



Utah

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



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 Utah

In Utah, the total deferred maintenance and repair (DM&R) backlog for the four Interior GAOA LRF bureaus is \$764,242,000**.

Bureau	DM&R**
Bureau of Indian Education (BIE)	\$8,973,000
Bureau of Land Management (BLM)	\$230,554,000
National Park Service (NPS)	\$455,903,000
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS)	\$68,812,000

GAOA LRF in Utah

With the full five years of funding, GAOA LRF will invest over **\$129.3 million** towards improving over **140** assets across **20** projects in Utah.

As of September 2023, Maintenance Action Teams have completed work at **2** FWS locations in Utah.



GAOA LRF Projects



Completed Maintenance Action Team Activities

Assets improved in Utah:



Recreational and Visitor Experience Assets



Housing Assets



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 Utah

Bureau	Unit Name	Project Title	Funding [†] as of Mar. 2024
BIE	Navajo Region	Navajo - Education Demolition Project b**	\$10,688,000
BLM	Canyon Country District	Canyon Rims Roads, Needles Overlook Road, Westernmost Portion, Maintenance and Repairs—Phase II	\$4,089,000
BLM	Canyon Country District	Crescent Wash Dam Decommissioning	\$4,200,000*
BLM	Canyon Country District	Hamburger Rock Campground Repairs—Phase II of II	\$135,000
BLM	Canyon Country District	Moab Recreation Site Repair—Phase I of II	\$200,000
BLM	Canyon Country District	Monticello Trail, Mill Canyon Track Site Boardwalk, Maintenance	\$350,000
BLM	Color Country and Paria River Districts	Color Country and Paria River District Recreation Site Repairs	\$4,500,000
BLM	Color Country District	Color Country Administration Facility Replacements and Repairs	\$7,000,000
BLM	Color Country District	Color Country Recreation Sites, Maintenance and Repairs—Phase II	\$350,000
BLM	Color Country District	Color Country Road Project Maintenance and Repairs	\$300,000
BLM	Color Country District	Hanging Rock Recreation Site and Road, Maintenance and Repairs	\$300,000
BLM	Green River District	Swasey's Campground, Parking Expansion, Boat Ramp Repair	\$300,000
BLM	West Desert District	Little Sahara Rec Site Maintenance—Phase I of III	\$556,000
BLM	West Desert District	Little Sahara Recreation Area Maintenance—Phases II and III	\$6,057,000
BLM	West Desert District	Rosebud Administrative Site Storage Structure Replacement	\$461,000
FWS	Bear River Migratory Bird Refuge	Rehabilitation of Water Management Infrastructure	\$15,472,000
NPS	Bryce Canyon National Park	Rehabilitate the Main Water System	\$15,326,000
NPS	Canyonlands National Park	Rehabilitate Utilities and Communication Infrastructure	\$34,726,000*
NPS	Glen Canyon National Recreation Area	Rehabilitate Critical Utility Systems**	\$72,489,000
NPS	Zion National Park	Rehabilitate South Campground	\$15,410,000

*total project funding includes proposed FY25 funding

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

†rounded to thousands



GAOA LRF Project Spotlights in Utah

Rehabilitate South Campground

Zion National Park



Campsite at Zion National Park. Photo credit: NPS

Zion National Park, Utah's first national park, spans a striking landscape of red sandstone cliffs, deep ravines, waterfalls, and hidden river valleys. This project will rehabilitate components within the aging campground that are in poor condition. Work includes rehabilitation of visitor facilities and amenities, a historic comfort station, campground roads, drainage systems, and approximately 128 campsites. This project will improve accessibility and safety improvements allowing campers to enjoy this campsite for years to come.

Rehabilitation of Water Management Infrastructure

Bear River Migratory Bird Refuge



The Bear River Migratory Bird Refuge. Photo credit: FWS

The Bear River Migratory Bird Refuge serves as feeding and breeding grounds for migratory birds in northern Utah, where the Bear River flows into the northeast arm of the Great Salt Lake. Flooding and aging infrastructure has created safety hazards and structural deficiencies at the refuge. This project will repair the exterior siding, replace the visitor center roof, and replace the east and west boardwalks near the wildlife education center.

Color Country Recreation Site Maintenance and Repairs - Phase II

Color County District



Repairs at South Fork Indian Canyon Pictographs. Photo credit: BLM

The Bureau of Land Management is responsible for various sites across the state of Utah that offer a wide range of outdoor recreation opportunities. This project repaired campsites at Three Peaks Large Group Campsite and Ponderosa Grove Campground, corrected drainage issues at Three Peaks Radio Control Model Port, and repaired a boardwalk and fencing at the South Fork Indian Canyon Pictographs site. The project enhances public experience, increases recreation access, and reduces annual maintenance costs across the sites.