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February 3, 2026

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

The next edition of the Environmental Monitor will be published on **February 17, 2026**.

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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 about the regulations for a Scoping Notice](#).

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

Notice of Scoping for Kenosia Wells Water Treatment Facility

Address of possible location: 18 Christopher Columbus Avenue

Municipality where proposed action might be located: Danbury

Project Description: The City of Danbury (City) owns and operates the Kenosia Well Field and Kenosia Flood Skimming Pump Station. The Kenosia Wells are currently inactive due to trichloroethylene (TCE) and tetrachloroethylene (PCE) contamination, which are both volatile organic compounds (VOCs), and per- and poly fluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) that exceed Connecticut Department of Public Health (DPH) Action Levels.

The City is proposing to construct a new water treatment facility with aeration towers for VOC removal and carbon contactors for PFAS removal; and to rehabilitate the groundwater wells to continue conveying water to the West Lake Reservoir as part of their water supply needs. The proposed 2.5 million gallons per day (mgd) treatment facility will house two (2) granular activated carbon (GAC) contactors, two (2) wet wells, three (3) vertical turbine pumps, and associated piping. Two (2) packed tower aerators will be located adjacent to the proposed building. This project will allow the City to operate the existing Kenosia Flood Skimming Pump Station and the proposed water treatment facility simultaneously, which will be required in the future for the City to achieve their projected long term water supply safe yield.

The project includes modifications to existing yard piping to connect the proposed treatment building to the existing transmission main which conveys water to the West Lake Reservoir. Site work includes new 12-inch and 16-inch ductile iron water main, valves, hydrants, fittings and appurtenances; buried electrical service; concrete walkway and asphalt driveway for building access; and replacement of the site security fencing. Additional site improvements include a stormwater infiltration basin.

As the entire project area is proposed within the one-percent annual chance (aka 100-yr) flood plain, the proposed project could impact flood storage. To mitigate the loss of flood storage, additional excavation (East Basin) is proposed east of the water treatment facility and existing Well No. 2.

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: **February 7, 2026**.

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: **January 17, 2026**.

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

Name: Eric McPhee

Agency: Department of Public Health, Planning & Drinking Water State Revolving Fund 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:

Agency: Department of Public Health, Hearing Office

Website: https://dphct.govqa.us/WEBAPP/_rs/

E-Mail: 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*.

Notice of Scoping for Indian Springs Consolidation with the New Milford Regional System

Addresses of possible location: Forty Acre Mountain Road from Southview Avenue to Stadley Rough Road; Stadley Rough Road from Forty Acre Mountain Road to Indian Spring Road; Indian Spring Road from Stadley Rough Road to 3 Indian Spring Road; 22 Corn Tassle Road, Danbury, CT; and 5 Nabby Road, Brookfield, CT.

Municipalities where proposed action might be located: Danbury and Brookfield

Project Description: Due to the presence of per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) in the groundwater supply serving the Indian Springs Water System, Aquarion Water Company (Aquarion) proposes to consolidate the Indian Springs Water System with the Cedar Heights – New Milford Regional Water System. The proposed project includes installation of approximately 3,500 linear feet of new water main along Forty Acre Mountain Road and Stadley Rough Road in Danbury, Connecticut, to create a permanent interconnection between the systems. Miscellaneous improvements will be made at the existing Indian Springs Booster Station to control the feed to the Indian Springs low-service water level. Modifications will also be made at the existing Cedar Heights Booster Station to allow an increase in the hydraulic grade line (HGL) of the Cedar Heights system; these modifications will be limited to interior electrical and mechanical work.

The proposed interconnection and associated improvements are intended to improve drinking water quality, enhance system reliability, provide operational redundancy, and reduce long-term operational costs for the Indian Springs Water 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: **February 6, 2026**

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: **January 16, 2026**

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

Name: Eric McPhee

Agency: Department of Public Health, Planning & Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Section

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

E-Mail: DPH.SourceProtection@ct.gov

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REVISED Notice of Scoping for MOVE New Haven - Bus Rapid Transit

Revised: DOT has extended the date for public comment. Public comments will be accepted until **March 5, 2026.**

Address of possible locations: Multiple locations ([click here for map](#)) within the CTtransit New Haven Division including:

- Dixwell Avenue in Hamden to downtown New Haven and Union Station
- Southern Connecticut State University to Whalley Avenue, downtown New Haven, Grand Avenue and Foxon Boulevard
- West Haven Station to Campbell Avenue, Boston Post Road, and downtown New Haven

Municipalities where proposed action might be located: New Haven, Hamden, and West Haven

Project Description: The MOVE New Haven Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Project is aimed at improving transit service along the four highest ridership routes (212, 238, 246, 265) in the CTtransit New Haven Division. Building on the recommendations of the [2019 MOVE New Haven Transit Mobility Study](#), the project seeks to enhance the quality, reliability, and speed of bus service through the introduction of limited-stop, on-street BRT service while also improving the safety of all corridor users. This effort is supported by a \$25 million federal RAISE grant and additional state funding, reflecting a commitment to improve bus service, infrastructure, safety, and accessibility. The project includes dedicated bus lanes, as well as transit signal priority (TSP), upgraded signal equipment, and enhanced pedestrian safety measures. Improvements will also include BRT-branded stops with amenities, multimodal accessibility upgrades, and mobility hubs designed to facilitate transfers and accommodate electric bus charging at the end of each BRT line. These elements aim to deliver shorter travel times, improve schedule reliability, and create a safer, more accessible environment for all road users.

The overarching goals of the MOVE New Haven BRT Project include:

- Faster travel times for BRT services along the four highest ridership routes
- Improved customer comfort and experience through upgraded stops and amenities
- Enhanced schedule reliability via TSP and corridor signal coordination
- Greater safety and accessibility for pedestrians and all road users
- Support for economic growth and sustainable development
- Environmental benefits through modernized infrastructure and electric bus integration

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

Additional information about the project can be viewed online at: [New Haven BRT](#)

Written comments from the public are welcomed and will be accepted until the close of business on: **March 5, 2026.**

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

DATE: Wednesday January 28, 2026

TIME: 6:00 p.m.

PLACE: Kennedy Mitchell Hall of Records Building, Room G2: 200 Orange Street, New Haven, CT 06510

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.

Written comments/question about the project or public meeting should be sent to:

Name: Mr. Adam G. Fox, Transportation Principal Engineer

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

Address: 2800 Berlin Turnpike, Newington, CT 06131

E-Mail: Adam.Fox@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*.

Notice of Scoping for Mason Street East and West

Addresses of possible locations: 275, 289, 309, 315, 321, 279, 290, and 294 Mason Street, and 405 Greenwich Street, Greenwich, CT 06830

Municipalities where proposed action might be located: Town of Greenwich

Project Description: Western Connecticut Council of Governments, in partnership with a private developer, will be using a remediation grant award for demolition, soil and groundwater cleanup, and limited site assessment for two adjacent projects, a 1.22-acre privately owned site at 275 Mason Street and 0.37-acre privately-owned site at 290 Mason Street in Greenwich, CT. These remediation efforts will collectively enable development of 75 housing units.

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 **February 20, 2026**.

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 **January 30, 2026**.

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

Name: Gregory Ambros

Agency: Department of Economic and Community Development

Address: 450 Columbus Boulevard, Hartford, CT 06103

E-Mail: Gregory.Ambros@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 Parsley

Agency: Department of Economic and Community Development

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

E-Mail: James.Parsley@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*.

Notice of Scoping for Exit 46, Route 15 Improvements

Address of possible location: Route 15 (Wilbur Cross Parkway) at Interchange 46, which connects to the subnetwork of Route 63 and Route 69. Project limits on Route 15 extend from approximately 1,450 feet south of Bridge No. 0071 (Route 15 over Route 63 - Log Mile 46.24) to the southern limits of the Heroes Tunnel (Log Mile 47.14)

Municipalities where proposed action might be located: New Haven and Woodbridge

Project Description: The project plans to install acceleration and deceleration lanes on Exit 46, which will improve safety, mobility, and connectivity on Route 15, and the immediate connections with Route 69 and Route 63. The project also proposes to construct a new loop ramp to access Route 15 northbound from Route 69. This will improve access to Route 15 northbound and reduce congestion on Route 69. The new loop ramp will also allow for the removal of the Pond Lily Avenue on-ramp currently being used to access Route 15 northbound and will eliminate a left turn movement on Route 69 currently used to access Route 15 northbound. Pond Lily Avenue will now allow both left turns and right turns at its intersection with Route 69.

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

Project Plans: [Click here](#) to view preliminary project plans

Written comments from the public are welcomed and will be accepted until the close of business on: **February 19, 2026.**

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

DATE: Tuesday, February 3, 2026 (Inclement Weather Date: February 10, 2026, 6:30 p.m.)

TIME: 6:30 p.m.

