



# **Shimkus applauds EPA withdrawal of WOTUS rule**

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WASHINGTON – Congressman Shimkus (R, Illinois-15) released the following statement after the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) announced it would withdraw its controversial Waters of the United States (WOTUS) rule:

“This is a huge win for farmers and rural communities in Illinois. Congress never intended for EPA and the Army Corps of Engineers to have jurisdiction over ditches,

creeks and man-made ponds. I applaud President Trump and Administrator Pruitt for reversing this Obama Administration power grab, and for protecting the rights and the livelihoods of my constituents.”