



U.S. FISH AND
WILDLIFE SERVICE

GAOA & Other Project Aspects

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Overview

1. GAOA & the USFWS
 - Issue
 - Impact
3. Procurement Strategies
4. Other Ways to Participate with the USFWS
5. Questions & Answers



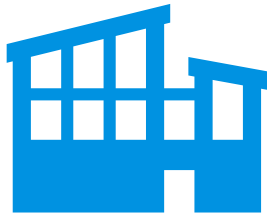
The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

- **Land Management Agency within the DOI**
 - National Wildlife Refuge System (GAOA)
- **Priorities of the USFWS**
 - Landscape Conservation
 - Migratory Birds
 - Threatened and Endangered Species
 - Aquatic Species
 - Connecting People With Nature

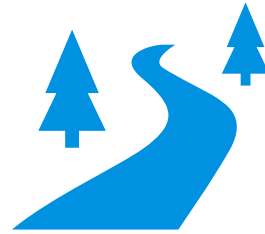


OUR FWS INFRASTRUCTURE PORTFOLIO

Valued at **\$54 billion** and contains over **45,000** constructed real property assets.



Visitors



Recreational
Access



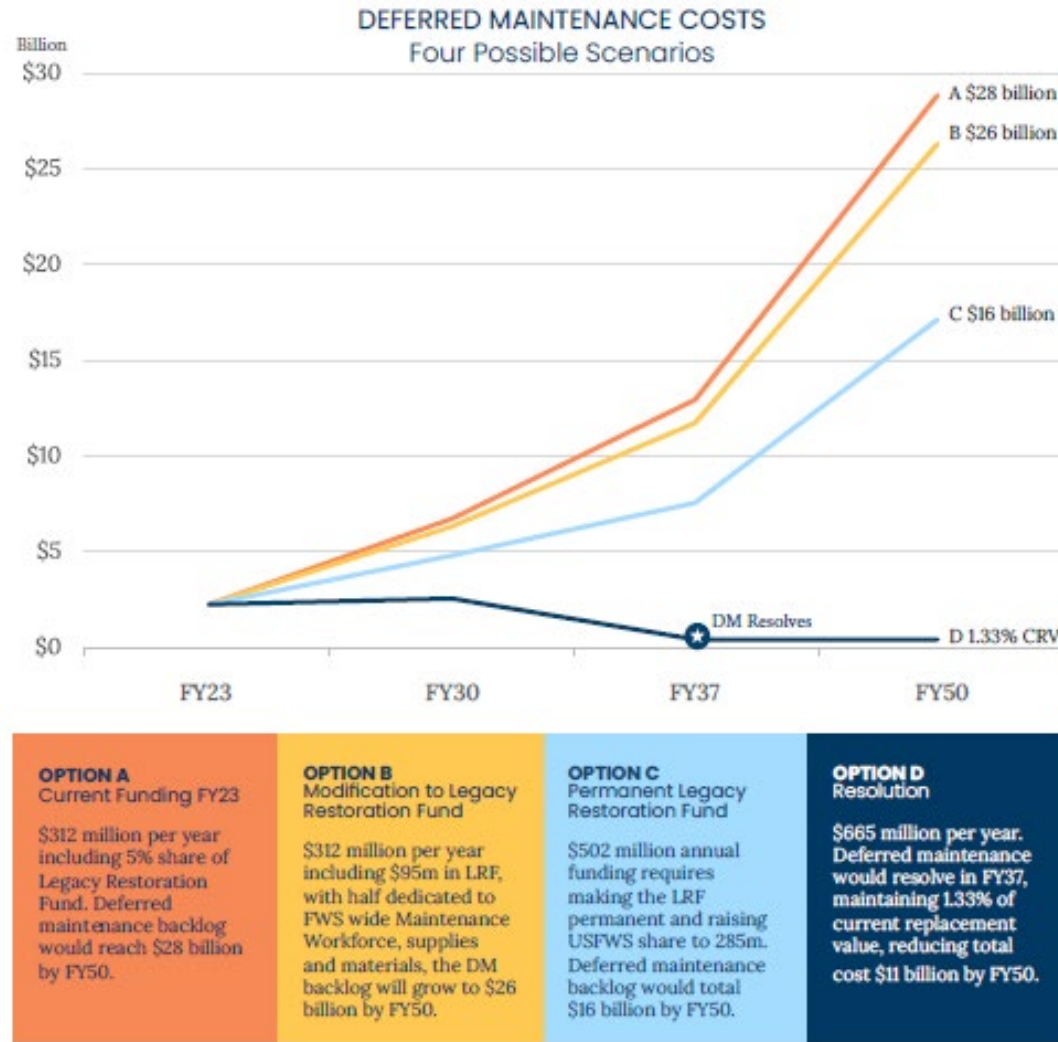
Conservation

ECONOMIC BENEFIT

Every \$1 invested in infrastructure
= \$3.12 in economic activity



Impact of the Great American Outdoors Act



- The size of the aging FWS portfolio exceeds the Deferred Maintenance budget.
- The current structure of maintaining assets once they have moved into Deferred Maintenance is unsustainable.
- The Service is now working towards a Life-cycle approach to maintenance.



USFWS GAOA Project Selection

Criteria-Based Point Ranking

- (11) Qualitative & Quantitative
- Go/NoGo Tiering Constraints
- Management Considerations

Quantitative Criteria:

- (4) - Geared to % Reduction of DM, Energy Efficiency Improvements, Co-Location Savings, & Partnership Contribution %Mandatory Use of MATOCs

Qualitative Criteria:

- (7) Increased Visitor & Outdoor Recreation, Habitat Restoration/Storm Resiliency, T&E Species Recovery, Invasives Management, Tribal Trust Impacts, Environmental Cleanup Aspects, & Maintenance Action Team Opportunity

GAOA Go/NoGo & Tiering Constraints:

- Go/NoGo: Project must be a DM Retirement Project?
- Tier: Is Refuge within the top 1/3 for Visitation?
- Tier: Does the Refuge fall within the top 1/3 for DM Backlog?

Management Considerations:

- Prior Investment into Project
- Political Sensitivity



USFWS Procurement Strategies

Structure:

- USFWS National Teams to Address Different Funding Vehicles

Strategy:

- Mandatory Use of MATOCs
- Waivers for Unique Circumstances or Rebids

Types of MATOCs:

- Geotechnical Services – 5 Yr/\$25M Cap
- Architect/Engineer – 5 Yr/\$50M Cap, State Pools
- Alternation/Repair – Buildings, Civil, Mechanical/Electrical - 5 Yr/\$50M Cap/Yr,
- Design/Build – Base + 4 Option Years, \$250M Cap

Format:

- Vendor Pool for Each State
- Contract Type: Lowest Price, Best Value, Highest Qualified (A/E), 2 Phase (D/B)



Ways to Get Involved with the USFWS

1. Self-Market to MATOC Firms

- Opportunity as FWS Mandatory Use Policy & Other Bureaus Saturates Pool

2. Non-GAOA Funded Projects:

- Yearly Deferred Maintenance Projects (Approx. \$40M, 40-60 projects, typical)
- FY23 Disaster Funded Projects (Approx. \$235M in Next Five Quarters, approx. 220 Solicitations)
- Past Disaster Supplemental Funded Projects (Approx. \$25M, approx. Mitigate risks in the order of their relative magnitude.

3. SAM.GOV



Questions & Answers:

