## Congress of the United States Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Pat Roberts Chairman U.S. Senate Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Mike Conaway Chairman U.S. House Committee on Agriculture Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Debbie Stabenow Ranking Member U.S. Senate Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Collin Peterson Ranking Member U.S. House Committee on Agriculture Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairmen Roberts and Conaway, and Ranking Members Stabenow and Peterson:

We write to thank you for your hard work on passing the House and Senate-passed versions of the Farm Bill reauthorization which provides Congress an important opportunity to ensure regulatory relief to our country's farmers and ranchers. As conference begins its work to unify the two packages, we urge you to preserve the following amendment to the House version of the bill which would repeal the final rule issued by the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency and the Secretary of the Army entitled "Clean Water Rule: Definition of 'Waters of the United States", published on June 29, 2015 (80 Fed. Reg. 37054) and any regulation or policy revised under that rule. The rule would impose cumbersome regulations on farmers and ranchers, without giving Congress a say to determine the proper definition instead.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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Member of Congress

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