


**TO:** Garrett Eucalitto, Commissioner  
Connecticut Department of Transportation

**FROM:** Jeffrey R. Beckham, Secretary   
Office of Policy and Management

**DATE:** December 18, 2024

**SUBJECT:** Environmental Impact Evaluation and Record of Decision (EIE/ROD) for  
the Norwalk Route 7 and Route 15 Interchange Project

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Based on a review of the subject Environmental Impact Evaluation (EIE) and Record of Decision (ROD) conducted pursuant to C.G.S. Section 22a-1e, I am herewith advising you of my finding that this document satisfies the requirements of the Connecticut Environmental Policy Act (CEPA).

This finding is based on the expectation that no new access points will be allowed along the proposed urban boulevard portion of Rt 7. As DOT indicated in response to a public comment expressing concern about Rt 7 becoming like Main Ave., Rt 7 will remain limited access and the project will encourage through-traffic to bypass congested sections of Main Ave. Doing so is intended to improve mobility for pedestrians, bicyclists, and transit users in the vicinity of Main Ave., achieving a component of this project's purpose and need statement and also conforming with the policies of the state's Conservation and Development Plan.

Please contact Bruce Wittchen (860-418-6323) if there are any questions regarding this finding.

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