

## **Interagency Drought Workgroup (IDW)**

November 4, 2021, 2:00 PM Teleconference

Meeting agenda:

<https://egov.ct.gov/PMC/Agenda/Download/10270>

Drought Conditions Report:

None for this meeting

Meeting Recording:

[https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/Water/Drought/2021/2021-12-02\\_IDW\\_Audio.m4a](https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/Water/Drought/2021/2021-12-02_IDW_Audio.m4a)

### **CT Agency representatives:**

DEEP: Doug Hoskins  
DEMHS: Doug Glowacki  
DoAg: Steve Anderson  
DPH: Steve Harkey, Lori Mathieu, Tiziana Shea, Ryan Tetreault  
OPM: Martin Heft, Bruce Wittchen  
PURA: Linda King-Corbin, Maria Szul

### **Other participants:**

none

#### **1. Call to order**

Martin Heft called the meeting to order at 2:02 PM.

#### **2. Seating of Voting Members**

Steve Anderson of DoAg, Doug Hoskins of DEEP, Doug Glowacki of DEMHS, Lori Mathieu of DPH, Martin Heft of OPM were identified as a quorum of voting members.

#### **3. Review of the Draft Minutes of the 11/04/2021 Meeting**

A motion was made and seconded to approve the [draft minutes of the 11/04/2021 meeting](#) and the motion was approved unanimously.

#### **4. Review of Hydrologic Conditions**

Martin Heft invited agency comments regarding current conditions and Steve Harkey said reservoirs and streams are above normal. Bruce Wittchen mentioned that [precipitation](#) was especially low in November and that the two-month total is below average but not at a drought plan trigger level. He added that [ground water](#) is

lightly below average in two real-time wells, but [stream flows](#) are normal. Steve Harkey said [water company reservoirs](#) are above normal and Doug Hoskins said [forest fire danger](#) is low.

**5. Review of WPC topical work group recommendations regarding the CT Drought Preparedness & Response Plan and its implementation**

Martin Heft said the group has completed its review of the recommendations of Charges 1, 2, 3, and part of Charge 4. The group continued with the remaining recommendations and the outcome of the day's discussion of each recommendation is reflected in the interim spreadsheet.

**6. Proposed 2022 meeting schedule**

A motion was made and seconded to approve the proposed [2022 meeting schedule](#), which follows the same approach used in 2021.

**7. Next meeting – January 6, 2022**

The next scheduled meeting will be January 6, 2022.

**8. Adjourn**

The meeting adjourned at 3:17.