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Long Island Sound Inventory and Blue Plan Advisory Committee December 7, 2017 10:00AM – 12:00 PM Acton Public Library Old Saybrook, CT

AGENDA

10:00 Welcome, Introductions and Updates

Brian Thompson, Director, CT Department of Energy & Environmental Protection (DEEP) Land & Water Resources Division

• CT National Estuarine Research Reserve, Northeast and Mid-Atlantic Regional Ocean Plan, New York Ocean Plan updates; additional Blue Plan resources; LIS Caucus Congressional event; DEEP renewable energy RFP

10:15 Inventory Progress

Sylvain De Guise, Connecticut Sea Grant Nathan Frohling, The Nature Conservancy Sector Experts

- Summary of Ecological Expert and Human Use Sector webinars
- Inventory Progress by Sector; chapter write-ups
- Analysis of data gaps and potential additional data sets, spatial and non-spatial
- Ecological Characterization Work Team
- Ecologically Significant Areas and Blue Plan timeline

10:55 Policy Updates

Brian Thompson, DEEP

- Policy Committee conclusions on decision tools and siting/performance standards approach
- Refinements to Compatibility Matrices
- Future steps, overall timeline and intermediate deadlines

11:20 Stakeholders, Outreach, and Messaging

Christian Fox, The Nature Conservancy Emily Hall, DEEP

- Outreach to general interest, "non-data" groups
- Social media, website, and fact sheets
- Messaging initiatives, identify needs
- Timing and content of first official public hearing

11:45 Public Comment Period

12:00 Administrative Follow-Up and Adjourn