

AGRICULTURAL LAND USE & ZONING SCHOOL

THURSDAY, MARCH 5, 2026

9 a.m. – Noon ET | Virtual – Online webcast | Registration required

Event speakers include:



2026 Legislative Activity Impacting Land Use in Indiana

*Katie Nelson
Indiana Farm Bureau*



Indiana's Rural Infrastructure Outlook

*Dr. Roberto Gallardo, Vice President for Engagement at
Purdue University and Dr. Indraneel Kumar, AICP, Director
of the Purdue Center for Regional Development*



Eminent Domain 101

*Alan Townsend
Bose McKinney & Evans*



Rural Land Use Challenges

*Brianna Schroeder
Janzen Schroeder Ag Law*

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9 - 9:15 a.m.

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Indiana's Rural Infrastructure Outlook

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Dr. Gallardo & Dr. Kumar will present a summary of Indiana's current and future infrastructure needs, with an emphasis on how these needs affect the agricultural and rural sectors.

10 - 11 a.m.

Eminent Domain 101

Alan Townsend | Bose McKinney & Evans

Eminent domain is the legal process whereby a condemning authority, usually a governmental body/agency or utility "takes" private property for public use, which triggers a constitutional requirement of "just compensation" payable to the property owner. This process often impacts rural and agricultural land. While challenging a condemning authority's legitimacy or determination of public use is an uphill battle, landowners need to be aware of their legal rights in the process to, at a minimum, secure the most favorable terms. Also, Alan will provide an appellate update on eminent domain cases potentially impacting agricultural land and highlight certain circumstances where a private entity may benefit from eminent domain authority.

11 a.m. - Noon

Rural Land Use Challenges

Brianna Schroeder | Janzen Schroeder Ag Law

This presentation will address one of the biggest challenges we see in Indiana and the Midwest in general: increasing competition for land and resources, especially in rural areas. We see this competition rear its head in zoning hearings as local boards consider land use issues such as data centers, renewable energy, and digesters, to name a few. Federal, state, and local governments struggle over whether these developments belong in Indiana, and if so, where? This is the million-dollar question.

COST:

\$50 to attend

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