PLACE: New Haven Fire Training Academy, 230 Ella Grasso Boulevard, New Haven, CT 06519

NOTES: This event is in hybrid format, which can be accessed online or by telephone. The presentation will be shown both in-person and virtually, followed immediately by a question-and-answer (Q&A) session for all participants. Refer to the project webpage for details: portal.ct.gov/DOTNEWHAVEN0092-0689 Registration is required to participate virtually and will be available via the project website.

Persons with limited internet access may use the call-in number (877) 853-5257 and enter Meeting ID 845 8665 9721. Persons with limited internet access may also request that project information be mailed to them within one week of the meeting by contacting Mr. Jeffrey Pfaffinger, at (860) 594-2767 or Jeffrey.Pfaffinger@ct.gov.

Persons with hearing and/or speech disabilities may dial 711 for Telecommunications Relay Services (TRS). Language assistance may be requested by contacting CTDOT's Language Assistance Call Line (860) 594-2109. Requests should be made at least five 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. The meeting facility is ADA-accessible.

Non-English translation options will be available on Zoom and YouTube. The recording will also be available on CTDOT's YouTube Virtual Public Information Meeting playlist: <https://portal.ct.gov/ctdotvpmarchive>.

Additional information about the project can be viewed online at: portal.ct.gov/DOTNEWHAVEN0092-0689

Written comments and/or questions about the project or public scoping meeting should be sent to

Name: Mr. Jeffrey Pfaffinger, Project Manager

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

Address: 2800 Berlin Turnpike, Newington, CT 06131

E-Mail: Jeffrey.Pfaffinger@ct.gov

Phone: 860-594-2020

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

No notice for additional time has been submitted for publication in this edition.

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 about the regulations for a Post-Scoping Notice.](#)

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

Post-Scoping Notice for West Queen Street Water Main Interconnection

Address of Possible Project Location: West Queen Street from the intersection with Queen Street to the intersection with Newell Street in Southington, CT.

Municipality where it would be located: Southington

Connecticut Environmental Policy Act (CEPA) Determination: On September 16, 2025, the Department of Public Health (DPH) published a [Notice of Scoping](#) to solicit public comments for this proposed project in the *Environmental Monitor*.

Comments were received from the [Department of Energy and Environmental Protection \(DEEP\)](#) on October 15, 2025, during the open comment period. On October 21, 2025, DPH received the [applicant's responses to DEEP's comments](#). DPH reviewed DEEP's comments and the applicant's responses. DPH's assessment of the comments and responses are included in the [Environmental Review Checklist](#).

After consideration of the comments received, DPH 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 [Memo of Findings and Determination](#) and an [Environmental Review Checklist](#).

Agency contact:

Name: Eric McPhee

Agency: Department of Public Health, Planning & Drinking Water State Revolving Fund 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:

Agency: Department of Public Health, Hearing Office

Website: https://dphct.govqa.us/WEBAPP/_rs/

Email: DPH.foi@ct.gov

Phone: 860-566-5682

What Happens Next:

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*.

Post-Scoping Notice for Ridgefield High School and Middle School Interconnection

Address of Possible Project Location: Beginning at the intersection of North Salem and Craigmoor Road, continuing northwest along North Salem Road, and terminating at 700 North Salem Road in Ridgefield, CT.

Municipality where it would be located: Ridgefield

Connecticut Environmental Policy Act (CEPA) Determination: On September 2, 2025, the Department of Public Health (DPH) published a [Notice of Scoping](#) to solicit public comments for this proposed project in the *Environmental Monitor*.

Comments were received from the [Department of Energy and Environmental Protection \(DEEP\)](#) on October 2, 2025, during the open comment period. On November 3, 2025, DPH received the [applicant's responses to DEEP's comments](#). DPH reviewed DEEP's comments and the applicant's responses. DPH's assessment of the comments and responses are included in the [Environmental Review Checklist](#).

After consideration of the comments received, DPH 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 [Memo of Findings and Determination](#) and an [Environmental Review Checklist](#).

Agency contact:

Name: Eric McPhee
Agency: Department of Public Health, Planning & Drinking Water State Revolving Fund 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:

Agency: Department of Public Health, Hearing Office
Website: https://dphct.govqa.us/WEBAPP/_rs/
Email: DPH.foi@ct.gov
Phone: 860-566-5682

What Happens Next:

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*.

Post-Scoping Notice for Coventry Water Pollution Control Facility (WPCF)

Project Title: Coventry Water Pollution Control Facility Upgrade

Addresses of Possible Project Location: 394 Main St., Coventry, potentially with a transmission line to 2 Main St., Willimantic (via various potential routes: Route 31 to Route 32 to Route 6, OR crossing the Willimantic River [using either Jude Lane, Depot Road, or an easement area] to Route 32 to Route 6).

