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Re: Connecticut Army National Guard (CTARNG) Facility Alteration and Addition –
139 Tower Avenue, Groton.

Dear Mr. Dollak,

The Council on Environmental Quality (Council) received a letter regarding the CTARNG's planned Environmental Assessment of the proposed alterations and additions to the existing 1109th Theater Aviation Support Maintenance Group facility located at 139 Tower Avenue in Groton.

The Council notes that the proposed project area is located within a Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) Natural Diversity Database (NDDDB) buffer area¹, which indicates the potential presence of state-listed species. The Council also notes that the project site might be located within a flood zone. The Council recommends that the CTARNG's Environmental Assessment include 1) the identification and assessment of any state-listed species that might be impacted by the proposed alterations and additions, and 2) an evaluation of how the projected increase in sea-level and associated flood risk might impact the proposed project.

Thank you for your consideration of the Council's comments.

Sincerely,

Paul Aresta
Executive Director

¹ <https://portal.ct.gov/deep/nddb/natural-diversity-data-base-and-environmental-reviews>