



# America's Water Infrastructure Act (AWIA) Risk and Resilience Checklist and Lessons Learned

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Optional Q&A session  
from 3:00 to 3:30 pm ET

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## EPA's Small System Risk and Resilience Assessment Checklist

EPA developed guidance for small community water systems (CWS) serving greater than 3,300 but less than 50,000 people to comply with the requirements for risk and resilience assessments under America's Water Infrastructure Act (AWIA) of 2018. This presentation will provide an overview of EPA's Small System Risk and Resilience Assessment Checklist that can help small CWS meet the requirements for risk and resilience assessments in AWIA. The checklist includes the categories of water system assets that must be assessed under AWIA and the malevolent acts and natural hazards that could pose significant risks to those assets.

## Risk and Resiliency Assessments: One TAP's Perspective

As a Technical Assistant Provider (TAP), Chris Wells has completed numerous vulnerability assessments and emergency response plans for several water systems over the course of his tenure with RCAP. With AWIA of 2018 in effect, Chris will share tips and lessons he has learned over the years from his experience with vulnerability assessments to smoothly transition a water system to utilize the AWIA risk and resiliency assessment.

## Presented by **Lauren Wisniewski**



Lauren has worked as an environmental engineer in EPA's Office of Water since 2002. She developed EPA's Power Resilience Guide for Water and Wastewater Utilities and has led over 25 workshops across the country for drinking water and wastewater utilities on resilience, infrastructure protection, and coordination with other critical infrastructure sectors, including energy, emergency services, and food and agriculture. She serves in EPA's Response Support Corps and has staffed the Water Desk in EPA's Emergency Operation Center during several activations. Lauren has a B.S. in civil engineering from Duke University and an M.P.H. from George Washington University.

## Presented by **Chris Wells**

Chris has worked as a Technical Assistance Provider (TAP) for the Rural Community Assistance Partnership (RCAP) in Kentucky since 2001. As a TAP, he has assisted small rural communities with various water and wastewater needs. Prior to RCAP he was a client relations representative, project manager, and field technician at an environmental engineering company and a tax clerk for the City of Nicholasville. Chris has an Associate Degree in applied sciences, business management and has 30 years of experience in the field.

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