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ad·vo·ca·cy

/ˈadvəkəsē/ 

noun

public support for or recommendation of a particular cause or policy.

"their advocacy of traditional family values"

synonyms: support for, backing of, promotion of, championing of; argument for, push for; *informal* boosterism of

"his advocacy of animal rights"

- the profession or work of a legal advocate.

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largest counties

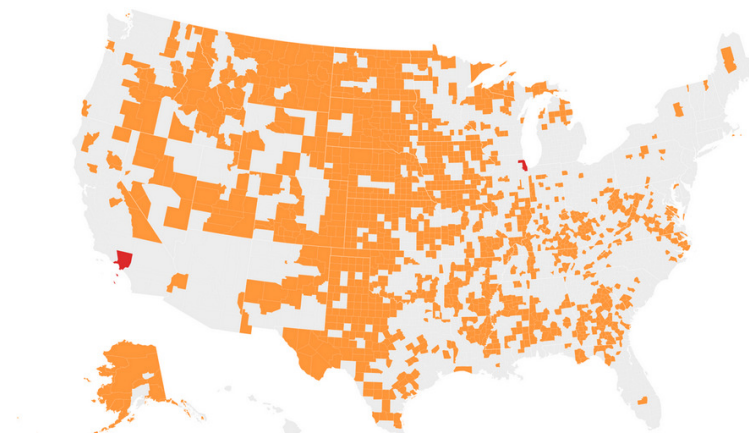
population: 15,363,161

4.82% of total population

1,437
smallest counties

population: 15,372,135

4.82% of total population



- Los Angeles County, California
- Cook County (Chicago), Illinois

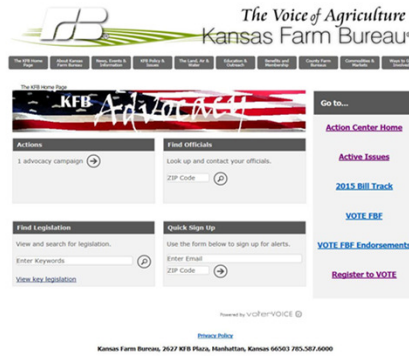
Population Estimate, as of July 1, 2014

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Kansas Farm Bureau Advocacy

Member action impacts critical issues in Topeka and Washington, D.C. Here's how you can **make a difference**:

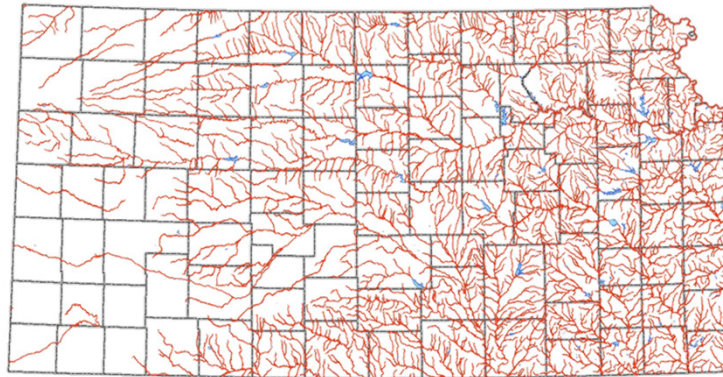
1. Be sure your email address is correct in the membership system (check with your county coordinator).
2. Check your email inbox on Tuesday and Friday for KFB's *E-news*.
3. Sign up at www.kfb.org/actioncenter (bottom right box, below) for action alerts on legislation and advocacy campaigns.



4. You can sign up for **text alerts** of action alerts and important information by going to www.kfb.org/textalertoptin and filling out the form.

