



STATE OF CONNECTICUT
OFFICE OF POLICY AND MANAGEMENT
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

December 1, 2021

The Honorable Steve Cassano
The Honorable Cristin McCarthy Vahey
Members of the Continuing Legislative Committee on State Planning and Development

Re: Draft Conservation and Development Policies: The Plan for Connecticut, 2018-2023

Dear Senators and Representatives:

The Office of Policy and Management (OPM) hereby re-submits the Draft *Conservation and Development Policies: The Plan for Connecticut, 2018-2023* (Draft C&D Plan) to the Continuing Legislative Committee on State Planning and Development (Continuing Committee), for its “approval, revision or disapproval, in whole or in part.”

This is the fifth consecutive year that OPM has submitted the Draft C&D Plan for the General Assembly’s consideration of adoption. During the 2018 legislative session, [House Joint Resolution No. 172](#) was not acted on by the General Assembly. In 2019, [House Joint Resolution No. 74](#) was raised, but not transmitted to the General Assembly. During the pandemic-shortened session of 2020, the Continuing Committee held a public hearing on March 9th, but no formal action was taken during the requisite statutory period. In 2021, [House Joint Resolution No. 371](#) passed in the House, but was not acted on by the Senate.

OPM recognizes that the Commission on Connecticut’s Development and Future (CCDF), established under Section 13 of Public Act 21-29, is tasked with evaluating “policies related to land use, conservation, housing affordability and infrastructure.” Given this new charge, the Continuing Committee may consider holding off on taking any further action on the Draft C&D Plan until the CCDF has had an opportunity to address issues related to the statutes governing its development, approval, and implementation in the coming months.

My staff and I remain committed to working with the Continuing Committee to address any concerns that members might have. If you would like to discuss the Draft C&D Plan, please contact Dan Morley at (860) 418-6343 or Daniel.Morley@ct.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Melissa McCaw".

Melissa McCaw
Secretary

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