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## **The Farm Bill: Agricultural Conservation Programs to Address Source Water Concerns**

**Wednesday, March 20, 2019**

**1:00—2:30**

**Citizens Square—Room 440**

**200 E. Berry Street**

**Fort Wayne, Indiana**



The US Department of Agriculture spends nearly \$6 billion a year assisting agricultural producers (farmers, ranchers, and forest landowners) in implementing conservation programs for environmental benefit. Recently, US Congress passed a Farm Bill that commits \$4 billion over the next 10 years to conservation practices that protect sources of drinking water. Among the key elements in the bill's Conservation Title are:

- an emphasis on source water protection through all Farm Bill conservation programs;
- 10% of Natural Resources Conservation Service conservation funding directed toward source water protection, an incredible total of \$4 billion over the next 10 years;
- authorization for water utilities to work with State technical committees in identifying priority areas in each state; and
- additional incentives for farmers who employ practices that benefit source waters.

**The webinar is organized and presented by the American Water Works Association and features these esteemed presenters:**

Kevin Norton; **Associate Chief; Natural Resources Conservation Service**  
Jennifer Heymann; **Source Water Protection Program Manager; American Water**  
Matt Unruh; **Chief of Planning; Kansas Water Office**  
Dave White; **Co-founder and Partner; 9b Group**

