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Appendix A

Properties Acquired by CT DEEP under the Recreation and Natural Heritage Trust Program: 2007-2015

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Property Name	Location	Fee Acres	State Purchase Price	Cooperator Share	Easements or R.O.W.	Calendar Year	Purpose of Acquisition	
Johnson	North Stonington	23.30	\$40,000	NA	NA	2007	Addition to Pachaug State Forest	
Satkowski	Stafford	23.62	\$400,000	NA	NA	2007	Addition to Shenipsit State Forest	
Regis	Plainfield	20.29	\$60,000	NA	NA	2007	Addition to Quinebaug River Wildlife Management Area	
Friedman	Ellington	24.27	\$24,275	NA	NA	2007	Addition to Shenipsit State Forest	
Strong	Marlborough	53.59	\$345,000	NA	NA	2007	Addition to Salmon River State Forest	
Tashjian & Kodokian	Glastonbury	95.51	\$350,000	NA	Algonquin Gas Easement	2007	Addition to Meshomosic State Fores	
DeBari	Portland	15.88	\$23,825	NA	NA	2007	Addition to Wangunk Meadows WMA	
Praklis Farm	Ashford	95.90	\$416,000	\$210,000	NA	2007	Addition to Natchaug State Forest; \$210,000 in George Dudley Seymour Trust funding	
Freudenberg	Sharon	10.00	\$60,000	NA	NA	2007	Addition to Housatonic State Forest.	
Roberts	Sharon	34.23	\$135,000	NA	NA	2007	Addition to Housatonic State Forest.	
Senkewitcz	Salem	40.00	\$120,000	NA	NA	2007	Addition to Nehantic State Forest.	
Kelley	Glastonbury	25.00	\$80,000	NA	NA	2007	Addition to Meshomasic State Forest	
Station Enterprises, LLC	Pomfret	1.50	\$200,000	\$140,000	R.O.W.	2007	Addition to Air Line State Park Trail (north) for parking lot; \$140,000 in Small Town Economic Assistance Program funding	
Town of Ellington	Ellington	192.31	\$333,440	NA	NA	2007	Addition to Shenipsit State Forest. Town will use proceeds to acquire new open space.	

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Krause	Lebanon	2.30	\$35,000	NA	NA	2007	Addition to Pomeroy State Park	
Small	Ashford & Eastford	75.40	\$575,000	NA	NA	2007	Addition to Natchaug State Forest	
Durgan	East Hampton	5.99	\$75,000	NA	NA	2007	Addition to Meshomasic State Forest	
Revenikas	Glastonbury	28.89	\$50,665	NA	NA	2007	Addition to Meshomasic State Forest for protection of timber rattlesnake habitat	
Aiksnoras	Oxford	39.98	\$400,000	\$100,000	NA	2007	Addition to Southford Falls State Park; \$100,000 from Town of Oxford	
Junga	East Hampton	44.77	\$550,000	NA	NA	2007	Addition to Meshomasic State Forest	
Kleinschmidt	Glastonbury	2	\$20,000	NA	NA	2007	Addition to Meshomasic State Forest	
SUBTOTAL 2007		854.72	\$4,293,205	\$450,000		2007		
Centrella	Barkhamsted	144.50	\$600,000	NA	Tennessee Bus R.O.W.	2008	Addition to American Legion State Forest	
Postemsky	Scotland	19.45	\$24,313	NA	NA	2008	Addition to Talbot Wildlife Management Area	
McGregor	North Stonington	40.76	\$40,760	NA	NA	2008	Addition to Pachaug State Forest	
Armstrong	Franklin	40.29	\$122,000	NA	NA	2008	Addition to Franklin Swamp Wildlife Management Area	
Lee	Ellington	21.16	\$66,000	NA	NA	2008	Addition to Shenipsit State Forest	
Bemer	East Hampton/ Portland	148.11	\$259,500	NA	NA	2008	Addition to Meshomasic State Forest	
Schrijver	Bethel	132.48	\$4,000,000	NA	NA	2008	Addition to Huntington State Park	
Shope Estate	Simsbury & Bloomfield	4.77	\$575,000	NA	NA	2008	Addition to Pennwood State Park	
Reneson	Colchester	14.86	\$330,000	NA	NA	2008	Addtion to Salmon River State Forest	
General Cigar Company	Suffield	195.14	\$3,100,000	NA	NA	2008	Creation of Suffield Wildli Management Area for grassland bir habitat conservatio	
Satorski	Sterling	45.72	\$280,000	NA	NA	2008	Addition to Pachaug State Forest	

Raccio	Hamden	25.79	\$225,000	NA	NA	2008	Addition to West Rock Ridge State Park
Kalinowski	Portland	13.37	\$35,000	NA	NA	2008	Addition to Meshomasic State Forest
Marien (Wilcox Estate)	Griswold	2.96	\$80,000	NA	NA	2008	Addition to Pachaug State Forest
Butkus	Naugatuck	1.75	\$100,000	NA	NA	2008	Addition to Naugatuck State Forest.
Camp	Litchfield	2.23	\$200,000	NA	NA	2008	Addition to Humaston Brook State Park Scenic Reserve
Deluca	Canaan & Cornwall	304.40	\$3,300,000	\$100,000	NA	2008	Addition to Housatonic State Forest; \$492,750 from USFS Highlands Conservation Act grant and \$100,000 from Cornwall Conservation Trust
Elm Camp Company	East Haddam	143.10	\$3,200,000	\$1,341,879	0.5	2008	Addition to Machimoodus State Park; \$250,000 in George Dudley Seymour Trust funding and \$1,091,879 from USNPS Land & Water Conservation Fund
SUBTOTAL 2008		1,300.84	\$16,537,573	\$1,441,879	0.5	2008	
The Nature Conservancy / Crowley	Stonington	48.82	\$270,000	\$650,000	NA	2009	Addition to Barn Island Wildlife Management Area; \$270,000 from Mohegan Tribe; and \$650,000 from USEPA Long Island Sound Study Program
Beran Estate	Warren	13.00	\$0	\$100,000	NA	2009	Donated addition to Wyantenock State Forest
CT River Gateway Commission	East Haddam	19.95	\$0	\$202,620	NA	2009	Donated addition to Gillette Castle State Park
CTW Builders & Developers	Haddam	36.85	\$0	\$107,000	Passive Recreation	2009	Donated addition to Cockaponset State Forest
SUBTOTAL 2009		118.62	\$270,000	\$1,059,620		2009	
Sharkey	Hamden	3.85	\$0	\$134,785	NA	2010	Donated addition to Sleeping Giant State Park by Sleeping Giant Park Association

