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Environmental Council of States (ECOS) Spring Meeting	Mon Mar 31-Apr 2		Sausalito, CA	State Association: ECOS	Perceived expansion of jurisdictional scope, potential impact on assumption of 404 program	
Association of State Wetland Managers (ASWM) Conference Call	Wed Apr 2	1-3 pm	Conference Call	State wetland managers	Overview of proposed rule, specific areas where states should comment.	
Interstate Council on Water Policy and Western States Water Council (WSWC) Meeting	Wed Apr 2	1:00 p.m.	Arlington, VA	State Association: Interstate Council on Water Policy, Western States Water Council	Overview of proposed rule; state consultation; no more stringent than study (ELI); what qualifies under the proposal as a jurisdictional feature (e.g., where do tributary limits cease, where do the uplands start, how do you define riparian and floodplains in a field situation); ditches; exclusions; interpretive rule and exemptions	
States	Fri Apr 4	1:00-2:30 pm	Washington, DC	States: ASDWA, National League of Voters, ACWA, Western Governors Assoc., National Council of State Legislators (NCSL), National Waterways Conference, Railroad Commission of Texas, GA Municipal Assoc., Jackson Energy Authority, NASDA, ASWM, MA Dept. of Environmental Protection, VA DEQ, IN, AL, Mayor (Pona City) OK, AL, Southern GA Assoc., FL DEP, NM Envir. Dept., WY, OK DEQ, NASCA, MT Assoc. of Conservation District, San Antonio, NACo, FL League of Cities, Jackson Energy Authority, MA Dept. Envir., NY State DEP, VA DEQ, AC WA, Indiana, NV, AL, County Exec of America, Natl Rural Water Assoc., Hudson River Sloop Clearwater, ASFPM, Harris City Flood Control District	Overview of proposed rule, scope of jurisdiction, adjacency, tributaries, state consultation	
National Association of State Departments of Agriculture (NASDA) Conference Call	Thu Apr 10	11:00-12:00pm	Conference Call	Agriculture: NASDA	Overview of proposed rule, ditches, ephemeral tributaries, exclusions, interpretive rule and exemptions, pesticide applications	
General Stakeholders - Call	Fri Apr 11	1:00-2:30 pm	Washington, DC	Tribes, State, Local Government, NGOs, Associations, Industry: Clearwater, Wetland Studies, AL Dept. of Environmental Management, MT Department of Environmental Quality, MI Department of Environmental Quality, National Congress American Indians, Iowa Governor's Office, Ground Water Protection Council, Water Alliance, National Association of State Departments of Agriculture, National Association of Water Companies, Sierra Club, National Association of Home Builders, National Association of Counties (NACo), Izaak Walton League, US Council of Mayors	Ditches, MS4s, ditch maintenance exclusion, conservation practices, green infrastructure, waters going through tribal lands, adjacent waters and subsurface flow, neighboring	
State Governors Representatives Meeting	Fri Apr 18	2:00-3:00 pm	Washington, DC	State Governor Representatives: MN, AK, UT, IA, NC, PR, WY, MT DNRC, IA DNR, WA, National Governors Association, Western Governors Association, Southern Governors Association	Tributaries, ditches, impact of rule, state consultation	

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States, EPA, Corps, NRCS - Call	Wed Apr 23	1:00-3:00 pm	Washington, DC	OK DEQ, Ground Water Protection Council, National Association of State Foresters, Association of State Drinking Water Administrators (ASDWA), Environmental Council of States (ECOS), Association of Clean Water Administrators (ACWA)	Exemptions	
National Association of State Chief Administrators (NASCA) Call	Wed Apr 30	11:00-12:00 pm	Washington, DC	State Association: National Association of State Chief Administrators	Impact of proposed rule on implementing conservation practices	
National Governors Association (NGA) Washington Representatives - Meeting	Mon May 5	1:30-2:30 pm	Washington, DC	State: National Governors Association	Overview of proposed rule, definitions, limits of jurisdiction, exemptions, MS4s, green infrastructure	
State FIFRA Issues Research & Evaluation Group (SFIREG) (Pesticides)	Mon May 12	11:30 am -12:00 pm	Washington, DC	State and Industry: State FIFRA Research & Evaluation Group (State regulators and representatives for agriculture/industry)	Implications for NPDES pesticide programmatic general permit; floodplains; agriculture; liability from 3rd party suits	
