



Wisconsin

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



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 Wisconsin

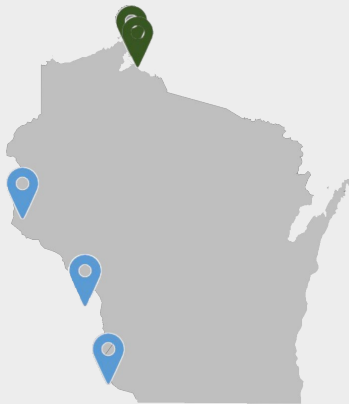
In Wisconsin, the total deferred maintenance and repair (DM&R) backlog for the four Interior GAOA LRF bureaus is over \$118,214,000**.

| Bureau | DM&R** |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|
| Bureau of Indian Education (BIE) | \$17,376,000 |
| Bureau of Land Management (BLM) | \$0 |
| National Park Service (NPS) | \$63,675,000 |
| U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) | \$37,163,000 |

GAOA LRF in Wisconsin

With the full five years of funding, GAOA LRF will invest approximately **\$20.6 million** towards improving **4** assets at **2** projects in Wisconsin.

As of September 2023, Maintenance Action Teams have completed work at **3** FWS locations in Wisconsin.



Assets improved in Wisconsin:



Water Infrastructure and Other Utilities



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 Wisconsin

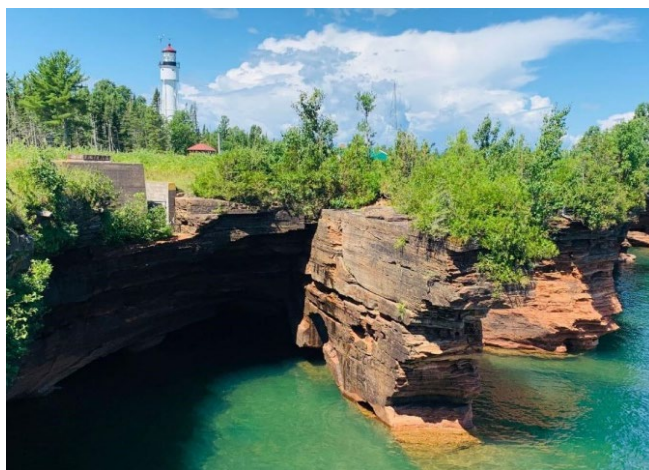
| Bureau | Unit Name | Project Title | Funding [†] as of Mar. 2024 |
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| NPS | Apostle Islands National Lakeshore | Rehabilitate Outer Island Dock | \$3,400,000* |
| NPS | Apostle Islands National Lakeshore | Rehabilitate Waterfront at Little Sand Bay and Devils Island, Reconstruct Boathouse | \$17,200,000 |

*total project funding includes proposed FY25 funding

[†]rounded to thousands

Rehabilitate Waterfront at Little Sand Bay and Devils Island, Reconstruct Boathouse

Apostle Islands National Lakeshore



Devils Island at Apostle Islands National Lakeshore
Photo Credit: NPS

Apostle Islands National Lakeshore is a remote archipelago in Lake Superior known for its unique geology, the largest concentration of lighthouses in the country, and historic and archeological resources. The Little Sand Bay Marina is at risk of failure and the Devils Island Marina is severely damaged. This project will rehabilitate and stabilize the waterfront systems at both marinas, reinforce the seawall, and repair the retaining wall and reconstruct the historic boat house at Devils Island. This work will improve resiliency against waves, protect historic resources, and provide safe access for visitors, U.S Coast Guard, park law enforcement, and resource protection staff.

Maintenance Action Teams

Trempealeau National Wildlife Refuge, St. Croix Wetland Management District, and Upper Mississippi River National Wildlife and Fish Refuge – McGregor District



Trail at Trempealeau National Wildlife Refuge under construction. Photo Credit: USFWS

GAOA LRF is funding Maintenance Action Teams (MATs) for 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 Trempealeau National Wildlife Refuge, St. Croix Wetland Management District, and Upper Mississippi River National Wildlife and Fish Refuge – McGregor District in Wisconsin.

At Trempealeau National Wildlife Refuge, MATs completed the rehabilitation of the Levee Delta Road.