

7. Notice of Scoping for Town of Vernon Exit 67 Sanitary Sewer Extension

Addresses: Reservoir Road, Exit 67 off of Interstate 84 in the Town of Vernon, CT.

Municipality: Town of Vernon

Project Description: The Town of Vernon proposes to extend sanitary sewers to the area in and around exit 67 off of Interstate 84. This project was documented in a Town report from July 2017 and a subsequent feasibility study by Tighe & Bond from March 2021. These studies recommended the construction of sanitary sewers to the area around Exits 66 and 67 off of Interstate 84 in Vernon to provide sewer service to existing residential lots to allow the development of undeveloped properties in and around these exits in support of the industrial and commercial growth vision adopted by Vernon in its 2021 Plan of Conservation and Development and to address failing septic systems in certain areas.

The project is financially supported by a \$1,636,696 grant-in-aid (Urban Act grant) from the State of Connecticut assigned to the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) for its administration. The total funding appropriated by the Town for this project is \$4,424,210 which includes the state grant.

The work consists of the installation of approximately 5,600 linear feet of 8" new gravity sewer main, approximately 1,200 linear feet of 6" new sewer service laterals, approximately 2,100 linear feet of 6" sewer force main, and 1 new pump station. The gravity sewer main, low-pressure sewer main, and pump station would be maintained by Vernon's Water Pollution Control Authority. The new gravity sewer will connect to the new pumping station and the new sewer force main will connect to an existing 18-inch gravity sewer main. The pump station will have an average design flow rate of 123,400 gallons per day. A public hearing was held on April 8, 2024, for affected residents to comment on the project.

Project Maps: [Sewer Extension Location Map](#) [Locus Map](#)

Written comments from the public are welcomed and will be accepted until the close of business on: **September 5, 2024.**

There will be a public scoping meeting for this proposed action:

Date: August 19, 2024

Time: 6:00pm

Place: Virtual utilizing Zoom. The link to register for the public meeting is:

https://ctdeep.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_rOjZRSzOR4e_3e87cUCa9Q

Additional information about the project can be viewed in person at the Vernon Town Hall:

Address: 14 Park Place, Vernon

Hours: Monday-Wednesday 8:00am- 4:00pm, Thursdays 8am-7pm.

Written comments, information, and/or questions about the public scoping meeting should be sent to:

Name: Jueda Shytko

Agency: Department of Energy and Environmental Protection

Address: 79 Elm Street, Hartford CT 06106

E-Mail: Jueda.Shytko@ct.gov

Inquiries and requests to view and or copy documents, pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, must be submitted to DEEP:

Name: Jueda Shytko

Agency: Department of Energy and Environmental Protection

Address: 79 Elm Street, Hartford CT 06106

E-Mail: Jueda.Shytko@ct.gov

What Happens Next: The Department of Energy and Environmental Protection will make a determination whether to proceed with preparation of an Environmental Impact Evaluation (EIE) or that the project does not require the preparation of an EIE under the Connecticut Environmental Policy Act (CEPA). A Post-Scoping Notice of its decision will appear in a future edition of the *Environmental Monitor*.