Municipalities where it would be located: Coventry, CT 06238, with a potential transmission line to Willimantic

Connecticut Environmental Policy Act (CEPA) Determination: On November 18, 2025, the Connecticut Department of Energy & Environmental Protection (CT DEEP) published a [Notice of Scoping](#) to solicit public comments for this proposed project in the *Environmental Monitor*.

A public scoping meeting was held on December 11, 2025.

Comments from the [Council of Environmental Quality](#) and the [Department of Public Health](#) were received during the public comment period.

CT DEEP's responses to all comments received are [here](#). After consideration of the comments received, CT DEEP has determined **to proceed with the preparation of an Environmental Impact Evaluation (EIE)**.

Agency contact:

Name: Robin Rittgers
Agency: Water Planning & Management Division, Bureau of Water Protection and Land Reuse, Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection, CT DEEP
Address: 79 Elm Street, Hartford, CT 06106-5127
Phone: 860.424.3791
E-Mail: Robin.Rittgers@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: Brenda Antuna
Agency: Office of the Commissioner, CT DEEP
Address: 79 Elm Street, Hartford, CT 06106-5127
Phone: 860.424.3320
E-Mail: Brenda.Antuna@ct.gov

What Happens Next: CT DEEP will proceed with the preparation of an EIE for the project. When an EIE is completed, a notice of the availability of the EIE will be published in a future edition of 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, which is called an [Environmental Impact Evaluation \(EIE\)](#). [Read more about the regulations for an Environmental Impact Evaluation](#).

The following EIE Notice has been submitted for publication in this edition.

Revised Notice of an Environmental Impact Evaluation (EIE) for a Regional Composting Facility in Kent CT

Revised: DEEP has extended the dates for public comments. Requests for a public hearing will be accepted until **January 30, 2026**. Public comments will be accepted until **March 6, 2026**.

Addresses of Possible Project Location: 38 and 44 Maple Street, Kent CT 06757

Municipality where proposed action is to be located: Kent

Project Description: Utilizing a grant award from the State of Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) through its Materials Management and Infrastructure Grant Program, the Housatonic Resources Recovery Authority (HRRA) proposes to site an in-vessel composting unit at the Kent transfer station where food scraps are collected. The in-vessel unit will be solar powered. HRRA believes that municipalities can create a closed-loop sustainable composting system to manage food waste locally, reducing the carbon footprint of offsite disposal and contributing to the waste diversion goals of the state. On behalf of Kent, the HRRA is currently in discussions to expand collection with neighboring adjacent, non-HRRA member communities to bring their material for processing therefore expanding the municipalities being served beyond HRRA. In addition, food scraps collected from the satellite metroSTOR containers in the Northern HRRA region will be transported to the Kent transfer station, rather than trucking to more distant processing facilities. This infrastructure will improve, expand, and provide waste reduction for organics management services to this part of the region and beyond. In addition, this will significantly reduce the carbon footprint of food scraps collection and reduce the operating cost to the Town.

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

Scoping Notice and Post Scoping Notice: DEEP published a Scoping Notice on [May 20, 2025](#), and a Post-Scoping Notice on [July 22, 2025](#), for the proposed project in the Environmental Monitor.

Comments on this EIE will be accepted until the close of business on: **March 6, 2026**.

The public can view a copy of the EIE [here](#) or at the following locations:

Kent Town Clerk's Office, 41 Kent Green Boulevard (Town Hall), Kent CT

Kent Memorial Library, 32 North Main Street, Kent CT

If a public hearing is requested by twenty-five or more persons, or by an association having not less than twenty-five persons, the sponsoring agency will schedule a public hearing on the EIE. Such requests for a public hearing must be made by contacting DEEP identified below by **January 30, 2026**.

Written comments or questions about the EIE, or to request a public hearing, please contact:

Name: Elizabeth Moore

Agency: Department of Energy and Environmental Protection

Address: 79 Elm Street, Hartford CT 06010

E-Mail: Elizabeth.Moore@ct.gov

Inquiries and requests to view or copy documents, pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, must be submitted to the following contact:

Name: Elizabeth Moore

Agency: Department of Energy and Environmental Protection

Address: 79 Elm Street, Hartford, CT 06106

Phone: 860-424-3467

E-Mail: Elizabeth.Moore@ct.gov

What Happens Next:

DEEP will review the comments received and may conduct further environmental study and analysis or amend the evaluation. DEEP will prepare responses to the substantive issues raised in review of and comment on the EIE and any supplemental materials or amendments. Those responses and all supplemental materials and comments shall be made available in a "Record of Decision", which will appear in the *Environmental Monitor* for public inspection.

