STATE OF CONNECTICUT

OFFICE OF POLICY AND MANAGEMENT

INTERGOVERNMENTAL POLICY DIVISION

June 23, 2008

Members of the Continuing Legislative Committee on
State Planning and Development:

The Honorable Eric D. Coleman
The Honorable Art Feltman
The Honorable Jonathan A. Harris
The Honorable Leonard Fasano
The Honorable Craig A. Miner
The Honorable Joseph J. Crisco, Jr.
The Honorable Antonio (Tony) Guerrera
The Honorable Jack Malone
The Honorable Richard Roy

Dear Senators and Representatives:

This office has received an application from the Town of Colchester for an interim change to the *Conservation and Development Policies Plan for Connecticut* in the Town of Colchester. The request is to change the state plan's Locational Guide Map in a portion of town from Rural Lands, Conservation Area, and Existing Preserved Open Space, to a Growth Area designation. A copy of the application materials is attached. Also attached, for your information, is a copy of the Statewide Plan Locational Guide Map for Colchester with the site area identified.

Pursuant to state regulations, the Town of Colchester is afforded the opportunity to request a public hearing on this matter within twenty (20) calendar days from receipt of notification from this office that an application has been received. If requested, OPM would schedule such a hearing at the earliest convenient date. The hearing would be held jointly by the Continuing Committee and OPM.

Within ten calendar days following a public hearing, or ten days following the town's waiver of this option, OPM must make a recommendation on the application to the Continuing Legislative Committee on State Planning and Development. The Continuing Committee then has thirty days in which to render its decision regarding the application.

Sincerely,

W. David LeVasseur, Undersecretary
Intergovernmental Policy Division

Attachments
Cc: Senator Eileen Daily, 33rd Senate District
Representative Linda A. Orange, 48th House District
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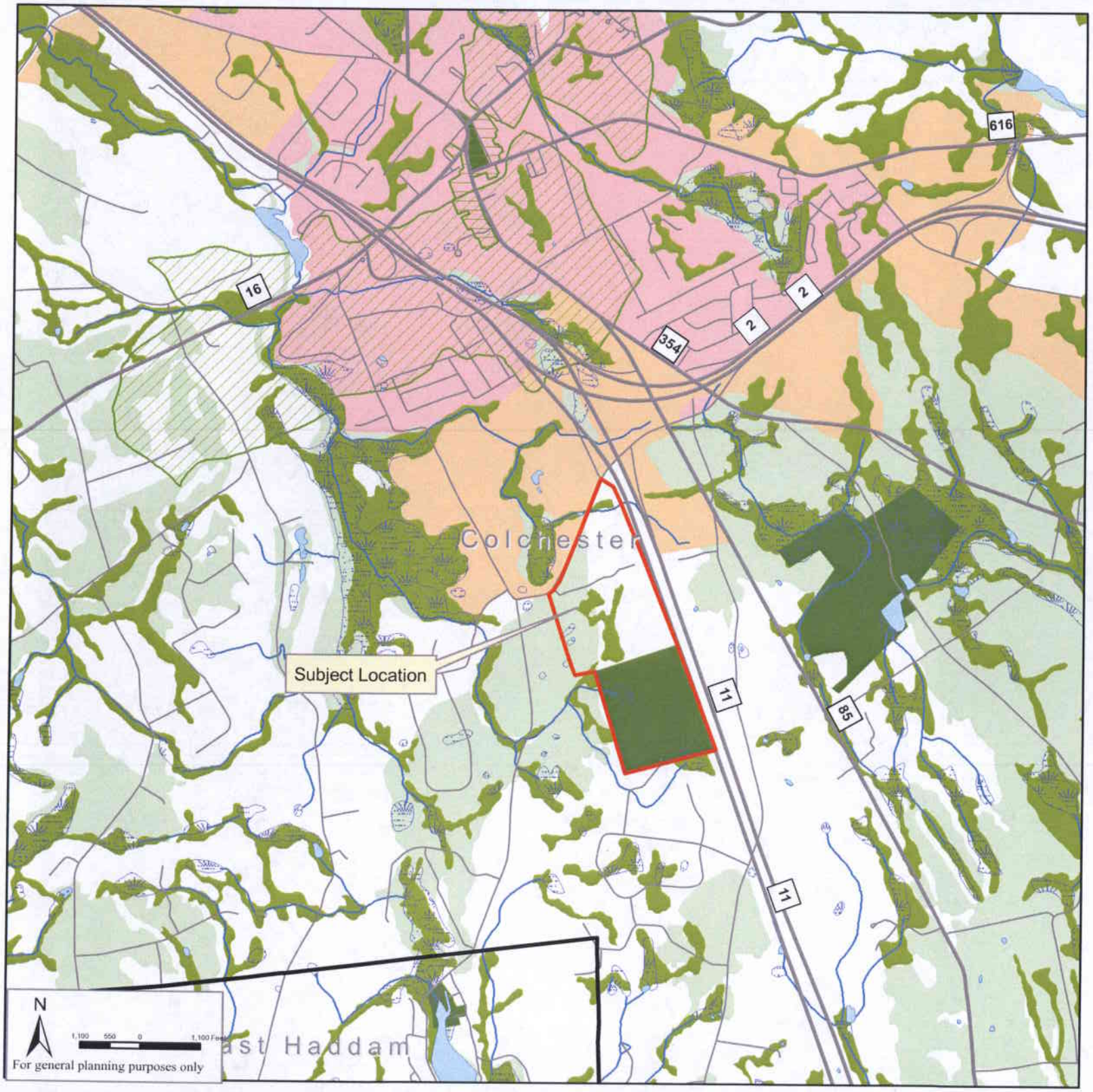

