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## Au Sable Harbor, MI

### Harbor Features

- Located on the west shore of Lake Huron, 8 miles north of Au Sable Point on northeast side of Saginaw Bay
- Authorization: Rivers & Harbors Act of 2 Mar 1945
- Shallow draft recreational harbor
- Project depth of 12 feet in the entrance channel and 10 feet in the inner channel
- Approximately 3,000 feet of maintained federal channel
- More than 2,000 feet of maintained piers and jetties
- Dredged material is placed along the beach as beach nourishment.
- Major stakeholders: U.S. Coast Guard, Michigan DNR, and Oscoda Fellow Marina

### Project Requirements

- Approximately 20,000 to 40,000 cubic yards of material must be dredged on a 3- to 7-year cycle.
- Maintenance dredging was completed in 2019 with FY18 funds when approximately 39,000 cubic yards of material was removed.
- Additional maintenance dredging is not currently required.
- Critical structure safety maintenance is currently required.

### Consequences of Not Maintaining the Project

- Loss of local jobs
- Loss of recreational and charter fishing in the area



### Transportation Importance

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

**U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Fiscal Year (FY) 2022, 2023, and 2024  
 Au Sable Harbor, MI – Project Requirements and President’s Budget (\$1,000)**

<b>Work Package</b>	<b>FY22 Requirement</b>	<b>FY22 Appropriation</b>	<b>FY23 Requirement</b>	<b>FY23 Appropriation</b>	<b>FY24 Requirement</b>	<b>FY24 President’s Budget</b>
Critical Structure Safety Maintenance	50	0	50	0	50	0
Real Estate Management	6	0	5	5	7	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>0</b>

**Congressional Interests**

- Representative Jack Bergman R-MI-1
- Senator Gary Peters D-MI
- Senator Debbie Stabenow D-MI