From: DEEP Nddbrequest
To: Dean Gustafson

Subject: RE: NDDB # 201411387, Proposed Verizon Wireless Southington East Street a/k/a Meriden Relo. Facility, 99 East

Street, Southington

Date: Tuesday, December 02, 2014 3:48:34 PM

Hi Dean.

Yes, there was a plant there and Nelson DeBarros our program ecologist has determined no conflict. The other species in this area is a spotted turtle. The spotted turtle is a candidate species for our new state list which will hopefully be approved in 2015. It will have a state special concern status. I am hoping you would be willing to consider protection strategies (pretty much in line with the wood and box) for this turtle. Would it make sense for you to do a protection strategy for them or would you like me to construct the letter and indicate necessary steps for protection?

Let me know.

Dawn

Dawn M. McKay Wildlife Division

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From: Dean Gustafson [dgustafson@allpointstech.com]

Sent: Monday, December 01, 2014 12:16 PM

To: DEEP Nddbrequest

Subject: RE: Proposed Verizon Wireless Southington East Street a/k/a Meriden Relo. Facility, 99 East Street,

Southington

Good afternoon Dawn,

Hope you had a great Thanksgiving. I wanted to follow up and see if you might be getting close to issuing a review letter for this project. Verizon is planning on submitting their application to the Connecticut Siting Council later this week and if possible we would like to include the NDDB letter.

Thanks,

Dean

----Original Message----

From: DEEP Nddbrequest [mailto:DEEP.Nddbrequest@ct.gov]

Sent: Wednesday, November 19, 2014 4:43 PM

To: Dean Gustafson

Subject: RE: Proposed Verizon Wireless Southington East Street a/k/a Meriden Relo. Facility, 99 East Street,

Southington

Hi Dean,

I will start the review. Dawn

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From: Dean Gustafson [dgustafson@allpointstech.com] Sent: Wednesday, November 19, 2014 4:00 PM

To: DEEP Nddbrequest

Cc: Nicole Castro

Subject: Proposed Verizon Wireless Southington East Street a/k/a Meriden Relo. Facility, 99 East Street,

Southington

Good afternoon,

Please find enclosed a NDDB Review Request for a proposed Verizon Wireless facility at 99 East Street in Southington.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or if you require additional information.

Thank you,

Dean

Dean E. Gustafson Professional Soil Scientist Senior Wetland Scientist [cid:image003.jpg@01D00412.07570410] 3 Saddlebrook Drive Killingworth, CT 06419 860.984.9515 (mobile) 860.663.1697 ext. 201 (office)

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Request for Natural Diversity Data Base (NDDB) State Listed Species Review

All requesters must completely fill out Parts I - VII of this form and submit Attachments A and B, or the request will be rejected as incomplete. **There are no fees associated with NDDB Reviews.**

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Request No.	
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Part I: Preliminary Screening

Before submitting this request, you must review the Natural Diversity Data Base "State and Federal Listed Species and Significant Natural Communities Maps" found on the <u>DEP website</u> . Follow the instructions on the map or in this form's instruction document. These maps are updated twice a year, usually in June and December.		
Does your site, including all affected areas, meet the screening criteria according to the instructions: ☑ Yes ☐ No		
Enter the date of the map reviewed for pre-screening: June 2014		

Part II: Requester Information

*If the requester is a corporation, limited liability company, limited partnership, limited liability partnership, or a statutory trust, it must be registered with the Secretary of State. If applicable, the company name shall be stated **exactly** as it is registered with the Secretary of State.

If the requester is an individual, provide the legal name (include suffix) in the following format: First Name; Middle Initial; Last Name; Suffix (Jr, Sr., II, III, etc.).

1.	Requester Company Name*: Cellco Partnership and its	controlled affilia	ates doing business as
	Name: Verizon Wireless		
	Address: 6 Campus Circle, Suite 500		
	City/Town: Westlake	State: TX	Zip Code: 76272
	Business Phone:	ext.	Fax:
,	Requester can best be described as:		
	□ Business Entity □ Federal Agency □ Municipal	govt. State	agency 🔲 Individual
	☐ Tribe ☐ Other (specify):		
	Acting as (Affiliation), pick one:		
	☐ Property owner ☐ Consultant ☐ Engineer	☐ Facility own	er 🛛 Applicant
	☐ Biologist ☐ Pesticide Applicator ☐ Other	representative (specify):
2.	 List Primary Contact to receive Natural Diversity Data Base correspondence and inquiries, if different from requester. Company: All-Points Technology Corporation, P.C. 		
	Contact Person: Dean Gustafson	Title: Senior I	Environmental Scientist
	Mailing Address: 30 Bogg Lane		
	City/Town: Lebanon	State: CT	Zip Code: 06249
	Business Phone: 860-663-1697	ext. 201	Fax:
	Email: dgustafson@allpointstech.com		

