking Water Section

Address: 410 Capitol Avenue, MS #12DWS, PO Box 340308, Hartford, CT 06134-0308

E-Mail: dph.sourceprotection@ct.gov

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

Name: Eric McPhee

Agency: Department of Public Health, Drinking Water Section Address: 410 Capitol Avenue, MS #12DWS, PO Box 340308, Hartford, CT 06134-0308 E-Mail: dph.sourceprotection@ct.gov

Phone: 860-509-7333

Inquiries and requests to view and or copy documents, pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, must be submitted to the sponsoring state agency:

Website: Freedom of Information Request (ct.gov) Agency: Department of Public Health, Hearing Office Address: 410 Capitol Avenue, MS #13PHO Hartford, CT 06134-0308 Email: DPH.foi@ct.gov

Phone: 860-566-5682

What Happens Next: The sponsoring agency will make a determination whether to proceed with preparation of an Environmental Impact Evaluation (EIE) or that the project does not require the preparation of an EIE under the Connecticut Environmental Policy Act (CEPA). A Post-Scoping Notice of its decision will appear in a future edition of the *Environmental Monitor*.

4. Notice of Scoping for Cedar Heights Water Main Interconnection

Address of possible location: Nabby Road in Brookfield, CT; N Nabby Road and Forty Acres Mountain Road in Danbury, CT

Municipality where proposed action might be located: Brookfield, Danbury

Project Description: Aquarion Water Company proposes to construct a 4,430 foot water main extension connecting the New Milford Regional water system to the Cedar Heights water system. By completing the interconnection between the two systems, it will eliminate the existing water quality concerns, increase capacity, improve reliability and ensure an adequate margin of safety for the Cedar Heights system.

Project Map: 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: April 6th, 2023.

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5. Notice of Scoping for Interconnection of Montville and Seven Oaks

Address of possible location: Hunters Run and Old Colchester Rd

Municipality where proposed action might be located: Montville

Project Description: The Southeastern Connecticut Water Authority (SCWA) is seeking financial assistance under the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) program to fund the construction of a water main to interconnect the Seven Oaks Division with the Montville Division distribution system. The project will also be receiving federal grant funding under Section 1459a of the federal Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA).

The proposed project includes the installation of an approximately 2,295 lineal feet of 8-inch diameter water main to connect the terminal ends of the two existing distribution mains located at Hunters Run and the intersection of Leisure Drive and Old Colchester Road. The new water main will traverse along the land behind the United Church of Christ building. A booster pump station to be located at the edge of the Old Colchester Road is also being proposed to pump water from the Seven Oaks Division system to the Montville Division system.

Based on the information provided in the Preliminary Engineering Report (PER), the most feasible solution to address the water supply deficit of the Montville Division is to interconnect the distribution system to Seven Oaks Division, in order to meet water demands and maintain adequate margin of safety during drought periods and summer months. It is documented in the PER that Seven Oaks Division has sufficient surplus of water supply to augment the need of the Montville Division.

Project Map: 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: April 6th, 2023.

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Written comments and/or requests for a public scoping meeting should be sent to

Name: Eric McPhee

Agency: Department of Public Health, Drinking Water Section

Address: 410 Capitol Avenue, MS #12DWS, PO Box 340308, Hartford, CT 06134-0308

E-Mail: dph.sourceprotection@ct.gov

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

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Phone: 860-566-5682

What Happens Next: The sponsoring agency will make a determination whether to proceed with preparation of an Environmental Impact Evaluation (EIE) or that the project does not require the preparation of an EIE under the Connecticut Environmental Policy Act (CEPA). A Post-Scoping Notice of its decision will appear in a future edition of the *Environmental Monitor*.

6. Notice of Scoping for Removal of Exit 21 Off-Ramp on Interstate 84 Eastbound (EB)

Address of possible location: Interstate 84 (I-84) in the EB direction and on the local road network within the vicinity of the I-84 EB Exit 21 and Exit 22 off-ramps. The proposed project area encompasses I-84 EB from Mile Marker 32.45, inclusive of the off-ramp for Exit 21 (Bridge No. 03191F), to Mile Marker 32.62 at the Exit 22 off-ramp. The existing Interchange 21 off-ramp terminates at Meadow Street. Interchange 22 off-ramp terminates at the intersection with Market Square and South Main Street/McMahon Street. The local roadway network of interest extends from Liberty Street to the south and Grand Street to the north. The network extends from Meadow Street to the west and South Main Street to the east.

