

### Missouri

# **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 Missouri

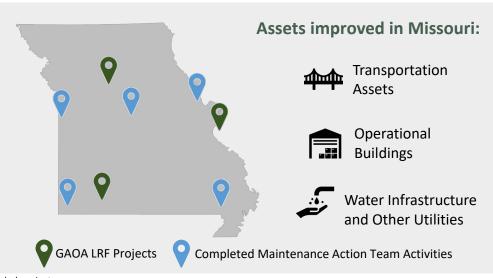
In Missouri, the total deferred maintenance and repair (DM&R) backlog for the four Interior GAOA LRF bureaus is \$206,193,000\*\*.

Bureau	DM&R**	
Bureau of Indian Education (BIE)	\$0	
Bureau of Land Management (BLM)	\$0	
National Park Service (NPS)	\$161,624,000	
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS)	\$44,569,000	

#### **GAOA LRF in Missouri**

With the full five years of funding, GAOA LRF will invest nearly \$52.9 million towards improving over 60 assets across 3 projects in Missouri.

As of September 2023, Maintenance Action Teams have completed work at **3** FWS locations and **2** NPS location in Missouri.



<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 Missouri



Bureau	Unit Name	Project Title	Funding <sup>†</sup> as of Mar. 2024
FWS	Swan Lake National Wildlife Refuge	Replacement of Office & Retirement of Deferred Maintenance Backlog	\$8,607,000
NPS	Gateway Arch National Park	Preserve Features and Systems of the Old Courthouse	\$29,110,000*
NPS	George Washington Carver National Monument, Ozark National Scenic Riverways, Wilson's Creek National Battlefield	Complete Pavement Rehabilitation on High- Priority NPS Roads in Missouri	\$15,156,000

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

#### Complete Pavement Rehabilitation on High-Priority NPS Roads in Missouri

George Washington Carver National Monument, Ozark National Scenic Riverways, Wilson's Creek National Battlefield



From scenic riverways to historical sites, the national parks in Missouri are plentiful and offer visitors the chance to immerse themselves in the state's history, natural beauty, and culture. However, roads and parking areas have deteriorated with the potential to cause safety hazards and damage to vehicles. This project repairs roads and parking lots by applying a variety of asphalt treatments at George Washington Carver National Monument, Ozark National Scenic Riverways, and Wilson's Creek National Battlefield. This project improves and extends the life of the paved areas to increase safety and experience when driving through these parks.

Road repairs at Ozark National Scenic Riverways. Photo credit: NPS

#### Replacement of Office & Retirement of Deferred Maintenance Backlog

Swan Lake National Wildlife Refuge



Interior damage cleanup in progress at Swan Lake National Wildlife Refuge. Photo Credit: USFWS

Swan Lake National Wildlife Refuge is designated an Important Bird Area for Missouri and provides habitat, sanctuary, and breeding grounds for migratory birds and other wildlife. The headquarters office building at the Refuge was constructed in 1981 and has been uninhabitable since 2019 due to flood damage. This project will demolish the old office building and replace it with a new office building to provide a safe and accessible space for both staff and the public. The new building will improve energy efficiency, lower operating costs, and be relocated to prevent future flooding issues. This project will also make necessary repairs to equipment storage buildings, levees, and roads.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>†</sup>rounded to thousands