

## Connecticut Water Awarded by Connecticut Construction Industries Association

CCIA Awards Include Excellence in Safety and Community Service

**CLINTON, Conn. — December 19, 2022** — Connecticut Water was recognized with two prestigious awards by the Connecticut Construction Industries Association (CCIA) this month. The company received the CCIA's Community Service Award for its Shenipsit Lake Reservoir Recreation Program, which provides for a permitted hiking and fishing at the company's Shenipsit Lake Reservoir, and a Safety Recognition Award for excellence in construction health and safety.

### Community Service Award

The Shenipsit Lake Reservoir Recreation Program was launched nearly 30 years ago as a partnership between Connecticut Water, the towns of Ellington, Vernon and Tolland, and the Shenipsit Lake Association. Under a special permit by the Connecticut Department of Public Health that protects this vital water public drinking water source, the program allows for fishing and hiking and is open to the public at no cost. In 2022, more than 10,200 people took advantage of the program. The recreation program is fully-funded by Connecticut Water.

"Shenipsit Lake Reservoir is a treasured natural resource in northcentral Connecticut," stated Maureen P. Westbrook, president of Connecticut Water. Westbrook added, "We are pleased to allow for the use of this resource in a way that protects this public water supply source and recognizes the natural beauty, recreational value and public health needs of the reservoir." More information on the program is available at [www.ctwater.com/shenipsit](http://www.ctwater.com/shenipsit).

### Safety Award

"The safety award reflects the deep commitment of the company's leaders and employees to make sure that at the end of the day our people safely return to their family and friends," said Craig Patla, vice president of service delivery at Connecticut Water. "Our safety committee works each and every day to make sure our people are aware of the risks of their work and to ensure they have the proper tools and training so they can stay safe while serving their customers."

This is the 19th consecutive year that Connecticut Water has received CCIA's Safety Recognition Award. Companies recognized by CCIA have demonstrated solid construction safety and health programs and are evaluated across 17 safety categories, including management involvement, employee training, safety hazard analysis, noncompliance and correction of violations. At Connecticut Water, a cross-functional safety committee, comprising nearly 10% of the workforce, meets on a bimonthly basis to review and reduce incidents and injuries, with a focus on providing a safe and healthy workplace for all areas of the company.

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### About Connecticut Water:

Connecticut Water provides water service to about 107,000 customers in 60 Connecticut towns and wastewater services to 3,000 customers in the town of 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, Southbury, South Windsor, Stafford, Stonington, Suffield, Thomaston, Thompson, Tolland, Vernon, Voluntown, Waterbury, Westbrook, Willington, Windsor Locks and Woodstock.

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