



# Monthly Meeting #4

## Coordinated Water System Plan Eastern Region

Southeastern Connecticut Council of Governments, Norwich, Connecticut | September 14, 2016

# Agenda



1. Welcome & Roll Call (5 minutes)
2. Approval of August Meeting Minutes (5 minutes)
3. Formal Correspondence (5 minutes)
4. Public Comment Period (10 minutes)
5. Preliminary Water Supply Assessment Feedback / Vote to Release Preliminary Water Supply Assessment for Public Comment (30 minutes)
6. Report from ESA Process Subcommittee (30 minutes)
7. Other Business (15 minutes)

# Preliminary Water Supply Assessment



## Goal for Today:

- Approve Preliminary Water Supply Assessment for Release for Public Review and Comment on DPH Website

## How is this a Unique Process?

- The Water Supply Assessment is handled differently in the Statutes and Regulations as compared to most public documents
- The “Preliminary” and “Final” are defined as separate reports to ensure that municipal, regional, public, and other comments are gathered and considered
- This is different than most plans that simply change from an internal draft, to a public draft, to a final plan

# Preliminary Water Supply Assessment



## WUCC Members Providing Information or Comments:

- Aquarion Water Company
- Colchester Water & Sewer Commission
- Connecticut Water Company
- Groton Utilities
- Mohegan Tribal Utility Authority
- Montville WPCA
- Northeastern Connecticut Council of Governments
- Norwich Public Utilities
- Putnam WPCA
- SCWA
- Southeastern Connecticut Council of Governments
- Town of Franklin
- Windham Water Works



## Consulting State Agencies Providing Information or Comments:

- Connecticut Department of Public Health

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## Municipal Survey Respondents (to date):

- Borough of Stonington Warden
- Town of Franklin First Selectman



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## Items to be Added to Public Draft Today/Tomorrow:

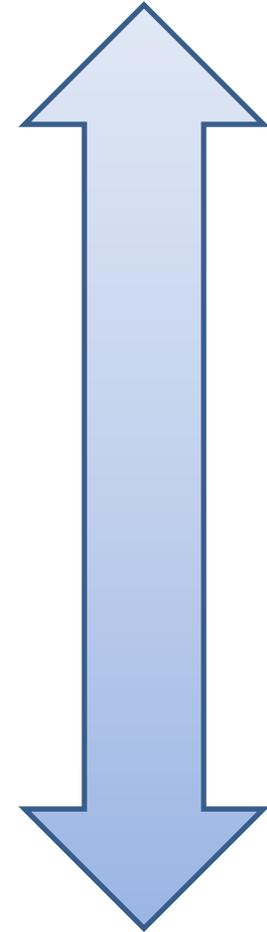
- Page Numbers / Table of Contents Updates
- Table and other Formatting
- Additional Discussion regarding Regional Source Protection Efforts
- Specific Comments Received Today, If Possible

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## Items to Consider for the Final Water Supply Assessment:

- Survey Results received (municipal survey) is still open
- The identified *Issues, Needs, and Deficiencies* (Section 7) could be more specific if additional comments are received
- Discussion of public water supply issues unrelated to existing systems (example cited was East Hampton's proposed townwide water system that failed to pass referendum); this will be possible to add only if examples are brought to our attention
- Additional conclusions based on population data, land use, and growth trends (Section 5) for characterization of public water supply needs



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## Items to Consider for Final Water Supply Assessment (Continued):

- Capacity, Water Quality, and Quantity of Larger Systems that could be Extended to Serve Clusters of Small Water Systems
- Capacity Assessment Tool (CAT) scores provided by Technical, Managerial, and Financial Capacity (if approved for release by DPH)
- Add interconnection permit expiration dates to Table 2-9; Revise to Sort by Primary Supplier vs. Primary Receiver
- Add Service Population Data to Community Systems on Appended Figure 2

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## Items That Cannot be Addressed:

