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Harrisville Harbor, MI

Harbor Features

- Located on the west shore of Lake Huron, 20 miles north of Oscoda and 30 miles south of Alpena.
- Authorization: River & Harbor Act of 2 Mar 1945
- Shallow draft recreational Harbor of Refuge
- Project depth is 12 feet in the entrance channel and 10 feet in the harbor basin
- Approximately 3,000 feet of maintained federal channel
- More than 2,600 feet of breakwaters
- Dredged material is placed along the beach as beach nourishment.
- Major stakeholders include the Michigan DNR, city of Harrisville, Beyers Charter Service, and Blue Bird Charter Service.

Project Requirements

- Approximately 10,000 cubic yards of material must be dredged on a five to ten year cycle; the harbor was last dredged in 2000.
- The harbor currently requires maintenance dredging.
- Repairs to navigation structures are currently required.

Consequences of Not Maintaining the Project

- Loss of jobs locally
- Loss of recreational and charter fishing in the area
- Loss of safe harbor during storm events
- Potential safety issues for recreational boating community



Transportation Importance

- This project serves as an important Harbor of Refuge as well as charter fishing and recreational navigation interests.
- The local community has established infrastructure and business within easy walking distance of the harbor facilities that generate income from harbor users and visitors to the area.
- Supports nearly 100 recreational boating slips
- Supports 5 charter fishing boats

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

| Work Package | FY15 Requirement | FY15 Appropriation | FY16 Requirement | FY16 Appropriation | FY17 Requirement | FY17 President’s Budget |
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| Maintenance Dredging – Primary Work Package | 290 | | 290 | | 295 | |
| Structure Repair by Contract | | | 500 | | 500 | |
| TOTAL | 290 | 0 | 790 | 0 | 795 | 0 |

Congressional Interests

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