

Docket No. 272 – Development and Management Plan Inspection

The Connecticut Light and Power Company Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction of a new 345-kV electric transmission line and associated facilities between Scovill Rock Switching Station in Middletown and Norwalk Substation in Norwalk, Connecticut, including reconstruction of portions of existing 115-kV and 345-kV electric transmission line, the construction of Beseck Switching Station in Wallingford, East Devon Substation in Milford, (and Singer Substation in Bridgeport), modifications at Scovill Rock Switching Station and Norwalk Substation, and the reconfiguration of certain interconnections.

Segment 3 Underground Line

Date: November 28, 2007

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Location: East Devon Substation to the Housatonic River Crossing

Rain Event: 0.91” of precipitation was reported since the previous inspection, with 0.78” of the total recorded on 11/26. (Bridgeport, CT NOAA data).

Areas of Inspection	Observation	Recommended Action	Corrected Action
Access Roads and Adjacent Roadways	The ROW between sta. #1051 to #1080 was stable. Stone construction entrance remains in place near #1051. The stone entrance near sta. #1080 has deteriorated due to activity on the overhead lines. 11/28/07	Continue to monitor and maintain the access and refresh stone as necessary. This responsibility should be coordinated with overhead contractors since their equipment is active here. 11/28/07	Not Applicable (NA) (See 2B report for details).
Vault Openings and Trench Construction	This segment of the project is currently inactive. Only a few areas of trenching remain to be completed in this segment. Overhead line work was noted on the portion of ROW that overlaps Segment 3. 11/28/07	None. 11/28/07	NA
Erosion and Sediment Controls	Filter fabric or filter socks remain in catch basins that are down-gradient of/ adjacent to remaining areas of exposed soil. 11/28/07	Continue place a gutter buddy (or similar) in any catch basins with a curb/gutter drop inlet to prevent sediment from entering basin. 11/28/07	Catch basins were protected.(proactively)
	Saw cutting slurry has the potential to enter catch basins. Issues were not observed this week (no active work). 11/28/07	Continue to prevent slurry from entering catch basins and sensitive areas, by quickly attending to it as it is generated. 11/28/07	No issues noted but needs regular attention.

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<p>Milford lay-down yard</p>	<p>Any exposed soils have potential for airborne dust migration. Contractors are aware of the potential. 11/28/07</p>	<p>Prevent dust migration by implementing dust control measures. If exposed soils are not to be worked within 21 days, they should be temporarily stabilized. 11/28/07</p>	<p>NA</p>
	<p>The soil on the slope near sta. #1049 (vault #3) which had been exposed (noted 7/5) remains temporarily stabilized with hard-pack and barrier controls (since 7/25). 11/28/07</p>	<p>Continue to monitor the area for run-off and erosion until it is permanently stabilized. 11/28/07</p>	<p>NA</p>
	<p>A paved berm remains at the top of the slope near sta. #1080 to proactively divert stormwater to a catch basin (noted 7/19). 11/28/07</p>	<p>Continue to monitor to ensure diverted stormwater does not affect neighboring properties. See vegetative clearing section for more details. 11/28/07</p>	<p>The slope needs final restoration. (Contractors will be working on a future plan)</p>
	<p>The stone berm that has been installed in an effort to reduce the accumulation of fine sediment to the entrance to the yard continues to function as intended. 11/28/07</p> <p>A small section of silt fence near the entrance to the yard is sagging but continues to function. The area is partially vegetated and stable. Some sections of silt fence along the south side of the yard are also sagging 10/25-11/28/07</p>	<p>Monitor to ensure the effectiveness of the stone berm during rain events. Remove accumulated sediment outside of yard if vegetation continues to be sparse. 11/28/07</p> <p>When feasible, repair sagging sections of silt fence. 10/25-11/28/07</p>	<p>NA</p> <p>Needs attention when feasible.</p>
<p>Inland Wetland and Watercourse encroachment and mitigation</p>	<p>Inland Wetland resource areas are located near station from #1012 to 1021, # 1051, and #1053. Stations #1117 to 1118 are located in a resource area. 11/28/07</p>	<p>Monitor resource areas to ensure that non-permitted encroachment or impacts do not occur 11/28/07</p>	<p>NA</p>