- Maps of Existing and Planned Interconnections (*CWWA advises against depicting interconnection locations*)
- Small Systems Owned by Larger Utilities Should be Excluded from Appendices (*There is some information about these systems in the Appendices that isn't located elsewhere*)
- More Detail Regarding Small System Issues Identified during the Capacity Assessment (*CWWA advises against sharing specific system vulnerabilities*)

# Water Supply Assessment Schedule



Action	Timeline
Preliminary WSA Adoption	September 14, 2016 Meeting
30-Day Public Comment Period on Preliminary WSA	September 15, 2016 to October 27, 2016
WUCC Review & Action on Public Comment to Date / Additional Member Comments	October 12, 2016 Meeting
Initial Draft Final WSA to WUCC Members	November 1, 2016
WUCC Review & Action on Public Comments / Additional Member Comments	November 9, 2016 Meeting
Final Consultation from State Agencies Due	November 23, 2016
Final Draft of Final WSA to WUCC Members	December 1, 2016
Adoption of Final WSA	December 14, 2016 Meeting
Submission of Final WSA to DPH	December 16, 2016

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- Discussion / Final Comments



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- Vote to Approve for Release



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# ESA Subcommittee Report



- Workshop Occurred August 31<sup>st</sup> at SCWA Office
- Subcommittee Charged with Consolidating ESA Process into Guidance Document and Preparation of Forms
- Results of Workshop
  - Draft Declaration Form
  - Draft Scoring Rubric
  - Draft Process Timeline
- Next Meeting: September 28<sup>th</sup> at SCWA Office at 1:30 PM
- Hoping to get on NECCOG Agenda for October Meeting

# ESA Subcommittee Report



## Next Steps

- Letter to Existing ESA Holders Requesting Intention to Retain Existing ESA
- Letter to Eastern WUCC Members and Interested Parties Indicating that ESA Process has Started
- Letter to Municipalities w/o ESAs Regarding Process
- ESA FAQ Document for Website
- ESA Guidance Document

# ESA Process Draft Schedule



Action	Timeline
Notification Letters and Affirmation Request Letter	September 16, 2016
Affirmation Response Due Date	October 11, 2016
Approval of Declaration Forms and Distribution to WUCC Members and Municipalities	October 12, 2016 Meeting
Declaration Form Due Date	November 8, 2016
Summary of Declaration Forms, Schedule Presentations for Conflicted Declarants, and Approve Scoring Rubric	November 9, 2016 Meeting
30-Day Public Comment Period for Areas with Conflicted Declarants	November 10, 2016 to December 14, 2016
Inform Conflicted Declarants of Presentation Schedule	November 11, 2016
Presentations by Conflicted Declarants, Conflict Resolution, PURA Recommendations	December 2016 – February 2017 Meetings
Approve Preliminary ESA Document for Public Review	March 8, 2017 Meeting
30-Day Public Comment Period, final PURA Recommendations, Approval of ESA Document	April, May, and June 2017 Meetings

# ESA Subcommittee Report

- Discussion



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1. Welcome & Roll Call (5 minutes)
2. Approval of July Meeting Minutes (5 minutes)
3. Formal Correspondence (5 minutes)
4. Public Comment Period (10 minutes)
5. Work Plan Amendment (10 minutes)
6. Water Supply Assessment Review & Feedback (45 minutes)
7. Discussion/Possible Adoption of ESA Procedures Subcommittee (15 minutes)
8. Other Business (15 minutes)

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# Potential October 12th Meeting Agenda



1. Welcome & Roll Call
2. Approval of September Meeting Minutes
3. Formal Correspondence
4. Public Comment Period
5. Preliminary Water Supply Assessment Public Comments
6. Town-By-Town Review of Issues, Needs, and Deficiencies
7. ESA Subcommittee Report / Approve Declaration Form for Distribution / ESA Affirmation Request Results
8. Other Business