

Senator Tillis - Introductory Remarks for Michael Regan, Nominee for EPA Administrator

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It's my honor to introduce a fellow North Carolinian - Michael Regan, who developed an appreciation and respect for the outdoors through his childhood fishing trips to the Neuse River with his father and grandfather.

He is a graduate of one of our state's great academic institutions, North Carolina A&T, graduating with a degree in earth and environmental science. He also earned a Master's in Public Administration from George Washington University.

Since then, he has spent the last 18 years working on environmental issues for the EPA, the Environmental Defense Fund and most recently as Secretary of the North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality, where he has brokered solutions on many of the tough environmental issues facing our state.

As demonstrated by the letters of support from 23 of the leading national agricultural groups, he has earned the respect of many in North Carolina, including our farmers and business leaders. By all accounts from those who have worked shoulder to shoulder with him, Secretary Regan has earned a reputation for being a thoughtful leader willing to engage, and I have no doubt he will continue to do so as Administrator of the EPA.