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On President Trump’s Executive Order Today to Redo the Waters of the U.S. Rule

“President Trump’s action today is a responsible step forward in developing a more rational approach to regulating wetlands. During the development of the Waters of the U.S. (WOTUS) rule, the nation’s engineering industry raised a number of concerns over the expansive regulatory framework being proposed that could prevent critical infrastructure improvements for questionable benefits to water quality.

This “do over” represents an ideal opportunity for engineers and other stakeholders to work with the regulatory agencies to develop a better way to define water bodies that should be subject to federal regulation.”

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