

# **NOAA OFFICE FOR COASTAL MANAGEMENT**

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# NOAA Bipartisan Infrastructure Law Funding: \$2.96B



## Climate Data & Services

**\$904 million**

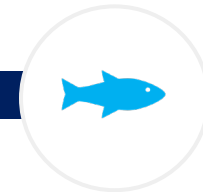
- Provision # 3: Flood and Inundation Mapping and Forecasting
- Provision # 4: Water Resources Development Act Data Acquisition
- Provision # 5 & 15: Wildfire
- Provision #11 & 17: Ocean and Coastal Observing Systems
- Provision #12: Regional Ocean Partnerships
- Provision #16: Research Supercomputing



## Climate Ready Coasts

**\$1.467 billion**

- Provision #1: National Oceans and Coastal Security Fund
- Provision #2: Habitat Restoration
- Provision #7: Marine Debris (NOS)
- Provision #8: Marine Debris (OAR)
- Provision #9: Coastal Zone Management
- Provision #10: National Estuarine Research Reserve System



## Fisheries & Protected Resources

**\$592 million**

- Provision #13: Consultations and Permitting
- Provision #14: Fish Passage
- Provision #18: Pacific Coastal Salmon Recovery Fund

# NOAA received \$1.467 billion in Bipartisan Infrastructure Law funding for the Climate Ready Coasts initiative



## Climate Ready Coasts

- Provision #1: National Oceans and Coastal Security Fund - \$492M
- Provision #2: Habitat Restoration - \$491M
- Provision #7: Marine Debris (NOS) - \$150M
- Provision #8: Marine Debris (OAR) - \$50M
- Provision #9: Coastal Zone Management - \$207M
- Provision #10: National Estuarine Research Reserve System - \$77M



# BIL Year 1 Restoration and Conservation Project Announcements Coming Soon

- Department of Commerce Announcement expected in **March** for:
- Restoration and Conservation Projects
  - Coastal Zone Management Program Projects
  - National Estuarine Research Reserve Projects
  - Transformational Habitat Restoration Projects
- Other Bipartisan Infrastructure Law investments, including Marine Debris projects
- National Coastal Resilience Fund **announced \$144M in competitive grants in Aug/Dec 2022**
- Funding Announcements linked to:  
[noaa.gov/infrastructure-law](https://noaa.gov/infrastructure-law)



COASTAL WETLANDS

OYSTERS & SEA GRASSES

LIVING SHORELINES

COASTAL FOREST

BEACHES & SAND DUNES

CORALS

# NATURE BASED SOLUTIONS

# FY23 Funding Announcements Coming Soon



- National Coastal Resilience Fund FFO: **Open Now**, <https://bit.ly/3lxSibG>
- Restoration and Conservation Projects: **expected Mid-May**
  - Coastal Zone Management Program Projects
  - National Estuarine Research Reserve Projects
  - Transformational Habitat Restoration Projects
- Marine Debris Program Funding: **next competition in FY24**





# Coastal Zone Management and National Estuarine Research Reserve Habitat Protection and Restoration Grants

- **Funding Objectives:** Restore and protect ecologically significant habitat areas to enhance ecosystems services and provide community resilience.
- **Project Types:** Habitat restoration; Habitat restoration planning, engineering, and design; Ecosystem conservation and acquisition.
- **Funding Available:**
  - **\$207 million** over 5 Years for Coastal Zone Management Programs
  - **\$77 million** over 5 Years for National Estuarine Research Reserves
  - Competitive and Non-Competitive Funding provided to Programs
- **Application Process:** Competitive Letters of Interest and Invitations to Full Proposals. Project partnerships with Tribal, state, local, regional governments, academia and NGOs allowed. Acquired land must be publicly held (state, local, tribal government).



