

STATE OF CONNECTICUT

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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

December 15, 2023

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RE: **PETITION NO. 1577** - The Connecticut Light and Power Company d/b/a Eversource Energy Declaratory Ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the Frost Bridge to Noera Rebuild Project consisting of the replacement and reconductoring of electric transmission line structures along approximately 5 miles of its existing electric transmission line right-of-way shared by its existing 115-kilovolt (kV) 1163 and 1550 Lines between Frost Bridge Substation in Watertown to Noera Substation in Waterbury, traversing the municipalities of Watertown, Thomaston, Plymouth and Waterbury, Connecticut, and related electric transmission line and substation improvements. **Request for Project Changes.**

Dear Deborah Denfeld:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) is in receipt of your correspondence dated December 13, 2023 regarding project changes for the above-referenced Declaratory Ruling issued by the Council on September 1, 2023, as follows:

- a) Install temporary gravel access (in lieu of matted access) from the edge of the driveway pavement to the work pad at Structure 691;
- b) Relocate the access between Structure 699 and 700 from the east side of the ROW to the west side of the ROW; and
- c) Reduce the size of the stone work pad at Structure 699.

Pursuant to Condition No. 1 of the Council's September 1, 2023 Declaratory Ruling, the specified requests for project changes are hereby approved. This approval applies only to the project changes in the correspondence dated December 13, 2023.

Please be advised that deviations from the standards established by the Council in the Declaratory Ruling are enforceable under the provisions of Connecticut General Statutes §16-50u.

Thank you for your attention and cooperation.

Sincerely,

Melanie Bachman Executive Director

MB/MP
cc: Kathleen Shanley, Eversource Energy (Kathleen.shanley@eversource.com)



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December 13, 2023

Melanie Bachman, Esq. Executive Director Connecticut Siting Council Ten Franklin Square New Britain, CT 06051

Re: PETITION NO. 1577 - The Connecticut Light and Power Company d/b/a Eversource Energy petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the proposed Frost Bridge to Noera Rebuild Project consisting of the replacement and reconductoring of electric transmission line structures along approximately 5 miles of its existing electric transmission line right-of-way shared by its existing 115-kilovolt (kV) 1163 and 1550 Lines between Frost Bridge Substation in Watertown to Noera Substation in Waterbury, traversing the municipalities of Watertown, Thomaston, Plymouth and Waterbury, Connecticut, and related electric transmission line and substation improvements. **Request for minor project changes.**

Dear Attorney Bachman:

On September 1, 2023, the Connecticut Siting Council ("Council") ruled that the above referenced Petition would not have a substantial adverse environmental effect and would not require a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need. Condition 1 of the ruling indicates any project changes be delegated to Council staff for approval. The following changes are proposed;

After consulting with the property owner-and obtaining an off right of way ("ROW") access agreement the following minor change is proposed;

• In lieu of the matted access from the driveway to Structure 691, the Project would install a temporary gravel access from the edge of the driveway pavement to the work pad at Structure 691. The gravel access would eliminate a difficult transition from the driveway to the curbing then onto the matting. The access will be installed within a maintained lawn area and then later restored to its original condition. The change in access location is depicted on revised Map Sheet 6, as attached.

After further evaluation of the access road between Structures 699 and 700, and the work pad at Structure 699 the following minor project changes are proposed;

 Relocate the access between Structures 699 and 700 from the east side of the ROW to the west side of the ROW. Upon further evaluation of the proposed east side stream crossing, it was determined that the stream bank soils are unstable and installing a matted span at this location would pose a safety risk and potentially cause impact to the stream banks. The proposed west side access road would span the stream at a more suitable location where the stream is narrower, and the banks are more stable. The revised access road location is depicted on revised Map Sheet 8.

• The shape of the proposed stone work pad at Structure 699 will be modified to eliminate a temporary wetland impact, with a reduction in the overall size of the work pad. See revised Map Sheet 8.

All of the above changes are located within the City of Waterbury. Municipal officials and the abutters have been notified of the proposed minor project changes. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions regarding this request.

