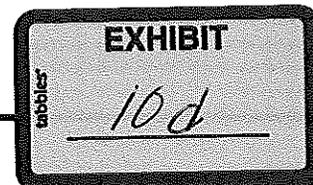


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Advisory Group Members – please see the attached announcement regarding the Public Notice of Intent to Adopt Stream Flow Standards and Regulations and to hold a Public Hearing. Thank you.

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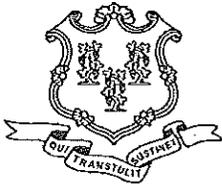
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