## Preparing for 2023

### Process and Estimated Timelines



- Release of NOAA of Funding Opportunity estimated mid-May
- Phase 1: Letters of Intent
  - Must be submitted by CZM and NERR Programs
  - Open 60 Days (planned)
  - Competitively reviewed
- Phase 2: Invitations to Submit Full Proposals
  - Can be submitted by project partner in coordination with CZM/NERR Program
  - Open 90 Days (planned)



# Habitat Restoration and Coastal Resilience Grants under BIL

Approximately **\$891 million** over 5 years for  
Office of Habitat Conservation programs:

**\$491 million** over 5 years for habitat  
restoration and resilience

**\$400 million** over 5 years for fish passage,  
with up to 15 percent reserved for federally  
recognized tribes



# Transformational Habitat Restoration and Coastal Resilience Grants



- **\$491 million** over 5 years, FY22 offered \$85M total and funding requests from \$1-15M from non-federal partners
- Competitive grant program for restoring marine, estuarine, coastal, or Great Lakes ecosystems, using approaches that enhance community resilience to climate hazards
- Rebuild sustainable fisheries and contribute to the recovery of threatened and endangered species.
- Protect the safety and well-being of coastal communities by using natural infrastructure to reduce damage from flooding and storms.

# Fish Passage Grants



- \$400 million over 5 years
- Competitive grant program for restoring fish passage by removing in-stream barriers
- Up to 15 percent reserved for federally recognized tribes and Alaska Native corporations
- Nearly \$105M worth of projects were announced in December 2022.

2022 Funded Projects: <https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/feature-story/nearly-105-million-fish-passage-funding-recommended-under-bipartisan-infrastructure>

# FY24 BIL Marine Debris Removal Funding Opportunity



- There will be no new Notice of Funding Opportunity in FY 23
- An FY24 Funding Competition is expected
  - Likely to be announced spring/ summer 2023
  - Likely to focus on large scale marine debris removal
- NOAA Marine Debris Funding Website:  
<https://bit.ly/3kiQFqI>



# Efficacy and Economics of Nature-based Solutions

- Green Infrastructure Effectiveness Database
- Resources on the economics of nature-based solutions
- Trainings on using economics to inform decisions

**Green Infrastructure Effectiveness Database**  
This database is a compilation of literature resources documenting the effectiveness of using green infrastructure to reduce impacts from coastal hazards.

Please fill in one or more fields below to narrow the search. Use quotes to search for an exact phrase. Return to basic search.

Title:  Enter a (partial) title

Author(s):  e.g. author(s), comma separated

Year published:  1980  2016

Source:  e.g. journal name

Source Type:

Keywords:  e.g. keyword(s), comma separated

Green Infrastructure Type:

Hazards:

Methodological Approaches:

Study Scale:

Region:

State:

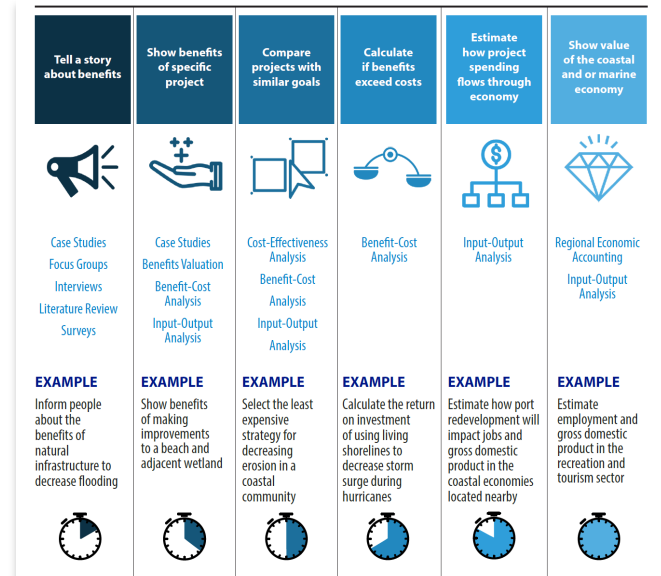
## Nature-Based Solutions Installation and Maintenance Costs

Many coastal communities are considering nature-based solutions, or green infrastructure, to reduce the impacts of coastal hazards and provide other benefits, such as recreation and wildlife habitat. To make informed decisions, local officials need information on the costs of implementing and maintaining those solutions.

The table below provides this information, including the best available figures from a variety of sources, most of which can be found in our [Nature-Based Solutions Effectiveness Database](#) (<https://www.noaa.gov/gis/hazards/economics/effectiveness>). These figures are sorted by location.

