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Land Use Committee
Aquarion Water Authority
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AGENDA

Special Meeting of Monday, November 16, 2026 at 5:30 p.m.

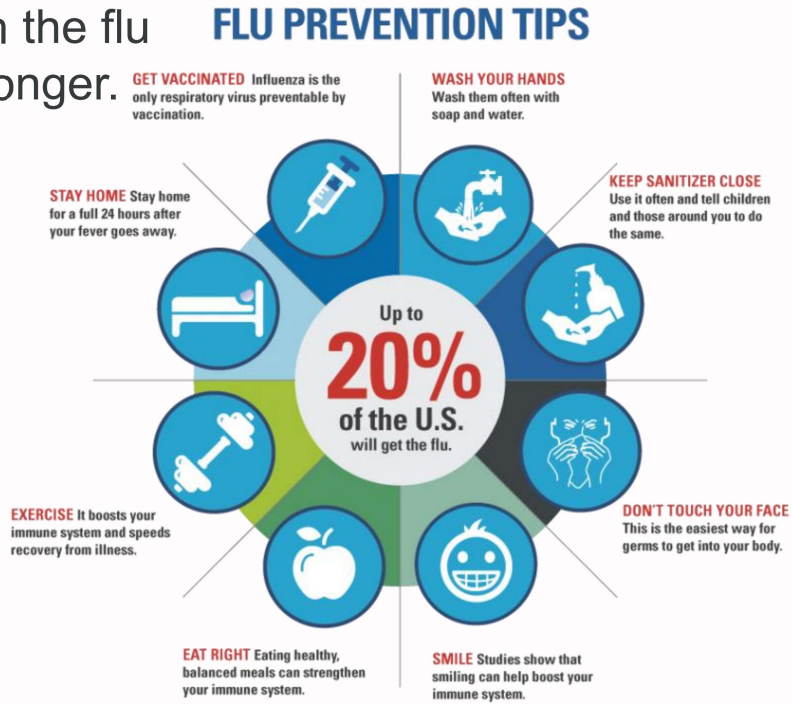
1. Elect Committee Chair
2. Safety Moment
3. Set Calendar Year 2027 Regular Meeting Dates
4. Introduction to AWA Real Estate: Shawna Salato
5. Introduction to AWA Watershed & Environmental Management: Carolyn Giampe
6. Proposed Land Use Committee Orientation Topics: Carolyn Giampe
7. New Business
8. Schedule December 2026 meeting
9. Adjourn

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SAFETY MOMENT

NOVEMBER – PREVENTING FLU IN THE WORKPLACE

Flu season is upon us. Most flu activity peaks between December and February, though it can last as late into the spring. Flu symptoms often mimic cold symptoms, making it hard to identify at the onset of symptoms. But the flu is far more severe, as it attacks the body more quickly and is often accompanied by fever. Recovering from the flu can take anywhere from a few days to a couple weeks, or longer.



Preventing Flu in the Workplace:

1. Promote handwashing through posters
2. Clean all surfaces and objects before touching them
3. Arrange for a flu clinic at the office
4. Educate workers on flu signs and symptoms
5. Revisit your corporate wellness program

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AQUARION Water Authority

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Schedule for 2027

All meetings will begin at 5:30 p.m. and will be held at Aquarion Water Authority, 835 Main Street, Bridgeport, CT 06604.

Same as date and location as AWA RPB Consumer Affairs Committee (with different meeting start time)

Monday, January 14, 2027

Monday, February 15, 2027

Monday, March 15, 2027

Monday, April 12, 2027

Monday, May 17, 2027

Monday, June 14, 2027

Monday, July 12, 2027

Monday, August 16, 2027

Monday, September 13, 2027

Tuesday, October 12, 2027

Monday, November 15, 2027

Monday, December 13, 2027

Aquarion Water Authority
Land Use Committee Meeting
November 16, 2026

Introductions

Dan Lawrence

Vice President, Engineering & Real Estate

Shawna Salato

Manager, Real Estate

- Property/Lease Management
- Mergers & Acquisitions
- Land Sales
- Easements
- Encroachments/Watershed Protection
- Real Estate Taxes

