Description

Connecticut Parcels for Protected Open Space Mapping includes parcel boundaries for the Connecticut towns that provided this information to the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) in support of the Protected Open Space Mapping Project (POSM) project. POSM is a statewide inventory of open space as defined by DEEP. This definition includes primarily undeveloped land used for conservation, preservation, or passive recreation purposes. Parcel information is based on digital spatial data collected from municipalities during the 2003 to 2010 time period. This information is not up to date and may be inaccurate in some areas. It should only be used as a quick reference and not as a legal parcel boundary source. Information for each parcel includes the town name, map block and lot number, a parcel identification number (PIN), street name, and parcel size in acres. Tax assessment and other related information such as owner name, building descriptions, assessment, and zone is not included, but is available from the respective town office.

Purpose

Use this information to view parcel (lot) boundaries in Connecticut towns. This information was initially provided to the DEEP in support of the POSM Project. DEEP used these parcel boundaries as a research tool in identifying open space parcels in each town. This information may serve as a general reference to parcel level information available at the municipal level. It may be appropriate as a general overview or regional analysis. However, for more detailed site by site analysis purposes, the accuracy of this information should be checked and compared with information available from the respective town office or website. This information can be used with other related cadastral or parcel level data, such as Protected Open Space, DEP Property, Federal Open Space, orthophotography, and topography.

These data were collected and compiled at various scales and users should be aware that there is no consistent accuracy level. Use this information only as a general guide to parcel boundaries. These boundaries are not to be used for legal purposes and may not line up exactly with property boundaries depicted in other data. Recommended scale is 1:24,000.

Legend Description

The legend is a single symbol, generally displayed as follows:

Use Limitations

This information is not complete and not up to date. It only includes information for certain towns that provided information to the DEP for the POSM project. There is not a consistent source map scale due to the various approaches taken at the municipal level to digitize parcel boundaries and this should be kept in mind when using this information. The level of accuracy of the data, both in terms of the spatial data and attribute information, is unknown.

Related Information

Protected Open Space Mapping (POSM) – CT ECO Complete Resource Guide
DEP Property – CT ECO Complete Resource Guide
1997 Municipal and Private Open Space – CT ECO Complete Resource Guide
Federal Open Space – CT ECO Complete Resource Guide

Data Collection Date

The date of each town's data is unknown. The data was collected by DEP between 2003 and 2009.

Status

Data is added upon receipt of parcel information from individual towns.

Map Scale

Data collection and compilation methods varied. There is no consistent source map scale. No specific scale is recommended. This data should not be used for legal boundary purposes.
Contact

For additional information, please contact the Land Acquisition Division, Department of Energy and Environmental Protection, 79 Elm Street, Hartford, CT 06106-5127, Phone: 860-424-3016, Fax: 860-418-5906.

Additional Documentation

Connecticut Parcels for Protected Open Space Mapping – CT ECO Basic Data Guide

GIS Metadata – Contains technical documentation describing these data and the data sources, process steps, and standards used to collect, digitize, and store this information in a geographic information system (GIS).

Originators

Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP)
Connecticut Municipalities that provided DEEP with parcel data.

GIS Data Download

Connecticut Parcels for Open Space Mapping is downloadable from DEEP GIS Data.

Connect GIS and AutoCAD software to this information online using the Open Space CT ECO Map Service.