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## Draft 2018-2023 Conservation and Development Policies: The Plan for Connecticut

Senators and Representatives:

Thank you for convening a public hearing on the Draft Conservation and Development Policies: The Plan for Connecticut, 2018-2023 (Draft C&D Plan).

The Office of Policy and Management has been before the Continuing Committee with the Draft C&D Plan in both 2018 and 2019 legislative sessions. In 2018, House Joint Resolution No. 172 was not acted on by the General Assembly and in 2019, House Joint Resolution No 74 was raised, but not transmitted to the General Assembly.

We respectfully ask for your support again this third time as well as your assistance and support in moving the Draft C&D Plan through the House and Senate.

While re-setting the time period covered by the Draft C&D Plan could be considered, we recommend that this period remain at 2018-2023. The process for the next five-year plan, 2023-2028, will begin in the fall of 2021.

My staff is available to assist the Continuing Committee and members of the General Assembly in the coming weeks so that you can fulfill your responsibilities under CGS Section 16a-30.

I will now ask Dan Morley and his team to come forward to review the Draft C&D Plan. We will be available to answer any questions that arise following the presentation.