Economic Costs of WOTUS on Small Businesses

NEW HAMPSHIRE

According to SBA Office of Advocacy data, President Biden's new WOTUS Rule will impact 25,344 NEW HAMPSHIRE small businesses

INDUSTRIES AT RISK

Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting

- An estimated 1,669 SMALL BUSINESSES are impacted
- An estimated 619 EMPLOYEES are impacted

Construction

- An estimated 20,156 SMALL BUSINESSES are impacted
- An estimated 28,041 EMPLOYEES are impacted

Manufacturing

- An estimated 3,519 SMALL BUSINESSES are impacted
- An estimated 30,248 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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