John Walsh

Vice President, Water Quality & Environmental Management

Carolyn Giampe

Director, Environmental Management

- Natural Resource Management
- Recreation
- Forestry
- Environmental Compliance
- Source Protection
- Watershed Maintenance
- Land Security / Protection

Enabling Legislation Requirements

- The enabling legislation requires the **Authority** to:
  - Develop standards for determining the suitability of its real property for various land uses, including surplus property, recreation, and open space.
  - Develop policies governing the disposition of real property.
  - Submit these standards and policies to the **Representative Policy Board (RPB)** for approval within 2 years.

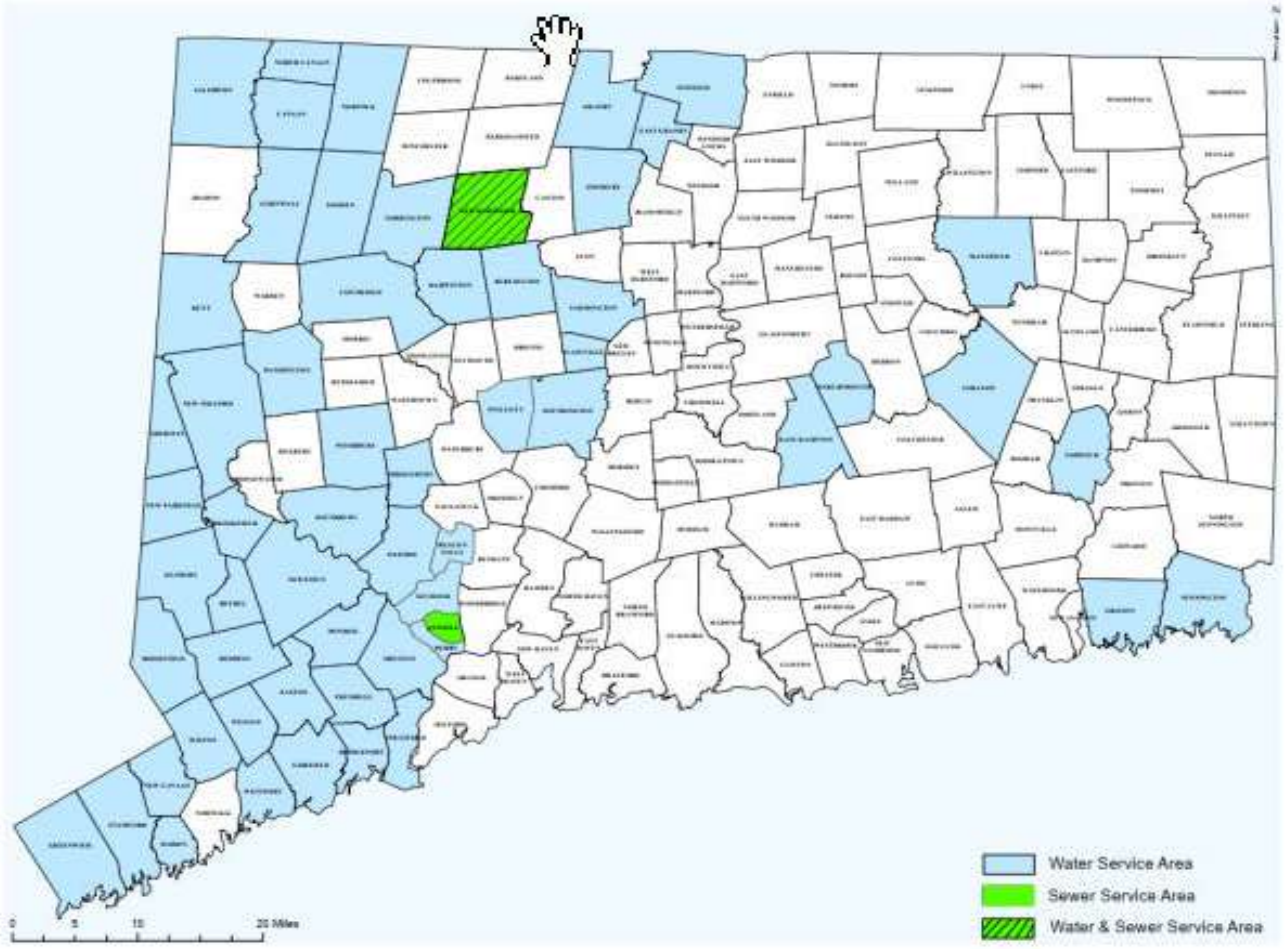
- The enabling legislation requires the **RPB** to establish "a standing committee on land use and management to consult with the Authority on all matters of land use, including acquisition and sale, recreational use, cutting of timber and other products, mining and quarrying"

