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**Report Highlights:**

The European Commission launched two public consultations on the evaluation of the impact of the Common Agricultural Policy (CAP) on water and soil and on habitats, landscapes and biodiversity. Stakeholders can submit comments until October 22, 2020.

## **General Information:**

On July 9, the European Commission launched two public consultations on the evaluation of the impact of the Common Agricultural Policy (CAP) on the environment.

### **Impact on Soil and Water**

The first consultation aims to look at the evaluation of the [impact of EU farm policy on soil and water](#). The evaluation covers all EU farm policy measures that have impact on water. It focuses on the quality and quantity of water and aims to assess whether the current measures in place at the EU-level are effective, efficient and add value.

The result of the consultation will contribute to an upcoming Commission's report on the evaluation of the impact of the CAP with respect to natural resources, complementing the findings of the [evaluation support study](#) on the impact of the CAP on water.

The consultation is open to all relevant stakeholders until October 22, 2020 at 12:00am Brussels Time (Universal Time Coordinated + 01:00).

U.S. stakeholders who would like to participate in the consultation can do so on the following page: <https://ec.europa.eu/info/law/better-regulation/have-your-say/initiatives/1951-Evaluation-of-the-impact-of-the-CAP-on-water/public-consultation>

### **Impact on Habitats, Landscapes and Biodiversity**

The second consultation aims to look at the evaluation of the [impact of the CAP on habitats, landscapes and biodiversity](#). The evaluation covers all EU farm policy measures that have an impact on habitats, landscapes and biodiversity. It focuses on the extension and quality of habitats, variety of landscapes as well as the level, quality and geographical presence of biodiversity.

The result of this consultation will also contribute to the upcoming Commission report on the evaluation of the impact of the CAP with respect to natural resources, complementing the findings of the [evaluation support study](#) on the impact of the CAP on habitats, landscapes and biodiversity.

The consultation is open to all relevant stakeholders until October 22, 2020 at 12:00am Brussels Time (Universal Time Coordinated + 01:00).

U.S. stakeholders who would like to participate in the consultation can do so on the following page: <https://ec.europa.eu/info/law/better-regulation/have-your-say/initiatives/1950-Evaluation-of-the-impact-of-the-CAP-on-habitats-landscapes-and-biodiversity>

*Please note that the Commission requests all participants in the consultation to register in the [EU's Transparency Register](#).*

**Attachments:**

No Attachments.