

**STAFF REPORT**

**AGENDA ITEM I  
SEPTEMBER 28, 2023 MEETING**

To: Conservation Commission/**Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Agency**

Date: September 15, 2023

**Re: Declaratory Ruling: Permitted Use, Dry Hydrant  
24 Fisher Hill Road, Roaring Brook Plaza**

**Review Documents:**

**Project Narrative and Site Plan; Dated September 11, 2023  
CT General Statute 22a-40.3; Dry Hydrant Installation**

**Proposal**

Town of Glastonbury departments (engineering and fire departments) seek a declaratory ruling that the proposed dry hydrant installation at 24 Fisher Hill Road is permitted as a right/nonregulated and as such an application to the inland wetlands and watercourses agency for permit is not required.

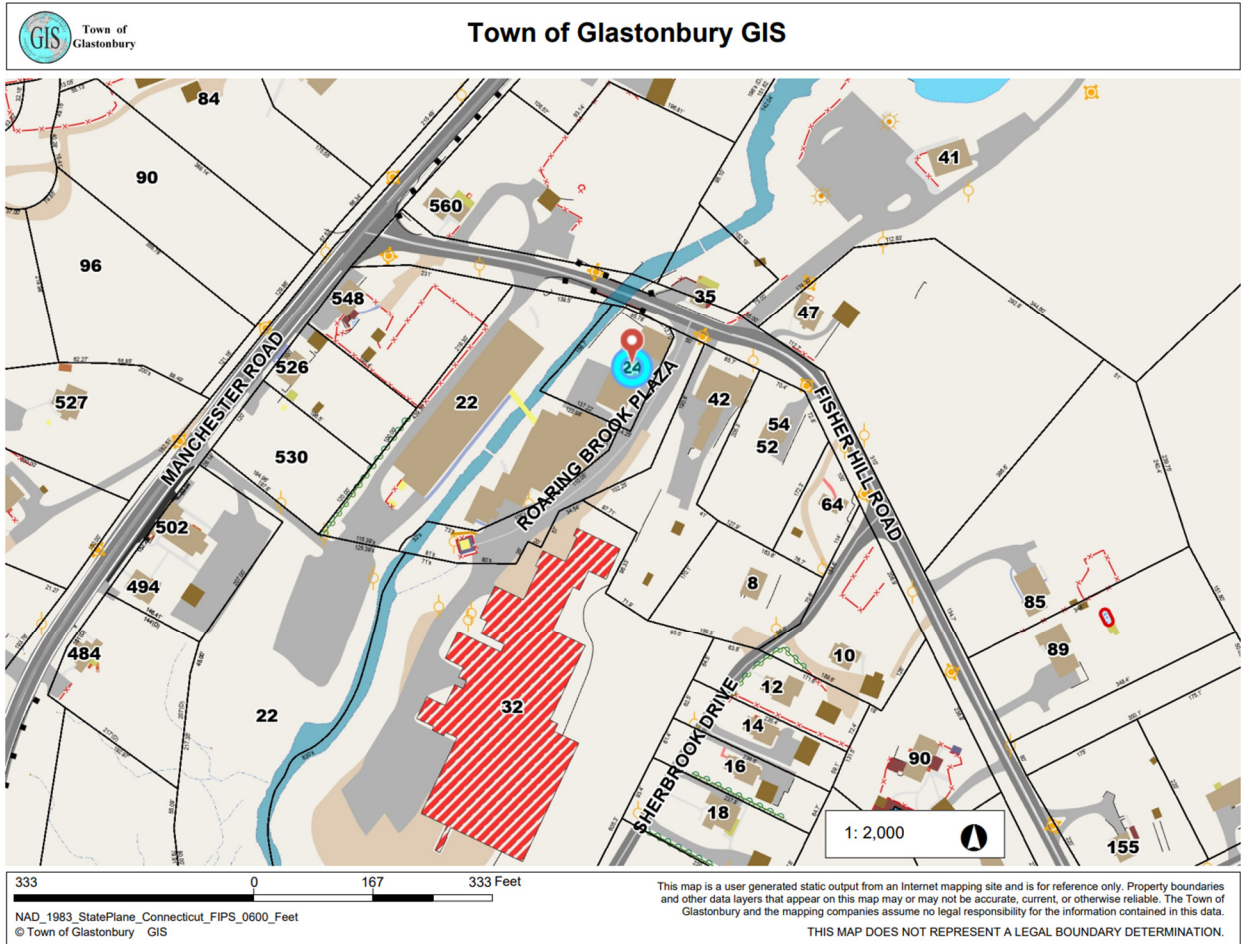
**Review**

The dry hydrant installation is proposed within Roaring Brook, with the construction of a J hook vane to allow water to pool in order to be drawn through the dry hydrant. The private property owner has granted an easement to the town for fire fighting purposes.

No conservation easement agreements are recorded on the property.

CT General Statute Section 22a-40.3, effective October 1, 2011, specifies that dry hydrant installation is a non-regulated use and therefore does not require an application for a permit.

The regulations do not require the Agency evaluate the proposed activities for impacts and does not allow for the issuance of stipulations. Under state statute the Agency is permitted to make a declaratory ruling the same meeting the item is first listed on the agenda; a draft motion is provided for Agency consideration.



## DECLARATORY RULING PERMITTED USES AS OF RIGHT/NONREGULATED USES

MOVED, that the Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Agency declares the installation of a dry hydrant at 24 Fisher Hill Road to be a non-regulated activity in conformance with CT General Statute 22a-40.3