McKiernan	Hamden	11.94	\$0	\$170,000	NA	2010	Addition to West Rock Ridge State Park; purchased with George Dudley Seymour Trust funding
Guilford Land Conservation Trust / Sorensen	Guilford	45.13	\$57,250	\$302,500	NA	2010	Addition to East River Wildlife Management Area; \$261,250 from USFWS grant and \$41,500 from other conservation partners
Cole-Wright	Clinton	2.80	\$0	\$13,200	NA	2010	Donated addition to Hammock River Marsh Wildlife Management Area
SUBTOTAL 2010		63.72	\$57,250	\$620,485		2010	
Sablitz	Hamden	25.21	\$700,000	NA	NA	2011	Addition to Naugatuck State Forest
Kibbe	Ellington	17.74	\$35,500	NA	NA	2011	Addition to Shenipsit State Forest
Crowley 2	Stonington	0	\$624,250	\$888,250	15.79	2011	Addition to Barn Island Wildlife Management Area; USDA-NRCS Grassland Reserve Program grant (\$705,000) and conservation partners' match (\$183,250)
Clarke	Ellington	11.04	\$22,000	NA	NA	2011	Addition to Shenipsit State Forest
Corthouts / Homestead Investments	Windsor	15.74	\$0	\$110,000	NA	2011	Addition to Matianuck Sand Dunes State Park Natural Area Preserve. Acquired with George Dudley Seymour Trust funds
Valsecchi	Sharon	25.03	\$100,000	NA	NA	2011	Addition to Housatonic State Forest
Beverly's Marina	Morris	2.82	\$1,990,000	NA	NA	2011	Bantam Lake Water Access
Mason	Vernon	454.30	\$2,965,000	NA	NA	2011	Addition to Belding Wildlife Management Area
Matson	Stonington	5.75	\$0	\$250,000	NA	2011	Addition to Barn Island Wildlife Management Area. Acquired with USEPA Long Island Sound Study Program grant
SUBTOTAL 2011		557.63	\$6,436,750	\$1,248,250	15.79	2011	
Sottile	Simsbury	56.97	\$0	\$225,000	NA	2012	Addition to Simsbury Wildlife Management Area. Acquired with USFWS Pittman-Robertson Grant

Werner Estate	Canton	1.74	\$0	\$236,000	NA	2012	Donated addition to Massacoe State Forest
Feldmann	Chester	39.84	\$0	NA	NA	2012	Donated addition to Cockaponsett State Forest
One Way Realty	Colchester	161.88	\$0	\$290,000	NA	2012	Grassland bird habitat conservation parcel required as mitigation for Rentschler Field development
Stout	Bloomfield	0	\$0	\$243,750	13.39	2012	Grassland bird habitat conservation easement. Purchased with USDA-NRCS grant (\$162,500) and Wintonbury Land Trust (\$81,250)
Fornal	Chaplin	18.24	\$0	\$46,000	NA	2012	Addition to Diana's Pool Water Access; acquired with George Dudley Seymour Trust funds
Bronzi	Glastonbury	48.14	\$100,000	NA	NA	2012	Addition to Meshomasic State Forest
Elm Camp	East Haddam	0.92	\$0	NA	NA	2012	Cook's Island portion of Sunrise Resort acquisition
SUBTOTAL 2012		327.73	\$100,000	\$1,040,750	13.39	2012	
SUBTOTAL 2012 Griffin Land & Nurseries	Suffield	327.73 74.936	\$100,000 \$0	\$1,040,750 \$350,000	13.39 NA	2012 2013	Donated addition to Suffield Wildlife Management Area. Mitigation for Meadowood Project in Simsbury
Griffin Land &	Suffield Voluntown & North Stonington						Donated addition to Suffield Wildlife Management Area. Mitigation for
Griffin Land & Nurseries	Voluntown & North	74.936	\$0	\$350,000	NA	2013	Donated addition to Suffield Wildlife Management Area. Mitigation for Meadowood Project in Simsbury Addition to Pachaug State Forest; partially financed through a grant from the USEPA Long Island Sound Study
Griffin Land & Nurseries Hansell Property	Voluntown & North Stonington Westbrook &	74.936 101.11	\$0 \$27,862	\$350,000	NA	2013 2013	Donated addition to Suffield Wildlife Management Area. Mitigation for Meadowood Project in Simsbury Addition to Pachaug State Forest; partially financed through a grant from the USEPA Long Island Sound Study Program Long Island Sound protection; financed through a grant from the USEPA Long Island Sound Study

Rechovos Corporation	East Hampton	116.69	\$0	\$128,000	2.0	2013	Donated addition to Salmon River State Forest	
SUBTOTAL 2013		467.24	\$27,862	\$2,045,138	2.25	2013		
CT River Gateway Commission/Klar Property	East Haddam	33.6	\$0	\$100,000	NA	2014	Donated addition to Machimoodus State Park	
Bebe Company, LLC	Plainfield	13.1	\$0	\$120,000	NA	2014	Addition to Pachaug State Forest	
Racicot	Scotland	36.96	\$0	\$90,000	NA	2014	Addition to James Spignesi Wildlife Management Area; acquired with USFWS Pittman-Robertson funds	
Sleeping Giant State Park Association	Hamden	0.19	\$0	NA	NA	2014	Donated in-holding at Sleeping Giant State Park	
Town of Plainfield	Plainfield	97.7	\$0	\$390,190	NA	2014	Donated addition to Pachaug State Forest	
United Electrical and Fuel Corporation	Sterling	146	\$0	\$425,000	NA	2014	Addition to Pachaug State Forest; acquired with USFWS Pittman- Robertson funds	
Apple Orchard, LLC	Bloomfield	40	\$0	\$750,000	NA	2014	Donated to become new public State Park open space (Auerfarm State Park)	
SUBTOTAL 2014		367.55	\$0	\$1,875,190	1.5	2014		
Gaines Property	Hamden	0	\$0	NA	4.89	2015	Donated addition to West Rock Ridge State Park pursuant to Special Act	
Regional Capital Management	Colchester	60.03	\$430,000	NA	NA	2015	Addition to Salmon River State Forest	
Purtill	Franklin	47.18	\$0	\$175,000	NA	2015	Addition to Franklin Wildlife Management Area; acquired with USFWS Pittman-Robertson funds	
Ellington McIntire	Ellington	12.05	\$0	\$65,000	NA	2015	Donated addition to Shenipsit State Forest	

TOTALS		5,865.25	\$32,459,640	\$20,309,720	981	2007-15		
SUBTOTAL 2015		1,807.19	\$4,737,000	\$10,528,408	947.42	2015		
Vars	Plainfield	43.02	\$150,000	NA	NA	2015	Addition to Pachaug State Forest	
Maulucci	Coventry	38.43	\$230,000	\$214,000	NA	2015	Addition to Nathan Hale State Forest acquired with George Dudley Seymou Trust funds	
Liebman	Lebanon	178.1	\$915,000	NA	NA	2015	Acquired for new public water access area	
Raven	East Lyme	4.6	\$200,000	NA	NA	2015	Addition to Rocky Neck State Park	
Szewczyk	West Hartland	74.578	\$320,000	NA	NA	2015	Addition to Tunxis State Forest	
Roncari	Windsor	133.3	\$0	\$3,500,000	2.00	2015	Grassland bird habitat conservation mitigation for Bradley International Airport expansion; acquired with funding from the Connecticut Airport Authority	
Saner	Marlborough	289.52	\$740,591	\$684,408	NA	2015	Addition to Salmon River State Forest; acquired with USNPS Land & Water Conservation Funds	
The Preserve	Old Saybrook	925.68	\$1,750,000	\$5,640,000	925.68	2015	 New State and local open space: \$3 million by Town of Old Saybrook \$1,400,000 by the USNPS Land & Water Conservation Fund \$1,240,000 by the Trust for Public Land Conservation easement held by The Nature Conservancy 	
Schachter	Windsor	0.703	\$1,409	NA	NA	2015	Addition to Matianuck Sand Dunes State Park Scenic Reserve	
Leckey	Clinton	0	\$0	\$250,000	14.85	2015	Donated conservation easement at Sciongay Property/Menunketsuck Wildlife Management Area	

