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Missouri

Great American Outdoors Act National Parks and Public Land Legacy Restoration Fund

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 allocated 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 GAOA LRF funding, Interior bureaus are:

- Funding 396 projects across 50 states, the District of Columbia, and multiple territories
- Addressing nearly \$6 billion in deferred maintenance and repair
- Improving 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 Missouri

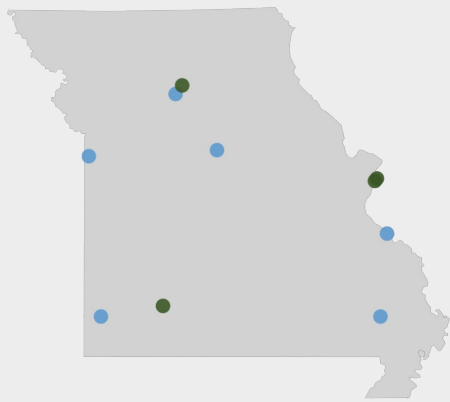
In Missouri, the total deferred maintenance and repair (DM&R) backlog for the four Interior GAOA LRF bureaus is \$250,194,000**.

Bureau	DM&R**
Bureau of Indian Education (BIE)	\$0
Bureau of Land Management (BLM)	\$0
National Park Service (NPS)	\$174,383,000
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS)	\$75,812,000

GAOA LRF in Missouri

With the full five years of funding, GAOA LRF will invest nearly **\$55.9 million** towards improving over **60** assets across **4** projects in Missouri.

As of December 2025, Maintenance Action Teams have completed work at **3** FWS locations and **3** NPS locations in Missouri.



● GAOA LRF Projects ● Completed Maintenance Action Team Activities

Assets improved in Missouri:



Transportation 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 9/30/2025, 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.



GAOA LRF Projects, Locations, and Funding in Missouri

Bureau	Unit Name	Project Title	Funding [†] as of Dec. 2025
FWS	Swan Lake National Wildlife Refuge	Replacement of Office & Retirement of Deferred Maintenance Backlog	\$8,607,000
NPS	Gateway Arch National Park	Preserve Features and Systems of the Old Courthouse	\$17,110,000
NPS	Gateway Arch National Park	Preserve Features and Systems of the Old Courthouse - Phase II	\$12,000,000
NPS	George Washington Carver National Monument, Ozark National Scenic Riverways, Wilson's Creek National Battlefield	Complete Pavement Rehabilitation on High-Priority NPS Roads in Missouri	\$18,172,000

[†] Rounded to thousands.

Replacement of Office & Retirement of Deferred Maintenance Backlog

Swan Lake National Wildlife Refuge



Interior damage cleanup in progress at Swan Lake National Wildlife Refuge. Photo Credit: USFWS

Swan Lake National Wildlife Refuge is designated as an Important Bird Area for Missouri and provides habitat, sanctuary, and breeding grounds for migratory birds and other wildlife. The headquarters office building at the refuge was constructed in 1981 and has been uninhabitable since 2019 due to flood damage. This project will demolish the old office building and replace it with a new office building to provide a safe and accessible space for both staff and the public. The new building will improve energy efficiency, lower operating costs, and be relocated to prevent future flooding issues. This project will also make necessary repairs to equipment storage buildings, levees, and roads.

Complete Pavement Rehabilitation on High-Priority NPS Roads in Missouri

George Washington Carver National Monument, Ozark National Scenic Riverways, Wilson's Creek National Battlefield



Road repairs at Ozark National Scenic Riverways. Photo Credit: NPS

From scenic riverways to historical sites, the national parks in Missouri are plentiful and offer visitors the chance to immerse themselves in the state's history, natural beauty, and culture. However, roads and parking areas have deteriorated with the potential to cause safety hazards and damage to vehicles. This project is repairing roads and parking lots by applying a variety of asphalt treatments at George Washington Carver National Monument, Ozark National Scenic Riverways, and Wilson's Creek National Battlefield. This project improves and extends the life of the paved areas to increase safety and experience when driving through these parks.