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Mr. Robert Stein, Chairman
Connecticut Siting Council
Ten Franklin Square
New Britain, CT 06051

RE: Petition No. 1216: Cricket Valley Line Project
Request to Staff for Minor Modification to the Scope of Work

Dear Chairman Stein:

On March 31, 2016, the Connecticut Siting Council (“Council”) considered and ruled that the subject petition would not have a substantial environmental effect and would not require a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need. As presented in the petition, this project involves reconductoring approximately 5.3 miles of Eversource’s Line 398, which is a 345-kV transmission line that extends from Eversource’s Long Mountain Switching Station to the Connecticut/New York state line in New Milford, Sherman and Kent, Connecticut. The overall reconductoring project extends across both states. Though the project work has not yet begun in Connecticut, reconductoring to support the project has initiated on the New York side of the state line.

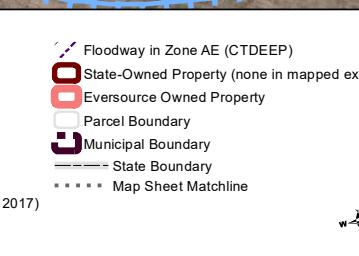
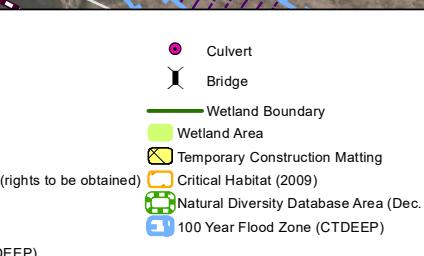
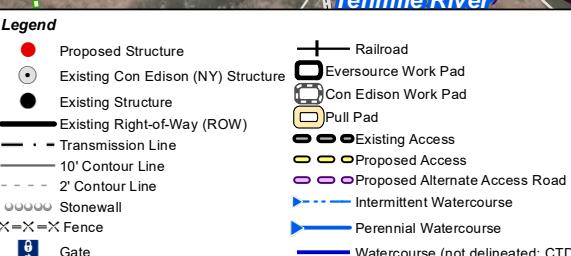
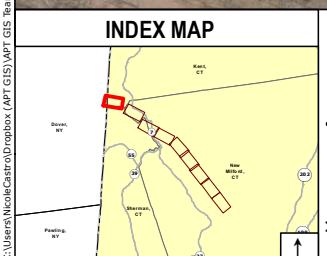
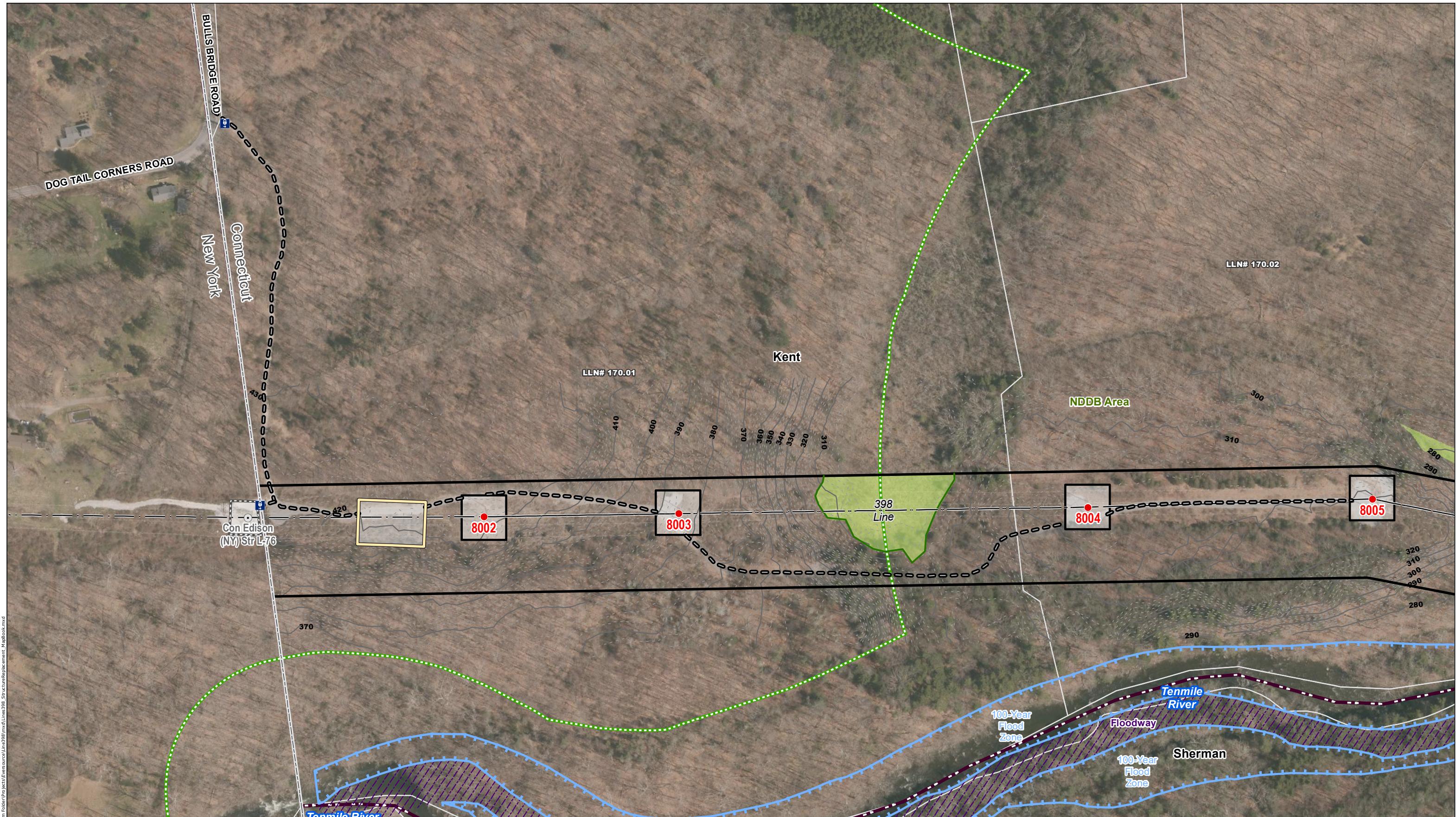
To support the New York portion of the reconductoring, it has been determined that an additional work/pull pad will be required on the Connecticut side of the work to facilitate pulling the conductor east toward the Connecticut section of the project. The need for this additional work/pull pad was not contemplated at the time of Eversource’s petition to the Council and Eversource plans to utilize the work/pull pad in the execution of its own work. The additional work/pull pad is proposed to be located in an upland area and will be accessed utilizing an existing access road. There are no impacts to water or cultural resources. Please see the attached revised map sheet 1 depicting the location of the work/pull pad. Eversource is requesting that this minor modification to its proposed scope of work be approved by Council staff.

Should you or other Council members have any questions regarding this submission, please do not hesitate to contact me via e-mail at kathleen.shanley@eversource.com or telephone at (860) 728-4527.

Sincerely,


Kathleen M. Shanley

Enclosure



Map Notes:

Feet 1 inch = 200

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**Transmission Line Maintenance
New York State Line to Long Mountain Switching Station
398 Line Structure Replacement**

Kent & Sherman CT

Map Sheet 1 of 9

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