Municipality where proposed action might be located: Waterbury

Project Description: The purpose of this project is to improve safety, traffic flow, and air quality by reducing traffic congestion on I-84 EB in the vicinity of Exits 19-22 in Waterbury, as well as enhance the local roadway network. Both system movements from Route 8 Northbound (NB) and Southbound (SB) enter I-84 on the right and left, respectively, creating a short four lane weave section (approximately 350 feet long) prior to the Exit 21 off-ramp. The auxiliary lane within the weave section serves as the single lane Exit 21 off-ramp. The project proposes to remove the Exit 21 off-ramp from I-84 EB and extend the auxiliary lane to allow more merge and diverge space for drivers entering and exiting I-84 EB in the vicinity of Exit 22. The on-ramp to I-84 EB from Meadow Street will remain open. The I-84 EB Exit 22 off-ramp will be restriped to two lanes to accommodate the anticipated increase in traffic due to the removal of the Exit 21 off-ramp. Work will be done to improve the functionality and safety of the local roadway network, including new traffic signals with improved signal timing and phasing. The project also includes streetscape and urban design improvements that are expected to create a safer and more welcoming environment for pedestrians and bicyclists.

Project Map: <u>Click here</u> 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: Monday April 10, 2023.

There will be a public scoping meeting for this proposed action:

DATE: Thursday March 23, 2023

TIME: 6:00 p.m. open house - formal presentation to follow at 6:30 p.m.

PLACE: Maloney Magnet School, 233 South Elm Street, Waterbury, CT 06706

NOTES: The meeting location is ADA accessible. Language assistance, including American Sign Language, may be requested by contacting CTDOT's Language Assistance Call Line at (860) 594-2109. Requests should be made at least 5 business days prior to the meeting. Language assistance is provided at no cost to the public and efforts will be made to respond to timely requests for assistance.

Additional information about the project can be viewed online at: https://www.newmixwaterbury.com

Comments, questions about the public meeting, or questions about the project should be sent to (email preferred):

Name: Mr. Jonathan Dean, Project Manager

Agency: Connecticut Department of Transportation, Bureau of Engineering and Construction

Address: 2800 Berlin Turnpike, Newington, CT 06131

Phone: (860) 594-3211

E-Mail: Jonathan.Dean@ct.gov

Inquiries and requests to view and or copy documents, pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, must be submitted to the sponsoring state agency:

Name: Ms. Alice M. Sexton Agency: Connecticut Department of Transportation, Office of Legal Services Address: 2800 Berlin Turnpike, Newington, CT 06131 E-Mail: Alice.Sexton@ct.gov

What Happens Next: The sponsoring agency will make a determination whether to proceed with preparation of an Environmental Impact Evaluation (EIE) or that the project does not require the preparation of an EIE under the Connecticut Environmental Policy Act (CEPA). A Post-Scoping Notice of its decision will appear in a future edition of the *Environmental Monitor*.

Scoping Notice - Post-Scoping Notice (Need More Time)

If an agency is unable to publish a Post-Scoping Notice within six months after the comment period for scoping, the agency will publish an update with an action status and an estimate as to when a Post-Scoping Notice will be published. Such an update will be published by the agency at six-month intervals until the Post-Scoping Notice is published. **Read More**

The following notice for additional time has been submitted for publication in this edition.

1. Notice of Time Extension for Scoping Notice for Properties at 18-20 and 30 Trinity Street in Hartford

Addressesof Possible Project Location: 18-20 Trinity Street, and 30 Trinity Street

Municipality where proposed action would be located: Hartford

Connecticut Environmental Policy Act (CEPA) Determination: On July 19, 2022, the Department of Administrative Services (DAS) published a <u>Notice of Scoping</u> to solicit public comments for this action in the *Environmental Monitor*. The DAS is unable to publish its determination regarding this action at this time.

Action Status: DAS is working with the proposed developer to conduct additional analysis and address comments raised during scoping.

Estimated Publication Date: The DAS estimates that a Post-Scoping Notice will be published in the *Environmental Monitor* on or before August 22, 2023.

If you have questions about the proposed action, contact:

Name: Matthew Pafford

Agency: Department of Administrative Services (DAS)

Address: 450 Columbus Boulevard, Hartford, CT

E-Mail: matthew.pafford@ct.gov

What Happens Next: The DAS will make a determination whether to proceed with preparation of an Environmental Impact Evaluation (EIE) or that the project does not require the preparation of an EIE under the CEPA. A Post-Scoping Notice of its decision will appear in a future edition of the *Environmental Monitor*.

Post-Scoping Notice

A Post-Scoping Notice is the determination by a sponsoring agency, after publication of a Scoping Notice and consideration of comments received, whether an **Environmental Impact Evaluation (EIE)** needs to be prepared for a proposed State action. **Read More**

The following Post-Scoping Notices have been submitted for publication in this edition.

1. Post-Scoping Notice for Riverfront Park Trail & Commercial Development Project

Addresses of possible locations: 228, 590-H, 600-H & 610 Liebert Road, Hartford and 73, 100, & 120 Meadow Road, Windsor.

Municipalities where proposed action might be located: Hartford & Windsor.

