

Amy Skoczlas Cole is passionate about social innovation at scale. Over the course of a 25-year career spanning Fortune 500 companies, nonprofits, and foundations, Amy has worked to reimagine the systems that deliver clean water, sustainable food, and clean energy to society. Currently, she leads the Water Main, American Public Media Group's groundbreaking new effort to redefine Americans' relationship with this most vital of resources. She previously served as Pentair's vice president of sustainability, and led the Pentair Foundation's award-winning programs focused on the water-food-energy nexus. Before moving to Minnesota, Amy was eBay's most senior sustainability executive, creating an industry-leading data center sustainability strategy and engaging the company's 95 million customers in making more sustainable purchases.

Amy started her career at Conservation International, where she forged some of the earliest collaborations between environmentalists and the private sector. Amy holds an MBA from George Washington University and a BA from Vanderbilt University. She currently serves as vice chair of the Great Plains Institute for Sustainable Development, co-chair of the Minnesota Sustainable Growth Coalition, and on the expert advisory board for [Ensia](#) magazine from the University of Minnesota's Institute on Environment. She lives in Deephaven, Minn., and when she's not at work, you can find her by beautiful Lake Minnetonka with her husband, two children, and mischievous dog.