



Fiscal Year 2024, Quarter 4 Deferred Maintenance Needs

Within the Senate Report accompanying the Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2024 the following language was written:

The Department of the Interior and the Forest Service are directed to maintain updated 5-year deferred maintenance plans that, to the extent practicable, include a list of all outstanding deferred maintenance needs, and to provide them to the Committees on a quarterly basis.

The following table summarizes the Forest Service's Deferred Maintenance for Quarter 4 of FY 2024.

Fiscal Year 2024, Quarter 4 Deferred Maintenance Summary by Asset Typeⁱ

Asset Type	Deferred Maintenance
Road Bridge	\$990,874,052
Building	\$2,627,320,135
Communication System	\$8,109,025
Dam	\$229,899,929
Heritage	\$35,674,946
Minor Constructed Features	\$329,368,729
Road ⁱⁱ	\$5,980,000,000
Trail	\$233,253,445
Trail Bridge	\$69,114,960
Wastewater System	\$91,985,720
Drinking Water System	\$189,352,779
Grand Total	\$10,784,953,720

ⁱ As of July 8, 2024, the following categories were updated to include inflation: Road Bridges, Buildings, Communication Systems, Dams, Wastewater system, and Drinking Water systems. Deferred Maintenance estimates for these asset types had not been adjusted for inflation in recent years, some as far back as 2016 due to difficulty in procuring RS Means cost data that can migrate into a format that works with Forest Service systems.

ⁱⁱ The roads deferred maintenance value is updated on an annual basis in October at the end of the fourth quarter after analysis of the road network (based on statistically random sample of road conditions) from US DOT Volpe Center is complete.

Deferred maintenance values for passenger car roads and trails are based on a statistically significant random sampling of these assets to generate a national deferred maintenance cost per mile. Deferred maintenance values for high clearance vehicle and basic custodial care (closed) roads cannot be estimated with a suitable degree of confidence and are therefore not included.