Connecticut Environmental Policy Act (CEPA) Determination: On November 8, 2022, the Department of Economic and Community Development (DECD) published a <u>Notice of Scoping</u> to solicit public comments for this proposed Riverfront Park Trail & Commercial Development Project in the *Environmental Monitor*. No CEPA Scoping meeting was scheduled, and there were no requests to hold a CEPA Scoping meeting.

One comment was received from the public during the public comment period. The public comment and DECD's responses can be viewed in the <u>Environmental Review Checklist</u>. Comments were also submitted by the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (CTDEEP) and can be viewed <u>here</u>. DECD's responses to CTDEEP's comments can be viewed in the <u>Environmental Review Checklist</u>.

After consideration of the comments received, the Department of Economic and Community Development has determined the project does not require the preparation of an Environmental Impact Evaluation (EIE) under the CEPA. The agency's conclusion is documented in a <u>Memo of Findings and Determination</u> and an <u>Environmental Review Checklist</u>.

Agency contact:

Name: William Wallach Agency: Department of Economic and Community Development Address: 450 Columbus Boulevard, Suite 5, Hartford, CT 06103 E-Mail: William.wallach@ct.gov

Inquiries and requests to view and or copy documents, pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, must be submitted to the sponsoring State agency:

Name: Mark BurnoAgency: Department of Economic and Community DevelopmentAddress: 450 Columbus Boulevard, Suite 5, Hartford, CT 06103

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 Garfield Mills Remediation Project

Address of possible location: 90 and 100 Garfield Avenue

Municipality where proposed action might be located: New London

Connecticut Environmental Policy Act (CEPA) Determination: On November 8, 2022, the Department of Economic and Community Development (DECD) published a <u>Notice of Scoping</u> to solicit public comments for this proposed **Garfield Mills Remediation Project** in the *Environmental Monitor*. No CEPA Scoping meeting was scheduled, and there were no requests to hold a CEPA Scoping meeting.

No comments were received from members of the public during the public comment period. The Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Projection (CTDEEP) submitted comments, which can be viewed <u>here</u>. DECD's responses to the comments received are included in the <u>Environmental Review</u> <u>Checklist</u>.

After consideration of the comments received, DECD has determined the project does not require the preparation of an Environmental Impact Evaluation (EIE) under the CEPA. The agency's conclusion is documented in a <u>Memo of Findings and Determination</u> and an <u>Environmental Review Checklist</u>. Agency contact:

Name: William Wallach Agency: Department of Economic and Community Development Address: 450 Columbus Boulevard, Suite 5, Hartford, CT 06103 E-Mail: William.wallach@ct.gov

Inquiries and requests to view and or copy documents, pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, must be submitted to the sponsoring State agency:

Name: Mark Burno Agency: Department of Economic and Community Development Address: 450 Columbus Boulevard, Suite 5, Hartford, CT 06103 E-Mail: mark.burno@ct.gov

What Happens Next: The Department of Economic and Community Development 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 Former White Oak Remediation and Redevelopment Project

Addresses of possible locations: 1 & 63 West Main Street

Municipality where proposed action might be located: Plainville

Connecticut Environmental Policy Act (CEPA) Determination: On November 8, 2022, the Department of Economic and Community Development (DECD) published a <u>Notice of Scoping</u> to solicit public comments for this proposed Former White Oak Remediation and Redevelopment Project in the *Environmental Monitor*.

No comments were received from the public during the public comment period. No CEPA Scoping meeting was scheduled, and there were no requests to hold a CEPA Scoping meeting. Comments were received from the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection and can be accessed <u>here</u>. DECD's Responses to the comments received are included in the <u>Environmental Review Checklist</u>.

After consideration of the comments received, DECD has determined **the project does not require the preparation of an Environmental Impact Evaluation (EIE) under the CEPA**. The agency's conclusion is documented in a <u>Memo of Findings and Determination</u> and an <u>Environmental Review Checklist</u>. **Agency contact**:

Name: William Wallach Agency: Department of Economic and Community Development Address: 450 Columbus Boulevard, Suite 5, Hartford, CT 06103 E-Mail: William.wallach@ct.gov

Inquiries and requests to view and or copy documents, pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, must be submitted to the sponsoring State agency:

Name: Mark Burno Agency: Department of Economic and Community Development Address: 450 Columbus Boulevard, Suite 5, Hartford, CT 06103 E-Mail: Mark.burno@ct.gov

What Happens Next: The Department of Economic and Community Development 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 Notice

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). Read More

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

Agency Record of Decision

After an Environmental Impact Evaluation (EIE) is developed, an agency will prepare a concise public record of decision, which takes into consideration the agency's findings in the EIE, and any comments received on that evaluation. Read More

No Record of Decision Notice has been submitted for publication in this edition.