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Appendix B

Projects Financially Completed under the State Open Space and Watershed Land Acquisition Grant Program: 2007-2015

Appendix B.	Projects Financially Completed under the State Open Space and Watershed Land
	Acquisition Grant Program: 2007-2015

Sponsor Name	Project Name	Town/City	Acres	Grant Amount	Year Closed
Town of Woodbridge	Racebrook Tract Phase II	Woodbridge	66.48	\$375,750	2007
Town of Mansfield	Vernon Property	Mansfield	79.57	\$113,000	2007
Town of Oxford	Tetlak Estate	Oxford	66.56	\$214,518	2007
Town of Branford	Saltonstall Mountain	Branford	90.62	\$450,000	2007
Winchester Land Trust	Majewski Property	Winchester	7.93	\$62,400	2007
CT Forest & Park Association	North Property	Willington	96.28	\$146,250	2007
Town of Guilford	Russo/Modlin Property	Guilford	16.93	\$110,000	2007
Canton Land Conservation Trust	Uplands Preserve	Canton	74.05	\$59,901	2007
City of Meriden	Leiner Property	Meriden	11.07	\$26,000	2007
City of Meriden	Ferndale Dairy Property	Meriden	8.25	\$27,300	2007
City of Stamford	8 & 12 West Park Place	Stamford	0.33	\$448,500	2007
City of West Haven	Bassett St. & Park Terrace	West Haven	7.17	\$385,000	2007
City of Meriden	Anderson Property	Meriden	15.20	\$33,800	2007
City of New Haven	324 Townsend Ave	New Haven	0.44	\$118,890	2007
Town of East Lyme	Clark Pond Property	East Lyme	95.00	\$222,300	2007
Town of East Lyme	Bayberry Associates Property	East Lyme	74.05	\$247,500	2007
Watertown Land Trust	Osuch Farm	Watertown & Bethlehem	39.92	\$258,750	2007
Windham Land Trust	Loos Property	Windham	44.92	\$128,500	2007
Simsbury Land Trust	The Masters School Property	Simsbury	74.92	\$181,688	2007
Town of Berlin	Sierra Property	Berlin	44.12	\$210,000	2007
Town of Berlin	Scheer Property	Berlin	50.00	\$240,000	2007
Town of East Windsor	Tschummi/Trombley Property	East Windsor	41.80	\$390,000	2007
McLean Wildlife Refuge	Weed Hill Road Property	Granby	196.11	\$315,000	2007
Town of Somers & Northern CT Land Trust	Whitaker Woods	Somers	265.10	\$450,000	2007
Town of Woodbridge	Shepherd Farm Park	Woodbridge	35.86	\$225,675	2007
Town of Wallingford	Cuneo Property	Wallingford	15.81	\$409,500	2007
Salisbury Association	Blum Property	Salisbury	51.72	\$450,000	2007
Southbury Land Trust	Mitchell Farm Pootatuck River Parcel	Southbury	40.82	\$331,313	2007
Town of Tolland	Palmer Property	Tolland	74.05	\$252,450	2007
City of Meriden	O Chamberlain Hwy, Berlin	Meriden	3.26	\$13,000	2007

City of Groton	Porter Property	Groton	32.45	\$68,250	2007
SUBTOTAL 2007			1,720.79	\$6,965,235	2007
Town of Monroe	Webb Circle	Monroe	106.62	\$450,000	2008
Salem Land Trust	Litsky Parcel	Salem	101.10	\$171,000	2008
City of Norwalk & Norwalk Land Trust	White Barn Parcel	Norwalk	5.13	\$450,000	2008
City of Stamford	3-27 West Park Place	Stamford	1.08	\$546,000	2008
Town of Monroe	Popricki Property	Monroe	18.30	\$112,500	2008
Southbury Land Trust	Ludorf Farm	Southbury	49.73	\$450,000	2008
Town of East Hampton	Walters Property	East Hampton	35.92	\$170,212	2008
Town of Enfield	Scantic River Park	Enfield	25.64	\$15,614	2008
Town of Oxford	Cubberly Park	Oxford	8.84	\$50,000	2008
Town of Columbia	Szegda Farm	Columbia	132.90	\$350,000	2008
Town of Granby	Catherine Marshall Preserve	Granby	56.60	\$49,500	2008
Town of Monroe	Webb Mountain	Monroe	60.69	\$450,000	2008
Groton Open Space Assoc.	Merritt Property	Groton	75.93	\$650,000	2008
Town of Cheshire	DeDominicis Property	Cheshire	183.13	\$546,000	2008
Essex Land Trust	Platt Property	Essex	29.90	\$125,000	2008
Town of Southbury	365 Georges Hill Road	Southbury	38.06	\$265,000	2008
Town of Farmington	Lot 7A Burnt Hill Road	Farmington	64.95	\$450,000	2008
Town of Farmington	Lots 5 & 8A Coppermine Road	Farmington	39.94	\$329,175	2008
Town of Southington	Holmquist Property	Southington	13.26	\$337,500	2008
The Nature Conservancy & Town of Old Lyme	Roger Tory Peterson	Old Lyme	54.26	\$357,675	2008
City of Milford	Geib/Attolino Sod Farm	Milford	24.45	\$133,875	2008
Norwich Public Utilities	Deep River Watershed	Norwich	24.26	\$169,000	2008
The Nature Conservancy	Jelisavcic Property	Canaan	7.03	\$50,000	2008
City of Norwich	Mohegan Park Expansion	Norwich	32.55	\$130,000	2008
Town of Farmington	Lot 7 Coppermine Road	Farmington	0.89	\$87,500	2008
Guilford Land Conservation Trust	Etzel Property	Guilford	108.58	\$500,000	2008
Town of Branford	Queach Property	Branford	150.97	\$450,000	2008
Town of Farmington	Lot 1-60 Collinsville Rd & Lot C-2 River Rd	Farmington	40.82	\$450,000	2008
Town of Farmington	Lot 2A Meadow Road	Farmington	9.37	\$62,500	2008
City of Meriden	739 Hanover Road	Meriden	11.50	\$47,548	2008
Town of Newtown	Laurel Trail	Newtown	17.60	\$68,250	2008
The Nature Conservancy	Weidenhamer Property	Cannan	7.61	\$65,250	2008
Middlesex Land Trust	Kruger Farm	Haddam	50.02	\$219,000	2008
Town of Hamden	Hamden Open Space Project Phase III	Hamden	40.00	\$334,321	2008

