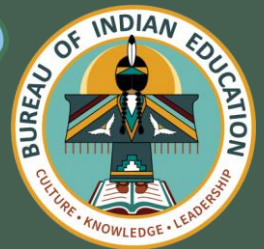




Great American Outdoors Act

National Parks and Public Land Legacy Restoration Fund

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GAOA Legacy Restoration Fund (LRF) Overview



Public Law 116-152: The Great American Outdoors Act, was signed into law on August 4, 2020

- Established the “National Parks and Public Land Legacy Restoration Fund” (LRF) - up to \$1.9B per year
- LRF Funding derived from 50% of all energy development revenues ... on Federal land and water ... in the preceding fiscal year; NTE \$1.9 billion per fiscal year across all covered agencies for five years.



DOI + USDA anticipate receiving as much as \$9.5 billion over the course of FY21 - FY25 (**70%** to NPS, **15%** to USFS, and **5%** each to FWS, BLM, and BIE); funds to be used for priority deferred maintenance projects



Assets defined as real property, physical structure or grouping, landscape, trail, tangible property with a specific service or function tracked and managed as distinct, identifiable entity. Projects defined as activities to reduce or eliminate DM of an asset



Transportation Projects (including roads, bridges, tunnels, and paved parking areas) cannot exceed more than **35%** of the fund



Other Requirements and Allowances:

- Expenditures must incorporate measures to improve accessibility
- Public Donations: Secretary can accept cash or in-kind donations that advance efforts
- GAO Study after 5 years

FY21 GAOA LRF Project Selection Criteria



Primary Objective = Reduce/eliminate deferred maintenance

- Bureaus are selecting projects with the potential to:
 - **Improve DOI's Financial Health:** *Deferred maintenance reduction, financial leveraging, and portfolio right-sizing*
 - **Maximize Citizens Served:** *High use facilities, improve ADA accessibility, expand outdoor recreation/public access*
 - **Protect Those We Serve:** *Public safety, student/workforce safety, fire suppression*
 - **Plan for the Future:** *Ability to support conservation, recreation, and education opportunities into the future*
- Other considerations:
 - **Project Readiness:** Projects were largely sourced from prioritized lists for existing funding programs (e.g., line item construction, federal lands transportation program, federal lands recreation enhancement act)
 - **High Cost:** Large projects that have been “out of reach” due to annual discretionary funding limitations
 - **Leveraging Opportunities:** Projects that attract outside investment/donations and employ sustainable life-cycle asset management strategies
 - **Alignment with Presidential Priorities:** Job creation, youth/job corps, climate resiliency, underserved communities, clean energy, and conservation/resource threats
- Multiple layers of review:
 - Bureau Investment Review Boards → Bureau Leadership → GAOA PMO → DOI Leadership → OMB