Intergovernmental Associations	Tue May 13	10-11:30 am	Washington, DC	National Association of State Departments of Agriculture, American Water Works Association, Association of Clean Water Administrators, National Association of Clean Water Agencies, Environmental Council of the States, National Governors Association, National Conference of State Legislatures, National Association of Counties, County Executives of America, U.S. Conference of Mayors, National League of Cities, National Association of Towns and Townships (NATaT)	Overview of proposed rule, ditches, cost estimates, rule development schedule	
State Associations call	Mon Jun 2	2:00-3:30 pm	Conference Call	States Associations: Association of Clean Water Administrators (ACWA), National Association of State Departments of Agriculture (NASDA), Association of State Wetland Managers (ASWM), and Environmental Council of the States (ECOS) and Interstate Mining Compact Commission (IMCC)	Ditches, ephemeral streams, subsurface connections, tributaries, need for regionalization	
Western State Water Council - Call	Tue Jun 3	2:00-3:00 pm	Conference Call	States: Western States Water Council	Overview of proposed rule, interpretive rule and Section 404 exemptions, water rights, water quantity, water quality	
Environmental Council of the States -- Water Committee	Thu Jun 5	2-3 pm	Conference Call	States/Association: ECOS	Implications of WUS proposed rule, positions of major groups, possible next steps for ECOS	
Association of Clean Water Administrators (ACWA)	Thu Jun 12	1:00-2:30 pm	Conference Call	States/Associations: ACWA (140 participants)	Clarity on proposed definitions of significant nexus, economic analysis, subsurface flow, similarly situated not automatic would prefer case-by-case	
Federal Highway Administration/Department of Transportation (FHWA/DOT) and State Webinar	Wed Jun 16	12:45-2:00 pm	Webinar	FHWA/DOT divisions and state transportation partners; U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service	MS4s and stormwater; ditches; exemptions, including ditch maintenance; shallow subsurface flow; neighboring definition/riparian area; definition of tributary	
Association of Clean Water Administrators (ACWA)	Tue Jun 24	1:00-2:30 pm	Conference Call	States/Association: ACWA; VT, AK, WA, OH, OK	Ditches, definition of perennial flow and uplands, MS4s, effluent dominated streams	

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Environmental Council of States (ECOS)	Thu Jun 26	4:30 -5:30 pm	Conference Call	State/Association: ECOS	Basis for calculated increase in jurisdiction (economic analysis), categories of waters presumptively jurisdictional, floodplains, tributaries, ditches, significant nexus, other waters, adjacent, neighboring, federalism, implementation, how the rule helps states	
Western States Water Council (WSWC) - Call	Wed Jul 9	12:30-2:00 pm	Conference Call	State Association: Western States Water Council, Utah Division of Water Quality, Western Governors' Association, Texas Water Resources Control Board, Office of Wyoming State Engineer, Assoc. of Clean Water Administrators, Texas Water Resources Development Board, Office of New Mexico State Engineer, Rigby Adrus, Colorado Dept. of Natural Resources, Oklahoma Water Resources Board, Kansas Dept. of Health and Environment, Montana Attorney General's Office, Colorado State Engineer, South Dakota Dept. of Environment and Natural Resources, North Dakota Attorney General's Office	Adjacency and tributaries	
State Water Quality Standards Managers Call	Mon Jul 14	12:00-1:30 pm	Conference Call	State: State Water Quality Standards Managers	Overview of proposed rule, implications for states' water quality standards programs, connectivity report	
State Associations Meeting	Wed Jul 23	1:00-3:00 pm	Conference Call	State Associations	Overview of proposed rule, exemptions, outreach efforts	
Central Arizona Project	Tue Jul 29	3:00-4:00 pm	Washington, DC	Municipal Corporation: Central Arizona Project	Overview of proposed rule, current jurisdiction of water supply structures, tributaries, effects of proposed rule on water supply structures, exemptions, scope of jurisdiction, Endangered Species Act	Two letters from CAP
Environmental Council of States (ECOS) Leadership Meeting	Fri Aug 1	8:30 -9:15 a.m.		State Association: ECOS	Overview of proposed rule, state and federal roles	
