



Connecticut Equity and Environmental Justice Advisory Council (CEEJAC)

Thursday June 26, 2025 | 5:30 – 7:30 PM

Location: Groton City Council, 294 Meridian St. Groton, CT

Parking is available for free next to the building

Zoom Registration Link: https://ctdeep.zoom.us/meeting/register/gfMu-jroT-Swe4H1_h_SjA

Description

Join the Connecticut Equity and Environmental Justice Advisory Council for a public quarterly meeting. The council will hear reports from subcommittees (Waste, Water, Land, Energy & Technology, and Air & Transportation) as well as engage in a discussion on environmental justice topic. Comments from the public are welcome at the beginning of the meeting. Please reach out to DEEP.CEEJAC@ct.gov if you have any questions.

This is a public meeting and will be recorded and posted on the [Connecticut Equity and Environmental Justice Advisory Council](#) website.

Quarterly Meeting Agenda

<p>Welcome <i>Cierra Patrick, City of Groton</i></p>	<p>5:30 – 5:40 PM 10 mins</p>
<p>Community Dialogues (formerly Public Comment Period) <i>Alex Rodriguez, Save the Sound</i></p> <p><i>At this time, the council would like to hear from the audience about environmental justice issues or concerns in your community. These issues can cover a wide range of topics, such as energy efficiency and affordability, access to green space, clean air, concerns related to facilities, and access to clean rivers, lakes, and streams.</i></p>	<p>5:40 – 6:10 PM 30 mins</p>
<p>Subcommittee Report Out <i>Subcommittees will be reporting on:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>How communities and residents can become engaged in cleaning and protecting local watersheds</i> • <i>Ways to engage in state planning efforts related to land and conservation</i> • <i>Knowledge building around public transportation infrastructure in the state, particularly for urban and young populations</i> • <i>Supporting efforts around energy affordability and efficiency programs</i> • <i>Building capacity and know-how in hearings for new and expanding facilities</i> 	<p>6:10 – 6:30 PM 20 mins</p>

<p>Discussion: Environmental Perspectives from Indigenous Communities</p> <p>Tribal leaders will be in conversation with CEEJAC about the history of Tribes in CT and relationship between tribal nations and the state and federal government.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rahiem Eleazer, <i>Environmental Liaison, Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Nation</i> • Brenda Geer, <i>Wandering Spirit, Vice Chair, Eastern Pequot Tribal Nation</i> • Clanmother Shoran Waupatukuay Piper, <i>Tribal Head Leader, Golden Hill Paugussett Tribal Nation</i> 	<p>6:30 – 7:20 PM 50 mins</p>
<p>DEEP Announcements and Closing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update from Project SunBridge <p>Upcoming Meetings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • July 16, 2025: Energy Subcommittee w/ISO-New England • Sept 22, 2025: Quarterly Meeting (Virtual) 	<p>7:20 – 7:30 PM 10 mins</p>

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