

Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection









DEEP Considerations and Permits

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2015 Certificate Training for Public Water System Watershed Inspectors Donald Gonyea, EA3 Water Permitting and Enforcement Division



Additional Inspection Considerations

- Prepare for conditions at the site before you get there:
 - Prepare for weather, especially footwear.
 - If likely to enter contaminated sites have dedicated footwear and clothes.
 - If you know the owner is hostile to you or your department, bring assistance with you.
 - Review files for existing information on the site



Considerations (cont.)

 Site Safety – Personal Safety should be your most important issue during site visits. You are your own safety officer and must evaluate the safety of each site. Review all available information about chemical hazards but also watch for physical hazards while on site. If something appears to be unsafe, it probably is, stay away from it. Do not overestimate your own abilities.

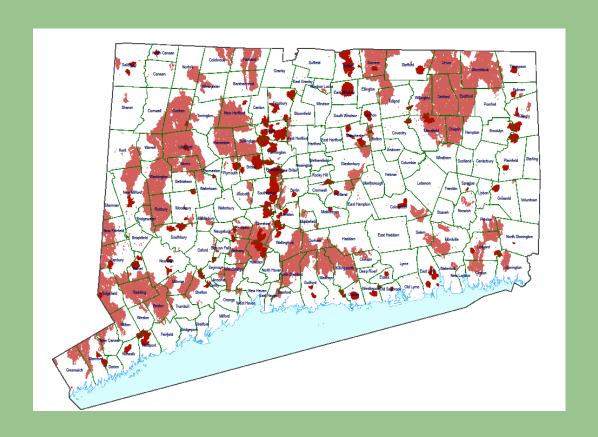


Considerations (cont.)

- When inspecting commercial facilities Use of a standardized procedure is recommended.
 - Review Available Information
 - Registration forms, zoning files, Tax Assessor records,
 DEEP records, etc..
 - Make copies for reference during the inspection (Permits, Registrations, Hazardous materials summary, Maps, etc)
 - Classify the type of inspection to be performed What do you need to know or do at the site. Standardized inspection forms help.



Much of Connecticut is Watershed





Some Threats are Obvious





Don't be fooled by the obvious

Locations on the Mill River seriously polluted with lead







Cyanobacteria / Bluegreen Algae





Duckweed / Algae / BG Algae







Iron Bacteria (natural – aggravated)

May indicate problems like groundwater polluted with gasoline or heating oil







Oil or Bacteria





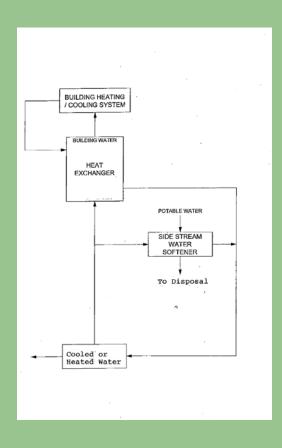
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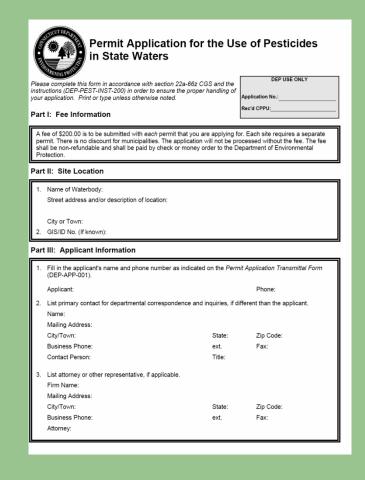






Cooling Waters and Pesticides







DEEP Emergency Response

Report an Environmental Emergency

If you are involved in or witness an environmental emergency, call DEEP's *Emergency Response Unit* 24 hours a day at 866-DEP-SPIL (866-337-7745) or 860-424-3338. (If these are not answered, call 860-424-3333.)

Pesticide Program issues, call 860-424-3369.

Non-emergency water quality problems, call 860-424-3025



Questions?

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