

#I Can See LWCF FROM DELAWARE



The Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) is America's premier federal program that reinvests offshore energy revenue into conservation to ensure that we all have access to the outdoors. Whether it is a local community park or playground, or the vast expanses of our federal public lands, Congress created the LWCF over a half-century ago to guarantee America's natural, historical and outdoor recreation heritage.

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Project Name/Unit: Prime Hook NWR (U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service)

LWCF Contribution: \$4.9 million

Stakeholders Involved: The Trust for Public Land, Rocky Mountain Conservancy

Keywords/Characteristics (eg. rec access, drinking water, consolidating maintenance): Recreation access, wildlife habitat, water resource protection

Short Description: Located on the shores of Delaware Bay between Dover and Lewes, Prime Hook protects over 10,100 acres of a diverse landscape and offers public access to coveted coastal resources. The refuge has received nearly \$5 million of LWCF money over the years and is open for bird watching, hunting, fishing, hiking, and canoeing. The wetlands habitats, covering about 80% of the unit's acreage, make the refuge a prime stopover point for migratory birds along the Atlantic Flyway.



Canoeing at Prime Hook NWR
Credit: USFWS

Project Name/Unit: Captain John Smith National Historic Trail (NPS)

LWCF Contribution: \$2.2 million

Stakeholders Involved: Chesapeake Conservancy, Partnership for the National Trails System

Keywords/Characteristics (eg. rec access, drinking water, consolidating maintenance): Recreation access, historic preservation

Short Description: The Captain John Smith Chesapeake National Historic Trail, America's first national water trail, traces the Captain John Smith's route through coastal Virginia and Maryland, and up the Nanticoke River into Delaware. Providing ample access to water recreation, the LWCF funded projects along the trail have boosted this part of the recreation economy in the region and encouraged paddling adventures from day trips to long journeys.



Smart Buoys along the
Captain John Smith National Historic Trail
Credit: NPS

Project Name/Unit: Cape Henlopen State Park (NPS State & Local Assistance)

Keywords/Characteristics (eg. rec access, drinking water, consolidating maintenance): Recreation access, historic preservation

Short Description: Cape Henlopen juts out into the sea between the Atlantic Ocean and Delaware Bay. Though officially created as a state park in 1964 and now covering 5,100 acres, the area was set aside by William Penn in 1682 for local residents of

southern Delaware. The park offers opportunities for beach swimming, hiking, biking, camping, surf-fishing, bird watching, and educational programs, including visits to World War II-era observation towers. Most recently, a stateside LWCF grant through the National Park Service and the State of Delaware was used to renovate and expand the campground at the park before the start of the 2017 summer season.

Project Name/Unit: Green Horizons (Forest Legacy Project — state grant program)

LWCF Contribution: \$14.9 million

Keywords/Characteristics (eg. rec access, drinking water, consolidating maintenance): Recreation access, working forests, habitat conservation, water protection

Short Description: A multi-year and multi-phase initiative, the Green Horizon project has benefitted from \$14.9 million in LWCF funding, guaranteeing working forest jobs and recreation access in the area.

Project Name/Unit: City of Wilmington, Father Tucker Playground & Spray Pad (ORLP urban parks program — local grant)

LWCF Contribution: \$306,447

Keywords/Characteristics (eg. rec access, drinking water, consolidating maintenance): Urban parks, recreation access, public health

Short Description: The grant was awarded through the Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership (ORLP) program for a playground and spray pad. The ORLP is funded through the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF). The ORLP program, administered by the National Park Service, seeks to identify and highlight new ways of providing opportunities for expanding outdoor play in areas with great need, as well as promoting the development of new or enhanced partnerships for outdoor recreation in urban communities across the nation.

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