DOI Project Portfolio Overview - Funded to Date

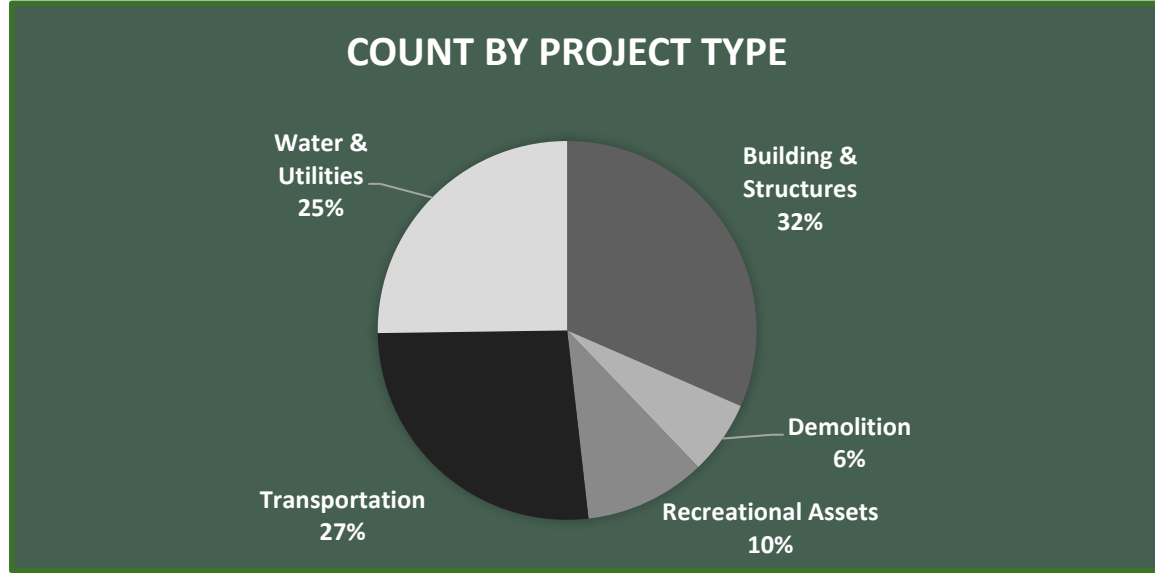
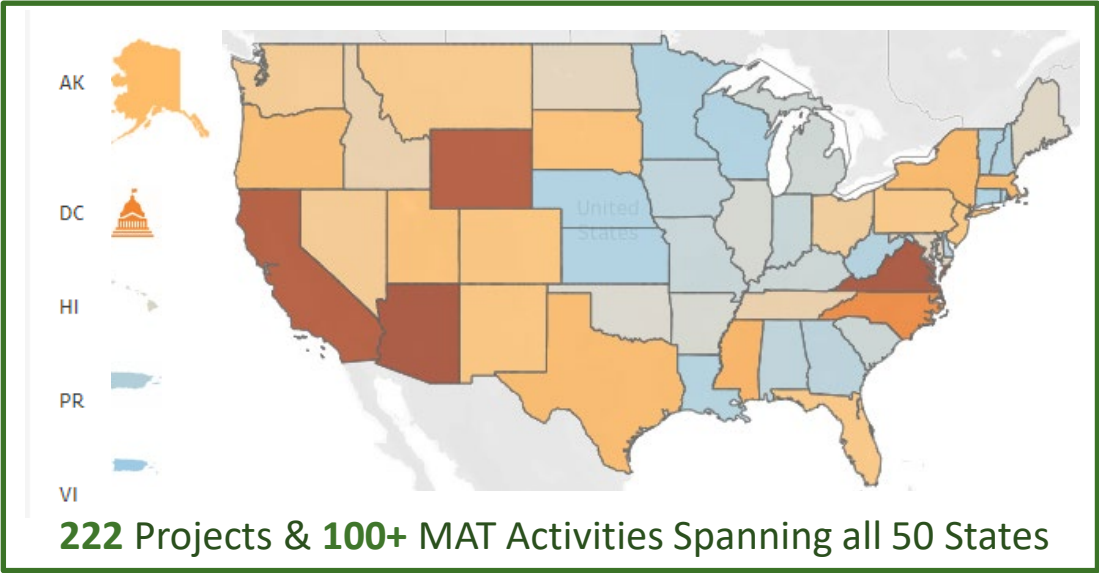


Project Cost	Count	%	FY21 & 22 Estimated Spend: \$2.60 billion ↓ 44% of \$ Transportation 56% of \$ Non-Transportation Estimated DM Addressed: \$2.26 billion
\$0 - \$250K	22	10%	
\$251K - \$500K	34	15%	
\$500K - \$1M	24	11%	
\$1M - \$5M	41	18%	
\$5M - \$25M	69	31%	
\$25M - \$50M	24	11%	
>\$50M	9	4%	
Total	222	100%	

Avg project cost is \$11.7M

Bureau	FY21 Projects Funded	FY22 Projects Funded	Total Projects
NPS	48	34	82
FWS	9	15*	18
BLM	97	14	111
BIE	9	4*	11
Total	163	67*	222