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 about the regulations for a Record of Decision.](#)

The following Record of Decision Notices have been submitted for publication in this edition.

Record of Decision for Town of Manchester Regional Composting Facility and Recycling Infrastructure

Addresses of Possible Project Locations: 263 & 311 Olcott Street, Manchester, CT 06040

Municipality where proposed action is to be located: Town of Manchester

Project Description: Utilizing a grant award from the State of Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) through its MMI Grant Program, the Town of Manchester proposes to construct a food waste receiving and processing facility to manage collected food wastes, which will be Phase I of a proposed food scrap recycling program. The facility will be sized to process food scraps from the municipal collection program as well as other municipal, institutional, residential, retail, wholesale, and commercial sources; it is anticipated that this facility will serve as a regional food waste collection point for municipalities east of the Connecticut River. The Town also proposes the construction of an aerated static pile (ASP) composting facility to compost collected food wastes with leaves and mixed yard wastes. This facility will be Phase II of a proposed onsite food scrap recycling program. Presently, it is

anticipated that the ASP facility could manage up to 2,000 tons per year of food waste but will also be expandable to manage future demand. Finally, the Town proposes the procurement and installation of new equipment to collect and process (i.e., bale) residential plastic film collected at the municipal transfer station as well as from other municipalities in the region.

Connecticut Environmental Policy Act (CEPA) Determination: On November 18, 2025, DEEP published a [Notice of Availability](#) of an Environmental Impact Evaluation, in accordance with Section 22a-1d of CEPA, in the *Environmental Monitor*.

Comments were received from the Council on Environmental Quality. DEEP has prepared responses to the substantive issues raised in the comments on the EIE and on supplemental materials or amendments. DEEP's responses and conclusion are documented in the [Record of Decision](#) for the proposed action.

Agency contact:

Name: Elizabeth Moore

Agency: Department of Energy and Environmental Protection

Address: 79 Elm Street, Hartford CT 06106

Phone: 860-424-3567

E-Mail: Elizabeth.Moore@ct.gov

Inquiries and requests to view and or copy documents, pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, must be submitted to the above agency contact.

What happens next: The Department of Energy and Environmental Protection has submitted the Record of Decision to the Office of Policy and Management (OPM) for review. Notice of OPM's determination regarding the Record of Decision will appear in a future edition of the *Environmental Monitor*.

Record of Decision for Building a Regional Composting Facility for Southeastern Connecticut

Address of Possible Project Location: 132 Military Highway (Route 12), Preston, CT 06365

Municipality where proposed action is to be located: Preston, CT

Project Description: Utilizing a grant award from the State of Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) through its MMI Grant Program, the Southeastern Connecticut Regional Resources Recovery Authority (SCRRRA) proposes to construct and operate the first large-scale aerobic food waste composting facility in southeastern Connecticut, fulfilling an infrastructure need in an historically underserved region. The facility will utilize an innovative hybrid compost system, combining aerated static pile (ASP) processing with open windrows for curing, resulting in quicker composting times and reduced operational costs. The facility will be situated on approximately six acres of land owned by the Authority at 132 Military Highway (Route 12) in the town of Preston. It is anticipated that the volume of source-separated organics diverted will be approximately 5,500 tons per year, and the anticipated volume of wood waste diverted will be approximately 8,500 tons per year.

Local zoning approval for the facility has been acquired, and the required state-level solid waste permit application is currently under review by DEEP. A robust environmental justice public participation plan has also been developed and approved by DEEP, in consideration of Preston's status as a distressed municipality.

Connecticut Environmental Policy Act (CEPA) Determination: On November 18, 2025, DEEP published a [Notice of Availability](#) of an Environmental Impact Evaluation (EIE) in accordance with Section 22a-1d of CEPA, in the *Environmental Monitor*.

[Comments](#) were received from the Council on Environmental Quality and a [comment and DEEP's response](#) from the State Historic Preservation Office. DEEP has prepared responses to the substantive issues raised in the comments on the EIE and on supplemental materials or amendments. DEEP's responses and conclusion are documented in the [Record of Decision](#) for the proposed action.

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What happens next: The Department of Energy and Environmental Protection has submitted the Record of Decision to the Office of Policy and Management (OPM) for review. Notice of OPM's determination regarding the Record of Decision will appear in a future edition of the *Environmental Monitor*.

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 about the regulations for a Determination of Adequacy](#).

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 land transfer process](#).

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CEPA Project Inventory

The Office of Policy and Management (OPM) maintains a [list of projects that have entered the CEPA process](#). It shows each project's status.

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