



## Connecticut Equity and Environmental Justice Advisory Council (CEEJAC)

**Monday, December 15, 2025 | 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM**

**Location: Mattatuck Museum, 144 W Main St Waterbury, CT**

**Registration is Required to attend:**

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*Parking and Tour instructions will be emailed after your registration is confirmed*

### Description

Connecticut Equity and Environmental Justice Advisory Council (CEEJAC) will be hosting their annual retreat and winter meeting on **Monday, December 15, 2025**, in Waterbury, CT. CEEJAC is an advisory council to the Commissioner of DEEP on historical and current environmental injustices across the state. The annual retreat and winter meeting provides an opportunity for an end of year reflection and look ahead. We host our meeting in an EJ Community in order to learn about the history of place and the community there. We also break bread together, deepen relationships, and prep for the upcoming year.

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This is a public meeting and will be recorded and posted on the [Connecticut Equity and Environmental Justice Advisory Council](#) website.

### Quarterly Meeting Agenda

<b>Moderated EJ Community Tour of Waterbury</b> <i>Participants will drive to five different locations across the city and meet community leaders and local entities to learn about historical and current environmental injustices.</i>  <b>1. <a href="#">Adams St Development Project</a></b> <b>NEST Adams St is a redevelopment project for homeowners that combines modern builds and energy efficiency models.</b> <i>Maybeth Morales-Davis, Deputy Director</i> <i>📍 8 Adams St, Waterbury</i>  <b>2. <a href="#">Naugatuck River Revival Clean Up Project</a></b> <b>Community-Based Organization Clean Up</b> <i>Kevin Zak, President NRRG</i> <i>📍 Platt Park: Intersection of S Main St and Platts Mill Rd</i>  <b>3. <a href="#">The New Mix</a></b> <b>CTDOT's vision for the future of the I-84/Route 8 "Mixmaster" interchange</b>	10:00 – 12:30 PM
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<p><i>Jonathan Dean, DOT Project Manager</i>  <i>📍 Riverside Cemetery: 496 Riverside St</i></p> <p><b>4. Former Waterbury Buttons Factory</b>  <b>Regional Brownfields Partnership and Waterbury Development Corporation’s project to assess, plan, and cleanup for redevelopment of the site as mixed-used housing and commercial space.</b>  <i>Ricardo Rodriguez, Brownfield Program Director NVCOG</i>  <i>📍 835 S Main St</i></p> <p><b>5. Industrial History in Naugatuck Valley: Air Emissions, Enforcement, and Clean Up</b>  <i>Jaimeson Sinclair, DEEP Air Bureau</i>  <i>📍 Mattatuck Museum: 144 W Main St</i></p>	
<p><b>Lunch   Opening Remarks (at Mattatuck Museum)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Opening Remarks from Sarah Huang, Director of EJ at CT DEEP</li> <li>• Welcome from <b>Waterbury Mayor Pernerewski, Jr</b></li> </ul>	<p>12:30 – 1:15 PM  45 mins</p>
<p><b>Review of CEEJAC and What DEEP is Looking Forward to</b>  Commissioner Katie Dykes</p>	<p>1:15 – 1:45 PM  30 mins</p>
<p><b>Council Activities: Evaluation Exercise</b>  <i>Join one of CEEJAC’s five subcommittees to conduct a rapid evaluation exercise. After subcommittees have had a chance to review, we will join as a larger group to discuss the evaluation results and conduct a larger reflection on the council’s work and operations.</i></p> <p><b>CEEJAC Subcommittees and Chairs:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Air &amp; Transportation Subcommittee</b> led by Robbie Goodrich and Alex Rodriguez</li> <li>• <b>Waste Subcommittee</b> led by Adrienne Farrar Houel and Diane Lauricella</li> <li>• <b>Water Subcommittee</b> led by Cierra Patrick and Ashley Stewart</li> <li>• <b>Land Subcommittee</b> led by Yaw Darko and Jhoni Ada</li> <li>• <b>Energy &amp; Technology Subcommittee</b> led by Jayson Velazquez and Kendall Keelen</li> </ul>	<p>1:45 – 3:00 PM  75 mins</p>
<p><b>Break</b></p>	<p>3:00 – 3:10 PM  10 mins</p>
<p><b>Council Activity: Setting the Agenda</b></p>	<p>3:10 – 3:55 PM</p>

<i>CEEJAC is charged with developing strategies for how DEEP can better incorporate environmental justice into their work. Join a subcommittee to brainstorm how they will approach this work in 2026 and determine what is needed. We will join as a larger group to close out this discussion.</i>	45 mins
<b>Closing</b>	3:55 – 4:00 PM

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