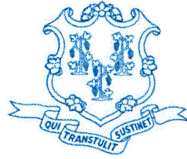


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August 16, 2013

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Re: Notice of Scoping Housatonic River Restoration—July 2013

Dear Ms. Adamcewicz:

The Department of Public Health Drinking Water Section's Source Water Protection Unit has reviewed the above Notice of Scoping. Please refer to the attached report for our comments.

If you have any questions regarding these comments, please call Pat Bisacky of this office at (860) 509-7333.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Eric McPhee".

Eric McPhee  
Supervising Environmental Analyst  
Drinking Water Section

Cc: Brian Roach, Aquarion Water Company  
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### MEMORANDUM

TO: Eric McPhee, Supervising Environmental Analyst

FROM: Patricia Bisacky, Environmental Analyst 3 *PB*

DATE: August 16, 2013

SUBJECT: Notice of Scoping for the Housatonic River Restoration—July 2013

DPH PROJECT #: 2013-0196

TOWN: Multiple

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The Source Water Protection Unit of the Department of Public Health (DPH) Drinking Water Section (DWS) has reviewed the Notice of Scoping for the Housatonic River Restoration—July 2013. Preferred aquatic restoration alternative projects one through four, six and seven do not appear to be in a public drinking water supply source water area, therefore the DWS has no comments on these alternative projects.

Preferred aquatic restoration alternative project number five, Housatonic Watershed Habitat Continuity, Housatonic River, has the potential to affect the public drinking water supply watersheds of numerous public water systems with sources in the upper Housatonic River basin. The following public water systems maintain public drinking water reservoirs in this basin:

- Aquarion Water Company of Connecticut, Salisbury System
- Sharon Water and Sewer Commission
- Torrington Water Company
- Waterbury Bureau of Water

All water companies that operate surface water supplies are required by the Public Health Code to inspect their watersheds annually. Therefore, they may be aware of culverts within their watersheds that meet the parameters of this proposal. It is recommended that the Housatonic Valley Association consider using these water companies as an additional advisory resource. In addition, if any culvert replacement is proposed to occur in a public water supply watershed, such replacement should be coordinated with the affected water company.



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TO: Eric McPhee, Supervising Environmental Analyst

FROM: Robin Adamcewicz

DATE: August 19, 2013

Subject: Notice of Scoping for the Housatonic River Restoration – July 2013

Dear Mr. McPhee,

Thank you for your comments on the Final amendment to the Housatonic River Basin Final Natural Resources Restoration Plan. The Trustees would like to take this opportunity to address the concerns raised in the memo prepared by Patricia Bisacky.

Please note that the project does not fund culvert replacements, but rather funds a study and assessment that will be utilized to prioritize culvert replacements in order to improve fish and wildlife passage, as well as evaluate scheduled culvert replacements to ensure they adhere to Stream Crossing Guidelines.

The Trustees would like to assure you that the appropriate water companies will be consulted by the Housatonic Valley Association during the assessment process.

Additionally, the requirement to coordinate with the water company for any culvert within a public water supply watershed will be incorporated into the study report.

If you have any questions, please feel free to give me a call at (860) 295-9523.

Sincerely,

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