

Connecticut Water Leads Trails Day Hikes Saturday, June 4 & Sunday, June 5

Guided hikes offered on water company lands in Killingworth and Tolland

CLINTON, Conn. — May 24, 2022 — Connecticut Water will lead two hikes on its watershed properties in Killingworth and Tolland over Connecticut Trails Day (Weekend) 2022 on June 4th and 5th. The hikes are part of a larger National Trails Day celebration. In Connecticut, hikes are coordinated through the Connecticut Forest & Park Association who, together with hike sponsors, run the largest National Trails Day celebration in the country.

Saturday, June 4th – Tolland – 10:00 a.m.

Connecticut Water is leading a hike at the Shenipsit Lake Reservoir along the old railroad bed which is part of the Blue-Blazed Shenipsit Trail. Meet at the trail entrance on Route 74 across from Vern-Rock Electric (24 Tolland Stage Road, Tolland).

Sunday, June 5th – Killingworth – 10:00 a.m.

A 2.5 out and back hike in the Killingworth and Kelseytown Reservoir watersheds includes some minor hills and will cross the Menunketesuck River footbridge, which has been newly re-opened following flooding damage in 2018. Meet on Road Meat Hill Road across from the Platt Nature Center. Parking is available at the nature center.

Both hikes will take place rain or shine and are appropriate for children and families. Dogs are not permitted on the hikes. The trails are not considered handicapped accessible. For more info on Connecticut Trails Day, visit ctwoodlands.org.

Located in Ellington, Vernon and Tolland, the **Shenipsit Lake Reservoir** is a public drinking water supply source that has an approved Department of Public Health (DPH) recreation program which has been opened since 1994. The program includes the year-round hiking trail around the lake in cooperation with the Connecticut Forest & Park Association, and fishing from designated shoreline areas and program-registered electric and oar-powered boats from the second Saturday in April through October.

Located in Killingworth, the **Killingworth and Kelseytown Reservoir** hiking trail is also an approved DPH recreation program. The trail is opened for hiking from the third Saturday in April through October 31.

About Connecticut Water Company

Connecticut Water is a public water and wastewater utility regulated by the Connecticut Public Utilities Regulatory Authority that provides water service to more than 350,000 people in 60 Connecticut communities and wastewater service to 10,000 people in Southbury, Connecticut.

The towns served are Ashford, Avon, Beacon Falls, Bethany, Bolton, Brooklyn, Burlington, Canton, Chester, Clinton, Colchester, Columbia, Coventry, Deep River, Durham, East Granby, East Haddam, East Hampton, East Windsor, Ellington, Enfield, Essex, Farmington, Griswold, Guilford, Haddam, Hebron, Killingly, Killingworth, Lebanon, Madison, Manchester, Mansfield, Marlborough, Middlebury, Naugatuck, Old Lyme, Old Saybrook, Oxford, Plainfield, Plymouth, Portland, Prospect, Simsbury, Somers, South Windsor, Southbury, Stafford, Stonington, Suffield, Thomaston, Thompson, Tolland, Vernon, Voluntown, Waterbury, Westbrook, Willington, Windsor Locks and Woodstock.

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