



Florida

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

Photo Credit: NPS

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



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



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

Deferred Maintenance and Repair in Florida

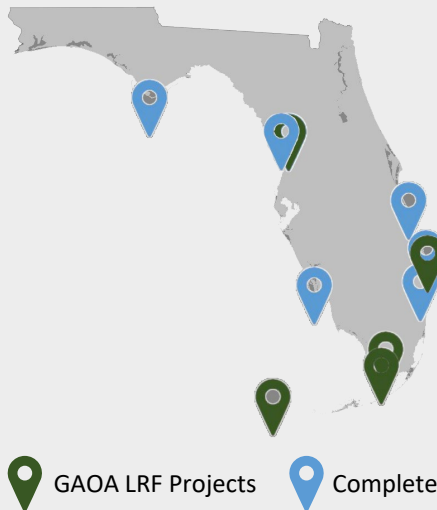
In Florida, the total deferred maintenance and repair (DM&R) backlog for the four Interior GAOA LRF bureaus is nearly \$682,744,000**.

Bureau	DM&R**
Bureau of Indian Education (BIE)	\$0
Bureau of Land Management (BLM)	\$19,999,000
National Park Service (NPS)	\$542,018,000
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS)	\$120,727,000

GAOA LRF in Florida

With the full five years of funding, GAOA LRF will invest nearly **\$94 million** towards improving over **20** assets across **7** projects in Florida.

As of September 2023, Maintenance Action Teams have completed work at **6** FWS locations in Florida.



Assets improved in Florida:



Water Infrastructure and Other Utilities



Operational Buildings



Recreational and Visitor Experience Assets



GAOA LRF Projects



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 Florida

Bureau	Unit Name	Project Title	Funding [†] as of Mar. 2024
BLM	Jupiter Inlet Outstanding Natural Area	Jupiter Inlet Building Disposal	\$315,000
BLM	Jupiter Inlet Outstanding Natural Area	Jupiter Inlet Shore Stabilization	\$2,700,000*
BLM	South Eastern District	Jupiter Inlet Lighthouse Building and Site Repair	\$6,140,000
FWS	Crystal River National Wildlife Refuge	Replacement of the Three Sisters Spring Bulkhead & Boardwalk	\$8,060,000
NPS	Dry Tortugas National Park	Rehabilitate or Replace Fort Jefferson Docks	\$20,000,000*
NPS	Everglades National Park	Rehabilitate Marina Bulkheads at Flamingo	\$19,835,000
NPS	Everglades National Park	Rehabilitate Parkwide Water and Wastewater Systems	\$36,916,000

*total project funding includes proposed FY25 funding
[†]rounded to thousands

Jupiter Inlet Shore Stabilization

Jupiter Inlet Outstanding Natural Area



The 120-acre Jupiter Inlet Lighthouse Outstanding Natural Area protects historic, cultural, and natural resources including sensitive habitats, special status species, and its namesake lighthouse. However, the shoreline is collapsing and retreating due to accelerated erosion. Trees and other vegetation fall into the water creating safety hazards, especially for boating and those using the shoreline beaches. This project will stabilize the shoreline to resolve safety concerns and protect the foundation of the Jupiter Lighthouse and adjacent buildings. The project will also prevent additional shoreline erosion with in-water protection structures and embankment repairs. This project, one of several GAOA projects at Jupiter Inlet, will provide safe recreational access, resource protection, and habitat rehabilitation.

Eroding shoreline at Jupiter Inlet Lighthouse Outstanding Natural Area. Photo credit: BLM

Rehabilitate Marina Bulkheads at Flamingo

Everglades National Park



Everglades National Park in Florida is a recognized World Heritage Site and the largest subtropical wilderness habitat in the U.S. providing important habitat for rare and endangered species. Constructed in 1954, existing bulkheads have deteriorated to the point where they may become subject to catastrophic failure. This project repairs bulkheads at Whitewater Bay Marina, Florida Bay Marina, the Flamingo Visitor Center Bulkhead, and the Flamingo Maintenance Basin Marina. Repairs to the bulkheads will reduce a major safety risk to visitors, staff, and nearby buildings and help ensure greater resiliency against hurricanes and severe weather events.

Flamingo Marina Bulkhead. Photo credit: NPS/ Frederico Acevedo