Kansas Classified Streams

- 30,000 stream miles currently



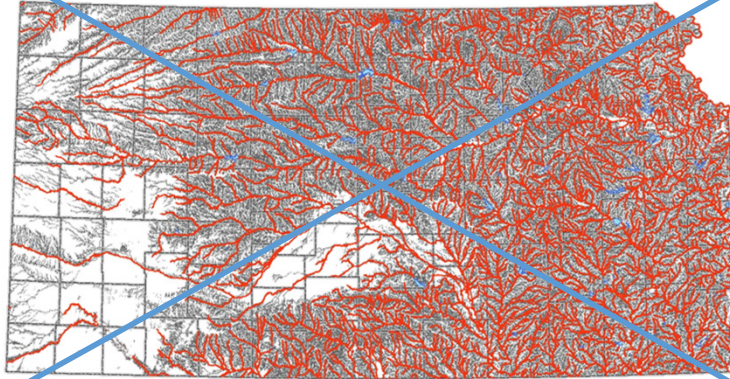
Legend

- County
- Registered Stream
- Lake



Kansas waters under WOTUS proposed rule

- 134,000 stream miles under proposed rule



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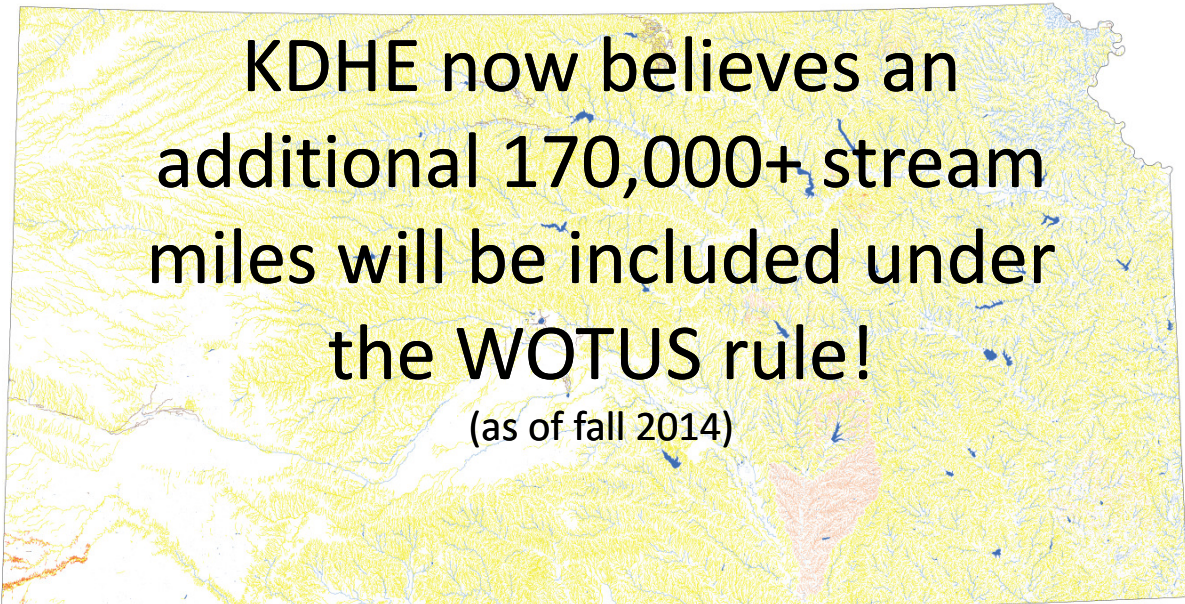


STREAMS AND WATERBODIES IN KANSAS

The National Hydrography Dataset

**KDHE now believes an
additional 170,000+ stream
miles will be included under
the WOTUS rule!**

(as of fall 2014)



Note – This photo was taken 4/10/2014.



This Picture Is Why Farmers Are Worried About WOTUS

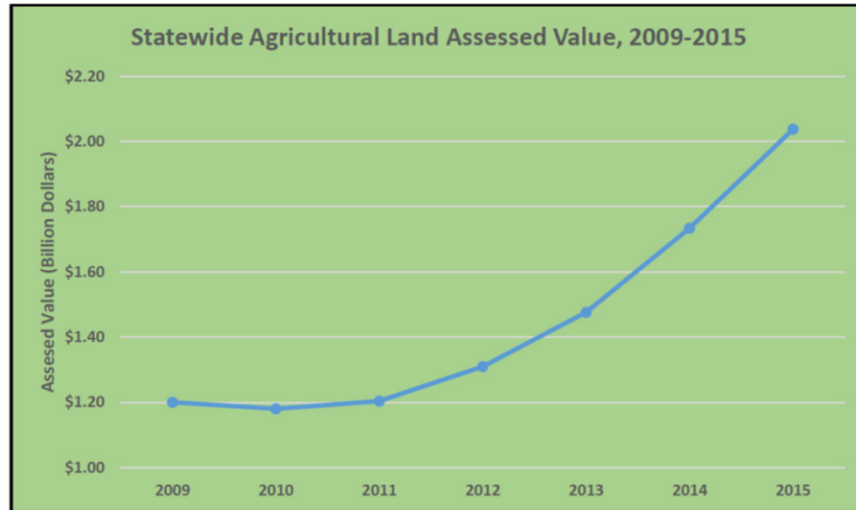
In the spring of 2014 the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers declared this **swath of land** running across this farmer's field to be "waters of the United States." The Corps said this is a "tributary" under the proposed new definition (which the Corps is already applying, claiming it is only a "clarification").¹

What Does It Mean?

