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## **Representative David Cook Applauds Withdrawal of WOTUS Rule**

**STATE CAPITOL, PHOENIX** – Representative David Cook (R-8) today applauded the Environmental Protection Agency for filing a proposal to withdraw the 2015 Waters of the United States (WOTUS) rule, a restrictive rule empowering the EPA with broad authority to regulate water.

The WOTUS rule took effect under the Obama Administration in August 2015, expanding EPA regulatory control over most waters across the United States, including dry stream beds.

**“As a cattle rancher from rural Arizona, I am no stranger to unnecessary government overreach getting in the way of honest business,”** said Representative Cook. **“Rolling back this harsh rule and returning the power back to the states sets us on the right path to growing the economy and allowing businesses to thrive without being held down by red tape and federal bureaucracy.”**

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