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Press Release

Last night the U.S. House of Representatives passed H.R. 8998, the Department of Interior, Environment and Related Agencies Act of 2025 by a vote of 210-205. NLA was successful in including an amendment in the bill, sponsored by Representative Gary Palmer (R-AL), that defunds the EPA lime rule:

None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to implement, administer, or enforce the final rule entitled “National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants: Lime Manufacturing Plants Technology Review” published by the Environmental Protection Agency in the Federal Register on July 16, 2024 (89 Fed. Reg. 57738).

This language, if enacted into law, would prohibit EPA from using any of its funding on the lime rule for the fiscal year 2025, which begins on October 1, 2024, and ends on September 30, 2025. The language sends a very powerful and clear message to the agency that the House of Representatives does not agree with the EPA’s decision to finalize the lime rule.

NLA is extremely grateful to Congressman Palmer and his staff, who did an excellent job in introducing, defending, and shepherding this amendment through the House. You can watch a ten-minute video of Congressman Palmer supporting this rider, as well as the opposition to it [here](#). The Palmer amendment passed on a voice vote.

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