

America's Great Outdoors Fifty State Report Analysis - American Recreation Coalition

State	Project Name	Location	Federal Agency Partners	Project Goal	Visitor Enhancements	DOI Potential Action	Recreation Interest
Alabama	Conservation Education for Alabama's Youth	Alabama	NPS	Education	Expand outdoor recreation in public schools curricula, including hunter and angler education.	Develop environmental education programs and connect young people to the outdoors.	Fishing
Arizona	Rio Salado	Phoenix	BLM, BOR, FWS	Urban Park and Youth Engagement	Create more green space and fishing opportunities for local residents; open a new recreation area near the shore of Lake Pleasant Regional Park; build and maintain 18 to 20 miles of trails	Provide technical and financial support to build trails, expand urban fishing opportunities.	Fishing, Trails, Water
Arizona	Lake Havasu National Bluewater Trail System	Lake Havasu City	BLM, FWS, BOR	Water Trail, Recreation and Access	Improve shoreline access and recreation opportunities like boating, fishing, camping and trails	Provide financial support for the public access and campground projects.	Boating, Fishing, Trails, Camping
Connecticut	Connecticut River	Hartford	FWS, NPS	National Blueway with Urban Park Connections	Increase access to the Connecticut River, including providing new launch sites for canoes and kayaks, more trails along the river and added camping areas	Increase access to the Connecticut River; Designate a portion of the river as a National Blueway.	Boating, Camping, Trails
Connecticut	Naugatuck River	Western Connecticut	NPS, FWS, NOAA	National Blueway, Access, and Restoration	Enhance recreational access, increase fishing opportunities, stimulate economic development	Help complete Naugatuck River Greenway, which will create new public access to the river and open fish passages on the river.	Fishing, Water
Georgia	Panola Mountain State Park	Atlanta Area	NPS	Greenway, Recreation and Access	Extend multi-use trail system as a regional network and develop overnight camping areas and recreation access points along the South River.	Provide planning and technical assistance.	Camping, Trails
Hawaii	North Kona-South Kohala Coastline / Ala Kahakai National Historical Trail	Island of Hawaii	NPS	Greenway and Water Trail	Connect seven national, state and county parks via aquatic and terrestrial trails. Improve recreational boating opportunities.	Provide technical and financial assistance to the Island of Hawaii to enhance the Ala Kahakai Trail and provide new access points along the Kona Coast.	Trails, Boating
Idaho	Boise River Greenbelt	Boise, Idaho	BOR, NPS, FWS, BLM	Urban Park	Connect pathways on both sides of Boise River to create a recreational expressway, which will provide recreation access and bicycle commuting to 10 cities in Idaho's Treasure Valley. The project will also clear barriers and increase access for boating and fishing.	Provide technical and financial assistance for the extension of the Boise River Greenbelt.	Fishing, Boating, Biking
Kentucky	Kentucky River Water Trail	Lexington, Kentucky	NPS	Water Trail Extension	Extend the water trail to increase tourism.	Provide planning and technical assistance to extend water trail. Provide financial support for the construction of boating infrastructure at access points along the trail.	Boating, Water

