

Announcement
Open Meetings to Discuss Public Act 12-155
An Act Concerning Phosphorus Reductions in State Waters

To: Municipal Chief Elected Officials
Municipal Water Pollution Control Authorities and Superintendents
Other Interested Parties

Date: September 13, 2013

The Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) is pleased to announce the next meeting in a series of discussions to implement the requirements of Public Act 12-155. The Act requires DEEP to collaborate with chief elected officials (or their designees) of Danbury, Meriden, Waterbury, Cheshire, Southington and Wallingford, and any other municipality impacted by the state-wide strategy to reduce phosphorus, and to collaboratively evaluate and make recommendations regarding a state-wide strategy to reduce phosphorus in order to comply with United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) standards.

The kick-off meeting is scheduled for

September 30, 2013
1:00 - 2:30 PM
Russell Conference Room (third floor)
Department of Energy and Environmental Protection
79 Elm Street, Hartford CT

All interested parties are welcome to attend. Please RSVP to Patty Gilmore at 860-424-3047 or patty.gilmore@ct.gov, if you plan to attend the meeting.

In order to address specific topical areas required under the act DEEP working with the communities has developed a collaborative approach consisting of a Coordinating Committee to be co-chaired by Deputy Commissioner McCleary and, Southington Town Manager Garry Brumback. The Coordinating Committee will guide the process including establishing three workgroups to address the three major elements specified by the public act. These workgroups will also be lead in a collaborative manner by co-chairs. The three workgroups are:

- State-wide response to address phosphorus nonpoint source pollution
- Methods to measure current phosphorus levels and to make future projections
- Municipal options for coming into compliance with water quality standards, including guidance for treatment and potential wastewater treatment plant upgrades.