Colchester

Conservation and Development Policies Plan for Connecticut 2005-2010
Locational Guide Map

Legend

- Towns
- Tribal Settlement Area

Streets

- Interstate
- U.S. Route
- State Highway
- Local Road
- Rail

Conservation Policies

- Existing Preserved Open Space
- Preservation Area
- Conservation Area
- Rural Lands
- Aquifer Protection Area
- Historic Districts

Development Policies

- Regional Center
- Neighborhood Conservation
- Growth Area
- Rural Community Center

Proposed Change

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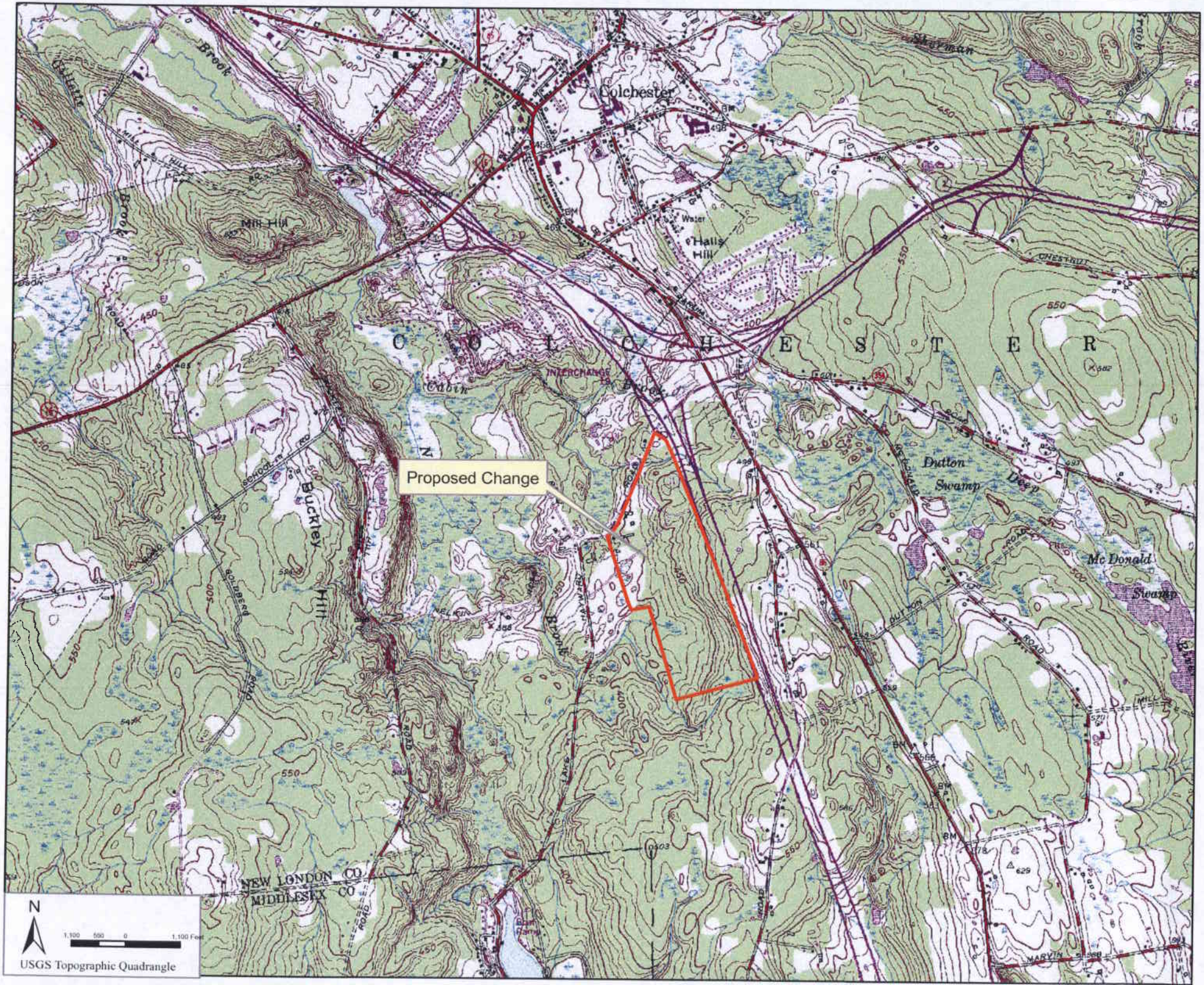
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The Honorable Linda M. Hodge
First Selectman
Town of Colchester
127 Norwich Avenue
Colchester, CT 06415

Dear Ms. Hodge:

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In accordance with state regulations, the chief elected officer and those exercising planning or zoning powers in the municipality shall have the opportunity to request a joint public hearing on the application. You have up to twenty (20) days to notify the Office of Policy and Management (OPM) whether or not you wish to do this.

If you request a public hearing, the Continuing Committee and OPM must conduct such hearing within thirty (30) days of your decision. If you wish to expedite this process, you may waive your right to a public hearing by notifying OPM in writing. Within ten (10) days of such notification to waive the hearing, or within ten (10) days following the completion of a public hearing, OPM must submit a summary report of its recommendations to the Continuing Committee. The Continuing Committee then has thirty (30) days to decide whether or not to approve the proposed interim change.

Please feel free to contact me at 860 418-6302 with any questions you may have regarding this interim change request process.

Sincerely,

Tyler J. Kleykamp
Lead Planning Analyst

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Town of Colchester
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