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## EPA Issues New Emergency Response Requirements for Community Water Systems

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On March 27, 2019, The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) published the [Federal Register Notice for New Risk Assessments and Emergency Response Plans for Community Water Systems](#) describing the requirements and deadlines for community (drinking) water systems to develop or update risk and resilience assessments (RRAs) and emergency response plans (ERPs) under [America's Water Infrastructure Act \(AWIA\)](#) which was signed into law on October 23, 2018 and amends the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA). Additionally, as described below, preparation of an ERP will enable owners or operators of community water systems to apply for grants from EPA for fiscal years 2020 and 2021.

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Van Ness Feldman professionals are able to assist community water systems with the preparation of RRAs and ERPs and with the application for EPA grant funding. For more information contact Terese (T.C.) Richmond at [ter@vnf.com](mailto:ter@vnf.com) or Gwen Keyes Fleming at [gffleming@vnf.com](mailto:gffleming@vnf.com)

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