

## DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

To: Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ), Environmental Monitor

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Subject: State of Connecticut Kensington State Fish Hatchery Solar Project

Memorandum of Findings and Determination

On December 7, 2021, the Connecticut Department of Administrative Services (DAS) posted a Notice of Scoping to solicit public comments for the State of Connecticut Kensington Fish Hatchery Solar project in the *Environmental Monitor*. A public scoping meeting was not requested for this project. The scoping public comment period concluded on January 7, 2022. During the scoping period, DAS received comments from the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection.

DAS published time extension notices in the Environmental Monitor on September 20, 2022 and on May 16, 2023 to allow the agency additional time to evaluate the proposed project.

Based on the comments received and the analysis documented in the Environmental Review Checklist, CT DAS does not recommend the preparation of an Environmental Impact Evaluation under the Connecticut Environmental Policy Act for this project. All concerns and recommendations brought forth by CT DEEP will be passed on to the contractors responsible for the development of the project.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact Michael.Barrera@ct.gov.