

Docket No. 272 – Development and Management Plan Inspection

The Connecticut Light and Power Company Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction of a new 345-kV electric transmission line and associated facilities between Scovill Rock Switching Station in Middletown and Norwalk Substation in Norwalk, Connecticut, including reconstruction of portions of existing 115-kV and 345-kV electric transmission line, the construction of Beseck Switching Station in Wallingford, East Devon Substation in Milford, (and Singer Substation in Bridgeport), modifications at Scovill Rock Switching Station and Norwalk Substation, and the reconfiguration of certain interconnections.

Segment 2b Inspection

Date: September 19, 2008

Inspector: Matt Kelly

Location: Segment 2b – Cheshire/Hamden Town Line to East Devon Substation

Rainfall: 1.04” of precipitation were recorded since the last inspection with 0.75” of the total reported on 9/12. (NOAA data at New Haven, CT).

Areas of Inspection	Observation	Recommended Action	Corrected Action
Access roads and adjacent roadways Milford, CT All sections	Restoration efforts to access roads and adjacent roadways appear complete at this time. 9/19/08	Continue to monitor until all areas are stabilized with vegetation. 9/19/08	Not Applicable (NA)
Caswell St/Bic Dr	Construction appears complete in this section at this time, and construction traffic has been minimal for an extended period. The majority of sedimentation in this area is non-project related. 9/19/08	Continue to monitor until construction related traffic has ceased. If sediment tracking continues, sweep roadway as needed and provide catch basin protection. 9/19/08	Needs evaluation
West River Street	Access road has been returned to the original grade. Vegetation growth has been observed, but some exposed soils remain. 9/19/08	Continue to monitor. See EC Section. 9/19/08	Increased vegetative growth was observed
Orange, CT All sections	Restoration efforts to access road and crane pad locations continue. 9/19/08	Continue to monitor. See EC Section. 9/19/08	NA
Bethany, CT Litchfield Turnpike	Stone pads have been removed from the ROW. The access road, including	Continue to monitor until restoration activities are complete and the area is	Needs attention

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<p>Hamden, CT</p> <p>Old Ln</p>	<p>the timber mat crossings, is permanent and will remain. 9/19/08</p> <p>Catch basin controls need attention here. 7/18-9/19/08</p>	<p>stabilized with vegetation. See stabilization section. 9/19/08</p> <p>Continue to monitor. Provide and maintain catch basin protection. 9/19/08</p>	<p>Needs attention</p>
<p>Foundation and site construction All sections</p>	<p>H- frame structure and lattice tower removal appears to be complete at this time. 9/19/08</p> <p>115-kV work appears to be complete within the ROW at this time. Restoration efforts continue. 9/19/08</p> <p>345-kV work appears to be complete within the ROW at this time. Restoration efforts continue 9/19/08</p>	<p>NA. 9/19/08</p> <p>Continue to monitor. See EC Section. 9/19/08</p> <p>Continue to monitor. See EC Section. 9/19/08</p>	<p>NA</p> <p>NA</p> <p>NA</p>
<p>Erosion and sediment controls</p> <p>Milford, CT</p> <p>Lexington Way</p> <p>East Rutland</p>	<p>Roots have been retained in most cleared areas to maintain some soil stability. Crews have made good efforts to temporarily stabilize most disturbed areas with hay mulch. Timber mats and erosion controls are in place in and adjacent to wetland areas. 9/19/08</p> <p>Stormwater from a culvert beneath Hwy 15 is scouring a channel along the perimeter of the ROW near structure #3826. Exposed soils remain in this area. 8/14-9/19/08</p> <p>Stormwater run-off is scouring a channel along the access road near structure #3827. 8/14-9/19/08</p>	<p>None at this time. Continue to utilize the appropriate erosion control measures and stabilize disturbed soils as necessary. 9/19/08</p> <p>Continue to monitor and stabilize exposed soils. Evaluate control options. 9/19/08</p> <p>Continue to monitor and stabilize exposed soils. 9/19/08</p>	<p>NA</p> <p>Needs attention/evaluation</p> <p>Needs attention</p>