Sincerely,

Deborah Denfeld

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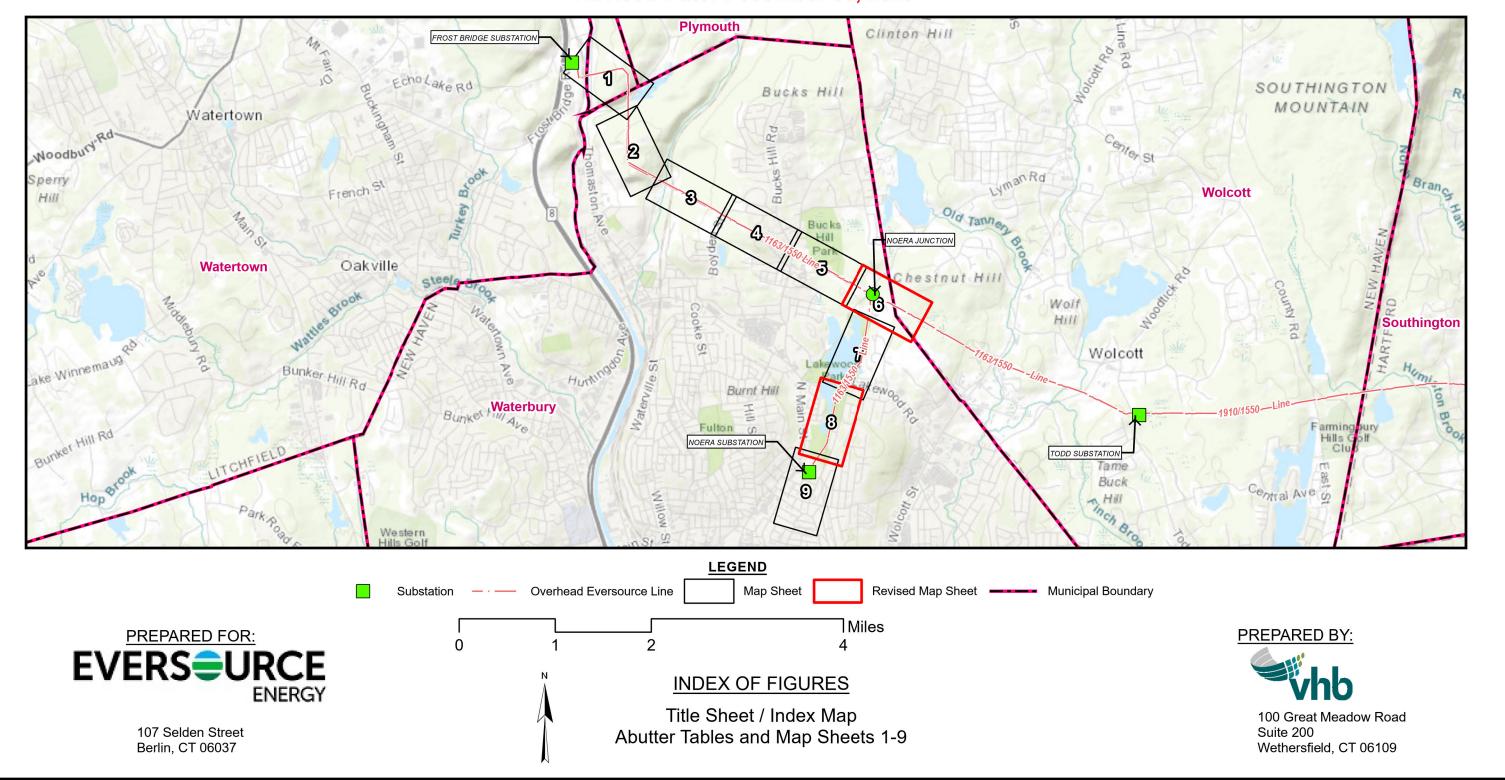
Attachments: Revised Map Sheets 6 and 8

Frost Bridge to Noera Rebuild Project

Watertown, Thomaston, and Waterbury, CT Petition Map Set

Date: May 18, 2023

Revised Date: December 08, 2023



Mapsheet 6 of 9
Frost Bridge to Noera Rebuild Project
1163/1550 Line Structure 24-26 and 691
City of Waterbury, Connecticut

AREA OF DESCRIPTION

Existing Land Use & Resource Areas

- o Residential
- o Commercial Maintained Lawns and Driveway
- o Eversource Owned Property
- o Undeveloped, Forest
- o Undeveloped Residential Subdivision

RIGHT-OF-WAY DESCRIPTION

Right-of-Way Land Use & Resource Areas

- o Maintained ROW
- o Eversource Owned Property at Str. 25/25A/690/691
- o Undeveloped Residential Subdivision Adjacent to Str. 24/24A

Water Resources

- o Wetland W-21A, W-22A, W-23, W-24, W-25, W-26
- o Wetland Cover Type Scrub-Shrub, Forested, Riverine
- o Watercourse S-11, S-12, S-13, S-14 (Intermittent)
- o Vernal Pool W-24