Town of Farmington	Hein Farm	Farmington	23.00	\$152,000	2008
Kent Land Trust	The Rookery Project	Kent	11.10	\$75,000	2008
Weantinoge Heritage Land Trust	Hunt Hill Farm	Kent	44.10	\$416,250	2008
Wyndham Land Trust	Buttner Property	Windham	53.33	\$225,000	2008
Simsbury Land Trust	Tulmeadow Farm Triangle & Pasture Parcels	Simsbury	20.37	\$500,000	2008
Killingworth Land Conservation Trust	Hammonasset River Frontage	Killingworth	1.80	\$10,650	2008
Town of Bethel	Chestnut Hill	Bethel	16.25	\$139,500	2008
Southbury Land Trust	Drumlin Hill Tree Farm	Southbury	14.04	\$200,000	2008
City of Middletown	Wesleyan Property	Middletown	97.74	\$275,000	2008
SUBTOTAL 2008			1,909.36	\$11,085,820	2008
Town of New Hartford	Phillips Farm	New Hartford	59.13	\$365,000	2009
Town of Tolland	Schindler/Schmidt Property	Tolland	112.18	\$375,000	2009
Town of Simsbury	Ethel Walker School	Simsbury	282.95	\$716,175	2009
Litchfield Hills Audubon Society	Bramley Property	Litchfield	30.32	\$146,755	2009
Town of Redding	Levine Property	Redding	40.00	\$500,000	2009
Winchester Land Trust	Hurlbut Field	Winchester	36.86	\$354,250	2009
The Nature Conservancy	Chamberlin Property	Woodstock, Eastford	95.53	\$250,000	2009
Guilford Land Conservation Trust	Etzel Property II	Guilford	33.35	\$392,000	2009
South Central CT Regional Water Authority	Crosby Property	Hamden	60.40	\$500,000	2009
Town of Somers & Northern CT Land Trust	Trappe Property	Somers	138.67	\$275,000	2009
City of Middletown	Daniels Farm	Middletown	24.23	\$94,250	2009
Northern CT Land Trust	White Farm	Stafford	173.49	\$146,250	2009
Town of Windsor Locks	Waterworks Brook Property	Windsor Locks	198.80	\$490,000	2009
Town of Farmington	Lots 21 & 22 Plainville Avenue	Farmington	51.49	\$182,000	2009
Town of Southington	Jurglewicz Property	Southington	28.00	\$500,000	2009
Town of Woodbridge	Race Brook Tract Phase III	Woodbridge	52.59	\$451,298	2009
Town of Glastonbury	Arbor Acres/Flat Brook Preserve	Glastonbury	35.00	\$61,250	2009
SUBTOTAL 2009			1,452.99	\$5,799,228	2009
Town of Simsbury	Christensen Property	Simsbury	20.25	\$350,000	2010
Northern CT Land Trust	Moseley Property	Ellington	58.00	\$92,500	2010
Salem Land Trust	Zemko Saw Mill	Salem	72.00	\$93,100	2010
Town of Suffield	Olsen Farm	Suffield	39.17	\$50,000	2010

City of Middletown	Hubbard Property	Middletown	118.36	\$500,000	2010
Town of Harwinton	Leadmine Brook	Harwinton	57.83	\$294,000	2010
Town of East Haddam	Sabine Property	East Haddam	70.70	\$240,000	2010
Town of Farmington	Krell Property	Farmington	28.28	\$448,350	2010
Lyme Land Conservation Trust	Patrell Property	Lyme	4.40	\$27,500	2010
Town of Willington	Knowlton Parcel	Willington	138.45	\$306,250	2010
The Nature Conservancy	Hanssen Property	Redding	22.12	\$343,000	2010
Town of Stratford	Albertsen Property	Stratford	1.98	\$18,000	2010
Town of Simsbury	Laurel Hill Property	Simsbury	59.68	\$350,000	2010
Town of Plainville	Pequabuck Floodplain Property	Plainville	72.46	\$122,500	2010
Naromi Land Trust	Embree Property	Sherman	81.02	\$500,000	2010
Town of Hamden	4246 & 4280 Whitney Avenue	Hamden	38.92	\$455,000	2010
Town of Simsbury	Hall Property	Simsbury	13.99	\$185,000	2010
Town of Simsbury	Ethel Walker School Property	Simsbury	48.66	\$197,750	2010
Town of Tolland	Auperin Property	Tolland	28.07	\$117,600	2010
Town of Tolland	Knofla Property	Tolland	70.51	\$347,900	2010
Town of Mansfield	Dorwart Property	Mansfield	58.43	\$146,250	2010
City of Stamford	One Main Street	Stamford	0.15	\$97,500	2010
Town of Tolland	King Property	Tolland	173.10	\$337,500	2010
City of Stamford	4 West Park Place	Stamford	0.27	\$520,000	2010
Town of East Haddam	Patrell Property	East Haddam	37.21	\$247,500	2010
Norwalk Land Trust	Hart Castle	Norwalk	2.00	\$500,000	2010
SUBTOTAL 2010			1,316.01	\$6,887,200	2010
Groton Open Space Association	Sheep Farm	Groton	62.75	\$534,300	2011
City of Middletown	Brock Farm Easement	Middletown	43.40	\$500,000	2011
The Nature Conservancy	Salem Valley Corp. Forest Land Easement	Salem, East Haddam	369.77	\$450,800	2011
Northern CT Land Trust	Lee Property	Ellington	29.73	\$29,742	2011
Southbury Land Trust	Daffodil Hill Farm	Southbury	15.16	\$98,000	2011
Granby Land Trust	Crane Preserve	Granby	38.32	\$40,000	2011
Kongscut Land Trust	Bogdan Preserve	Glastonbury	5.44	\$240,000	2011
Branford Land Trust	Pieper Property	Branford	23.98	\$175,000	2011
Town of New Fairfield	Keeler Property	New Fairfield	10.74	\$180,000	2011
Town of Newtown	Ferris Farm Easement	Newtown	68.92	\$500,000	2011
Town of Wethersfield	Wilkus Farm	Wethersfield	68.85	\$490,000	2011
Madison Land Conservation Trust	Bauermeister Property	Madison	77.06	\$500,000	2011
Steep Rock Association	Bronson Sabbaday Acquisition	Washington	68.92	\$500,000	2011

Town of Tolland	Luce Property	Tolland	89.22	\$270,000	2011
Town of Canton	Carpenter Property	Canton	35.38	\$97,500	2011
Town of Canton	Cannon Property	Canton	155.30	\$450,000	2011
City of Danbury	Westside Nature Park	Danbury	188.72	\$650,000	2011
Salem Land Trust	Wheaton Preserve	Salem	19.67	\$55,000	2011
Town of Madison	Griswold Airport	Madison	20.60	\$500,000	2011
Town of Simsbury	Tulmeadow Farm Forest	Simsbury	73.59	\$500,000	2011
Town of Hebron	Kinney Road Open Space	Hebron	17.60	\$120,000	2011
Town of Oxford	VonWettberg Property	Oxford	66.21	\$500,000	2011
Town of Glastonbury	Tiboni Property	Glastonbury	54.34	\$180,000	2011
SUBTOTAL 2011			1,603.67	\$7,560,342	2011
Town of Berlin	Girl Scout Property	Berlin	43.36	\$199,250	2012
The Nature Conservancy	Salem Valley Corp. Agricultural Easement	Salem	163.29	\$39,200	2012
Wyndham Land Trust	Robbins Property Five Mile River	Thompson	126.41	\$230,000	2012
Lyme Land Conservation Trust	Talcott Property, Sterling Hill Road	Lyme	40.42	\$140,000	2012
Town of Plymouth	Plymouth Reservoir	Plymouth	178.28	\$650,000	2012
Goshen Land Trust	Anstett Farm	Goshen	76.13	\$270,000	2012
Northern CT Land Trust	Stevenson Property	Somers	30.31	\$76,000	2012
Town Woodbury	Minortown Road	Woodbury	21.48	\$128,500	2012
City of Meriden	Finch Avenue	Meriden	2.43	\$24,278	2012
Town Farmington	Lot 7, Collinsville Road	Farmington	29.20	\$122,500	2012
City Middletown	Jablonski Property	Middletown	29.02	\$165,750	2012
SUBTOTAL 2012			740.33	\$2,045,478	2012
Town of Groton	Spicer Tracts	Groton	24.63	\$650,000	2013
Avalonia Land Conservancy	Bell Cedar Swamp	North Stonington	58.16	\$35,500	2013
Manchester Land Conservation Trust	Risley Apple Orchard	Manchester	13.15	\$80,000	2013
The Nature Conservancy	Meyers Pond Easement	Union	447.99	\$490,000	2013
Town of Coventry	Malon Property	Coventry	36.45	\$105,000	2013
Town of Old Lyme	Sheep's Ledge Preserve	Old Lyme	11.30	\$38,650	2013
Norfolk Land Trust	Camp Iwakta	Norfolk	310.90	\$284,000	2013
Groton Open Space Association	Candlewood Ridge	Groton	89.40	\$256,750	2013
Old Lyme Land Trust	ElyandCo., Inc.	Old Lyme	44.17	\$143,500	2013
Canton Land Conservation Trust	Brewster Property	Canton	4.84	\$35,500	2013
Town of Southbury	365 Georges Hill Road	Southbury	18.40	\$265,000	2013
Denison Pequotsepos Nature Center	Coogan Farm Easement	Stonington	23.94	\$50,000	2013

