Bond Case Briefs

Municipal Finance Law Since 1971

States Will Need Millions to Protect Affected Wetlands.

After the U.S. Supreme Court stripped federal oversight of millions of acres of wetlands, the financial maintenance of those lands now falls to the states. It could take years for them to address the loss of federal standards, if they do it at all.

Earlier this year, the U.S. Supreme Court stripped federal oversight from millions of acres of wetlands long protected under the Clean Water Act. Now, erecting safeguards to ensure those waters are not polluted, drained or filled in by developers falls to the states.

They're finding that it's not easy.

"States and tribes already didn't have enough funding to support the programs they have, and now they are being put in a position where they need to step up," said Marla Stelk, executive director of the National Association of Wetland Managers, a nonprofit group that represents state and tribal regulators.

Continue reading.

governing.com

by Alex Brown, Stateline

Dec. 29, 2023

Copyright © 2026 Bond Case Briefs | bondcasebriefs.com