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Lac La Belle, MI

Harbor Features

- Located in the northeastern tip of the Keweenaw Peninsula off the shore of Lake Superior. The harbor is about 40 miles northeast of Houghton, MI.
- Authorization: River & Harbor Act of 2 Mar 1945
- Shallow draft recreational harbor
- Project depth is 12 feet in the entrance channel and 10 feet in the inner channel
- Approximately 4,500 feet of federal channel
- 1,000 feet of north and south breakwater
- Major stakeholders include local tourism businesses, marina.

Project Requirements

- Requires maintenance dredging of approximately 5,000 cubic yards every 5 years.
- The harbor was last dredged in 2013 with funds provided by the State of Michigan under a contributed funds agreement with USACE.
- North pier requires repair



Consequences of Not Maintaining the Project

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

Transportation Importance

- Serves as an important Harbor of Refuge
- Recreational and charter fishing interests

**U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Fiscal Year (FY) 2015, 2016 and 2017
Lac La Belle, 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
Maintenance Dredging – Primary Work Package	0		0		0	
North Pier Repair	235		235		235	
TOTAL	235	0	235	0	235	0

Congressional Interests

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