Town of Simsbury	Ethel Walker School, Parcel B	Simsbury	49.85	\$195,750	2013
Town of Hampton	Cedar Swamp Road	Hampton	50.63	\$101,500	2013
Town of Hebron	Cardillo Property	Hebron	47.07	\$165,000	2013
SUBTOTAL 2013			1,230.87	\$2,896,150	2013
Southbury Land Trust	Stillmeadow Farm Easement	Southbury	11.63	\$81,500	2014
Borough of Naugatuck	Andrews Mountain Road	Naugatuck	100.04	\$315,250	2014
Town of Somers	Camp Aya-Po	Somers	173.892	\$450,000	2014
Town of Bloomfield	Lisa Lane Farm	Bloomfield	9.73	\$195,000	2014
Avalonia Land Conservancy	Babcock Ridge Preserve	North Stonington	74.38	\$142,500	2014
The Nature Conservancy	Gungy Road Easement	Salem	115.94	\$150,000	2014
Town of Preston	Pequot Trail Property	Preston	155.61	\$230,000	2014
Clinton Land Conservation Trust	Dowd Parcels	Clinton	18.1933	\$58,500	2014
Town of Branford	Kaczynski Property	Branford	16.73	\$137,500	2014
Town of Manchester	Case Mountain (Spring Street)	Manchester	37.90	\$205,000	2014
Guilford Land Conservation Trust	Westwoods Parcel	Guilford	17.10	\$60,000	2014
Sharon Land Trust & CT Farmland Trust	Wike Bros. Farm Easement	Sharon	124.36	\$259,210	2014
Lyme Land Conservation Trust	Lord & Tanguay Properties	Lyme & East Haddam	100.51	\$327,000	2014
Town of East Haddam	Zeiller Property	East Haddam	98.52	\$232,500	2014
Town of East Haddam	Pages Property	East Haddam	237.99	\$464,000	2014
Kent Land Trust	Camp Francis	Kent	249.00	\$500,000	2014
SUBTOTAL 2014			1,541.53	\$3,807,960	2014
Town of Cheshire	Puchalski Property	Cheshire	122.32	\$200,000	2015
East Haddam Land Trust	Bogan Property Easement	East Haddam	45.56	\$151,200	2015
City of Stamford	60 & 70 Main Street	Stamford	0.60	\$419,250	2015
Wintonbury Land Trust	Hawk Hill Farm	Bloomfield	44.10	\$247,500	2015
Lyme Land Conservation Trust	Selden Cove/Seldon Creek River Access	Lyme	2.80	\$351,000	2015
Simsbury Land Trust	Tanager Hill Parcel	Simsbury	75.33	\$500,000	2015
Canton Land Conservation Trust	136 Barbourtown Road	Canton	12.43	\$17,500	2015
Town of Simsbury	Ethel Walker School, Parcel C	Simsbury	41.81	\$500,000	2015
City of Stamford	205 Magee Avenue	Stamford	4.77	\$325,000	2015
Essex Land Trust	The Preserve	Essex	70.60	\$471,250	2015

City of Norwich	31 New London Turnpike	Norwich	3.86	\$123,516	2015
Manchester Land Conservation Trust	Botti Farm	Manchester	62.48	\$594,750	2015
Clinton Land Conservation Trust	Weiss, Loveday & Maltese Properties	Clinton	40.36	\$160,000	2015
Town of Bethany	Carrington Preserve	Bethany	73.75	\$232,500	2015
Town of East Haddam	Dean Property	East Haddam	274.29	\$400,000	2015
Town of East Haddam and TNC	LeFebvre Property	East Haddam	113.64	\$263,700	2015
Watertown Land Trust	Schienda Family Preserve	Watertown	63.00	\$135,000	2015
Groton Open Space Association	Avery Farm	Ledyard and Groton	305.20	\$611,000	2015
Town of Tolland	Knofla Pond Property	Tolland	67.56	\$395,200	2015
SUBTOTAL 2015			1,424.46	\$6,098,366	2015
TOTALS			12,940.02	\$53,145,779	2007-15

Appendix C

Incorporation of Comments into the Green Plan

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Green Plan Public Outreach Activities/Events

Below is a list summarizing public outreach activities or events related to the 2016-2020 Green Plan, conducted by the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) in partnership with others.

Partner	Date	Outreach
CT Association of Conservation and Inland Wetlands Commissions	Fall 2014	Article in "The Habitat," the Association's quarterly newsletter, on early efforts to revise the Plan.
CT Land Conservation Council	Fall 2014	Distributed DEEP handouts on revising the Green Plan at Regional Land Trust Summit meetings in the towns of Prospect, Granby, and Mansfield.
CT Audubon Society	11/13/14	Discussion on draft Green Plan.
CT Land Conservation Council	3/21/15	Presented on the draft Green Plan at the Council's annual meeting.
CT Water Planning Council Advisory Group, Watershed Lands Workgroup	10/15/15	Presented on the draft Green Plan at the Workgroup's monthly meeting.
State Natural Heritage, Open Space and Watershed Land Acquisition Review Board	2/8/16	Draft Green Plan shared for review.
CT Office of Policy & Management	2/8/16	Draft Green Plan shared for review.
CT Department of Public Health	2/8/16	Draft Green Plan shared for review.
CT Council for Environmental Quality	2/8/16	Draft Green Plan shared for review.
CT Department of Agriculture	2/8/16	Draft Green Plan shared for review.
CT Land Conservation Council	3/19/16	DEEP debuted draft Green Plan to the general public with a presentation and brochures at the Council's annual meeting.
CT Association of Conservation and Inland Wetlands Commissions	3/29/16	Requested for comments on the draft Green Plan from members of the conservation and inland wetlands commissions.
CT Chapter of the American Planning Association	3/29/16	Requested for comments on the draft Green Plan from members of the planning community and regional councils of governments.

