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State agriculture departments applaud bipartisan passage of WOTUS CRA

ARLINGTON, Va. -- NASDA CEO Ted McKinney released the following statement regarding the bipartisan passage the Congressional Review Act resolution of disapproval for Waters of the United States (WOTUS).

"NASDA applauds the bipartisan passage of H.J.Res.27 – the Congressional Review Act resolution of disapproval for WOTUS rule both in the House and the Senate. We thank the bipartisan members of Congress, especially House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee Chairman Graves and Senate Environment and Public Works Ranking Member Capito, who advanced this effort.

The recent WOTUS ruling failed to provide clarity and certainty for farmers and landowners, and it disregarded the Clean Water Act's statutory mandate for cooperative federalism.

While we await the Supreme Court's ruling in Sackett v. EPA, NASDA continues to work at the state and local level with those tasked with implementing the recent WOTUS rule and provide as much guidance and perspective to them as possible."

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