Wetland and Watercourse Crossing

- o W-21A/W-22A/W-25 Timber Mat Construction Pad at Str. 25/25A/690
- o W-26 Timber Mat Access Road and Construction Pad at Str. 691
- o S-11/S-12/S-13 Timber Mat Construction Pad at Str. 25/25A/690
- o S-14 Timber Mat Access Road and Construction Pad at Str. 691

Right-of-Way Vegetation

- o Forest
- o Scrub-Shrub
- o Maintained Lawn

Access

o Existing Access from Farmwood Road

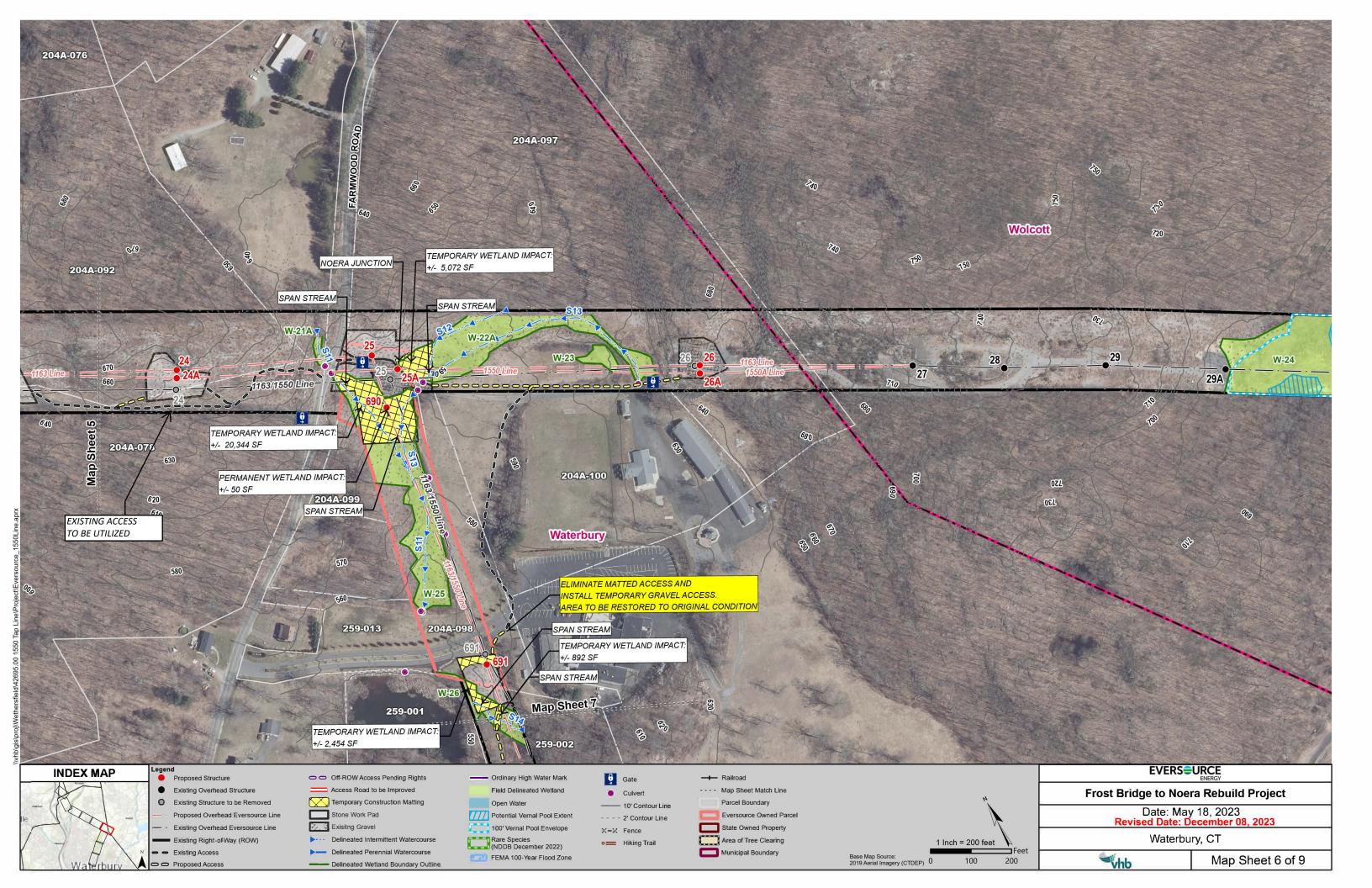
Road Crossings

o Farmwood Road

Existing Maintained Right-of-Way Width / Proposed Right-of-Way Clearing

- o Maintained Corridor is approximately 250 feet from Str. 24 to Str. 26 / 0 square feet
- o Maintained Corridor is approximately 115 feet from Str. 690 to Str. 691 / 0 feet

