**Project Timeline**

Please insert a timeline for completion of the proposed LWCF grant project on the following pages. The detailed timeline should include all project milestones, and measures that will provide progress towards reaching the project’s milestones.

**Important dates to remember:**

* It is estimated that project sponsors will be notified of DCR selection to move forward in October 2025.
* If selected, project sponsors will work with DCR to gather and prepare final documents for NPS throughout Fall 2025. It is estimated that NPS will authorize and officially award the grant in Spring 2026 for a three-year project period. A grant period of April 1, 2026 – March 31, 2029 can be used for planning purposes.
* For projects with additional compliance needs, the project may be delayed for NPS authorization.
* Acquisition projects must be open to the public within three years of the acquisition.
* Development projects must break ground within one year of NPS authorization date.

**Sample tasks and milestones to include:**

**All project types:**

* Environmental and historic resources review tasks already completed
* Remaining environmental review compliance tasks
* Remaining historic resources review compliance tasks
* Permit applications and approvals
* Matching funds secured/ available
* Time to complete or resolve any easement/lease/ownership issues
* Survey work
* Projected date open to the public
* Grant closeout
* Each planned contract must be listed with an expected date for bidding.

**Acquisition projects:**

* Completion of appraisal and appraisal review
* Negotiations/purchase offer with landowners
* Projected acquisition date

**Development projects:**

* Eligible pre-award planning and environmental review work being submitted for match
* Design development and construction drawings
* Permitting
* City/county/other reviews and approvals
* Bidding period/s
* Contracts awarded
* Projected groundbreaking
* Projected construction period
* Projected date open to the public

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| **Task/Milestone** | **Estimated Completion** | **Notes** |
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