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The Trump administration yesterday finalised an amendment to the 1972 Clean Water Act (CWA) that bolsters the powers of the federal government and limit state and tribal powers to veto permits for new energy infrastructure projects, in a move slammed by critics as a "federal power grab" that they claim will

Photo: A police vehicle in Los Angeles destroyed during this weekend's George Floyd protests (credit: Shutterstock)







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