National Council of State Legislatures Annual Legislative Summit	Wed Aug 20	2:00 - 3:15 pm	Minneapolis, MN	State Association: Natl Council of State Legislatures (TX, UT, KY, NV, IN, AL, OH, GA, VI, TN, MN, ME, NH, AR, PA, SC, MS, NY, ND, WA, NC, MA, OR, ID, HI, AZ, WV, MD, AK, FL, NM, NE, RI, DE, WI, VA, VT, CT, CA, SD, MT, MO, OK, LA, CO, MI)	Proposed rule, definition of uplands, cost of implementing the proposed rule, potential actions needed from state legislatures	
National Farmers Union and State Representatives	Fri Sep 5	9:00-10:30 am	Washington, DC	Agricultural and state stakeholders	Overview of proposed rule, impacts on agriculture	

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Western States Water Council (WSWC)	Fri Sept 5	1:00 p.m.	Washington, DC	State Association/Western States Water Council: ACWA, AK/Dept. Of Environmental Conservation, AK Office of Attorney General, AZ Dept. of Water Resources; Snell & Wilmer, CA State Water Resources Control Board, Colorado Governor's Office, DC Dept. of Environment, FL DEP, GA Environmental Protection Division, Hawaii Dept. of Health, Rigby Andrus and Rigby (ID), KS Dept. of Health and Environment, KS Dept of Agriculture, MI Water Resources Division DEQ, MT Division of Water Resources DEQ, MT Dept of Natural Resources and Conservation, NE DEQ, NM Environment Dept., ND Office of Attorney General, OK Water Resources Board, OK DEQ, OR Office of Compliance and Enforcement, TN Dept. of Environment and Conservation, TX Commission on Environmental Quality, UT Division of Water Quality, VA DEQ, WY DEQ, WY State Engineers Office	Tributaries, water quantity, water quality, water rights, state assumption	
National Associations Outreach Meetings	Tue Sept 9	2:00 - 4:00 p.m.	Washington, DC	National Associations: American Assoc. of State Highway and Transportation (AASHTO), OPHL, National Association of Clean Water Agencies (NACWA), American Water Works Association (AWWA), Western States Water Council (WSWC), National Association of Regional Councils (NARC)	Ephemeral waters, ditches, erosional features, exclusions, exemptions	
National Association of State Conservation Agencies	Wed Sept 10	8:00 a.m.	Montana	Agriculture: Natl Association of State Conservation Agencies	Ephemeral waters, ditches, erosional features, exclusions, exemptions	
Governors' Offices & EPA Officials	Fri Sept 12	1:00 - 2:30 p.m.	Washington, DC	States: WY, MN, TX, OR, NGA, WA, CT, AZ, CO, AK, NV, IA, FL, VA, IL, MD, DE, UT, MI, NC, CA, Puerto Rico	Overview of proposed rule, state and federal roles, process, consultation, cost, time line	
Environmental Council of States (ECOS) Meeting	Mon Sept 15	3:00 - 4:15 p.m.	Sante Fe, NM	State Association: ECOS	Overview of proposed rule, ECOS presentation of legal review of the CWA cases related to Waters of the U.S.	
Association of State Geologists	Tue Sept 16		Washington, DC	Association/Geologists: Association of State Geologists	Overview of proposed rule, ephemeral waters	

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Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies - Annual Meeting	Tue Sept 23	10:00 -11:00 am	St. Louis, MO	Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies, Fisheries & Water Resources Policy (ID Dept. of Fish & Game, AK Dept of Fish & Game, CT Bureau of Natural Resources, Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission, Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission, GA Wildlife Resources Division, Ducks Unlimited, KY Dept. of Fish & Wildlife Resources, IL Dept. of Natural Resources, WA Dept. of Fish & Wildlife, MO Dept. of Conservation, AZ Game & Fish Dept., OH Div. of Wildlife, FL Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission, AL Division of Wildlife & Freshwater Fisheries, US Fish & Wildlife Services, IA Dept. of Natural Resources, NC Wildlife Resources Commission, NOAA Fisheries Services, MI Dept. of Natural Resources, OR Dept. of Fish & Wildlife, NPS, MN Dept. of Natural Resources, WY Game and Fish Dept., NE Game & Parks Commission, Natl Marine Manufacturers Assoc., USGS, MS Dept. of Wildlife, Fisheries & Parks, CO Division of Parks and Wildlife, BASS LLC, TRCP, IN Division of Fish & Wildlife, AK Dept. of Fish & Game, IA Division of Fish & Wildlife, CA Dept. of Fish & Wildlife, American Sportfishing Assoc., TX Parks & Wildlife Dept., SD Game, Fish & Parks Dept., VA Dept. of Game and Inland Fisheries, Northwest