OPM's Determination of Adequacy

After an Environmental Impact Evaluation (EIE) and record of decision are developed, the Office of Policy and Management (OPM) will determine if the EIE and the associated process are adequate. If not, OPM will specify the areas of inadequacy with reference to CEPA or the CEPA regulations and specify the corrective action required. Read More

No Determination of Adequacy Notice has been submitted for publication in this edition.

State Land Transfer Notice

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

1. Notice of Proposed Land Transfer at the University of Connecticut in Storrs

Complete Address of Property: Moulton Road, Storrs Mansfield, CT 06268

Commonly used name of property or other identifying information: Portion of property located immediatley north of 4 Moulton Road

Number of acres to be transferred: 19,655 square feet (0.451 acre) (the "Premises")

Click to view an aerial photo of the property location.

<u>Click to view a survey</u> of the lot line revision for the proposed land transfer.

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: The developed portion of the land includes a 19th-century barn structure in poor condition (the "Barn") and a paved parking area. The undeveloped portion of land is sloped woodland. In the 1960's, the recipient's family sold a parcel of land to the University consisting of approximately 120 acres. In the early 2000's, the University divested/returned approximately 2.1 acres to the recipient, including his family home at 4 Moulton Road so it may be fully restored. The Barn situated on the 0.45-acre parcel within the Premises to be transferred was present on the property when University acquired the 120-acre parcel from the recipient's family. The Barn was used by Facilities Operations for storage in the past, but at present is not in use and only has been minimally maintained.

The property to be transferred contains the following:

Building(s) in use	Х	Building(s) not in use	 	No Structures
Other Features:	X	Paved areas	х	Wooded land
Non agricultural fields	- +	Active agriculture	╆╸╸ ╸ ╸ ╸ ! ! !	Ponds, streams, other water, wetlands
Public water supply	- +	On-site well	х	Water Supply Unknown
Served by sewers		On-site septic system	Х	Waste Disposal Unknown

The property is in the following municipal zone(s): [place an "x" in the appropriate cells to the left of the text]

х	Zoned	Not zoned	Not known	Not known				
x	Residential	Industrial	Commerci	al	Institutional			
	Other:	[identify "other" zone]						

Special features of the property, if known: Premises and Barn were originally part of the recipient's property and family home located at 4 Moulton Road, adjacent to the proposed land transfer.

Value of property, if known: \$45,000.00

If checked, value is not known.

Links to other available information: N/A

Type of sale or transfer:

x 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: Quentin Kessel

Proposed use by property recipient, if known: Restoration and preservation of the Barn as well as personal use.

Is the agency imposing restrictions or conditions upon the transfer of the land or land interest? Yes, that (1) the recipient, at his own expense and within 3 years, shall suitably restore the Barn in accordance with those standards set forth by the State Historic Preservation Office of the State of Connecticut and (2) impose on the Premises and his adjacent single-family house a "preservation restriction" as that term used in Section 47-42a(b) of the Connecticut General Statutes.

Reason the state of Connecticut is proposing to transfer this property: The University has no programmatic or conservation need for the 0.45 acres on which the barn is located, can vacate the barn without interfering with University operations, and has no plans to rehabilitate or reuse the barn.

Comments from the public are welcome and will be accepted until the close of business on April 6, 2023.

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* about the proposed property transfer should be sent to:

Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management

c/o Paul F. Hinsch

Office of Policy and Management

Bureau of Assets Management

450 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, CT 06106-1379

paul.hinsch@ct.gov

Please also send a copy of any comments and/or questions about the proposed property transfer to:

University of Connecticut c/o Nathan P. LaVallee

Office of the General Counsel

343 Mansfield Road, Unit 1177, Storrs, CT 06269-1177

nathan.lavallee@uconn.edu

*E-Mail submissions are preferred.

What Happens Next:

When this comment period closes, the proposed land transfer can take one of three tracks:

- 1. If no public comments are received, the sale or transfer can proceed with no further public comment and no further notices in the Environmental Monitor, unless the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) elects to conduct a review of the property (see #3).
- If public comments are received, the Office of Policy and Management (OPM) will respond to those comments. The comments and responses will be published in the *Environmental Monitor*. Fifteen days after publication of the comments and responses, the proposed sale or transfer can proceed, unless DEEP elects to conduct a review of the property (see #3).
- 3. If DEEP elects to conduct a further review of the property, it may submit to OPM a report with recommendations for preserving all or part of the property. The report and recommendations will be published in the *Environmental Monitor*, and there will be a 30-day public comment period. DEEP will publish its responses to any comments received and its final recommendation about the property in the *Environmental Monitor*. OPM will then make the final determination as to the ultimate disposition of the property, and will publish that determination in the *Environmental Monitor*. Fifteen days after publication of that final determination, the sale or transfer can proceed.

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

CEPA Project Inventory

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