



March 19, 2025

1-4 UNIT WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

Pursuant to Part 440 of Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations, the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) is in the process of updating the state's Program Year 2025 Plan for administering a 1-4 unit Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP) for low-income persons (proposed WAP State Plan) and is holding two public hearings. The draft of the proposed WAP State Plan can be found at: www.ct.gov/deep/weatherization. The hybrid public hearings on this Plan will be held on Friday, April 4, 2025 from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and from 4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. ET.

VERBAL COMMENTS

By way of this Notice, DEEP is providing an opportunity for interested people to provide verbal comments on the draft of the proposed WAP State Plan. Verbal comments may be provided on Friday, April 4, 2025, at the public hearings on the WAP State Plan.

Hearing 1 Date & Time: Friday, April 4, 2025 from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. ET.

Hearing 1 Location: Hearing Room 1 (first floor), 10 Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut 06051 (parking validation in the adjacent parking garage will be provided). Or to attend virtually use the following ZOOM link:

<https://ctdeep.zoom.us/meeting/register/Q4n-eifuRkqvdpU6ZXz9Xw>

Hearing 2 Date & Time: Friday, April 4, 2025 from 4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. ET.

Hearing 2 Location: Hearing Room 2 (first floor), 10 Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut 06051 (parking validation in the adjacent parking garage will be provided). Or to attend virtually use the following ZOOM link:

<https://ctdeep.zoom.us/meeting/register/ub6nuJO0SoaPJp4r9FyoDA>



WRITTEN COMMENTS

By way of this Notice, DEEP is also providing an opportunity for interested people to submit written comments on the draft of the proposed WAP State Plan. Written comments may be filed on or before **April 11, 2025, by 11:59 p.m. ET**. Written comments must be e-mailed to deep.energybureau@ct.gov or sent via US Mail to DEEP's Bureau of Energy and Technology Policy, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, CT 06051. All comments and materials submitted by stakeholders in this proceeding will be posted on the DEEP website. Any questions may be directed to the DEEP Bureau of Energy and Technology Policy at DEEP.Weatherization@ct.gov.

All Comments on the draft CT WAP State Plan are encouraged. DEEP also specifically invites responses to the following questions:

1) Across the country, WAP programs allocate anywhere between 15% to 25% of the Program Operations budget to address Health and Safety concerns listed in the federal Department of Energy's (DOE's) guidance, [WPN 22-7](#). In Connecticut, historically, DEEP has limited the health and safety budget to 15% of Program Operations, with the rest supporting the installation of energy efficiency measures.

Should CT WAP increase the health and safety allocation? If so, to what percent should the health & safety allocation be raised, and is there data to justify this increase?

2) Currently, CT WAP is in the process of reapplying to use the Weatherization Assistant Web-based energy modeling tool. As part of that process, CT WAP is reevaluating which Energy Conservation Measures are allowed within CT WAP. CT WAP currently is limited to the measures specifically listed in [10 CFR 440 Appendix A](#). CT WAP is also considering additional measures such as, but not limited to:

- LED Lighting
- Air Conditioning Repair/Replacement
- Refrigerator Repair/Replacement
- Heating, Ventilation & Air Conditioning (HVAC) Tune or Repair/Replacement
- Domestic Hot Water System Repair/Replace
- Water conservation measures
- Heat Pumps for space conditioning
- Heat Pump Hot Water Heaters
- Solar

Should DEEP prioritize any or all of the measures listed above for inclusion in CT WAP? Why or why not?



Are there other technologies that DEEP should consider for inclusion? If so, please provide studies or data to support the energy conservation and/or energy cost savings of recommended technologies?

3) CT WAP is currently allocated a portion of funding for Weatherization Readiness Activities. These activities are limited to the activities listed in the CT WAP Weatherization Readiness Funds (WRF) State Plan including: roof repair, wall repair (interior or exterior), ceiling repair, floor repair, foundation or subspace repair, exterior drainage repairs (e.g., landscaping or gutters), plumbing repairs, electrical repairs, clean-up or remediation beyond typical scope of WAP, lead paint remediation, asbestos remediation (confirmed or suspected, including vermiculite), and mold and/or moisture barriers.

Are there additional health and safety barriers to weatherization that are regularly encountered? If so, what other barriers are common in Connecticut and what research or data can provide supporting evidence?

Notice filed with the Secretary of State on March 15, 2025.

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