

Water Utility Coordinating Committee

Water Planning Council Meeting

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Water Utility Coordinating Committee (WUCC)

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8. How to accomplish this vision

WUCC - What is it? & Why does it exist?

- 1981 Drought
- Water Resources Task Force Report
- Legislature created water supply planning
- CGS Sections 25-33c – 25-33i - 1985
- Regulations Section 25-33h-1 et seq
- CGS Section 25-33c – Legislative Intent –
...adequate supply of potable water is vital, readily
available water for use is limited and should be
developed with a minimum of loss and waste,
DPH administer a process to coordinate planning

WUCC - How does it operate?

- Map
- Organization
- Committee
- Procedures
- Practices
- Plan creation
- Schedule of WUCCs, priority order

WUCC – When were they convened?

- Housatonic WUCC – plan completed 1988
- Upper CT River WUCC – plan completed 1989
- South Central CT WUCC – plan completed 1991
- Southeast WUCC – plan completed and approved 2001
- Northeast WUCC – not convened
- North West WUCC – not convened
- South West WUCC – not convened

WUCC – What is the present status?

- 4 of 7 areas convened, one plan approved
- 2007 – Renewed effort
- Revived meetings
- Identification and discussion of issues/concerns
- Renewed interest
- Connection to Certificate process

WUCC – Why important?

- Discussion of water supply issues
- Regional planning effort
- Use of plan as a guide
- Certificate process
- Bring together CEOs, LHD, Town Planners, and public water systems
- Highlight on regional water supply needs
- Forum to resolve issues locally
- Guide for water system growth and individual water supply plans

WUCC – What is the future vision?

- Continue to actively engage WUCCs
- Continue to work with ESA providers
- Continue to meet
- Outline a method to address plan development for CT's NE, NW and SW regions

WUCC – How to move forward?

- Engage staffing resources, identify others
- Identify and update important items
- Continue to meet, discuss and engage stakeholders
- Develop & follow standard procedures
- Revise boundaries