**6 FWS projects and 2 BIE projects funded in multiple years*



DOI Project Portfolio Overview – FY23 Proposed



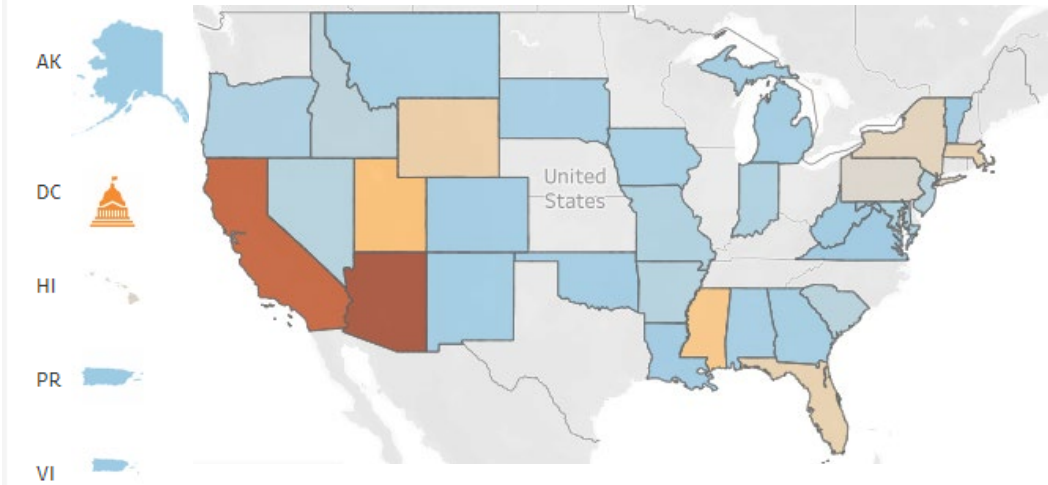
Project Cost	Count	%
\$0 - \$250K	3	5%
\$251K - \$500K	1	1%
\$500K - \$1M	3	5%
\$1M - \$5M	15	24%
\$5M - \$25M	27	43%
\$25M - \$50M	8	13%
>\$50M	6	10%
Total	63	

FY23 Estimated Spend:
\$1.1 billion

9% of \$ Transportation
91% of \$ Non-Transportation

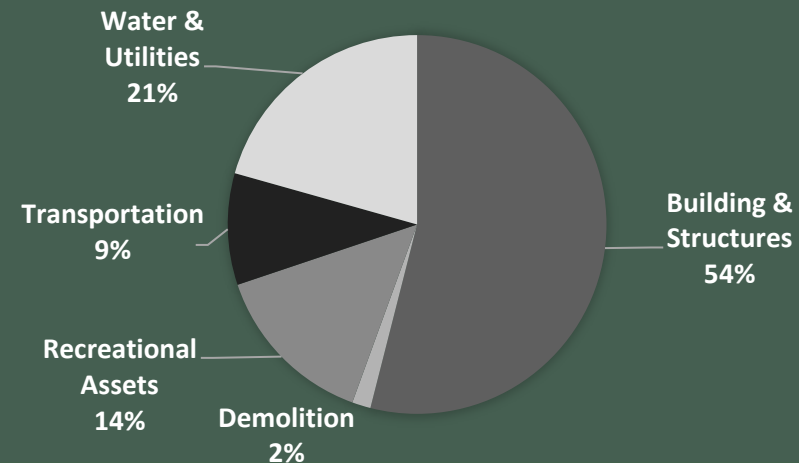
Avg project cost is \$17.5M

Bureau	FY23 Proposed Projects	Estimated Project Spend
NPS	27	\$862M
FWS	19	\$79M
BLM	14	\$82M
BIE	3	\$83M
Total	63	\$1.1B



63 Projects & TBD MAT Activities

COUNT BY PROJECT TYPE



Sample Projects



***Rehabilitate Final 9.3 miles of the Going-to-the-Sun Road
& Replace Bridge Over McDonald Creek
\$17.1M, Glacier National Park [MT]***



