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Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection
79 Elm Street
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Attn: Housatonic River Natural Resources Restoration Project Trustees

Re: Housatonic River Natural Resources Restoration Project Long Beach West

To Housatonic River Natural Resources Restoration Project Trustees:

At this time, the Connecticut DEEP Wetland Habitat and Mosquito Management Unit would like to withdraw its proposal for the Long Beach West Tidal Restoration Project Grant. The goals of the project have either already been accomplished or have been determined to be no longer appropriate given current site conditions. Control of invasive reed grass (*Phragmites australis*) has been successfully implemented under the auspices of a Town-administered project, and, due to the presence of state-listed plants, increasing tidal inundation through salt marsh excavation has been advised against by CT Natural Diversity Database staff. Therefore, we will not be implementing this project and no longer require the funds. If you have any questions, please contact me at the address below.
Thank you.

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