Agenda

- Overview of AWA Land Holdings
- Purpose of AWA Land Holdings
- Co-managed Lands
- Current Land Use and Management Activities
- Proposed Committee Orientation Topics

Aquarion Service Areas

- AWA serves 59 towns and cities, and more than 226,000 customers.
- AWA has 69 water systems and 2 wastewater systems.



Aquarion Infrastructure and Associated Land Holdings

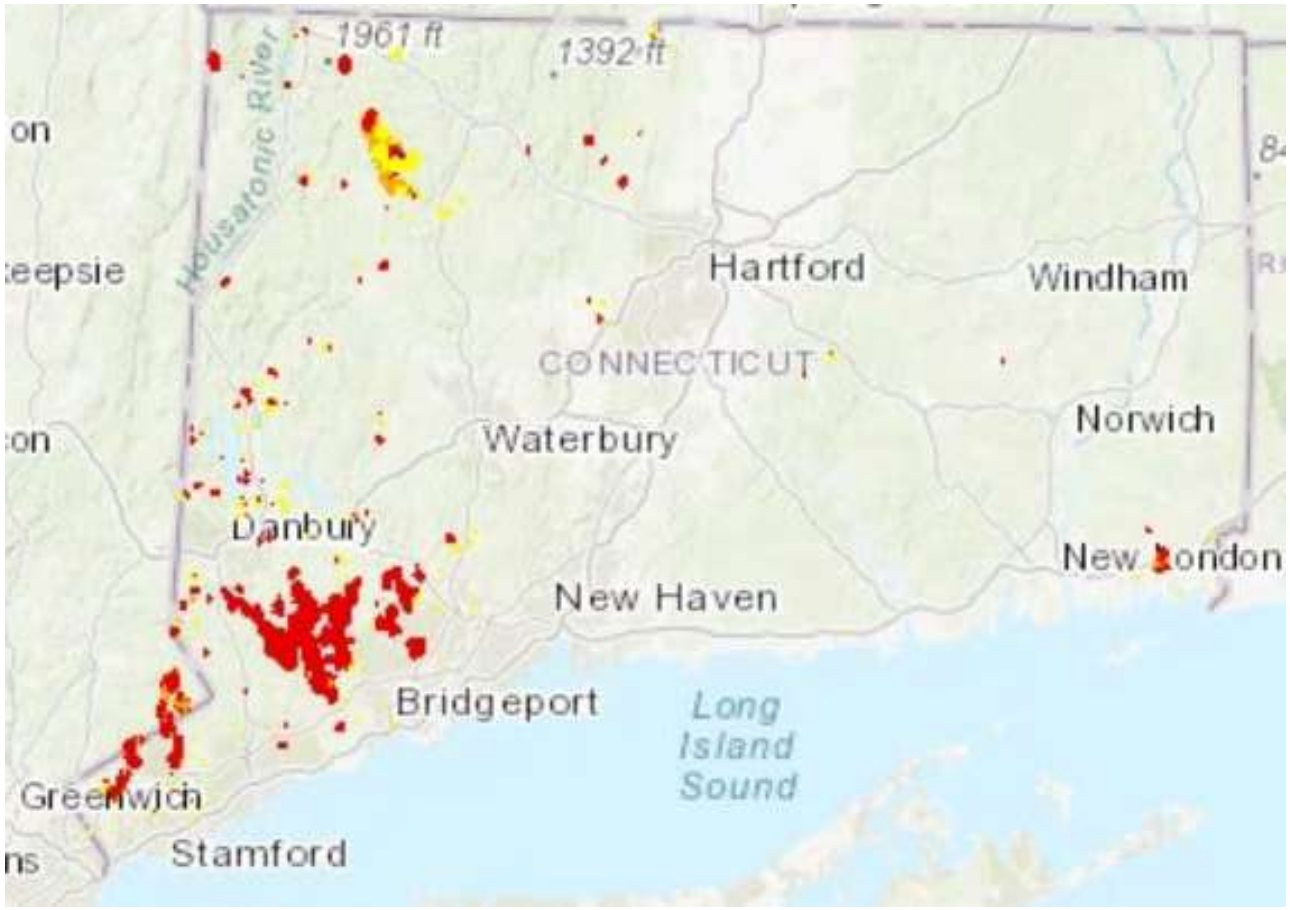
AWA owns significant infrastructure, including 29 reservoirs within 10 reservoir systems.

