



**Notice of Coastal Consistency Review
State of Connecticut**

**Federal Consistency Determination for Proposed Electric Drone Package Delivery
Operations – North Haven, Connecticut**

The Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) has received a request submitted by the Federal Aviation Administration pursuant to Section 307(c)(1) of the Coastal Zone Management Act to review a proposed action affecting coastal resources for consistency with the enforceable policies of Connecticut's federally approved Coastal Management Program as contained in Sections 22a-90 through 22a-112 of the Connecticut General Statutes.

The federal action is the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) approval of Prime Air's Operational Specifications to conduct beyond visual line of sight drone commercial package delivery in the New Haven, CT area. Prime Air proposes to operate up to 1,000 MK30 drone delivery flights per operating day at a Prime Air Drone Delivery Center (PADDC) over the course of 365 operating days per year, resulting in roughly 365,000 annual delivery operations. Commercial delivery operations from the PADDC would occur between 6 a.m. and 10:30 p.m., up to seven days per week, with up to 100 of the 1,000 daily delivery flights (10%) expected to occur during the period from 6 a.m. to 7 a.m. and 10 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. The MK30 drone's proposed operating range is 7.5 miles (mi) from the PADDC, each with a potential operating area of 174 square (sq) mi. Location of the PADDC is 409 Washington Ave., New Haven, CT.

Specific questions regarding the proposed action should be directed to Christopher Hurst by email at 9-FAA-Drone-Environmental@faa.gov. Interested persons may obtain a copy of the application from the above contact or by sending a request for an electronic copy to Karen Michaels of CT DEEP at Karen.Michaels@ct.gov. All interested parties are invited to express their views on this action. Comments regarding this application may be submitted via electronic mail to Karen.Michaels@ct.gov no later than fifteen (15) days from the publication date of this notice.

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