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Staging, Storage, and Parking Areas	A contractor lay-down yard is located in Milford off of Shelland St. Stone is in place throughout the yard to reduce mud and subsequent tracking. Yard has been idle for several weeks as work has shifted to other areas of the project. 11/28/07	See erosion control section and spills and material storage section for more details. Contain material within established storage area and limits of the yard. 11/28/07	NA
Soils	During active work, soils are exposed as part of the excavation for trench, vault, and utility work. 11/28/07	Soils appear to have been handled appropriately. No active work at this time. 11/28/07	NA
State species of concern, threatened and endangered species.	According to the D&M plan, state-listed species are not located in this work area.	None.	NA
Vegetative clearing (including trees to save or danger trees noted) or stabilization	Turf grass, hay mulch and the planted sapling remain at sta. #1049 (vault #3) in an effort to restore pre-construction conditions. 11/28/07	Continue to monitor turf grass for viability and permanently stabilize the mulched area. See erosion control section for more details. 11/28/07	NA at this time
	The exposed soil along the slope near sta. #1080 has naturally vegetated (approximately 90% coverage). 11/28/07	Coordinate final restoration plans with the landowner. 11/28/07	Final restoration needed.
	Vegetation is beginning to cover the exposed soils located outside of the Milford lay-down yard. The stone berm remains in place. 11/28/07	Continue to monitor until exposed soils are permanently stabilized. 11/28/07	Continue to monitor.
Dewatering	Dewatering activities were not observed during this week's inspection, as there were no areas of active construction. 11/28/07	None. If dewatering needs to occur, ensure that it is contained appropriately and filtered as per the D&M plan. 11/28/07	NA
Blasting	No blasting has been proposed. 11/28/07	None 11/28/07	NA
Spills and Material Storage	Reserve spill cleanup materials/kits were	Continue to bring spill kits to active work sites.	NA

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	<p>observed in the storage yard. 11/28/07</p> <p>Material (gravel) was overtopping the established storage bins, beyond the perimeter controls of the yard. (noted since 4/25) 11/28/07</p>	<p>11/28/07</p> <p>Contractors stated the materials will be removed when the area is restored. 11/28/07</p>	<p>Needs attention when the yard is restored.</p>
Additional Observations	<p>Minor ruts were noted near sta #1015 to #1020 (vault #1) following the removal of construction equipment not related to the M/N project. 11/28/07</p> <p>Minor sediment tracking remains along Caswell Street (however it is not associated with this portion of the project). The catch basin is not protected. 11/15-11/28/07</p>	<p>The horizontal directional drilling crew is expected to begin work in this area within the next few weeks. 11/28/07</p> <p>Sediment appears to be related to the M/N overhead work. Responsibility for maintaining catch basin controls will need to be shifted to overhead crews. 11/15-11/28/07</p>	<p>NA at this time.</p> <p>Non-jurisdictional to this D&M plan. See the 2B report.</p>

Next likely scheduled inspection:

Wednesday December 5, 2007

I have personally examined and am familiar with the information submitted in this document and all attachments and certify that based on reasonable investigation, including my inquiry of those individuals responsible for obtaining the information, the submitted information is true, accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief, and I understand that any false statements made in this document or its attachments may be punishable as a criminal offense in accordance with Section 22a-6 under Section 53a-157 of the Connecticut General Statutes.

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Sediment accumulation continues along Caswell Street and the catch basin is not protected. The tracking is not associated with this portion of the project. This responsibility should be coordinated with overhead contractors. See the 2B report.



Shelland Street yard remains inactive as work has shifted to other areas of the project. Work in this segment is expected to return within the next few weeks.