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Wheeler's Farm Rd	9/19/08 Stormwater runoff is causing minor scouring near structure #3832. Runoff from the slope is undermining the silt fence here. Approximately 65-70% vegetative cover has been noted outside of the stormwater path in this area. 8/14-9/19/08	Place check dams or divert runoff flow until the slope is stable. 9/19/08	Approximately 65-70% vegetative cover has been noted outside of the stormwater path in this area. <i>Needs additional attention</i>
West River Street	Access roads and timber mat crane pads have been removed. Vegetative growth continues. 9/19/08	Continue to monitor and stabilize exposed soils. 9/19/08	Vegetative growth continues
Eisenhower Park	A spoil pile remains in the wetland buffer here. 9/19/08	Remove pile from wetland buffer when feasible. 9/19/08	Needs attention when feasible
Eisenhower Park Mitigation Area	Soils in the mitigation area remain exposed, but appear to be contained on site. In general, all plantings appear to be doing well at this time. 9/19/08	Continue to monitor until final stabilization is achieved. Exposed soils should be seeded if grass growth is not observed now that the plantings are complete. 9/19/08	Needs attention
Orange, CT			
Dogwood Rd	Silt fence has been removed near structure #24067. 9/19/08	Site is temporarily stabilized. Continue to monitor until final stabilization is achieved. 9/19/08	Silt fence has been removed
Dogburn Rd	Stormwater run-off has caused scouring in the restored crane pad area near structure #24077. 8/22-9/19/08	Stabilize exposed soils and continue to monitor and repair/add controls as necessary. 9/19/08	Needs attention
Route 34	Spoils remain within the ROW off Rt. 34. Piles appear to be contained in the upland portions of the ROW. 9/19/08	Remove spoil piles when feasible. 9/19/08	Needs attention during 345 kV restoration efforts

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Bethany & Hamden, CT	Spoils remain on the ROW off Hatfield Rd, Downs to Gaylord Mtn Rd, Tom Swamp, & Brooksvale Ave. 9/19/08	Remove spoil piles during 345 kV restorations. 9/19/08	Remaining spoil piles need attention during 345 kV restoration efforts
Bethany, CT Litchfield Tpk	Access road controls (waterbars and sediment basins) remain intact, but sediment from the road continues to accumulate on some of the wetland crossings in this section. 9/19/08	Continue to monitor and add/maintain controls to prevent sediment migration to the wetlands. 9/19/08	Needs evaluation/attention
Hamden, CT West Todd Street/ Gaylord Mountain	A small swale was installed along the ROW perimeter and the access road in an attempt to help control/divert stormwater runoff. An erosive gully has been observed in the northern portion of the swale. Haybale controls have been installed within the swale. 9/19/08	Continue to monitor until final stabilization is achieved. The swale remains functional but additional controls are needed to help control stormwater and erosion. Remove sediment from the wetland. 9/19/08	Haybale controls have been installed within the swale <i>Needs additional attention</i>
Gaylord Mountain (North)	Sediment is accumulating in the third sediment basin along the access road here. Additional controls/ stabilization measures may be necessary. Vegetative growth has been observed within the trench along the access road. 9/19/08	Remove sediment from the basin during 345 kV restoration efforts. 9/19/08	Sediment basins need attention during 345 kV restoration efforts
Brooksvale Ave	Existing controls continue to function at wetland #100, but additional controls may be necessary. The sediment basin is nearing capacity. 9/19/08	Continue to monitor and add/maintain controls as necessary. 9/19/08	Needs evaluation/attention during 345 kV restoration efforts
Old Lane Rd	Access road controls remain functional here. Sediment basins need attention. 9/19/08	Continue to monitor and maintain as necessary. 9/19/08	Needs evaluation

