Economic Costs of WOTUS on Small Businesses

NEBRASKA

According to SBA Office of Advocacy data, President Biden's new WOTUS Rule will impact **29,346 NEBRASKA** small businesses

INDUSTRIES AT RISK

**Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting**
An estimated 3,761 SMALL BUSINESSES are impacted
An estimated 896 EMPLOYEES are impacted

**Construction**
An estimated 22,619 SMALL BUSINESSES are impacted
An estimated 40,920 EMPLOYEES are impacted

**Manufacturing**
An estimated 2,966 SMALL BUSINESSES are impacted
An estimated 29,961 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*. 

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