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## Harbor Beach Harbor, MI

### Harbor Features

- Located on the west shore of Lake Huron about 60 miles north of Port Huron, MI.
- Authorization: River & Harbor Acts of 3 Mar 1871, 8 Aug 1917, 21 Jan 1927
- Deep draft commercial harbor
- Project depth of 23 feet in entrance channel and 21 feet in interior basin to provide safe vessel draft of 21 feet.
- Nearly 7,900 feet of breakwater structures
- About one half mile of maintained channel
- Major stakeholders include U.S. Coast Guard, city of Harbor Beach, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

### Project Requirements

- Approximately 65,000 to 130,000 cubic yards of material must be dredged on a 5 to 10 year cycle; the harbor was last dredged in 2010.
- Dredging is currently required to eliminate balance of shoaling in the harbor.

### Consequences of Not Maintaining the Project

- Loss of jobs locally
- Negative impact to USCG operations
- Loss of recreational navigation



### Transportation Importance

- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service uses the harbor to restock the trout population for Lake Huron.
- U.S. Coast Guard leases slips from the city-owned marina and is responsible for the area from Port Sanilac to Caseville.
- Harbor supports one city-owned and one privately owned marina totaling 146 seasonal and transient slips.
- Dive and fishing charters operate out of city-owned marina.
- U.S. Coast Guard Station Harbor Beach resides within the harbor. They have expressed concerns about inadequate depth in the harbor to accommodate their vessels.

**U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Fiscal Year (FY) 2015, 2016 and 2017  
Harbor Beach 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	850		850		850	
Maintenance Dredging – Backlog Work Package	1,000		1,000		1,000	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,850</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,850</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,850</b>	<b>0</b>

**Congressional Interests**

- Representative Candice S. Miller R-MI-10
- Senator Gary Peters D-MI
- Senator Debbie Stabenow D-MI