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Inland Wetland and Watercourse encroachment and mitigation	The ACOE permit is in hand and approved wetland work continues. 9/19/08	Follow general guidelines of the permit whenever work in wetlands occurs. 9/19/08	NA
All sections	Foundations for 115-kV structures that have been installed in wetlands (as approved) include: #'s 3836(2), 3837, 3838, 3839, 3843, 3868, 3869, 3870, 3874, 3881, 3899, 3905, 3908, 3912, 3913, 3914, 3915, 3916, 3917, 3918, 3923, 3941, 3947, 3992, 3993, & 4009. 9/19/08	Continue to monitor and add controls as necessary. 9/19/08	NA at this time
Milford, CT	Foundations for 345-kV structures that have been installed in wetlands (as approved) include: #'s 24023 (2), 24024, 24025, 24026, 24030, 24042, 24057, 24061, 24067, 24068, 24072 (2), 24090, 24091, 24092R, 24099, 24100, 24101, 24102, 24103, 24104, 24110, 24119(2), 24146, 24166, & 24179. 9/19/08	Continue to monitor and add controls as necessary. 9/19/08	NA at this time
East Rutland Road (western access point), Eisenhower Park	Permanent stone access roads remain at the wetland crossings in these areas. 9/19/08	NA 9/19/08	NA
Orange, CT	Permanent stone access roads remain at the wetland crossings in these areas (as approved). 9/19/08	Continue to monitor. 9/19/08	NA
Pine Tree Dr, Lambert Rd, Clearview Ln (Woodbridge)	Permanent stone access roads remain at the wetland crossings in these areas (as approved). 9/19/08	Continue to monitor. 9/19/08	NA at this time
Woodbridge, CT JCC/B'Nai	A stone access road remains in the wetland area near the JCC. 9/11/08	Continue to monitor. 9/19/08	NA at this time
	The wetland areas near the JCC and B'Nai Jacob	Continue to monitor until <i>final stabilization is</i>	NA at this time

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	<p>have been cleared as a result of the permitted re-location of the ROW. Vegetative growth has been observed at B'Nai Jacob. 9/19/08</p>	<p><i>achieved.</i> 9/19/08</p>	
<p>Cow Path Ln, Rimmon Rd, Brookwood Dr, Manville Rd and Ansonia Rd</p>	<p>Permanent access roads remain in the wetlands in these sections (as permitted.) 9/19/08</p>	<p>Continue to monitor. 9/19/08</p>	<p>NA</p>
<p>Oak Ln CC, & JCC</p>	<p>Timber mat crane pads remain in the wetlands in these sections. 9/19/08</p>	<p>Continue to monitor. 9/19/08</p>	<p>NA</p>
<p>Bethany, CT Morris to Hatfield</p>	<p>Stone access roads and timber mats are in place in the wetland areas in this section (as permitted). 9/19/08</p>	<p>Continue to monitor. 9/19/08</p>	<p>NA</p>
<p>Litchfield Turnpike</p>	<p>Some sediment has accumulated on the permanent timber mat crossings at wetlands #115 (between structures #3965 and #3966) and #114 (between structure #3966 and #3967). Sediment does not appear to be accumulating in the wetlands at these crossings. 9/19/08</p>	<p>Evaluate methods to eliminate sediment migration from the access road to the wetlands. The contractor has stated that Geotextile material will be tacked to the surface of the timber mat crossings to help prevent sediment migration to the wetlands from the access road See EC Section. 9/19/08</p>	<p>Needs evaluation/attention during 345 kV restoration efforts</p>
<p>Hamden, CT West Todd St, Tom Swamp/Arrow Rd, Willow Street, Brooksvale Ave, and Old Lane Rd</p>	<p>Temporary stone access roads and timber mats remain in some of the wetland areas in these sections. 9/19/08</p>	<p>Continue to monitor. 9/19/08</p>	<p>NA at this time</p>
<p>Gaylord Mtn. Rd. (North)</p>	<p>Sediment remains in the wetland area located to the southwest of structure #3992. 12/20/07. No further accumulation has been observed and wetland vegetation has been noted. 9/19/08</p>	<p>Evaluate sediment accumulation within the wetland. Carefully remove sediment from wetland if it is greater than 2" in depth. 9/19/08</p>	<p>Needs evaluation/attention during 345 kV restoration efforts</p>