Louisiana	Urban Waters Initiative	New Orleans, Louisiana	FWS, EPA, NPS, NOAA, USGS, USACE	Urban Recreation Access	Revitalize and increase access to local waters by building the Lafitte Corridor Greenway, a multi-use recreational path, and Big Branch National Wildlife Refuge, a fishing pier.	Continue to provide technical and financial support for these and other projects.	Fishing, Water
Michigan	Detroit River	Detroit, Michigan	FWS, NPS	Urban Park	Improve land-based recreation opportunities; reopen the city's only access point for fishing and boating.	Provide technical and financial assistance.	Fishing, Boating, Land-Based Recreation
Mississippi	Mississippi Coastal Heritage Trail	Coastal Counties of Hancock, Harrison and Jackson, Mississippi	NPS	Recreational Trails	Provide quality recreation areas. Provide a network connecting recreation sites, water-ways, islands and forests.	Provide technical or financial support to expand and improve trail access.	Fishing, Trails, Water
Montana	Fort Missoula Regional Park	Missoula, Montana	NPS	Urban Park	Attract tourists to the area by providing and improving three miles of trails, fishing ponds, and access to the Bitterroot River.	Provide technical and financial assistance for the expansion of the park and improvements to public access on Bitterroot River.	Fishing, Trails
Nebraska	Platte River Access	Central Nebraska	BoR, FWS	River Access	Improve the Platte River Recreation Access (PRRA) program, which regulates public access to riverside habitat for recreational use. The program currently allows activities like hunting, fishing and hiking at certain times of the year.	Provide technical and financial assistance to support continuation and expansion of the PRRA program.	Fishing, Hunting, Trails
Nevada	Colorado River Heritage Greenway Park and Trails	Clark County, Nevada	NPS, BLM, BoR	Trails	Complete a trails system and build day-use areas, picnic sites, shade shelters, equestrian facilities, fishing piers and provide access to the Colorado River.	Provide financial and technical support to hire a youth crew to complete two trail segments.	Fishing, Trails, Equestrian
New Jersey	Barnegat Bay	Central Eastern Shore	FWS	Landscape Preservation and Recreation	Increase public access to New Jersey's waterways including at Barnegat Bay, which has long been a center for commercial fishing and is also popular with recreational boaters. This project prioritizes land acquisition in key areas of the state.	Provide financial assistance for critical land acquisition near key recreation areas of New Jersey.	Fishing, Boating
New York	Finger Lakes Trail and Water Access Improvements	Upstate New York	NPS	Water Trail	Develop more recreational access points to expand the Finger Lake Region's \$90 million hunting, fishing and recreation industry.	Provide technical and financial assistance to increase access to the lakes. Then designate the Finger Lakes as a National Water trail.	Fishing, Boating, Hunting
Ohio	Grand Lake St. Marys Watershed Wetland Development	Western Ohio	NPS, USGS, FWS	Environmental Restoration	Grand Lake St. Marys is a popular destination for outdoor enthusiasts who enjoy swimming, fishing and boating. Improve recreational access to the lake.	Provide technical and financial assistance for environmental restoration and recreation access.	Fishing, Boating
Oklahoma	Blue River	South Central Oklahoma	NPS, FWS	National Blueway	Expand and improve access to the river for public use and enjoyment. Recreational opportunities include hiking, camping, hunting, fishing, canoeing.	Designate the river as a National Blueway and provide technical or financial support for expanding and improving river access.	Camping, Hiking, Fishing, Canoeing

South Carolina	Three Rivers Greenway	Columbia, South Carolina	FWS, NPS	Urban Park/Trail	Expand the Greenway to over 13 miles of trail and river parks. The Greenway now provides recreational access as well as access points for fishing, canoeing, kayaking and whitewater rafting.	Provide planning and technical assistance to help extend the Greenway.	Fishing, Boating
Vermont	Connecticut River	Eastern Vermont	FWS, NPS	National Blueway	Increase recreational use of the river -- particularly fishing and boating, which are already popular on the Vermont stretch of the Connecticut River. Create new access points.	Provide added funding for a Vermont project in the Silvio O. Conte National Fish and Wildlife Refuge. Designate parts of the Connecticut River in Vermont as a National Blueway.	Boating, Fishing
West Virginia	New River Gorge National River	Southern West Virginia	NPS	Youth Engagement	Partner with the Boy Scouts of America to develop a sustainable volunteer program, which will lead to improvements in access to water-based outdoor recreation like fishing and boating.	Establish a partnership between the NPS and the Boy Scouts of America to implement the trails and river access elements of the New River Gorge National River general-management plan.	Boating, Fishing, Trails