Part II: Requester Information (continued)			
	Affiliation of primary contact, check one:	☐ Property owner ☐ Consultant ☐ Engineer	
	☐ Facility owner ☐ Applicant ☐ Bi	iologist	
	Other representative (specify):		
3.	Project Type:		
	Choose Project Type: Cellular/Communica	ations tower installation/maint. , If other describe:	
Par	t III: Site Information		
This	request can only be completed for one site.	A separate request must be filed for each additional site.	
1.	Site Location		
	Site Name or Project Name: Southington	East Street a/k/a Meriden Relo	
	Town(s): Southington		
	Street Address or Location Description: 99 East Street		
	Size in acres, or site dimensions: 27 acres		
	Latitude and longitude of the center of the	site in decimal degrees (e.g., 41.23456 -71.68574):	
	Latitude: 41.583644	Longitude: -72.864686	
	Method of coordinate determination (check	cone):	
	☐ GPS ☐ Photo interpolation using	CTECO map viewer ☐ Other (specify): survey	
2a.	. Describe the current land use and land cov	ver of the site.	
		by several cultivated agricultural fields, a leaf composting wetland forested areas. Wetland areas that support interior to the forested areas.	
b.	Check all that apply and enter the size in a	cres or % of area in the space after each checked category.	
	Industrial/Commercial	Residential Services Forest 65%	
	☑ Wetland <u>25%</u>	☐ Field/grassland ☐ Agricultural 35%	
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2.	Give a detailed description of the activity which is the subject of this request and describe the methods and equipment that will be used.		
	Verizon Wireless is proposing to construct a 97-foot tall stealth structure pine tree (monopine) communications tower located at the edge of a cultived field. A proposed 12 foot wide gravel access drive will provide access to the facility from East Street generally along an existing dirt access through a leaf composting operation and cultivated agricultural field. The 50-foot by 50-foot gravel base compound will be surrounded by a 6-foot high chain link fence housing a 12 foot by 30 foot equipment shelter that will include a propane fueled emergency power generator. Typical equipment used to construct this facility include excavator, crane, various sized trucks and support vehicles. Typical methods include cutting of pavement, excavation/forming/pouring of concrete tower foundation, erection of tower, construction of compound and installation of equipment shelter, generator and supporting electrial equipment.		
3.	Provide a contact for questions about the project details if different from Part II primary contact.		
	Name:		
	Phone:		
	Email:		
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	k <i>one</i> box from either Group 1 <i>or</i> Group 2, indicating the appropriate category for this request.		
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	Preliminary screening was negative but an NDDB review is still requested Request regards a municipally regulated or unregulated activity (no state permit/certificate needed)		
	Request regards a preliminary site assessment or project feasibility study		
	Request relates to land acquisition or protection		
	Request is associated with a <i>renewal</i> of an existing permit, with no modifications		
Gro	Dup 2. If you check one of these boxes, fill out Parts I – VII of this form and submit required attachments A, B, <i>and</i> C.		
	Request is associated with a <i>new</i> state or federal permit application		
	Request is associated with modification of an existing permit		
	Request is associated with a permit enforcement action		
	Request regards site management or planning, requiring detailed species recommendations		
	Request regards a state funded project, state agency activity, or CEPA request		
If yo	If you are filing this request as part of a state or federal permit application enter the application information below.		
	mitting Agency and Application Name: nnecticut Siting Council, Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need		
Sta	te DEP Application Number, if known: N/A		
Sta	te DEP Enforcement Action Number, if known: N/A		
Sta	State DEP Permit Analyst/Engineer, if known: N/A		
ls th	his request related to a previously submitted NDDB request? Yes No		

Enter the previous NDDB Request Number(s), if known:

Part VI: Supporting Documents

Please check each attachment submitted as verification that *all* applicable attachments have been supplied with this request form. Label each attachment as indicated in this part (e.g., Attachment A, etc.) and be sure to include the requester's name, site name and the date. **Please note that Attachments A and B are required for all requesters.** Attachment C (DEP-APP-007C) is supplied at the end of this form.

Attachment A:	Overview Map: an 8 1/2" X 11" print/copy of the relevant portion of a USGS Topographic Quadrangle Map clearly indicating the exact location of the site. Detailed Site Map: fine scaled map showing site boundary details on aerial imagery with relevant landmarks labeled. (Site boundaries in GIS [ESRI ArcView shapefile, in NAD83, State Plane, feet] format can be substituted for detailed maps, see instruction document) Supplemental Information, Group 2 requirement (attached, DEP-APP-007C) Section i: Supplemental Site Information and supporting documents Section ii: Supplemental Project Information and supporting documents	
Attachment C:		

Part VII: Requester Certification

The requester *and* the individual(s) responsible for actually preparing the request must sign this part. A request will be considered incomplete unless all required signatures are provided.

"I have personally examined and am familiar with the information submitted in this document and all attachments thereto, and I certify that based on reasonable investigation, including my inquiry of the individuals responsible for obtaining the information, the submitted information is true, accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief."	
Dean Dustapan	N 1 47 0044
	November 17, 2014
Signature of Requester	Date
Dean Gustafson	Senior Environmental Scientist
Name of Requester (print or type)	Title (if applicable)
Signature of Preparer (if different than above)	Date
Name of Preparer (print or type)	Title (if applicable)

Note: Please submit the completed Request Form and all Supporting Documents to:

CENTRAL PERMIT PROCESSING UNIT DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION 79 ELM STREET HARTFORD, CT 06106-5127

Or email request to: dep.nddbrequest@ct.gov

Attachment C: Supplemental Information, Group 2 requirement

Section i: Supplemental Site Information

1.	Existing Conditions		
	Describe all natural and man-made features including wetlands, watercourses, fish and wildlife habitat, floodplains and any existing structures potentially affected by the subject activity. Such features should be depicted and labeled on the site plan that must be submitted. Photographs of current site conditions may be helpful to reviewers.		
	No wetlands or watercourses will be disturbed by the proposed development. The proposed access and		
	facility will be located primarily within an agricultural field with the northern corner of the facility being		
	located within an early successional/old field, edge forest upland area. Collectively, the development		
	constitutes approximately 0.3 acre of disturbance primarily within existing disturbed areas. The nearest		
	wetland resources are associated with the northern corner of the proposed compound area grading limits		
	(approxiatmely 100 feet south of Wetland 1).		
	☑ Site Photographs (optional) attached		
	Site Plan/sketch of existing conditions attached		
2.	Biological Surveys		
	Has a biologist visited the site and conducted a biological survey to determine the presence of any endangered, threatened or special concern species Yes No		
	If yes, complete the following questions and submit any reports of biological surveys, documentation of the biologist's qualifications, and any NDDB survey forms.		
	Biologist(s) name:		
	Habitat and/or species targeted by survey:		
	Dates when surveys were conducted:		
	☐ Reports of biological surveys attached		
	☐ Documentation of biologist's qualifications attached		
	☐ NDDB Survey forms for any listed species observations attached		
Section ii: Supplemental Project Information			
1.	Provide a schedule for all phases of the project including the year, the month and/or season that the proposed activity will be initiated and the duration of the activity.		
	The proposed construction project is anticipated to extend over a period of 2 to 3 months. Start of construction will be developed pending approval from the Connecticut Siting Council.		

2.	Describe and quantify the proposed changes to existing conditions and describe any on-site or off-site impacts. In addition, provide an annotated site plan detailing the areas of impact and proposed changes to existing conditions.

Approximately 0.2 acre of agricultural field would be developed as a result of the proposed wireless telecommunications facility's access drive and approximately 0.1 acre of early successional/old field, edge forest upland would be developed by the facility compound.