CT Association of Conservation and Inland Wetlands Commissions	Spring 2016	Article in "The Habitat," the association's quarterly newsletter, on the Draft Green Plan and an open public comment period.
CT Chapter of the American Planning Association	Spring 2016	Article in "Connecticut Planning," the Association's quarterly magazine, on the Draft Green Plan and an open public comment period.
CT Regional Councils of Government	4/5/16	Requested for comments on the draft Green Plan from, and suggestions for outreach to, key municipal planning and conservation members.
Audubon CT	5/11/16	Meeting held to discuss and receive comments on the draft Green Plan.
CT Water Planning Council Advisory Group, Watershed Lands Workgroup	5/26/16	Reminder to Workgroup members to review and submit comments on the draft Green Plan by the public comment period closure.

Comments Received During Public Comment Period

On March 18, 2016, DEEP made a draft version of the Green Plan publicly available for viewing and download on its webpage and opened a public comment period to June 1, 2016. The following is a summary of comments received on that version of the draft Green Plan.

Stakeholder	Main Topic	Comments
Western CT Council of Government	State Open Space Inventory and Funding Mechanisms	Provided open space funding strategy recommendations and opportunities for partnership with WestCOG. Concerned that the pilot Land Registry could promote land development next to open space land, acreage acquisition targets fall short, and priority land types will put some regions at disadvantage for grant funding.
Audubon CT	State Program Operations and Funding Mechanisms	Generally, suggested that the plan: identify resources needed to successfully implement the plan; include details on stewardship; outline ways to support towns; call for the protection of more land for wildlife habitat; include more products derived from collaborative GIS mapping projects; and allow for discussion of a new, 2025 open space acquisition goal.
Roxbury Land Trust	Open Space Acquisition Priorities	Discussed the land trust's own open space strategy, in partnership with the Town of Roxbury and private landowners, and how much of their goal might be considered reached through temporarily protected lands such as regulated wetlands, rivers, floodplains, and P.A. 490 lands.
Litchfield Greenprint, Housatonic Valley Association	State Program Operations and Funding Mechanisms	Emphasized applying for federal match funding and building partnerships with private landowners; setting goals for the acquisition of land that does not allow public access in order to protect certain natural resources; coordinating with the Department of Transportation to align DEEP climate change goals with transportation infrastructure resilience planning.
Highstead Conservation Foundation	State Program Operations	Suggested adding progress towards plan goals to the DEEP open space annual report, which is mentioned in the plan. Overall pleased with draft plan.
Gil Bligh	State Program Operations	Nonspecific inquiry on DEEP lease of water company land.
Peter Cooper	Open Space Acquisition Priorities	Inquiry on protecting lands for biodiversity and habitat corridors, which is mentioned in the plan.
Michael J. Scott	Funding Mechanisms	Suggested implementing an "outdoor use" tax as a land conservation funding strategy.
William Emerick	Public Outreach	Asked whether DEEP participates in-person public outreach efforts at town commission meetings and offered an invitation to an upcoming local meeting to promote the Plan.

Anders Nygren	Funding	Suggested providing in the plan reasons behind declining	
	Mechanisms	funding allocations to DEEP for open space acquisition.	
	Open Space	Suggested that the State prioritize the acquisition of the	
Ellen Lukens	Acquisition	"Maromas," a mostly forested area in Middletown, to protect	
LITEH LUKEIIS	Priorities	natural resources and as a link between existing State-owned	
	Priorities	and other open space land.	
Timothy Lewis	State Program	Highly in favor of the plan.	
	Operations		
Bob Nickson	ATV/ OHV	Discussed desire for land where ATV/OHV recreation is allowed.*	
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Bob Burns	ATV/ OHV	Discussed desire for land where ATV/OHV recreation is allowed.*	
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David Smith	ATV/ OHV	Discussed desire for land where ATV/OHV recreation is allowed.*	
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Roger Geiger	ATV/ OHV	Discussed desire for land where ATV/OHV recreation is allowed.*	
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Denis Lafaille	ATV/ OHV	Discussed desire for land where ATV/OHV recreation is allowed.*	
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Wade Jarvis	Recreation	Discussed desire for land where ATV/OHV recreation is allowed.*	
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Russell MacIntyre	Recreation	Discussed desire for land where ATV/OHV recreation is allowed.*	
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Tom Reitsma	Recreation	Discussed desire for land where ATV/OHV recreation is allowed	
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Sandra Clark	Recreation	Discussed desire for land where ATV/OHV recreation is allowed	
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Richard Mascoli	Recreation	Discussed desire for land where ATV/OHV recreation is allowed.*	
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Garrett Johns	Recreation	Discussed desire for land where ATV/OHV recreation is allowed.*	
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James Blais	ATV/ OHV	Discussed desire for land where ATV/OHV recreation is allowed.*	
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Martin Whetsel	ATV/ OHV	Discussed desire for land where ATV/OHV recreation is allowed.*	
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Frank Calder	ATV/ OHV	Discussed desire for land where ATV/OHV recreation is allowed.*	
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James Gobble	ATV/ OHV	Discussed desire for land where ATV/OHV recreation is allowed.*	
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Keith Gandarillas	ATV/ OHV	Discussed desire for land where ATV/OHV recreation is allowed.*	
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Richard W. Stone	ATV/ OHV	I Discussed desire for land where A I V/DHV recreation is allowed .	
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Kenneth Henrich	ATV/ OHV Recreation	Discussed desire for land where ATV/OHV recreation is allowed.*
American Motorcyclist Association	ATV/OHV Recreation	Discussed desire for land where ATV/OHV recreation is allowed.*

* All comments received from members of the ATV/OHV community make reference to Section 23-26 of the Connecticut General Statues, which is related to land management decisions for the use of ATVs on existing State-owned land. Pursuant to this statute, after a significant stakeholder process, DEEP formally adopted a guidance and management <u>policy</u> for the establishment of ATV facilities on State property. While DEEP has been working towards the goal of incorporating legal, sustainable ATV use on some state lands, this subject is outside of the scope of the State's strategy for acquiring new open space land. In response to comments received, DEEP modified the Green Plan to note that funds awarded through its Recreational Trails grant program may be used towards locally-supported trails and trail systems accessible to authorized motorized vehicle users.

Major Revisions to the Draft Green Plan

The following is a summary of major content revisions made to the draft Green Plan as a result of the public comment period and discussions held with other state agencies and the State's land conservation partners.

