Economic Costs of WOTUS on Small Businesses

SOUTH DAKOTA

According to SBA Office of Advocacy data, President Biden’s new WOTUS Rule will impact 15,302 SOUTH DAKOTA small businesses.

INDUSTRIES AT RISK

Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting
99.3%
OF THIS SECTOR’S SMALL BUSINESS EMPLOYERS WILL BE DISRUPTED BY BIDEN’S WOTUS RULE
An estimated 2,454 SMALL BUSINESSES are impacted
An estimated 441 EMPLOYEES are impacted

Construction
99.4%
OF THIS SECTOR’S SMALL BUSINESS EMPLOYERS WILL BE DISRUPTED BY BIDEN’S WOTUS RULE
An estimated 10,972 SMALL BUSINESSES are impacted
An estimated 18,778 EMPLOYEES are impacted

Manufacturing
89.5%
OF THIS SECTOR’S SMALL BUSINESS EMPLOYERS WILL BE DISRUPTED BY BIDEN’S WOTUS RULE
An estimated 1,876 SMALL BUSINESSES are impacted
An estimated 18,492 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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