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## Charlevoix Harbor, MI

### Harbor Features

- Located on the east shore of Lake Michigan, 276 miles northeast of Chicago, IL and 75 miles northeast of Frankfort, MI.
- Authorization: River & Harbor Acts of 14 Aug 1876, 2 Aug 1882, 13 Jun 1902, 20 Jun 1938, 24 Mar 1977
- Deep draft commercial harbor
- Project depths of 18 feet in Lake Michigan and in inner channels to Lake Charlevoix
- Over 4,100 feet of structures including piers and revetments
- Approximately one mile of maintained channel
- Major stakeholders include U.S. Coast Guard, Beaver Island Ferry Service, Charlevoix City Marina, Rieth-Riley (Ironton), St. James Marine Company, St. Marys Cement, Sunshine Charters sailing, various fishing charters and sightseeing cruises.

### Project Requirements

- Maintenance dredging required on a 10 to 15 year cycle; the harbor was last dredged in 1984.
- The harbor currently requires maintenance dredging.

### Consequences of Not Maintaining the Project

- Loss of jobs locally
- Loss of recreation and charter fishing
- Light loading; loss of channel depth results in increased transportation costs.



### Transportation Importance

- Commodities shipped or received include coal, slag, petroleum products, lime and cement.
- Subsistence harbor – provides the only ferry service to Beaver Island, supporting over 600 people that live on the island year round.
- Harbor is home to the U.S. Coast Guard Station Charlevoix.
- Harbor is home to the 110 foot Keweenaw Star, a sightseeing cruise vessel.
- The Charlevoix City Marina was renovated in 2007 and on average brings in 1,500 visitors annually by boat.

**U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Fiscal Year (FY) 2015, 2016 and 2017  
Charlevoix Harbor, MI - Project Requirements and President's Budget (\$1,000)**

<b>Work Package</b>	<b>FY15 Requirement</b>	<b>FY15 Appropriation</b>	<b>FY16 Requirement</b>	<b>FY16 Appropriation</b>	<b>FY17 Requirement</b>	<b>FY17 President's Budget</b>
Maintenance Dredging – Primary Work Package	300		300		400	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>0</b>

**Congressional Interests**

- Representative Dan Benishek R-MI-1
- Senator Gary Peters D-MI
- Senator Debbie Stabenow D-MI