☑ Annotated Site Plan attached



Legend

Natural Diversity Database (updated June 2014)

Municipal Boundary

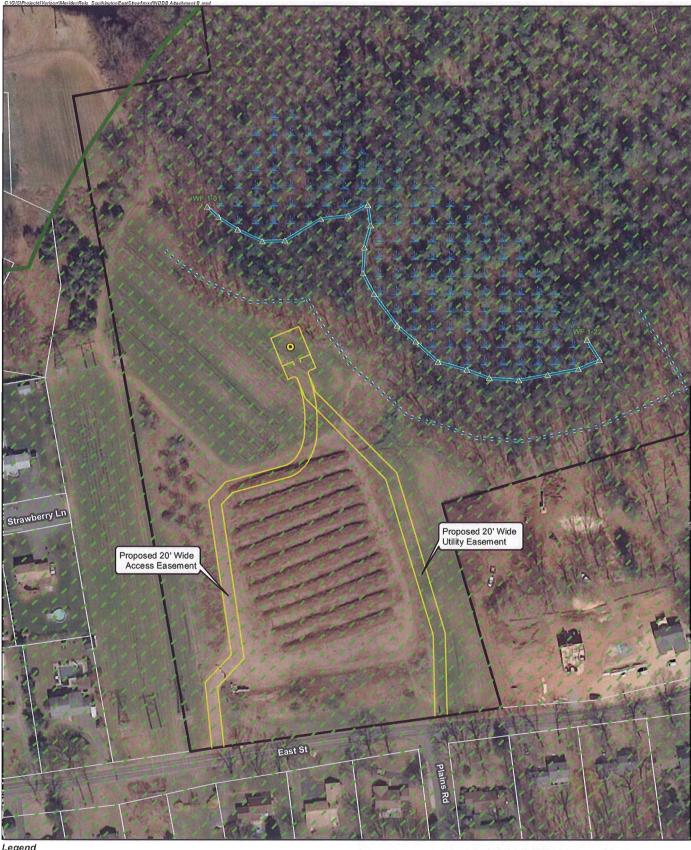
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Base Map Source: USGS 7.5 Minute Topographic Quedrangle
Maps, Meriden and Southington CT (1992)
Site located on the Meriden Quedrangle
Map Scale: 1:24,000
Map Date: November 2014



Attachment A: Overview Map



Proposed Wireless Telecommunications Facility Southington East Street a/k/a Meriden Relo 99 East Street Southington, Connecticut ALL-POINTS TECHNOLOGY CORPORATION



Legend

Proposed Stealth Structure Pine Tree Proposed Facility Layout

Approximate Subject Parcel Boundary

Approximate Parcel Boundary (CTDEEP) = = = 100' Wetland / Vernal Pool Buffer

Map Notes: Base Map Source: 2012 Aerial Photograph (CTECO) Map State:1:1,600 Map Data: November 2014









Attachment A: Overview Map

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Proposed Wireless Telecommunications Facility
Southington East Street a/k/a Meriden Relo
99 East Street Southington, Connecticut ALL-POINTS TECHNOLOGY CORPORATION



PHOTO DOCUMENTATION

Proposed Verizon Wireless Facility Southington East Street, a/k/a Meriden Relo East Street, Southington, CT



Photo 1: View of proposed tower site along west side of cultivated field, looking east. Photo date: May 3, 2014.



Photo 2: View of proposed tower site along west side of cultivated field, looking west. Photo date: May 3, 2014.



PHOTO DOCUMENTATION

Proposed Verizon Wireless Facility
Southington East Street, a/k/a Meriden Relo
East Street, Southington, CT



Photo 3: View of cultivated field and existing dirt access with Town of Southington leaf composting operation in background, looking south. Photo date: May 3, 2014.



Photo 4: View of existing gravel drive off East Street (in background), looking south.

Photo date: May 3, 2014.



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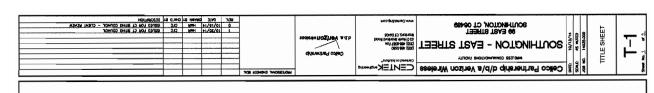
Photo 5: Overview of wetland system located east of proposed tower site, looking northeast.

Photo date: May 3, 2014.

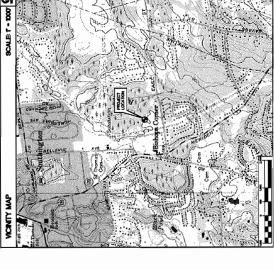


Photo 6: Overview of wetland system located east of proposed tower site, looking north.

Photo date: May 3, 2014.



