

NOTICE OF MEPA CONSULTATION SESSIONS

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FROM: Purvi Patel – MEPA Office

SUBJECT: EVERSOURCE WT-02 Transmission Right-of-way - Hancock, Lanesborough, Cheshire, Dalton and Hinsdale

EEA NO.: 16567

An Expanded Environmental Notification Form (EENF) has been submitted to the Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act (MEPA, 301 CMR 11.00) Office for this project. **The project requires a Mandatory Environmental Impact Report (EIR).** The Proponent is requesting a Single EIR in lieu of the 2-stage Draft EIR and Final EIR.

The project is within the Designated Geographic Area of several Environmental Justice (EJ) populations.

The first several pages can be viewed from the [Environmental Monitor](#)

The EENF indicates that the project meets or exceeds the following review thresholds:

301 CMR 11.03(1)(a)(1) – Direct alteration of 50 or more acres of land.
301 CMR 11.03(3)(a)(1)(a-b) Alteration of one or more acres of bordering vegetating wetlands and alteration of ten or more acres of any other wetlands

The EENF indicates that the project requires the following State Agency Permits or Financial Assistance:

Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP) – 401 Water Quality Certification; potential Superseding Order of Conditions
Review by the Natural Heritage and Endangered Species Program
Conservation Commissions – Order of Conditions

An online/remote consultation session site visit will be held to receive advice and comments from agencies, officials, and citizens regarding which environmental issues, if any, are significant for this project. Opinions as to the extent and significance of possible environmental impact will be welcome. **PLEASE NOTE THAT AN IN-PERSON SITE VISIT MAY BE HELD BASED ON AGENCY AND STAKEHOLDER RVSPS.**

REMOTE MEETING	POTENTIAL IN-PERSON SITE VISIT – YOU MUST RSVP TO purvi.patel@mass.gov TO INDICATE YOUR INTEREST IN THIS IN-PERSON SITE VISIT BY WED, JUNE 22 ND AT 6PM – Please check the Environmental Monitor prior to attending the in-person site visit to determine if this meeting has been cancelled.
DATE: Wednesday, June 22, 2022	DATE: Friday, June 24, 2022
TIME: 6:00 PM	TIME: NOON

Topic: Eversource WT-02 TRRP Project MEPA Public Meeting

Time: Jun 22, 2022 06:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

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Meet at the site:

Parking lot of Lanesborough Town Hall/Public Library

83 N Main St

Lanesborough, MA 01237

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Comments on the project will be welcome in writing prior to July 8, 2022. A Certificate on the EENF will be issued on July 15, 2022, which will include a Scope for a Single EIR or a Draft EIR.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Americans With Disabilities Act, this Meeting Notice is available in alternative formats upon request. Questions on the meeting may be answered by calling Purvi Patel at 617.874.0668.

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Please be informed that the MEPA Office has finalized amendments to 301 CMR 11.00 for promulgation on December 24, 2021. Two protocols relative to environmental justice have been issued with effective dates of January 1, 2022. An amended Environmental Notification Form (ENF) is in effect as of January 1, 2022.

Please consult the [MEPA website](#) for more details.