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<p>(South)</p> <p>Brooksvale Ave</p> <p>Whitney Ave</p>	<p>Sediment remains in the wetland area between structure #'s 3990-3991. Sediment removal has been scheduled. 9/19/08</p> <p>Sediment had seeped through the mats and into wetland #100. Sediment does not appear to be accumulating here. 9/19/08</p> <p>Sediment remains in the wetland near structure #24195. 9/19/08</p>	<p>Carefully remove sediment from wetland if it is greater than 2" in depth. 9/19/08</p> <p>Carefully remove sediment from wetland areas if it exceeds 2" in depth when timber mats are removed. Add haybale controls to prevent sedimentation from the access road. 9/19/08</p> <p>Carefully remove sediment from wetland areas if it exceeds 2" in depth. 9/19/08</p>	<p>Needs attention</p> <p>Needs evaluation/attention during 345 kV restoration efforts</p> <p>Needs evaluation/attention during 345 kV restoration efforts</p>
<p>State species of concern, threatened and endangered species.</p> <p>Milford to Hamden, CT</p> <p>Eisenhower Park, & Old Ln</p>	<p>According to the D&M plan, Wood Turtles are known to occur near the Wepawaug River at Eisenhower Park. Wood turtles are no longer considered dormant after April 1st. 9/19/08</p> <p>An Eastern Box turtle was observed in the Eisenhower Park section of the ROW on 5/9/08 and the Old Ln section in 2007. 9/19/08</p>	<p>If active work is to continue in this area after April 1st, field crews should receive the appropriate training in the recognition and removal of individual wood turtles from the construction area. "Sweeps" should be performed prior to the commencement of construction activities. 9/19/08</p> <p>The area should receive the same attention as known, protected habitat area along the ROW. The dormant season has ended as of April 1st and sweeps for turtles are required prior to accessing the site. 9/19/08</p>	<p>Ensure that field crews receive the appropriate training prior to the commencement of construction activities in these areas</p> <p>Sweeps are needed in this area during access for restoration activities.</p>

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Vegetative clearing or stabilization All active roads (all towns)	Vegetative clearing was noted within the ROW. Most species were invasive and were removed. “Hedgerows”, including cedars and similar short tree species were retained along the ROW where feasible. Select shrubs, especially those adjacent to wetlands, also remain in most areas. 9/19/08	Continue to retain appropriate vegetation for stabilization. Retain as much vegetation as possible for screening. Confirm that clearing/cutting is limited only to areas defined in D&M plan. Provide as much buffer as possible for homeowners. 9/19/08	NA
Milford, CT			
Naugatuck Ave, Caswell St, Plains Rd, Oronoque Rd, Fresh Meadow Ln, North St, Woodruff	Final vegetative stabilization has been achieved in these areas. 9/19/08	NA 9/19/08	Final vegetative stabilization has been achieved
Lexington Way, E. Rutland, Wheelers Farm Rd, W. River St, Eisenhower Park	Vegetative growth has been noted in these areas. Approximately 60-70% vegetative cover exists; however, additional stabilization is needed in these areas. 9/19/08	Continue to monitor until <i>final stabilization</i> is achieved. 9/19/08	Vegetative growth has been noted but <i>additional attention is needed</i> .
Orange, CT			
Rolling Ridge Rd, Pine Tree Dr, Lambert Rd	Final vegetative stabilization has been achieved in these areas. 9/19/08	NA 9/19/08	Final vegetative stabilization has been achieved
Treat Ln, Orange Center Rd, Sunset Dr, Hall Dr, Edward Ct, Racebrook Rd, Russell Ave, Overland Dr	Vegetative growth has been noted in these restored locations. 9/19/08	Continue to monitor until <i>final stabilization</i> is achieved. 9/19/08	Vegetative growth has been noted
Dogwood Rd, Hunting Hill Rd, Hunting Hill Place, Saddle Ridge Rd, Rt 34, Dogburn Rd	Restoration efforts continue in these areas. 9/19/08	Continue to monitor until <i>final stabilization</i> is achieved. 9/19/08	NA
Woodbridge, CT	115 kV crane pad reclamation and restoration work appears complete at this time. Disturbed soils have been graded and mulched for temporary stabilization.. Vegetative growth has	Continue to monitor until <i>final stabilization</i> is achieved. 9/19/08	Disturbed soils are being graded and mulched for temporary stabilization

