

## Idaho

# **Great American Outdoors Act National Parks and Public Land Legacy Restoration Fund**

Photo Credit: FWS

# The Great American Outdoors Act National Parks and Public Land Legacy Restoration Fund (GAOA LRF) is a commitment to protecting and sustaining our public lands.

Established on August 4, 2020, GAOA LRF allocates over \$1.6 billion annually from fiscal years (FY) 2021 through 2025 to the Department of the Interior (Interior) to address priority deferred maintenance and repair needs on public lands and Bureau of Indian Education-funded schools. With all five years of GAOA LRF funding, Interior bureaus will:

- Fund 396 projects across 50 states, the District of Columbia, and multiple territories
- Address over \$5.9 billion in deferred maintenance and repair
- Improve the condition of over 3,800 Interior assets

#### **GAOA LRF Impacts Across America\***



Repairing over **1,000** recreational and visitor experience assets



Each year of GAOA LRF funding is estimated to support an average of **17,000** jobs and contribute **\$1.9** billion to the U.S. economy



Improving ADA accessibility in nearly **50%** of GAOA LRF projects



Improving facilities used by nearly **2,300** students and faculty at BIE-funded schools each year

# Deferred Maintenance and Repair in Idaho

In Idaho, the total deferred maintenance and repair (DM&R) backlog for the four Interior GAOA LRF bureaus is \$490,466,000\*\*.

Bureau	DM&R**	
Bureau of Indian Education (BIE)	\$1,428,000	
Bureau of Land Management (BLM)	\$358,858,000	
National Park Service (NPS)	\$54,951,000	
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS)	\$75,229,000	

#### **GAOA LRF** in Idaho

With the full five years of funding, GAOA LRF will invest nearly **\$80.8 million** towards improving over **100** assets across **16** projects in Idaho.



### GAOA LRF Projects

#### Assets improved in Idaho:



Recreational and Visitor Experience Assets



Operational Buildings



Water Infrastructure and Other Utilities

<sup>\*</sup>these numbers are estimates and include FY21 - FY25 GAOA LRF-funded projects.

<sup>\*\*</sup>DM&R estimates represent a point in time, reported as of 9/30/2023, rounded to the nearest thousand. DM&R is calculated based on asset repair needs in FRPP, which does not include assets with a status indicator of Report of Excess Submitted, Report of Excess Accepted, Determination to Dispose, Disposed, Cannot Currently be Disposed, or Surplus.

### FY21-25 Projects, Locations, and Funding in Idaho



Bureau	Unit Name	Project Title	Funding <sup>†</sup> as of Mar. 2024
BLM	Boise District	Boise District Road Repairs	\$554,000
BLM	Boise District, Coeur d'Alene District, Idaho Falls District, Twin Falls District	Idaho Statewide Recreation Site Repairs	\$4,824,000
BLM	Boise District, Idaho Falls District, Twin Falls District, and Idaho State Office	Idaho Fire and Administrative Site Repairs	\$6,200,000*
BLM	Coeur d'Alene District, Idaho Falls District, and Twin Falls District	Idaho Recreation Site Repairs	\$6,377,000
BLM	Idaho Falls District	Idaho Falls District Road Repairs	\$553,000
BLM	National Interagency Fire Center	100-Administration Repair, Access, and Abatement	\$6,400,000
BLM	National Interagency Fire Center	300-Jack Wilson Headquarters Repairs & Uninterruptible Power Supply Replacement	\$1,009,000
BLM	National Interagency Fire Center	405-Hangar Fire Safety System Replacement NIFC	\$275,000
BLM	National Interagency Fire Center	415-Duane Graves Building Replacement	\$13,000,000*
BLM	National Interagency Fire Center	Airfield Ramp Tarmac Replacement	\$2,500,000
BLM	National Interagency Fire Center	Campus Storm Drain Piping Replacement NIFC	\$270,000
BLM	Twin Falls District	Shoshone Field Office Replacement	\$12,200,000
BLM	Twin Falls District	Twin Falls District Road Repairs	\$587,000
FWS	Camas National Wildlife Refuge	Modernize Infrastructure to Improve Waterfowl Hunting Areas and Improve Recreational Access	\$11,083,000
NPS	Craters of the Moon National Monument and Preserve, Hagerman Fossil Beds National Monument, Minidoka National Historic Site	Rehabilitate Operational Buildings at Idaho Parks	\$9,932,000
NPS	Minidoka National Historic Site	Preserve Three Historic Structures	\$5,000,000*

<sup>\*</sup>total project funding includes proposed FY25 funding

 $<sup>^{\</sup>dagger} \text{rounded to thousands}$ 

#### **GAOA LRF Project Spotlights in Idaho**



## Modernize Infrastructure to Improve Waterfowl Hunting Areas and Improve Recreational Access

Camas National Wildlife Refuge



Construction in Camas NWR. Photo Credit: Cole Woodman, Global Engineering Services

The Camas National Wildlife Refuge spans approximately 11,000 acres of sweeping mountain views and recreation including photography and birding. The water delivery systems at Camas were originally built in the 1960s when Camas Creek typically ran every year and water flowed freely from artesian wells. Changes in local agricultural practices altered the hydrology of the area, making it difficult to manage water effectively for migratory birds and other wildlife. This project relocates wells closer to productive wetlands, rehabilitates open water delivery ditches, improves wetlands within the waterfowl hunting area, restores riparian areas, and improves public use facilities.

## **300-Jack Wilson Headquarters Repairs & Uninterruptible Power Supply Replacement** *National Interagency Fire Center*



Jack F. Wilson building after repairs. Photo credit: National Interagency Fire Center

The Jack Wilson Headquarters building, located at the National Interagency Fire Center (NIFC) campus in Idaho, is essential to the operation of NIFC fire management programs. The building needed numerous replacements and repairs to continue effectively supporting wildland fire management. This project repaired floor and ceiling tiles, wall coverings, failing HVAC components, and the office suite. This project also brought the electrical system into code compliance and replaced lighting with LED fixtures. This project has improved the working environment for NIFC staff and extended the lifespan of critical building components.

#### Rehabilitate Operational Buildings at Idaho Parks

Craters of the Moon National Monument and Preserve, Hagerman Fossil Beds National Monument, Minidoka National Historic Site



Craters of the Moon National Monument and Preserve. Photo credit: NPS

Idaho's national parks protect natural and historic sites, including volcanic formations at Craters of the Moon National Monument and Preserve, Pliocene fossils at Hagerman Fossil Beds National Monument, and a World War II Japanese American incarceration site at the Minidoka National Historic Site. The project will address facility deficiencies at each of these sites, such as installing energy efficient utility systems, updating fire safety and suppression systems, and upgraded maintenance facilities and equipment. This work will improve safety, protect resources and assts, and allow the parks to continue mission-critical work.