***Many Farms High School
\$75.6M, Navajo Region [AZ]***

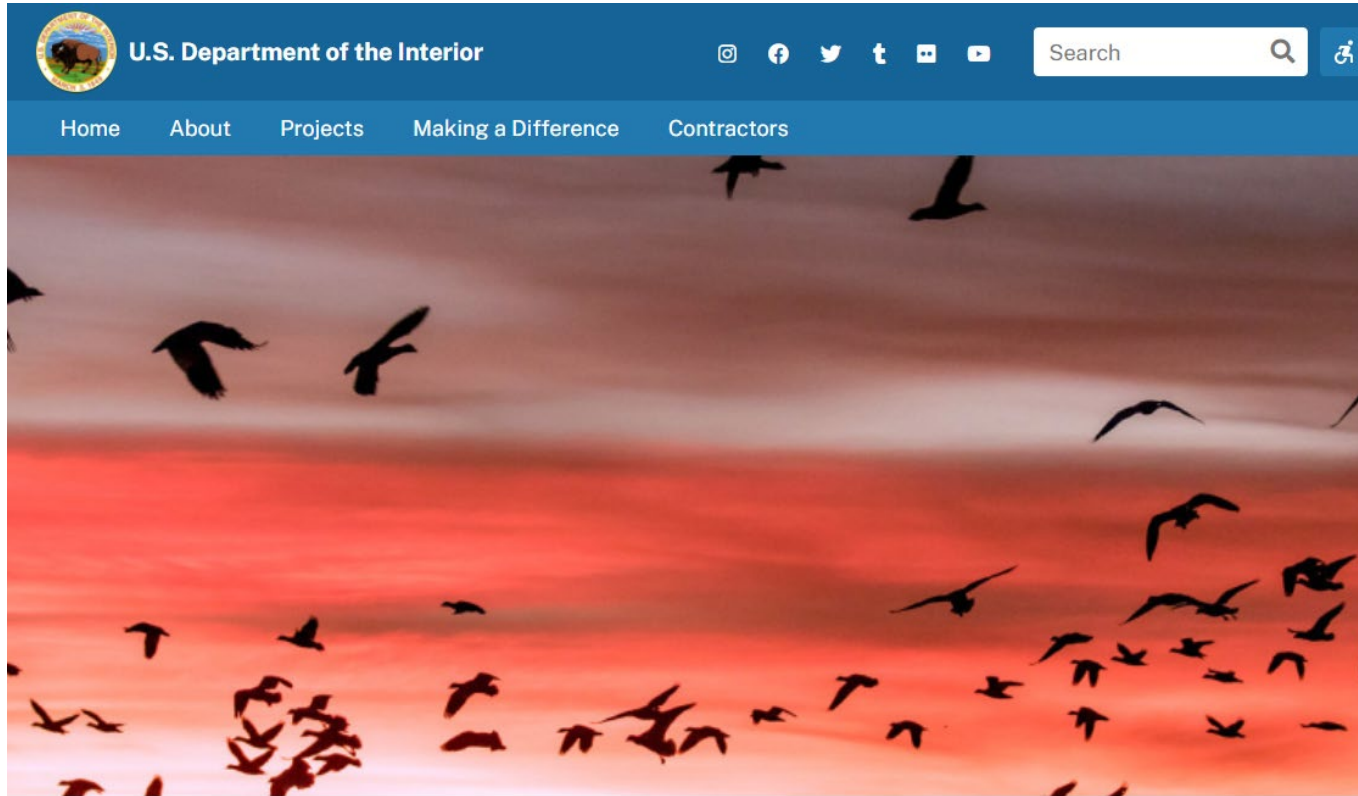


***Axolotl Lakes Road Surfacing
\$440K, Western Montana District [MT]***



***FWS Maintenance Action Team at Work
~\$73M, Multiple Locations, FY21-25***

Additional Program Information



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Great American Outdoors Act

Through the Great American Outdoors Act (GAOA), the Department of the Interior is investing in much-needed maintenance for critical facilities and infrastructure in our national parks, forests, wildlife refuges, recreation areas and Tribal schools. GAOA authorizes up to \$1.9 billion annually for five years to fund deferred maintenance projects, investments that will also benefit underserved communities and help advance the Biden-Harris administration's commitment to racial equity. GAOA also authorizes permanent funding of the [Land and Water Conservation Fund](#) at \$900 million annually to improve recreational opportunities on public lands, protect watersheds and wildlife, and preserve ecosystem benefits for local communities.

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Questions?