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<p>Clearview Ln, Manville Rd, Ansonia Rd, Rimmon Rd, Pease Rd, Center Rd, Cowpath Ln, Glen Dam,</p> <p>Bethany and Hamden, CT</p> <p>Litchfield Turnpike</p>	<p>Vegetative growth has been observed throughout the ROW in this area. 9/19/08</p> <p>Hay mulch and seed are being applied to the permanent wetland crossings. 9/19/08</p> <p>345 kV restoration efforts appear complete in these sections at this time. All disturbed soils have been graded and temporarily stabilized with mulch. 9/19/08</p> <p>115 kV crane pad reclamation and restoration work appears complete at this time. Disturbed soils have been graded and mulched for temporary stabilization. Vegetative growth has been noted throughout the ROW in these areas. 9/19/08</p> <p>345 kV restoration efforts appear complete in this section at this time. All disturbed soils have been graded and temporarily stabilized with mulch. The access roads here are permanent, therefore timber mat wetland crossings will remain. 9/19/08</p>	<p>Continue stabilization efforts. 9/19/08</p> <p>Continue to monitor until <i>final stabilization</i> is achieved. 9/19/08</p> <p>Continue to monitor until <i>final stabilization</i> is achieved. 9/19/08</p> <p>Continue to monitor until <i>final stabilization</i> is achieved. The contractor has stated that Geotextile material will be tacked to the surface of the timber mat crossings to help prevent sediment migration to the wetlands from the access road 9/19/08</p>	<p>Hay mulch and seed are being applied to the permanent wetland crossings</p> <p>NA</p> <p>Disturbed soils are being graded and mulched for temporary stabilization. Grass growth has been noted in many areas</p> <p>NA</p>
<p>Dewatering Orange, CT Woodbridge, Bethany, and Hamden CT</p>	<p>Dewatering appears complete at this time. 9/19/08</p>	<p>NA. 9/19/08</p>	<p>NA</p>
<p>Blasting</p>	<p>No blasting is proposed at this time. 9/19/08</p>	<p>None. 9/19/08</p>	<p>NA</p>

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Spills, soils and material storage.	Contractor receiving yard is set up near Shelland St. in Milford. See segment 3 report. 9/19/08	In general, store materials and equipment appropriately. Ensure that vehicles are equipped with spill kits. All construction vehicles should be parked at least 100 feet from a wetland or waterbody when feasible. 9/19/08	NA
Additional Observations	<p>Vehicle tracks were observed in Eisenhower Park near the mitigation area. 8/14-9/19/08</p> <p>Non-project related activity was noted within the ROW off Sunset Dr. A trench was dug near the first structure and a pipe appears to have been installed to divert water from an unknown location. 1/18/07-9/19/08</p> <p>Non-project related sedimentation has been observed in the roadway off Caswell Street/Bic Drive & Plains Rd in Milford. 9/19/08</p> <p>Non-project related soil piles have been observed within a wetland buffer off North St in Milford. 9/19/08</p>	<p>Noted for the record. 8/14/08-9/19/08</p> <p>Noted for the record. 1/18/07-9/19/08</p> <p>Note for the record. 9/19/08</p> <p>Note for the record. 9/19/08</p>	<p>NA</p> <p>NA</p> <p>NA</p> <p>NA</p>

Next likely scheduled inspection: Friday September 26, 2008

I have personally examined and am familiar with the information submitted in this document and all attachments and certify that based on reasonable investigation, including my inquiry of those individuals responsible for obtaining the information, the submitted information is true, accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief, and I understand that any false statements made in this document or its attachments may be punishable as a criminal offense in accordance with Section 22a-6 under Section 53a-157 of the Connecticut General Statutes.

Field Inspector: Matt Kelly, BSC Group

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Wheelers Farm Rd (Milford): Vegetation growth continues. Vegetation covers approximately 65-70% of the restored crane pad near structure #3832/24019. Signs of minor scouring from stormwater run-off remain. Additional stabilization efforts need to be evaluated here.



Wheelers Farm Rd: An additional view of vegetation cover near structure #3832/24019.



Oronoque Rd (Milford): A view of the vegetative cover near structure # 24008.



Lexington Way: Stormwater run-off has caused some scouring within the restored crane pad. Additional stabilization is needed here.



Eisenhower Park Mitigation Area (Milford): Exposed soils remain around the perimeter of the mitigation area.



Eisenhower Park Mitigation Area: The shrub and herbaceous plantings continue to do well.



Eisenhower Park Mitigation Area: A stockpile remains in the wetland buffer near structure #3839. Sediment migration is not evident at this time.



Eisenhower Park Mitigation Area: Good vegetative cover exists along the eastern edge of the mitigation area.



Eisenhower Park Mitigation Area: A general view of the mitigation area. The mitigation area is providing quality habitat for numerous species of wildlife.



Eisenhower Park Mitigation Area: A general view of the mitigation area looking south from the northern end.



Hunting Hill Rd: A view of the restoration efforts near structures #3881/24068. Vegetation has returned to the wetland where a timber-mat crane pad had been removed.



Hunting Hill Place: A view of the restoration efforts near structures #3882/24069. All soils appear stable at this time.