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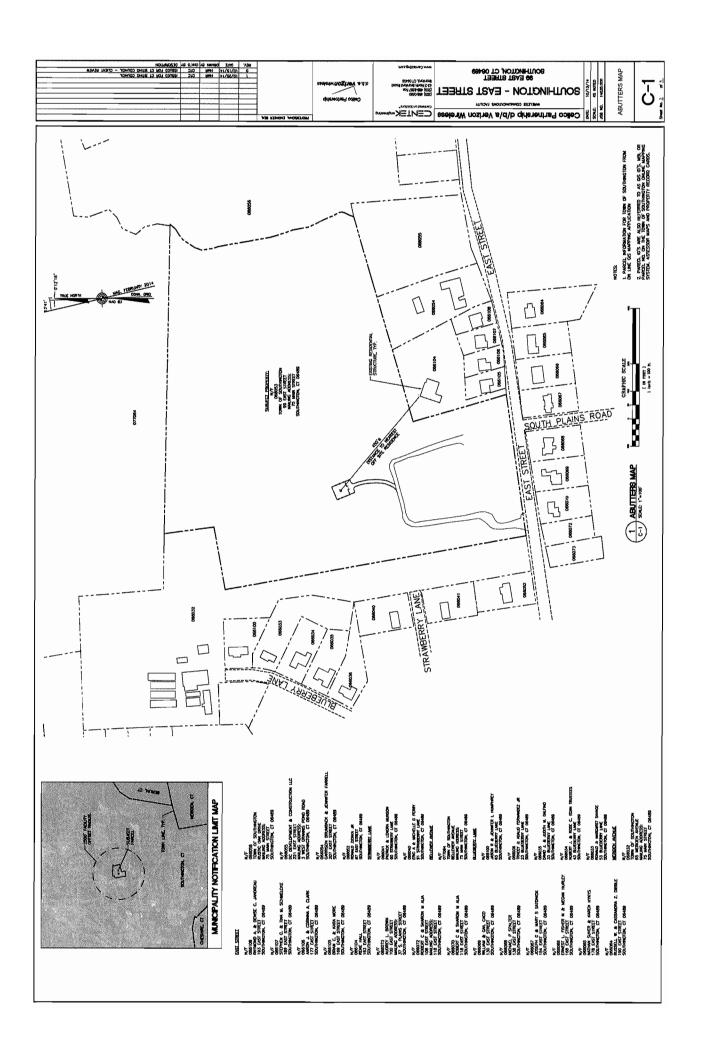
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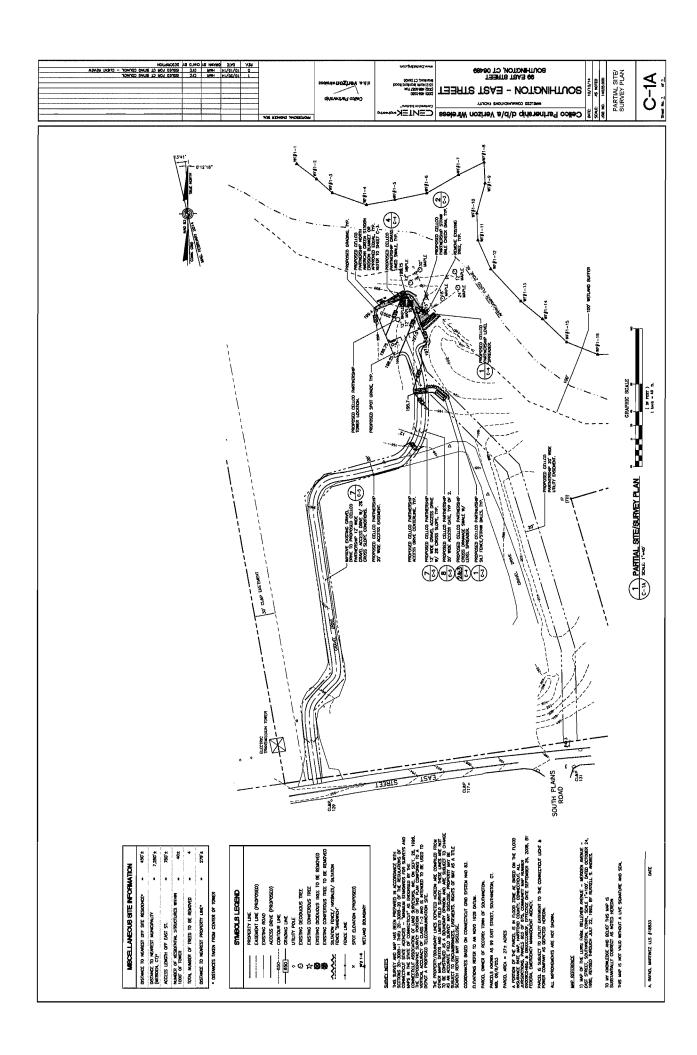
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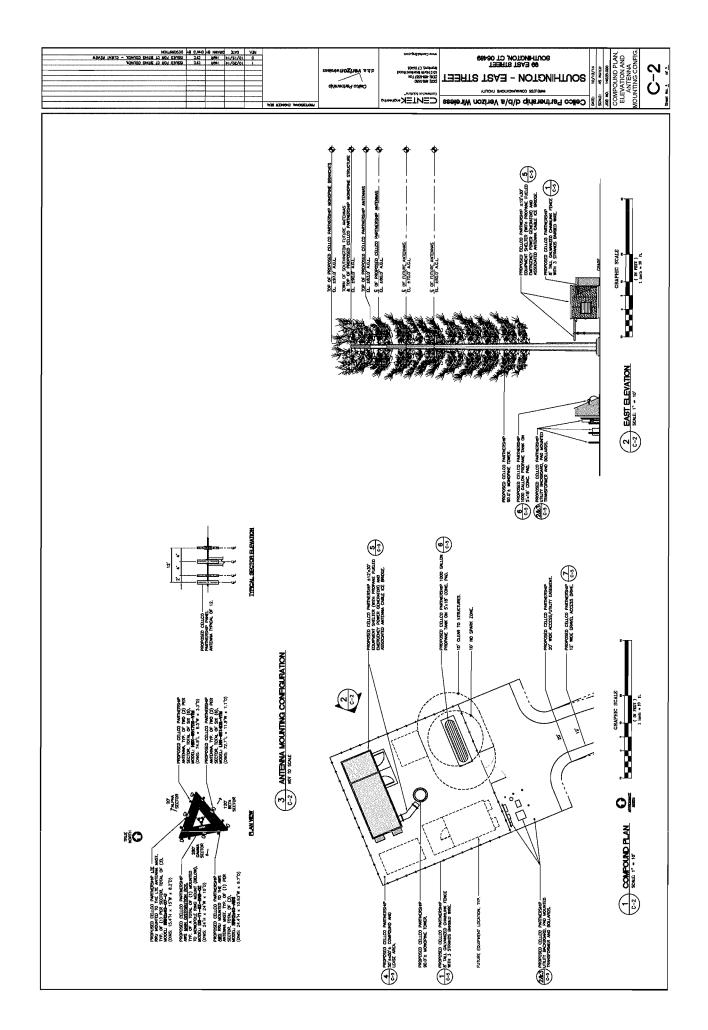
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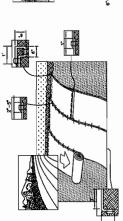
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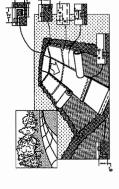