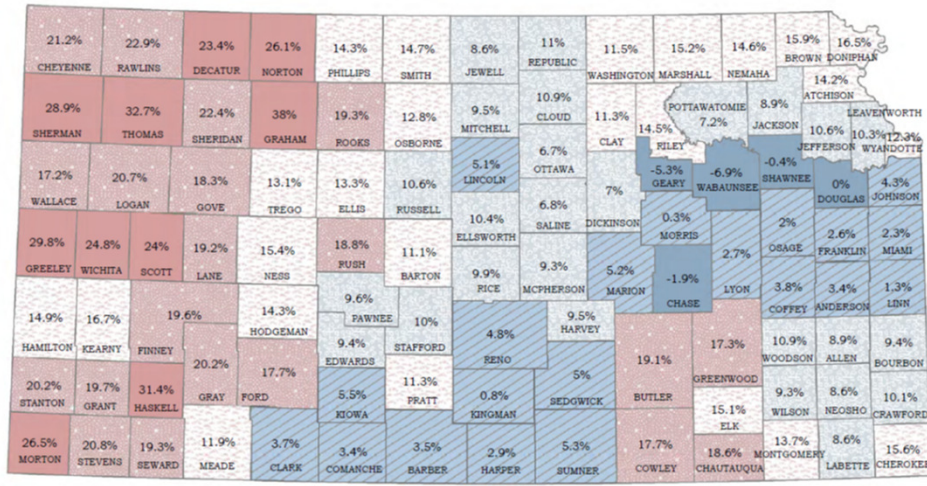
For over a half-century, this Tennessee farm has been row-cropped. But now the federal government has declared this land to be "waters of the United States" That fundamentally changes how the land can be used. Unless the farmer is willing to go to court against the nearly unlimited legal resources of the U.S. Government, the Clean Water Act prohibits **any** activity that causes "pollutants" to fall or be placed into this feature from any "point source" (any "conveyance") without a permit.

What is Use Value Appraisal?

The Kansas Constitution requires agricultural land to be valued based on its income or productivity. This is commonly called "use value" appraisal. Use value appraisal was implemented in Kansas in 1989.



Agricultural Land Values Change from 2013 to 2014



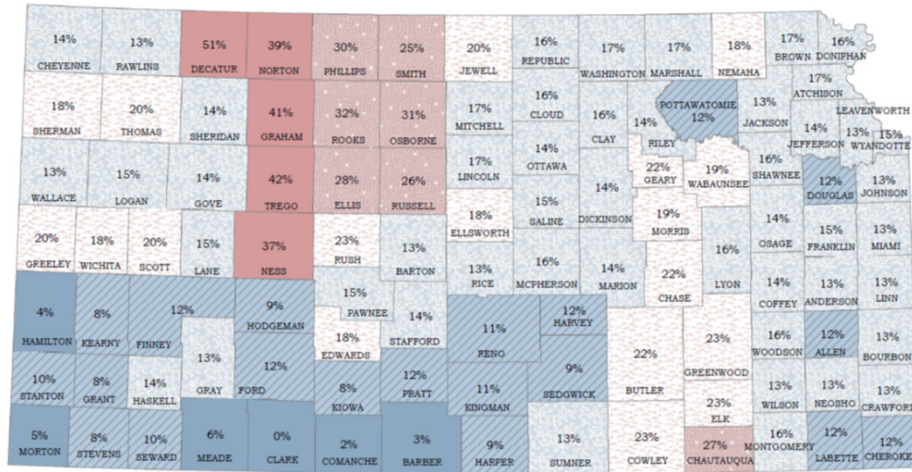
The data used in this map comes from Division of Property Valuation.

(# of Counties)

(10) 23.1% - 38.0%	(24) 11.1% - 17.0%	(20) 0.1% - 6.0%
(20) 17.1% - 23.0%	(26) 6.1% - 11.0%	(5) -6.9% - 0.0%

Kansas
 Department of Revenue
 Property Valuation Division
 305 South
 March 5, 2014
 Map #AG14-001v2

Agricultural Land Values Change from 2014 to 2015



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(# of Counties)

- (5) 33% - 51%
- (18) 18% - 23%
- (20) 7% - 12%
- (7) 24% - 32%
- (49) 13% - 17%
- (6) 0% - 6%



February 27, 2015
Map #AG15-004

Sales Tax Exemptions for Manufacturing Business and Agriculture

Statute	Description	Business	Agriculture	Notes
KSA 79-3606(m)	Ingredient or component part exemption	✓	✓	
KSA 79-3606(n)	Consumed in production exemption	✓	✓	Production of a Product!
KSA 79-3603(c)	State sales tax on utilities used for agricultural use	✓	✓	Also qualifies for consumed in production exemption.
KSA 79-3606(o)	Sales of animals for human consumption purposes	✓	✓	
KSA 79-3606(p)	Prescription drugs dispensed by prescription of a veterinarian	✓	✓	
KSA 79-3606(i) & 79-3606(k)	Machinery and Equipment	✓	✓	
KSA 79-3606(cc)	Enterprise Zone tax exemption	✓	✓	
KSA 79-3603(p)	Original construction exemption	✓	✓	Exemption for the sales tax on labor services charged for the original construction of a new building or facility or to rebuild a building or facility destroyed by disasters (fire, flood, tornado, explosion, etc).
KSA 79-3606(mm)	Items for the purpose of reducing soil erosion		✓	Seldom used. The items included here would generally be exempt either as an ingredient or component part or consumed in production.