

Manisha Juthani, MD Commissioner



Ned Lamont Governor Susan Bysiewicz Lt. Governor

Environmental Health & Drinking Water Branch

DWS Circular Letter #2021-86

TO: Councils of Government, Municipal Planning Commissions, Municipal Zoning Commissions, Municipal Planning and Zoning Commissions, Municipal Zoning Boards of Appeals and Municipal Inland Wetland Agencies

FROM: Lori Mathieu, Public Health Branch Chief, EHDW Jaci J. Mathieu²¹

- **DATE:** October 14, 2021
- **SUBJECT:** Statutory Requirement to provide Electronic Notification to the Connecticut Dept. of Public Health (DPH) for project applications within Drinking Water Watersheds or Aquifer Protection Areas

The Connecticut Department of Public Health (DPH) Drinking Water Section (DWS) is asking all municipalities and Councils of Government to review the following sections of Public Act 21-121, signed by the Governor on July 6, 2021.

Effective October 1st, 2021, Sections 3 and 4 of Public Act 21-121 revise the notification processes of Sections 8-3i and 22a-42f of the Connecticut General Statutes (CGS) to require electronic notifications (rather than mail as previously required) to DPH whenever an application, petition, request or plan is filed with the zoning commission, planning and zoning commission, zoning board of appeals or inland wetland agency for any regulated activity or project on any site that is within the aquifer protection area or the watershed of a public water supply. The applicant is required to provide the electronic notice not later than seven days after the date of the application.

A form and mapping application have been provided online to assist applicants in complying with these requirements. The form is available at: <u>DPH Project Notification Form</u> and the mapping application is available at: <u>DPH Project Notification Form Mapping Application</u>.

To review the entire Public Act 21-121 please see the following link: https://www.cga.ct.gov/2021/ACT/PA/PDF/2021PA-00121-R00HB-06666-PA.PDF

c: Deputy Commissioner Heather Aaron, MPH, LNHA, Department of Public Health



Phone: (860) 509-7333 • Fax: (860) 509-7359 Telecommunications Relay Service 7-1-1 410 Capitol Avenue, P.O. Box 340308, MS#12DWS Hartford, Connecticut 06134-0308 <u>www.ct.gov/dph/publicdrinkingwater</u> *Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer*