Marine Technology, BLM, KS Dept. of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism, VT Dept. of Fish & Wildlife, MN Dept. of Natural Resources, Recreational Boating & Fishing Foundation, SC Dept. of Natural Resources, TN Wildlife Resources Agency, MT Dept. of Fish, Wildlife & Parks, AZ Game & Fish Dept., ID Dept. of Fish & Game, NV Dept. of Wildlife, NM Dept. of Game & Inland Fisheries, WI Dept. of Natural Resources, NY Dept. of Envir. Conservation, DE Division of Fish & Wildlife, Midwest Assoc. of Fish & Wildlife Agencies, USFS, USFWS, USDA, UT Division of Wildlife Resources, PA Fish & Boat Commission	Overview of proposed rule, general discussion of all aspects of the proposed rule	
State Discussions #1 Meeting with Environmental Council of the States (ECOS), Association of Clean Water Administrators (ACWA) and Association of Wetland Managers (ASWM)	Tue Sept 23	1:00 - 5:00 p.m.	Washington, DC	State Associations: ECOS, ACWA, ASWM	Ephemeral waters, tributaries	
State Discussions #2 with Environmental Council of the States (ECOS), Association of Clean Water Administrators (ACWA) and Association of Wetland Managers (ASWM)	Tue Sept 30	2:00 - 4:00 p.m.	Washington, DC	State Associations: ECOS, ACWA, ASWM	MS4s; adjacency; tributaries; ditches; exemptions; definitions (need for clarity, definition of upland)	
State Discussions #3 - Environmental Council of the States (ECOS), Association of Clean Water Administrators (ACWA) and Association of Wetland Managers (ASWM)	Thu Oct 2	2:00 - 4:00 p.m.	Washington, DC	State Associations: ECOS, ACWA, ASWM	Other waters, adjacency, subsurface flow, definitions of neighboring, floodplain and riparian area	
State Discussions #4 - Environmental Council of the States (ECOS), Association of Clean Water Administrators (ACWA) and Association of Wetland Managers (ASWM)	Tue Oct 7	2:00 - 4:00 p.m.	Washington, DC	State Associations: ECOS, ACWA, ASWM	Identification of streams; identification of ditches, development of water quality standards; other waters; mapping; science analysis; economic analysis; exemptions	

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Governors' Offices & EPA Officials Meeting	Thu Oct 9	1:00 - 2:00 p.m.	Washington, DC	States: IL, OK, UT, NC, WY, IA, National Governors Association, AL, WA	Floodplains, uplands, gullies, permits, economic impact on farmers for permits, ditches	
Iowa Department of Natural Resources (DNR), Governor's Office, Economic Office	Thu Oct 9		Iowa	State: Iowa	Other waters, significant nexus, agriculture practices, ditches and ephemeral waters	
Interstate Mining Compact Commission Meeting	Wed Oct 15	10:00 - 12:00 p.m.	Washington, DC	State/Federal/Mining: Interstate Mining Compact Commission, Office of Surface Mining/Department of Interior, CO Division of Reclamation/Mining & Safety, OH DNR Div. of Mineral Resources Management, PA DEP, Railroad Commission of Texas, MT DEQ, WV DEP, NC DNR, ND Public Service Commission, AML DEQ, AK DNR, EHM/SC Dept of Health and Envir. Control, KY DNR, VA Dept. of Mines, Minerals, and Energy, MD DEP, NYS Dept. of Conservation, OK Dept. of Mines, AR DEQ, AL Abandoned Mine Lands, IN DNR	Panel discussion on proposed rule and other water related issues (402, acid mine drainage, good Samaritan laws)	
National Association of State Departments of Agriculture (NASDA) Meeting	Tue Nov 4	10:00 - 12:00 p.m.	Washington, DC	Agriculture: NASDA	Regulations should be left to states on non-navigable waters; concerned about cost and time for permits; states should be able to define normal farming; upland ponds; Section 402 implementation	
Association of Clean Water Administrators (ACWA), Association of State Drinking Water Administrators (ASDWA), Environmental Council of the States (ECOS) and Ground Water Protection Council (GWPC) Meeting	Tue Nov 5	1:00 - 3:00 p.m.	Washington, DC	State Associations: ACWA, ASDWA, ECOS, GWPC	Update on the Science Advisory Board review of connectivity report, post comment period activities	
Washington State Department of Ecology Call	Mon Nov 10	2:00 p.m.	Conference Call	State: WA Ecology & WA Governor's Office	Ditches, MS4s, implementation, classes of wetlands that are jurisdictional to avoid case by case determinations, need to work with states on definition of floodplain and riparian area, regional manuals for delineating tributaries, exemptions on ditch maintenance, "contributing flow"	