Economic Costs of WOTUS on Small Businesses

KANSAS

According to SBA Office of Advocacy data, President Biden’s new WOTUS Rule will impact 37,378 KANSAS small businesses.

INDUSTRIES AT RISK

Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting

99.5%

OF THIS SECTOR’S SMALL BUSINESS EMPLOYERS WILL BE DISRUPTED BY BIDEN’S WOTUS RULE

An estimated 3,944 SMALL BUSINESSES are impacted
An estimated 945 EMPLOYEES are impacted

Construction

99.0%

OF THIS SECTOR’S SMALL BUSINESS EMPLOYERS WILL BE DISRUPTED BY BIDEN’S WOTUS RULE

An estimated 28,304 SMALL BUSINESSES are impacted
An estimated 52,730 EMPLOYEES are impacted

Manufacturing

89.0%

OF THIS SECTOR’S SMALL BUSINESS EMPLOYERS WILL BE DISRUPTED BY BIDEN’S WOTUS RULE

An estimated 5,130 SMALL BUSINESSES are impacted
An estimated 59,435 EMPLOYEES are impacted

The EPA and the Army Corps of Engineers unveiled their final Revised Definition of WOTUS, which would significantly expand regulations around permits for land and building projects. It would create significant uncertainty around what criteria will be used to determine whether a permit is ultimately awarded. The Rule would even require private individuals to prove water on their land is not under the federal government's jurisdiction. The rule is effective starting March 20, 2023.