

NMFS' Infrastructure
Investment and Jobs Act
Updates to the National
Fish Habitat Partnership
Board

Overview of NOAA & IIJA

- The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act was signed into law November 2021, providing roughly \$3 billion for NOAA over 5 years through 18 provisions across several NOAA offices
- Several provisions focus on habitat and funding will be available through competitive grant programs for habitat conservation and coastal resilience efforts
- Unprecedented opportunity to make an impact for habitat across the country through multiple funding opportunities



Provision: Habitat Restoration and Resilience

- Competitive grant program for restoring marine, estuarine, coastal, or Great Lakes ecosystems, using approaches that enhance community resilience to climate hazards
- Lead: NOAA Fisheries' Office of Habitat Conservation
- \$491M over 5 years



Provision: Restoring Fish Passage

- For restoring fish passage by removing in-stream barriers and providing technical assistance through the Community-based Restoration Program
- 15 percent shall be reserved for Indian Tribes
- Lead: NOAA Fisheries' Office of Habitat Conservation
- \$400M over 5 years



Provision: Pacific Coastal Salmon Recovery Fund

- For an additional amount for Pacific Coastal Salmon Recovery through a competitive grant program for states and tribes to protect, conserve, and restore salmon and steelhead populations and their habitats.
- Lead: NOAA Fisheries' West Coast Region
- \$172M over 5 years