The value of the many benefits provided by each practice are not included in this table but are critical in decision-making. In many times, the benefits gained by implementing green infrastructure can offset or justify the cost of implementation. See [Nature-Based Solutions: Practices and Benefits](#) (<https://www.noaa.gov/gis/hazards/economics/practices-and-benefits>) for more information. To understand the qualitative and quantitative economic analysis available to determine costs and benefits, see [Assessing the Costs and Benefits of Nature-Based Solutions](#) (<https://www.noaa.gov/gis/hazards/economics/practices-and-benefits>).

Nature-Based Solution	Average Cost	Maintenance Cost	Cost Considerations
Land Preservation or Restoration	Varies based on land value and method of preservation	Varies based on land value and method of preservation	Ecological baseline assessment, land acquisition, removal of existing structures, design, engineering, permitting, and construction including monitoring, operation, maintenance, and evaluation.
Forestry: Forest Preservation	Varies based on land value and method of preservation	Varies based on land value and method of preservation	Plant materials, tree burial (watering, backhoes, shovels, mulch, weed wrap), maintenance materials (bucket truck, chainsaw), and maintenance including, opening (especially near power lines), watering, pest control, removal and disposal of hazardous trees, and fringe landscaping.



# Funding and Financing Coastal Resilience

The screenshot shows a webinar interface with a menu on the left and a main content area. The menu includes 'Welcome', 'Leigh Whelpton - Conservation Finance Network', 'Erik Meyers - The Conservation Fund', 'Highlights from Panel Discussion', and 'ADDITIONAL RESOURCE - Funding and Financing: Options and Considerations for Coastal Resilience Projects'. The main content area features 'Guest Speakers' and a 'Moderator' section. Leigh Whelpton, Program Director of the Conservation Finance Network, is listed with 'Watch', 'Listen', and 'Read' options. Erik Meyers, Vice President of the Conservation Fund, is also listed with similar options. A note mentions that by sponsoring intensive training opportunities and supporting a growing number of public, private, and nonprofit professionals, the Conservation Finance Network helps increase the financial resources deployed for conservation. Kim Penn, Climate Coordinator at NOAA Office for Coastal Management, is listed as the moderator with a 'Read Highlights from the Panel Discussion' option. A note mentions that Kim focuses on connecting partners to resources that advance coastal community resilience, with a primary interest in nature-based solutions and resilience investment. Kim also provides leadership and support for intra- and interagency activities related to these areas. Previously, at the White House Council on Environmental Quality, Kim led the resilience finance portfolio within the President's Climate Action Plan.

The document is titled 'FUNDING AND FINANCING Options and Considerations for Coastal Resilience Projects' and is a 'Quick Reference' document. It includes the NOAA logo and the text 'OFFICE FOR COASTAL MANAGEMENT'. The document explains that this quick reference is used to learn about different types of funding and financing for coastal resilience projects, and considerations for each. It states that investments in coastal resilience are made under the auspices of comprehensive planning, hazard mitigation, climate adaptation, continuity of operations, and public health, to name a few. Identifying and accessing funding and financing opportunities can be challenging, but leveraging diverse investment streams can help communities advance multi-objective projects. Communities consider a number of factors when choosing appropriate funding and financing approaches, including project scale, complexity of selected investment method, time frame, and others. The document defines 'Funding' as money that ultimately pays for a specific project and is not repaid, while 'Financing' generally creates an obligation to repay the funds along with a premium for their use. Financing may create opportunities to reduce project costs, generate the capital funds needed for a project, or shift the risk of loss (or possibility of gain) to another party. The term may also refer to the layering of different funding sources for a project. Examples of funding and financing mechanisms are provided in the tables on the following pages. The document footer includes 'OFFICE FOR COASTAL MANAGEMENT | DIGITAL COAST', 'Financing Resilience 101', '1 of 10', and '05/2020'.

The screenshot shows a 'PEER-TO-PEER CASE STUDY' titled 'Innovative Green Infrastructure Project Has Diverse Funding And Financing Portfolio'. The page features the NOAA logo and the text 'Office for Coastal Management DIGITALCOAST'. The navigation menu includes 'ABOUT', 'DATA', 'TOOLS', 'TRAINING', 'TOPICS', and 'STORIES'. The page number '1 of 10' is visible in the bottom right corner.



Thank you!

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