Economic Costs of WOTUS on Small Businesses

VERMONT

According to SBA Office of Advocacy data, President Biden's new WOTUS Rule will impact 15,965 VERMONT small businesses

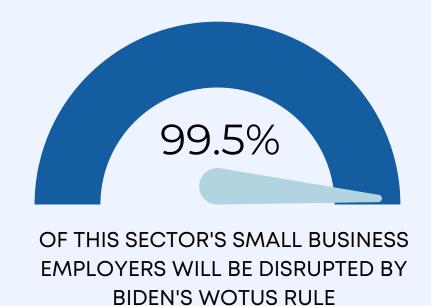
INDUSTRIES AT RISK



BIDEN'S WOTUS RULE

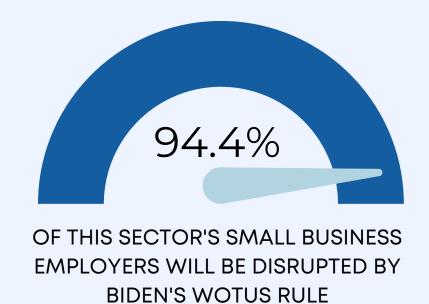
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting

An estimated 1,951 SMALL BUSINESSES are impacted An estimated 484 EMPLOYEES are impacted



Construction

An estimated 11,313 SMALL BUSINESSES are impacted An estimated 13,781 EMPLOYEES are impacted



Manufacturing

An estimated 2,701 SMALL BUSINESSES are impacted An estimated 15,599 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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