Washington, D.C. – U.S. Rep. Tom Rooney (FL-16) today urged the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to complete a science-based, third party review of the EPA's proposed rule to establish federal numeric nutrient criteria for the state's water bodies. In a letter sent today to EPA Administrator Lisa Jackson, Rooney and a bipartisan coalition from Florida's Congressional delegation asked the agency to delay issuing any final rules until a peer review is complete.

"The EPA needs to commission a third party review of the proposal and the science behind it, so we can make sure we know every cost and unintended consequence associated with the proposed rule before EPA moves forward," Rooney said.

View the full letter here: