



North Dakota

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 nearly \$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 North Dakota

In North Dakota, the total deferred maintenance and repair (DM&R) backlog for the four Interior GAOA LRF bureaus is \$179,618,000**.

Bureau	DM&R**
Bureau of Indian Education (BIE)	\$27,867,000
Bureau of Land Management (BLM)	\$857,000
National Park Service (NPS)	\$82,401,000
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS)	\$68,494,000

GAOA LRF in North Dakota

With the full five years of funding, GAOA LRF will invest nearly **\$56 million** towards improving approximately **8** assets across **3** projects in North Dakota.

As of March 2025, Maintenance Action Teams have completed work at **2** NPS locations in North Dakota.



● GAOA LRF Projects

● Completed Maintenance Action Team Activities

Assets improved in North Dakota:



Transportation Assets



Housing Assets



Operational Buildings

* These numbers are estimates and include FY21 - FY25 GAOA LRF-funded projects.

** DM&R estimates represent a point in time, reported as of 9/30/2024, 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 North Dakota

Bureau	Unit Name	Project Title	Funding [†] as of Mar. 2025
BIE	Great Plains Region	Great Plains - Education Demolition Project*	\$914,000
NPS	Theodore Roosevelt National Park	Repave Route 10	\$4,500,000
NPS	Theodore Roosevelt National Park	South Unit Scenic Loop Slide Repair	\$51,227,000

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

[†] Rounded to thousands.

Great Plains – Education Demolition Project

Great Plains Region



Demolition activity at a BIE-funded educational facility. Photo Credit: EQMS

The BIE manages schools for native youth in North Dakota. The school inventory included excess structures that were derelict and unsafe, with the potential to negatively impact academic performance. This project demolished 18,875 square feet of education buildings at five schools in the Great Plains region, including Mandaree Day School in North Dakota, to improve the learning environment for students. Demolition improves educational facilities' overall safety and condition for students, staff, and teachers.

South Unit Scenic Loop Slide Repair

Theodore Roosevelt National Park



Completed log pile retaining wall, prior to repaving at Theodore Roosevelt National Park. Photo Credit: NPS

Theodore Roosevelt National Park protects over 70,000 acres of rugged landscape honoring the former president and protecting a place he often visited for recreation. A segment of one of the park's major roads has been inaccessible to traffic since the summer of 2019 following a series of mudslides that degraded the roadway. This project is repairing the damaged segment of the road to improve emergency response to the east side of the park and allow visitors to enjoy the full scenic drive.