

Congress of the United States  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Committee on Small Business  
2361 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515-6515

**NOTICE OF HEARING**

**January 9, 2020**

**10:00 A.M., 2360 Rayburn House Office Building**

**TO: Members, Subcommittee on Innovation and Workforce Development**  
**FROM: Jason Crow, Chairman**  
**DATE: Thursday, January 2, 2020**

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The Committee on Small Business Subcommittee on Innovation and Workforce Development will hold a hearing titled, “Farming in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century: The Impacts of Agriculture Technology in Rural America.” The hearing is scheduled to begin at **10:00 A.M. on Thursday, January 9, 2020 in Room 2360 of the Rayburn House Office Building.**

In recent decades technology has disrupted many industries including manufacturing, media, banking, and retail shopping. The same technological innovation is happening in agriculture. New advances in agricultural software, computer hardware and durable farm equipment are building towards comprehensive solutions that significantly improve farming conservation, plant growth and processing, yield and input mapping, and even autonomous self-driving tractor capabilities. Technology and data can help farmers in many ways. The hearing will highlight many advances made in the agriculture technology industry and how federal policy can be utilized for even greater success.

A staff briefing will be held at 2:00 P.M. on Monday, January 6, 2020 in Room 2360 of the Rayburn House Office Building.

If you or your staff have questions, please contact Michael Stein, Counsel for the Committee, at 202-225-4038.