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A New Era of Compensatory Mitigation for Impacts on Natural Resources: Agricultural and Food Law Consortium Webinar Scheduled for October 10th

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The Agricultural and Food Law Consortium along with the National Agricultural Law Center (part of the University of Arkansas) has scheduled an October 10th webinar titled:

A New Era of Compensatory Mitigation for Impacts on Natural Resources

The webinar sponsors note:

With a 2015 Presidential Memorandum on Mitigating Impacts on Natural Resources from development, the Obama Administration has ushered in a new era of compensatory mitigation. The Presidential Memo requires federal agencies – including the Departments of Defense, the Interior, and Agriculture; the Environmental Protection Agency; and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration; and all bureaus or agencies within them – to adopt mitigation policies that implement certain federal principles aimed at landscape-scale conservation mitigation.

They further note that “the principles to be implemented share some similarities with the mitigation framework used by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in Clean Water Act section 404 permitting to mitigate for impacts to wetlands and streams.”

The presenter at the webinar will be Kerry L. McGrath of Hunton & Williams LLP. Ms. McGrath will address “the new approach to mitigation for impacts to natural resources and the implications for agriculture.” She will also address “different compensation sources and trends in mitigation/conservation banking.

The webinar will be held from 12:00 to 1:00 (EDT) and is offered free of charge. Participation is limited to the first 100 registrants.

[Details for registration and the webinar can be found on the Natural Agricultural Law Center website here.](#)