Plan Section	Revision	Page
Throughout	With the best information available, metrics on open space acquisition acreage and funding were revised to cover years 2007 through December 31, 2015.	
5-Year Action Plan Strategy	Description added on watershed land protection by water companies and the Department of Public Health's role in implementing state Water Company Land laws.	10
	Information added on the Long Island Sound Study Sea Level Affecting Marshes Model and DEEP's Coastal and Estuarine Land Conservation Plan Focus Area Viewer as two geospatial tools planners can use to identify coastal lands of high conservation value.	14
	Objective added to establish partnerships with private landowners and evaluate new private landowner open space conservation option programs.	27
	Objective added to enhance DEEP coordination with the CT Department of Agriculture to protect farmlands.	28
	Objective added to work with the Bureau of Energy and Technology towards balancing goals of DEEP's energy units with those of the land conservation divisions of the agency.	29
	Information added on Regional Conservation Partnerships and example projects.	30
	Objective added to enhance outreach on DEEP's open space programs to the Councils of Governments.	34
	Objectives added to inventory and evaluate inactive drinking water reservoirs for their permanent protection, improve natural resource occurrences, and improve tidal marsh migration areas.	38
I. Plan Background & Purpose	Table categories edited to better align with Green Plan land acquisition priority land cover types for conservation.	50

	Information added on The Preserve, Auerfarm State Park Scenic Reserve, and the Tankerhoosen Wildlife Management Area as recent achievements in statewide land conservation.	53
II. Land Protection Challenges in CT	Information added on Audubon Connecticut and others' "Project Green Space" local option for open space conservation funding.	60
III. Status of CT Open Space	Information added on The Lower CT River and Coastal Region Land Trust Exchange and their Strategic Conservation Plan efforts.	78
	Information added on the Litchfield Hills Greenprint Collaborative and its strategic open space conservation plan and efforts.	80
	Description added on watershed land protection by water companies and the Department of Public Health's role in implementing state Water Company Land laws.	81
	Information added on the South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority protecting over 400 acres of watershed lands with partial funding from the State's open space grant program.	82
	Information added on the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Great Thicket National Wildlife Refuge proposed for New England and New York.	86
	Information added on the protection of coastal grasslands by DEEP, the Avalonia Land Conservancy, and others in Stonington with partial funding from the USDA-NRCS Grassland Reserve Program.	95
IV. Land Conservation Funding Programs and Partners in CT	Highlighted the relationship between DEEP and the State Natural Heritage, Open Space and Land Acquisition Review Board.	100
	Information added on recently raised caps for the acquisition of open space lands funded in combination by state and federal grants.	101
	Information added on the CT Greenways Council and DEEP's Recreational Trails grant program. Noted that funds awarded through this program may be used towards locally supported	106

	trails and trail systems accessible to authorized motorized vehicle users.	
	Information added on selected USDA Natural Resources Conservation Services programs: the Regional Conservation Partnership Program, Healthy Forests Reserve Program, and Agricultural Conservation Easement Program.	109-111
V. Purpose of, and Need for, Open Space	Information added on DEEP's Water Resource Management Approach to achieve state water quality.	116
	Information added on the Long Island Sound Study Sea Level Affecting Marshes Model Viewer Basic and All Data web- based planning tool to identify upland tidal marsh migration areas for conservation.	119-120
	Information added on the protection of core forest blocks for the conservation of birds and brook trout in CT.	123-124
	Information added on the protection of lands having the potential to be managed as early successional habitat for New England cottontail rabbits, shrubland-nesting birds, and other wildlife.	124-126
	Description added on watershed land protection by water companies and the Department of Public Health's role in implementing state Water Company Land laws.	130
	Note added on brownfields' potential for conversion to wildlife habitat and green infrastructure to filter polluted urban stormwater.	138

Appendix D

State Office of Policy and Management Advisory Report on Revised Green Plan



STATE OF CONNECTICUT

OFFICE OF POLICY AND MANAGEMENT INTERGOVERNMENTAL POLICY DIVISION

то:	Graham Stevens, Office Director Office of Constituent Affairs & Land Management Department of Energy and Environmental Protection
FROM:	Eric K. Lindquist, Environmental Analyst I Intergovernmental Policy Division Office of Policy and Management
DATE:	March 1, 2016
SUBJECT:	Green Plan Advisory Report Prepared Pursuant to CGS Sec. 16a-31(e)

Pursuant to Section 16a-31(e) of the Connecticut General Statutes, I have reviewed the February 2016 preliminary draft of the *2014-2018 Comprehensive Open Space Acquisition Strategy* (Green Plan) for consistency with the *2013-2018 Conservation and Development Policies Plan: The Plan for Connecticut* (C&D Plan). My review has determined that the Green Plan is generally consistent with the C&D Plan. Findings and comments pertaining to my determination are outlined in the bulleted paragraphs on the following pages.

Please be aware that beginning in Spring of 2016, OPM will begin the five-year revision cycle for the C&D Plan. As part of this revision, the corresponding Locational Guide Map will also be updated to reflect any changes in land classification since the previous update. Since the Locational Guide Map utilizes some of the same GIS datasets that DEEP uses to inform land acquisition priorities for the Green Plan (critical habitats, drinking water supply watersheds, protected lands), I would like to coordinate with your office, as well as other DEEP and DPH staff, at the appropriate time to ensure that such datasets are uniform and up-to-date.

I find DEEP's new pilot mapping system, the Public Use and Benefit Land Registry (Land Registry), to be promising tool for advancing implementation of the Green Plan and tracking land acquisition goals. OPM, through its GIS coordination responsibilities under CGS Sec. 4d-90, is available to advise your office on efforts to build out the Land Registry and strategy to update the aging Protected Open Space Mapping (POSM) dataset, which currently serves as the state's protected open space inventory. Additionally, in order to protect high quality open space from the threat of future sale or conveyance by the state, OPM welcomes the opportunity to comment on proposed "strategies for preserving in perpetuity state lands of high conservation value" when prepared under CGS Sec. 23-8(d).

The following is a list of C&D Plan policies most supported by the Green Plan, followed by my comments as sub-bullets:

- ENCOURAGE AND PROMOTE access to parks and recreational opportunities, including trails, greenways, community gardens and waterways, for affordable and mixed-income housing GMP #2
 - The Green Plan acknowledges the importance of increasing urbanized forms of open space such as recreational trails, community gardens, and water access. Such forms of open space are specifically promoted as acquisition targets under the "Natural Resourcebased Outdoor Recreation" land acquisition priority in its 5-year Action Strategy.
- CONTINUE TO PROTECT permanently preserved open space areas and facilitate the expansion of the state's open space and greenway network through continued state funding and public-private partnerships for the acquisition and maintenance of important multi-functional land and other priorities identified in the State's Open Space Plan (i.e., Green Plan) — GMP #4
 - OPM recognizes that this is the core mission of the Green Plan, which aims to achieve the statutory goal of protecting 21% of the state's land as open space through both state acquisitions and those of public-private partnerships. The 2014-2018 Green Plan further meets the above C&D Plan policy by (1) planning to establish a data-driven methodology for identifying the highest priority lands for conservation to make the most efficient use of limited funding resources; and (2) planning to establish a process under CGS Sec. 23-8(d) for preserving lands of high conservation value in perpetuity.
- PROTECT AND PRESERVE Connecticut Heritage Areas, archaeological areas of regional and statewide significance, and natural areas, including habitats of endangered, threatened and special concern species, other critical wildlife habitats, river and stream corridors, aquifers, ridgelines, large forest areas, highland areas, and Long Island Sound — GMP #4
 - OPM notes that the Green Plan's four "statewide land acquisition priorities" largely encompass the forms of land identified in the above C&D Plan policy. Archaeological or sacred sites of statewide significance are specifically mentioned as a criterion of the State Recreation and Natural Heritage Trust Program.
- ENCOURAGE collaborative ventures with municipalities, private non-profit land conservation organizations and other entities to provide a system of appropriately preserved and managed natural areas and resources that allow for a diversity of well-functioning habitats and the sustainable use of resources; PROMOTE innovative land conservation and banking practices that further local, regional, and state conservation and development objectives, and minimize the need to expand infrastructure to support new development in rural areas GMP #4
 - The Green Plan clearly states that DEEP's "land conservation partners" are critical to achieving a common goal of conserving valuable open space land over the next five year period and beyond. OPM concurs with such statement and urges DEEP to continue working closely with municipalities, regional councils of governments, land trusts, environmental planners, and others to ensure that DEEP's conservation priorities align with regional and local conservation priorities, and that priority conservation lands are identified in regional and municipal plans of conservation and development.
 - In order to adapt to limited fiscal resources for new land acquisitions, OPM recommends DEEP to continue exploring alternative practices to complement the traditional land acquisition model, such as promoting voluntary conservation easements, partnering with

land trusts for staff assistance, and considering other recommendations as may be made from time to time by the Council on Environmental Quality and the public.