ABUTTERS TO PROJECT RIGHT-OF-WAY							
Abutter Number	Owner First Name	Owner Last Name	Parcel Address	Town	State		
204A-076	FARMWOOD DEVELOPMENTS LLC		MONTOE RD	WATERBURY	СТ		
204A-078	FARMWOOD DEVELOPMENTS LLC		FARMWOOD RD	WATERBURY	СТ		
204A-092	MUCCIARO NICHOLAS JR		FARMWOOD RD	WATERBURY	СТ		
204A-097	DIPRIMIO JOHN T, EDWARD C	ROBERT C & JANICE M TEN-COM	FARMWOOD RD	WATERBURY	СТ		
204A-098	CONNECTICUT LIGHT AND POWER COMPANY		FARMWOOD RD	WATERBURY	СТ		
204A-099	TROSAN MEGHAN C		436 FARMWOOD RD	WATERBURY	СТ		
204A-100	PONTELANDOLFO COMMUNITY OF WATERBURY INC		380 FARMWOOD RD	WATERBURY	СТ		
259-001	EAST FARMWOOD LLC	C/O NICK RINALDI,PONTELANDOLFO CLUB	FARMWOOD RD	WATERBURY	СТ		
259-002	PONTELANDOLFO COMMUNITY OF WATERBURY INC		FARMWOOD RD	WATERBURY	СТ		
259-013	PONTELANDOLFO COMMUNITY OF WATERBURY INC		FARMWOOD RD	WATERBURY	СТ		



Mapsheet 8 of 9
Frost Bridge to Noera Rebuild Project
1163/1550 Line Structure 699-703
City of Waterbury, Connecticut

AREA OF DESCRIPTION

Existing Land Use & Resource Areas

- o Residential
- o 100-Year Flood Zone of Great Brook Reservoir
- o Great Brook Reservoir
- o Undeveloped, Forest
- o City Mills Park

RIGHT-OF-WAY DESCRIPTION

Right-of-Way Land Use & Resource Areas

- o Maintained ROW
- o Residential Properties Adjacent to Str. 702/702A
- o 100-Year Flood Zone of Great Brook Reservoir south of Str. 700
- o Great Brook Reservoir south of Str. 700

Water Resources

- o Wetland W-30, W-31, W-33, W-34
- o Wetland Cover Type Scrub-Shrub, Forested, Riverine, Lacustrine
- o Watercourse S-20
- o Vernal Pool None

Wetland and Watercourse Crossing

o W-29/W-33 - Timber Mat Access Road for Str. 700

Right-of-Way Vegetation

- o Forest
- o Scrub-Shrub

Access

- o Existing Access from Lakewood Road
- o Existing Access from Noera Street

Road Crossings

o None

Existing Maintained Right-of-Way Width / Proposed Right-of-Way Clearing o Maintained Corridor is approximately 115 feet / 0 square feet

ABUTTERS TO PROJECT RIGHT-OF-WAY									
Abutter Number	Owner First Name	Owner Last Name	Parcel Address	Town	State				
259-003	CITY OF WATERBURY	LAKEWOOD PARK	129 LAKEWOOD RD	WATERBURY	СТ				
259-005	CITY OF WATERBURY	LAKEWOOD PARK	LAKEWOOD RD	WATERBURY	СТ				
259-006	CITY OF WATERBURY		LAKEWOOD RD	WATERBURY	СТ				
259-007	CITY OF WATERBURY	CITY MILLS PARK	42 CITY MILLS LN	WATERBURY	СТ				
259-016	RINALDI JOHN L	ELAINE RICHARD	CONNECTICUT AVE	WATERBURY	СТ				
259-031	DEFILIO ANDREW		CONNECTICUT AVE	WATERBURY	СТ				
259-032	RINALDI JOHN A ELAINE RICHARD	JOHN RINALDI	CONNECTICUT AVE	WATERBURY	СТ				
259-035	RUBBO LEONARDO		CONNECTICUT AVE	WATERBURY	СТ				
259-051	CITY OF WATERBURY		CONNECTICUT AVE	WATERBURY	CT				

