



New York

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 New York

In New York, the total deferred maintenance and repair (DM&R) backlog for the four Interior GAOA LRF bureaus is over \$1,310,176,000**.

Bureau	DM&R**
Bureau of Indian Education (BIE)	\$0
Bureau of Land Management (BLM)	\$0
National Park Service (NPS)	\$1,300,993,000
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS)	\$9,183,000

GAOA LRF in New York

With the full five years of funding, GAOA LRF will invest nearly **\$246.9 million** towards improving over **60** assets across **10** projects in New York.

As of September 2023, Maintenance Action Teams have completed work at **1** FWS location and **1** NPS location in New York.



Assets improved in New York:



Recreational and Visitor Experience Assets



Operational Buildings



Water Infrastructure and Other Utilities

*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 New York

Bureau	Unit Name	Project Title	Funding [†] as of Mar. 2024
FWS	Montezuma National Wildlife Refuge	Consolidate and Modernize Public Use Facilities and Improve Recreational Access	\$7,071,000
NPS	Gateway National Recreation Area	Address Deferred Maintenance at Multiple Sites**	\$40,000,000*
NPS	Gateway National Recreation Area	Rehabilitate Deteriorated and Failing Mission-Critical Utility System Infrastructure—Phase I	\$34,150,000
NPS	Gateway National Recreation Area	Rehabilitate Floyd Bennett Field Wastewater Collection System at Jamaica Bay	\$7,673,000
NPS	Gateway National Recreation Area	Rehabilitate Hangars 3 and 4 at Floyd Bennett Field	\$25,625,000
NPS	Gateway National Recreation Area	Replace Shoreline Stabilization Structures – Phase I**	\$28,288,000
NPS	Gateway National Recreation Area	Replace Shoreline Stabilization Structures – Phase II	\$55,000,000*
NPS	Saratoga National Historical Park	Rehabilitate Battlefield Interpretive Experience	\$6,629,000
NPS	Statue of Liberty National Monument	Rehabilitate Main Immigration Building Exterior Components**	\$25,985,000
NPS	Statue of Liberty National Monument	Rehabilitate Terreplein and Related Levels at Fort Wood	\$36,503,000

*total project funding includes proposed FY25 funding

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

†rounded to thousands



GAOA LRF Project Spotlights in New York

Rehabilitate Terreplein and Related Levels at Fort Wood

Statue of Liberty National Monument



Fort Wood, the base for the Statue of Liberty, is an eleven-pointed, star-shaped defensive fort built between 1808 and 1811. In recent years, the fort's walking surface has been in disrepair, unable to properly shed water and creating accessibility challenges for visitors. This project is addressing the ongoing deterioration and provides long-term protection to the Terreplein and vertical surfaces of the fort. Work includes waterproofing the exterior levels of Fort Wood, preventing water infiltration, and replacing the walking surface to improve drainage, accessibility, and support heavily visited areas.

Aerial view of Fort Wood. Photo credit: NPS

Consolidate and Modernize Public Use Facilities and Improve Recreational Access

Montezuma National Wildlife Refuge



Montezuma National Wildlife Refuge is a critical migration and nesting habitat for over 300 species of birds and provides visitors with recreational opportunities for bird watching, educational programs, and nature photography. Currently, the Refuge uses multiple older buildings that fail to provide adequate office, storage, and meeting space and have health and safety concerns with the structure, utilities, and other critical systems. This project will replace and collocate a consolidated visitor center and administration facility to replace inefficient and geographically dispersed facilities across the refuge. The replacement facility will facilitate mission-critical national resource protection, public use programs, and education by providing an office and meeting space for staff, volunteers, and large school groups.

Repairs at Montezuma National Wildlife Refuge. Photo credit: FWS

Rehabilitate Hangars 3 and 4 at Floyd Bennett Field

Gateway National Recreation Area



Hangars 1 & 2 set a design precedent for the rehabilitation of Hangars 3 & 4. Photo credit: NPS

Gateway National Recreation Area spans 27,000 acres from Sandy Hook in New Jersey to Jamaica Bay and Staten Island in New York, offering green spaces, beaches, wildlife, and outdoor recreation alongside historic structures and cultural landscapes. The 1930's-era Hangars 3 and 4 building represents commercial aviation architecture from the art deco era but has deteriorated over the years and is now in unusable condition. This project will restore Hangars 3 and 4 to their original appearance, rehabilitate hangar doors, and complete exterior building envelope, roof, and hardscape repairs. The project will also install new accessible interior restrooms; replace mechanical, electrical, plumbing, and lighting systems; and install a new fire detection, alarm, and suppression system. Rehabilitation will correct safety issues to enable educational, recreational, or leasing opportunities.