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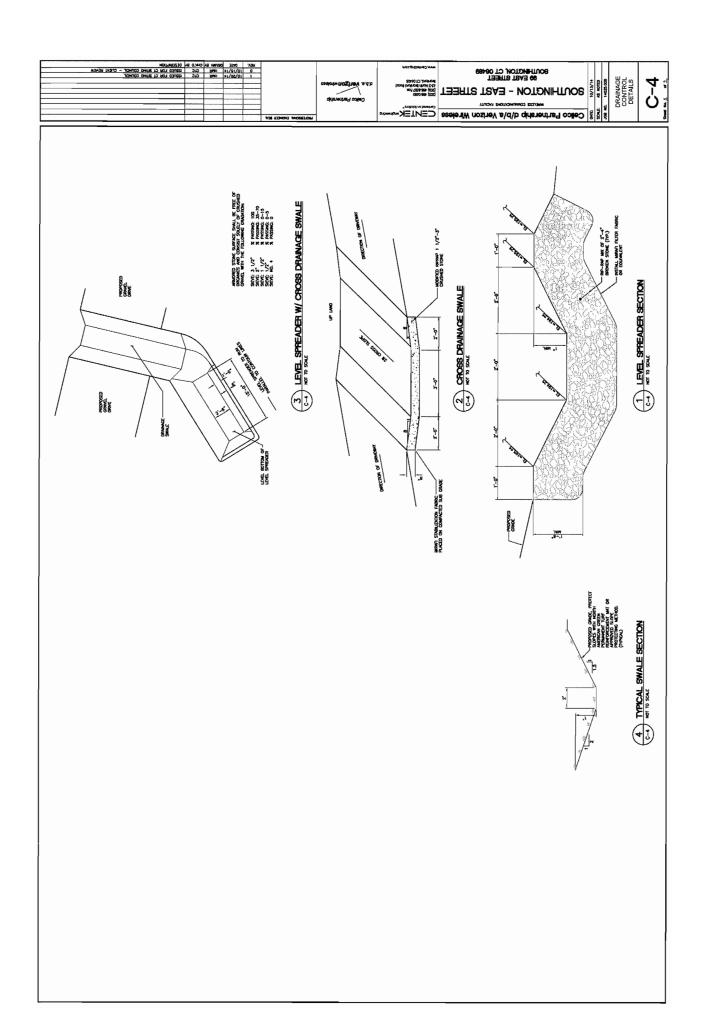
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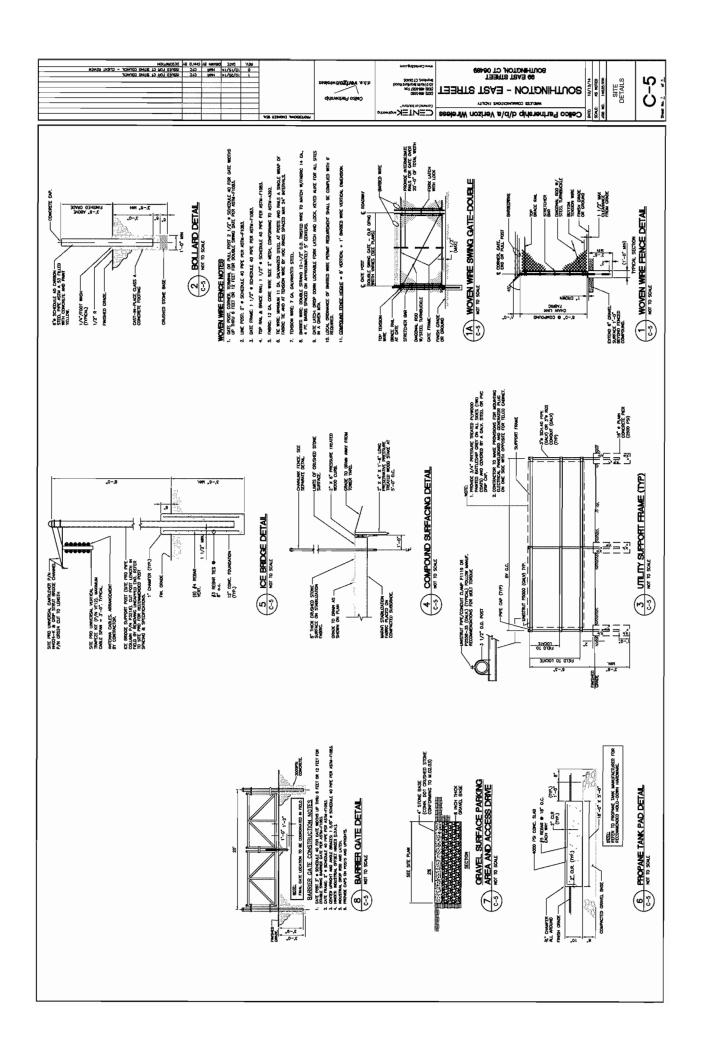


