



US Army Corps
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New Buffalo Harbor, MI

Harbor Features

- Located at the mouth of the Galien River on the southeast shore of Lake Michigan in Berrien County, about 45 miles east of Chicago, IL.
- Authorization: River & Harbor Act of 1962
- Shallow draft recreational harbor
- Project depths are 10 feet in the entrance channel and 8 feet in the inner channel
- Approximately 2,100 feet of maintained federal channel
- More than 2,000 feet of breakwaters
- Dredged material is placed along the beach as beach nourishment
- Major stakeholders include the Michigan DNR, Galien Marina, the Michigan Boating Industries Association, Dunewood Condo Association, South Cove, Harbor Landings Condo Association, Harbor Pointe Shores Association, Lake Michigan Yacht Club, Light House Landings, The Moorings Condo Association, New Buffalo Yacht Club, Oselka's Snug Harbor, and Pleasure Island Marina.

Project Requirements

- Approximately 10,000 cubic yards of material must be dredged on a 1 to 2 year cycle.
- Maintenance dredging was completed in 2013 using Hurricane Sandy relief funds to remove shoaling that occurred in the fall of 2012 due to that storm event.
- Harbor is currently in need of maintenance dredging.



Consequences of Not Maintaining the Project

- Loss of recreational and charter fishing in the area

Transportation Importance

- This project serves as an important Harbor of Refuge and supports charter fishing and recreational navigation interests.
- The local community has established a significant infrastructure around the harbor facilities that generates income from harbor users and visitors to the area.
- Supports 1,058 recreational boat slips

**U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Fiscal Year (FY) 2015, 2016 and 2017
New Buffalo 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
Maintenance Dredging – Primary Work Package	270		270		275	
TOTAL	270	0	270	0	275	0

Congressional Interests

- Representative Fred Upton R-MI-6
- Senator Gary Peters D-MI
- Senator Debbie Stabenow D-MI