

Steel and Aluminum Tariffs Take Effect

On Wednesday, President Trump's proposed 25% tariffs on steel and aluminum imports to the U.S. went into effect.

Canada, the European Union, and other countries have announced retaliatory tariffs on steel and aluminum in response to the U.S. tariffs.

NDA is continuing to analyze the impact of the new tariffs on the demolition industry and will keep members updated on the latest developments in Washington.

Senate Uncertain on Short-Term Measure to Fund Government

This week, the House of Representatives passed a short-term continuing resolution (CR) which will fund the federal government at existing levels through September 30, 2025. As of this writing, it is uncertain whether the Senate has the 60 votes necessary to break a filibuster and pass the bill. Senate Democrats are threatening to block the bill and push support for a 30-day funding extension in its place.

Congress must pass legislation by the end of Friday to avert a government shutdown.

EPA Announces Actions to Overturn Biden EV Mandate

This week, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Administrator Lee Zeldin announced the agency will take steps to overturn the Biden administration's electric vehicle (EV) mandate.

Specifically, the agency will be looking to roll back the Biden administration's Model Year 2027 and Later Light-Duty and Medium-Duty Vehicles regulation and Greenhouse Gas Emissions Standards for Heavy-Duty Vehicles. The agency will also be reevaluating regulations from the Biden administration's "Clean Trucks Plan."

EPA to Revise Waters of the U.S Rule

This week, EPA Administrator Lee Zeldin announced the agency will be working with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to revise the Biden administration's definition of "Waters of the United States" under the Clean Water Act. The definition of "Waters of the United States" guides Clean Water Act implementation, including whether farmers, landowners and businesses must secure permits before they can pursue a project.

The EPA will be undertaking a public rulemaking process to solicit comments and feedback from stakeholders before revising the definition. More information can be [found here](#). NDA will be closely following the EPA's rulemaking process as any change could potentially impact the construction industry.