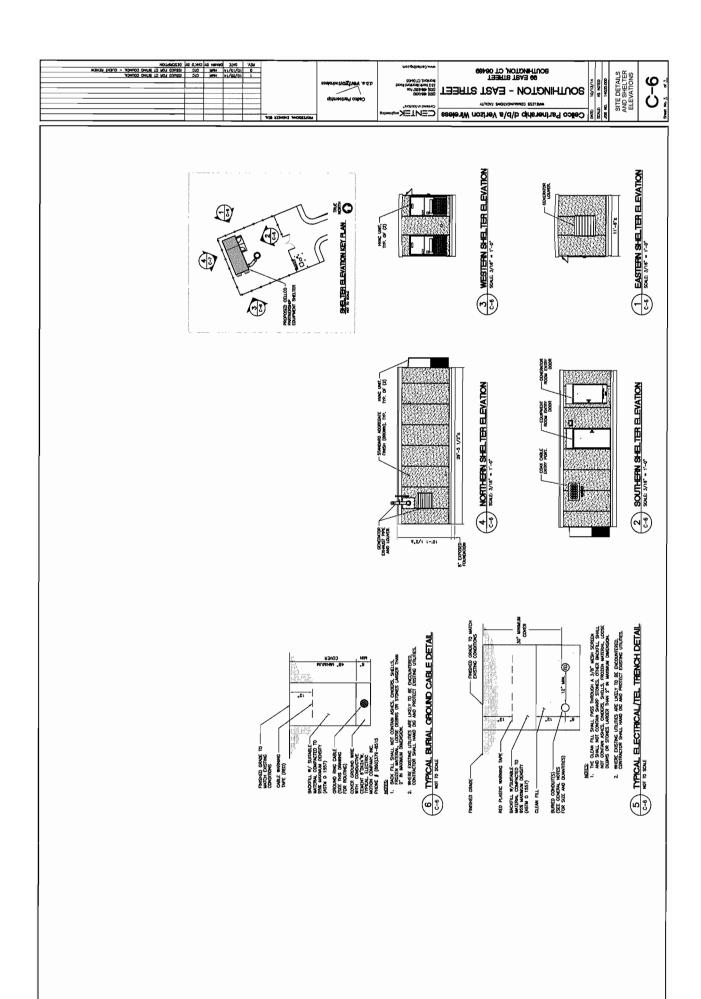
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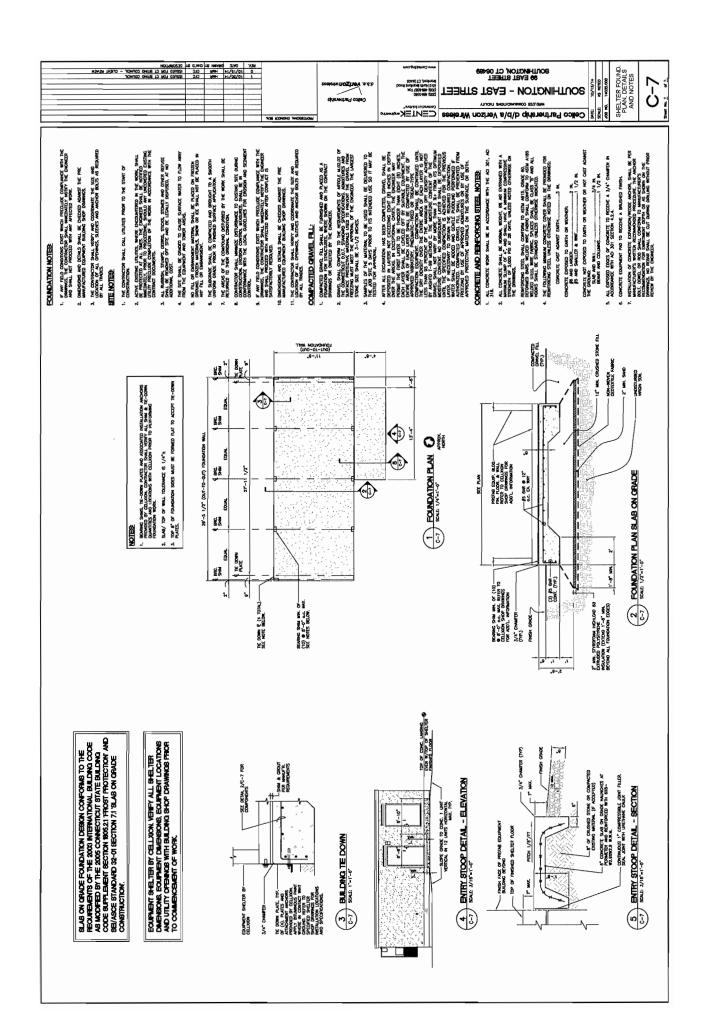
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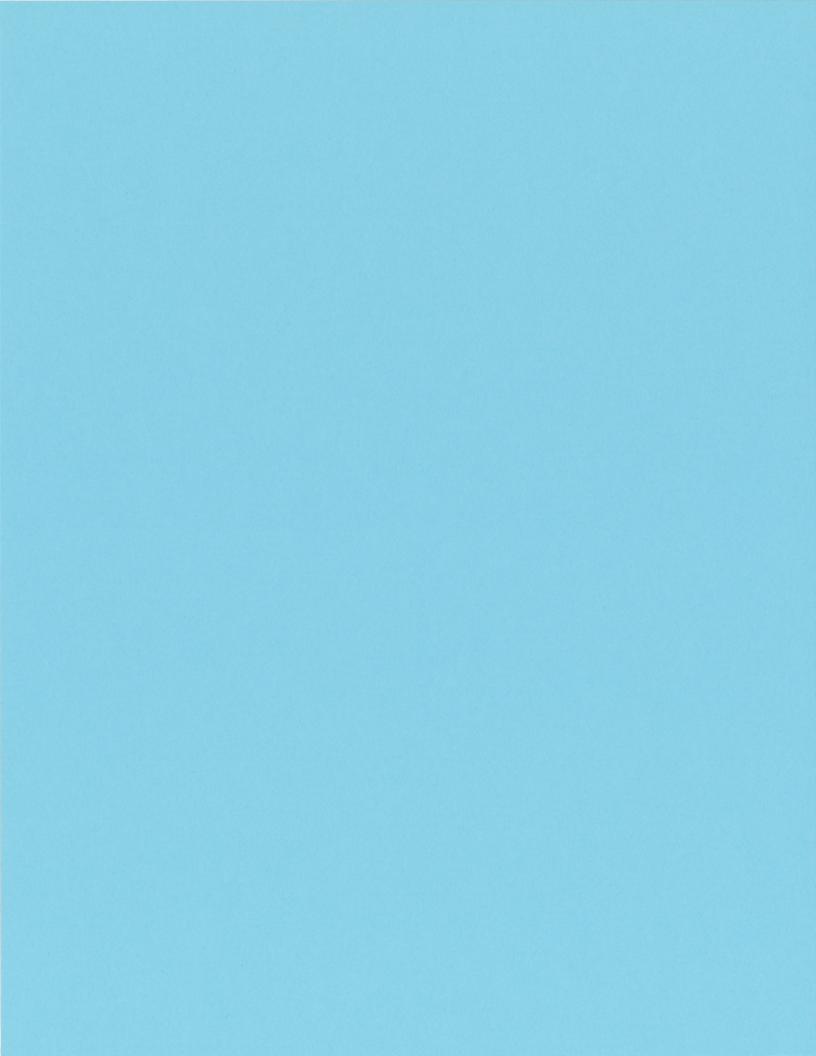














December 18, 2014

Mr. Dean Gustafson All-Points Technology Corporation, P.C. 30 Bogg Lane Lebanon, CT 06249 dgustafson@allpointstech.com

Project: Proposed Wireless Telecommunications Facility, Southington East Street (a/k/a Meriden Relo) Located at 99 East Street in Southington, Connecticut

NDDB Determination No.: 201411387

Dear Dean,

I have reviewed Natural Diversity Data Base maps and files regarding the area delineated on the map you provided for the proposed Wireless Telecommunications Facility, Southington East Street (a/k/a/Meriden Relo) located at 99 East Street in Southington, Connecticut. According to our information we have records for *Clemmys guttata* (spotted turtle) from the vicinity of this project. *Clemmys guttata* is currently a candidate species for listing as a State Special Concern Species. Thank you for including the protection strategies and protocols that will be in place to protect this species from project impacts. If these protection strategies are followed then the proposed activities will minimize adverse impact on the spotted turtle. This determination is good for one year. Please re-submit an NDDB Request for Review if the scope of work changes or if work has not begun on this project by December 18, 2015.

