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## Food, Land and Water Conference to be Held October 16 and 17, 2017

Wisconsin Land + Water is pleased to announce the Food, Land and Water Conference will be held on October 16 and 17, 2017 from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm at The Osthoff Resort in Elkhart Lake, WI. For more information on the conference or to register, go to: <a href="http://wisconsinlandwater.org/events/food-land-water-conference">http://wisconsinlandwater.org/events/food-land-water-conference</a>

The Food, Land & Water Project has invited Wisconsin stakeholders of all kinds to come together and have a conversation about Wisconsin's food, land, and water resources and the human demands that affect them. The four key workgroups include surface water quality, groundwater quality, and the future of Wisconsin working lands. These four workgroups have framed the issues and drafted strategies; the Food, Land and Water Conference will bring these ideas together and participants will help develop achievable priories toward a sustainable Wisconsin.

This is a chance to look beyond the present moment, see the big picture, and think about our shared resources in a more systematic and collaborative way. Attendees will have a chance to listen, discuss, build new connections and working relationships, and think about our shared resources in a more systematic and collaborative way. Participants will have the opportunity to:

- Hear about this 2-year effort that poses a wide range of strategies to sustain agriculture and land and water resources in Wisconsin.
- Help set long-range priorities facing surface water, groundwater quality, groundwater quantity, and the future of working lands.
- Help define the next steps to implement key actions toward a vibrant agriculture and safe, clean water.
- Become charter member of the Food, Land & Water Initiative to shape the long-term future of a sustainable Wisconsin.

The conference will be a non-partisan, cross-sector gathering of representatives from agriculture, conservation, government, industry, academia, and citizen groups.

"You won't want to miss this unique opportunity to reach across the table and engage your fellow citizens in a constructive effort to set the direction for the future of agriculture and conservation in Wisconsin." said WI Land+Water Executive Director Jim VandenBrook.