Summary of Assets		
Water Supply	Wells	202
	Wellfields	82
	Reservoirs	29
	Reservoir Systems	10
	Dams & Dikes	37
Water Treatment Facilities	Surface Water	10
	Ground Water	77
Water Distribution Facilities	Water Mains (miles)	3,500
	Water Storage Tanks	96
	Pumping Stations	91
	Pressure Regulating Facilities	149
Wastewater Facilities	Treatment Facilities	2
	Pumping Stations	17
	Manholes	2,170
	Sewer Mains (miles)	72

Much of the land holdings are associated with reservoirs and watersheds.

Aquarion Land

AWA owns approximately 19,900 acres in Connecticut and 1,400 acres in New York.



Land Classifications

Connecticut General Statutes §25-37(c) establishes three types of water company land, generally described as follows:

- Class 1 - Land within 250 feet of a reservoir, 100 feet of all watercourses (rivers, streams), 200 feet of groundwater wells, as well as identified aquifer recharge areas.
- Class 2 - Land completely off a public drinking supply watershed but within 150 feet of a distribution reservoir or a first-order stream tributary.
- Class 3 - Unimproved land located beyond 150 feet from a distribution reservoir or first-order stream tributary.

Centennial Watershed State Forest and Other AWA Lands

- A substantial portion of AWA's Connecticut land holdings is subject to a longstanding, formal, co-management agreement.
- The 2001 Natural Resources Management Agreement establishes the framework for co-management of the Centennial Watershed State Forest (CWSF) by AWA, CTDEEP, and The Nature Conservancy.

Owner	Easement to:	Acres
AWA	DEEP and TNC	4,772
AWA	DEEP	4,253
DEEP	AWA	5,120
TNC	AWA	351
Total		14,496

- AWA's remaining land holdings include properties:
  - In New York
  - Acquired through subsequent acquisitions
  - Upon which AWA facilities are located
  - Underlying reservoirs

Ongoing Land Use and Management Activities

- Forest Management and Improvements
  - Diseased tree management
  - Selective thinning
  - Timber harvesting
  - Invasive species management
- Watershed Maintenance
  - Mowing - especially dam slopes, water main ROWs
  - Forest road maintenance
  - Hazard trees
  - Aquatic invasives species management
- Recreation
  - Deer hunting
  - Fishing
  - Hiking trails
- Boundary marking

Proposed Land Use Committee Orientation Topics

- Overview of AWA Properties
- Regulations Governing Water Company Lands
- Centennial Watershed State Forest & National Resources Management Agreement
- Water Supply Plans, including source/sanitary protection and surplus property
- Forest Management Plans
- Recreation Programs
- Law Enforcement and Security
- Boundary Marking & Encroachment Process