Natural Diversity Data Base information includes all information regarding critical biological resources available to us at the time of the request. This information is a compilation of data collected over the years by the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection's Natural History Survey and cooperating units of DEEP, private conservation groups and the scientific community. This information is not necessarily the result of comprehensive or site-specific field investigations. Consultations with the Data Base should not be substitutes for on-site surveys required for environmental assessments. Current research projects and new contributors continue to identify additional populations of species and locations of habitats of concern, as well as, enhance existing data. Such new information is incorporated into the Data Base as it becomes available.

Please contact me if you have further questions at (860) 424-3592, or dawn.mckay@ct.gov. Thank you for consulting the Natural Diversity Data Base. Also be advised that this is a preliminary review and not a final determination. A more detailed review may be conducted as part of any subsequent environmental permit applications submitted to DEEP for the proposed site.

Sincerely,

Dawn M. McKay

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December 18, 2014

Department of Energy & Environmental Protection 79 Elm Street Hartford, CT 06106-5127

Attn: Dawn McKay via EMail Re: NDDB #201411387 Proposed Wireless

> Telecommunications Facility Southington East Street a/k/a Meriden Relo. 99 East Street

APT Project No.: CT1412300

Southington, Connecticut Lat: 41° 35′ 1.117″ Long: 72° 51′ 52.868″

Tower Type: Stealth structure pine tree

Overall Height: 97-feet AGL

EnSite # 21574

Dear Ms. McKay,

All-Points Technology Corporation, P.C. ("APT") had previously submitted a Natural Diversity Data Base ("NDDB") State Listed Species Review request on behalf of Cellco Partnership and its controlled affiliates doing business as Verizon Wireless ("Verizon Wireless") for a proposed wireless communications facility at 99 East Street in Southington, Connecticut. APT understands that NDDB records reveal Spotted Turtle (*Clemmys guttata*), a candidate State Special Concern species that is anticipated to be included on the 2015 Connecticut Endangered, Threatened and Special Concern Species List, in the vicinity of the proposed project¹.

The enclosed protective measures will be incorporated into the construction drawings (Development and Management Plans) should the project receive approval by the Connecticut Siting Council. Verizon Wireless is committed to implementing these protective measures to avoid unintentional injury or mortality to Spotted Turtles as a result of proposed construction activities for the referenced facility. The proposed Spotted Turtle protection program consists of several components: isolation of the project perimeter; periodic inspection and maintenance of isolation structures; turtle sweeps; awareness training of all contractors and sub-contractors prior to initiation of work on the site; protective measures; and, reporting. An example of the caution poster that would be posted at the construction site as part of the contractor awareness component is also enclosed. With adherence to this Spotted Turtle protection program, the proposed development at this property would not have an adverse effect on this species.

¹ Dawn McKay email, December 2, 2014.

Please feel free to contact me by phone at (860) 663-1697 ext. 201 or via email at dgustafson@allpointstech.com
with any questions or if additional information is required.

Sincerely,

Dean Gustafson

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Senior Environmental Scientist

Enclosures

Spotted Turtle Protection Plan

ENVIRONMENTAL NOTES

Spotted Turtle Protection Program

Spotted Turtle, a candidate State Special Concern species that is anticipated to be included on the 2015 Connecticut Endangered, Threatened and Special Concern Species List, is known to occur on or within the vicinity of the site. The following protective measures satisfy requirements from the Connecticut Department of Energy & Environmental Protection ("CTDEEP") Wildlife Division and follow protocols developed from previous rare turtle species consultations and state-approved protection plans. This protection plan is valid for one year from the date of CTDEEP's letter, at which point if construction has not been initiated, a new Natural Diversity Data Base review request from CTDEEP is required.

It is of the utmost importance that the Contractor complies with the requirement for the installation of protective measures and the education of its employees and subcontractors performing work on the project site if work will occur during the Spotted Turtle's active period (March 1 to November 15). All-Points Technology Corporation, P.C. ("APT") will serve as the Environmental Monitor for this project to ensure that Spotted Turtle protection measures are implemented properly and will provide an education session on Spotted Turtle prior to the start of construction activities. The Contractor shall contact Dean Gustafson, Senior Environmental Scientist at APT, at least 5 business days prior to the preconstruction meeting. Mr. Gustafson can be reached by phone at (860) 663-1697 ext. 201 or via email at dgustafson@allpointstech.com.

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1. Isolation Measures & Erosion and Sedimentation Controls

- a. Plastic netting used in a variety of erosion control products (i.e., erosion control blankets, fiber rolls [wattles], reinforced silt fence) has been found to entangle wildlife, including reptiles, amphibians, birds and small mammals. No permanent erosion control products or reinforced silt fence will be used on the Verizon Wireless project. Temporary Erosion control products will use either erosion control blankets and fiber rolls composed of processed fibers mechanically bound together to form a continuous matrix (net less) or netting composed of planar woven natural biodegradable fiber to avoid/minimize wildlife entanglement.
- b. Installation of erosion and sedimentation controls (i.e., silt fencing), required for erosion control compliance and creation of a barrier to possible migrating/dispersing herpetofauna, shall be performed by the Contractor following clearing activities and prior to any earthwork. The Environmental Monitor will inspect the work zone area prior to and following erosion control barrier installation to ensure the area is free of to ensure the area is free of spotted turtles and satisfactorily installed. The intent of the barrier is to segregate the majority of the work zone from foraging/migrating/dispersing turtles. Oftentimes complete isolation of a work zone is not feasible due to accessibility needs and locations of staging/material storage areas, etc. In those circumstances, the barriers will be positioned to deflect migrating/dispersal routes away from the work zone to minimize potential encounters with turtles.
- c. The fencing will consist of non-reinforced conventional erosion control woven fabric, installed approximately six inches below surface grade and staked at seven to tenfoot intervals using four-foot oak stakes or approved equivalent. In addition to required daily inspection by the Contractor, the fencing will be inspected for tears or

breeches in the fabric following installation and at either on a weekly or biweekly inspection frequency by APT. If inspections are performed on a biweekly basis, such inspections will also include inspections following storm events of 0.25 inch or greater. Inspections will be conducted by APT throughout the course of the construction project.

