According to SBA Office of Advocacy data, President Biden's new WOTUS Rule will impact 101,695 VIRGINIA small businesses.

## INDUSTRIES AT RISK

### Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting
- An estimated 5,850 SMALL BUSINESSES are impacted
- An estimated 3,601 EMPLOYEES are impacted

### Construction
- An estimated 85,551 SMALL BUSINESSES are impacted
- An estimated 161,015 EMPLOYEES are impacted

### Manufacturing
- An estimated 10,294 SMALL BUSINESSES are impacted
- An estimated 81,912 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.