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## 2. Workgroup or Initiative Information

<b>Title of Group or Initiative:</b>	Education and Knowledge Sharing
<b>Is this group ongoing (no end date)?</b>	Yes (skip to question 3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Activity Status:</b>	Active <input type="checkbox"/> Completed <input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Date started:</b>	
<b>Date completed:</b>	

## 3. Provide Charge or Focus of Group or Initiative (2-3 sentences – be brief)

Under the authority of [CGA Sec. 25-33o\(c\)](#), the Water Planning Council established an Advisory Group (WPCAG) to assist in researching and analyzing water resource issues and advise on matters of interest. The statute requires that the WPCAG members be balanced between consumptive and nonconsumptive interests.

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3.	(12) Take into account the ecological, environmental, public health and safety and economic impact that implementation of the state water plan will have on the state

### 5. Workgroup or Initiative Activity (answer ONE of the following questions):

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Because of the broad and balanced stakeholders in the WPCAG, our monthly meetings are a hub for information from various planning and implementation initiatives relating to water resources. We have reviewed and provided input on all Implementation Workgroup products and are a space to bring water issues to get input from various perspectives and a forum for the public to bring water issues for discussion.

<b>6. What stakeholder interests were represented and/or invited to the workgroup or initiative? (Do not include names):</b>
Categories and members can be found at: <a href="https://portal.ct.gov/Water/WPC-Groups-and-Committees/WPC-Advisory-Group">https://portal.ct.gov/Water/WPC-Groups-and-Committees/WPC-Advisory-Group</a> . The public is welcome at our meetings and are encouraged to participate in our discussions.

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Due to the WPCAG stakeholder makeup, WPCAG meeting are the perfect venue for presentations on water-related issues and successful projects.

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<p>Presentations for the past few years have included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Water Conservation BMPs - Arthur (Arde) Ramthun, NRCS State Conservation Engineer</li><li>Source Water Protection - Thomas Morgart, NRCS State Conservationist</li><li>Pomperaug River low flow plan, Len DeJong and Dave Radka</li><li>Lake Waramaug Stratification Study - Sean Hayden</li><li>WUCC Interconnection Roadmap - Aaron Budris</li><li>New Developments and Public Water Systems</li></ul> <p>The WPCAG will continue to host presentations that pertain to water planning and implementation.</p>

<b>6. What stakeholder interests were represented and/or invited to the workgroup or initiative? (Do not include names):</b>
Any entity with a subject pertaining to water resources in Connecticut is welcome to present to the WPCAG. All interested parties are welcome to attend WPCAG meetings.

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<b>Title of Group or Initiative:</b>	Source Water Protection White Paper
<b>Is this group ongoing (no end date)?</b>	Yes (skip to question 3) <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>Activity Status:</b>	Active <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Completed <input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Date started:</b>	April 2020
<b>Date completed:</b>	

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Review the status of source water protection in Connecticut looking at the roles of the WPC agencies, federal and state programs, and regulations, the GC3 report, and ongoing efforts such as the Source Water Collaborative; and identify ways that the WPC and WPCAG can advance source water protection in CT.

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3.	Choose an item.

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An outline for the white paper is complete but further work has been put on hold due to resource constraints.

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<b>Activity Status:</b>	Active <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Completed <input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Date started:</b>	May 2021
<b>Date completed:</b>	

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The WPC requested that the WPCAG Co-Chairs participate in DEEP's Sustainable, Transparent, and Efficient Practices (STEPS) for Solar Development process to bring forward the recommendations in the Siting of Large Scale Solar Projects on Source Water Lands report and ensure that protection of water resources is duly considered in the process.

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The STEPs process has been inactive.

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