- d. The extent of the barrier fencing will be as shown on the site plans. The Contractor shall have additional barrier fencing should field conditions warrant extending the fencing as directed by APT.
- No equipment, vehicles or construction materials shall be stored outside of barrier fencing.
- f. All silt fencing shall be removed within 30 days of completion of work and permanent stabilization of site soils so that reptile and amphibian movement between uplands and wetlands is not restricted.

2. Contractor Education

- a. Prior to work on site, the Contractor shall attend an educational session at the preconstruction meeting with APT. This orientation and educational session will consist of an introductory meeting with APT providing photos of Spotted Turtles and emphasizing the non-aggressive nature of these turtles, the absence of need to destroy animals that might be encountered and the need to follow Protective Measures as described in Section 4 below. Workers will also be provided information regarding the identification of other turtle species that could be encountered.
- b. The education session will also focus on means to discriminate between the species of concern and other native species to avoid unnecessary "false alarms". Encounters with any species of turtles will be documented.
- c. The Contractor will be provided with cell phone and email contacts for APT personnel to immediately report any encounters with Spotted Turtle or other turtle species. Educational poster materials will be provided by APT and displayed on the job site to maintain worker awareness as the project progresses.

3. Petroleum Materials Storage and Spill Prevention

- a. Certain precautions are necessary to store petroleum materials, refuel and contain and properly clean up any inadvertent fuel or petroleum (i.e., oil, hydraulic fluid, etc.) spill due to the project's location in proximity to sensitive wetlands.
- b. A spill containment kit consisting of a sufficient supply of absorbent pads and absorbent material will be maintained by the Contractor at the construction site throughout the duration of the project. In addition, a waste drum will be kept on site to contain any used absorbent pads/material for proper and timely disposal off site in accordance with applicable local, state and federal laws.
- c. The following petroleum and hazardous materials storage and refueling restrictions and spill response procedures will be adhered to by the Contractor.
 - Petroleum and Hazardous Materials Storage and Refueling
 - 1. Refueling of vehicles or machinery shall occur a minimum of 100 feet from wetlands or watercourses and shall take place on an

impervious pad with secondary containment designed to contain fuels.

2. Any fuel or hazardous materials that must be kept on site shall be stored on an impervious surface utilizing secondary containment a minimum of 100 feet from wetlands or watercourses.

ii. Initial Spill Response Procedures

- 1. Stop operations and shut off equipment.
- 2. Remove any sources of spark or flame.
- 3. Contain the source of the spill.
- 4. Determine the approximate volume of the spill.
- 5. Identify the location of natural flow paths to prevent the release of the spill to sensitive nearby waterways or wetlands.
- 6. Ensure that fellow workers are notified of the spill.

iii. Spill Clean Up & Containment

- 1. Obtain spill response materials from the on-site spill response kit. Place absorbent materials directly on the release area.
- 2. Limit the spread of the spill by placing absorbent materials around the perimeter of the spill.
- 3. Isolate and eliminate the spill source.
- 4. Contact the appropriate local, state and/or federal agencies, as necessary.
- 5. Contact a disposal company to properly dispose of contaminated materials.

iv. Reporting

- 1. Complete an incident report.
- 2. Submit a completed incident report to the Connecticut Siting Council.

4. Turtle Protective Measures

- a. Prior to the start of construction each day, the Contractor shall search the entire work area for turtles.
- b. If a turtle is found, it shall be immediately moved, unharmed, by carefully grasped in both hands, one on each side of the shell, between the turtle's forelimbs and the hind limbs, and placed just outside of the isolation barrier in the approximate direction it was walking.
- c. Special care shall be taken by the Contractor during early morning and evening hours so that possible basking or foraging turtles are not harmed by construction activities.

5. Herbicide and Pesticide Restrictions

a. The use of herbicides and pesticides at the proposed wireless telecommunications facility and along the proposed access drive are strictly prohibited.

6. Reporting

- a. Monthly inspection reports (brief narrative and applicable photos) will be submitted to the Connecticut Siting Council for compliance verification. Any observations of turtles will be included in the reports.
- b. Following completion of the construction project, APT will provide a summary report to CTDEEP documenting the monitoring and maintenance of the barrier fence and erosion control measures.
- c. Any observations of Spotted Turtle will be reported to CTDEEP by APT, with photodocumentation (if possible) and with specific information on the location and disposition of the animal.

Spotted Turtle Poster

CAUTION

SPOTTED TURTLES ARE KNOWN TO INHABIT THIS AREA



Identification: Spotted Turtles (Clemmys guttata) are small turtles generally ranging from 3 to 5 inches (8-12 centimeters) in length. The upper shell (carapace) is readily distinguished by a smooth surface with blue-black color that is patterned with small yellow-orange dots. A large orange blotch is present behind each eye. The belly (plastron) typically is yellow to orange-yellow in color with large black blotches on each scale (scute). Spotted turtles require both aquatic and terrestrial habitat to complete their life cycle and utilize a wide variety of aquatic habitats, including vernal pools, resulting in overland movements among a complex network of different habitats.

What to do if you find a Spotted Turtle: Spotted Turtles are protected by Connecticut's threatened and endangered species legislation and <u>cannot</u> be injured, killed, or retained as a pet. If you find a spotted turtle move the turtle to a safe location away from any construction activity in the direction that the turtle was heading. Carefully pick up the turtle by its shell (carapace) between the front and hind legs with both hands.

Who to contact: Please report any findings and relocations of Spotted Turtle immediately to <u>Dean Gustafson of All-Points Technology Corporation</u>, P.C. at (860) 984-9515.