- PROTECT the ecological, scenic, and recreational values of lakes, rivers, and streams by promoting compatible land uses and management practices in the vicinity of these resources; PROTECT, MAINTAIN, AND RESTORE the chemical physical, and biological integrity of surface waters to ensure that existing and designated uses are maintained GMP #4
 - The Green Plan heavily emphasizes the importance of conserving and protecting natural waters and drinking water resources including core forest and watershed lands. The conservation of such lands is important not only for ecological, scenic, and recreational value, but necessary for public health and ensuring a safe and reliable supply of drinking water for future generations (GMP #5). It is unclear how DEEP rates potential future drinking watersheds and unutilized aquifers when evaluating drinking water lands for open space acquisition. OPM encourages DEEP's consideration of protecting future drinking water resources in addition to current ones.

Appendix E

State Plans Considered in Revising the Green Plan

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- > 2015 Connecticut Wildlife Action Plan
- 2015 Connecticut Forest Action Plan (formerly Forest Resource Assessment and Strategy)
- > 2015 Connecticut Coastal and Estuarine Land Conservation Program Plan
- > 2014 Connecticut Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan
- > 2013 Connecticut State Plan of Conservation and Development Policies
- > 2011 Connecticut Climate Change Preparedness Plan
- > 2011 Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plans

2015 Connecticut Wildlife Action Plan

The State of Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) recently completed the <u>Connecticut Wildlife Action Plan</u>, creating a framework for proactively conserving the state's fish and wildlife and their habitats for the next 10 years. The plan identifies species of greatest conservation need and their affiliated habitats. It also identifies priority research needs and conservation actions needed to address problems facing these species and habitats.

2015 Connecticut Forest Action Plan (formerly Forest Resource Assessment and Strategy)

Authorized by the Federal Food, Conservation, and Energy Act (the Farm Bill), the <u>Connecticut</u> <u>Forest Resource Assessment and Strategy</u> is part of a national effort toward protecting and sustaining healthy forests, which offers the first-ever suite of forest resource evaluations completed by 59 state/territorial forestry agencies. This plan was designed to document the condition of Connecticut's forests, engage the public in discussions about Connecticut's forestlands, and develop strategies to focus federal, state and local partner efforts in protecting, conserving, and managing Connecticut's forestlands. Assessments and strategies in this Plan address three national themes identified by the US Forest Service: conserving working forestlands, protecting forests from harm, and enhancing public benefits from trees and forests. The Farm Bill requires states to complete state forest assessments and resource strategies as a condition of receiving federal funds to support several state forestry programs, such as the Forest Legacy Program.

2015 Connecticut Coastal and Estuarine Land Conservation Program Plan

The <u>Connecticut Coastal and Estuarine Land Conservation Program (CELCP) Plan</u> is intended to provide a proactive and strategic approach to coastal land acquisition and qualify Connecticut to receive federal grant funding assistance for such acquisitions. The plan:

• Identifies the State's coastal land conservation needs used to help prioritize coastal land acquisition opportunities to be funded in part by federal CELCP grant funds;

- Outlines a process to promote partnerships with municipalities and land trusts to identify land acquisition opportunities that address Connecticut's priority conservation needs; and
- Provides guidance for selecting coastal land acquisition projects for nomination to a national CELCP project selection committee that can successfully compete at the national level for federal funding assistance.

The Department of Commerce, Justice, and State Appropriations Act of 2002 directs the Secretary of Commerce, through the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), to administer a federal financial assistance program available to coastal states for coastal land acquisition. Available program funds are administered through a competitive grant program available to coastal states and their municipal partners by NOAA's Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management (OCRM). In order to receive CELCP coastal land acquisition funding through the grant program, a coastal state must first develop a CELCP plan for approval by NOAA-OCRM.

2014 Connecticut Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan

The State of Connecticut believes that climate change and adaptation techniques are an area of continued concern for which new policies and strategies will need to be developed. Connecticut adopted a <u>Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan</u> update in January 2014 to meet Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) guidelines set forth in the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000. It allows Connecticut to be eligible for federal funding from a presidentially declared disaster under the FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program. This plan represents the State's efforts to approach mitigating the effects of natural disasters on a multi-hazard basis, and shifts from a disaster-response driven system to one based on effective hazard mitigation planning.

2013 Connecticut State Plan of Conservation and Development Policies

The State Plan of Conservation and Development Policies¹ serves as a statement of the development, resource management, and public investment policies for Connecticut. The Connecticut Office of Policy and Management (OPM) is required to prepare a <u>State Plan of</u> <u>Conservation and Development</u> (POCD) on a recurring five-year cycle. The efforts of the Department of Energy and Environment and the Green Plan to acquire, preserve, and manage open space for clean and healthy natural waters, coastal resources, scenic highlands areas, fish and wildlife habitat, forestland, outdoor public recreation, urban greens and community gardens, and other resource values are consistent with the policies under the current POCD. The POCD specifically calls on state agencies and municipalities to facilitate the expansion of the Connecticut's open space through the acquisition of lands and implementation of open space priorities as defined in the Green Plan.

2011 Connecticut Climate Change Preparedness Plan

As required by Public Act No. <u>08-98</u> (An Act Concerning Connecticut Global Warming Solutions), <u>this Plan</u> evaluates the projected impacts of climate change on Connecticut agriculture, infrastructure, natural resources, and public health, and recommends strategies to

¹ CGS Sec. 16a-24 through 16a-33

lessen those impacts. The Adaptation Subcommittee of the Governor's Steering Committee on Climate Change developed the plan with the aid of working groups made up of subject matter experts who looked at anticipated changes to Connecticut's climate and proposed adaptation strategies under agreed upon guidelines. The workgroups recommended several overarching and specific adaptation strategies including the integration of climate change adaptation into existing plans and plans under revision, to plan for flexibility and monitor change, and to protect natural areas and landscape features that buffer potential impacts from climate change.

2011 Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plans

The Connecticut <u>Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan</u> (SCORP) is a planning document that identifies outdoor recreation issues of statewide significance and evaluates the supply of and the demand for outdoor recreation resources and facilities in Connecticut. The SCORP provides unified guidance to State and municipal officials as they develop and expand outdoor recreation opportunities for their respective constituents.

In addition to its value as a planning document, the completion of a SCORP also satisfies a requirement of the federally administered Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF), which then makes Connecticut eligible to receive its annual apportionment from the LWCF State and Municipal Assistance Program. Apportionments from the LWCF can be used by the State and its municipalities to acquire new land for outdoor recreation and conservation, and to construct new outdoor recreational facilities.

Connecticut Comprehensive Open Space Acquisition Strategy 2016-2020 Green Plan

Appendix F

Citations and Sources

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Appendix F. Citations and Sources

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