

Maine

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

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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 Maine

In Maine, the total deferred maintenance and repair (DM&R) backlog for the four Interior GAOA LRF bureaus is \$214,572,000**.

Bureau	DM&R**	
Bureau of Indian Education	\$2,232,000	
Bureau of Land Management	\$0	
National Park Service	\$198,330,000	
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service	\$14,010,000	

GAOA LRF in Maine

With the full five years of funding, GAOA LRF will invest over \$49 million towards improving over 20 assets across 3 projects in Maine.

As of September 2023, Maintenance Action Teams have completed work at **1** FWS location in Maine.



Assets improved in Maine:



Operational Buildings



Water Infrastructure and Other Utilities



Recreational and Visitor Experience Assets





Completed Maintenance Action Team Activities

^{*}these numbers are estimates and include FY21 - FY25 GAOA LRF-funded projects.

^{**}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 Maine



Bureau	Unit Name	Project Title	Funding [†] as of Mar. 2024
NPS	Acadia National Park	Rehabilitate Schoodic Point Water and Wastewater Systems	\$8,658,000
NPS	Acadia National Park	Replace Maintenance Facilities at McFarland Hill Headquarters	\$37,225,000
NPS	Appalachian National Scenic Trail	Rehabilitate Trail Sections in New England**	\$15,000,000*

^{*}total project funding includes proposed FY25 funding

Replace Maintenance Facilities at McFarland Hill Headquarters

Acadia National Park



This project constructs a new maintenance operations facility and demolishes the existing facilities, which are substantially undersized; do not meet fire, accessibility, or code requirements; and pose a safety threat to employees. The project also demolishes more than 20,000 square feet of unsafe park structures and returns the sites to their natural conditions. The new maintenance facility will equip the park with workshops, equipment storage, meeting rooms, and offices.

Construction of new maintenance facility. Photo Credit: NPS

Rehabilitate Schoodic Point Water and Wastewater Systems

Acadia National Park



This project, located in the Schoodic District of Acadia National Park, rehabilitates the potable water and wastewater systems. While over 250,000 visitors use these facilities each year, the 1970s-era water systems are in dire need of repairs. Improved systems will reduce the risk of environmental contamination and improve the consistency of water availability. The project will also replace wastewater collection lines, reconstruct wells, and implement systems to reduce the potential for freezing.

Waterline installation in Acadia National Park. Photo Credit: NPS

Maintenance Action Teams

Petit Manan National Wildlife Refuge



GAOA LRF is funding Maintenance Action Teams (MATs) in the National Park Service and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. MATs primarily consist of federal employees who mobilize regionally to work on smaller scope construction, demolition, rehabilitation, or preservation activities. As of September 2023, MATs have completed work at Petit Manan National Wildlife Refuge in Maine.

At Petit Manan National Wildlife Refuge, MATs completed exterior rehabilitation on the visitor center.

Exterior painting of Rockland Visitor Center. Photo Credit: FWS

^{**}project spans multiple states; funding represents the estimated total amount of funding for this project across states